

The Church of the Blessed Sacrament

*Blessed Sacrament is a Catholic community, rooted in the Eucharist,
where All are Welcome as we Build the City of God*

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October 15-16, 2011

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for the Week

Second Collection

Saturday 4:00 PM	October 15th Michael & Mary Gordon and John Hughes	Anniversary
Monday 9:00 AM	October 17th Mass	
Tuesday 9:00 AM	October 18th Mass	
Wednesday 9:00 AM	October 19th Mass	
Thursday 9:00 AM	October 20th Mass	
Friday 9:00 AM	October 21st Mass	
Saturday 9:00 AM	October 22nd Thomas & Mary Considine	Anniversary
4:00 PM	Mary L. Cerbo	Anniversary

Next week's second collection supports Catholic World Missions. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society. Please visit www.propfaithboston.org for more information.

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday 8:30 AM	October 16th Little Church	Auditorium
10:15 to 11:15 AM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
11 AM	Mass with Baptism	Church
4:30 PM	Confirmation Session	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Contemporary Music Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8:30 PM	Sep., Divorced & Beyond	Community Room
Monday 4 to 5 PM	October 17th Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
5:30 to 6:30	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
6:45 to 7:45	MS Religious Ed. In Service	Auditorium
7:30 to 9 PM	Social Committee Meeting	Fireplace Room
Tuesday 9:45 to 11 AM	October 18th Bible Sharing	Community Room
5 to 6 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
6:15 to 7:15	MS Religious Ed. In Service	Auditorium
7:15 to 9:30	Marriage Prep	Community Room
Wednesday 9:30 AM	October 19th Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
7:15 to 9 PM	PPC	Fireplace Room
Thursday 4:15 to 5 PM	October 20th Children's Choir Rehearsal	Church
5 to 6 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
6 to 7 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 to 9 PM	Welcome to New Parishioners	Fireplace Room
Friday 7:15 to 9:30	October 21st Marriage Prep	Community Room
Saturday 11:30 AM	October 22nd New Lector Training	Church

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Michael DeFazio.

Remembering in Your Prayers

We are asked to remember in our prayers all our shut-ins, our unemployed, our sick, our grieving, and our own parish dead.

Prayer Line

If you have something or someone you would like us to pray for, call the Prayer Line at 508-668-2448 and a group of prayerful parishioners will add your intentions to their daily prayer. Prayer works!

Wedding Banns

I Richard Aprea and Kerri Reardon
I Dominic Ingemi and Jennifer Bubliss

Fr. Kevin Sandberg, CSC will be celebrating liturgies with us throughout the coming academic year. Fr. Sandberg is originally from Florida and was ordained in 2005. Father Sandberg is a member of the community of the Holy Cross Fathers. The Holy Cross Fathers are at Stonehill College and Notre Dame University. Fr. Sandberg is currently a doctoral student at Fordham University in the process of doing research for his thesis while residing at Stonehill College. We are very grateful for his willingness to share with us his faith and his love of liturgy. We look forward to many liturgical celebrations with him in the months to come.

*For the complete parish calendar anytime, go to
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A Message from Our Co Pastors

In praying the readings of the 27th Sunday of the year I was reminded of the God's endless efforts in calling us to the fullness of life, to his kingdom here on earth. Both in the prophet Isaiah and in the gospel we are told the story of the vineyard owners. In the Old Testament we hear about the owner planting the choicest vines and doing everything he can to protect them but ending up with a crop of wild grapes. The owner is left saying; "What more was there to be done for my vineyard that I had not done." In the gospel we have a similar situation; yet in this story when the servants are sent out for harvest, the tenants beat them and kill them so that they can keep the harvest. After two different attempts he sends his son whom he feels will be able to gather the harvest as the tenants will respect his son. Yet as the parable goes on they kill the son as well and keep the produce. The psalm states that the Vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

