

Blessed Sacrament

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PARISH

Blessed Sacrament Parish Phone: 217-222-2759

Pastor: Fr. Tom Meyer

Pastor Emeritus: Monsignor Michael Kuse

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Terry Ellerman, Deacon Mike Ellerman

Director of Faith Formation: Audreana Derhake

Secretary: Laura Megown

Bookkeeper: Linda Ohnemus

Director of Music: Steve Buckman

Custodian: Scott Wymer

Blessed Sacrament Society of St. Vincent de Paul: 217-430-3723

SCHOOL

Blessed Sacrament School Phone: 217-228-1477

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., 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)

EUCHARIST ADORATION

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

RECONCILIATION:

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

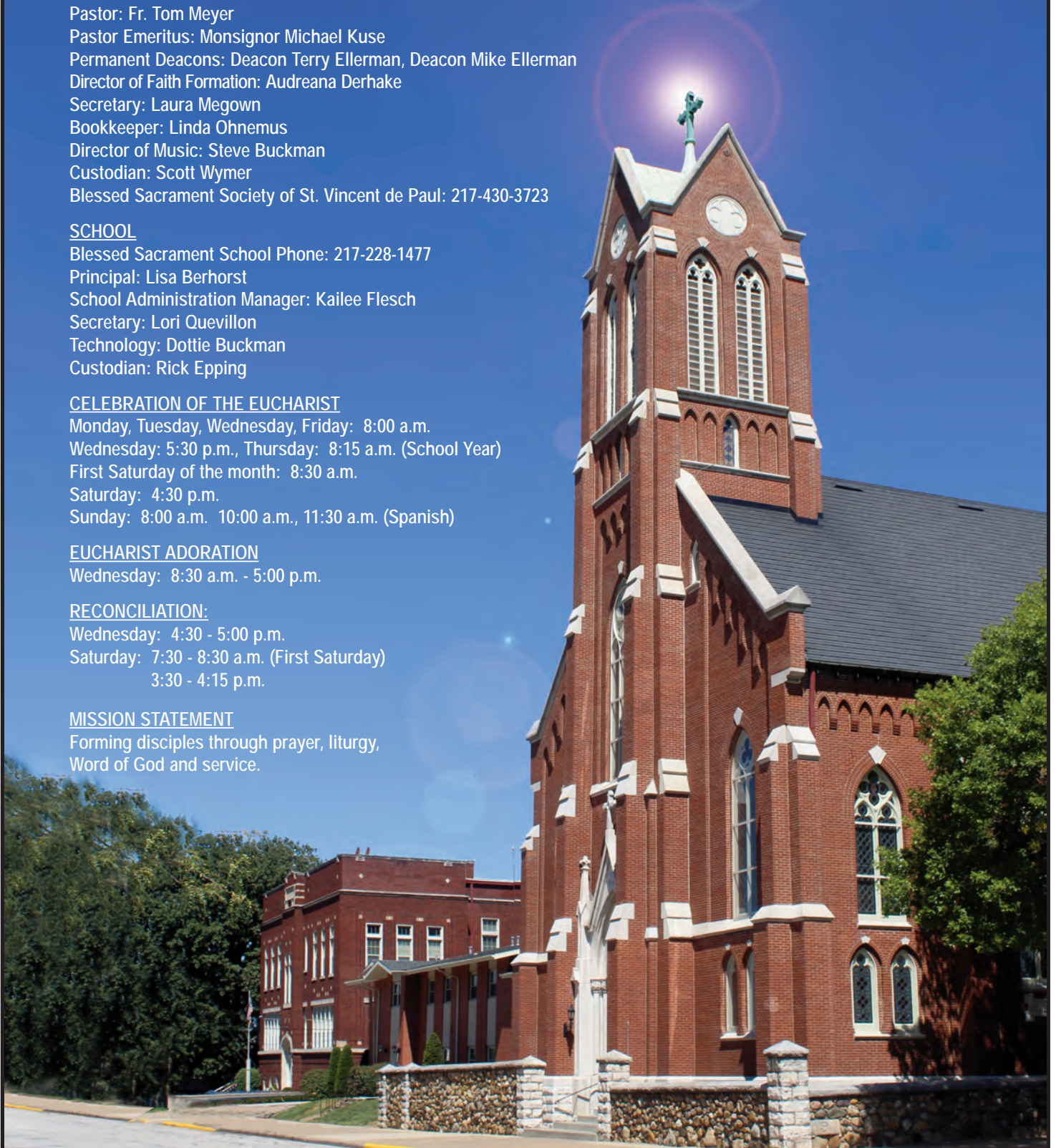
Saturday: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. (First Saturday)

3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

Forming disciples through prayer, liturgy,

Word of God and service.



