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Mass Times ~ Presider Schedule

Saturday, November 6
5:30 p.m. ~ Father Jim

Sunday, November 7
7:30 a.m. ~ Father John
9 a.m. ~ Father Witczak
10:30 a.m. ~ Father Jim (Church)*
10:30 a.m. ~ Father O (Gym)*
12:30 p.m. ~ Father John
5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Saturday, November 13
~ Father John

Sunday, November 14
~ Father Jim
~ Father Armstrong
~ Father John
~ Father Jim
~ Father Jim
~ 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 - 10 p.m.
Exposition: Monday - Friday, 3 - 5:15 p.m., in the church

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This Weekend

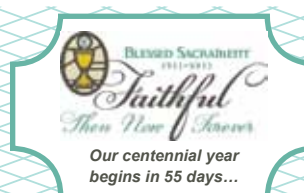
Outreach Weekend — is a collection for our Soup Kitchen Ministry. When making a donation by check, please make the check payable to "Blessed Sacrament Outreach - Soup Kitchen."

Second Collection — will benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services and fund its co-sponsored seminarian program. As you know, Father Ben Garrett is one of the beneficiaries of our efforts to make sure our military services remain strong in providing Catholic chaplains for our troops. We need to show our support to our chaplains, like Father Ben, who do so much for us.

Sunday Lecture Series — "The Art of Celebrating: How to Develop Openness to Wonder, Awe and Gratitude." Coffee and rolls @ 8:30 a.m., lecture @ 9 a.m. in the Duffy Parish Center Chapel.

Coffee And Doughnuts — Join fellow parishioners for coffee and doughnuts in the school auditorium Sunday following the 9 and 10:30 a.m. Masses.

Youth Group — meeting immediately following 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass. Will finish by 8 p.m.



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Duffy Parish Center

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Sacraments

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.

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.

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.

Parish Services & Information

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.

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

From The Pastor's Desk ...

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all those who signed up for Faith Direct last weekend. We are now inching toward 600 parishioners who use this helpful and efficient way of giving to the parish on a regular basis.

Why are we doing this? We are making a big push here because each family that enrolls saves us money, saves us time, and saves us effort. Believe it or not, your offertory envelopes cost quite a bit of money. Beyond that, accounting for thousands of checks each month is a difficult and time-consuming process. Faith Direct is a better way for making weekly contributions to the church, for both you—your giving can be debited directly from your checking account or charged to your credit card—and us.

I look forward to seeing the blue Blessed Sacrament bags in great numbers around the parish. The bags are a small incentive that seems to appeal to lots of people! The chance to win an Apple iPad has also been an incentive for some who have recently signed up. I almost never hear a complaint from those who use Faith Direct. Once they become accustomed to this new way of supporting and strengthening our parish, they are very pleased.

For those of you who missed our incentive weekend last weekend, you will have an opportunity to sign up next weekend, **November 13-14**. If you have not already made a decision, it would be a great blessing if you would enroll in Faith Direct in the next ten days. If you prefer to register online, please visit the parish Web site: www.blessedsacramentdc.org, click on the "Giving" tab, which will lead you to the proper forms to be completed.

Thank you for all your support to the parish throughout the year.

Father John

P.S. For those who like to put something in the basket on Sunday, there are laminated Faith Direct cards in the vestibule of the church to be placed in the collection basket at the appropriate time.

Poor Box Donations in November will benefit Christ House, a facility that provides comprehensive medical care for sick, homeless men and women. Patients also receive case management, addictions treatment, long-term housing placement assistance, and other supportive services.

Did You Know??

That according to the U.S. census, 20 percent of the population has a disability. For more information about how Blessed Sacrament is becoming an inclusive community, contact Emma Voelzke, Special Needs Program Coordinator, at 202.449.3990 or at evoelzke@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Youth Corner

Question Of The Week — Death is a hard reality in our human life, but if we believe in the resurrection, we know it isn't the end of the journey. How does your belief in heaven affect the way you live?

2011 Confirmation Commissioning Mass

Next Sunday, **November 14**, 5:30 p.m. Mass
All students making their confirmation this year are expected to be in attendance for a blessing before their upcoming retreat.

Confirmation Retreat

Group 1 - Tuesday, November 16th, 8:30am to 3:00pm
Group 2 - Wednesday, November 17th, 8:30am to 3:00pm



November 7 - 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass

All lectors, altar servers and ushers. Youth Group meeting immediately following Mass until 8 p.m.

