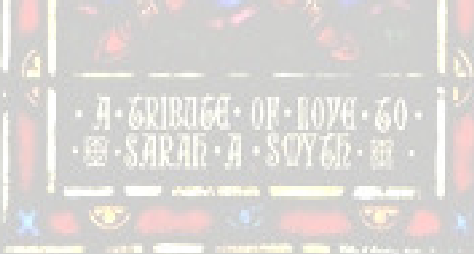
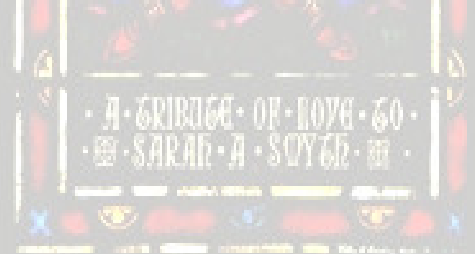




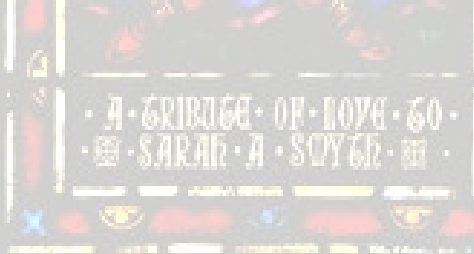
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(Open Monday - Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

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Facilities 202.449.4610

St. Pius Library 202.449.3974

Sacrament of Baptism — Baptismal preparation is required of all parents prior to the celebration of baptism. We recommend that this take place before the child is born. Contact the Religious Education Office at 202.449.3989 for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony — Please contact one of the parish priests six months in advance. All couples who are to be married at Blessed Sacrament must complete our parish marriage preparation program.

Sacrament of Reconciliation — Friday and Saturday after the 11 a.m. Mass (if no funeral); Saturday 4 - 5 p.m. and after the 5:30 p.m. Mass, or anytime by appointment.

Care of the Sick and Homebound — If you or someone you know is hospitalized and would like a priest to visit, or if you know of anyone who is homebound who could benefit from a regular visit, please contact the parish office at 202.966.6575.

New Parishioners — Welcome to Blessed Sacrament! Please register for parish membership by stopping in at the Duffy Parish Center and filling out a registration form. Forms also available in the pamphlet rack inside the Quesada Street entrance to the church and on the parish website.

Departing Parishioners — We will miss you. Please notify one of our staff members in the Duffy Parish Center office that you will be moving away.

Bulletin Announcements — Please send all announcements to bulletin@blessedsacramentdc.org. Deadline: Mondays @ 10 a.m.



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From The Pastor's Desk . . .

Dear Friends,

In the midst of the Easter Season, as we celebrate the Resurrection, amid the welcome arrival of spring, we are called by our faith tradition to be good stewards of Creation. Pope Benedict XVI's 2010 Message for the World Day of Peace, "If You Want to Cultivate Peace, Protect Creation" affirmed that environmental degradation is "a wide-ranging social problem which concerns the entire human family."

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has stated: "The Catholic Church brings a distinct perspective to the debate about climate change by lifting up the moral dimensions of this issue and the needs of the most vulnerable among us. As Catholics our faith calls us to care for *all* of God's creation, especially the 'least of these' (Mt 25:40). Of particular concern to the Church is how climate change and the response to it will affect poor and vulnerable people here at home and around the world."

I invite us all to examine how we can better care for God's Creation and, in so doing, better care for the poor by participating as individuals and parishioners in the following initiatives:

Take *The Catholic Climate Covenant: the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor*. Since last Earth Day, thousands of Catholic individuals, families, schools, parishes and organizations have pledged to Pray, Learn, Assess, Act and Advocate.

Participate in the parish *Community Garden/Grow to Share* initiative. Help tend the Blessed Sacrament community garden, the produce of which is shared with local food banks for the hungry. You can also grow and donate vegetables from your garden to supplement this effort. This is a great family project that cultivates the earth and shares its bounty.

Reduce, reuse and recycle to minimize waste. Take practical energy efficiency measures in our homes and the parish to reduce waste, pollution and costs. The parish will be exploring an energy audit through Interfaith Power and Light to become more efficient, and parishioners are encouraged to consider a home energy audit.

