

# Blessed Sacrament

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## PARISH

Blessed Sacrament Parish Phone: 222-2759

Pastor: Fr. Tom Meyer

Pastor Emeritus: Monsignor Michael Kuse

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Terry Ellerman

Director of Faith Formation: Audreana Derhake

Secretary: Laura Megown

Bookkeeper: Linda Ohnemus

Director of Music: Steve Buckman

Custodian: Ted Hea

## SCHOOL

Blessed Sacrament School Phone: 228-1477

Principal: Lisa Berhorst

School Administration Manager: Kailee Flesch

Secretary: Lori Quevillon

Technology: Dottie Buckman

Custodian: Rick Epping

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m., Thursday: 8:15 a.m. (School Year)

First Saturday of the month: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m., 11:10 a.m. (Spanish)

## EUCARIST ADORATION

Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 4:30 - 5:00 p.m.

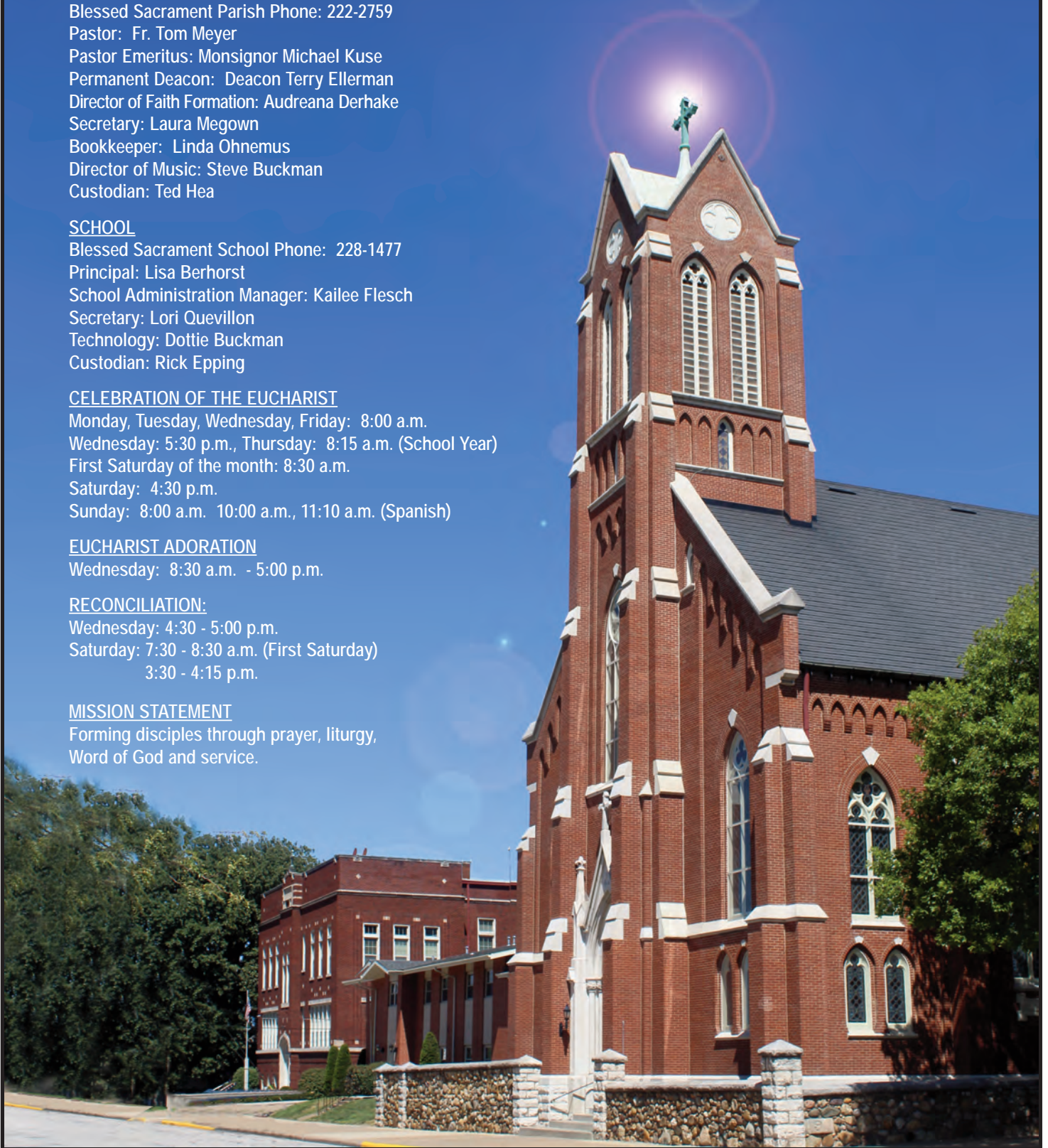
Saturday: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. (First Saturday)

3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Forming disciples through prayer, liturgy,

Word of God and service.



