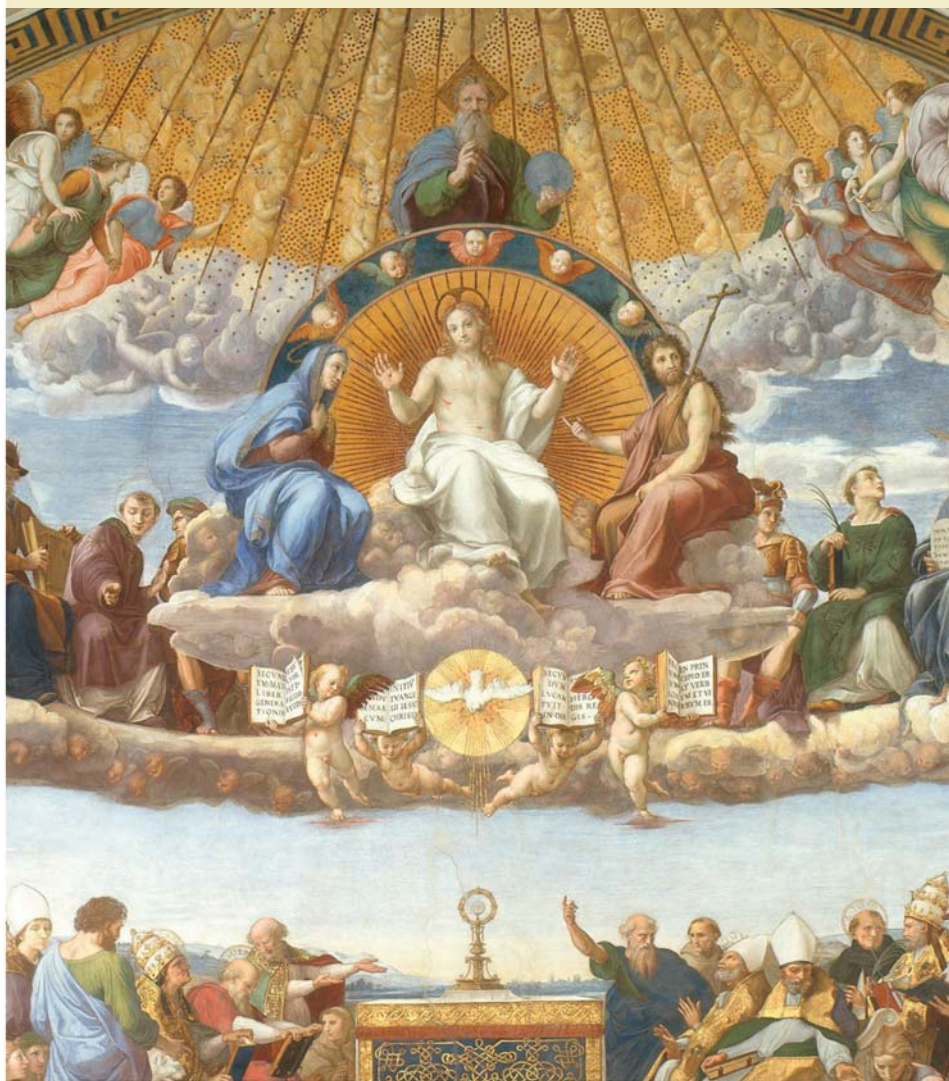


Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

2026-2027 Parish Resource Directory



One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!
Preparing for Our Centennial Jubilee

Dear Blessed Sacrament Parishioners,

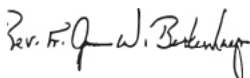
Praised Be Jesus Christ!

One of the first things you might notice on this year's parish resource directory is that it has the same cover and the same theme. You see Raffaello's painting entitled "*The Disputation on the Most Holy Sacrament*," with the theme of: *One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!* This painting and theme will accompany us through our jubilee year that begins in July 2027. We are keeping these because the *Disputation* gives us a powerful reminder of our parish vision and the theme is an aspiration we want to make reality right here at Blessed Sacrament.

One of the purposes for printing the parish resource directory is to prepare us for our annual stewardship renewal. The directory not only gives a lot of information about who does what at the parish, it also gives a good, brief description of the stewardship way of life, along with descriptions of the various ministries that happen here at Blessed Sacrament. The PRD is a great way to help you pray about how God wants you to put your gifts at the service of others. That God wants you to share your gifts is plain from the First Letter of St. Peter 4:10. How He wants you to share your gifts is what will come to you through prayer. Let's pray for each other, that we will open our hearts to the guidance of the Holy Spirit so that we do our part to share our gifts for the glory of God and the benefit of our neighbor. This will also help us to be totally Christo-centric and bring our theme from words to life: *One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!*

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Cause of Our Joy, pray for us.

Peace in Jesus and Mary,



Rev. Fr. Jason W. Borkenhagen, S.T.D.
Pastor, Church of the Blessed Sacrament

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

OUR VISION



OUR PURPOSE

One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!

OUR PRIORITIES

Fostering the Life of Grace for Our Parishioners

Helping all our parishioners recognize that they are children of God and providing opportunities for them to grow in their knowledge and love of Him.

Building Up Our Families

Equipping our families with the tools to become holy families through the sacramental life, education, and formation.

Making Our Parish a Place of Love and Life

Embody OUR PURPOSE through the Most Holy Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Faith that can transform each of us and all of us into who we are: the Body of Christ.

Living the Great Commission

“Caritas Christi urget nos:” The Love of Christ impels us to act on our baptismal call to build up our parish, but also beyond into our local community so that we share what we have received in love of God and neighbor.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Father Jason W. Borkenhagen, S.T.D. ~ Pastor
frborkenhagen@blessedsacramentwichita.com
Father Isaac Hilger ~ Parochial Vicar
frhilger@blessedsacramentwichita.com

PARISH OFFICE: 124 N. Roosevelt, Wichita, Kansas 67208
Office Hours: 8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Thursday; Fridays 8:30am-3:30pm
The office will close at 1:00pm on Fridays when school is not in session.
Phone: 316-682-4557 | Fax: 316-682-4558
Sacramental Emergency Phone: 316-272-5988
Bishops Hall Phone: 316-682-0043
School Office: 316-684-3752
www.blessedsacramentwichita.com

Sacraments

MASSES: Saturday 4:00pm; Sunday 6:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am, and 5:30pm

DAILY MASS: Monday-Saturday 6:30am; Monday-Friday 8:00am

RECONCILIATION: Monday-Friday 7:30am-7:50am; Thursday 4:30pm-5:30pm;
Saturday 3:00pm-3:50pm; Sunday 4:30pm-5:15pm

ANointing of Sick: Call the Parish Office 316-682-4557 or Sacramental
Emergency Phone 316-272-5988.

