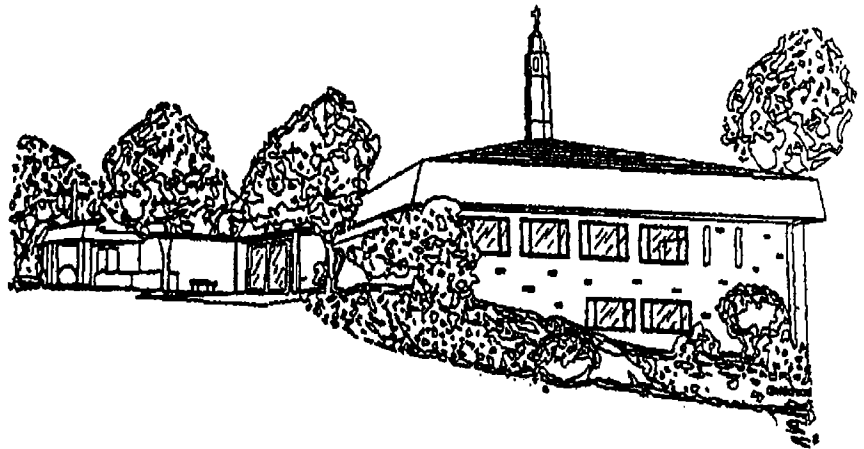


Our Lady of the River

CATHOLIC
CHURCH



28200 226th Street Place • LeClaire, Iowa 52753 • 563-289-5736

Le Claire, Princeton

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31-February 1, 2009

Parish Staff:

Father Joseph Wolf, Pastor
Jan Lewis, Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper
Roberta Pegorick, Director of Faith Formation
Cheryl Brogla-Krupke, Director of Music Ministry
Jim Puck, Parish Maintenance

Mass Schedule:

Vigil on Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
Weekday: See Daily Schedule inside
Holy Day: See schedule inside

Sacraments:

BAPTISM: Contact Pastor
RECONCILIATION: Saturday afternoon 4:30 - 4:45 p.m.
or anytime by appointment;
MARRIAGES: Arrangements are to be made at least nine months before the wedding.

Parish Services:

SICK CALLS: Anyone who cannot attend Mass or receive the sacraments in Church because of illness or age please contact the Pastor.
NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to our parish family! Please register in the sacristy after Mass.
PRAYER CHAIN COORDINATOR: Linda Heaton
332-0746

Meetings:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Classes for 3 year olds—9th grade students are held.

ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY: Meets at noon on the second Wednesday of each month in the parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in the parish hall. Rosary prayed at 7:15 p.m. before the meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL COMMISSIONS

Commissions meet the third Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October at 7:00 p.m. or as announced.

PARISH COUNCIL

Council meets the third Thursday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Information:

PARISH MAILING ADDRESS:

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Memorial of Saint Blase

This Tuesday is the feast of St. Blase, the fourth century Armenian martyr and patron of throat troubles. (Why he hasn't been adopted by cough-drop makers the world over is anyone's guess.) Known as "San Blas" *en espanol* and "San Biaggio" *in italiano*, St. Blase was killed amidst persecution after refusing to supplicate to a pagan god. But most Catholics know him for the annual throat-blessing, which stems from a child who choked on a fishbone and was brought to the bishop, whose prayer released it.

The blessing of throats is not just for throat ailments, but for protection from all diseases; and it is not just for the sick, but for everyone. The blessing involves the cross of two (*unlit*) candles over the recipient's neck with the prayer: "Through the intercession of St. Blase, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." The blessing will be offered during the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, February 3.