**Blessed Sacrament Parish
Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord
January 4, 2026**

Monday 8:00 a.m.	January 5, 2025 Maurine Goehl
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	January 6, 2025 Klene Family
Wednesday (K-8) 8:15 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	January 7, 2025 Fr. Joseph Ring John Maguire
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	January 8, 2026 Carol Glosemeyer
Friday 8:00 a.m.	January 9, 2026 For the Home Bound & Residents in the Nursing Homes
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	January 10, 2026 Joseph Meyer
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-Spanish	January 11, 2026 Marilyn Ridder Connie McDowell People of the Parish

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Sunday, December 21, 2025

Regular Collection:	\$ 16,518.00
Electronic Giving:	605.00
Total Collection	\$ 17,123.00
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 12,013.00
Deficient/Surplus:	\$ 5,110.00
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 281,271.32
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	<u>\$ 300,325.00</u>
Regular Deficit/Surplus: (YTD)	(\$ 19,053.68)
Total School Collection	\$ 2,188.00
Haiti	\$ 115.00

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Christmas Day, December 25, 2025

Regular Collection:	\$ 2,260.00
School	\$ 1,036.00
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 264,148.32
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	<u>\$ 288,312.00</u>
Regular Deficit/Surplus: (YTD)	(\$ 24,163.68)

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Sunday, December 28, 2025

Regular Collection:	\$ 21,447.25
Electronic Giving:	\$ 4,525.00
Total Collection	\$ 25,972.25
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 12,013.00
Deficient/Surplus:	+\$ 13,959.25
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 309,503.57
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	<u>\$ 312,338.00</u>
Regular Deficit/Surplus: (YTD)	(\$ 2,834.43)
Total School Collection	\$ 14,465.00
Haiti	\$ 700.00

From the Pastor's Desk

Today we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord**. Today we celebrate the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus. The Magi represent the Gentiles to whom our Lord intended to include in his gift of salvation. The Gentiles were not the original Chosen People, but our Lord always intended to include them in his plan of salvation. In God's plan Israel was to be like the Star of Bethlehem - a light to the nations to guide them to the Lord. Like Israel, the Church today is called to be the star to guide people today on their path to the Lord.

Our next **Theology on Tap** is scheduled for **this Tuesday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Fuzzy Bubbler. St. Francis DRE **Grant Wilson** will be talking on "How to Build - Not Kill - Catholic Community."

In January we begin collecting subscription money for our Diocesan Newspaper, the **Catholic Times**. I encourage our parishioners to include \$15.00 in your Catholic Times envelope for your annual CT subscription. You may return your envelope in the collection anytime in the next few weeks.

Our Accounting Office is making available **Printed copies of your annual 2025 Financial contribution statements** for you to pick up in church. In the upcoming weeks we will have labeled and sealed envelopes containing your contribution information that you can use in preparing your tax return. Envelopes will be sorted alphabetically, and we encourage you to pick up your sealed envelope before or after Mass.

I will soon begin **Server Training with our 4th Grade students and any other interested students in Grades 5-8**. This training usually takes 4-5 weeks to complete. I hope to have a New Server Commissioning on Sunday, February 8.

Finally, next weekend (January 10-11) will be our official **Stewardship Thank You Weekend**. It is an opportunity for Blessed Sacrament Parish to thank all who have made your annual stewardship commitment to Blessed Sacrament Parish through our Stewardship process we completed in November and December. Cookies will be served at all of our Masses next weekend as a Thank You to all of you!

May the Peace of the Word-made-Flesh be with you all,
Fr. Tom



Thank you to Silvia Lopez for her beautiful work decorating our Church for the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe!

CATECHETICAL CORNER

Welcome to the Catechetical Corner! Each week, we explore a truth of our Catholic faith – a small seed of understanding meant to help our love for Christ and His Church grow.

Preparing Spiritually for Christmas

In the midst of decorations, gifts, and busy schedules, the Church gently reminds us that Christmas is first a spiritual celebration—the coming of Christ into our lives. Advent is a sacred time meant to prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus, not just remember His birth long ago. Scripture encourages us, *“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths”* (Isaiah 40:3).

