

# 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: Ted Hea

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)

## EUCCHARIST ADORATION

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

## RECONCILIATION:

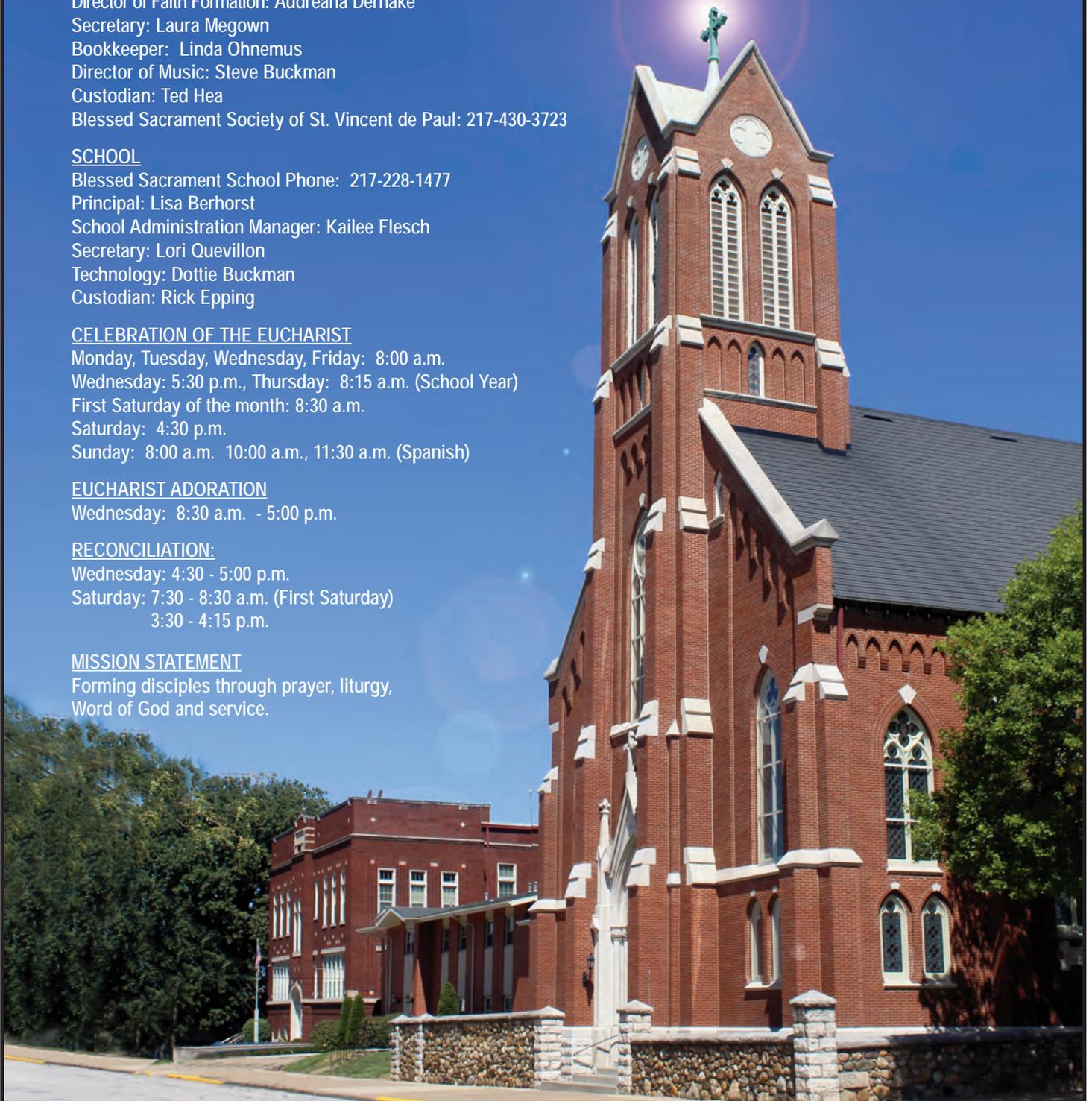
Wednesday: 4:30 - 5:00 p.m.

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.