November 14 - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

High school Youth Group meeting to organize winter ski trip and summer trip to New Orleans.

Troop 90 News — Parish sponsored Boy Scout Troop 90 will hold a 90th anniversary celebration dinner on Saturday, **January 8**, at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. All current and former Troop 90 members and their families are invited. Photos and memorabilia welcome. For ticket info, contact Lynn Aylward at aylward.lynn@gmail.com.

Blessed Sacrament School News ...

Blessed Sacrament School Open House Dates —

The first and most important step in the admissions process for Blessed Sacrament's 2011/2012 school year is to attend one of our Open House events. Upcoming Open House events: Kindergarten Only, Wednesday, **November 10**, 9 to 11 a.m.; Middle School, Thursday, **November 18**, 9 to 11 a.m. (presentation in the auditorium); Grades 1-5, Thursday, **November 18**, 9 to 11 a.m. (presentation in the Duffy Parish Center); K-8 Open House, **January 5**, 9 to 11 a.m. No pre-registration or sign-ups. A brief presentation will be given by Principal Chris Kelly, followed by a tour of the school. All of the necessary information for the next school year will be available. The school tours will give you an opportunity to see our students and our faculty in action. The middle school open house will highlight our award winning middle school.

Attention Blessed Sacrament Alumni — 2011 marks the 100th Anniversary of Blessed Sacrament Parish...and we want to celebrate! Among other Centennial activities, plans are now underway for the Birthday Party/Reunion weekend, Friday, **October 7**, and Saturday, **October 8, 2011**. If you attended the last reunion, you know you won't want to miss this one. Email your contact information today to pwarning@wrapc.com. Be sure to include your name, class year, street and email addresses ... and tell a classmate.

Faith Formation

Young Adults 20s-40s, Single And Married — You are invited to join us the first and third Tuesday of the month for our Young Adult Bible Study in the Duffy Parish Center Main Level Meeting Room at 7:30 p.m. Spend time in fellowship with other young adults from the area as we reflect on and apply Scripture to our every day life. Next session is Tuesday, **November 16**. Contact: Therese, 202.449.3989.

School Of Religion Religious Education — Our program welcomes all children including children with special needs and older children who have not received baptism and/or first communion, for sacramental preparation. For more information, call Therese at 202.449.3989.

RCIA — From its earliest beginnings, the Church has asked its members to be godparents for adults preparing to be baptized. This is still the case today for adults seeking baptism through the RCIA process. In addition, sponsors fulfill many of the same roles as godparents to adults baptized in other Christian faiths and adult Catholics who have not completed their sacraments of initiation. A godparent/sponsor is a companion on the journey through the RCIA process. If you are interested in being a godparent or sponsor for one of our RCIA candidates, please contact Therese at 202.449.3989.

Sunday Lecture Series Continues Next Sunday —

Reverend Lawrence J. Madden, S.J. will discuss "Enacting the Key Symbols of the Liturgy: A Mystagogical Experience." The following Sunday, **November 21**, Professor Anthony J. Tambasco will present a lecture titled "New Translations of the Eucharist: Rationale and Debate." Please join us in the Duffy Parish Center for coffee and rolls at 8:30 a.m. The talks will begin at 9 a.m. in the chapel. Contact: Ed Finn, 301.657.4607 or ejfynn724@aim.com.

Christmas Tree Sale — Blessed Sacrament's annual Christmas tree sale will open the weekend after Thanksgiving. Any high school boy or girl who would like to be hired to work at the sale should call John Stacks at 202.680.0914 between 9 & 11 p.m. Monday-Friday or any time Saturday and Sunday.

Newly Baptized

Anne Lucie Pospisil

Rest In Peace

Jaime Acevedo

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

Zachary Balog
Donald Cahill
Joaquinita Diaz
Jane Gresham
Peter Sullivan

Visit Your Parish Library

Eighty-three years ago, the dedication of Blessed Sacrament church on **November 6**, 1927, by Archbishop Curley was the subject of a long report in the Catholic Review of Baltimore. The reporter ('The Roamer') described many aspects of the ceremony; he was impressed by the sculptured cross on the tower, visible to all who passed by: 'We noticed many of these non-Catholic neighbors looking at the crucified Savior, and we felt they were deeply moved...In the church of the Blessed Sacrament in Chevy Chase there is more than physical beauty; there is an aroma and an atmosphere of piety, inside and outside this edifice'. As the centennial celebration approaches, read about the history of our parish and its community:

"A Homily of Light: the Stained Glass Windows of the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament," by Joseph B. McGrath (292.7 M237 H654). This volume, in honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the parish, was researched and developed by a committee of parishioners. It contains a detailed description of each beautifully photographed window, with biblical and iconographical references as well as memorial inscriptions. An appendix gives us some background on the skilled designer of the windows. Monsignor Thomas Duffy wrote the foreword linking our faith to that of the Middle Ages, when the art of stained glass began.