While directing a retreat last week one of the priests talked about the place in which we meet Jesus. The imagery he used was the map of Jerusalem. The first stop was Capernaum in which we are healed by Jesus, recalling the story of the healing of Peter's mother-in-law and the second in Bethsaida at which many were fed by Jesus, recalling the multiplication of the loaves and the fish. With this in mind I began to think about another. The place is in the Kidron Valley and one of my favorites in the Holy Land and that is Dominus Flevit. Each year during the advent season we have the gospel that talks of Jesus stopping on his way into the city at a spot that overlooks the city. As he stands there he weeps and he says something to the effect; if only they knew what was made for their peace. They missed their time of visitation. Sitting with this expression I suspect for Jesus there was great sadness, disappointment, discouragement, possibly futility. His feelings echo the statement in the Isaiah reading, "What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not already done." Yet with all this going on he continues his journey into the city knowing full well what is going to happen.

The gospel talks about the three attempts to gather the harvest but even with the death of his son we know, God, the owner of the vineyard, the house of Israel, does not stop. He gave us his Spirit and presence in sacrament, word and one another. He has yet to give up on us and he will never give up on us.

We are the vineyard of the Lord. He sends out us his servants to bring in the harvest but as we go about our lives, our ministries, often times meet obstacles. The obstacles can not only surround us but also be within us. These obstacles become a source of discouragement and futility. At times we may even want to throw in the towel.

So where does that leave us? I think we go back to the map, find ourselves in the Kidron Valley with the God/man that had every reason in the world to throw in the towel and walk away but did not. He kept his focus on the Father and he walked into the city as a King and rose as a King because he defied all the odds that doubted that his resurrection was possible.

So as we look to the inner map of Jerusalem, we recall the healings, the nourishment and focus on God that enables one to walk on water, to defy all the odds, to give glory to God and to bring his kingdom one step closer to completion. As Jesus did we are called to trust in the promise of God as expressed in Paul to the Philippians:

Whatever is true, whatever is honorable,
Whatever is just, whatever is pure,
Whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious,
If there is any excellence
And if there is anything worthy of praise,
Think about these things.
Keep on doing what you have learned and received
And heard and seen in me.
Then the God of peace will be with you.

~Fr. Tim

THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

In the Gospel for Sunday, October 23 (Mt 22: 34-40), Jesus summarizes all of Jewish law and commandments in just two commandments: to love God and one another.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/102511.shtml>

Next week's question is: Why is it easy sometimes and hard at other times to love as Jesus asks?

MONTHLY COFFEE HOUR

The Fall is a great time to reconnect with familiar faces and to make new friends. Come join us for coffee in the school auditorium on Sunday, October 23rd at 10:00 (after the 9 or before the 11). All are welcome.

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 22

For a Progressive supper. You know how it works. You go to one house for appetizers, travel to another house for dinner and then to a third house for dessert. You will meet different people at each stop. Sign up now. We are looking for people who will open their house to host one aspect of the night and guests who would like to meet some new faces and are willing to bring a dish to feed 8-10 people to one of the houses they will be going to that evening. Please contact mmartin@blessedsacrament.org or call Marie to sign up at the parish house. Don't miss out on the fun! Must RSVP by October 15th.

A MOTHERS' TEA

Sunday, October 23rd, 2:00 -3:30 PM in the school auditorium. The topic will be Christian Parenting, featuring guest speaker Sr. Marie Labollita. Please RSVP to mmartin@blessedsacrament.org so we have some idea of how many to plan for. If you didn't get a chance to call, come anyway. We look forward to seeing you!

GRAND GIVEAWAY

ON SALE OCTOBER 1ST THROUGH DECEMBER 10TH

Grand Giveaway (formerly known as the Grand Club) has officially launched. Grand Giveaway is a fun and easy, low effort/high reward way to raise needed revenue for a variety of projects within the Blessed Sacrament community. After monthly prize disbursements, proceeds will be allocated 50/50 to fund facility improvements and beautification projects for the parish and the school.

For a one time, annual payment of \$100, your Grand Giveaway ticket gives you a monthly chance to win one of 17 cash prizes. Starting in January 2012, every month, 17 lucky ticket holders will win one of the following cash prizes:

One -- \$1,000 cash prize One -- \$250 cash prize 15 -- \$50 cash prizes

See the insert in this week's bulletin for more information on the program and for information on incentives being offered to encourage participation and ticket sales.

