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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

Office Manager: Katrina Casper

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 Assistant Principal: Kailee Flesch

Secretary: Kathy Huner

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)

EUCCHARIST 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.



Mass Intentions

Monday	August 17, 2026
8:00 AM	Joseph Meyer
Tuesday	August 18, 2026
8:00 AM	Russ Borman
Wednesday	August 19, 2026
8:00 AM	Adrianna Meckes
5:30 PM	Klene Family
Thursday	August 20, 2026
8:00 AM	Connie McDowell
Friday	August 21, 2026
8:00 AM	Steve Stump
Saturday	August 22, 2026
4:30 PM	For Birthright & the Unborn
Sunday	August 23, 2026
8:00 AM	Maureen Schwarz
10:00 AM	John Sloup
11:30 AM	People of the Parish

Sacrificial Giving

August 9, 2026

Regular Collection:	\$6,254.00
Online Giving:	\$915.00
Total Collection	\$7,169.00

Weekly Support Needed:	\$14,192.00
Difference:	-\$7,023.00

Year- To - Date

Received:	\$63,391.50
Needed:	\$85,152.00
Difference:	-\$21,760.50

School Collection:	\$1,355.00
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Online Giving:

<https://pushpay.com/g/blessedsacramentquincy>

This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday	August 18, 2026
Grief Share- GS	10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Legion of Mary - GS	1:15 pm
Wednesday	August 19, 2026
Adoration	8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Reconciliation	4:30 - 5:00 pm
Saturday	August 22, 2026
Reconciliation	3:30 - 4:00pm

From the Pastor's Desk

Today the Church celebrates the **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The 1st Reading is from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. Isaiah's focus is on the Gentiles, "foreigners." Gentiles who "join themselves to the Lord," God says "I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer." This house of prayer is certainly alluding to the Jerusalem Temple. According to Isaiah, the sacrificial offerings of the Gentiles in the Temple will be acceptable to the Lord. This is pretty unusual thinking for traditional Judaism of the Old Testament.

In the Gospel a Gentile woman comes to Jesus asking for a healing miracle of exorcism for her daughter. Jesus initially puts her off, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Yet the woman's faith and perseverance are striking; she is quick witted and will not give up. Jesus seems genuinely intrigued by her confidence and zeal, "O woman, great is your faith!" And the miracle is granted for her daughter.

We do not know why Jesus initially turns down this woman. Did Jesus grow in His own self-knowledge of His mission, or did He intentionally maneuver the conversation in an attempt to draw out her faith. Good question. We simply admire her confidence in not giving up; she knew her daughter was counting on her. In the end, Jesus accomplishes what Isaiah prophesies in the First Reading. The offerings (pleadings) of foreigners will indeed be acceptable!

This weekend (Aug. 15-16) we welcome our annual Summer Coop Missionary Appeal: **The Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu**. May our hearts be open and generous as we listen this weekend to their appeal.

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming **Septemberfest which is scheduled for Sat. Sep. 12th**. Please consider volunteer opportunities to help with this year's Septemberfest. Sign-up forms are available in the Gathering Space for you to sign up.

This **upcoming Tue. Aug. 18th is the First Day of School at Blessed Sacrament School!** We are excited to be back in school. I am grateful for the hard work that our principal Lisa Berhorst and her fantastic teachers and staff have done this past summer in getting our classrooms and curriculums ready for our incoming students. It's wonderful to start a brand new school year again at Blessed Sacrament School.

Finally, this weekend is the **Knights of Columbus Barbecue!** Please be sure to spend some time this weekend at this annual event which brings our Quincy community together for food, fun, and entertainment. We thank the good work of our local Knights of Columbus for hosting this event.

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



Your Calendar of Saints and Feasts for week of Aug 16th – Aug 22nd

Aug 16th – St. Rocco

Aug 18th – St. Alberto Hurtado

Aug 19th – St. John Eudes

Aug 20th – St. Bernard

Aug 21st – Pope St. Pius X

Aug 22nd – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven. There are others: innocence, but that is for little children; penance, but we are afraid of it; generous endurance of trials of life, but when they come we weep and ask to be. The surest, easiest, shortest way is the Eucharist."

