

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:

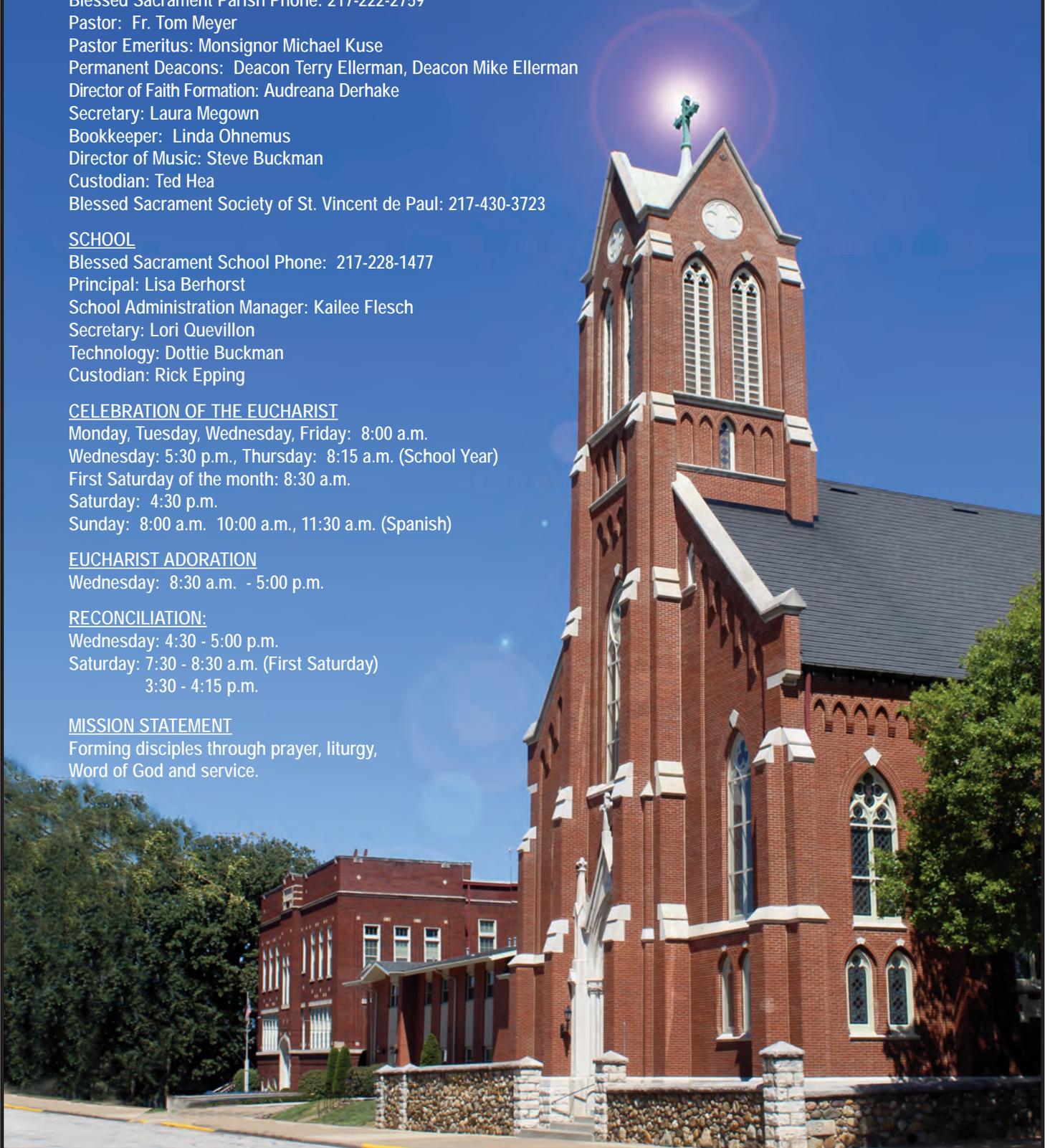
Wednesday: 4:30 - 5:00 p.m.