Further information about the foregoing initiatives will be forthcoming in the next few weeks. You may also find more information at: <http://www.blessedsacramentdc.org/outreach/environmental-action-ministry/> or by contacting Kevin Kelley at kellek301@yahoo.com or 301.741.7752.

As we continue this wonderful season, let us celebrate Creation through prayer, cultivation, restoration, and prudence, as we become better stewards.

Father John

Youth Corner

Question Of The Week — The world is full of examples of people who don't love others. What are the results of hate that you see in the world? How would the world be different if we followed Jesus' commandment?



Wednesday, May 19, Confirmation 2011

Orientation meeting, 7 to 9 p.m. in the school auditorium. This meeting will provide parents and candidates with an overview of requirements for confirmation, including pertinent dates. Q&A session. For more information, contact Mark McCaffrey at 202.449.3928 or mmccaffrey@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Coffee and Doughnuts This Sunday — Join fellow parishioners for coffee and doughnuts in the school auditorium today, Sunday, **May 2**, following the 9 and 10:30 Masses. Enjoy time catching up with friends and the opportunity to meet new parishioners we are welcoming to Blessed Sacrament.

Outreach Weekend — This weekend is Outreach Weekend for our Soup Kitchen Ministry. When making a donation by check, please make the check payable to "Blessed Sacrament Outreach—Soup Kitchen".

Blessed Sacrament Nights at Ledo Pizza — Let Ledo's do the work this Monday and Tuesday, **May 3 and 4!** Dine in or take out from 5 p.m. until closing at Ledo Pizza on River Road (near Whole Foods) to support Blessed Sacrament School. Ledo's will give our school 20% of all dine-in sales and 20% of takeout sales by those who identify Blessed Sacrament. Call Ledo Pizza at 301.656.5336. Sponsored by the Home and School Association

Carnation Sale Mother's Day Weekend — Carnations will be sold after all Masses **next weekend** to benefit the Northwest Pregnancy Center and Maternity Home in the Adams Morgan neighborhood of Washington, D.C. The minimum suggested donation is \$1 each. The Pregnancy Center helps needy women find alternatives to abortion. The Maternity Home provides long-term housing for homeless pregnant women (and their children) to enable them to deliver healthy babies, learn child care, and become self-sufficient.

Boy Scout Doughnut Sale — Boy Scouts from Troop 90 will be conducting their annual doughnut sale after all the morning Masses on Sunday, **May 16**. This is an important fund-raiser for the Troop; proceeds from the sale help support all of its activities.

Blessed Sacrament Youth Group Car Wash Fundraiser — Come out and support the Youth Group as they raise money to offset their cost for a community service trip to New Orleans and other activities on Saturday, **May 16**, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament parking lot.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 8

5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Sunday, May 9

7:30 a.m. ~ Father Jim

9 a.m. ~ Father Witczak

10:30 a.m. ~ Father O (Church)*

10:30 a.m. ~ Father John (Gym)*

12:30 p.m. ~ Father Jim

5:30 p.m. ~ Father John

***Nursery services available in the kindergarten room under the school gym.**

Weekday and Saturday Masses

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m., 11 a.m.

Filipino Mass in Tagalog every 4th Sunday at 4 p.m.

Holy Day Masses

Eve of the Feast: 5:30 p.m.

Day of the Feast: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday before first Friday of each month: 9 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Exposition: Monday - Friday, 3 p.m. - 5:15 p.m., in the church



Shepherd Furey Atkiss
Maryanne O'Connell Bruno
James Paul Mitchell



John Tuohey

**Please include our sick in your prayers
that they may experience healing and comfort**



Zachary Balog

Edgard Bertaut

Bill Bray

George Crozer

Joaquinita Diaz

Aiden Goheen

Mary Gray

Donald Johnston

Sylvia Ann Lamberg

Marian Middendorf

William Middendorf

Julia Poppeliers

Catherine Schemp

Jim Schoettler

Chester Sleboda

Fenner Urquhart

Stephen Vermillion

Linda Wivel

Poor Box Donations in May will benefit Bethlehem House, which provides quality care and a family-like atmosphere in its two group homes for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The small communities are located in Northeast Washington, D.C., and in Riverdale, MD.

