

Blessed Sacrament Parish
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
May 29, 2022

From the Pastor's Desk

Today we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**. This traditional Holy Day of Obligation (Ascension Thursday) has been moved by most U.S. bishops to this 7th Sunday of Easter. We celebrate today Christ's ascension into heaven after forty days of post-Resurrection appearances to His disciples. At His ascension the gospel writers describe that Christ "took His seat at the right hand of God." According to St. Paul, God the Father "put all things beneath (Christ's) feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church." Christ now rules as King and Shepherd until the end of time when He will bring "all in all."

Tomorrow (Monday, May 30) we will have our annual **Memorial Day Mass at Calvary Cemetery at 9:00 a.m.** Please join us for our Memorial Day Masses as we honor the memory of our faithful departed. Blessed Sacrament will provide the music and liturgical ministers.

This month of May we encourage members to give to our semi-annual Collection for our **Quincy Catholic Cemeteries**. Monies from this collection help provide ongoing care and support to our parish cemeteries. Please place your contributions in the Cemetery Care envelope found in your monthly packet.

Next **Saturday, June 4, at 4:00 p.m.** we will celebrate the **Pentecost Vigil**. At this liturgy we read four Old Testament readings that anticipate the sending of the Holy Spirit. In this liturgy we pray in a form of a vigil, waiting – like Mary and the Apostles – for the coming of the Holy Spirit. During this liturgy we will also celebrate the initiation of two RCIA candidates who will complete their Full Communion in the Catholic Church with the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Please join us for this liturgical celebration.

Next **Sunday, June 5, at 5:00 p.m.** we will celebrate our **Sunday 5 p.m. Mass at Riverview Park**. Following Mass we will have a 6 p.m. Picnic hosted by the Pastoral Council. Even if you are attending Mass at another time next weekend, please come join us next Sunday for our **6:00 p.m. Picnic in Riverview Park**.

On Sunday, June 12, after the 10 a.m. Mass we will hold a **Farewell Reception for our Retiring Principal Christie Bliven**. Please mark your calendars to join us for this opportunity to express our gratitude for all that Christie has done to faithfully shepherd our children during her years as Principal of Blessed Sacrament School.

Vacation Bible School will soon be here. The dates for this year's **VBS are June 13-17 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.** each evening. Please contact Ginny Fuentes or Allison Menz if you would like to volunteer or sign up.

On Sunday, June 19, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass we will have a **Corpus Christi Procession to QND High School** as part of our celebration of the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. A sub-committee chaired by Mandy Young has been formed to plan this liturgical event. Please let us know if you are interested in helping with this event.

Finally, we welcome **Lisa Berhorst** as our new Principal of Blessed Sacrament School!

May the Peace of the *Risen* Christ be with you all,
 Fr. Tom

Monday 9:00 a.m. – Calvary Cemetery	May 30, 2022 Fr. Carl Schmidt
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	May 31, 2022 David Gelfand
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	June 1, 2022 John Maguire Klene Family
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	June 2, 2022 Marge Blair
Friday 8:00 a.m.	June 3, 2022 First Friday Memorials
Saturday 8:30 a.m. – Spanish 4:00 p.m. – Pentecost /Vigil	June 4, 2022 Bernard Wiseman Dora Doellman
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. – Riverview Park	June 5, 2022 Gayle Reis Ted Willer People of the Parish

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Regular Collection	\$6,233.99
Electronic Giving	\$1,065.00
Total Collection	\$7,298.99
Weekly Support Needed	\$12,013.00
Deficit/Surplus	(\$4,714.01)
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$537,829.38
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	\$566,611.00
Regular Deficit/Surplus (YTD)	(\$28,781.62)
Total School Collection	\$1,818.00
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This Week in Our Parish

Monday Office Closed	May 30, 2022
Tuesday Legion of Mary – GS	May 31, 2022 1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday Adoration – Church St. Vincent DePaul – GS	June 1, 2022 12:30 p.m. – 5:10 p.m. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday RCIA – LL Marian Consecration – GS	June 2, 2022 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Sunday Parish Cook Out – River View Park	June 5, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Faith Formation



All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit!
Acts 2.4

Please Keep Our Candidates for Full Initiation in Your Prayers!

We will be welcoming **Victoria Vail** and **Andrea Campfield** into full communion with the Catholic Church on June 4 at the Pentecost Vigil.

“Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you will renew the face of the earth.”



Blakleigh Haubrich, a student at Blessed Sacrament School, won 2nd place in the 2022 Right to Life poster contest and the prize was \$50. She chose to donate the prize money to Birthright in hopes that it will be given to "a mommy who chose to keep her baby." (Her words!)

