January 30, 2011: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter

every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." — no 1:10:121

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MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, Jan. 30 (Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a)

8:00 am- Grace Ann Liska

10:30 am- Mass of Thanksgiving – Bill & Margaret Bludau's 55th Anniversary

5:00 pm- For our Parish Family (Spanish Mass)

Monday, January 31, St. John Bosco, priest (Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20)

7:00 am- Alfred Jahn & Hilda Jahn

10:00 am- F. A. Grafe (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, February 1 (Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43)

7:00 am- James Meismer

Wednesday, February 2, The Presentation of the

Lord (Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40)

7:00 am- Joe & Helen Etzler

8:05 am- Louis & Martha Kuhn

Thursday, February 3, St. Blaise, bishop & martyr;

St. Ansgar, bishop (Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13)

7:00 am- William & Ilene Pastucha

10:00 am- Stanley Kutac (Stevens)

Friday, February 4 (Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29)

7:00 am- Guntram & Annie Janak & Dwayne

8:05 am- Leroy Bludau

Saturday, February 5, St. Agatha, virgin & martyr (Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34)

5:30 pm- Living & deceased members of Roman F. Rainosek Family

Sunday, February 6 (Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16)

8:00 am- For our Parish Family

10:30 am- Adele Richardson

Bulletin & Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Leroy Bludau by his family.

Vigil Light: Special intention for employment.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$6,701.50; Manna-\$980; Loose-\$1,285; Children-\$28; Catholic Education-\$145.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Janet Brier* of our parish family. *May she rest in the peace of Christ*.

Anniversaries:

Bill & Margaret Bludau 55 years Jan. 31 Dennis & Ora Satsky 50 years Feb. 4 Billy & Frances Moore 60 years Feb. 4

Radio Broadcast Mass and Bulletin sponsors are still needed. Radio Broadcast - \$50. Bulletin - \$80. Please call the Rectory if you are able to be a sponsor. *Thank you!*

Sacred Heart Credit Union Meeting & Supper, Monday, Feb. 7, KC Hall. Registration begins 6:00 p.m. Meeting at 6:30 p.m. followed by meal. All members are invited to attend. There is no charge. Door prizes will be given.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

- -First Penance, 2:00 p.m. in church.
- -Covered dish supper in Family Center after Spanish Mass.
- -St. Joseph High School Festival, Victoria Community Center. BBQ & Sausage Dinner, games, raffle, booths.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31

- -Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.
- -Parish Finance Council mtg., 6:00 p.m., Mary's House.
- -Parish Advisory Council mtg., 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.
- -Dave Ramsey Course, 6:30 p.m., SHCS Band Hall.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- -Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.
- -Adult Education, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Family Center.
- -Women's ACTS mtg., 7:00 p.m., St. Joseph, Moulton.
- -Knights of Columbus General Mtg, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- -No CCD classes (Catholic Schools Week)
- -Scripture Study, 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.
- -Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:30 pm, Church Cry Rm.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- -First Friday adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 p.m. in church. The intention this month is *for all the sick*.
- -First Thursday Holy Hour for priestly vocations, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in church.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

-First Friday adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ends with Benediction at 6:00 p.m. in church.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

-Serra Club Mass for vocations, 8:30 a.m., St. John Church, St. John.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

-First Communion Workshop, 3:00 p.m., Family Center.

Among our sick: Edna Key, Frank Fishar, Helen M. Appelt, Faith Del Castillo, Michael Gerdes, Marge Rehm, Renae Ross, Hubert & Mary Grahmann, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Danielle Grady, John Pavliska, Rose Thumann, Dr. Michael Moore, Theresa Steffek, John D. Henneke, Bill Gohlke, Donald Zabransky, Monica Barnes, Sterlin Ritchie, Dr. Don Peterson, Charlene Wick, Charles W. Patek, Genevieve Schulte, nursing home residents & the homebound.

The IWBS Sisters are hosting "Come and See" visits for single Catholic women (high school graduates through 50 years of age) on March 5-6 and April 9-10 at Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria. If interested, check them out at www.iwbsvictoria.org, call 361-575-7111, or email iwbsvoc@yahoo.com for more details or to make a reservation.

Women's ACTS Retreat, March 3-6. Applications available in foyer of church. For more information, contact Glenda Trlicek, Director, at (361) 798-3291 or 798-4242.

From the Desk of Father John

"Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil..."

These are the words of the special blessing of the throats customarily given on the Feast of St. Blaise.