Tickets may be purchased by completing and returning envelopes located in the pews, the back of the church, or the school office. Forms are also available on the church or school website. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold, so get your Grand Giveaway tickets before they sell out.

Contact Maryellen Horgan-Currier at mhorgancurrier@blessedsacrament.org, Maura Clow at clow-clan@comcast.net or Jen Dyer at jenmooredyer@aol.com for more information about the Grand Giveaway program.

LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBER TO THE FINANCE COUNCIL

The Finance Council is looking for an additional member. The Finance Council is an advisory board to the pastor and meets monthly. Due to the scope of the work it is felt by the council that a Civil Engineer with a background in buildings would be a great asset to the council. If you have the background and are willing to serve please contact Fr. Tim.

WITH FR. LEO'S DEPARTURE

Fr. Emmanuel Rutangusa from Rwanda in Africa will be in residence and assisting with the parish work as well. He will celebrate weekday and weekend liturgies as well as help out with other parish responsibilities. Fr. Emmanuel recently earned a Masters degree in Church Management from Boston College.

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to the BSS students who were named Student of the Month for September: Talia Cotter, Michael Cook, Sophia Ethridge, Nora Kelly, Christopher Mullen, Justice Ciampa, Angie Ragosta, James Oti, Isabella Murphy, and Will Robertson. These students were recognized for living out the school character trait of the month: compassion.

Need help cleaning up your yard this fall? Kids-4-Christ is a group of Blessed Sacrament students that is committed to helping community members when particular needs arise. Please contact Connie Geraghty at geraghtyt@comcast.net if you have a project that you think our students might be able to help with.

Thank you to everyone in the Blessed Sacrament community who supported our school's recent Community Yard Sale and Trivia Night. We are grateful to be part of such an active and vibrant parish community!

PRESIDER EXCHANGE WITH FR. TIM AND FR. SCOTT

Last spring's presider exchange between Fr. Tim and Fr. Scott, between Blessed Sacrament Parish and Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, was a positive experience. To build on that positive experience and further develop the collaboration between the two parishes, we will have a similar exchange this fall. The schedule is: Oct 23: 9:00 (Fr. Scott at Blessed Sacrament Parish) and 9:30 (Fr. Tim at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE FORMING

We are looking for planners to help with some social events this year. The first meeting is on Monday, October 17th in the parish house. We are restarting a monthly coffee hour after the 9:00 mass, will host a couple of socials to welcome new parishioners, a dinner event or two during the year with some entertainment or dancing, a progressive supper in October, an Advent workshop in December and a clam bake in the Spring. How about a Monthly family fun Sunday? Do you have other ideas? We need people to help organize and run these events. **We need your help!** Can you help out with just one event? Contact Marie at the parish house.

PARISH BELL CHOIRS NEED MORE RINGERS!

Blessed Sacrament is fortunate to have two bell choirs with about 18 ringers, but to use our full complement of handbells, we need more parishioners to join our bell choirs. You don't need to know how to read music (we'll cover that – it isn't hard!) and you don't need to have any prior experience with music. We welcome all to try out bell ringing; it really is lots of fun! The choirs rehearse on Thursdays 6-7pm and Sundays 7-8pm in the church, and we ring for Mass based on a schedule that is favorable to all members of the group. Bell ringing is a fun and relaxing way to become involved in music ministry. For more information, please contact Erica: music@blessedsacrament.org or check out the bulletin board at the front entrance of the church to spot bell ringers who are members of the congregation, and ask them!

SAVE THE DATE - LENTEN MISSION - MARCH 3 THROUGH 5, 2012

Our Lenten Mission, which is a collaborative effort between Blessed Sacrament Parish and Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, will take place March 3rd through March 5th. Come! Join together for prayer, song, and worship during our Lenten journey. These evenings will be led by Dan Schutte, who has been composing worship music for over 40 years. You are familiar with many of his compositions but most familiar with "Here I am Lord", "City of God", "Sing A New Song" and "Glory and Praise to Our God". The time and location for each evening will be posted in the bulletins and on the web sites of both Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Sorrows as we get closer to the date of the Mission.