**Blessed Sacrament Parish  
1st Sunday of Advent  
December 1, 2024**

<b>Monday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>December 2, 2024</b> James & Gertrude Winking
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>December 3, 2024</b> Sage Moore
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	<b>December 4, 2024</b> Lewis Meckes John Maguire
<b>Thursday</b> 8:15 a.m.	<b>December 5, 2024</b> Klene Family
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>December 6, 2024</b> First Friday Memorials
<b>Saturday</b> 8:30 a.m.-First Saturday 4:30 p.m.	<b>December 7, 2024</b> For the Reparation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Robert Gehring
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-Spanish	<b>December 8, 2024</b> Mary Ann Gelfand Darlene & Brad Heckenkamp People of the Parish

**Sunday, November 24, 2024**

Regular Collection:	\$ 9,238.00
Electronic Giving:	\$ 4,615.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 13,853.00</b>
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 12,013.00
<b>Deficit/Surplus:</b>	<b>+\$ 1,840.00</b>
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 222,176.22
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	\$ 252,273.00
Regular <b>Deficit/Surplus:</b> (YTD)	<b>(\$ 30,096.78)</b>
Total School Collection	\$ 4,025.00
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**This Week in Our Parish**

<b>Tuesday</b> Legion of Mary-GS Jr. Legion of Mary-GS Theology on Tap-Fuzzy Bubbler	<b>December 3, 2024</b> 1:15 p.m.–3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b> Adoration-Church Reconciliation-Church Evening Prayer/Benediction St. Vincent DePaul-LL Building/Grounds-GS Stewardship Cmt.-GS	<b>December 4, 2024</b> 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.–5:20 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:10 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b> RCIA-GS QCS Financial Presentation- Church	<b>December 5, 2024</b> 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

**From the Pastor's Desk**

Today we celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. We bless our Advent wreath today and light our first of four Advent candles. This season of Advent is a hope-filled season which speaks to us about the three Coming's of Christ: history, mystery, and glory. Although our Advent attention is strongly affixed to Christ's historical coming in Bethlehem, the Church invites us to consider his *present coming in mystery* and his *future coming in glory*. It is Christ's glorious coming to which the gospel refers to today. "Be vigilant at all times." Because we do not know the timing of Christ's coming, we should always be prepared and alert awaiting his return.

**Theology on Tap** is returning! Our first event is this upcoming **Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fuzzy Bubbler**, with QU Chaplain Fr. Daren Zehnle giving our first talk. His talk is entitled:

**"Did St. Nicholas punch Arius? What does this legend teach us about Christmas?"**

Please mark your calendars for the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Fuzzy Bubbler.

This upcoming **Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. Quincy Catholic Schools (QCS)** is offering a **Financial Presentation** here at Blessed Sacrament Church. In an effort to respond to the financial questions that were surfaced at the September Listening Sessions, the presentation on Thursday will help to highlight our parish and school financials. I encourage interested parish and school members to attend.

On **Sunday afternoon, December 15** from I am inviting our Parish Altar Servers and Junior Legion members to attend a fun afternoon of **Christmas Caroling and attending a Men's QU Basketball game**. Christmas Caroling will take place from 1-3 p.m., followed by a 3 p.m. QU Men's Basketball Game versus Saginaw Valley State. This is a nice opportunity for me to say thank you to our Altar Servers and Junior Legion Members.

This upcoming January 25/26 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time) the Universal Church celebrates the "**Sunday of the Word of God**." In 2019 Pope Francis proclaimed this annual celebration to highlight the importance of the Word of God in the lives of Catholics. As a way for Blessed Sacrament Parish to celebrate this day here locally, we would like to present on that day the gift of a brand new "**Great Adventure Catholic Bible**" to **each of our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students**. This gift will be their permanent Bible to keep as they move into high school and young adult life. For the parish to be able to provide this gift, I am looking for donors willing to sponsor one Bible by making a **\$36 donation**. Simply place your check in an envelope entitled, "Sponsor a Bible." Thank you so very much for your generosity in helping provide these Bibles to our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students this upcoming January.

Finally, there will be a **City-Wide Parish Advent Penance Services** on **Sunday, December 22 @ 3:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Church**. Please mark your calendars to join us.

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

# Advent Caring Collection

Week

1

Toilet Paper

Week

2

Cleaning Supplies

Week

3

Hygiene Products

Week

4

Paper Towels

This Sunday, December 1, 2024 marks the 1st week of Advent. As in years past we will be collecting different items for the Catholic Charities and Ladies of Charity pantries. For the first week we are collecting toilet paper. The following week, Week 2, we will be collecting cleaning supplies such as laundry detergent, dish soap. Donations are collected in the Gathering Space.