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

Mass Intentions

Mon.	Feb 2	8:00 a.m.	Pat & Steve Gimm
Tue.	Feb 3	8:00 a.m.	Harold Ehrecke
Wed.	Feb 4	8:00 a.m.	Carly Behncke
Thu.	Feb 5	10:15 a.m.	(at Riverview Manor) Msgr. Feeney
Fri.	Feb 6	8:00 a.m.	Jim Murray
Sat.	Feb 7	5:00 p.m.	Bill Guyan
Sun.	Feb 8	8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish

PARISH NEWS

Let us remember those who are in the nursing home: Richard Eichberger, Joan Flesher, Clinton Crowl, & Antionette Griffin.

Let us remember those who are sick and/or recuperating at home: Melody Tolley, Mike West, Eileen Ewers, Ann Holiday, Nathan Brandt, Trudy Rodger, Dave Miller, Randy Wehrman, Elnora Martin, & Beth Calabotta.

Let us pray for those who are serving in the military: Seth & Monica Coussens and Aaron & Matthew DePorter

Liturgical Roles

Date	Jan 31-Feb 1	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.
Lector		Madelyn Phares	Steve Marriott
Commentator		John Fitzgibbon	John Roth
Eucharistic Ministers		Barb Arland-Fye, Suzie Weber, Dean Ehrecke, Linda Heaton	Rori Vandemore, Jan Davis, Pauline Moench, Jean Moeller
Cantor		Todd Weber	Jan Davis & Dan Johnson
Organist		Ladonna Czachowski	Cheryl Brogla-Krupke
Altar Servers		Bill & Jacquie Moore	Ryan Blunk & Cory Davison
Date	Feb. 7-8	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.
Lector		John Miller	Cathi Betts
Commentator		John Jungk	Wendy Kelley
Eucharistic Ministers		Linda Heaton, Steven Fye, Barb Arland-Fye, Rita McRoberts	Mary Hill-Sutherland, Mary Jo Godwin, Cyndi Smith, Helen Chostner
Cantor		Todd Weber	Youth Choir
Organist		Ladonna Czachowski	Cheryl Brogla-Krupke
Altar Servers		Bill & Jacquie Moore	Andrew Lamfers, Chandler Reed

Weekly Collections

Building Fund	-----	\$70
Envelopes	-----	\$ 2,101
Offertory	-----	\$ 202.42
Catholic Messenger	---	\$425

<i>Parish Diary</i>	
<i>Commencing the Week February 1st</i>	
Sunday, Feb. 1st	8:30 a.m. — Rite of Acceptance, Scout Sunday, & Children's Liturgy 9:30 a.m. — Adult Choir Rehearsal, Religious Education, & RCIA 10:30 a.m. — Youth Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, Feb. 3rd	8:00 a.m. — Blessing of Throats
Wednesday, Feb. 4th	7:00 p.m. — K of C meeting
Thursday, Feb. 5th	10:15 a.m. — Mass at Riverview Manor
Saturday, Feb. 7th	Eighth Grade Confirmation retreat Ninth Grade — Café on Vine
Sunday, Feb. 8th	8:30 a.m. — Children's Liturgy 9:30 a.m. — Religious Education & RCIA

The family of Harold Ehrecke would like to say "Thank You," to the parishioners and clergy of Our Lady of the River Catholic Church for their thoughts and prayers during Harold's illness.

You have shown us how much you truly cared for Harold and have made a difficult time easier for us all. We would also like to thank you for having Harold and Betty serve as caretakers of this wonderful church throughout the years. Harold felt it a pleasure and honor to serve this parish.

Altar & Rosary ladies would like to thank all of you for furnishing dishes to serve at the four recent funeral luncheons. And thanks to all who helped serve. It was greatly appreciated. Also, if you haven't picked up your dish please do so. (We're having a flea market soon and it might get sold!)