BAPTISM: Class is required for first-time parents and occurs on the first Tuesday
of the month at 7:00pm in the Parish Office. Godparents are welcome to attend. To
register please call the Parish Office 316-682-4557.

HOLY MATRIMONY: Begin preparation at least nine months prior. Call the Parish
Office 316-682-4557.

Eucharist to the Homebound: Call the Parish Office 316-682-4557.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: Offered at the 6:30am Mass followed by the
rosary on the first Saturday of each month.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you have a prayer request or wish to join the prayer chain, call the
Parish Office 316-682-4557 or email prayer@blessedsacramentwichita.com.

Parish Records

NEWCOMERS: Welcome to our parish family! We want to meet you! To register,
call the Parish Office 316-682-4557 or complete our online registration form,
www.blessedsacramentwichita.com.

CURRENT PARISHIONERS: Change in name, address, phone number, email
address or planning to move? Kindly notify the Parish Office at 316-682-4557 or
mfoley@blessedsacramentwichita.com to update your records.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Submit announcements by noon on Mondays in
writing to the Parish Office or by email to mfoley@blessedsacramentwichita.com.
Announcements will be printed as space allows.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Staff

Parish Life Coordinator	Miss Samantha Ridder
Parish Office Manager	Ms. Melinda Foley
Stewardship Coordinators..	Mr. Don Brinkman, Mrs. Becky Meyer, Mrs. Erica Zurita
Bookkeeper	Mrs. Patty Sykes
Music Director.....	Mr. Brian Lavery

Blessed Sacrament Councils

Pastoral Council

Fr. Borkenhagen	Barbara Carson
Christian Coffey	Denis Descarreaux
Chris Elliott	David Garon
Paula Lloyd	Teresa McDonald
Larry Mitnaul	Thomas Murphy
Jamie Pirtle	Samantha Ridder
Annie Stewart	

Finance Council

Kaye Brown	Tony Denker
Steve Stark	Cathy Stenz
Leo Wetta	
Samantha Ridder – Parish Life Coordinator, ex officio	
Patty Sykes – Bookkeeper, ex officio	

Stewardship Council

Jennifer Bruening – Chair	Sean and Chantelle Brennan
Jason and Juliette Dols	John and Cathy Hammans
Jackie Woodruff	Salvador Zurita
Becky Meyer – Stewardship Coordinator, ex officio	
Erica Zurita – Stewardship Coordinator, ex officio	

School Council

Fr. Borkenhagen	Barry Newell – Principal
Amanda Marino – Chair	Dr. Greg Byrd
Tracy Cleary – PTO Liaison	Yazmin Padilla
Dr. Simon Patton	Austin Powers

PTO Committee

Barry Newell – Principal	Tracy Cleary – President
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Maggie Norris – Secretary	Amy Brecheisen – Major Fundraising Chair
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School Administration and Support Staff

Principal:.....Mr. Barry Newell
Assistant Principal:.....Mrs. Elizabeth Weaver
Special Needs Director:.....Mrs. Ali Moore
Office Manager:.....Mrs. Heidi Schneider
Secretary/Attendance Clerk:.....Miss Annie Calovich
Nurse:.....Mrs. Lindsey Sudbeck
School Counselor:.....Mrs. Sarah Crownover
Athletic Director:.....Mrs. Elizabeth Weaver/Mr. Barry Newell
Food Service Coordinator:.....Mrs. Kabeshia Spires
Lunch Recess Coordinator:.....Mrs. Kate Catanese
Building Maintenance:.....Mr. Matt Gann
Custodian:.....Ms. Hope Williams

Blessed Sacrament School Teaching Staff

Pre-school, O'Sullivan Building

3-year-olds:.....Mrs. Amber Wilson
4-year-olds:.....Mrs. Annette Saunders

Lower School, Kindergarten - Grade 5 O'Sullivan Building

Kindergarten:.....Miss Melissa Klein, Miss Kelsey Waybright
1st Grade:.....Mr. Dennis McCall, Sr. Maria Cabrini, IHM
2nd Grade:.....Mrs. Tania Zimmerman, Mrs. Debra Pirtle
3rd Grade:.....Mrs. Stephanie Nguyen, Mrs. Stefanie Slagle
4th Grade:.....Mrs. Samantha Somes, Mrs. Hannah Martell
5th Grade:.....Mrs. Gina Adams, Mrs. Abigail Cantele

Middle School, Grade 6 - 8 Glynn Building

English/Composition:.....Mrs. Jennifer Naumann & Mrs. Mary Jo Hunninghake
History:.....Mr. Patrick Easum
Literature:.....Miss Cathy Lies
Mathematics:.....Mr. Eric Sissell
Science:.....Mr. Alex Becker
Religion:.....Mr. Richard Mick

Specials

Art:.....Mrs. Sara Hobson
Holy Family Learning Lab:.....Mrs. Ali Moore
Learning Strategies:.....Mrs. Annie Stewart
Librarian:.....Mrs. Meg Churray
Physical Education:.....Mrs. Heather Holovach
Spanish:.....Mrs. Ivelis Becker
Technology/Remote Learning:.....Mrs. Allison Campbell
Vocal Music:.....Mrs. Erin Johnson
Aides: Preschool: Ms. Sara Hobson, Ms. Daniella Schneider, Mrs. Ashley Karagianis
Kindergarten: Mrs. Tricia Sherman, Mrs. Kristen Daniels
General: Mr. Nick Catanese, Mrs. Nancy Descarreaux, Mrs. Leigh El Zein, Mrs. Beth Schwartz
Enrollment: *Approximately 400. Average Class Size: 22.*

The Stewardship Way of Life

“Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God’s gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.”

GRATITUDE – Is the heart of stewardship spirituality. Our generosity comes from within and not from any external pressure or reward. “A grateful heart silences a complaining voice” (Bishop Eugene Gerber). It is not a transaction but we are invited to respond.

CHRISTIAN – We share a name and life in Jesus.

DISCIPLE – We respond to the call of Christ by following Him. We recognize that all that is good comes from God, and that we all have gifts. We receive or accept our gifts and allow those gifts to transform us as we receive them in love.

SHARE – “For if we have received the love which restores meaning to our lives, how can we fail to share that love with others?” (Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel #8)

Stewardship of Treasure

As stewards of our treasure, we reflect upon our financial resources and prayerfully decide to give a generous, proportionate, and sacrificial gift for the ministry of the parish, the diocese, and other charities. Parishioners in the Diocese of Wichita strive to commit 8% of their income to the parish and 2% to other charities. If this goal cannot be realized now, we are encouraged to begin at some percentage and to prayerfully reexamine it each year.