St. Blaise was bishop of Sebaste, in Armenia, in the early years of the fourth century. Legend takes over from there, and tells the story of an anxious mother who hurried to Blaise with her little boy who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. The saint called for two candles, lit them, held them in the form of a cross under the child's chin, recited prayers and blessed the boy. Immediately the bone loosened and was removed. Devotion to St. Blaise was very popular during the Middle Ages and continues to this day.

We all want relief and protection from physical troubles and ailments of the throat – hoarseness, choking, colds, cancer. But there are also spiritual diseases of the throat, more harmful often than the physical. We ask protection from these as well when we ask for deliverance "from ailments of the throat and *from every other evil.*" These are spiritual troubles which are beyond the cure of the greatest throat specialists. They are the evils of unkind speech, choking curses and gagging lies.

The Apostle Paul had these in mind when he wrote to the Romans (3:13), quoting Psalm 5, vs. 11: "Their throat is an open sepulchre. With their tongues they have dealt deceitfully. The venom of asps is under their lips. Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness." Such spiritual illnesses are truly most harmful, and these, too, we want to be cured of through the intercession of St. Blaise.

As you receive the blessing of St. Blaise next weekend, ask through his intercession for deliverance from physical and spiritual evils of the throat and tongue.

The Dave Ramsey Financial Peace Course is being offered in Sacred Heart Band Hall beginning this Monday, January 31, at 6:30 p.m. It will be held each Monday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for 13 weeks. The cost is \$99 per person or couple.

This is an excellent program to help you manage your money, work on budgets and get out of debt. Statistics show that the number one reason for divorce today is finances. I would encourage you to take this course for your own benefit and the benefit of your family. It has helped countless numbers of families throughout the country.

Adult Education

<u>February 1:</u> Born Again by Water and the Spirit – Baptism & Confirmation. Have you been born-again? Have you been asked this before? Come see what Our Lord meant to be "born-again of water and the Spirit" through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation which He gave us through the Church. Why is it important to be baptized and confirmed? How does Baptism and Confirmation affect me? What are the symbolism and the reality behind these two sacraments of initiation?



The Youth ConneXion Greg & Kris Hermes 798-0655



<u>Feb. 13:</u> Firefall at 5:00 p.m. in church, followed by Youth Social 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Youth House for 8th-12th graders.

Sacred Heart Catholic School Office: 798-4251

Jan. 30-Feb. 4: Catholic Schools Week.

<u>Feb. 3:</u> Open House, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to visit the classrooms & view the displays. A soup & sandwich meal sponsored by the Home & School Assoc. will be available in the Cafeteria during this time.

Religious Education (CCD) ~~ Office 798-3124 Angela McConnell, Coordinator

Jan. 30: First Penance, 2:00 p.m.

Feb. 2: No class (Catholic Schools Week).

Feb. 6: First Communion Workshop, 3:00 p.m.

7th Grade youth involvement 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Feb. 27: Mandatory Jr. Confirmation Retreat.

Fund Drive for house at 318 S. Texana: Goal \$40,000

Walter & Janice Dutcher \$ 500
Andrew & Pam Kutac 100
Total Donations Received To Date \$35,475
Remaining Balance -\$4,525

Wanted: Faith filled individuals! 12th Graders & Adults to help with Confirmation Retreats. Retreat dates are Feb 27 and March 26th. Help is needed in set-up, food prep & serving, prayer leaders, music, group leaders, decorating, plus drivers with suburbans or vans. Costumes/robes that can be used for skits are also needed. Planning meetings will be Wednesdays at 7:30 in the CCD office. Please call Angela for more information (741-8730).

Extravaganza is next Saturday, February 5, at the K. C. Hall! Join us for an elegant, fun-filled evening – social hour with hors d'oeuvres, steak dinner & dance by Cactus Country. Tickets (\$125 per couple) are still available at the Sacred Heart School Office & the Rectory.

Every first Thursday, the Church commemorates Jesus' institution of the Sacrament of His Body and Blood and of the holy priesthood which is intrinsically tied to the Eucharist. Join us each First Thursday for a special Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration in the church from 7:00-8:00 p.m. for the intention of the priests and seminarians of our diocese of Victoria and to pray for more good and holy priests for the service of our diocese.

Diocesan Pastoral Institute six week course – *Liturgy: Law of Prayer and Belief* – offered at the Chancery & Holy Rosary, Hostyn via distance learning on Mondays 9:15-11:30 a.m. & 7:00-9:15 p.m., Feb. 21-Mar. 28. Fee is \$15. For information or to register, call 573-0828.



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the units in junior high social studies curriculum is learning how a bill becomes a law. Basic governmental literacy rests on an

understanding of the process, from the bill's introduction, through amendments and votes, to its final disposition for a signing or veto. We can all probably picture the chart that was in our textbook with the arrows that led the bill on different paths depending on the result of each step in the process. Even then, that chart was a simplified version of how things actually take place in the present legislative process.