- St. Pope Pius X

Walking Together Toward the Sacraments

Is your child ready to take the next step in their journey of faith? We invite families with children who have not yet received their sacraments to connect with us!

If your child is in 2nd grade or older and has not yet received First Reconciliation, or in 3rd grade or older and has not yet received First Holy Communion and Confirmation, we would love to help your family begin preparing.

Whether your family is just getting started, returning to the Church, or simply needs to catch up on sacramental preparation, you are welcome here! Our Faith Formation director is happy to walk alongside your family and help your child prepare to encounter Christ in these beautiful sacraments.

For more information, please contact faithformation@blessedscs.org or call the parish office at 217-222-2759.



Dive Deep Podcast: The End Times: Rapture vs. Catholic Truth – The rapture. The Antichrist. The end of the world. Are we living in the end times right now? In this fascinating episode of Dive Deep, Father Christopher Trummer breaks down what the Catholic Church actually teaches about the end times — and why popular ideas about a secret “rapture” are not Catholic teaching. From the Book of Revelation to the Antichrist, private prophecies, the Final Judgment, and how Catholics should prepare for Christ’s return, this episode separates fear, fiction, and social media hysteria from authentic Catholic theology. Go to youtube.com/diospringfield or search “Dive Deep” on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe. Dive Deep is the podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

Help Families Grow in Faith

We’re looking for parishioners who feel called to help with our Family Faith Formation sessions! Whether you can lead a small group, help with activities, simply be a welcoming presence or help behind the scenes, there is a place for you. No special experience is required—just a heart for Christ and a desire to help families grow in faith together. Interested? Contact the Faith Formation Office at faithformation@blessedscs.org.

SEPTEMBERFEST

Sat., September 12th
5 - 11 pm

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silent
auction &
live band.

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We joyfully welcome, **Lilah Miranda Camarena**, daughter of **Ricardo Camarena Leon** and **Katie Juanita Angel**, who was baptized at Blessed Sacrament Parish on August 6, 2026.

May God bless Lilah and her family as they continue to grow in faith.

We joyfully welcome **Uriel Fuentes Camarena**, son of **Ernesto Fuentes** and **Claudia Camarena**, who was baptized at Blessed Sacrament Parish on August 6, 2026.

May God bless Uriel and his family as they continue to grow in faith.

Parish Pictorial Directory

It's time for a new Blessed Sacrament Parish Pictorial Directory! We hope every parishioner and family will be included!

 **Photography: September 28 - October 3, 2026**
(Appointments available each day of the week)

Schedule online: www.ucdir.com

Click "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login."

Church Code: il486

Password: bsccq2026pics

Online scheduling is available Monday-Friday.

Families of 6+ should reserve two consecutive appointments.

Sign up soon for your preferred time! We'll also offer sign-ups after Mass in the coming weeks.

Summer Lunch Program – Thank You!

Another successful Summer Lunch Program is in the books! 🌞📧

This summer, we gave out an incredible **1,691** lunches to children in our community!

A HUGE thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers who gave their time to prepare, pack, serve, and help make this ministry possible. Your generosity and willingness to serve made a difference in the lives of so many families this summer.

We are grateful for everyone who helped make another summer of feeding our community and serving others a success! 💙💛



Please Pray for Parish Family Members

Doris Hildebrand, Robin Cimera, Kristin Adams, Delores Lumpkins, Jeff Lewis, Debra Powell, Mary Neuser, Linda Anemone, Msgr. Mike Kuse, Robert Conover, Msgr. Leo Enlow, Don Kelly, Rosie Meyer, Bill Timmerwilke, Ceil Duesterhaus, Lisa Wright, Alberta, Paul German, Ron Kelly, Lee John, Pam LaTour, Dawn Heints, and Karen Freels Throgmorton.