**Blessed Sacrament Parish  
2nd Sunday of Advent  
December 10, 2023**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 11, 2023</b>
7:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Lauds)
8:00 a.m.	John Allen
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 12, 2023</b>
8:00 a.m.	John Ohnemus
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 13, 2023</b>
8:00 a.m.	Klene Family
5:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer (Vespers)
5:30 p.m.	Bill Casper
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 14, 2023</b>
8:15 a.m.	Ezra Derhake
3:00 p.m.-Sunset Home	Poor, Needy & homeless of the Parish
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 15, 2023</b>
8:00 a.m.	Wm. & Myrtle Timpe Family
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 16, 2023</b>
4:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer (Vespers)
4:30 p.m.	The Poor, Needy & Homeless of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 17, 2023</b>
8:00 a.m.	Madalon Elam
10:00 a.m.	Gary Reis
11:10 a.m.-Spanish	People of the Parish

***Sunday, December 3, 2023***

Regular Collection:	\$ 17,599.50
Electronic Giving:	\$ 1,005.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 18,604.00</b>
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 12,093.67
Deficit/ <b>Surplus</b> :	<b>+\$ 6,591.50</b>
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$225,121.17
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	\$276,299.00
Regular <b>Deficit</b> /Surplus: (YTD)	<b>(\$ 51,177.83)</b>
Total School Collection	\$ 2,520.00
Haiti	\$ 1,103.00

***This Week in Our Parish***

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 11, 2023</b>
3rd Gr. Sacrament Mtg.-GS	6:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 12, 2023</b>
Legion of Mary-GS	1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
Junior Legion of Mary-GS	3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Haiti Committee-LL	5:00 p.m.
Men's Group-GS	6:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 13, 2023</b>
Adoration-Church	8:30 a.m.- 5:10 p.m.
Reconciliation-Church	4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Benediction/Evening Prayer-Church	5:10 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 14, 2023</b>
Pre-K Christmas Program-Church	6:00 p.m.
RCIA-GS	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 16, 2023</b>
CCW Christmas Bunch-Sprout's	11:00 a.m.

***From the Pastor's Desk***

Today we celebrate the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent. We see in our Gospel the figure of John the Baptist. According to Gospel of Mark, John is the fulfillment of the prophecy from Isaiah, "A voice of one crying out in the desert, 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths'." John appears in the desert in a rather peculiar way, clothing himself in camel's hair and eating locusts and wild honey. Yet we are not to be distracted by his looks. His message drew multitudes out to the desert for repentance and baptism. In an important way, God's plan relied upon the preaching and witness of John the Baptist in order to prepare for the first coming of Christ. May our rehearing the words of John the Baptist today move our own hearts to seek the return of the Messiah.

This Mon. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate **Our Lady of Guadalupe with a 10:00pm Mass in Spanish.** Our Spanish speaking community will be celebrating this Feast Day of the Virgin Mary who appeared to Juan Diego in Guadalupe outside of Mexico City. The readings, prayers, and music will all be in Spanish. All are welcome to attend.

For your Christmas planning I publish our upcoming **Christmas Mass Schedule:**

**Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00pm, 5:30pm, 11:00pm**

**Christmas Day Mass: 9:00am**

Finally, next Sun. Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, the Catholic parishes of Quincy will host a **City Wide Advent Penance Service on Sun. Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm at St. Francis.** All of the priests of Quincy will be available to hear our confessions next Sunday afternoon. Please join us next Sunday for one of the most important spiritual ways to prepare our hearts for Christmas.

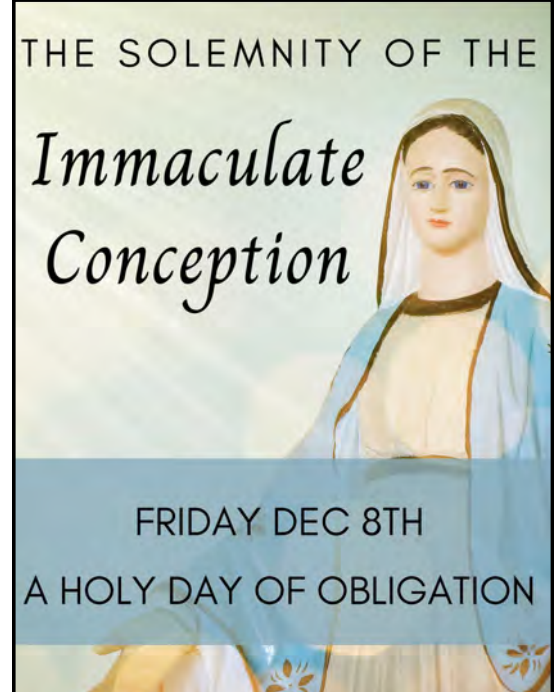
May the Peace of Christ be with you all,  
Fr. Tom

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy or other church personnel -- even if it is in the past -- individuals are encouraged to call the Diocese's Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number at 217.321.1155. Individuals may also contact Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.25.ABUSE.





