



~ Our Mission ~

To be formed as disciples who
~ encounter the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament,
~ love the Lord through worship, and
~ bring Christ to others through joyful service.

Parish Information

1020 S. First Ave.
Morton, IL 61550
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January 2, 2022



THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."* - Mt 2:6b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

*Please join Father Jerry on the church Facebook page and on YouTube "live" for Mass on **Sundays at 9:30 AM, and daily Mass, Monday - Friday at 8:00 AM.***

Holy Communion will be distributed after the Sunday 9:30 AM Mass, at the front doors of the church, under the canopy 10 minutes after Mass, until all have received.

Please check our website, bscomorton.org or Facebook page for updates.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM

Baptism: Celebration of the sacrament is held following the 11:30 AM Mass. Call the parish office for arrangements. If you are baptizing your first child, you will need to view a Baptism preparation video in advance of the baptism.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the parish office (266-9721) day or night.

Matrimony: Couples intending marriage should call the parish office six months preceding their intended marriage for Pre-Marital Inventory and other preparations for marriage.



[www.facebook.com/Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church - Morton, Illinois/](https://www.facebook.com/BlessedSacramentCatholicChurch-Morton,Illinois/)

Mass Intentions

January 3 8:00 AM	Monday - Holy Name of Jesus Verla Frietsch
January 4 8:00 AM	Tuesday - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Marian Reese
January 5 8:00 AM	Wednesday - St. John Neumann Diana Gilligan
January 6 8:00 AM	Thursday - St. Andre Bessette Jim Rademaker
January 7 8:00 AM	Friday - St. Raymond of Penafort Joe & Vera Leonard
January 8 4:30 PM	Saturday Lee Bollenbach
January 9 8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:30AM	Sunday - The Baptism of the Lord Roy Welch For the People of the Parish Joe & Jane Leibold

All of the following Masses: Monday - Friday at 8:00 AM, and Sunday at 9:30 AM, will be streamed 'live' on the **parish Facebook page** and on **YouTube (Live BSC Stream)**.



Weekday Ministers

Monday, January 3, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lector: Joyce Baldi
• Eucharistic Minister: Jaqui Rakoski
• Altar Server: Gabriella Hutchinson
Tuesday, January 4, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lector: Jim Behme
• Eucharistic Minister: Chuck Maroon
• Altar Server: Alijah Atkins
Wednesday, January 5, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lector: Dean Hild
• Eucharistic Minister: Marty Yoches
• Altar Server: James Evers
Thursday, January 6, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lector: Sue D'Amore
• Eucharistic Minister: Denny Cramer
• Altar Server: Harrison Smith
Friday, January 7, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lector: Mary Venden
• Eucharistic Minister: Joan Berta
• Altar Server: Jon Anders

Feast of the Epiphany

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him."

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, January 8, 4:30 PM
• Lectors: Helen Moore & Terri Keys
• Eucharistic Ministers: Sherry Schoen & Thomas Rossi
• Music: Ben, Janet, Carol & Denny
• Ushers: Jeff King, Alina Shannon, Karen Pickering, Maureen Borowy
• Altar Servers: Carter Cashdollar & Lauren Pickering
Sunday, January 9, 8:00 AM Mass
• Lectors: Kathy Brandt & Ann Eccleston
• Eucharistic Ministers: Steven & Pamela Schwartz
• Music: Four His Glory
• Ushers: Linda Zeeb, Gene Brandt, Dennis Albers, James DeGeeter
• Altar Servers: Matthew Sander & Isabella Finch
Sunday, January 9, 9:30 AM Mass
• Lectors: Judith Griffin & Chris Oswald
• Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Rapp & Melissa Kraft
• Music: Choir
• Ushers: Jerry DuBois, Del Young, Rick Barbour, Gene Nelson
• Altar Servers: Clara Oswald & Morgan Armstrong
Sunday, January 9, 11:30 AM Mass
• Lectors: Diane Matheson & Kevin Baughman
• Eucharistic Ministers: Tracey Baughman & Stan Hodgson
• Ushers: John Myers, Greg & Teresa Goodyear, Brett Grieder
• Altar Servers: Tessa Fitzgerald & Toby Fitzgerald



We welcome into the Church through the Holy Sacrament of Baptism

Scout Julianne Evans

daughter of Zo & Dani (West) Evans,

baptized in our parish on December 19



AND

Henry Cornish Smith

son of Jake & Samantha (Boone) Smith,

baptized in our parish on December 19



PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

What's happening this week in our Parish

Wednesday, January 5

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study w/Dcn Kevin Fr. Wuellner Room
6:30 PM Choir Practice Liturgical Music Room

Thursday, January 6

6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Group w/Dcn Kevin Fr. Finnell Room
7:30 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Church