Extraordinary Giving Opportunities

Corporate Gift Matching: Many companies offer a gift match program and some will even match contributions made by spouses and retirees. It’s as easy as 1–2–3:

1. Go to doublethedonation.com/blessedsacramentwichita.
2. Enter your company name and follow the instructions.
3. Make donations payable to Blessed Sacrament School.

Note: If your company is not listed on the Double the Donation website, please check with your HR department to see if they are a gift match company. Questions? Contact the Parish Office at 316-682-4557.

Father T.J. O’Sullivan Legacy Society was established in 2010 to recognize and honor those families and individuals who have provided for Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and School through a planned gift. The society reinforces and encourages the notion that stewardship continues through death. Through personal, financial, and estate planning goals, it provides an opportunity for giving in circumstances that may not otherwise allow a donor to make a substantial gift.

Contact: Don Brinkman dbrinkman@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Pillars of Stewardship

PILLAR OF HOSPITALITY ~

Christian Kindness Conversion

Altar Society
Athletics
Babysitting During Parish Events
Cana Couples
Coffee and Donuts
Daughters of Isabella
Encore
Fiat Homeschool Group
Friends of the Holy Family (Special Needs Group)
Funeral Dinners
Knights of Columbus Council #15134
Little Souls Ministry
Men's Club
Moms Group
Parish Festival
Receptions
Ushers

PILLAR OF PRAYER ~

Conversation with God

Adoration Chapel
Altar Servers
Blessed Rosary Markers
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Lectors
Liturgical Environment
Mass Captains
Music Ministries
Offertory Gift Bearers
Prayer Chain
Sacristans
Serra Club
Seven Sisters Apostolate
Tobit Ministry
Vocations Traveling Statue
Youth Sacristans

PILLAR OF FORMATION-Adult

~Conversion

Called & Gifted
Darling Disciples
Kapaun's Men
Marriage Preparation
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)
Parish Book Program
Regnum Christi
Walking with Purpose

PILLAR OF FORMATION-Youth

~Conversion

Blessed Sacrament Catholic School
Challenge for Girls
Junior High Lectio Divina
Little Flowers
Parish School of Religion (PSR)
Parish Youth Group (PYG)
Scouting-Cub Scouts, (Pack 515)
Scouts BSA, (Troop 515)
Totus Tuus/Vacation Bible School

PILLAR OF SERVICE ~ Love in Action

ARISE
Athletics Coaching
Blessed Sacrament Catholic School
Bulletin and Envelope Stuffing
Church Cleaning
Cooking & Baking
Data Entry
Grounds Maintenance & Gardening
Guadalupe Clinic
The Lord's Diner
Night of the Living Art (NOLA)
Oktoberfest
Oktoberfest Run for the Poor
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
Parish Office Steward
Phone Calling Support
Photography
Set Up and Tear Down for Parish Events
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Take a Meal Ministry

“Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us exercise them.” Romans 12:6

What is VIRTUS®?

VIRTUS® is a program designed to provide safe environments for children and for vulnerable adults within religious organizations. Adults who volunteer in any ministry involving children, as well as all personnel of the parish and school, must be VIRTUS trained. Training occurs throughout the year at various locations in the diocese and semi-annually at Blessed Sacrament. Go to www.virtus.org to learn dates, times, and locations of upcoming training sessions.

Parish Life Ministries & Activities

#Pastor Appointed *Stewardship for Youth ^Virtus Required

Adoration Chapel * (with a parent)

Perpetual Adoration began at Blessed Sacrament in 1983 under the direction of Father Victor Bieberle. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed 24 hours a day, every day of the year, except Good Friday through Holy Saturday. The chapel is open to parishioners, any time of day, for any length of time, but someone must be with our Eucharistic Lord at all times. Individuals and families can commit to one hour each week on an ongoing basis, or two or more families/persons share an hour if a weekly commitment is not possible. Names can also be added to the substitute list. Any convenient hour can be chosen; however, please check the Sunday bulletin or www.realpresence.weadorehim.com each week for hours with special needs. We are each called to have a relationship with Christ, and there is no better way to find Him than to make time for Him in prayer in the Adoration Chapel. You don't need any special talent. We all are given the talent in our Baptism. We just need to open our hearts. To sign up for a weekly adoration hour, or to substitute, call one of the designated leaders listed below. Master schedules for all adorers are maintained by Joe Wurtenberger.

Sunday.....	John Hammans.....	316-209-7588
Monday.....	Joe Wurtenberger.....	480-221-7661
Tuesday.....	Jess Sojka.....	316-393-5871
Wednesday.....	Steve Freach.....	316-619-7486
Thursday.....	Nick Catanese.....	316-204-6267
Friday.....	John Mitchell.....	316-655-4379
Saturday	Pat Harter.....	316-633-0546

Contact: Joe Wurtenberger adoration@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Altar Servers * (training begins in 5th grade)

The ministry of serving at the altar is open to boys and girls in grades 5-8. Servers are expected to serve 6:30am weekday Masses 2-3 days per month. Scheduling is flexible. Experienced servers may be asked to serve weddings and funerals.

Contact: Kyle Herspring altarservers@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Altar Society

Altar Society exists to enhance worship at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church by devoting time, talent, and treasure to create an altar and sanctuary that bespeak the glory of God, and to promote friendship and fellowship among all women of the parish. Altar Society provides all the funds for the needs of the altar. General meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month beginning at 7:00pm. The meetings gather women of the parish together for an evening of socializing, a light dinner, and the upcoming business of the group. Service opportunities include church cleaning, funeral dinners, receptions, and altar decorating. Other activities include spiritual retreats, a Mother-Daughter breakfast, Lenten suppers, monthly themed meetings for fellowship, and the Baby Jesus Shower.

Contact: President Ruth DeLange, President Elect Renee McGlynn
altarsociety@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Athletics

The Blessed Sacrament Athletics Department aims to further the mission of the parish through fellowship and the promotion of sportsmanship, virtue, and recreation for parishioners of all ages. In addition to our Catholic School Athletic League teams, we are so proud to support youth and adult athletes through a variety of recreational opportunities and access to parish gym facilities. Our summer sports program, unique to our parish, includes co-ed T-ball for children ages 5-6, as well as boys' baseball and girls' softball for ages 7-12. Registration opens February 1, with games beginning in late May and concluding by mid-July. Volunteer coaches are needed for both our summer sports program and our middle school CSAL Barons teams.

