Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman Parishes March 5th, 2023 | Second Sunday of Lent

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RNP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm Fri 9am - 12pm

BSP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm Fri 9am - 12pm

Sunday Mass Times

Sat. 4:30pm @ BSP Sun. 9am (BSP), 11:15am (RNP), & 8:30pm (RNP)

Daily Mass Times

BSP Mon - Fri 8:00am RNP Tues 5:15pm RNP Wed & Fri Noon RNP Thurs 7pm

Confession Times

Saturday evening @ 3:30pm or by appt.

Around the Parish

Save the Date! REVIVAL Parish Mission

Save the dates! March 12-14, (Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday) 6-8pm. Join us for REVIVAL - a parish mission focused on the Eucharist. The evenings will include a talk by Fr. Justin Kizewski, Adoration, instruction on how to pray, and refreshments

Friday Soup and Sustenance Series

The Newman Soup and Sustenance for the Soul series continues this Friday, March 10th. This Friday's speaker is parishioner Mike Kreiling, who will speak about his recent book, "Rise: My Journey from Grief to Growth." There is a button on the Newman homepage to sign up online if you don't have time to sign up at the doors. Soup is served at 5:30 PM; the talk begins at 6:00 PM. Our delicious vegetarian soups are free, and childcare is available.

St. Joseph's Table Potluck

Please join in the celebration of St Joseph's Table at a Potluck Supper on Saturday March 18th after the 4:30 Mass in the BSP Parish Hall. St Joseph's table is a long-standing tradition in Italy honoring the earthly father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, St. Joseph. This traditional celebratory meal is held on or close the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For more information reach out to Barb Swieciak at 608-784-6974, email scwjoy@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Adult Swing Dance at RNC

Join us on **Friday, March 10 at 7:30pm** for an adult swing dance in the basement of RNC. Don't know how to Swing Dance? Fr Billy, an expert in all things Swing dance, will hold instructions at 7:30pm to teach us the basics. Come to learn, dance and socialize.

Tuesday Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction this Tuesday the 7th of March at 5:30. There will be a soup supper in the parish hall immediately following. What a wonderful Lenten tradition as well as a wonderful way to end your Tuesday.

Aguinas Schools Enrollment open

Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with. Call (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour!

High School Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation meets **Wednesday March 8th from 7:00pm-8:30pm at Blessed Sacrament.**

Families Forming Disciples

FFD does NOT meet March 5th at Blessed Sacrament or March 8th at Mary Mother of the Church. Families should be completing their At Home Mission-Preparing for Holy Week. We will meet again on March 12th and March 15th respectively.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Welcome new BSP members Natalie Bellacero and her children Gaby and Ronan!

Welcome new RNP members John and Caitlin Collins, and Mary Ann Ekern!

Sympathies

Our sincerest condolences to the Marge Chamberlain family on the passing of their husband, father and grandfather Bill Chamberlain, longtime member of Blessed Sacrament, whose funeral was last weekend. May he rest in peace.

First Communion Celebration March 19th

Second graders from Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman will be celebrating their First Communion on Sunday March 19 th at the 9:00am Mass at Blessed Sacrament and 11:15am Mass at Roncalli Newman. Expect additional guests at Mass who will be in attendance on this special day. Please pray for these 2nd graders and their families.

Plant Sale Volunteers Needed

"Calling all green thumbs! The BSP Women's Club will be having a plant sale in June to help sponsor a high school girl through Hosea's Hearts. The time to start plant cuttings or plants from seeds to donate is now! Both indoor and outdoor plants are needed. More information on the sale is to come. Please pray to St. Josephine Bakhita for her intersession for a successful sale to bring awareness of the suffering of human trafficking."

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him. Matthew 17:5

Heroic Men Summit

All men are invited to join us on **Saturday March 11 from 11am-1pm** for the Heroic Men Summit. This free 2 hour event will be held in the BSP parish hall, and feature virtual talks by Dr. Edward Sri, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and John Michael Lucido on how we can see the Eucharist as a source of transformation and power.

Attention Art Enthusiasts (all forms of art)

You are invited to show and sell your art on **August, 26, 2023** from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. A designated space for each vendor will be available for \$50. or a shared space for \$75. To reserve a space and more information contact Sandy at (608) 787-6482.