A spiritual Christmas preparation begins with making room for Christ. This can include setting aside quiet time for prayer, reflecting on the daily Advent Scripture readings, or gathering around the Advent wreath. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the most powerful ways to prepare, allowing Christ to enter a heart renewed by mercy. Acts of charity—especially toward the poor, lonely, or forgotten—help us imitate the love that brought Jesus into the world.

The Catechism teaches that Advent invites us to “share in the long preparation for the Savior’s first coming” while renewing our desire for His return (CCC 524).

When we prepare spiritually, Christmas becomes more than a date on the calendar—it becomes a true encounter with Emmanuel, *God with us*.

Prayer:

Come, Lord Jesus. Prepare my heart to receive You with faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Youth Group– Weekly meetings will resume January 4 @ 6 p.m.! Join Us!!

New Year's Prayer

As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends.

Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way. Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, color or creed.

Let us keep God of our own understanding in our hearts and to chant God's name each day. Let us lead the world from darkness to light, from falsehood to truth and from wrong to right.

Let us remember that we are all one, embracing all, discriminating against none.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love. May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year.

- Rev. Marcy Sheremetta



WE ARE HIRING PARISH SECRETARY

FULL TIME HOURLY POSITION
(Part-time hours and adjusted daily schedules may be considered for the right candidate.)

OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY - FRIDAY 8AM - 5PM
(Some flexibility in daily hours may be available.)

Provide front-desk hospitality, answer phones, manage office tasks and records, assist with communications, support parish staff, and handle mail and payments

Please call Audreana at 217.222.2759 to inquire or email faithformation@blessedsacs.org with a cover letter and resume.

A more detailed job description can be found at blessedsacramentqcy.org



Caroling at Horizons

December 2025



This Week In Our Parish

Sunday Edge-Youth Group	January 4, 2026 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Legion Of Mary-GS Jr. Legion of Mary-GS Theology on Tap- <i>Fuzzy Bubbler</i>	January 6, 2026 1:15 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday Reconciliation-Church Evening Prayer-Church Mass-Church St Vincent DePaul-GS Pastoral Council-GS	January 7, 2026 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. - 5:20 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Thursday OCIA-GS	January 8, 2026 6:30 p.m.
Saturday Stewardship <i>Thank You</i> -GS	January 10, 2026 5:30 p.m.

St. Peter Job Opening - Director of Liturgy and Music

looking for a Full Time or Part time Director of Liturgy and Music. This person will oversee all aspects of the parish's liturgical life. Qualifications requested are a professional who holds specialized credentials in music and has a thorough understanding of Roman Catholic liturgy, serves the parish as principal musician, organist/pianist, and choir director. This person of faith is responsible for the technology in the church and effective planning, coordination, and execution of both the rituals and music for the parish liturgies. Salary ranges from \$20,000 to \$40,000. Please send resume along with 2 references to St. Peter Parish Office, 2600 Maine Street, Quincy IL, 62301 or email k.smith@cospq.org

Please Pray for Parish Family Members:

Doris Hildebrand, Robin Cimera, Rita Esselman, Kristin Adams, Delores Lumpkins, Joe Conover, Jeff Lewis, Barb Bax, Greg Schoenekase, Debra Powell, Susan Peters, Mary Neuser, Linda Anemone, Maddie Maas, Sophia Fletcher, Fr. Tom, Fr. Mike, Phillip Holt, Robert Conover, Msgr. Leo Enlow, Don Kelly & Terry Stromquist

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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

Saturday January 3, 2026
Saturday January 10, 2026
Fee: \$10

☞ **Let us handle the disposing of your tree** ☞

All tinsel, decorations, lights, and stands must be removed from trees.

To schedule your pick-up:

- Venmo your name, address, phone number, and payment to @Amanda-Doellman
- Or Call/Text 573-494-2941



Please have your tree outside by 8:00 AM on your scheduled pick-up day.

Thank you for supporting Scouting!

2026 Stewardship



Thank you to everyone who has turned in their stewardship form. 1/3 of forms have been returned. Please return your stewardship form if you haven't already.



Please use this QR code to submit your 2026 Stewardship form

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. 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, or just lend a helping hand.

The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, January 11 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. (Children under 5 eat free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Workcamp trip this summer.