Cut out this week's prayer list and keep it nearby as a reminder to pray throughout the week.

Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers **Tom Alford**, who passed away on Sunday, August 2.

May God grant Tom eternal rest and bring comfort and peace to his family and loved ones during this difficult time.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.



There's still time to complete this week's

Mary Challenge!

This week's Mary Monday Reveal brought us to the Holy Water font, a beautiful reminder of our Baptism and the new life we received in Christ.

Each time we bless ourselves with Holy Water, we are reminded of our Baptism and life as children of God.

💧 This Week's Challenge: Slow down as you make the Sign of the Cross and thank God for the gift of your Baptism.

📌 Then join us again this Friday for a brand-new Find Mary Friday adventure, followed by Mary Monday Reveal next week for another hidden location, reflection, and challenge.

💙 Keep looking for Mary... and keep growing in faith!



14 Day Candle

In Memory of
Max Kinnie

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES August 22-23, 2026

Mass Time	Servers	Communion Ministers	Greeters	Lectors	Ushers
4:30 PM	Luke Coovert Karson Huner Adalynn Linenfelser	Karen Finson Doug Luther Teresa Zaerr	Brad & Kristin Adams(GS) Devon & Erin Stegeman (WD) Michael & Kelly Baker (SD)	Andy Weise	Nathan Terwelp Tim Terwelp Jim Schrand Greg Wittland
8:00 AM	Katelyn Dance Kacie Stegeman Jonah Willer	Deacon Mike Diana Finley Nancy Kelly	Logan & Kaleena Gentry (GS) Michael & Ruth Liesen (WD) Karen Koehn (SD)	Gayle Tenhouse	Robert Brown Frank Flesch Kevin Steinkamp Chris Wegs
10:00 AM	Briella Reis Nixon Reis Alessandra Torres	Deacon Terry Nancy Orcutt Nancy Schodroski	Tom & Katie Bailey (GS) Shane & Robin Reis (WD) Kristen Greer (SD)	Ann Gage Jill Kelly	Matt Bozarth Dan Brink Marvin Schrecke Greg Young



Servers Week of August 24th

Monday, August 24- Hadley Garner & Riley Grant
 Tuesday, August 25- Hadley Garner & Riley Grant
 Wednesday, August 26 - Hadley Garner, Asher Richards & Riley Grant
 Thursday, August 27 - Emma Vogel & Kinsley Adams
 Friday, August 28 - Emma Vogel & Kinsley Adams



Stewardship Reflection - August 16

“For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable.” – Romans 11:29

God has a special mission for each of us, and He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish it. Stewardship calls us to recognize those gifts and generously use our time, talent, and treasure to serve God and one another.

Each prayer offered, hour volunteered, talent shared, and gift given is an opportunity to take part in God’s work.

No gift is too small when it is offered with a willing heart.

Take a moment to recognize the gifts God has placed in your life. Perhaps there is a talent you haven’t shared, a ministry you’ve considered joining, or a simple way you can serve someone around you. God has given each of us something to offer—**how will you put your gifts into action?**



Parish Happenings

HAVE YOU LOGGED INTO PARISHSTAQ?

We encourage all parishioners—especially those who serve in a ministry—to log in or create a ParishStaq account!

ParishStaq is our parish database and new ministry scheduling system, making it easier to stay connected and manage your information.

With your ParishStaq account, you can:

- ◆ View when you're scheduled to serve
- ◆ Request a replacement or swap when you can't serve
- ◆ Enter Block Out Dates for when you'll be unavailable
- ◆ Update your address, phone number, and email

Log in or request an account:

<https://dio.ccbchurch.com/goto/login>

Need help? Pick up our new ParishStaq How-To Guide in the Gathering Space or contact the Parish Office at 217-222-2759.

Thank you for helping us stay connected!

SEPTEMBER FEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Septemberfest is Saturday, September 12 from 5–11 PM, and we need lots of helping hands to make this fun parish event a success!

Parish families & school families—we need YOU!