Contacts:

Athletic Director

Elizabeth Weaver

eweaver@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Youth Summer Baseball/Softball Leagues

Brian Cleary

bcleary@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Recreational Gym Rentals

Barry Newell

bnewell@blessedsacramentwichita.com

ARISE (Advocating Respect for the Inherent Sanctity of Everyone)

Arise and join our parish's pro-life mission! We invite you to stand with us in defending life with love. Through ARISE, Blessed Sacrament's pro-life ministry, we're working to build a culture that cherishes every human life—from conception to natural death. All three of Wichita's abortion clinics are located within two miles of Blessed Sacrament, placing this urgent issue right at our doorstep. This proximity gives our parish a unique call to respond through prayer, presence, and peaceful advocacy for those affected by abortion—especially outside the clinics themselves. Our primary focus is to end abortion, the greatest threat to human life in our diocese. As the U.S. bishops have affirmed: *"The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed."*

ARISE seeks to foster a community that honors the God-given dignity of every person, at every stage of life. Want to get involved? There are many ways to participate—through prayer, outreach, education, volunteering and witnessing. Join us in this vital mission of hope!

Contact: Adrienne Timler ARISE@blessedsacramentwichita.com



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Babysitting During Parish Events * ^

To enable more families the freedom to participate in special parish events, childcare is provided free of charge. Adults and youth are most valued for their service to this ministry! Anyone age 18 and older must be VIRTUS® trained.

Contact: Jazmin Felts childcare@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Blessed Rosary Makers

The purpose of Blessed Rosary Makers is to bring members together once a month in prayer, fellowship, and service through the making of rosaries. Members may work together during meetings and are also welcome to take supplies home to continue making rosaries on their own time. The primary mission of the group is to create knotted rosaries to share with the various ministries and members of our parish community, while also learning and making wire rosaries. Through this ministry, we hope to spread devotion to the Holy Rosary and provide handmade sacramentals that bring comfort, prayer, and encouragement to others.

Contact: Kristen Daniels or Tania Zimmerman
blessedrosarymakers@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Blessed Sacrament Catholic School * ^

Mission Statement: Rooted in the love of God, Blessed Sacrament Catholic School community seeks the truth of Jesus Christ by cultivating an environment of excellence in education, life-long faith formation, and service to God and neighbor. Helping with various school activities and projects is part of our stewardship to the parish. All parishioners, both parents and non-parents, are encouraged to participate by stewarding their time in the school. Assistance is needed in many diverse areas. See pages 23-24 for details.

Contact: School Office school@blessedsacramentwichita.com 316-684-3752

Bulletin and Envelope Stuffing * (with a parent)

At various times throughout the year additional information is included in the bulletin by way of an insert. Stewards are needed to place these pages in the bulletins. Additionally, stewards are needed at times throughout the year to help label, stamp, and stuff envelopes and prepare postcards in the Parish Office for mailing.

Contact: Melinda Foley mfoley@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Called and Gifted

Called and Gifted is a three-part opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you and the gifts He gives you at Baptism to fulfill your mission in life. Step 1 is the Called and Gifted workshop; Step 2 is a one-on-one spiritual gifts interview; Step 3 is continued discernment in a small group. Course material is produced by The Catherine of Siena Institute and is offered at Blessed Sacrament annually.

Contact: Doug Stone calledandgifted@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Cana Couples

Cana Couples focuses on fellowship and marriage enrichment. The goal is to foster healthy Christian marriages with opportunities to form friendships with other couples. We meet at least annually with a dinner and a short program and/or social event pertinent to marriages. The evening includes dinner, drinks, and dessert. New to the parish? Haven't received an invitation in the past? Need more information?

Contact: canacouples@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Challenge for Girls *

CHALLENGE is an international network of leadership clubs for girls in grades 5-8 (with high school team leaders) designed to help girls with common interests to form friendships in Christ through formation and apostolate. CHALLENGE offers an integral formation focusing on the girls' spiritual, social, intellectual, and apostolic talents to transform society based on Catholic principles through their leadership. The formation is carried out in team meetings focused on Gospel reflections and apostolic campaigns that are reinforced through talks, workshops, retreats, camps, and other fun and exciting activities.

Contact: Holly Walsh and Diana McKinney (Adult Group Leaders)

Anne Davis and Lauren Murphy (Team Leader Mentors)

challenge@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Church Cleaning * (with a parent) - A mission of the Altar Society

Stewards are needed weekly to clean the altar, sanctuary and other areas within the church. Stewards meet in the sacristy at 8:00am each Saturday. Cleaning takes approximately one hour. Join a monthly team OR simply show up at 8:00am to help!

Contact: Audra Thompson cleaning@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Coffee and Donuts * (with a parent) - A mission of the Men's Club

The Men's Club sponsors Coffee and Donuts in Bishops Hall every Sunday (with few exceptions) after the 9:00am Mass. Families, couples, singles, or organizations are needed to host (set-up, serve, and/or clean up) the event.

Contact: Kelcy and Matt Mohr coffeeanddonuts@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Cooking/Baking *

Food, snacks, or light refreshments are a big part of hospitality at parish meetings, dinners, parish receptions, and other events. Stewards are needed at various times to provide food for many different occasions.

Contact: Melinda Foley mfoley@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Darling Disciples

Darling Disciples is a one-hour session during which you and your child (ages birth to three years of age) will spend quality time together and focus on their development. We'll sing some songs, play, learn about the saints, read a book or two, do an activity, pray and have fun together. To allow us to give time and focus to our "darling disciples" we ask that ONLY children ages 0-3 be in attendance. Sessions are held multiple times throughout the year and will be posted in the bulletin.

Contact: Annette Saunders or Danell Oxler

darlingdisciples@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Data Entry

Following stewardship renewal, stewards are needed to transfer the information from the stewardship forms into the Parish Data System, as well as for special projects and assistance to other ministries throughout the year.

Contact: stewardship@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Daughters of Isabella

The Daughters of Isabella is an international fraternal organization that was founded in 1897 as an auxiliary to the Knights of Columbus. Our Wichita Circle, St. Augustine #235, was chartered in 1923 with establishment of our Seminarian Bursar in 1924, which has continued with our annual support. We also work to raise funds for other charities including local convents, Pro-life, youth, etc. We welcome Catholic women age 16 and above from all parishes in the Wichita area. We meet at 7:00pm on the third Monday of every month excluding June and July and December.

Contact: Therese Blyn dofi@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Encore

The Encore ministry serves parishioners who are over 60 years young! Events and activities are planned in order that our seasoned members have opportunities not only to worship together, but also to travel, eat, pray, laugh, and share their gifts together. Details of events will be published in the bulletin and website.

Contact: Paul and Joan Stadler encore@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) #

The EMHCs assist the priest in giving Holy Communion under the forms of bread and wine at Mass and in taking Communion to the sick and homebound. This ministry is reserved for Catholics who are in full communion with the Catholic Church, have a deep devotion to the Eucharist, maintain a devout prayer life, and strive to pursue virtue and excellence in all aspects of their lives.

Contact: EMHC Mass ministry: Christian Coffey

emhcmass@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Contact: EMHC hospital and homebound ministry: Bill Dwyer

emhchomebound@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Fiat Homeschool Group

Fiat offers fellowship, prayer, service & formation opportunities which are uniquely suited to families whose stewardship way of life includes homeschooling.

