

Blessed Sacrament Church

3012 Jackson Street * Sioux City, IA 51104 * 277-2949

Website: blessedsac.com * Radio Masses: Sunday—9:00 a.m. 1360 KSCJ

January 19, 2014



Parish Office:

Phone: 277-2949 Fax: 277-2963

3012 Jackson St.

Hours: 8:00 am — 4:00 pm, Mon—Fri

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday—4:30 pm

Sunday—7:30 am, 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Weekday Liturgies see schedule inside

Mon thru Sat-6:45 am

Holy Day Liturgies

Evening before—5:30 pm

Holy Days—6:45 am, 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday—3:45 pm

Weekdays—20 minutes Prior to Mass

Prayers Request Line:

Sue Lilla—255-3956

dsuelilla@gmail.com

Baptism:

By appointment following required pre-baptism class.

Marriage:

By appointment following required 6 month marriage preparation program.

Please call parish office to make appointment.

Communion Sick Calls:

Persons unable to attend Mass, please contact the parish office to make arrangements to receive the sacraments.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the parish office.

Learning Centers:

Parish Religious Ed. Programs 277-4739

Angel House—3002 Jackson St 277-2001

Angel House/Villa Maria—2302 West St. 234-1854

Holy Cross—Blessed Sacrament Center 277-4739

Holy Cross—St. Michael Center 239-1090

BHCS Central Office—1018 Grandview 252-1350

Pastoral Staff:

Pastor: **Rev. Merlin J. Schrad**

Senior Priest: **Rev. Msgr. Roger J. Augustine**

Permanent Deacon: **Fred Karpuk**

Permanent Deacon: **Dick Billings**

D.R.E./Youth Ministry: **Fran O'Tool**

Liturgy Coordinator: **Ann Schultz**

Development Director: **Brendan Burchard**

Parish Coordinators:

Director of Operations: **Terry McElroy**

Parish Director: **Joseph M. Puetz**

Parish Director: **Gina M. Sitzmann**

Finance Committee Chair: **Jeanette Frey**

Pastoral Council Chair: **David Sly**

Development Council Chair: **Brendan Burchard**

Bishop Heelan Catholic Schools:

BHCS President: **Jim Tschann**

Holy Cross School Principal: **Michael Sweeney**

Our Mission:

We, the Blessed Sacrament Parish Family, seek to be a community of peace, justice and love, as expressed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

BLESSED SACRAMENT, SIOUX CITY

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Our Parish Life

Monday	January 20, 2014
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Tuesday	January 21 2014
3:00 pm	Sunday to Sunday
6:30 pm	Liturgy Board
Wednesday	January 22, 2014
5:00 pm	Peace Rosary
6:45-8:00 pm	PREP @ School
7:15 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	January 23, 2014
7:00 pm	RCIA @ Blessed Sacrament

Parish Financial Blessings

Year-to-Date Giving Information

July 1, 2012-January 12, 2014

Total Income	\$669,118.19
Total Expenses	\$599,238.35
Difference	\$69,879.84
Sunday Collection	\$16,485.00
Loose Contributions	\$582.25

Bills Paid This Week

City of Sioux City	\$371.38
Electrical Engineering & Equip.....	\$224.47
Foulk Brothers.....	\$1,688.01
Joe's Inc.	\$85.00
Scotts Lawn Care.....	\$1,683.56

Other Income

Stifel/Nicolaus (Dividends & Interest).....	\$6,475.70
Lunch Reimbursement.....	\$1,305.41
Angel House Rent.....	\$2,700.00

Upcoming Bills

BHCS Investment	\$58,333.00
Payroll.....	\$20,585.00

Carmelite Nuns Annual Collection

This Sunday, January 19th the Carmelite Nuns Annual Collection is being taken for a full year supply of groceries. All parishes in Sioux City are depended upon to participate in the collection. The nuns are always very grateful for the people's generosity. Their prayers are also a great gift and benefit to our parish. The envelopes are in the packets or place your names on a plain envelope marked "Carmelite Sisters. The Carmel Board members who represent Blessed Sacrament are:

**Jameley Levich, Jackie Levich,
Mary Japel, Molly Sokolowski**

Mass Intentions

Monday	January 20, 2014
6:45 am	Mary Sheehan
Tuesday	January 21, 2014
6:45 am	Madeline Smith
8:00 am	No Mass
Wednesday	January 22, 2014
6:45 am	John C. Kelly & Kevin Kelly
Thursday	January 23, 2014
6:45 am	Irene (Babe) Brainerd
4:00 pm	Adoration Ends
5:30 pm	No Mass
Friday	January 24, 2014
6:45 am	Howard Foxhoven
8:00 am	Phil Kevane
Saturday	January 25, 2014
6:45 am	Deacon John Heffernan (anniversary)
4:30 pm	Ted Staber
Sunday	January 26, 2014
7:30 am	Leo Kuennen (anniversary)
9:00 am	Vincent Hallman
10:30 am	Blessed Sacrament Parish

Mass Servers for Next Week

Saturday	January 25, 2014
4:30 pm	Megan Janssen, Tess & Sophie Lord
Sunday	January 26, 2014
7:30 am	Brenna Sweeney, Max Tushla
9:00 am	Kasey Heaton, Patrick & Grace McGowan
10:30 am	Derek & Megan Hartnett, Ryan McCarthy

Extra-Ordinary Minister's

Saturday	January 25, 2014
4:30 pm	Susan Boutwell, James Duggan, Mary Ellen Ericksen, Rita Fairfield, Lori Twohig, Barb & Thomas Vakulskas
Sunday	January 26, 2014
7:30 am	Toby & Jack Berg, Dan Fleming, Mary Walsh
9:00 am	Brendan & Martha Burchard, Mary Conway, Sue Grieve, Carl Hardy, Kathy Heaton
10:30 am	Tom & Mary Fleming, Terri & Steve Kimbell, Terri Moran, Jane & Mark Stevens

**A Special Thanks To
Those that took down the outside crib.**



From The Desk of Fr. Merlin...

January 19, 2014 The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

It wasn't just **God's chosen people** or the early missionaries who were called to spread the message of God's love for his people. We, too, are called. By word and example we show whether or not we are to be trusted as honorable witnesses of God's holy truth. The message of God's love for his people is lived out in Jesus.

Catholic Schools Week January 26-February 1, 2014

Catholic Schools throughout the United States will be celebrating in a very special way next week. It is our time to blow our horns and let people know of the great things that are happening in our school buildings. The theme this year is **"Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service."** In just three words, this theme expresses what Catholic schools are all about. We teach our students faith, not just the basics of Catholicism, but how to have a relationship with God. We hold them to high academic standards to help each student reach their full potential. We also teach them to serve, both as a way to express their faith and to become good citizens.

We are truly blessed in Sioux City to provide this choice for our children. Being right next door to the Blessed Sacrament Center I see it each day as the students begin the day, leaving their cars and telling their parents, **"I love you"** or **"Have a great day"**. I am filled with pride as they say "hello" to me and wish me a good day as they enter the school building. Throughout the school year they are taught various Gospel values and we emphasize them during our weekly Masses each Friday. I am continually amazed at the respect and the reverence of the students at our Masses on Fridays and when I celebrate Mass at Heelan. The children truly see the importance of prayer and spending time with God. I could go on and on about the values of Catholic Schools but I hope everyone is aware of this blessing in our parish community.

I want to thank the parishioners, the parents and the children for keeping this gift alive and well in our midst. **To show our appreciation the PTO parent group from Holy Cross will be serving cookies and juice after the Saturday mass next weekend and rolls, juice and coffee after all the Sunday masses next weekend---please stop over to enjoy this treat.**

I also want to thank the administration and teachers for using their time and talents in this special ministry.