Blessed Sacrament Community of Catholic Women

Invite all women to our

## Christmas Lunch

Saturday, December 14, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Sprout's Inn

\$20/person

Bring a \$10 wrapped gift if you'd like to participate in the gift exchange



RSVP

Lori Holtschlag

217-257-7143

text or call

on or before Saturday, Dec. 7th

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## Immaculate Conception

Monday Dec 9th

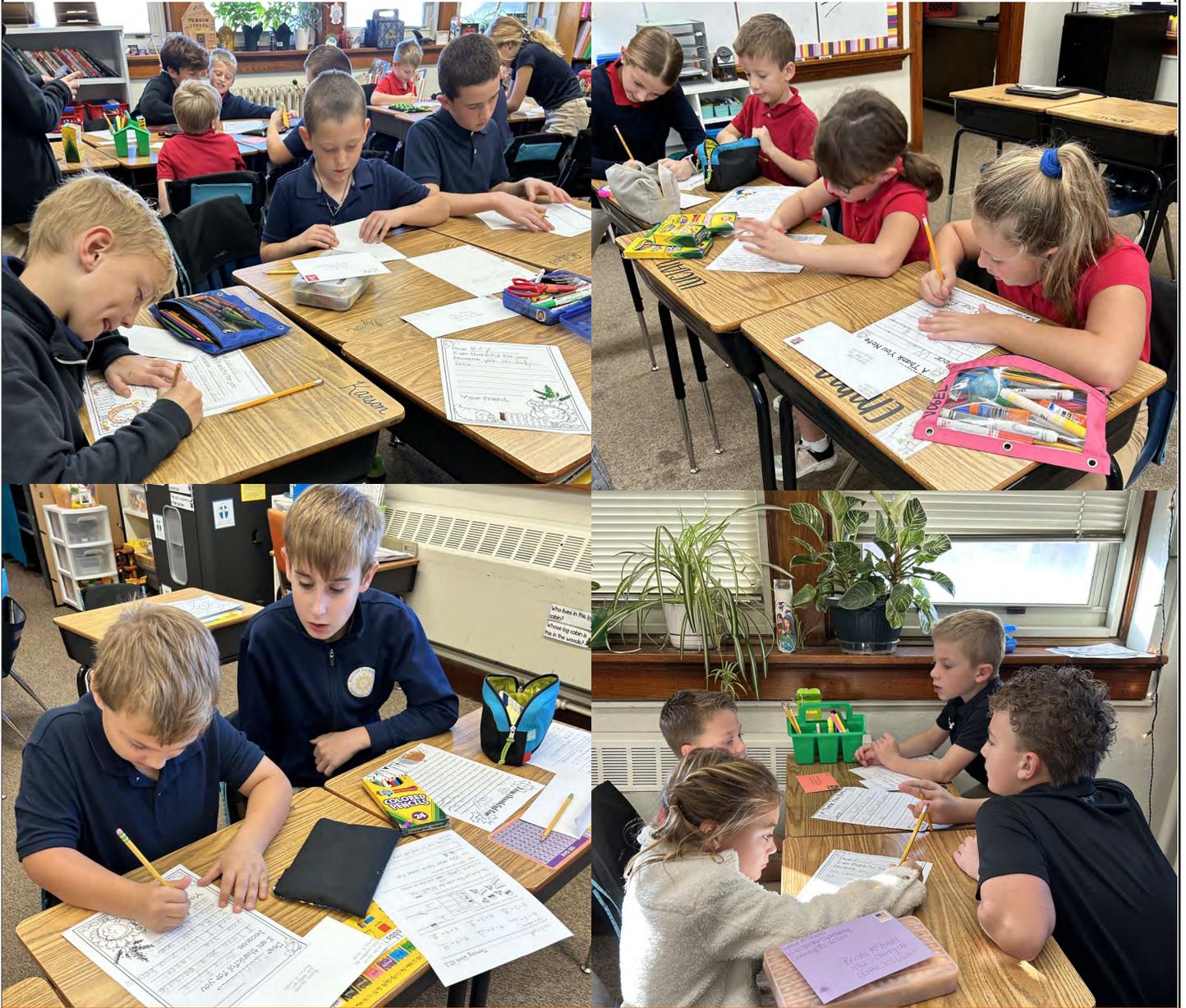
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HOUSE ACTIVITY