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
3rd Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2024**

Monday 8:00 a.m.	December 23, 2024 Mary Janz
Tuesday 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	December 24, 2024 Madalon Elam People of the Parish Paul & Ginnie Schuering
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	December 25, 2024 Andrew Maas
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	December 26, 2024 Stephen Stump
Friday 8:00 a.m.	December 27, 2024 Jim Bange
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	December 28, 2024 Joan Olps
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-Spanish	December 29, 2024 People of the Parish Steve Stump Catherine Johnson

Sunday, December 15, 2024

Regular Collection:	\$ 13,277.91
Electronic Giving:	\$ 845.00
Total Collection	\$ 14,122.91
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 1,020.00
Deficit/Surplus:	(\$ 39.00)
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 257,613.13
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	\$ 288,312.00
Regular Deficit/Surplus: (YTD)	(\$ 30,698.87)
Total School Collection	\$ 2,232.00
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This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday Office Closed	December 24, 2024
Wednesday Office Closed	December 25, 2024
 <i>Merry Christmas!!</i> 	
Thursday Office Closed	December 26, 2024

From the Pastor's Desk

Today we celebrate the **4th Sunday of Advent**. In the gospel we hear the story of Mary's Visitation to Elizabeth during the time of her pregnancy. The child in Elizabeth's womb — John the Baptist — leaps for joy at the arrival of Mary and her newly conceived son, Jesus. Elizabeth proclaims to Mary, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." With the arrival of Christmas now just days away, how blessed are we at the arrival of Jesus' birth, and his arrival into our lives.

For your Christmas planning I publish our upcoming **Christmas Mass Schedule: Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 11:00 p.m.**

Christmas Day Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Finally, we will have a City-Wide Parish Advent Penance Services today (Sunday, December 22 @ 3:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Church. All of the priests of Quincy will present for the most important spiritual ways to prepare our hearts for Christmas.

May the Peace of Christ be with you all,

Fr. Tom





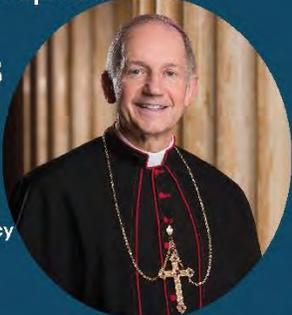
Several youth Altar Servers and members of the Junior Legion of Mary went Christmas caroling with Fr. Tom. They visited Bickford Cottage, Adams Pointe and Hy-vee on Harrison. After caroling, Fr. Tom treated the students to pizza and a QU Basketball game!



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4th Sunday of Advent

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (Luke 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

See You at World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea in 2027! - Be a part of the 2027 pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea for the 18th international gathering of World Youth Day! Young people from across the diocese are invited to journey with Fr. Zach Samples to the Korean peninsula to join tens of thousands of fellow pilgrims on a journey of faith. Dates and other pilgrimage information have not been announced, so check out the World Youth Day website – <https://dio.org/wyd> – for the latest information and to sign up to be notified as details develop. Questions? Contact Kyle Holtgrave at wyd@dio.org or call (217) 698-8500, ext. 154.

Hospitality - Prayer - Service - Faith Formation



HOUSE ACTIVITY CAROLING AT HORIZONS



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, do housekeeping tasks or just lend a helping hand.

Annual QND Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be **Sunday, January 5 from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.** in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. (Children under 5 eat Free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Workcamp trip this summer.

A Journey to JOY

3 Day Mission at St. Brigid Church in Liberty, IL - January 12, 13, & 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Free Will offering. Frank Runyeon is the presenter. Frank is Catholic, an honors graduate of Seminary and Princeton University.

Sunday topic: Luke: Stories on the Road

Monday topic: Sermon on the Mount

Tuesday topic: Hollywood vs. Faith

BLESSED SACRAMENT

BATTLE OF THE PADDLES

Great Items to Bid On!!

Saturday, February 22, 2025

Doors open @ 5 p.m.,

Auction begins @ 6 p.m.