**OLOR Eighth Grade Confirmation Retreat
February 7th**

Your prayers of support are greatly appreciated as our eighth grade students prepare themselves for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their upcoming retreat, February 7th. We are asking for words/notes of encouragement from the parish as these young people take a very important step in their faith formation. Below is a completed list of our students. Completed notes may be turned into the parish office before February 6th. If you have questions please contact Roberta at the parish office. (289-5736)

Taylor Beitzel, Stephen Bellig, Josh Cobler, Devin Daily, Alex Donovan, Patrick Fye, Logan Hampton, Jenna Harrison, Caitlin O'Neill, Riley Pegorick, Logan Sherman, Haley Smith, Maddi Theisen

Café on Vine

Please sign up to donate apples, bananas, bread, oranges, milk or a dessert for the Café on Vine Meal. The meal will be served on February 7th at 12:00 p.m. Please deliver your donated items to the kitchen by February 6th and label them Café on Vine Meal. Sign up sheets will be located in the vestibule. We are also looking for helpers and Virtus trained drivers. For more information, please contact Helen Chostner at 289-2781 or Frank Dohmen at 289-5716.

T.E.C.

A Teens Encounter Christ Weekend will be held at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Davenport February 14-16, 2009. All high school Juniors and Seniors are invited to attend. The cost of the retreat is \$55 and OLOR will pay \$30 toward each parishioner's registration fee. Applications available in parish office or contact Jennifer Hildebrand @ 289-4904 or 370-4412. This is a wonderful experience to help prepare someone for an event such as going away to college or other major change.

Sister Cathleen Real, CHM, will present "The Burning Truth of the Climate Crisis" at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 15, in Our Lady of the River parish hall. All are welcome to attend this stimulating presentation that will strive to help us in our efforts to be good stewards of God's creation. Please join us for this informative presentation. *More info to come.* For additional information, contact Barb Arland-Fye at barbarland@aol.com

Music Notes

Youth Singers: Thanks to our youth who led the music for the January 25th Mass. Our next rehearsal is this weekend, Sunday, February 1st, following Religious Education. The youth choir will be singing for the Mass on the following Sunday, February 8th.

Adult Choir: The next rehearsal will be this Sunday, February 1st, at which time Lenten music will be rehearsed.

Musical Thoughts

"Be Thou My Vision", the hymn that will be sung as the gifts are brought to the altar, includes lyrics that could very well be our plea as we come to the altar today to receive the Eucharist. Please Lord, be my vision, my wisdom, and dwell in me and please be first in my heart! So prayerful are the words to the hymns, but rarely do some of us think of liturgical music in this way. The old saying, "When you sing, you pray twice!" YES!!!!

CEW

The annual OLOR/St. Ann's Christian Experience Weekend is set for 2009. Mark your calendars:

Women's weekend March 6,7,8

Mens' weekend March 20,21,22.

Gift Certificates available. For more information call Bev Heintz 285-4947, Matt Wilson 285-9095, or Ed Choate 289-5334.

Knight Beacon

Feb.4th- 7:00 p.m. KC meeting

Feb. 18th-7:00 p.m. KC Meeting

Feb. 25th-KC Fish Fry

On the First Friday of each month the rosary is prayed at 7:40 a.m. followed by Mass and then fellowship, rolls, & coffee in the parish hall.

Pro-Life Mass

The Pro-Life Mass for Sunday, February 7th will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church 412 10th Street, Moline at 8:30 a.m. The rosary will be prayed before and after Mass in the church and then in front of Planned Parenthood in Bettendorf.

Church Women United will meet on Feb.6th at 1 p.m. at St John's Methodist Church at 14th & Brady in Davenport. Sister Mary Ann Vogel will speak about their mission at the new Humility of Mary Shelter. All women of the parish are invited. Call Linda Heaton for further information.

Rooted in Christ

2008/09 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Our Lady of the River's parish responsibility for the Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) 2008/09 is \$26,015. As of January 25, 2009 we have received \$15,242.50. That is 59% of our goal. Remember to contribute what you have pledged so our parish can meet our goal.

Thank you for all you have done!

We are currently collecting Parishioners' email addresses for parish information purposes. Please fill out the sheets at the end of the pews and drop in collection basket. Thank you.