

BLESSED SACRAMENT *Parish*

February 28, 2010
Second Sunday of Lent

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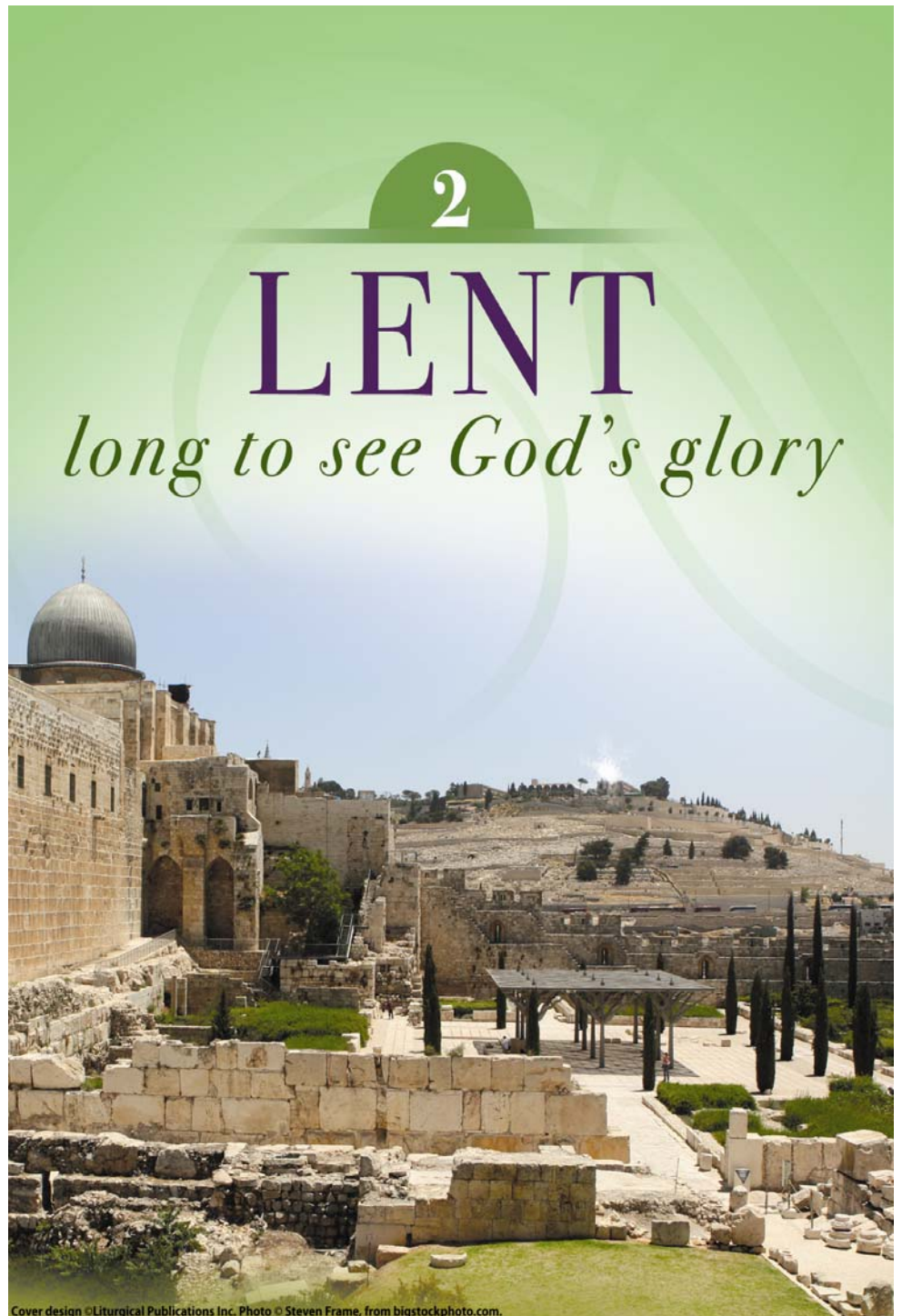
MISSION STATEMENT

Mission Statement: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Parish communicates the Word of God and its message of salvation through preaching, education and the promotion of peace and justice. This mission of evangelization, which entails forming ourselves in belief, sharing that belief and transforming the world around us, is achieved in the context of the Dominican tradition and its emphasis on the four pillars of celebrating God's presence through prayer, building up the Body of Christ through community life, serving God's people through ministry, and forming ourselves in Catholic Christian tradition through life-long study.