# SENDING LETTERS OF THANKS



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Sunday, December 15*



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These men recently attended the annual Men's Jesuit White House Silent Retreat in St. Louis. They said, "Never Have They Been More At Peace with Their Soul and Their God." If you are interested in attending next September's 29-October 2 retreat, 2025 or have questions please call 217-430-2234 or text John Venegoni.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Saturday, December 7, 2024

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
<b>Saturday, 4:30 p.m.</b>	Blake Myers Vivi Wilson Luke Coovert	Deacon Terry Joe Casper Katrina Casper	Tyler & Allie Durst (GS) Debbie Smith (WD) Kathy Beckman(SD)	Pam LaTour	Greg Wittland Jim Schrand Gary Beckman Mark Ohnemus

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Sunday, December 8, 2024

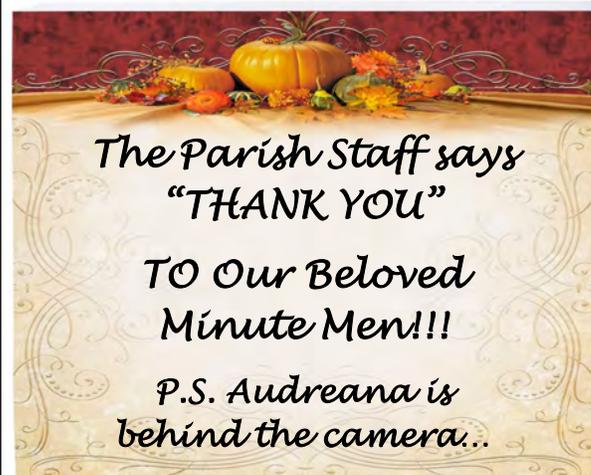
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Ava Beswick Olivia Young Kyra Brandon	Deacon Mike Kailee Flesch Colleen Maalouf	Mike & Kelle Beswick (GS) Conrad & Lorraine Dvorak (WD) Becky Ebbing(SD)	Jeff Brandon	Frank Flesch Robert Brown Ed Lohman Glen Ebbing
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	Lillian Hendrian Briella Reis Lucas Selby	Haley Barnes Emily Barnes Laurie Brink	Amber & Joe Bordewick( GS) Lowell & Beverly Peters (WD) Caitlin Deskins(SD)	Jill Kelly Elizabeth Bozarth	Marvin Schreacke Ron Kelly John Bozarth Matt Bozarth

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Monday, December 9, 2024

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
<b>Monday, 5:30 p.m.</b>	Olivia Bailey Kaileb Baker Blake Myers	Deacon Terry Donna Vogel Mary Schoenekase	Mary Lenane (GS) Tara Kruger (WD) Sub. Requested (SD)	Mary Kay Brown	Jim Vogel Robert Brown Ted Johnson William Awerkamp

### SERVERS Week of December 2, 2024

**Monday, December 2, 8:15 a.m.-** Karson Huner & Regan Lucchetti  
**Tuesday, December 3, 8:00 a.m.-** Karson Huner & Regan Lucchetti  
**Wednesday, December 4, 8:00 a.m.-** Karson Huner & Regan Lucchetti  
**Thursday, December 5, 8:00 a.m.-** Luke Bozarth, Kyra Brandon & Hannah Coovert  
**Friday, December 6, 8:00 a.m.-** Kyra Brandon & Hannah Coovert



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

Join Us For



# Theology on Tap!

**Did Saint Nicholas punch Arius?  
What does this legend  
teach us about Christmas?**

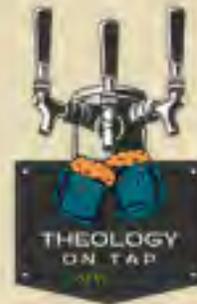
**DEC. 3, 2024**

**6-8 PM**

## DETAILS

- DRINKS FOR PURCHASE BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M.
- TALK BY FATHER DAREN ZEHNLE BEGINS AT 6:35 P.M.

**Place: The fuzzy Bubbler  
111 Jail Alley, Quincy**



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**First Friday Memorials 2023-2024**

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 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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