Contact: Jackie Woodruff fiathomeschool@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Friends of the Holy Family Special Needs Group * (with a parent)

We are parishioners who have family members and friends with disabilities. We seek to connect special needs families with spiritual and social support. The group gathers throughout the year to connect with each other, share experiences, educate and network to resolve challenges. Together, we navigate the world of disabilities with the Catholic faith as our guide.

Contact: Meg Graham or Kristina Maldonado friends@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Funeral Dinners * (with a parent) - *A mission of the Altar Society*

The Altar Society provides a funeral dinner for the family and friends who grieve the loss of a loved one from our parish. This rewarding ministry of hospitality and mercy requires many stewards to shop, set up, prepare, cook, serve, and clean up the meal.

Contact: funeraldinners@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Grounds Maintenance & Gardening - *A mission of the Men's Club*

Presentation of the physical surroundings of the parish and school grounds and buildings is a way to show our respect and thankfulness for God's creation. Parishioners help with cleanup, mowing, edging, raking, watering, and landscaping projects with the support of the Men's Club.

Contact: Brian Norris grounds@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Guadalupe Clinic

The Guadalupe Clinic is a diocesan apostolate delivering compassionate, quality healthcare to adults aged 18 years and older. The clinic relies on physicians, specialists, nurses and other licensed healthcare providers to provide this care to the uninsured and poorest in our community.

Contact: Jody Elson guadalupeclinic@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Junior High Lectio Divina

Junior High Lectio Divina ministry is for all 7th & 8th graders - Blessed Sacrament Catholic school students, homeschooled students, and public-school students. We operate during the school year on Thursday mornings, at 7:00am in Bishops Hall. Lectio Divina is an ancient, holy, group-focused approach to reading and growing in the Word of God that is guided by the Holy Spirit. The reading covered each week is the upcoming Sunday's Gospel. We split into small groups of boys and girls for the sessions. Parents and young adults act as group leaders. Lectio Divina allows the students to prepare for Sunday Mass mid-week. This format cultivates deep yet simple conversations among the students that wouldn't happen anywhere else in their peer groups. But most of all, it allows the Holy Spirit to work more personally in our lives. Please come and join us! AND...we might have donuts.

Contact: Austin Powers juniorhighlectio@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Kapaun's Men

Inspired by the life of Father Emil Kapaun, a heroic Catholic priest and Army chaplain, Kapaun's Men are men who are committed to fighting the great spiritual battle that rages around us. We are a band of brothers who do not fight alone. Jesus Christ is our strength and our leader. Father Kapaun is our friend and guide. A true Servant Leader, Father Kapaun epitomized Christian manhood and challenged his men to do the same. We desire to emulate his virtues and so become better husbands, fathers, leaders, and friends. Recognizing that we are stronger together than we are alone, we accompany each other as Father Kapaun accompanied his men. Are you ready to begin your journey? If so, Kapaun's Men has your back. Kapaun's Men unites men in prayer, formation, and discussion in order to help us courageously respond to God's universal call to holiness. See website for current meeting information.

Contact: Glen Fondaw kapaunsmen@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Knights of Columbus Council #15134

The Knights of Columbus, the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization, is committed to the exemplification of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism and promotes the financial security of member families. St. Pope John Paul II the Great at Blessed Sacrament, Council #15134, is firmly dedicated to the protection and care of human life, from conception to natural death, and to the preservation, support and defense of the family. Our Council meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm.

Contact: Jason Knauff knights@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Lectors

Lectors are trained lay ministers who prepare and proclaim the Sacred Scripture at weekday, weekend, and holy day Masses. Lectors are scheduled on a rotating basis and may serve seven or more times a year. In addition to their initial training, lectors are required to participate in an annual refresher session and to study *The Workbook for Lectors* in preparation for reading.

Contact: Randy Burnett lectors@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Little Flowers *

Little Flowers is a program whose goal is to provide young Catholic girls (beginning at age 5) with an opportunity to gather and learn about their Catholic heritage, faith, and traditions. In the spirituality of St. Therese, the Little Flower, a simple path is better. Within the meetings of the Little Flowers the girls will hear, read, share, and learn about female saints. Grades K-3 meet once a month after school during the school year.

Contact: Stephanie Nguyen littleflowers@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Little Souls Ministry

Little Souls is a ministry that offers a variety of resources and help to those suffering a miscarriage or infant death. These resources include connecting with fellow loss-mothers, providing prayer, meals, direction in arranging burial, and support during bereavement. If you would like to serve in this ministry, or if you or a loved one is suffering a loss, please reach out to us.

Contact: littlesouls@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Liturgical Environment * (with a parent) - A mission of the Altar Society

The Liturgical Environment ministry is responsible for the procurement, design, and care of the decorations, flowers, altar cloths, liturgical furnishings, and other items. The decoration of the sanctuary, the Perpetual Adoration Chapel, and the church nave for the different seasons, feasts, and liturgies plays an integral part of this ministry. Stewards are needed for big projects, such as decorating for Easter and Christmas, as well as for smaller opportunities during the year.

Contact: Vicky Hastings liturgicalart@blessedsacramentwichita.com

The Lord's Diner * (age 12 + with a parent)

The Lord's Diner, a not-for-profit soup kitchen operated by the community, for the community, and sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Wichita, provides an evening meal seven days a week, 365 days a year, including holidays. Responding to Christ's call to feed the hungry, it seeks to achieve this goal in a spirit of compassion, respect, and loving service through cooperative efforts with churches, individuals, and organizations. Located at the corner of Broadway and Central in downtown Wichita, The Lord's Diner serves dinner from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Large volunteer groups from area churches and organizations are the core of the volunteer base and are scheduled to serve once a month. Blessed Sacrament stewards work at The Lord's Diner on the first Sunday of each month. Stewards may sign up to volunteer in the morning to prepare the food or in the evening to serve the food. All those serving at the diner will be required to take the VIRTUS class and complete an online food handler's course. Information can be found on our website at <https://blessedsacramentwichita.com/pillars/service/145-the-lords-diner>. To learn more about The Lord's Diner, go to www.thelordsdiner.org. To serve at The Lord's Diner as part of the Blessed Sacrament team:

Contact: Co-Chairs Jerry Bauer and Kerri Hild
thelordsdiner@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Marriage Preparation: Witness to Love #

Witness to Love is a dynamic mentor-based marriage prep program that prepares engaged couples to transition into a welcoming community of faith after they are married. It addresses the problem of isolation and lack of parish involvement that is an issue for many engaged and newlywed couples. *Witness to Love* provides a wellspring of dynamic marriage discipleship that both foster the parish community and nurture authentic accompaniment before and after the wedding day. This program is aimed at not only the formation of new marriages, but also the renewal of existing ones. Working closely with the pastor our marriage preparation coordinators implement *Witness to Love* in our parish.