VISION STATEMENT

As a vibrant faith community, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Parish shall seek to involve all parishioners in the mission of evangelization.



Pastor's Letter

As we move into this second Sunday of Lent, the month of February comes to a close. I'm hoping that March will come in like a lamb and go out like a lamb. I am ready for some warmer temperatures and sunnier skies. If you are suffering from some winter blues—we have some events coming up in the parish to lift your emotional spirits. Youth ministry is sponsoring a fish fry on this Friday night (March 5th) with great food in the Friary and wonderful entertainment in the Assembly Hall (Church Basement). Proceeds will help fund their summer mission trips to St. Louis and New Mexico. The Edgetones—an a capella singing group from Edgewood High School that has several Blessed Sacrament students in it will perform. Ken Lonquist, who has performed in several Encores at the parish, will delight us with some Irish ballads. In addition, his group O'Darby—an Irish group will be here. So come for fish, stay for the entertainment or for that matter, come for the entertainment and stay for fish! The only bad thing about the night is that it will hardly seem like a day of penance!

Then a couple of weeks after that we will have our second annual "Shamrockin' at the Auction." This is a terrific parish event which like the spaghetti dinner is a fundraiser for the school. As a brief aside, the spaghetti dinner was a great success again thanks to the hard work of all involved including our student athletes who helped serving the tables. I was pleased to see that all of the tips they made went to help the people in Haiti. Now back to the Auction—we'll have great food catered by Phil Hurley of Marigold's and Sardine's fame in the Friary. In addition, we will have live music with the Gomers in the Assembly Hall as a post-St. Patrick's Day coda. In addition there are great items to bid on in both the

silent and live auctions. I'm so grateful for all of our donors and sponsors. The opportunity to bid on some of these items is worth the price of admission. Like the spaghetti dinner that originally was a school activity and now is a parish-wide event—I want everyone in the parish to feel welcome to this night of celebration on March 20th.

This past Friday we had an appreciation dinner for all of our catechists who help with religious education. Let me add my words of thanks for all of our volunteers who help with our religious education programs. Your efforts are every much appreciated in helping our children come to know Christ. A special thanks go out to Sr. Therese and Melanie Ahern who coordinate the various programs.

Finally, I hope that many women of the parish have signed up for the annual women's retreat on March 6th led by longtime parishioner Annette Cleary who is also an outpatient hospice chaplain. Her insights into the life of the Spirit are always right on point. It should be a great day.

I hope that you are finding ample opportunities to commit to the life of Christ and life in the parish. This week, Fr. Ron and I will continue in our weekend preaching mission with a focus of commitment as obligation. Next week, we will preach about commitment as conviction. The following week, I will preach at all the Masses in terms of our commitment to the broader Church in terms of the Annual Catholic Appeal for the Diocese. Many of you have already mailed in your contribution based on the mailing that you received earlier in the month. Thank you for your generosity. The rest of us will have an opportunity to commit to the Diocese in the broader sense through the in-pew process that we did similar to last year.

Fr. Pat

School News

Shamrockin' at the Auction II

Blessed Sacrament Association of Parents and Teachers proudly presents the 10th annual fundraising extravaganza: Shamrockin' at the Auction II. This year the event will be held in the BS Friary & Church Basement.



Saturday, March 20th, 2010
6:00 PM-12:00 midnight
Tickets are \$40/person or \$75/couple

Put on your best St. Paddy's Day attire and join Fr. Pat, Maryann Slater, and crew for a night of food, entertainment, and plenty of blarney! Tickets can be purchased by contacting the school office.

If you cannot attend, please consider purchasing a "Best of the Live Auction" raffle ticket or donating to the event. Contact the school office for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 27

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday, February 28 - Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Our Parish Family

9:00 AM Bobbie Beattie

11:00 AM George Bertagnoli

Monday, March 1 - St. Albinus

8:30 AM Mary Bullock

Tuesday, March 2 - Bl. Charles the Good

7:00 AM Bill VandenBrook

8:30 AM Harold Kreul

Wednesday, March 3 - St. Katherine Drexel

7:00 AM

8:30 AM The Jordan Family

Thursday, March 4 - St. Casimir

7:00 AM

8:30 AM Mark Rekowski

Friday, March 5 - St. John Joseph of the Cross

8:30 AM Arthur DuBois & David L. Vardaman

Saturday, March 6

8:30 AM The Deceased Members of the Gentilli Family

5:00 PM The Huth Family

Sunday, March 7 - Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Harold Kreul

