

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of Blessed Sacrament's parish family, empowered and guided by the Holy Spirit, seek to respond to God's call to love and serve one another. United as a faith-filled community, we joyfully strive to be Christ to others as we bring others to Christ. We accept our responsibility, as members of God's church, to expand the Kingdom of God in the Roman Catholic tradition through prayer, worship, education, service and our commitment to strengthening and building our parish community.

Liturgical Schedule

Monday through Friday: 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Holy Days: TBA

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 pm

Anytime by request

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Sacrament of Baptism

Please make arrangements by calling the rectory after the birth of the child. Baptisms are usually celebrated Sundays at 12:00 noon.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least a year in advance. A program of preparation is required for all couples planning to marry in the church.

Bulletin Notice

Items for the parish bulletin must be received at the rectory by Monday morning.

New Parishioners

Please introduce yourselves after mass or call the rectory at your convenience to register. We hope you will become an active part of our parish community.

Sick Calls

Since the hospital does not notify us on the admission of parishioners please contact the rectory when a family member is admitted to the hospital

Communion Calls for the aged, shut-ins and convalescent and nursing home patients are our constant concern. Please call us for special ministerial visits.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363

508-726-2880 - direct, confidential line



<u>Saturday, January 15, 2022</u> 4:00 PM	Mass
<u>Sunday, January 16, 2022</u> 8:00 AM	Christine Anderson (1st Anniversary) by Family
10:00 AM	Cecile Vigeant by the Joseph Gadbois Family
<u>Monday, January 17, 2022</u> 8:30 AM	Clare Hannan By Kathleen Keville
<u>Tuesday, January 18, 2022</u> 8:30 AM	Mass
<u>Wednesday, January 19, 2022</u> 8:30 AM	Mass
<u>Thursday, January 20, 2022</u> 8:30 AM	Mass
<u>Friday, January 21, 2022</u> 8:30 AM	Mass
<u>Saturday, January 22, 2022</u> 4:00 PM	Vincent Murphy (1st Anniversary) by Rosemary and Conor Murphy

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship—875

Processional: Worship-#410— Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Psalm: Worship- #875

Communion: Gather - 599— One Bread, One Body

Recessional: Heritage-#545— Christ Be Our Light

CHRISTMAS CARD DONATION FOR CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

If you received religious Christmas cards this year, and don't plan to keep them, please consider donating them to the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program! Our pre-school and kindergarten children enjoy using these lovely images for art projects and prayer cards.

There will be a basket in the church vestibule where you can drop off cards.

**BECKY NOONE
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

We salute Becky Noone as she begins this month, her 21st year as the Blessed Sacrament Church Director of Music.

We are blessed to have her on staff and to play our renowned, completely restored Skinner organ.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<u>Wednesday, January 19, 2022</u>	
9:00 AM	Good News - Gospel Sharing Parish Rectory
<u>Sunday, January 23, 2022</u>	
8:45 AM	Religious Education, Pre-K-grade 6 Epiphany House
11:00 AM	Religious Education, grades 7-11 Epiphany House

FAITH FORMATION

Do you have a member of your family—child, grandchild, cousin, who is interested in enrolling in our Sunday morning Faith Formation Program? Just come - open enrollment.

Pre-K thru Grade 6, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
Grades 7 –12, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Join us in the Epiphany House behind the Church.
No Faith Formation Religious Education program this weekend. It is the Dr. Martin Luther King weekend.

PRAYER SERVICE

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Next **Sunday, January 23 at 2:00 p.m.** members of Trinity and Concordia Lutheran Churches and members of Blessed Sacrament Church, are invited to a Service of the Word at Blessed Sacrament Church, 551 Pleasant Street in Worcester, in observance of the week of prayer January 18-25. A special feature of this prayer service will be the blessing of the Trinity Neighborhood Support Team (NST) that is comprised of members of the three (3) congregations.

Please plan on joining this ecumenical service as we live out our NST partnership and our ecumenical Covenant.

Please contact Fr. Trainor with any questions.

Please note the date change from earlier bulletin announcements.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COAT DRIVE

The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus wish to thank the parishioners who donated coats, jackets and other winter outerwear (hats, scarves, mittens, sweaters) to the annual coat drive.

It was very successful and the items donated were given to the Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope to be sold (at very low cost) in their thrift store. Thank you again.

PRO-LIFE MASS WITH BISHOP McMANUS

All are invited to attend the annual Mass for Life celebrated by Bishop McManus on **Thursday, January 20th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 38 High Street, Worcester.

All are welcome!

IHN WEEK

Blessed Sacrament will be hosting the families currently at the In the Hour of Need Family Shelter (for short IHN Family Shelter) at 91 June St. the week of February 6-13, 2022.

Snacks, meals, evening hosts and overnight supervision are all needed and donations are always appreciated.

Sign-up sheets will be available in the vestibule of the church.

Please contact Sheila Egan or Anne French for more information.

Please note the name change for IHN. Those initials are still retained in the short form of the name, but there is the addition of Family Shelter.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 Corinthians 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth?

Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it.

Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit).

Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

PARISH FINANCES

The collection amount for 1/8-1/9/2022 is \$5381.00
Maintenance Fund: \$165.00

Thank you for your continued and generous support of Blessed Sacrament Parish.

THE ANNUAL WORCESTER DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Men (of all ages including teens and college students) are invited to this important in-person conference, scheduled for Assumption University on **Saturday, April 2, 2022**. Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase tickets online. For further information call Msgr. Tom Sullivan at 508-450-2556.

C.Y.C. BASKETBALL

You win some (Saturday's Victory in the last few seconds to win by 3).

You lose some (Sunday lost by 2 points).

But in both games, they absolutely had fun and worked as a Team.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

(continued)

Linda Morrison

In Memory of Edward O'Connell by Mary O'Connell



Thank you to all who donated so generously for the flowers which decorated the Church for Christmas.

PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Due to the increase of COVID/Omicron/Flu, the January 4, 2022 Pastoral Council meeting was cancelled. However, our plans for the parish Appreciation Brunch and "Faith in Action Award 2022" were reviewed by council members through email.

Father Trainor and members of the Pastoral Council agreed that there will be no Appreciation Brunch at this time but the presentation of the "2022" Robert Shortsleeve Faith in Action Award will be awarded to Deacon Roy F. Briggs the weekend of February 6th. Since we are still in safety mandates, "Livestream" is important for our parishioners at home. We will bring you all the updated information as we proceed. The Appreciation Brunch possibilities will be on the agenda at the pending February/March Pastoral Council meeting. Thank you all! Blessed New Year!! The Pastoral Council.

HOPE FOR HOUSING CARDS

Cards for Shaw's, Big Y, CVS, Panera and Dunkin' are sold after each Mass on the weekend. The card is worth the amount you paid and is good until the whole amount is used. At least 5% of the card value is given by the merchant to alleviate homelessness in the area.

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