Contact: Brandon and Sarah Kauffman marriageprep@blessedsacramentwichita.com



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Mass Captains * boys age 14 +

The Mass Captain (MC) program is reserved for young men in high school who take their faith seriously, who have excelled at serving at the altar, and who possess the talent and desire to be a leader. Mass Captains undergo extensive liturgical training in order to be elite servers in liturgical worship, leading and overseeing the younger servers ensuring the smooth and reverent celebration of the Mass. Through the Mass Captain program, young men will develop leadership skills and reverence for and understanding of the liturgy, deepening their identity as Catholic gentlemen and most importantly, their relationship with Jesus Christ. In addition to liturgical service, the Mass Captains also come together on a regular basis to work on service projects and to enjoy recreational activities.

Contact: Becky and Darren Meyer masscaptains@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Men's Club

Men's Club strives to promote fellowship among the adult men of Blessed Sacrament while providing opportunities for members to enhance their spiritual lives and to share the success of their stewardship with the parish, school, and community in the name of Christ. General meetings are held monthly, the third Thursday of the month beginning at 8:00pm in Bishops Hall. All men of the parish are invited. Stations of the Cross start at 7:15pm and dinner at 7:30pm. Fellowship opportunities include monthly meetings, golf league, golf tournaments, meetings, poker tournaments to sponsor a scholarship, and our annual Christmas party. Programs to support our mission include Christmas tree sales, Easter ham sales, and Oktoberfest. Service opportunities include building and landscape maintenance, Coffee and Donuts after Mass, Super Bowl Sausage Breakfast, Nativity scene set-up and take-down, and helping out at parish events. Men's Club is also responsible for the support of the youth sports programs and our Scout Den and Troop.

Contact: Jason Kraus mensclub@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Moms Group

The Blessed Sacrament Moms Group fosters a sense of community for moms in the parish. The mission is to promote positive family values and support mothers in the raising of children. You can join the group at:

GroupMe link https://groupme.com/join_group/92477264/ZybRT53B

Contact: Catherine Bousquet momsgroup@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Music Ministries

Adult Choir: The adult choir is open to anyone high school age or older, regardless of musical ability. The adult choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 8:00pm in the church choir loft and sings for the 9:00am Mass on Sundays and special feast days. The adults specialize in the polyphony and chant of our Catholic tradition.

Youth Choir: The youth choir is open to all students in grades 3-8. We sing the second Sunday of the month during the school year at the 11:00am Mass. Rehearsal times vary. The goal of our youth ensemble is to instruct our young people in the music of the Catholic liturgy and its 2,000 year tradition. We also grow confidence and build unity and blend, helping students to sing as cantors and in our adult choir as young adults.

Organ Lessons: Organ Lessons are available to parishioners free of charge. Contact Brian Lavery for the requirements.

Contact: Brian Lavery blavery@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Night of the Living Art (NOLA) - A mission of the Altar Society

NOLA is an evening featuring 30 famous works of art brought to life with live models, costumes, backdrops, dancers, and musicians. The event features amazing food and drink, art, a silent auction, and a live auction. NOLA proceeds provide funds needed to supply the altar and church with flowers, candles, hosts, wine, etc.

Contact: nola@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

OCIA is the process established by the Catholic Church after Vatican II to help non-Catholics who are interested in living their lives on earth as Catholic Christians. OCIA is an organized system of catechetical instruction presented by priests and laity of the parish. The OCIA process at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church combines weekly catechetical instruction, discernment, and the celebration of the rites. Starting in September, the parish priests and OCIA team members offer scriptural reflection, instruction, and discussion. Each inquirer is matched with a member of the parish who serves as their sponsor. The separate rites are celebrated on scheduled Sundays during the 9:00am Mass at our parish or at the Cathedral. For those who are led by the Holy Spirit to join the Church, the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist) are celebrated at the Easter Vigil Mass. Instruction classes are held on *Wednesdays*. OCIA gives members of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church a personal opportunity to evangelize as sponsors or as catechetical team members. For those who want information about the teachings of the Catholic Church, or who want to join the Church, OCIA offers a varied program of education, scriptural reflection, prayer, discernment, and community.

Contact: Sonya Brinkman OCIA@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Offertory Gift Bearers * (with a parent)

All parish families and groups are invited to participate in Mass by bringing the Offertory Gifts to our Lord's altar. Families or parish groups are pre-scheduled and are listed in the bulletin a week in advance. If your family or group is celebrating a special occasion or event and you would like to take up the gifts for a specific Mass, please place your request at least one month in advance. Families, individuals, and parish organizations are invited to carry up the Offertory Gifts.

Contact: Yazmin Padilla offertory@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Oktoberfest - A mission of the Men's Club

Oktoberfest is an annual community-wide event hosted and coordinated by Blessed Sacrament Men's Club. It is filled with festivities including a 1-mile & 5k Run for the Poor (benefiting the St. Vincent de Paul Society), German food and beer, and live music. The Men's Club contributes generously to the many needs of the parish, school, diocese, and community. Proceeds from Oktoberfest help to support the mission of Men's Club in the parish including Youth Sports, Parish facilities, Scout Den and Troop, and our parish facilities and landscaping maintenance. Willkommen!!

Contact: John Bauer mensclub@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Oktoberfest Run for the Poor * (with a parent) - A mission of the Men's Club

The Oktoberfest Run for the Poor is a 5k run and 1-mile fun run. It is a community event that runs through the College Hill neighborhood and starts and ends at Blessed Sacrament. Members of Blessed Sacrament assist along the race route to direct and keep the runners safe, work at water stops, help sign up runners, and set up snacks and drinks before the race. All of the proceeds are donated to charities that help the less fortunate.

Contact: Jason Knauff oktoberfestrun@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

The Parent Teacher Organization was created to facilitate communication, co-operation, and goodwill among parents, students, faculty and the parish at large through a variety of activities designed to enhance the educational experience of the children and parents of Blessed Sacrament Catholic School. The primary goal of these activities is to enhance the social, spiritual, and communication needs of the school and parish. A variety of fundraising events, such as Baron Benefit, Trash Bag Sales & Give Back Nights, allow us to provide these activities and lend support to the school as needed. Specific areas that PTO oversees include: new activity ideas, volunteer coordination, room parents, parent education events, and increasing the involvement of new people and new ideas.

Contact: Tracy Cleary pto@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parish Book Program

The mission of the Parish Book Program is to encourage Catholics at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church to make spiritual reading a part of their lives. The Parish Book Program is designed to engage disengaged Catholics and help committed Catholics explore the genius of Catholicism. We believe these books will help people discover the beauty, genius, and modern relevance of Catholicism. Following the distribution of books, study groups are formed to discuss the book. How can you be a part of this program? Be a facilitator. Join a book club. Help distribute books at Mass.