9:00 AM Our Parish Family

11:00 AM Ed Weisse

Parish Staff

Fr. Patrick Norris, O.P.ext. 117
Pastor

Fr. Ron Kreul, O.P.ext. 127
Parochial Vicar

Ed Emmeneggerext. 119
Pastoral Associate

Maryann Slaterext. 115
School Principal

Kitty Maasext. 138
Director of Music and Liturgy

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Director of Religious Education

Melanie Ahernext. 116
Coordinator of Youth Formation

Andy Robertsonext. 145
Maintenance Director

Mindy Wendtext. 110
Pastoral Administrative Assistant

Brad Klingeleext. 124
Young Adult Minister

Diane Jonesext. 120
Bookkeeper

Sue Nolanext. 143
Liturgy/Religious Ed/YM Assistant

Parish Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 28 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

After Mass	Coffee & Donuts (After 9 & 11)	FR
9:30 AM	Ad Altare Meeting	CB
1:00 PM	Young Adult Group	PC
4:00 PM	Troop #16 Court of Honor	FR
5:00 PM	Youth Ministry Connections	PC

Monday, March 1

9:15 AM	Gospel of Matthew Bible Study	PC
2:15 PM	Den Meeting	FR
3:30 PM	YoungLife Program	PC
7:00 PM	Bell Choir	BR
7:00 PM	Gospel of Matthew Bible Study	FR

Tuesday, March 2

8:00 AM	APT Meeting	PC
1:00 PM	Gospel of Matthew Bible Study	PC
3:30 PM	Wolf Cub Meeting	FR
6:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	PC
6:30 PM	Troop #16 Boy Scouts	CB

Wednesday, March 3

12:00 PM	Senior Meal	PC
6:00 PM	Soup & Substance	FR
6:30 PM	Salvation Army	PC
7:30 PM	Bible Study	PC

Thursday, March 4

9:00 AM	Rosary	CH
1:30 PM	Connections	PC
2:30 PM	Scrip Pick-up	PC
6:45 PM	Young Adult Group	PC
7:00 PM	Choir Practice	MR
7:00 PM	Prayer Group	SL
8:00 PM	Teen/Adult Contemporary Choir	CH

Friday, March 5

8:55 AM	Chaplet/Divine Mercy	CH
10:00 AM	Discipleship Small Groups	PC
5:00 PM	Youth Ministry Fish Fry	FR

Saturday, March 6

8:30 AM	Women's Retreat	FR
9:00 AM	Reconciliation/Holy Hour/Adoration	CH

Sunday, March 7 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

After Mass	Coffee & Donuts (After 9 & 11)	FR
9:30 AM	Ad Altare Meeting	CB
10:15 AM	Religious Education K-8	SCH&PC
12:00 PM	Pinewood Derby	FR
1:00 PM	Young Adult Group	PC
5:00 PM	Youth Ministry Connections	PC
6:30 PM	High School Religious Ed	PC

Church Basement-CB • Church-CH • School-SCH
 Parish Center-PC • Friary-FR • Music Room-MR
 School Library-SL • Bell Room-BR
 Church Basement Band Room • BDR

Contacts

Parish Office.....	(608) 238-3471
Parish Office Hours	
Mon-Fri	9:00 AM-12 noon & 1:00-4:00 PM
Parish Fax.....	(608) 238-4220
Parish E-mail	(firstname)@blsacrament.org
	(add Fr to beginning of first name for Priest)
Parish Website	www.blisacrament.org
School	(608) 233-6155
Priory.....	(608) 238-3472

Religious Education - Elementary Level



There are NO Religious Education Classes on Sunday, February 28th. We will have Religious Education Classes on Sundays, March 7, 14, and 21 in the school, and in the Parish Center from 10:15-11:30 AM.

Youth Ministry



MARCH MADNESS: THE TEEN MASS IS A SLAM DUNK!

People are jumpin' at the opportunity to attend the teen mass at BSP! The next teen mass is scheduled for Sunday, March 21st at 5:00 PM. Tim Puchner, senior at West High School, will give a reflection on the readings and how they relate to life/the lives of teens after communion. Don't forget to stay for dinner following mass.

