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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

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Mass Times

Sunday: 5:00 PM Saturday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM Sunday **Monday:** 8:30 AM

Tuesday-Thursday: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM

Friday: 8:30 AM
Saturday: 8:30 AM
Holy Days: see website & bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM (sign up for a Holy Hour at blsacrament.org/adoration!) Saturday: 9:00 to 10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:30 to 7:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 to 10:00 AM & 4:15 to 4:45 PM Sunday: 7:00 to 7:30 AM & 10:15 to 10:45 AM

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday, after the 8:30 AM Mass

First Saturday Rosary

First Saturday of the month, 8:10 AM

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"You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased."

Parish Mission Statement:

Blessed Sacrament Parish forms and nurtures active disciples of Christ, who love God and neighbor, through the Dominican pillars of Prayer, Study, Community, & Ministry.

Our Vision:

To be a flourishing faith community, with all parishioners engaged in transforming lives through evangelization and discipleship.



Fr. James Pierce Cavanaugh, O.P.—Parochial Vicar fr.jamespierce@blsacrament.org

Do we receive the Eucharist to the fullest extent we can? Can we receive more fully?

This week as we continue our series on making use of one of the Church's richest treasures - the Plenary Indulgence - we look at one of the central requirements for attaining the Graces of Indulgence: intentional reception of the Eucharist. The Baptism of the Lord, which we celebrate this weekend, is a good time to consider Eucharistic reception. In this Feast, we remember how Jesus began His ministry, and we remember our place as members of His Body, called to continue His work in the world; the Eucharist was left to us in order to help us share more perfectly in His Body.

St. Thomas Aquinas talks about the Eucharist in his Summa Theologiae as not only a powerful resource to benefit oneself - as a means to heaven, a resource by which God forgives venial sin and helps guard against future sin - but also as a spiritual resource for others. (ST III, Q. 79, A. 1-8) Aquinas gives a caveat, though; he warns that there is a gap between the fullness of the grace available to us through the sacrament and the gift that could be received. For Aquinas, there is a way to partake of the sacrament, but experience less than its full effect. Aquinas describes this as the gap between what he calls 'sacramental eating' - in which the sacrament is consumed without its effect - and 'spiritual eating' - by which the sacrament is consumed and its full effect is brought about. I say all of this because its easy to open myself to less than the fullness of the gift that God wants to give to me. The grace of Indulgence has been a helpful tool to grow into more full Eucharistic reception.

Whenever I receive the Eucharist, I pray a simple rhyming prayer, 'Lord Jesus thank you for coming this way, let this apply for indulgence today.' And follow by asking for all of the virtues to be infused by the power of the sacrament. Reading for this article encourages me to ask for more: 'Lord, by this sacrament forgive all my venial sins, preserve me from future sin, lead me to heaven, and help bring others to heaven too.' All of this harmonizes with the good offered by indulgences.

So can we resolve to never again receive the Eucharist without striving to let God give all His gifts? Can we strive to receive the Eucharist in its fullness?





St. Thomas Aquinas Dinner Thursday, January 27 Blessed Sacrament Friary



This year, our own Br. Edward van Merrienboer, O.P., will present on the history of the parish as we celebrate 100 years! Join us for a social starting at 6:00, dinner by Kristy and Clark Heine (Marigold Kitchen) at 6:30, and the presentation at 7:30. The cost is \$35 per person. Register with a paper form in the back of church or online at <u>blsacrament.org!</u>



St. Vincent de Paul Recycle the Warmth Blanket Drive January 28-30

Join us in helping to keep the poor of Dane County warm! You can donate to this effort online at svdpmadison.org, or we will have a bin in the back of church for donations of new/gently used (CLEAN) blankets in the back of church in the last weekend of January. You can shop at a local SVdP thrift store to buy a blanket for \$14.99, or our SVdP reps will be selling them after Masses. They would also be happy to tell you about how to join our SVdP Conference!

News and Upcoming Events

Postponing Scouts Pancake Breakfast

Cub Scouts Pack 16 is postponing the pancake breakfast that was scheduled for this weekend. Keep an eye on our usual communication channels for a new date in the spring. Tickets already purchased will be honored on the new date!