Bulletin Cover: Saint John the Evangelist Stained Glass Window; Image from A Homily of Light: The Stained Glass Windows of The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Learn About Catholic Relief Services in Afghanistan

— Last year around this time, Matt McGarry, who works with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in Afghanistan, spoke to our congregation and his talk was very effective. Many were deeply touched by his words. This year three of CRS's Afghani staff will visit Washington during the week of **May 2 to 5**. If you are interested in meeting with Matt's colleagues again to talk about the situation in Afghanistan and how the Catholic Church is responding to meet the needs of the people there, email Pat Kavanaugh at pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org. She will help to arrange a mutual time that would be good for some of our parishioners to sit down and talk to Michaela, Faegheh, and Ahmadi. —Father John

Mental Illness in Youth and Young Adults — Free Online Seminar this Tuesday, **May, 4**, from 1 to 2 p.m. with Dr. Robert McCarthy, DMin, Executive Director, Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM). Presented by the National Catholic Partnership on Disabilities (NCPD) Council on Mental Illness, this free, on-line seminar (with subsequent online re-webcast) is suitable for parents, families, clergy, parish staff, teachers, youth ministers, college campus ministries, health care professionals, social concerns and disability ministries, and employers. Kindly contact Peg Kolm at 301.853.4560 or at kolmm@adw.org for additional information. May is Mental Health Month. Please visit the NCPD website at www.ncpd.org, and kindly keep all persons with mental illness and their families in your special prayers.

MOMS News — Calling all parish families: Please join the Ministry of Mothers Sharing (MOMS) group for our annual family Mass and potluck this Friday, **May 7**, in the Duffy Parish Center at 5:30 p.m. It is a great evening to meet other Blessed Sacrament families. If you are interested in attending, please email or call Brooke Thomas at brookelthomas@mac.com or 202.674.0542 so we can give you a potluck assignment. We hope to see you on Friday!

Update on Haiti — Father Reginald Jean-Mary ("Father Reggie"), leader of the Notre Dame D'Haiti Church in Little Haiti, the largest congregation of Haitian-Americans in South Florida, and our partner in Blessed Sacrament's ongoing Twinning Program with Haiti, is the coordinator of Haitian relief efforts on behalf of the Archdiocese of Miami. He has been traveling to Haiti extensively since the earthquake and will share his experiences and observations on relief efforts. Join us in the Duffy Parish Center following the 10:30 Mass next Sunday, **May 9**.

Sanctuary Sodality News — Spring Sodality Mass and Dinner will be held on Thursday, **May 20**. We will be celebrating 100 years of sisterhood and service. We will also be inducting new members at 5:30 Mass. If you are a sodalist and have not received an invitation, please call Meghan McCaleb at 301.652.0477 and a message with your name, unit and address. If you need a ride to the Mass and dinner, call Laura Beh at 202.363.4575.

The Adult Center invites all parishioners, 39 and holding, to the Chevy Chase Apartments, #1, for fellowship after the 11 a.m. Mass. Bring a sandwich and join the activities. For transportation, call Rita Killian at 202.363.5069.

Monday	Social/Discussion
Tuesday	RENEW and the Word/Low Vision Support
Wednesday	Art Class with Dick Swartz
Thursday	Bridge For Bridge Lovers
Friday	Closed

Register Now for the Bulldog 5K — Lace up those running shoes and get ready for the fourth annual Blessed Sacrament Bulldog 5k race which will be held Saturday, **May 22**, beginning at 8 a.m. Enjoy a beautiful day with family and friends while supporting our school! There will be a kid's fun run/walk starting at approximately 8:45 a.m. and a post race celebration with food and music for runners/walkers and their families after the races. For more information and to register, visit www.BulldogRace.org. If you don't want to run but would like to volunteer, please contact Elizabeth Feldman at ehfconsult@yahoo.com. Questions? Contact Cindy Hart at cindyhart@verizon.net.