This Sunday, December 10, 2023 is the 2nd week of Advent. As in years past we will be collecting different items for the Catholic Charities and Ladies of Charity pantries. For the second week we are collecting cleaning supplies such as laundry detergent, dish soap. The following week we collect hygiene products such as diapers, wipes, toothpaste/brushes, floss, shampoo etc. Donations are collected in the Gathering Space.





# *Prayer...Liturgy... Word of God...Service*

## BSCS Grandparents' Day

November 2023

Thank you to all that joined us!





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

## Circle of Caring

If you know of anyone who could use a helping hand after returning home from the hospital, please contact the Parish Office at 217-222-2759 during the month of December 2023. The Circle of Caring is for anyone who has just had a baby, returned home from the hospital or is unable to drive. Volunteers will carry in meals, provide rides, do housekeeping tasks or just lend a helping hand.

## Remember the Sick in Your Prayers...

Please pray for parish family members: Doris Hildebrand, Tom Liesen, Allan Harvey, Robin Cimera, Barb Peters, Robert Conover, Linda Anemone, Monica Mast, Ken Nelson, Eric Strunk, Lori Massey, Carl Nieders, Paulette Vahlkamp, Mary Bradfield, Rosie Meyer, Dave Terwelp, Joyce Blickhan, Gene & Rita Esselman.



14 Day Candle  
Burns in Memory of  
Jim Bange

## Prayer Chain

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.

## Catholics Returning Home

St. Francis Solanus Parish will offer a six-week series entitled "Catholics Returning Home" beginning **Wednesday, January 3**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, located on the north side of the church at 17<sup>th</sup> and College Avenue. It will run for six consecutive Wednesday evenings and will conclude on February 7. The sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. If you know someone who has left the Church, please invite them to join us. For more information, call Deacon Wayne Zimmerman, 217-430-7792.

## Attention: For Tax Deductions

Any annual donations you want recorded for the 2023 tax year must physically be in before December 31



## The Bazaar Ladies Thank You!

Big thank you to everyone who helped make the Holiday Bazaar a success! Special thank you to all the workers, crafters, vendors and shoppers.

-Karen Cawthon



## Meet Deacon Mike

I am Deacon Mike Ellerman and was born and raised in Quincy, Illinois. I attended parochial schools from kindergarten through college. My wife and I have been married for over 53 years. We have four sons and six grandchildren. I was involved in education for thirty-seven years teaching variety of grades and teaching reading. Deacon Terry and I were ordained Deacons in 2007. I was a deacon at Holy Family and St. Thomas for sixteen years. Jean and I are happy to make Blessed Sacrament Parish our home.



Did you know our School and Parish has a Wish List? Scan the QR code to check it out!

## We Want Your Input!

Quincy Catholic Schools are embarking on a comprehensive strategic planning process that will set the future direction for the next three-five years. Your feedback is important to us! We are asking all parents, faculty, staff, and friends to share their insights on our schools. The survey can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/QCSsurvey> and will be available until December 12, 2023.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Saturday, December 16, 2023

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
<b>Saturday, 4:30 p.m.</b>	Leah Terwelp Emmy Kistner Maddie Maas	Doug Luther Pam Luther James Smith	Travis & Kari Shull (GS) Karen Finson (WD) Terry Duesterhaus (SD)	Jane Lester	Jim Schrand Gary Beckman Ed Duesterhaus Mark Ohnemus

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Sunday, December 17, 2023

Mass Times	Servers	Communion	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Ava Beswick Blakleigh Haubrich Emmalyn Smith	Nancy Kelly Ed Lohman Chris Wegs	Steve & Marjorie Schlueter (GS) Kailee Flesch (WD) Becky Ebbing (SD)	Glen Ebbing	Brian Brod Jean Brod Gerry Salfen Andy Weise
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	Cora Argabright Kynzi Barnes Temprance Berhorst	Deacon Terry Jill Kelly Donna Vogel	5th Grade Students (GS) 5th Grade Students (WD) 5th Grade Students (SD)	2-5th Grade Students	4-5th Grade Students

### SERVERS Week of December 11, 2023

**Monday, December 11, 2023, 8:00 a.m.:** Brinna Stafford & Vivi Wilson  
**Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 10:15 a.m.:** Brinna Stafford & Vivi Wilson  
**Wednesday, December 13, 8:00 a.m.:** Olivia Young & Carson Kerkhoff  
**Thursday, December 14, 8:15 a.m.:** Olivia Young, Carson Kerkhoff & Hannah Coovert  
**Friday, December 15, 8:00 a.m.:** Carson Kerkhoff & Hannah Coovert

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS – WE HOPE YOU FIND A HOME HERE!