Fr. McGivney Hall - Knights of Columbus, Quincy on S. 36th

Bring your friends, snacks, & quarters!!!! Cash Bar available!!

Holiday Cards for Priests

If you would like to send a holiday greeting to priests who have served at Blessed Sacrament here are their addresses.

Fr. Mike Kuse: 2837 Harrison, Quincy, IL 62301

Fr. Christopher Comerford: St. James & Patrick Parish, 407 E. Eldorado St., Decatur, IL 62523

Fr. Tom Meyer: 1119 S. 7th, Quincy, IL 62301

Deacon Terry Ellerman: 2128 W Sunnybrook, Quincy, IL 62301

Deacon Mike Ellerman: 2322 St. Charles, Quincy, IL 62305

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Saturday, December 28, 2024

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Hannah Coovert Reagan Lucchetti Jocelyn Weise	Deacon Terry Ashley Wilson Cheryl Wittland	Mark Ohnemus (GS) Steve Myers (WD) Kathy Beckman (SD)	Jane Lester	Jim Schrand Greg Wittland Michael Cramer Gary Beckman

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Sunday, December 29, 2024

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Olivia Young Kyra Brandon Quinn Feldner	Mary Lynn Tucker Nancy Kelly Ed Lohman	Brad & Linda Morrison (GS) Frank & Kailee Flesch (WD) Danielle Weise (SD)	Glen Ebbing	Andrew Weise Brett Niemann Matt Schmidt Kevin Steinkamp
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Kamdyn Peters Olivia Bailey Jace Sheely	Deacon Mike Mike Boll Laurie Brink	Stephen & Christina Selby (GS) Rick & Debra Schuering (WD) Nichole Holtschlag (SD)	Nancy Weede Kathy Xamis	Marvin Schrecke Ron Kelly Nathan Holtschlag Dan Brink

SERVERS Week of December 30, 2024 to January 3, 2025

Monday, December 30, 8:00 a.m. – Riley Grant & Hadley Garner
Tuesday, December 31, 8:00 a.m. – Riley Grant & Hadley Garner
Wednesday, January 1, 2025, 8:00 a.m. – Riley Grant & Hadley Garner
Thursday, January 2, 8:00 a.m. – Olivia Bailey & Kaileb Baker
Friday, January 3, 8:00 a.m. – Olivia Bailey & Kaileb Baker

Sunday Mass at 11:15 a.m. – December 29, 2024 – Angel Salcedo & Kevin Alvarado



*14 Day Candle
Burns in Memory of
Ilene & Neil Megown*

Please Pray for Parish Family Members:

Doris Hildebrand, Tom Liesen, Robin Cimera,
 Robert Conover, Rosie Meyer, Gene &
 Rita Esselman, Dan Meade, Kristin Adams,
 Jane Lester, Alia Strunk, Delores Lumpkins,
 Joe Conover, Evelyn & Jerry Gengenbacher,
 Sylvia Peters, Jeff Lewis & Dustin Houston,
 Nancy Weede, & Julie Stromquist

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

15 Scriptures about the Birth of Jesus Christ

Christmas is more than just a season for giving gifts, hanging festive decorations, and enjoying delicious meals. It's also an opportunity to express gratitude for the life of Jesus Christ. These verses from the Bible preach of Jesus's birth and His love for human kind.

Christmas Verses from the Bible

- 1.) **Matthew 1:23** Behold , a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.
- 2.) **Matthew 2:1-2** Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and have come to worship him.
- 3.) **Matthew 2: 9-10** When they had heard the king, they departed, and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, until it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.
- 4.) **Matthew 2:11** And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasurers, they presented unto him gifts; gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
- 5.) **Luke 2:1-5** And it came to pass in those days, that there went our a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
- 6.) **Luke 2:6-7** And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.
- 7.) **Luke 2:8-14** And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, to, the angel of the Lord cam upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.
- 8.) **Luke 2:15-16** And it cam to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

First Friday Memorials 2023-2024

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