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April 24, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER/DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 pm Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:00 am Monday - Friday 7:15 am

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30–4:15 pm Other times by appointment

BENEDICTION

First Friday 7:45 am

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements:

- To join the parish
- *For a wedding (6 months in advance)
- *For Baptism class information
- •For Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick or have been ill for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion.
- If you are home-bound because of illness and would like to be visited, please call.

MINISTRY LEADERS

MCs: Gabe Trussoni Mike Vanderploeg William Arnold

Weekend Servers (Middle and High Schoolers): Gabe Trussoni

Readers: Mary Jo Reinders

Extraordinary Ministers of the

Eucharistic: Carolyn Steingraeber
Petition Readers: Barb Clements

Ushers: Tom Kratt

tomkratt@charter.net

Offering Families: Call the office to

volunteer

Rosary Leader Schedule: Mary
Schuttenhelm & Barb Clements

Weekday Servers (Grade Schoolers): Stephanie Gauger

Weekday Readers: Caryl Doberstein

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers: Carolyn Steingraeber

PARISH CONTACTS

Office Ass't Dir: Elizabeth Skemp

Finances: Steve McGovern,

Luci Johnson

Building Maintenance: Carl Francksen

Scrip Coordinator: 782.2953 ext. 1

Pat Hammes

Website: Jennifer Kulzer

Music Director: 782.2953 ext. 4

Pauline Connell

Religious Education: Pauline Connell

RCIA & Confirmation Preparation:

Jennifer Kulzer

First Communion & Reconciliation

Preparation: Pauline Connell

Funeral Lunch Coordinator: Bernice Lansing

Bulletin Editor: Pauline Connell

Sacristan: Jean Kachel

Women's Club: *Helen Roop* Men's Club: *Ken Hanson*

Widow & Widowers Group:

Barb Schmitz

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in the early 1930s. He told her that He would make her a missionary of His Divine Mercy to the world. As part of that mission, He gave her the prayers for the Divine Mercy Novena, a nine-day prayer that begins on Good Friday of each year and ends on the Sunday after Easter Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday). What makes this Novena unique is that Jesus Himself composed it, and each day a prayer can be offered for one specific group of souls, such as children, priests and religious, luke-warm souls, fallen-away Catholics, and so on. Pray the Divine Mercy Novena starting on Good Friday in preparation for this feast. For more information on Divine Mercy, go to: thedivinemercy.org.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions will take place on Sunday, April 24, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, from noon to 3:15 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at noon. Confessions will be heard throughout the day with hourly recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Devotions will conclude with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction at 3:30. Come when you can; leave when you must.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Father Raj and all our priests are an amazing help in our spiritual growth. Without them we would not have the sacraments to help us on our journey to Heaven. Every Wednesday at 1:30 you are invited to join us as we pray for priests. Call Barb Clements at 608-782-5777 to get the details. We would love to have you!

THURSDAY ROSARY, 6:30 PM

Do you have a special intention and need our Lady's intercession? Join us as we pray the rosary Thursday evenings at 6:30 in the main church. Please use the alley handicap door.

First Communion Sunday

May 1, 10:00 Mass

We will have 12 young people joining us at the Table of the Lord, along with their families.

MASS INTENTIONS

This week's reader: Caryl Doberstein

MON 4/25 Mark
7:15 +Dave Rach
TUES 4/26 Easter Weekday

7:15 Intention of Greg Jagodzinski

WED 4/27 Easter Weekday

7:15 +Mary Lou Smith 8:15 +Alan Lauerman

THUR 4/28 Easter Weekday; Peter Chanel; Louis Grignion

de Montfort

7:15 +John Nigborowicz

FRI 4/29 Catherine Siena

7:15 +George & +Margaret Allen

SAT 4/30 Easter Weekday; Pius V

NO 7:15 Mass

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant: Father Raj

SAT 4/30 4:30 pm +Don Gallagher

servers:

Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders
Rosary leaders: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders
8:00 For the People of the Parish

Servers:

SUN 5/1

Readers: Dan Skemp, Donna Levi

Rosary Leader: Irm White-Drier, Barb Swieciak

10:00 +Dale & +Priscilla Reinhart FIRST COMMUNION

TIKST

Readers: Dave Weinberger, Kris Gerke Rosary Leader: Steve Flottmeyer

> CONFESSIONS Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 or by appointment.

Happy 17th anniversary of your ordination to the priesthood

April 20

Father Raj

AROUND THE PARISH

THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERING PLANTS AND LILIES IN OUR SANCTUARY WERE DONATED IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

(list continued from last week)

Deacon Dave and Marie Allen for Jim & Marilyn Vallez and for George & Margaret Allen and for Dr. George Allen

Sandy Poehling for Ryan & Christopher Poehling

The Doberstein family for Dr. & Mrs. Richard & Arlene Carley

Steve & Annette Flottmeyer for Eugene & Brain Hafner

The Vanderploeg family for Taylor Vanderploeg

Pauline Connell for departed friends and relatives

Father Raj for his mother, Periyanayagi Ammal

Bernice Lansing for Denis Kuennen and for Nancy Hruska and for Todd Gerleman

David & Rita Herlitzke for Leornard & Margaret Degenhardt and for Lloyd Herlitzke

Erna & Jane Gallagher for Don Gallagher and for Ray & Genevieve Kelzer and for Sylester & Blanche Gallagher

Tom & Cheryl Horvath for Carl & Beverly Minguski and for Edward Horvath

Cindy Gerke-Edwards, Jackie Gerke-Edwards, & Kristine Gerke for Gilbert & Joyce Gerke

Formed.org

In 2002 Saint John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries to the Rosary. In unique ways each of these mysteries reveal that Christ is the "Light of the World. (Jn 8:20). To more fruitfully ponder these mysteries, join us in this Bible study with the Augustine Institute faculty this week on Formed.org.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM Grades 1-5

Religious Education will be offered for students and families in grades 1-5 through a <u>collaborative</u> program of the La Crosse parishes, rather than in each parish individually. Informational meetings will be offered to explain the program. Plan to attend one if your child will be entering these grades in the Fall and not attending the Aquinas schools.