"Landmark in Chevy Chase: Story of the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 1911-1961," by John Jay Daly (292.7 D176 L22). You will enjoy the many anecdotes in this book, particularly those describing Monsignor Smyth's years as founding pastor. John Daly writes in an informal style, with many quotations, which reflect the personalities of the priests, sisters and laymen, many of them relatives of today's parishioners, who have influenced the story of Blessed Sacrament parish during those fifty years.

"The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament: a History, 1911 – 1986," by Edmond J. Le Breton. John Tracy Ellis, the historian, who personally knew all five of the pastors of Blessed Sacrament, contributed a foreword placing this history of the parish in a broader perspective. The author emphasizes the changes that took place in the community, the parish and the Church worldwide. The many photographs are eloquent in conveying the joyful and serious events, which took place during those seventy-five years.

For further information about these and other books and articles, visit the library or call 202.449.3974.

Meet The Author Next Sunday — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. **November 14**, parish library. Susan Mitchell, parishioner and board-certified Catholic chaplain with Holy Cross Hospice and Home Care, has much to tell us about the needs of those facing the end of life and their families. This month, when we remember our deceased loved ones, she will describe her work in the context of her book "Through the Valley; the Way of the Cross for the End of Life," which will be available for purchase in the library. Questions? Call 202.449.3974.

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

Monday	Chair Aerobics
Tuesday	RENEW and the Word/ Low Vision Support
Wednesday	Art Class with Dick Swartz
Thursday	Closed For Veteran's Day
Friday	Closed

Outreach

Winter Is Almost Here — Please donate gently used men's winter clothing, For more information, contact the Social Concerns Office, 202.449.3987, or pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Thanksgiving Meals For The Poor/Homeless — The Social Concerns Office will once again provide Thanksgiving dinners to low income individuals and families who otherwise might not be able to celebrate Thanksgiving with a traditional holiday meal. If you would like to contribute to this effort, please deliver grocery gift cards (Giant and Safeway) checks, or cash to the Social Concerns Office in-box located in the Duffy Parish Center by Thursday, **November 18**. The grocery cards will be given out on Monday, November 22, in time for recipient's to purchase holiday food items. Please label all donations "Thanksgiving Dinner." Questions may be directed to Pat Kavanaugh at 202.449.3987 or pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

SOME (So Others May Eat) Turkey Trot — This Thanksgiving morning you can help provide hot meals, medical care and other services to our community's growing number of poor and homeless residents at SOME's Thanksgiving Day Trot for Hunger. The event will be held in West Potomac Park in Washington, D.C. Registration is \$23 through November 16, and \$25 from November 17-21 and is available on line at www.some.org/events_trot_main.html. Visit www.some.org for more information.

Blessed Sacrament Christmas Giving Tree — Sponsored by the Social Concerns Office and the Gym Mass Committee, this popular drive to collect Christmas gifts for the needy children in the D.C. area starts before before and after Masses **November 21**, and before and after the Thanksgiving Masses **November 25**. Please take one or more stars; we are supporting over 600 children this year! Volunteers are needed to help distribute the stars, collect gifts on Sunday, **December 5**, and to collect/deliver gifts on Sunday, **December 12**. To volunteer or for more information, contact Chris and Rebecca Anzidei at 301.229.2866, Rebecca.anzidei@kirkland.com, canzedei@wthf.com, or Chris and Lisa Capuano at 202.966.8726 or ccapuano@objectvide.com.

Advent Wreath Workshop — Volunteers are needed Saturday, **November 27**, from 2 to 4 p.m. to cut fresh greens for the Advent Wreath Workshop scheduled the following day in the school auditorium after the 10:30 Masses. To volunteer or for more information, contact Pat Kavanaugh at 202.449.3987 or pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Save The Date For The Greg Gannon Canned Food

Drive — The 23rd Annual Greg Gannon Canned Food Drive is scheduled for Saturday, **December 4**. This amazingly fun and spiritual parish/school event is a tradition at Blessed Sacrament. Last year's collection of over 55,000 cans helped feed needy families. Join us ...we can't do it without you! Volunteer recruitment has already begun. For more info, contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns office, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org or 202.449.3987.