It's Picnic Time! — Please mark your calendars and come join the fellowship and fun on Sunday, **June 6**, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Johns College High School (2607 Military Road, NW, Washington D.C.) for the annual Blessed Sacrament Parish picnic. Mass will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the picnic will immediately follow. The event is rain or shine ... if the weather doesn't cooperate, the picnic and fun just moves inside! Please bring a salad or side dish (for last names A – M) or a dessert (for last names M – Z) to share. Drinks and delicious chicken will be provided! Volunteers are urgently needed to help with various activities as well as picnic set up and clean up. Sign-up sheets for the picnic will be available at the Gym Mass. So that we may get a head count for the food order, kindly RSVP to Mike and Heather Conley at Conley@starpower.net or 301.215.6673.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound — We Care About You ...

- Sick at home
- Scheduled to be or in the hospital
- Recovering at home
- Homebound due to illness or age

Please call the rectory at 202.966.6575 and to request a visit from one of our pastoral staff, to receive the Eucharist, to have a confession heard, or an anointing of the sick.

From The Social Concerns Office ...

Host Families Needed — Host families are needed for three fantastic summer programs. The programs bring together students from post conflict societies to aid in peaceful resolution of historical divides. The Washington Ireland program for Service Leadership (WIP), the South African Washington Intern Program (SAWIP) and New Story Leadership (NSL) are seeking host families for university students from Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, South Africa, and Israel and Palestine respectively. The students from WIP (www.wip.org) arrive early June and depart early August and are here for eight weeks. The SAWIP (www.sawip.org) and NSL (www.newstoryleadership.org) students are here for six weeks. If you are interested in one of these programs, which are voluntary, or for more information, call 301.657.4343 or email family host coordinator, Terry Eason (TerryAbelEason@aol.com).

Tithe Proposals for 2010 — Proposals are now being accepted from **now until Tuesday, June 8**, for 2010 parish tithe funds. Tithe guidelines and application forms are available in the main office of the Duffy Parish Center and at the church entrances. Proposals are limited to one per agency and must be sponsored by a Blessed Sacrament parishioner. Agencies may submit proposals every three years. Questions? Contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns office at 202.449.3987 or at pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Community Garden Update — The Community is expanding and volunteers are needed to water and perform general maintenance. If you like working outside or need to earn service hours, please call Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns office 202.449.3987 to discuss volunteer opportunities. All garden produce is donated to the poor and marginalized in the parish community or area soup kitchens.

Employment Request — Are you in need of an individual to clean your house or maintain your yard? If so, please contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns office at 202.449.3987 or at pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Social Actions Underway — The Washington Interfaith Network (WIN), an affiliate of the Industrial Areas Foundation, is gaining momentum in two areas:

- Anti-usury. The Blessed Sacrament WIN Team recently joined an action in the Hart Office Building on Capitol Hill urging that Congress adopt an interest rate cap: "10% is enough." To view the action, go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIk-OLiVq1c>.
- Weatherization and Green Collar Jobs. The parish's WIN Team and the Environmental Action Committee working together last weekend put on a Weatherization Workshop leading several parish families to sign on for home energy audits and weatherization work, creating jobs for "green collar" workers. Future house meetings are in the offing. Go to www.weatherizedc.org.

For more information, e-mail Richard Hage at 202.723.1750 or kandr66@verizon.net.

Sponsor Of The Week

We would like to thank **Chevy Chase Bank** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

Religious Education News ...

First Eucharist 2010 — A final mailing was sent home this past week with all pertinent information regarding details for the Mini-Retreat/Day of Preparation on Thursday, **May 6**, and the Celebration of First Eucharist on Saturday, **May 8**. If you have not received your mailing, please contact Rosalie Days in the Religious Formation office at 202.449.3973 or e-mail her at rdays@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Young Adult Bible Study — Meet new people and apply the Catholic faith to every day life! Join us this Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Duffy Parish Center main level meeting room to discuss the Sunday Mass readings. For more information, contact Rob Maro at 202.449.3989 or rmaro@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Adult Confirmation Classes — Are you an adult Catholic in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation? Classes begin this Wednesday **May 5**, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m., in the Duffy Parish Center library. Please contact Rob Maro at rmaro@blessedsacramentdc.org to register in time to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Archbishop Wuerl at St. Matthew's Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, **May 23**.