Theology on Tap | June 7 | Quincy Brewing Co.

Grab a quality brew as we explore truth in Christ together! Pastor Todd Hastings will be discussing Christian Anthropology and exploring the question of what it means to be made man and woman in the image of God.

Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Come on in and grab drinks and a seat!

The talk will begin at 6:45 p.m.

The talk will be followed by Q&A then discussion at the tables.

If you have any questions, please contact Ginny Fuentes at faithformation@blessedscs.org.

Vacation Bible School – Mark Your Calendars!

Mark your calendars for this “MONUMENTAL” Event. Blessed Sacrament will host Vacation Bible School June 13-17 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. for ages 3 years old through incoming 6th graders.

Please either fill out the online form or return your registration form to the Parish Office.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Ginny Fuentes at faithformation@blessedscs.org.



Scan for Online Registration



Parish Potluck | June 5 | Riverview Park

Please join us for worship and fellowship in the park. We will begin with a 5 p.m. outdoor Mass. 6 p.m. Potluck to follow. The Parish will provide hot dogs and tableware.

Please bring drinks and a chair.

We look forward to seeing you at the park!

Prayer...Liturgy...Word of God...Service

School News



Ellie Bozarth is a Technology Specialist! She is always eager to assist teachers and students who need support with technology. Her help is greatly appreciated!

#beasaint



Addy Luccheti On a chilly day one of Addy's friends was cold, so she gave the friend her coat to wear.

Evy Luccheti is kind, cheerful, and cares about others.

Blaise Young is always spreading the Gospel by sharing all that he knows about Jesus with others and by singing out beautifully in Mass. He is an example for others to follow.



Audumn Walker is loving to classmates and stays focused on her work.

Nora Reuschal Nora cheered up a friend in her class when she was sad by playing with her.

Henrik Coval is always willing to help a friend or teacher.

Olivea Pruett is always cheerful and kind. She uses great manners, gives her best effort, and looks out for others.

Madison Kerkhoff When a friend was struggling to focus on her work, Maddie gently said their name and patted their work with a smile. Her friend got right to work. What a great friend!

Michael Wilson Michael's excitement for learning is contagious. He is very curious and listens to others to learn more. He also will jump in to help when something is needed and always with great enthusiasm.



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Prayer Chain and Circle of Caring

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call Carol Price to add their intentions to the Prayer Chain: 217-223-8881.

Please contact Linda Hinkamper, 217-223-4159, if you need a helping hand after coming home from the hospital.

Rides Needed

We are in need of people willing to provide rides for people who do not have a way to get to Sunday Mass here at Blessed Sacrament. If you are able to help someone, it could be occasionally or every Sunday. Any help with this service would be greatly appreciated. Please call the office at 217-222-2759.

Thank you!



14-Day Candle

*Burns in Memory of
Ron Hinkamper*

Remember the Sick in Your Prayers...

Please pray for parish family members:

Doris Hildebrand, Tom Liesen, Betty Wiewel, Allan Harvey, Tim Lenane, Robin Cimera, Ralph and Barb Peters, Melissa Blickhan, Maggie Kistner, Pam Potter, Linda Anemone, Anna Mae Timpe, Carl Nieders, Barb Dance, Dan and Sandy Meade, and Monica Mast.

Retired Diocesan Priests Collection

On the Feast of Pentecost we rejoice that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to the Church in every age. As we celebrate the feast, I ask you to consider a generous response to the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests.

Please pray for our priests who serve us generously in their various apostolates throughout our diocese. Please thank God for our retired priests and all the gifts they have shared with the faithful.

- Bishop Paprocki

Parish Cook Out — June 5

The Pastoral Council invites all Blessed Sacrament Parishioners to join us for fellowship, food, and fun June 5, 2022, at Riverview Park. Our 5:00 p.m. Mass will be held in the park followed by a potluck (hotdogs and tableware provided). Please bring your drinks, lawn chairs, and a side dish to share!



Come and Spend Some Time with Jesus

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Jesus, is offered each Wednesday in the church from 8:30 a.m. until 5:10 p.m. This provides an excellent opportunity to spend time alone with Jesus for a few minutes or even an hour. It is a time to further develop your friendship with Our Savior. The sign-up sheet is located at the church entrance nearest the Gathering Space.

QMG Foundation Patient Assistance Fund Collection

The funds collected are used to help a community member in urgent need, as determined by a QMG case manager or health care provider. It is intended to be short-term assistance.

The funds are used for such things as: mortgage/rent, utility bills, car payments, phone bills, gas (gas cards), groceries (groceries gift cards).