Hungering for God? Holy is His Name

Join us in this free video series as Scott Hahn traces the call and meaning of holiness in Scripture. He reveals how God transmits his holiness to his people, ultimately transforming us through calling us to and sharing his own divine life. Come learn with us, come pray with us.

- 6 Wednesday evenings at Newman, 6:15-7:45 pm, March 8-April 12 (Questions? Please call Marcia Kolaczkowski 608-790-5342)

Lenten Food Drive

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE. MARCH 11-12 at BSP and RNP. The food shelves are in great need of food and monetary donations as winter drags on. Please bring what you can to our joint parish food drive to help those in. Needed are **all non-perishable food items, paper products and cleaning supplies, as well as Gluten Free food items.** This will benefit food shelves at WAFER, Western Tech, UWL, Viterbo and Place of Grace. **Checks should be made to WAFER** where \$1 donated provides 4 meals. Volunteers will be at the doors after all masses collecting cash/check donations. Food, paper products and cleaning supplies can be brought to the front entrance at BSP and to the parking lot entrance at RNP March 11-12 masses. Please place Gluten Free items in a separate bag. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Gluten-Free food items are especially appreciated, as those who face dietary restrictions can be made worse by the often higher price tag on gluten free food. Further information on what gluten-free symbols to look for when shopping can be found in the online bulletin. **Thank you for ALL your donations to help people who are food insecure.**

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Music and Liturgy

From the desk of Mary Blaha-DeBoer

As I prepared to write this article, many song titles kept running through my mind: It's A Long Road to Freedom, The King of Glory, How Great Thou Art, To Be Alive, Where Have All the Flowers Gone, Bloom Where You're Planted, Hear O Lord, Panis Angelicus, Joy is Like the Rain, Precious Lord, Just a Closer Walk With Thee, etc. These are some of the many songs that our choir did when I was growing up in Ettrick. My first recollection of Mass was two altars, with the priest facing away from people, and the Mass in Latin. No one understood what the priest was saying. Luckily, they switched to English and did away with the rear altar. The priest was facing the congregation. When I was in grade school, our choir alternated between singing in the loft and near the altar in front. We used organ or guitar depending on the song. Plus, there were students who played violin, trumpet, flute, and tambourine as well. The congregation was led by students aging from 8 to 20. Our parishioners were a great mix of young and old.

Forty years later, of all the songs listed above the only ones I have done lately are How Great Thou Art, Panis Angelicus, Precious Lord, and Just a Closer Walk With Thee. There have been so many new songs during those years that have come and gone. Some have stood the test of time, others not. Why do I point that out? Music in the church has grown and many of the better songs relate to actual scripture. When Mary Ellen is choosing music for the Mass, much care is given to select music that fits the readings for the day. We are always looking at what has been used at BSP and RNP. Some music is common to both while others are not. There is great care to select a mix whenever possible. The Liturgy Committee has also helped pick the seasonal music by voting on possible selections. The merger has blended two parishes with two separate worship styles. I am very aware that it has not always been easy going through this change. Change is hard. Adjusting takes time, compassion, and compromise.

In looking forward, I would like to welcome anyone who would like to use their time and talent in contributing to the music at RNP and BSP. Do you sing? Do you play an instrument? Are you a student who is involved with Solo & Ensemble in the schools? Would you like to play for prelude or during the preparation of the gifts? Are there songs familiar to you at BSP that you would like to hear again? I am most especially hoping to grow the music participation at BSP. If you would like to have a conversation regarding how you might be able to help, please email me at marybdmusic@gmail.com

Mary Blaha-DeBoer

Associate Pastoral Notes

Hi All,

From the desk of Father Sam McCarty

Just a few thoughts this week about our parish mission next week: March 12, 13, 14. Please come! We want REVIVAL and New Life and I believe that Jesus is going to start that for us during this time of retreat. The three evenings will be focused on the Eucharist; we'll have a talk each night as well as some structured time to pray in front of Jesus. I want to offer some tools to help us approach Eucharistic Adoration and make that a part of our lives. We are looking to use this parish mission as a springboard into having 24/7 Adoration in the chapel here at BSP - imagine the effect if our community is constantly at prayer before the Lord! Again, please join us and please say a prayer that the Lord's work continues in our community.