School of Religion Early Registration for 2010-11 is now available on-line. Electronic registration and payment by credit card is available on the parish website at: www.blessedsacramentdc.org/faith-formation/school-of-religion/.

Worship Commission Notes — The following is the report from the April 6 meeting of the Worship Commission: The Centennial Committee meeting minutes were reviewed. The members of the commission discussed the Holy Week liturgies, specifically accommodating seniors and others in priority seating. As to 2009-10 goals, the commission members discussed the initiative of encouraging the congregation to bring canned food to the Masses in the church, similar to the gym Mass tradition. Members talked about putting flyers in the bulletin for a few weeks, and asking the gym Mass families to continue the canned food tradition in the church when the gym Mass ends for the summer. The commission also discussed reviewing the effort to initiate the ministry of greeters next year, and recruiting the 100th anniversary confirmation class, the Disabilities Ministry and the Boy Scouts to assist with this effort. For the long term, members discussed the need to reinvigorate a planning committee to take responsibility for certain logistics for the gym liturgies. Finally, the commission discussed other long-term goals for the itself that will be carried over to the next meeting.

Grill Special and Supper Time Meals from SHARE for May — are real bargains with an assortment of meats (beef, pork, chicken) and a variety of seven Supper Time meals just right for two persons fabulous. Each for just \$20; the normal retail price would be \$35. This bargain is in addition to the monthly SHARE Value Package for \$20. SHARE at Blessed Sacrament provides quality food at cost-effective prices. This valuable program is open to everyone in the community. There is no requirement to be a member of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, or to purchase a package every month, or any other obligation. SHARE's major goal is to harness its buying power and cadre of volunteers to distribute high quality, affordable and nutritious food on a cost-effective basis. See the May menu and order form on page 6 of this bulletin or at www.blessedsacramentdc.org/ (click on Community and then SHARE.) For more information, leave a message in the Blessed Sacrament SHARE Voice Mailbox: 202.449.4611 or email SHARE@blessedsacramentdc.org.

SHARE

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH FOOD CO-OP

May 2010 Order Form

Value Package — \$20

- Chicken Thighs 2.6 lbs.
- Mahi-Mahi Fish Fillets 0.75 lb.
- Fully Cooked Chicken Strips 1 lb.
- Ground Turkey 1 lb.
- Chicken Franks 1 lb.
- Beans & Cheese Burritos 1.25 lbs.
- Flavored Applesauce Cups 1.5 lbs
- Potatoes 3 lbs.
- Onions 1.5 lbs.
- Plus 3-4 other fruit, vegetable and grocery items

Supper Time Meals Package — \$20 additional

- Lasagna with Meat Sauce
- Grilled Chicken Breast Alfredo
- Beef Strips with Mashed Potatoes
- Beef Ravioli
- Chicken Parmesan with Penne Pasta
- Manicotti with Marinara Sauce
- Turkey *a la King* with Rice

May Grill Spectacular — \$20 additional

- Quarter Pound Beef Patties 1 lb.
- Lean Teriyaki Pork Tenderloin 1.2 lbs.
- Boneless Chicken Breast Fillets 1 lb.

All seven meals are in the Supper Time Package; 16 oz. each – ideal for two persons!

Order Form Submission Deadline: May 10

Please order ____ SHARE Food Package(s) for me @ \$20 each = \$ ____

Please order ____ Supper Time Meals Package(s) for me @ \$20 each = \$ ____

Please order ____ May Grill Package(s) for me @ \$20 each = \$ ____

Total SHARE Value Food Package(s), Supper Time Meals Package (s) and May Grill Package(s) = \$ ____

I wish to donate ____ SHARE Food Package(s) to the Blessed Sacrament Food Bank (*Donated packages do not have to be picked up; they will be distributed by volunteers.*)

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Pick up between 3 & 5 p.m. Friday afternoon, May 21, at the Duffy Parish Center, upper level, off the parking lot. *Orders not picked up will be distributed to others. No refunds.*

Payment Method (please circle one): Cash, Money Order or Check payable to Blessed Sacrament. Mail order form and check or money order to: SHARE at Blessed Sacrament, 3630 Quesada Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20015.

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