CONNECTIONS FOR TEENS

Teens are invited to an exclusive session of Connections at BSP. Join Melanie on Sunday nights during Lent at 5:00 PM for a reflection on the Sunday readings, music, movie clips, and pizza. Teen Connections will not meet during the teen mass. Sign-up today!

BSP YOUTH MINISTRY & NEXT STEP MINISTRIES PRESENT...MadisonONE

MadisonONE will be hosted by various parishes in Madison. Teens will have an opportunity to attend an energetic night of music, prayer, and worship the last Friday of the month. Worship and reflection will be lead by the Next Step Praise Band. For more details contact Melanie

MONTHLY SERVICE SITES -- Sign-Up with Melanie

- Salvation Army (playing with kids) — Wednesday nights – 6:30 to 8:30 PM.
- Multicultural Center (babysitting) – Thursday nights – 5:30 to 7:30 PM.
- Port St. Vincent (dinner with residents) – 4th Tuesday of the Month – 4:45 to 7:15 PM.
- St. Vincent's Food Pantry (stocking shelves, hosting shopping) – 1st & 2nd Thursdays from 3:45 to 6:30 PM.
- Fish Fry – Friday, March 5th – volunteers needed to serve, cook, greet, and clean.

YOUTH MINISTRY SAVE THE DATES:

- Teen Confirmation – Sunday, May 2, 2010 at 4:00 PM – Immaculate Heart Parish in Monona.
- Next Step Ministries & Life 102.5 FM – Friday, March 19th -- present MercyMe, David Crowder Band, Family Force 5, Francesca Bottistelli, Remedy Drive and Sidewalk Prophets.
- CHWC Lock-In – Saturday, April 24th at 5:00 PM.

Young Adult Ministry



Emmaus: Connect. Grow. Serve. A ministry for graduates, young professionals, engaged and very young families. To contact Brad: brad@blsacrament.org, 238-3471, x124.

Help Families at a Homeless Shelter - Join us Wednesday March 3rd or March 31st, 6:30-8 PM at the Salvation Army doing sports, arts & crafts with children at the homeless shelter. Email bklinge@gmail.com quickly to sign up!

Bar Tend, Cook & Serve with Graduates and Young Professionals - Join us as we help the youth group fish fry Friday March 5th. Email bklinge@gmail.com quickly to sign up!

Soup & Substance Wednesdays 6-7 PM - Join us this Wednesday for one short hour! A simple supper of soup, bread, & conversation. All Wednesday's during Lent.

Grill Out, Eat In Thursday March 5th

Dine. Discuss. Dialogue. Join us in the Parish Center on Hollister for one or two or all three!

Brats & Vegetarian Options 5:45-6:45 PM (\$4 per adult, \$10 for families) email or call Brad by 11 AM Thursday. Specify Brat, Veggie or any other dietary restrictions.

Discuss the upcoming Sunday readings with Connections booklets during Lent (we have booklets).

Dialogue Join our young adult ministry coordinator Brad Klingele for an impromptu exploration of all things theological- you provide the questions.

An Invitation to Commitment

I LOVE YOUR BAG... Hey! We love all the parishioners that took a Ziploc toiletry bag for our Lent 2010 -- Commitment to Mission. Please fill your bag with at least six of the toiletries from the list. If they all do not fit in the bag, please feel free to show off your items in a designer bag of your choice. Bags can be brought to the back of Church or to the Parish Center between now and Sunday, March 28th (Palm Sunday). All toiletries will be donated to St. Vincent DePaul & Grace Episcopal Outreach. Questions? See Melanie.



Want to go deeper with a few other people in your walk with Christ?

Interested in growing as a disciple? Willing to commit to weekly attendance, and 20 minutes of daily prayer with Scripture? We are starting an intensive small group on Fridays from 10—11:30 AM. Learn different ways to pray and reflect on Scripture, read from great spiritual authors from our 2,000 year tradition, learn a bit of theology, and generally try to grow as disciples of Jesus. Contact Brad for more information:

bklinge@gmail.com.



SOUP AND SUBSTANCE

Come this Wednesday, or any of the next four - for one short hour, from 6 - 7 PM, in the Friary. There is no need to sign up in advance. Share a simple meal of soup and bread; then reflect on a fellow parishioner's stories of living out commitment - in light of the Gospel. We start with a blessing prayer, eat together, listen to short personal experiences, share a little table conversation, and close with a prayer.