- \$35 Includes t-shirt, pizza, snacks and admission into the game
- Ages 3-8th grade, check in begins @ 5:30 in the QND Lobby (walk-ins welcome) and camp begins at 5:45
- Register by 1-14-26 to guarantee t-shirt size, mail check to QND or Venmo: Elizabeth-Brown-265
- Game begins @ 7:00. Parents will pick up in the multipurpose room after halftime performance.
- Questions Contact: QNDCheer@QuincyNotreDame.org



*14 Day Candle
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Madalon Elam*

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES January 10 & 11, 2026

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Ministers	Greeters	Lectors	Ushers
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Jocelyn Weise Riley Grant Luke Coovert	Mike Bernhardt Nancy Bernhardt Deacon Mike	John & Diane Butler (GS) Dana & Heather Stafford (WD) Debbie Smith (SD)	Terry Duesterhaus	Sara Cramer Mike Cramer Jim Schrand James Smith
Mass Times	Servers	Communion Ministers	Greeters	Lectors	Ushers
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Katelyn Dance Alyssa Druffel Jonah Willer	Deacon Terry Karen Finson Kevin Steinkamp	Patrick & Sue Ann Gerveler (GS) Robert & Mary Kay Brown (WD) Kathy Jochem (SD)	Gayle Tenhouse	Glen Ebbing Jeff Goerlich Larry Jochem Mike Moenning
Mass Times	Servers	Communion Ministers	Greeters	Lectors	Ushers
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Alek Coronado Stone Flesch Vivi Wilson	Deacon Terry Mike Boll Jennifer Dickerman	2-Members of St. Seton House (GS) 2-Members of St. Seton House (WD) 2-Members of St. Seton House (SD)	1-Member from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	4-Ushers from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton House

Servers Week of January 12, 2026

Monday, January 12, 2026- Katelyn Myers & Charley Peters

Tuesday, January 13, 2026- Maggie Sibbing & Charley Peters

Wednesday, January 14, 2026- Katelyn Myers, Maggie Sibbing & Charley Peters

Thursday, January 15, 2026- Alex Coronado & Oliver Derhake

Friday, January 16, 2026- Oliver Derhake & Alex Coronado

January - Stewardship Begins with Gratitude

A new year offers us a chance to pause and reset—not just with goals or resolutions, but with gratitude. Every blessing we have—our families, our health, our faith—is a gift from God. And every gift is an invitation to give back.

Stewardship begins here. It is the expression of our gratitude in concrete ways—by praying, serving, and giving with intention. As we step into this new year, our parish and school rely on your support to continue forming disciples, educating children in the faith, and offering a vibrant Catholic presence in our community.

In our Catholic school, the fruits of your stewardship are visible each day—in the smiles of students, the faith of teachers, and the sacred learning that takes place in every classroom. When you give, you invest in a future rooted in faith.

Let's begin 2025 with hearts full of thanksgiving and a renewed desire to serve. Thank you for your faithful and consistent support.

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Saturday, February 21, 2025
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Selby & Meier Families William & Esther Bergman	Living & Deceased Members of The Michael Turner Family
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Keck Mary & Greg Wellman	Sallie Gehring
Kenneth & Joan Steinkamp Goehl & Koettlers Families	Milkint, Weede & Orcutt Families Larry Steinkamp Family
Clarence & Evelyn Genenbacher Family	The Olker & Lohman Families Sage Moore
Tracy Dede & the Families of Mary & Jerry Lovell	Fenwick & Schinderling Families Living & Deceased Members of
Bange & Benz Families Larry Meyer	Rita Walker Family
Kenneth, Dale & Janet Unmisig Klinge Families	Mary Ann Broemmel
Henry & Regina Geschwandner Families	Bill & Mark Hughes
Gale & Annette Family Living & Deceased Members of the	Cook, Gollaher & Vandebloom Families
Dempsey & Kelly Melissa Ohnemus	Charlie & Scott Roan Living & Deceased Members of
Frankie & Smith Families A.B. Blickhan & H.B. Schuering Families	Lawrence & Marie Klausner Family
Living & Deceased Member of Schulte & Kroeger Families	Peters & Maguire Families Bill Wegs
Haugh & Jochem Families Elam, Campbell & Peterson Families	Louis Holtschlag Family Ezra Derhake
Roehling & Doellman Families Eiers & Herold Families	Living & Deceased Members of CCW
Jeffrey & BJ Vandebloom Fr. Don, Everett and Mary Knuffman	Patrick Dolan
Living & Deceased Members of	Dietrich & Johnson Families Bob Burghart
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