The laws we're presented with in today's Gospel have very little in common with the laws that are enacted through legislation. The lawgiver in today's text is Jesus. He presents the beatitudes (and other laws, which we'll hear in the coming weeks) in the Sermon on the Mount. Matthew presents Jesus as the new teacher and lawgiver, now standing in the place of Moses who brought the tablets of the law - the Ten Commandments - down from Mt. Sinai. Jesus now gives the Eight Beatitudes as the law for the Christian life, a way of acting in the world. You'll hear a lot of people talk about the Ten Commandments as a basis for law. Even some Christian preachers will speak out about the necessity of having them posted in public places. Yet the New Testament, in Matthew's Gospel, makes it clear that there is a new law, a new dispensation, ushered in by Jesus who begins His own catalogue of commands with, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Mt 5:3).

Like the recollection of that chart from junior high social studies, I suspect that most of us could get through reciting the Ten Commandments, at least by naming the subject of each one even if we couldn't recite them word for word. But how many of us can recite the Christian law: the Eight Beatitudes?

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Financial Report - December, 2010

Church Income:	
Sunday Collections	\$ 45,733.50
Other Donations	5,107.04
Family Center Rental	695.00
Religious Articles	1,435.20
Retired Religious Collection	1,124.00
Interest	452.62
Total Church Income	\$ 54,547.36
School Income:	
Student Fees	\$ 484.50
Tuition PreK-12 th	55,530.00
Extended Care	2,500.00
Catholic Education Envelopes	5,212.00
Friends for Catholic Education	6,695.00
Memorials	2,875.00
Shop Donations	313.50
Library Income	665.00
Donations	4,009.21
Knights of Columbus General	2,598.00
Grants	95,000.00

Financial Report - December, 2010

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School Income (Continued):				
Miscellaneous	952.00			
Total School Income	<u>\$176,834.21</u>			
Church Expense:				
Salaries	\$ 7,822.08			
Utilities	1,532.76			
Church Expense	3,952.39			
Rectory Expense	591.11			
Office Expense	1,448.86			
Religious Articles	658.20			
Medical Insurance & Pension	3,581.34			
Family Center Expense	493.72			
Building Insurance	1,719.97			
Special Collection	1,124.00			
Total Church Expense	\$ 22,924.43			
School Expense:				
Salaries	\$ 74,473.78			
Contracted Services	481.50			
Office & Teaching Expense	1,076.38			
Postage	101.39			
Staff Development	637.24			
Textbooks	33.80			
Library Expense	96.35			
Utilities	4,049.01			
Custodial Supplies	20.98			
Plant Repairs	1,669.20			
Bus & Car Expense	1,464.40			
Payroll Taxes	5,514.17			
Medical Insurance	14,069.40			
Retirement	4,750.00			
Property Insurance	2,706.72			
Convent Expense	558.10			
Technology	378.76			
Alumni Gifting Expense	525.16			
Miscellaneous	387.00			
Total School Expense	<u>\$112,993.34</u>			
Parish Income	\$231,381.57			
Parish Expense	<u>-135,917.77</u>			
Parish Balance	\$ 95,463.80			
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SACRED HEART CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Arnold Rother:			
Bill & Sweet Hrncir	15.00		
In memory of Mary Ann Koenig:			
Harvey Jahn	25.00		
In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:			
Brian & Amy Amsden	30.00		
Alan & Sandra Campbell	50.00		
Josie Zappe	50.00		
Mr. & Mrs. Delphin Bartek	10.00		
SACRED HEART CCD PROGRAM			
In memory of Alphonse Grahmann:			
Magdalene N. Steffek	10.00		
In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:			
Daniel & Anna Klekar	20.00		
Joe & Linda Pilat	20.00		
Brian & Amber Nieto	25.00		
Mava Jalufka	20.00		
Douglas & Sherri Grahmann	10.00		
Evelyn Sklar & Charlene Leopold	5.00		