-Fr. Sam

Pastoral Notes

Praised be Jesus Christ,

From the desk of Father Billy Dodge

Beware email scammers pretending to be me. They create fake emails that look like my email and in my name ask for monetary assistance - often in the form of gift cards. Please beware of this malicious activity. May God bless these poor souls and bring them to the light!

For those who joined our parishes this past year we are having a brunch this Sunday, March 5, to welcome them. One of the reasons people join us is a friendly encounter they have at church. A friendly hello, a smile, and welcoming someone into your pew go a long way! Thank you for all you do to help people feel welcomed into our parish communities.

God bless, Father Billy Dodge

Liturgical Ministers Schedule March 11/12

March 11/12 Saturday, Mar 11, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament) Michael J Porter Reader (1)

Michael J Porter Reader (1)
Margaret Anderson
Christine Nelson
Mary Blaha-DeBoer
Elizabeth H. Reader (2)
Cantor
Accompanist
Server

Mike H. Server
Mark Schuttenhelm Hospitality M

Mark Schuttenhelm
Mary Schuttenhelm
Miles Vonderblage
Mark Schuttenhelm
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)

Miké Vanderploeg Sacristan/MC

Caryl Doberstein EMHC Thomas Miller EMHC

Sunday, Mar 12, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Ann Lankford Reader (1)
Tony Weisse Reader (2)
Andrea Fritts Cantor
Mary Blaha-DeBoer Jackson W. Server
Jonny W. Server

Sunny Onyeabor
Scott Smerud
Bruce Simones
Michele Cook
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)

William Arnold Sacristan/MC
Larry Lee EMHC
Donna Lee EMHC

Sunday, Mar 12, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Tom Hench Reader (1)
Kathleen Hench Reader (2)
Kelley Manson Cantor
Ryan Howe Accompanist

Tim Fuss Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Kathy Fuss Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Sherwin Toribio Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Alie Toribio Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)

Paul Grant Gift Bearer
Sue Grant Gift Bearer
Mary Lou Balts Sacristan/MC

March 18/19

Saturday, Mar 18, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Mary E Saphner Reader (1)

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Paulette Drozdowicz
Michelle Johnson
Mary Blaha-DeBoer
Maria J. Server
Michael J. Server

Scott Weaver Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Natalie Schwinn Weaver Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)

Mike Vanderploeg Sacristan/MC

NOT FILLED EMHC
Christine Nelson EMHC

Sunday, Mar 19, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Jim Bagniewski
Annie Berendes
Julia Kreitzer
Mary Blaha-DeBoer
Ruby G.
Charlee G.
Reader (1)
Reader (2)
Cantor
Accompanist
Server
Server

Steve Flottmeyer
Mark Hyde
LuAnne Kratt
Bob Roth
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)

William Arnold Sacristan/MC Erin & Tad Strittmater EMHC

Sunday, Mar 19, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Greg Wegner Reader (1)
Erma Hafner Reader (2)
Andy Manson Cantor
Ryan Howe Accompanist

Sám Servais
Freddi Servais
Cindy Sjolander
Peggy Jirsa
Peggy Peggy

Mike & Carol Made Gift Bearers Mary Lou Balts Sacristan/MC

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 4

4:30pm BSP +Therese Smith

Sunday, March 5

9am BSP +Dean Peterson 11:15am RNP +Tom Strange

Monday, March 6

8am BSP +Marianne Pittman

Tuesday, March 7

8am BSP +Terri Levi 5:15pm RNP +Mary Jenks

Wednesday, March 8

8am BSP +Patricia Crowley SCHOOL MASS

Noon RNP +Tom Strange

Thursday, March 9

8am BSP +Paula Frohnauer 7pm RNP Souls in Purgatory

Friday, March 10

8am BSP +Holly Wagner

Noon RNP In Gratitude, for the Kreiling Family

Saturday, March 11

4:30pm BSP +Cole Berra

Sunday, March 12

9am BSP Living and Deceased Members of the

Marjorie and William Chamberlain Family

11:15am RNP Roncalli Newman Parish Family

This Week

Saturday, March 4

• Confessions, 3:30pm @ BSP

Rosary, 4:05pm (led by Natalie Schwinn-Weaver)