Help Needed With Blessed Sacrament's Second Friday Of The Month Dinner Program For Martha's Table

Our group prepares sloppy joes, salad, pasta salad and cake for 75 low-income senior citizens on the **second Friday of each month** and we need a couple more volunteers. You can prepare your portion of the meal at home and drop it off at the home of Rosemary Collopy, 6408 - 31st Place, NW on Thursday afternoon/evening or Friday and she will deliver the meal to Martha's Table. Please contact Rosemary at 202.244.9393 or at rosemarycollopy@hotmail.com if you can help.

Thanksgiving Dinner And Value Package From SHARE

— The November SHARE menu and order form has timely and bargain-based items . . . a complete turkey dinner . . . plus the monthly cost-effective Value Package. The turkey dinner includes a 12 pound turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert and more for just \$25. The Value Package of meat, dry goods and produce is just \$20. When you buy in combination, you get both packages for just \$36! Of course, the Value Package and Turkey Dinner can be ordered separately or as a combination. See menu and order forms in the information racks in the church or contact SHARE@blessedsacramentdc.org. Deadline for orders is Monday, **November 8**.



Chimes Chatter — Our Chimes are from the John C. Deagan Co., and in developing his product, Mr. Deagan had travelled to Europe and inspected many bell systems. He selected the tubular bell rather than the Flemish bell so often found in some carillons. He found that the Flemish bells over a period of time would lose some of their resonance due to the chipping away of the bell metal caused by the striking of the

hammer against the bell. The Deagan tubular bell is struck by a rawhide hammer and thus avoids that undesirable feature. The Deagan carillons have a musical tone equaled by no other and impossible to reproduce. Blessed Sacrament is fortunate to have this unique belfry sound. There have been many nowadays who have attempted to copy the Deagan tone, but as yet none have ever succeeded. Our next meeting is Saturday, **November 20**, at 8 a.m. Call 202.244.4833 for info.

**Shop for a Good Cause!!
Sodality Holiday Bazaar
Saturday, November 13
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**



Calling All Angels! Please consider donating clean, gently used and sellable women's and children's clothing, jewelry, small household items and collectibles, such as dishes, glassware, serving items, cookware, small electrics in working order, holiday decorations for the clothing and white elephant sale. Please, no large electronics, such as televisions and stereos or computer equipment or toys, stuffed animals, books (except for cookbooks) or men's clothing. Clothing donations can be dropped off **November 8 through November 12**, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Duffy Parish Center, parking lot side; all other donations go to the lower level of the Duffy Parish Center. We would also welcome donations of hangers and shopping bags. Questions? Contact Karen Gletner, theglets@verizon.net.

Christmas Is In The Basket! An Amazon Kindle, iPod touch, flip camcorder, wine, dinner at the fabulous new Mussel Bar, money tree, gift card tree, American Girl—just some of the amazing gift baskets we will raffle at this year's Bazaar. Buy your tickets after Masses this Sunday, **November 7**, during the parent/ teacher conferences **November 11-12** in the school lobby, or at the bazaar. Tickets are \$1, 6 for \$5 and 12 for \$10. Questions? Contact Meghan McCaleb, meghanmccaleb@verizon.net

Earn Community Service Hours! We need you, middle school and high school students! Please volunteer for bazaar set up on Friday, **November 12**, 12:30 - 7 p.m. or help us during the bazaar, Saturday, **November 13**, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Come the whole time or just for a few hours. To volunteer, contact Liz Finnegan, liz.finnegan@comcast.net, and leave your name, phone number and date and time you want to help.

Santa's Little Bakers — Break out the ginger and nutmeg and help support the bazaar bake sale! Please bring your freshly baked donations to the Blessed Sacrament auditorium the day of the bazaar, Saturday, **November 13**, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. All baked goods should be holiday pre-wrapped or boxed and labeled if they contain nuts, dairy or other allergens. Questions? Contact Monica Ludwig, 202.537.0993.