Contact: Samantha Ridder sridder@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parish Festival

This annual festival, held in honor of our parish feast day Corpus Christi, is a wonderful celebration of our parish family. After worshipping together at the 4:00pm Mass, the parish is invited to join in dinner and festivities. This is a great opportunity for parish families to come together as a community. Stewards are needed to plan the event and help in various ways on the day of the event. The Parish Festival is held on the Saturday before Corpus Christi.

Contact: Kristen Truman parishfestival@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parish Office Steward

Stewards are needed on a regular basis to help with projects in the parish office, such as file, clean up, database work, and to cover the front office desk and telephone.

Contact: Melinda Foley mfoley@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parish School of Religion (PSR) * ^

In the Parish School of Religion, students in preschool through grade 8 reflect upon the teachings and traditions of the Catholic faith through meditations on Scripture and liturgy. Multiple sessions are offered each week during the school year. Our primary method of instruction is a Montessori based approach called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (cgsusa.org). Sacramental preparation is incorporated for grade 2 (Reconciliation and First Holy Communion) and grade 6 (Confirmation), with retreats for additional prayer and preparation. Faith formation continues for grades 7 and 8 with Bible study and reflections on the mysteries of our faith. Adults and teens are invited to assist, either by helping each week at a session or with making materials (via woodworking, sculpting, painting, etc.).

Contact: Katie Mitnaul psr@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Parish Youth Group (PYG) *

PYG is for all high school youth to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, His church, His mission and its fellow members. PYG provides formation in the four pillars of stewardship through regular meetings, fun activities, trips, and strong friendships. We meet Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00pm starting with dinner in Bishops Hall.

Contact: Mary Barr youthgroup@blessedsacramentwichita.com

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Phone Calling Support

The Parish Office and other parish ministries need phone calling assistance at various times throughout the year. If you enjoy talking to parishioners and making new acquaintances, this opportunity is right for you!

Contact: stewardship@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Photography

Share your talent for photography with your parish. Interested individuals take photographs at special social events, on and off campus. The photos are shared with the social media coordinator and are used to help tell the story of our parish.

Contact: [Samantha Ridder socialmedia@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Samantha.Ridder.socialmedia@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is comprised of a group of parishioners who offer individual prayers for specific requests of our parishioners. All prayer requests are confidential. You can place a prayer request by emailing the contact person or calling the Parish Office 316-682-4557.

Contact: [Jean Whisenant prayer@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Jean.Whisenant.prayer@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Receptions - A mission of the Altar Society

Receptions are hosted by the Altar Society at Blessed Sacrament to celebrate a variety of events such as welcoming new priests, visits by the Bishop, Confirmation, High School Graduation, and other special events. Stewards are needed to assist the reception coordinators by providing help for set up, serving, and clean up.

Contact: [Jessica Wagle receptions@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Jessica.Wagle.receptions@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Regnum Christi

Regnum Christi (RC) helps people to live their faith deeply and to get involved in works of service that assist people with the hope of bringing them closer to Our Lord. Regnum Christi is open to both men and women; however, presently at Blessed Sacrament, there is only a women's team. Among its many apostolic works, Regnum Christi sponsors an annual silent retreat, monthly mornings of reflection, and opportunities for spiritual direction. These are available to non-members as well as members who are interested in growing in holiness and service to the Kingdom of God and furthering the New Evangelization. Visit regnumchristi.org.

Contact: [Annette Saunders regnumchristi@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Annette.Saunders.regnumchristi@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Sacristans

Sacristans for Mass prepare the sanctuary before Masses and other liturgies, place liturgical objects to be used, and assist the priests and liturgical ministers as needed in preparation for Mass. Some Mass sacristans help with Sunday and weekday Masses, while others help with wedding and funeral Masses and special liturgies such as Holy Hours for First Fridays, Liturgy of the Hours, and Stations of the Cross. Please let our Lead Sacristan, Kelly Olson, know if you have any questions regarding the sacristy at sacristans@blessedsacramentwichita.com. Contact the Pastor if you are a Catholic in good standing and wish to serve as a sacristan.

Contact: [Fr. Borkenhagen frborkenhagen@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Fr.Borkenhagen@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Scouting - Cub Scouts, (Pack 515) *

For boys grades 1-5, Cub Scouts is a nationally recognized program that aims to build character and help develop boys and girls into productive members of society. Each grade is organized into a den that works toward a rank. The dens together represent the pack. Pack 515 is chartered by the Blessed Sacrament Men's Club.

Contact: [Brian Campbell cubscouts@blessedsacramentwichita.com](mailto:Brian.Campbell.cubscouts@blessedsacramentwichita.com)

Scouts BSA, (Troop 515) *

For young men ages 10-17, Scouts BSA is a program of Scouting America that promotes values and leadership skills--with a focus on outdoor activities--that transform boys into the young men our community and nation require. Founded in 1910, BSA has a proud tradition in American history with many notable Americans reaching the pinnacle rank in all of scouting: Eagle Scout. Troop 515 is chartered by the Blessed Sacrament Men's Club.

Contact: Joseph Heil scoutsbsa@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Serra Club

The Serra Club is an international organization of men and women whose purpose is the promotion of religious vocations. Members offer their prayers and support for young people who show an interest in pursuing a religious vocation. There are two chapters of the Serra Club in Wichita that have independent meeting times and events but also collaborate on many events throughout the year. To apply for membership for Serra Club-Wichita contact Kaye Brown at kayebrown@cox.net, and for Serra Club-Metro contact Jim & Teri Marks at jtmarks630@gmail.com.

Serra Club - Wichita: Luncheon meetings are held in the St. Pius X room at St. Mary's Cathedral on the first and third Wednesday of the month.

Serra Club - Metro: Dinner meetings are held at the St Joseph's Wichita parish hall on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

Set Up and Tear Down for Parish Events * (Under 18 with a parent)

Parishioners are needed at various times to set up or tear down for parish events. Emails are sent to stewards as needed throughout the year. Emails are usually sent by the event organizer who needs assistance.

Contact: stewardship@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Seven Sisters Apostolate

This apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a “holy wasting” (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ. Each woman commits to a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week, thus covering a complete week. The commitment is to that day; the Seven Sisters may pray at any time on that day. This generous commitment of one hour per week of prayer is asked for a period of one year but can remain open-ended in time as each individual discerns her call to continue. Seven Women, One Priest, One Hour, One Day, One Year.