Women's Retreat - Join us on March 6th starting with Mass at 8:30 AM. The day will end around 4:00 PM. Please join us for a day of connecting and reconnecting with God, self and others: a leisurely day of remembering our strengths and nurturing our souls. Come and inspire each other, reflect in prayer, meditate the Labyrinth, mindfully (playfully) collage, celebrate life and honor our journeys. All women are welcome. Annette Cleary will facilitate the day. You can register at the Parish office.

RICE BOWLS - SACRIFICES FOR CRS

Every Lent, the story of Jesus' transfiguration is a moment of hope, a glimpse of glory that gives us strength to endure whatever sacrifices we make along life's journey. As we offer our prayer and our money to Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl this season, let's keep in mind that our Lenten sacrifices give strength and hope to our brothers and sisters in need.



Human Concerns Talk on Homelessness - As many of you know, one of the major outreach projects of our parish involves providing shelter for homeless families through the Road Home organization (previously known as Interfaith Hospitality Network). In conjunction with our Jewish brothers and sisters at Temple Beth El and Bethany UMC, we serve the needs of these displaced families throughout the year (see this week's bulletin for our next outreach). Last year as a parish, as a longstanding supporter of Road Home, we agreed to a five year pledge to help in the construction of more permanent housing for these families. The plan is over the next couple of years to build thirty permanent units. The first half of the project is nearly complete (some families have already moved in to apartments on the East side of town near Warner Park). This past week I attended an open house at the apartment complex with several parishioners including Mark Landgraf whose company was involved with the renovation process. The units will provide stable accommodations for homeless families. There are a lot of children out there without homes who are living out of cars, moving from relative to relative or "couch surfing." This fall there were over 700 metro Madison school children who were homeless. So our help and the help of a lot of other people is desperately needed. As a parish, we try not only to be of service but also be informed about the root causes of problems. On Sunday night, March 14th, at 7 PM in the Church Basement, we will have an opportunity to learn more about the Road Home organization through their representatives as well as facts about the homeless in Madison and what we can do to address this scandal that plagues our city and our nation.

Eucharistic Adoration- Benediction

Saturday Holy Hour 9:00-10:00 AM

Rosary

Thursdays after 8:30 AM Mass

Reconciliation

Saturdays following 8:30 AM Mass or by request and thru scheduled appointment with priests. Seasonal communal rites

Infant Baptism

Expectant parents are encouraged to contact Ed Emmenegger at 238-3471, ext. 119.

Marriage

Initiate preparation program at least six months in advance.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 1:00 pm. Please submit by e-mail, fax or copy.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Process for adults interested in preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Please contact Ed Emmenegger at 238-3471, ext. 119.

Homebound

Call Ed Emmenegger at 238-3471, ext. 119 to arrange for Communion or Anointing of the Sick.

Parish Membership

Please contact the parish office for information on becoming a member.

Eucharist

Monday & Friday 8:30 AM
Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 & 8:30 AM
Saturday 8:30 AM (Vigil 5:00 PM)
Sunday 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Readings for the Week

Sunday, February 28

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17---4:1 or 3:20---4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday, March 1

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 2

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 3

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 4

Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 5

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 6

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday, March 7

Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 PM

Lectors Kerstin Smith & Dennis Lynch
 Gifts Barney Gallagher
 Sound Board Joe Olig
 Servers Jack Nolan & Chloe Swanson
 EMs Kathleen Sass, Joan VandenBrook, Ed Kolb, Monica Oboagwina & Dennis Lynch

Sunday, March 7 at 7:30 AM

Lectors Sharon Behrend & Madonna Scullion
 Gifts Allie & Jerry Hammond
 Servers Casey Bradt & Sophie Held
 EMs Cathy Kealy, Mickey Chitwood, Sean & Jan McNally & Jane Morgan

Sunday, March 7 at 9:00 AM

Lectors Tim Chisholm & David Deci
 Gifts Sarah Wanish
 Sound Board Karl Knauf
 Servers Miles & Charlie Morgan
 EMs Eric Domyan, Brian Miller, Annie Stroud, Sarah Morgan, Diane Deci & Mebbie & Eric Landsness

Sunday, March 7 at 11:00 AM

Lectors Ben Weisse & Jenny Bernhardt
 Gifts Michelle Brisack
 Sound Board Andrew Gisi
 Servers Victoria Brisack & Jenny Gisi
 Ems Tim Gisi, Nicholas Haun, Joan Witz, Lianna Schmidt, Michelle & Vincent Affatati & Connie Weisse

Soldiers Prayer List

Kyle Cumbier - Family friend of the Rita Harrington family, serving in Iraq for a second time

Please keep them and all people affected by war in your prayers.