*Sun, May 1, 1:30, at Roncalli Newman lower hall

*Wed, May 4, 4:30, at Mary, Mother of the Church parish hall *Wed, May 4, 8 pm via Zoom

Direct all questions to Kristin Johnson at kjohnson@newmanlc.org.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly \$13,000 Received Apr 17 17,403

Being a grandparent doesn't make me old. It makes me blessed.

COMING UP

Apr 24 Collection for Diocesan Council of Catholic Women at all Masses
Apr 30 First Communion practice, 9 am
May 1 First Communion, 10:00
May 9-15 Our week for Mobile Meals
June 19 Corpus Christi, Parish Feast Day
We will have one Sunday Mass at
9:00 with a solemn Eucharistic
Procession following and breakfast
afterward. (No 8:00 or 10:00 Masses)

If you have moved or changed contact information please let the parish office know.

COMING UP

DCCW COLLECTION Sunday, April 24

The ladies of our parish will be taking up a special collection after Communion at all the Masses this Sunday to support the goods works of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. If you missed the collection in church, you may drop off a check in the parish office.

WELCOME FATHER ROY LAZAR

Father Raj will have a house guest from India Apr 28-May 3. Father Roy Lazar was one of his teachers in high school & rector of his seminary. Perhaps he'll have some interesting stories about our pastor from those formative years.

SAINT CAMILLUS OUTREACH

Parishioners and friends who are home-bound or in nursing homes or care centers so appreciate a connection with others, especially the parish. Our Saint Camillus Outreach Group has had to take a break during COVID because visits were not allowed. It's time to "resurrect" this needed ministry. If you'd like to learn more and perhaps join this group, contact Deacon Allen at david.j.allen@charter.net.

A gathering of interested folks is being planned.

REST IN PEACE +Dennis Hartogh

Funeral: Fri, Apr 29, 10:30

AROUND TOWN

FATIMA MOVIE SHOWINGS

Mon, Apr 25, 9am & 6 pm, St. James Murphy Hall Tues, Apr 26, 6:30 pm, St. Patrick's Parish Hall Thurs, Apr 28, 9 am, St. Patrick Parish Hall Fri, Apr 29, 10 am, Cathedral Undercroft Free and open to all. This movie may help us understand more fully why Pope Francis asks us to put Russia and Ukraine under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son, so that in Him, with Him, and through Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about a call to the priesthood, please contact me: Father Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S, PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004; or phone 608-791-2667.

LAPTIVITY QUILT-MAKING

Mon, Apr 25, 9-1:00

Good Shepherd Lutheran Ch, 4141 Mormon Coulee Rd. Hand-stitched or machine-sewn quilts to be given to caregivers of, or individuals suffering with Alzheimers or dementia.

Register: Peer Caregiver Support: 775-9999.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish Fri, Apr 29, 11:00-3:00; \$6/bag Sat, Apr 30, 8:00-1:00; \$3/bag

CATHEDRAL PARISH CHICKEN-QUE

Thurs, April 28, 11:00-6:00; tickets at 769-7965

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Job opening for someone who would oversee a middle and high school religious education and faith formation program serving a cooperative of local city parishes. Full time beginning this spring. For job description and qualification requirements go to: mmoclacrosse.org. Submit application: frkonopa@mmoclacrosse.org.

AQUINAS NEWS

2022-2023 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment and re-enrollment for the 2022-23 school year is now open. Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinascatholic schools.org/enrollment. Follow @AquinasCatholicSchools on Facebook.

BOOSTER CLUB CHICKEN-QUE Wed, April 27, 11:00-6 pm

\$12/meal; presale tickets in school office; walk-ups welcome, but limited in number

SPRING CONCERTS

Apr 25, 6:30 - Aquinas High School

Apr 28, 2 pm - Bl Sac Sch band and orchestra

May 2, 2 pm - Bl Sac Sch 3 & 4th gr and singing club

May 2, 6:30 - Aquinas Middle School

May 3, 2 pm - Bl Sac Sch 5 & 6th gr

May 5, 6 pm - Cathedral Sch 4K-2nd gr (at Aquinas)

LA CROSSE CATHOLIC CEMETERY

As many of us know, the roads through the Catholic Cemetery are showing their age (last blacktopped in the 1960's). If you would like to help finance this project contact the Cemetery at 608-782-0238 or email jreinhart1@yahoo.com. It's a wonderful place for a spring walk – with your rosary, perhaps.

PILGRIM CHURCH, PILGRIM PEOPLE

Wednesdays, Apr 20- May 25, 1:30- 3 pm CD Series by Father Dan Crosby Delve into the true meaning of being a pilgrim on our way to heaven.

> In person or via zoom; no charge St. Anthony's, Marathon www.sarcenter.com; 715-443-2236

SPRING FOOD DRIVE

May 2-27

Drop off your non-perishables at Advance America (next to Java Vino, 2309 State Rd)
All donations given to the Hunger Task Force.
Donations times on the flyer in the Narthex.

SPRING LUNCHEON

Saturday, April 30, 11-1:00 St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley \$7/person; door prizes

GRIEF CIRCLE

Tuesdays, May 3-31, 10:00-noon Franciscan Spirituality Center Facilitators: Sr. Rose Elsbernd & Karna Marks Register: 608-791-5295 or www.FSC.org