As we prepare for what promises to be a wonderful experience during our Lenten journey, we are looking for your help. If you are able to donate United Airlines frequent flyer miles or American Express Rewards points, your time toward chauffeuring Dan Schutte, make a donation toward the costs of the Mission, or assist in one of the many administrative tasks associated with the Mission, please contact Mary Alice Dowdell (maryadowdell@comcast.net) or Kate Mason at (masonctm50@verizon.net) for further information. Above all, please save the dates on your calendar of March 3rd through 5th, 2012 for an amazing event.

REVISED WORDS AT MASS BEGINNING ON NOVEMBER 27

In a few short weeks, some of the words we speak and sing as responses during the Mass will change. Why? The original Latin words of the Roman Missal were updated and changed in 2000, when Pope John Paul II issued the third edition of the Roman Missal. Because our prayers, acclamations, and responses are based on the Latin missal, our English translation needs to be changed to reflect the new texts. Many of our sung and spoken responses will remain the same: our hymns, the "Alleluia" Gospel Acclamation, The Our Father, and the Lamb of God. So what exactly will change? Much of our spoken dialogue [such as "And also with you" will become "and with your spirit"] and our Mass Acclamations (Gloria, Holy, Creed, and Memorial Acclamation) will use many different words. These new texts will invite us to explore a deeper meaning in the words we proclaim at Mass, and they will reflect a greater fidelity to the original scriptural references. In the coming weeks, this column will introduce you to some of the changes in more detail. We will also begin learning new musical settings of the acclamations as a parish community through October and November.

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM
9:00 AM Family Mass
11:00 AM
5:30 PM

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM in Chapel

Holy Days: Vigil: 5:30 PM
Day: 9 AM and 7 PM

The Chapel of Reservation of the Most Blessed Sacrament: open daily for prayer
7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Pray the Rosary: Monday through Friday at
8:30 AM in the Church.

THE SACRAMENTS

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): For those who wish to become Catholic, receive sacraments as adults, or learn more about our faith. Contact Fr. Tim for more information.

Baptisms: Baptisms are celebrated at any of the weekend Masses and on one Sunday a month at 12:30 PM, except during Lent. The schedule for Baptisms can be found on the online calendar or by contacting Fr. Tim. Baptism Preparation class is held the first Tuesday of each month, except July and September, at 7 PM in the Church. To register for a Baptism, register for the class, or for more information, please contact Fr. Tim.

Confirmation: Celebrated annually for students in Youth Ministry. Contact the Coordinator of Youth Ministry for more information.

First Communion: Celebrated annually for students in Grade 2. Contact Bill Dittrich for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance): Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM or anytime upon request.

Parish Visitation/Anointing of the Sick: Contact Marie Martin so that we may minister to the sick and home-bound.

Marriage: Couples preparing to marry here should contact the Parish House at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding date. Parish marriage preparation programs are held in the Spring and Fall of each year and should be attended at least six months prior to the wedding. Contact Fr. Tim or Deacon Rey for more information.

Vocations: if you think that God may be calling you to a life of service in the Church, talk to any member of our pastoral staff, or contact the Archdiocese of Boston at www.vocationsboston.org or by phone at 617-746-5949.

PARISH INFORMATION

New Parishioners: We want to meet you! Please call or visit the Parish House to be registered in the parish or to find out how to get involved.

Parish House Hours: Monday—Thursday, 9:30 AM—5 PM.
Friday 9:30—12 PM.

Accommodations for the Handicapped: Ramp access is available at the East Street entrance of the church.

Blessed Sacrament School: Classes are held for students in grades Pre-K through 8. Contact Jim Spillman, Principal, for information.

St. Francis Cemetery: Lots are available to parishioners in time of need. Contact Michael Lamperti.

Bulletin: All items to be submitted for the bulletin should be sent to bulletin@blessedsacrament.org by noon Friday for the following week. Please contact Lou Ermenwein if you would like to advertise at 1-800-698-0299 ext. 238.