Saturday, January 8

3:00 PM Reconciliation until 3:45 PM Church

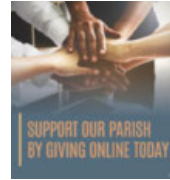
Sunday, January 9

9:30 AM Religious Ed. Kindergarten Catechesis Atrium
10:15AM Religious Ed. Classes Gr. 1-8 School
10:30AM RCIA Session Fr. Wuellner Room
12:30PM Religious Ed. Classes High School Parish Hall
6:30 PM BSS Athletic Board Meeting Fr. Wuellner Room
7:33 PM Holy Ground Youth Group Youth Ministry Room

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, December 19

Envelopes / Cash	\$ 22,607.11
Online Giving / Checks	\$ 9,708.80
Total Gifts Received	\$ 32,315.91
Weekly Budget	\$ 19,000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 13,315.91



An easy way to increase your gifts to the church is through **online giving**. Take a minute to visit our website, bscmorton.org, and click Giving, then *Online Giving*, to set up your online giving account.

Thank you for your donations in memory of your loved ones for Christmas flowers and decorations. Their names are listed on the next two pages.

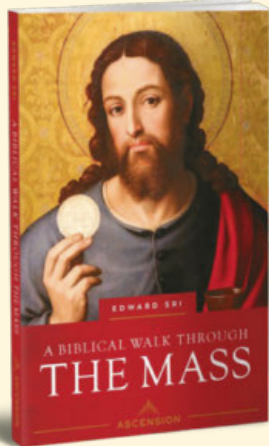


From death to new life - our prayers & sympathy to:

Robert (Lisa) Sollberger, at the loss of his mother,
Twyla M. Schubert

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

Bible Study Series Offered...beginning January 12!



Start the new year off right with our 5 week bible study "A Biblical Walk Through Mass". The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible, as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. **The words, the gestures, and the rituals of the Mass are rich in meaning.** Everything we say and do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language.

"A Biblical Walk Through the e Mass"

explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Classes will be offered on Wednesday and Sunday y mornings. Wednesday sessions will be from 8:30 - 10:00 AM, beginning on January 12, with Julie Blair as the facilitator. Sunday sessions will be from 10:30 - 11:30 AM, beginning on January 16, with Mike McCarthy as the facilitator.

The book order has been placed. If you still want to join, you can individually order a book from Ascension Press. Sign-ups for the bible study are available at the information desk in the gathering space.



SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, February 26, 2022
Adults 21 and over

Sunday, February 27, 2022
Teen Trivia



All proceeds to benefit
Catholic Heart
WorkCamp.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL NEWS



Blessed Sacrament School is in need of a Cafeteria Assistant. We are looking to hire a person part-time,

two or three days a week. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Mike Birdoes at 309-263-8442 or Amanda Cannon at acannon@bssmorton.org.

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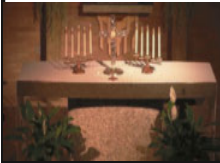
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Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration is held on
**Thursdays, from
7:30 - 8:30 PM.**

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Catholic Women's League Membership Dues

For the calendar year January 1 - December 31, 2022

Members - \$20/per year

Life Members - \$10/per year

Please pay before April 1, 2022.

New Members, please contact Ann Gerardo for applications and questions -

630-464-8474 (cell)



PRAYER REQUESTS

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF PARISHIONERS - Call the parish office (309-266-9721) to update this list as needed.

- ◇ Lawrence Clarkson, son-in-law of Bob & Jan Heaton
- ◇ Ellen Rogers, sister of Wilma (Frank) Gaydos
- ◇ Liz Speichinger, daughter of Sue Speichinger
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- ◇ Kelley Schaar, daughter of Suzanne Harms
- ◇ Carol Mindrum, sister of Ralph Pouliot
- ◇ Mike Esser, nephew of Judy Erickson
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- ◇ Carol Thayer, cousin of Dee O'Connell
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- ◇ Craig Sears, brother-in-law of Joanne Waechter
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- ◇ Wayne Hopper, brother-in-law of Brenda & Deacon Michael Harris
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- ◇ Joyce Mettile, cousin of Nancy (Dave) Keimig
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- ◇ Edward Peifer, husband of Yvonne Peifer

Praise & Prayer Group

The "Jesus I Trust in You" Praise & Prayer group meets in the **Fr. Finnell Room every Thursday at 6:00 PM**. If you like to sing and Praise GOD or if you or a family member needs prayers, please consider joining us. Come and go as you please. Contact Deacon Kevin at 309-657-6320 if you have any questions.



EVERYDAY
STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN
YOUR ORDINARY
MOMENTS

The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Current Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday—4:30 PM

Sunday—8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,* 11:30 AM

Weekdays: Monday—Friday - 8:00 AM*

& Fridays during school year - 9:30 AM**

*also "live" on the parish Facebook page and YouTube.

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Holy Communion distributed after the Sunday, 9:30 AM Mass, at church front doors, under the canopy.

Staff Directory

Website : www.bscmorton.org

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