Fr. Joe Fogarty's 80th Birthday Observance

Please join Fr. Joe on Sunday, March 7th at Coffee & Donuts, following the 9:00 AM Mass to celebrate his 80th Birthday.

Administration

Week Ending February 21, 2010

Envelopes..... \$23,936
 Offertory\$416
 Totals..... \$24,352

Fiscal Year July 1, 2009-February 21, 2010

Envelopes..... \$580,055
 Offertory \$13,514
 Totals..... \$593,569

Liturgical Ministries

Greeting Volunteers Needed - Willing to help welcome others to our weekly community worship? The new Blessed Sacrament Greeting ministry needs you. Qualifications consist of being able to occasionally arrive early for mass, muster a smile, and open a door. All ages welcome to apply. No prior experience required. Great benefits. Contact John at 233-1629 or jjschmitz@wisc.edu for more information.

Parish News and Events

Camp WeHaKee - Join us for Family Camp this summer! Camp WeHaKee, located near Hayward, WI, has been a ministry of the Dominicans Sisters of Sinsinawa since 1923. WeHaKee operates a family camp August 8-12 with activities for families to interact in a community immersed in faith, tradition, and values. Family Camp includes swimming, boating, horseback riding, gymnastics, archery, pottery, water skiing - nearly 40 activities to choose from. Camp Directors Maggie & Bob Braun will be available in the Friary after the 9 and 11 AM Masses on Sunday, March 7, with information about the Family Camp as well as their all-girls camp program held throughout the summer. Contact the camp at Camp@CampWeHaKee.com or 1-800-582-2267. You can visit them virtually at www.CampWeHaKee.com. Also, feel free to contact the O'Shea family who attended Family Camp last year.

The Road Home - We need your help! March 21st - 28th is Blessed Sacrament's turn to provide food and companionship to the homeless families in The Road Home program (formerly known as Interfaith Hospitality Network). The families will be housed at Temple Beth El and we need volunteers to drop off part of a meal (you will be assigned what to bring); eat with the families from 5-7 PM one evening; play with the kids from 7-9 PM on the night of your choice; or spend the night from 9 PM -7 AM. We also need help with set-up and take-down and volunteers to drop off groceries. Please contact Sharon Brolin at sbrolin@mailbag.com or 233-2358, or Mary Johnson at mojo431@charter.net or 270-9585, with questions or to volunteer.



ALL GOD'S CHILDREN -

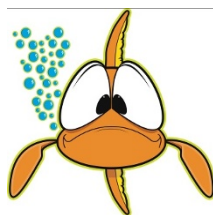
Following Jesus' example to be inclusive in our love, ALL GOD'S CHILDREN provides a place of safety, confidentiality and support for Catholic family and friends of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. We invite you to join us on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 2 PM in the Gathering Space of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 401 South Owen Dr, Madison. This month's topic is "coming out" as a spiritual journey. We encourage you to share your story, ask questions, or just listen. For further information please contact Jane and Tim Geier at jkgeier256@yahoo.com or 270-6316.



Losing a father is not a blessing but receiving condolences, flowers, plants, prayers, and masses are. I thank you for the blessings that you have given to me, my family and my father. May God bless you for all you have given to us.

Fr. Ron

One Fish, Two Fish. Red Fish, Cod Fish?



Come join us for the annual fish fry on Friday, March 5th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM in The Friary. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$8.00 for seniors (65 and older); and \$5.00 for children (10 years old and younger). Dinner includes cod, coleslaw, fries, apple sauce, rye bread, desserts, and more. The Edgetones acapella choir (Edgewood High School) AND Ken Lonquist with his group, O'Darby will provide musical entertainment starting at 6:00 PM in the Church basement. Tickets are available after all the masses, in the parish office or by contacting Melanie (238-3471 x-116)//Sue Landgraf (250-1993). All proceeds benefit the youth group mission trips to Crown Point, New Mexico and St. Louis, Missouri.