We will be celebrating **two** special Masses next week, which will be involving our parish students. On **Tuesday** (January 28) at the Cathedral, Heelan High School will be celebrating their **Mass at 8:30 am. (Bishop Nickless will be the main celebrant)** and on **Wednesday (January 29) at 10:00 am** at St. Michael's the pre-school-8th grade will be celebrating Mass. You are invited to either of these Masses. Watch the school section of this bulletin for the various activities that will take place during the week at Holy Cross, beginning with students doing the various ministries at Mass next weekend.

Food For Thought

A minister waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump. "Reverend," said the young man, "I'm so sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

Community Opportunities and Events

January 19, 2014

PREP News Upcoming Events

January 28th is First Reconciliation for our 2nd Graders at St. Michael's.

Confirmation Retreat for Freshman will be held at Briar Cliff University on Sunday, February 23, 2014.

Faith Alive

This week is annually designated as a time for us to reflect and pray for two important issues affecting our culture and the world we live in. First, in prayerful recognition of the 41st anniversary of Roe v. Wade, "Nine Days of Prayer, Penance and Pilgrimage" begins January 18 and ends January 26th. *Your prayers matter and your sacrifices make a difference.*

Secondly, it is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which has taken place for more than 100 years. It reminds us of the great need to pray toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf John 17:21)

Go to <http://www.usccb.org/> for ways to join in on both of these prayer opportunities.

Briar Cliff Sunday

On **Briar Cliff Sunday, Jan. 25 and Jan. 26**, there will be a special offering to fund scholarships for Briar Cliff students. Your gifts go directly to scholarships. Over the past 10 years, the need for financial aid has risen dramatically making this special collection even more important to the students attending Briar Cliff. **It's up to us to help those students by contributing to the Briar Cliff Sunday offering!**

Next weekend is FOOD TO SHARE WEEKEND



While our pantry is well stocked with many items, thanks to your generosity, we are low on: canned fruit, spaghetti sauce and long spaghetti noodles, toilet paper, and detergent.

HELP WANTED

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL-ST. MICHAEL'S

Position: Hot Lunch Head Cook; Hours: 7:30-1:00 pm; Wages: \$9 an hour. Please email: Mike Sweeney sweeneym@bishopheelan.org or mail to; St. Michael's School, 4105 Harrison St., Sioux City IA 51108.

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Holy Cross School News

Monday January 20, 2014
5:30 pm BHCS Board Meeting
@ St. Joseph's Parish Center

Friday January 24, 2014
8:00 am Mass @ BS Center

Saturday January 25, 2014
6:00-8:00 pm Catholic Schools Week Kick Off
Pot Luck @ Long Lines Rec.
PTO family fun night !

Monday January 27, 2014
6:15 pm Discover Heelan Night @ Bishop
Heelan High School (For incoming
freshman and other interested
students enrolling next fall.)

The Bishop's Scholarship

Did you know all high school seniors throughout the Diocese of Sioux City are encouraged to apply for "The Bishop's Scholarship" to Briar Cliff University? This is a 4-year scholarship worth \$25,000! For more information (including eligibility guidelines and the application process), Deadline is Feb. 28th!

Visit: www.scdiocese.org/bishopsscholarship

JANUARY IS POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH

The USCCB has provided many resources to help us become more informed and to take action. Their website www.usccb.org currently has a Poverty Awareness Month heading, which includes a calendar (scroll down for it).

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development also has a website www.povertyusa.org with a poverty quiz and other excellent resources. A few copies of the quiz are on the table in the back of church for those without internet access.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI offers a FREE series of 12 weekly classes for family members of adult individuals with a serious mental illness. Structured to help family members understand and support their ill relative while maintaining their own well being. Classes begin Thursday, Jan. 23rd, 6:00-8:30 pm. For more info or to register, please contact: Kathy Roberts, NAMI, 712-255-4209, e-mail: fhkathy@siouxlan.net