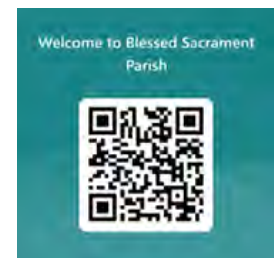
We are glad that you are here! We pray that through our worship, you may experience the depth of God's love for us. If you would like to register as a member of Blessed Sacrament Parish, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket, or email the rectory office at: [parishoffice@blessedscs.org](mailto:parishoffice@blessedscs.org) Or if you prefer, scan the below QR code and complete the form online. Once received, someone from parish office will contact you for additional information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



If you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic faith, we encourage you to return. If a previous marriage has kept you from receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to contact our pastor. In many cases, we can work with you toward a favorable solution so you can again receive the Sacraments in the Catholic Church.

# We Are Blessed Sacrament

## Stewardship Corner

Welcome to our Stewardship Corner. In the coming weeks we will be highlighting our ministries of Prayer. Blessed Sacrament offers many opportunities for prayer. The Ministries included in Prayer are: Eucharistic Adoration, the Auxiliary Legion of Mary, Junior Legion of Mary, Ministry of Praise, Prayer Chain, and the Sacred Heart League. All of these ministries offer opportunities to have a heart to heart with God. It is through prayer that we nurture our personal relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



The Community of Catholic Women would like to extend our gratitude for your support. We were able to collect \$645 in our Envelope Fundraiser. If you would like to contribute please place your donation in an envelope marked, "CCW".



BLESSED SACRAMENT  
COMMUNITY OF CATHOLIC WOMEN  
INVITE YOU TO:

### *A Christmas Lunch*

DECEMBER 16, 2023

11:00AM

Sprouts Inn  
2814 N 12th Quincy, IL  
Family Style Lunch will be served

Cost Per person: \$18

If you'd like to participate in a gift exchange,  
please bring a \$5 wrapped gift.



RSVP to Julie Herring  
by December 8, 2023  
217-655-4804 (text or call)



The Men of  
the Parish  
gathered to  
share the Word  
of God at  
their annual  
Conference on  
December 1,  
2023

### *Would you Help Mary?*

*'Young, scared, pregnant, poor, and unwed...  
a perfect candidate for an Abortion'*

### *Cinnamon Roll Weekend*

Saturday & Sunday, December 16 & 17, 2023

Saturday, after 4:30 p.m. Mass

Carry Out only

Sunday, after 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. &

11:15 a.m. Masses

Dine-In or Carry Out



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## First Friday Memorials 2023-2024

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Living & Deceased Members of Schulte & Kroeger Families  
Goehl & Koettters Families  
Parker & Mildred Gates  
Barbara Gerdes & Mary Gerdes  
Harold & Virginia Hartman  
Marian & Virgil Terwelp  
Richard & Helen Lukeman  
Dick Iseminger & Families  
Mike & Laura Rokita & Liz Galloway  
Madalon Elam, Marshall & Mildred Campbell, Hamil & Hilda Elam, John & Delores Peterson, John Peterson Jr. Carl & Margaret Spettinagel  
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Sage Moore  
Mary & Greg Wellman  
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Selby & Meier Families  
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Michael G. Liesen  
Bill Wegs  
Milkind & Weede Families  
William Hughes  
Bange & Benz Families  
Frank & Elsie Olps Family  
Norbert & Viola Klingele Families  
Henry & Regina Geschwandner Families  
Louis & Laura Holtschlag & Family  
Louis J. Frese & Walker Morrison Families

Kathleen Cain  
Franke & Smith Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Peters & Maguire Families  
Kuse & Schmidt Families  
A.B. Blickhan & H.B. Schuerling Families  
Missie Ohnemus Moore  
Living & Deceased Members of Penie & Emma Vahlkamp  
Albright & Havermale Families  
Deceased Members of Fenwick & Schinderling Families  
Berter & Smith Families  
Maas & Doyle Families  
Frank & Janet Kroeger & Mary A. Meyer  
Ted Peters, Vern, Rose & Gerald Zimmerman  
Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart League  
Deceased Members of the Haugh & Jochem Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Dempsey, Hull & Kelly Families  
Deceased & Living Members of the Community of Catholic Women  
Living & Deceased Members of Rita Walker Family Jack Souders  
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Irene Rossmiller  
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