Sunday, March 5

Rosary, 8:35am (led by Irm Drier)

Newcomer Brunch, 9am BSP

Monday, March 6

Salvation Army Service, 4:15pm

Tuesday, March 7

Stations of the Cross, 5:30pm BSP

Wednesday, March 8

Dogma and Donuts Men's Group, 8:45am BSP

High School Faith Formation, 7pm - 8:30pm BSP

Thursday, March 9

Salvation Army Service, 4:15pm

Evening Rosary, 6:30pm BSP

Friday, March 10

Soup and Sustenance, 5:30pm RNP

Saturday, March 11

• Heroic Men Summit, 11am - 1pm BSP Parish Hall

Confessions, 3:30pm @ BSP

Rosary, 4:05pm (led by Mary Schuttenhelm)

Sunday, March 12

Rosary, 8:35am (led by Deacon Dave and Marie Allen

FFD, 10:10am, BSP

REVIVAL Parish Mission, 6pm - 8pm BSP

Weekend Collection 02/26 BSP \$8,220 // **RNP** \$2,179.00

RNP & BSP | Around the Parish Online

Lenten Food Drive Continued

Celiac Disease and Non-Celiac Gluten Sensitivity

- Celiac Disease is a serious genetic autoimmune disease that affects 1% of the population, or 3 million people. Every part of the body can be affected. Individuals can have:
- o Type 1 Diabetes, anemia, numbness and tingling of hands and feet, migraines, depression, weight loss or weight gain, gas and bloating, abdominal pain, constipation/diarrhea, GERD, difficulty swallowing, malabsorption, osteoporosis, to name some of the symptoms.
- o Individuals cannot have wheat, rye, or barley.
- o There are no medications at this time that can cure Celiac Disease; following a Gluten- Free diet is the only treatment.
- Non-Celiac Gluten Sensitivity affects about 6% of the population and is a sensitivity, not an autoimmune disease although it may present with many similar symptoms and is treated the same a Gluten-Free Diet.
- Food Insecurity affects those with gluten sensitivity and celiac disease and the high cost of gluten free foods can be a major barrier for many individuals.

This food -drive is meant to help ALL those who are food insecure.

Below are the Gluten-Free Certification Organizations and their symbols indicate that those products have been certified as gluten free.













NSF Gluten- Free Certification



Beyond Celiac (prev NFCA)



Lenten Adult Faith Formation Program

We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his agony in the garden to his crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with Him today. No Greater Love is a six-part Bible study program that begins the week of February 19. In order to make this program more accessible, this class will be offered in multiple parishes. Each week you can go to the class that best fits your schedule. Workbook, Book, and access to the videos are \$23.00 each.

Mondays 6:00 - 7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 9:00 – 10:30 am St. James the Less

Wednesdays 8:15 – 9:45 am Mary, Mother of the Church

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm Holy Trinity

Thursdays 9:15 – 10:45 am St. Patrick's

Thursdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm St. Patrick's

Fridays 10:30 – 12:00 noon Cathedral

This class can also be done as a Home Study.

You can sign up for this program

- -at any of the participating parish offices
- -after weekend Masses at many of the participating parishes
- Online registration is available at www.stpatsonalaska.com
- by contacting Amy Capelli at (608)783-0847 or amy capelli@charter.net

It's not too late to join us for "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion." All participating parish offices have books and workbooks available. Contact Amy Capelli amy_capelli@charter.net or (608)783-0847 for questions or more information.

Also a new class will begin at St. James the Less on Monday, March 6th from 6:00 - 7:30 pm for those wanting to join this class.

Around the Community | March 5th, 2023

Neighbors Day is scheduled for Saturday April 22, 2023. If anyone would like to help with clean up of people in need OR if you are or know of someone in need of help with yard work, please complete the form on the Habitat Website

https://www.habitatlacrosse.org/neighbors-day.html and submit it by the end of February. They will be contacting you in March.

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Fish Fry on Friday, March 24, from 4:00–7:00 PM, dine-in or carry-out. The price is \$12 for 2-piece and \$14 for 3-piece dinner and includes baked or batter fried cod, baked potato or fries, coleslaw and roll. \$5 kids meal includes grilled cheese, fries, fruit and milk. Beer, wine and desserts available at dine-in for additional cost.