Contact: Teri Marks sevensisters@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international Catholic lay organization that was formed in France in 1833. Today, the Society has over 800,000 members in 150 countries. The Blessed Sacrament Conference has been active since the 1950s. The primary function is to follow Christ by responding to calls from those in need, both parishioners and non-parishioners. A home visit is made to determine needs and assistance may be given in the form of rent, utilities, food, furniture, etc. The Society also provides volunteers who deliver “Meals on Wheels,” bags of “kid-friendly” food for deserving students on weekends, several food and clothing drives annually, meals to homeless and those in shelters, holiday meals to needy, and visits to elderly parishioners. Business meetings are held twice a month, at 10:00am on the first Sunday and 6:30pm on the third Tuesdays.

Contact: John Harris svdp@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Take a Meal Ministry

This ministry offers parishioners the opportunity to provide practical assistance by way of a home-cooked meal to parishioners in need. The meal coordinator is notified of someone in need by either the parish office or another parishioner. Examples of situations that prompt a need may include recent hospitalization, medical treatment, illness, disability, death of a family member, divorce, new family member, etc. Once a parishioner has accepted the offer of assistance, the list of willing stewards is activated and those who are able to help sign up via an email link using the website: takethemameal.com.

Contact: Emily Walsten takemeals@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Tobit Ministry

The Tobit Ministry seeks to give comfort to the sorrowing by their presence and prayers at the funeral services of parishioners. Stewards are needed to attend funeral services of fellow parishioners. Members are notified of the need to attend funeral services and to provide prayers in advance.

Contact: tobit@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Totus Tuus/Vacation Bible School *

Totus Tuus (Latin for "Totally Yours") is a week-long vacation Bible school and catechism program held during the summer at Blessed Sacrament. Along with catechesis, the program incorporates daily Mass, adoration, and an opportunity for confession as well as songs, games, crafts and snacks. The program includes the following age groups: 4-year-old preschool & kindergarten students, entering grades 1-6 in the fall, middle school, and high school students. Registration details and fees will be listed in the bulletin and website.

Contact: totustuus@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Ushers * (8th grade and older)

At each Mass at least six ushers are needed to guide and assist parishioners to their seats, take up the collection, and direct parishioners during Holy Communion. The ushers greet and offer a smile to all those who enter the church. In addition, the ushers pass out bulletins, straighten the church after Mass, turn off the lights, and close the doors after the last Mass of the day. Men and women, as well as youth (grades 8-12) are needed to be ushers at the weekend Masses. Kapaun, Bishop Carroll, and Blessed Sacrament students can earn parish service hours through this ministry (1/2 hour for each Mass ushered). Adults must be Virtus trained.

Contact: Kevin & Donna Arkin ushers@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Vocations Traveling Statue

We are all encouraged to pray for an increase in vocations. The Vocations Traveling Statue of our Blessed Mother is available to all parishioners to have in their homes for a week at a time. The statue is scheduled so that a family can pick it up from the Immaculate Mary alcove inside on the east side of the church after the 11:00am Sunday Mass and return it to the same location on the following Sunday before the 11:00am Mass. If you would like to have the statue in your home, please call or email to be scheduled for the week.

Contact: Stephanie Nguyen vocations@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Walking with Purpose - Women's Scripture Study

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Do you seek connection with other women in our parish community? Are you searching for something more in your life? We invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Walking with Purpose transforms the hearts and lives of women by providing weekly Bible studies that enable women to know Christ through Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Daytime and evening sessions are offered throughout the year. Interested in learning more?

Contact: Juliette Dols wwp@blessedsacramentwichita.com

Youth Sacristans (Girls age 14 +)

Youth Sacristans allows our high school-age young ladies the opportunity to serve at the Altar. New youth sacristans shadow other youth sacristans to learn the many responsibilities before and after Mass. These young women serve at the Sunday 5:30pm Mass. Similar to the Mass Captains, this group intends to engage our high school students more intentionally in liturgical formation and the spiritual life.

Contact: Samantha Ridder sridder@blessedsacramentwichita.com



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Blessed Sacrament Catholic School Stewardship Opportunities

Athletic Coach(es): Coach various athletic teams during the school year for middle school students (Gr. 6-8).

Baron Benefit Steward: Assist with planning, setting up, running, and cleaning up. This takes place every other year. The Baron Benefit supports the needs of the school community.

Battle of the Books Coach(es): Battle of the Books (Grades 5-6) has three competitions after school on Wednesdays in the spring following Spring Break.

Bulletin Board Steward: Edit and organize information from various school/parish sources for the weekly newsletter and/or design 3 bulletin boards in the school's main hallway.

Cafeteria Aide Steward: Assist with serving and monitoring at least one day a week (10:40am-1:20pm) This can be on a weekly basis, every other week, or once a month. Fringe benefit: free hot lunch!

Classroom Events/Projects Steward: Assist with the various grade specific events both annual and one-time events. Annual events/projects include Kindergarten assisting with Kindergarten Orientation, 2nd Grade First Communion, 3rd Grade Valentine Bingo, 5th Grade Safety Patrol, and the semi-annual Music Program.

Electives Instructor: Middle School students attend electives on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for a nine-week quarter (8:00am - 8:30am). We are always looking for individuals who will share their knowledge with students! In the past, we had individuals teach nine-week classes on Art, Cooking, Keyboarding, Debate, Drama and Yearbook, to name a few.

Health Services Steward: Assist with dental, hearing, vision, and scoliosis screenings as needed.

Hospitality Steward: Supports the teachers and enhances the school community. You may be asked to donate food, materials, and/or time depending on the needs of the event as you are available.

Judging for Student Competitions Steward: Be a judge for the Scholars Bowl, Religion Bowl, and/or Battle of the Books.

Library Steward: Help check out and shelve books weekly, monthly or as needed.

Lunch Recess Steward: Help monitor lunch recess one day a week (11:30am-1:15pm). This can be on a weekly basis, every other week or monthly.

Office Steward: Help the office personnel with answering the phone, making copies, distributing notes, etc.

Religion Bowl Coach(es): Religion Bowl (Grades 7-8) practice runs November-February. The annual competition is held after school on Tuesday usually in February.

Room Parent: Coordinate room volunteers for teachers, send reminders for classroom parties, activities, field trips, and assist teachers in meeting classroom needs.

Scholars Bowl Coach(es): Scholars Bowl (Grades 6-8) runs September-February. Competitions are held after school on Tuesdays.

Schoolwide Events Steward: Assist with both annual and one-time events. Annual events include Picture Day, Book Fair, Fiesta Day, and Field Day. Chairpersons are needed for Field Day.

Teachers' Aide Steward: Work with students, as needed by the teacher, in such areas as listening to students read, helping with testing, math/reading/prayer drills, practice activities, independent work, etc.

Contact: Heidi Schneider
hschneider@blessedsacramentwichita.com or sign up online
using the QR code to the right.