National Cancer Survivors Day is the first Sunday in June, which recognizes all those impacted by cancer. In recognition, the QMG Foundation is asking local churches to place a flower pot in their entrances on June 5, 2022, to collect donations for the Patient Assistance Fund. Please help if you can!

In James: Pearls for Wise Living, we discover an



anchor to hold us steady through the storms of life. Want the secret to finding joy in the midst of trials? **James**, one of the most practical books of the Bible, is a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life.

This 11-session Ascension Press study will be offered at Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays beginning June 8, from 1-2:30, in the Gathering Space. Cost of study materials is \$30. For more information or to register, contact Ann Gage at 217-257-4392 or agage1948@yahoo.com, or call Laura at the Parish Office, 217-222-2759.

Prayer...Liturgy... Word of God...Service

O Jesus, our great High Priest, Hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priest, Father [N]. Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

In his loneliness, comfort him. In his sorrows, strengthen him. In his frustrations, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified. And show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs him so much.

Be his comfort, be his joy, be his strength, and especially help him to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy.

Amen.

— Catholic On-Line

Respect Life Ministry Reflections for the Spiritual Adoption of an Unborn Baby Written by Lisa Menich Week 6

It is six weeks since my life began. My head is taking shape and my digestive track is in formation. The cluster of cells that will become my testis or ovaries is also forming. Won't my mommy and daddy be surprised when the doctor exclaims, "It's a boy!" or "It's a girl!!!!!!!" This week the umbilical cord that is a life-line from mommy to me is in place and my heart is beating at 138 beats per minute. I am so excited to be here!"



From Your Health and Wellness Council.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month

How to stay mentally healthy....

*Have a healthy food plan *Make and follow through with an exercise plan *Develop positive thoughts *Develop a hobby that brings you pleasure *Volunteer *Trust the Lord!

Quincy Cursillo is Back...

Cursillo in Quincy is back, and there is a Men's Cursillo weekend coming up June 23-26. There are several men from Blessed Sacrament Parish who will be present on the weekend, which begins Thursday night at 8 p.m. and ends with 4 p.m. Mass on Sunday at Quincy University's North Campus. All men of the Parish (21 and over) are invited and encouraged to attend. Cursillo is a 3-day transformational experience where attendees grow in knowledge, awareness, and love of God, neighbor, and the world through grace and fellowship. For more information, please contact Joe Bordewick at 217-617-8937 or the Parish office.



Blessed Sacrament Parish Society of St. Vincent de Paul Immaculate Conception Conference

Deuteronomy 15 says that there will always be poor people in the land, & therefore, we're commanded to be openhanded toward our brother/sister who is poor & needy in our land.

Formed in February 1940, our St. Vincent de Paul group, called the Immaculate Conception Conference, exists to grow in friendship & holiness as we serve the needy & suffering in our Parish, our neighborhood, & our community with donations received from parishioners like you. We currently have more than a dozen members & meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6pm.

If you're interested in learning more about our St. Vincent de Paul group, would like to consider joining, or would like to make a donation to serve the poor, please contact the parish office.

Congratulations to the 2022 High School Graduates from Blessed Sacrament Parish...

Alex Aschemann
Ian Brueck
Alla Damm
Natalie Goerlich
Colton Hufford
Raea Rockwell
Kaitlyn Smith
William Venvertloh

Blake Bozarth
Addy Cunningham
Madeline Fitzgerald
Maddux Gooding
MacKenzie Peters
Shelby Rose
Emme Tournear



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR June 5, 2022

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Emmalyn Smith Blakeigh Haubrich Kyra Baker	Kailee Flesch	Larry & Kathy Jochem (GS) Becky Ebbing (WD)	Glen Ebbing	Jeanne Brod Brian Brod Ed Lohman Robert Brown
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Vincent Selby Patrick Genenbacher Samuel Genenbacher	Jennifer Dickerman	Michael Baker Family(GS) Jim & Barb Daggett (WD)	Bill Schodroroski	Ron Kelly Mark McDowell Marvin Schrecke, Nathan Terwelp
Sunday 5:00 p.m.	Noah Cunningham Madison Daggett Gabe Boll	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

SERVERS


Monday, May 30 & Tuesday, May 31 – 8:00 a.m. – Leo Cramer & Evie Cramer
Wednesday, June 1 & Thursday, June 2 & Friday, June 3 – 8:30 a.m. – Blake Myers & Kaileb Baker
Saturday, June 4 – 8:30 a.m. – Angel Salcedo, Kevin Alvarado

Pentecost Vigil, June 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Reading 1: Ann Gage; Reading 2: Mike Grant; Reading 3: Kathy Xamis; Reading 4: Pam Luther; Epistle: Jill Kelly
 Communion Minister: Maggie Reis

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