Donate to our Diaper Drive! Now through February 13

Join the Bundle the Bottoms Brigade! We are once again collecting donations of diapers for the Pregnancy Helpline, which supplies 20,000 diapers per month to needy families. Together, we can close the gap for the 1 in 3 families who struggle to afford diapers! Donations of size 5 & 6 diapers and baby wipes can be left by the St. Joseph statue in the church, or monetary donations ("Diaper Drive" in memo line of checks) can be mailed to the parish office.

Red Cross Blood Drive Wednesday, January 12 1:00-6:00 pm, Assembly Hall

We are once again hosting a blood drive in January! Go to <u>redcrossblood.org/donate</u> to find our drive and sign up to donate blood!

Senior Meal Wednesday, January 12 Noon, Parish Center Dining Room

Contact Megan or Erin if you would like to attend!

Human Trafficking Awareness presentation Wednesday, January 12 7:00 pm, Assembly Hall

Anne Haines from the St. Bakhita Catholic Worker House and Deacon Steve Przedpelski from the Franciscan Peacemakers, both in Milwaukee, will present on human trafficking awareness and how their ministries are assisting those seeking freedom from the industry.

Icon-painting workshop Friday-Sunday, January 14-16 Friary (School Cafeteria)

Local iconographer Drazen Dupor, who has sold his work at our Christmas Market, will be offering an icon workshop here! No prior experience is needed. The class will run 4:00-9:00 pm on Friday, 9:00 am -4:00 pm Saturday, and 11:30 am-4:00 pm on Sunday. The cost is \$200, payable by check to the artist on the first day of class. Wear your painting clothes, or bring an apron/smock, and bring a lunch/dinner for each day. Contact Erin in the parish office with questions or to sign up!

2022 calendars are available!

We've received our next shipment of 2022 wall calendars from Catholic Extension! These are "Stations of the Cross" themed, and we still have a few "Rejoice, O Earth" themed calendars. If you would like one, they are available free of charge in the back of church! We should be receiving our last shipment of "Saints and Feasts" themed calendars this coming week. Thanks to the Diocese's Office of Cemeteries for funding them!

100th Anniversary Mass & Reception 11:00 am on Sunday, February 13

Our parish's very first Mass was celebrated in the Edgewood College Chapel on February 12, 1922. We will celebrate our 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 13 with extra solemnity as we mark 100 years since that first Mass! Bishop Donald Hying and Fr. James Marchionda, O.P., Prior Provincial of the Province of St. Albert the Great, will be present, as will representatives from the Sinsinawa Dominican sisters. A reception will follow the Mass. Come and celebrate with us as we give thanks to God for 100 years as a parish!



Our school is currently conducting a self-study in order to renew accreditation. One of the steps in this is to survey our stakeholders for input. If you do NOT have children in our school, please take this survey to help us improve the school! surveymonkey.com/r/PTB57J5. Paper surveys are also available in the back of church; please return them to the school or parish office when completed. Survey closes January 26. Thank you for your feedback!

Blessed Sacrament school admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered program.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Bob Lunda and Colleen Brown**, parishioners who passed away recently, and for the comfort of their families. Bob Lunda's funeral services will be Monday, January 10 (10:00 am visitation and 11:00 am funeral); Colleen Brown's services will be Friday, January 14 (10:00 am visitation and 11:00 am funeral). All in the parish who knew them are welcome to attend their services.

Weekly Event Calendar

(see front cover for regular confession, adoration, & devotion schedule)

<u>Sunday, January 9</u>

RCIA class | 8:45-10:15 am, St. Dominic Room

First Reconciliation class & parent mtg |

10:15-11:45 am, School classroom 103 & School Library

Confirmation class | 6:30-8:00 pm, Assembly Hall

Monday, January 10

Funeral services for Bob Lunda | 10:00 am (Visitation) and 11:00 am (Mass), Church

Cub Scouts pack mtg | 2:15-3:30 pm, Assembly Hall

High School Ministry Xavier Mission Team Night

@ St. Maria Goretti Parish | 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 11

Boy Scouts troop mtg | 7:00-8:30 pm, Assembly Hall

Wednesday, January 12

Senior Meal | 12:00-2:00 pm, Parish Center

Red Cross Blood Drive | 1:00-6:00 pm, Assembly Hall

Combined Middle/High School Ministry Night | 6:30-8:00 pm, Youth Center

Human Trafficking Awareness presentation | 7:00 pm, Assembly Hall

Thursday, January 13

Friday, January 14

Funeral services for Colleen Brown | 10:00 am (Visitation) and 11:00 am (Mass), Church