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND SAC		SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPERA	ATING FUND	
In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Charles & Dorothy Jansky	15.00	Frank & Elrose Migl	25.00	
David & Kathy Bujnoch	10.00	Irene & Snow Matula	25.00	
Bruce & Gayle Wesson	10.00	Jessie & Bethel Allen	50.00	
Marlyn & Alton Sevcik	20.00	Daniel & Shirley Steffek	50.00	
Bobby & LaNelle Filip	20.00	Robert & Leona Steffek	20.00	
James & Agnes Darilek	10.00	Robert & Barbara Grahmann	20.00	
Roger & Beverly Janak	20.00	Jeanette & Dan Pustka	50.00	
Bobby Pavliska	20.00	Andrew & Jane Pesek	40.00	
John & Sherry Henke	20.00	Sharon & Robert Reagan	50.00	
Ricky & Cindy Dippel	20.00	Ann & Jim Carr	20.00	
Dennis & Cynthia Matula	20.00	Elaine Schindler	20.00	
Chris & Sandra Steffek	20.00	Peoples State Bank	10.00	
Aaron & Krissy Henke	20.00	Leon & Nancy Etzler	10.00	
Bob & Louise Pesek	20.00	In memory of Raymond Fojt:		
Debra Smirak Family	10.00	Donald & Norma Skelton	10.00	
Dorothy Bujnoch	15.00	Glenn & Donna Leopold	10.00	
Carol & Jackie Skelton	20.00	In memory of Dolores Ludwig, Arnold		
Phillip & Evelyn Bujnoch	20.00		Grahmann, Henrietta Janak, Lillie Demny & Pam Dornak:	
Kevin & Lara Haas	25.00	Glenn & Donna Leopold	60.00	
Roddy & Angela Renger	25.00	In memory of Dorothy Svetlik:		
Dolly & Macklin Johnson	25.00	Roger & Beverly Janak	10.00	
Judy Renger	25.00	In honor of Forrest & Margaret Timm's	50 th Anniversary:	
Wink & Ida Bludau	20.00	Bill & Sweet Hrncir	20.00	
Ramona Bludau & daughters	15.00	In memory of Eaven McElroy:		
Charles & Anna Neumeyer	20.00	Bob & Sally Janak	25.00	
Sherry Hale	20.00	SACRED HEART SCHOOL LIBRA	RY FUND	
James & Judy Evans	30.00	In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Linda Pavliska	25.00	Susan & Jim Fairman	100.00	
William J. Natho, Conyetta Gaus Swa		SACRED HEART SCHOOL BAND	FUND	
Evelyn Velek, JoAnn Barton, Geri Me	ehan 50.00	In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Ronald & Anne Zappe	100.00	Jimmie & Sylvia Steffek	20.00	
Donald & Mildred Grahmann	20.00	Alice Summers	15.00	
In memory of Mary Ann Koenig:		Arthur Etzler, Jr.	25.00	
Sacred Heart Grief Committee	20.00	SACRED HEART SCHOOL ATHLE	ETICS FUND	
In memory of Janet Brier:		In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Evelyn & Phillip Bujnoch	10.00	Daniel & Dorothy Rother	10.00	
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In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		In honor of Maurice & Marjorie Parr's		
Anthony & Maureen Grones	15.00	Melinda Schaefer & Family	100.00	
John, Sandy & Jesse Durham	50.00	DOROTHY HENNEKE SCHOLARS	SHIP FUND	
Cynthia & Don McIntosh	25.00	In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Marcus & Marjorie Grahmann	75.00	Roy & Loretta Hardcastle	10.00	
SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPER	RATING FUND	Tommy & Elsie Grahmann	10.00	
In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		CAROLYN DWORSKY SCHOLARS		
Mary Steffek	10.00	<u>In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:</u> Charles &		
Dorothy Kouba	10.00	HILDA ELSTNER SCHOLARSHIP	FUND	
Martha Sitka	10.00	In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Glenn & Donna Leopold	10.00	Paul & Dolores Janak	20.00	
Paul & Annette Henke	10.00	PAM DORNAK SCHOLARSHIP FU	IND	
Leon & Margaret Steffek	10.00	In memory of Pam Dornak:		
Leo & Dorothy Henke	10.00	Leroy & Patricia Klesel & family	20.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Emil Svab	10.00	SACRED HEART EARLY CHILDH	OOD & DAYCARE	
Franklin & Nola Bohuslav	20.00	In memory of Ethlyne Zappe:		
Larry & Doris Grubert	20.00	Roy & Jean Schaefer	15.00	
Daniel & Beverly Wagner	20.00	Michael & Paula Grahmann	20.00	
Rosemary Hermes	15.00	James & Mary Lee Honish	10.00	
William & Charlene Bradbury	10.00	John & Frances Bock	20.00	
Robert & Carol Rother	15.00	Andy & Mary Chapman	20.00	
Bill & Sweet Hrncir	25.00	In memory of Eaven McElroy:		
Trey & Jennifer Kraatz	10.00	Richard & Mary Ellen Speyrer	15.00	
Leo & Evelyn Hoffer	20.00	Eugene & Bettye Bujnoch & family	15.00	