Blessed Sacrament's Men's Retreat Weekend — is now just over four months away on **March 4-6**, which we are sharing with seven other parishes, all quite active over the years, so the sooner our men register, the easier it will be for coordinator Jim Richeson to negotiate more space as we get closer to the retreat. Please register now and spread the word to a friend/family member about your experience at Loyola and invite them to join you. Our retreat information is now on the Blessed Sacrament Web site under "Adult Faith Formation" (the date is correct, but I still need to update the theme): <http://www.blessedsacramentdc.org/faith-formation/adult-faith-formation/groups-for-women-men-moms-etc/men-mens-retreat/>. For more information, contact Dr. Jim Richeson at 301.657.2695 or at jim@yourdentaldr.com.

From The Archdiocese . . .

Retrouvaille A Lifeline For Marriage — Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for a program, contact 301.468.6764 or 410.647.0350, TomnCarol@comcast.net or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Separation, Divorce And Beyond — Separated and Divorced Catholics (SDC) of the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring "Separation, Divorce, and Beyond" **every fourth Sunday of the month** at 7:30 p.m. in the library of St. John the Evangelist School (10201 Woodland Dr., Silver Spring). The program is designed to provide a Catholic perspective on the process of recovery from separation and divorce. Two facilitators will guide the sessions using the book, "Divorce and Beyond" as a discussion starter. Please share this information with any Catholics who are separated or divorced, or for more information, contact SDC at sdinfo@rc.net or 301.906.9422.

Victory Housing — is a private non-profit formed in 1979 to serve as the housing development arm of the Archdiocese of Washington. Victory Housing operates seven assisted living communities in Montgomery and Prince George's counties. A typical senior residing at a Victory Housing assisted living residence is 62 years of age or better; needs assistance with bathing, dressing and grooming; no longer cooks or drives; and/or needs oversight of their medications. A customized service is developed for each resident based on needs, preferences and abilities. Each residence is unique with custom architecture, design and program to meet the needs and preferences of the community it serves. Currently, three assisted living communities are in the process of expanding the number of residents by adding more suites. These locations include: Bartholomew House, Bethesda at 301.320.6151; Byron House, Potomac at 301.469.9400; and Grace House, Silver Spring at 301.924.4424. Please call to schedule a tour or learn more by visiting www.victoryhousing.org.

And From The Community . . .

The Shepherd Foundation — The Shepherd Foundation will be holding its 23rd Annual Mass of Appreciation and a reception on Saturday, **November 20**, at 5:30 p.m. The Mass and reception will be held at Blessed Sacrament. Reception and refreshments immediately following in the Duffy Parish Center. For more information visit www.TheShepherdFoundation.org.

Recycling Fundraiser, Save The Environment — Do you have unwanted, small electronics that you would like to dispose of? The Georgetown Visitation High School Softball Program is conducting a recycling fundraiser and earns cash for every empty ink jet and laser cartridges; all old and/or used cell phones, laptop/notebook computers, digital cameras and video cameras, iPods and MP3 players, hand-held game systems (Sony or Nintendo), Kindles, Sony Book Readers, portable navigation and GPS devices, radar detectors and gold jewelry which is sent to be recycled. These items can be working or non-working. If you have any items to donate, call Mary Conlon at 301.807.3604.

Seeking Volunteers — Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School is one of the newest schools in the Archdiocese. It is located in Takoma Park and will graduate its first class in 2011. It is one of several such schools operating across the country, all founded on a work/study model first used by the Jesuits in Chicago. All of the schools are college preparatory schools located in inner city urban areas, catering almost exclusively to minority kids who probably would not have a college preparatory alternative. Almost all of the graduates go onto college and graduate at a higher rate than non Cristo Rey students. This school is run by the Salesian Fathers, but Father John and other Blessed Sacrament parishioners are very actively involved. The concept is fairly simple: a team of students, usually four, act together to work one full time equivalent job at a local business. Each student works one day a week and they rotate on the 5th. Their pay is given to the school to provide for tuition, transportation etc. Getting jobs is the critical factor as to whether the school and kids are successful. We have dozens of leads for jobs, but are constrained in following through as we have only two very overworked staff persons to write the e mails, make the calls, set up the visits, explain the program, and get an actual signed contract. This request is for volunteers to help with that specific effort. We would like to have a team of several Blessed Sacrament parishioners work together to provide that kind of logistical and administrative support to make sure we take full advantage of the job opportunities we have in hand. A day or two a week would be wonderful! If you are interested please contact Alicia Bondanella, bondanellaa@dbcr.org or 301.891.4750, X116.

Sponsor Of The Week

We would like to thank **Lake Liberty** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.