Icon Class w/ Drazen Dupor | 4:00-9:00 pm, Friary

Saturday, January 15

Icon Class w/ Drazen Dupor | 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Friary

Sunday, January 16

First Reconciliation class | 10:15-11:45 am, School classroom 103

Icon Class w/ Drazen Dupor | 11:30am-4:00 pm, Friary

Cub Scout den mtg | 3:00-4:00 pm, Assembly Hall

Mass Intentions

+ indicates the person is deceased

Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:30 AM +Edward Lemke

5:00 PM Our Parish Family (Celebrant: Fr. Andy)
Sunday, January 9, 2022—Baptism of the Lord

7:30 AM +Rita Kubaritz (Fr. Andy)

9:00 AM +Howard Elliott, Jr. (Fr. James Pierce)
11:00 AM +Pete Walker (Fr. James Pierce)

Monday, January 10, 2022

8:30 AM +Mick Bincalar Tuesday, January 11, 2022

7:00 AM +Gary Wilder 8:30 AM +John Gorman

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

7:00 AM +Mary Jean Whelan-lacovani

8:30 AM +Edward Lemke
Thursday, January 13, 2022

7:00 AM +lla Haubert 8:30 AM +William Paxton

Friday, January 14, 2022

8:30 AM +Helen Straw

Saturday, January 15, 2022

8:30 AM A special intention

5:00 PM +Dorothy Puchner (Celebrant: Fr. James Pierce)

Sunday, January 16, 2022—2nd Sunday in OT

7:30 AM The living & deceased members of the

Pa'alani/Wong family (Fr. James Pierce)

9:00 AM Our Parish Family (Fr. Andy) 11:00 AM +Susan Vaughan (Fr. Andy)

Mass intentions are available by calling the parish office at 608-238-3471 or emailing erin@blsacrament.org.

In an effort to create more space in the bulletin, we are no longer including a schedule of the week's Mass readings. You can find them at the USCCB website (bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar), or please take a free Magnificat when they are made available near the end of each month!

Stewardship Report

December 2021 Total: \$103,576.95

December 2020: \$100,894.69



Please pray for all those who are ill, especially:
Andy Devine, Alexander Kotloski, David Stiennon, John
Ouellette, Paul Werth, Cormac Bower, Helen Karls, Sarah
Opitz-Stapleton, Dave Wirka, Bob Lochner, Ila Elizabeth
Scullion, Linda Kelly, Margaret Sommer Sazani, Br. Vince
DiRienzo, Elliott Volin, Larry Lazers, Buffy Stevens,
and Barbara Chryst.

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Joining the parish

We'd love to have you as part of our parish family! To find registration materials, including information on our ministries, stop by the parish office to see Erin, or visit blsacrament.org/join to get started.

Change of address or contact info?

Whether you're moving but still want to be part of our parish, switching parishes, or leaving the area, or if you just have a new phone number or email address, please contact Erin, our administrative assistant, so we can update your contact information!



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Creation Care Corner



Pandemic Reflections: Slowing Down

During this pandemic, often our plans have been dashed and our hardships amplified. We've been forced to slow down and simplify our existence at times. What's most important rises to the surface: our spiritual and emotional connection to God, family, friends, community and Creation... and the health of those we love. Pope John Paul Il reminds us that in light of Christ's death and resurrection, suffering is no longer an exclusively negative event. "Rather, it is seen as...an opportunity 'to release love..., to transform the whole of civilization...' Salvifici Doloris, #30)". What positive changes and behaviors can we carry forward from this forced slow down? What new insights will we have into what material things wereally need in life? How can working together to overcome the COVID-19 variant crisis provide learnings on how to overcome other crises, like the climate crisis?

Annual Men's Retreat at Lake Winnebago Thursday, February 17-Sunday, February 20

Every year for over 40 years, men from Blessed Sacrament and other Madison parishes have been attending a retreat at the Jesuit Retreat House on Lake Winnebago. This year's retreat starts on February 17 with dinner and concludes with lunch on February 20. The JRH continues to honor their commitment to not turn anyone away due to financial constraints. If you'd like to attend, go to www.jesuitretreathouse.org and register for retreat #008. Contact Steve Sadoff for more information: 608-770-9778 or healprint@gmail.com.



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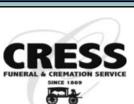


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