This is also a great way to earn your volunteer hours!

There are plenty of ways to help, so grab a shift & join the fun!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949A8A723A7FF2-septemberfest1>

Thank you for giving your time and helping make Septemberfest a success!

SEPTEMBER FEST SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, September 12

Donations are needed for our Septemberfest Silent Auction!

We welcome gift baskets, gift cards, new or handmade items, experiences, and services.

Own a business or know someone who does? We'd love donations from local businesses, too!

Drop donations off at the Parish Office.

Questions? 217-222-2759

Thank you for supporting Septemberfest and our parish



Ministry & Community News

Community of CATHOLIC WOMEN



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TUESDAY
AUGUST
25
6:00 PM

Next Meeting

Mr. Bill's Bar and Grill

Join us for an evening of fellowship and great food!

Please purchase your own meal.

All women of our parish are welcome!

Prayer Breakfast Committee Members Needed

The Community of Catholic Women is beginning to plan our 2027 Annual Prayer Breakfast, which will be held on **Saturday, April 24, 2027**, and we'd love to have a few more women join our planning committee!

Whether you enjoy organizing events, decorating, hospitality, publicity, or simply sharing ideas, there is a place for you. Helping with the Prayer Breakfast is a wonderful way to serve our parish, build friendships, and create a meaningful morning of faith and fellowship for the women of our community.

We are also looking for a featured speaker for the Prayer Breakfast. If you know of someone who would inspire and encourage women in their faith journey, or if you have a recommendation for a local or regional speaker, we'd love to hear from you.

If you're interested in serving on the committee or have a speaker recommendation, please contact Katrina in the parish office or Julie Herring at 217-653-4804 or jafish812@gmail.com.



CYO Board Representative Needed



Blessed Sacrament is looking for someone to represent our parish on the Quincy Catholic Youth Organization Board.

If you are interested in serving or would like more information, please contact Tom McLaughlin at 217-653-1032.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to support Catholic youth in our community!

First Friday Memorials 2026

Flaiz, Lohman Families & Nick Miller Ken & Stan Moenning Albright & Havermale Families Hessling Family Selby & Meier Families William & Esther Bergman Mr. & Mrs. Earl Keck Mary & Greg Wellman Kenneth & Joan Steinkamp Goehl & Koetters Families Clarence & Evelyn Genenbacher Family Tracy Dede & the Families of Mary & Jerry Lovell Bange & Benz Families Larry Meyer Kenneth, Dale & Janet Unmisig Klinge Families Henry & Regina Geschwandner and Families Gale & Annette Family Living & Deceased Members of the Dempsey & Kelly Melissa Ohnemus Franke & Smith Families A.B. Blickhan & H.B. Schuering Families Living & Deceased Member of Schulte & Kroeger Families Haugh & Jochem Families Elam, Campbell & Peterson Families Roehling & Doellman Families Eiers & Herold Families Jeffrey & BJ Vandebloom Fr. Don, Everett and Mary Knuffman Living & Deceased Members of Penie & Emma Vahlkamp Families	Louis J. Frese & Walker Morrison Families Living & Deceased Members of The Michael Turner Family Sallie Gehring Milkint, Weede & Orcutt Families Larry Steinkamp Family The Olker & Lohman Families Sage Moore Fenwick & Schinderling Families Living & Deceased Members of Rita Walker Family Mary Ann Broemmel Bill & Mark Hughes Cook, Gollaher & Vandebloom Families Charlie & Scott Roan Living & Deceased Members of Lawrence & Marie Klausner Family Peters & Maguire Families Bill Wegs Louis Holtschlag Family Ezra Derhake Living & Deceased Members of CCW Patrick Dolan Dietrich & Johnson Families Bob Burghart Carl & Margaret Spettnagel Andrew Maas Parker & Mildred Gates Barabra Gerdes & Mary Gates Living & Deceased Members of the Don & Nancy Kelly Family Deceased Members Gerald L. Schwarz Family Toot Ewalt Norbert & Viola Klingele and Families
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