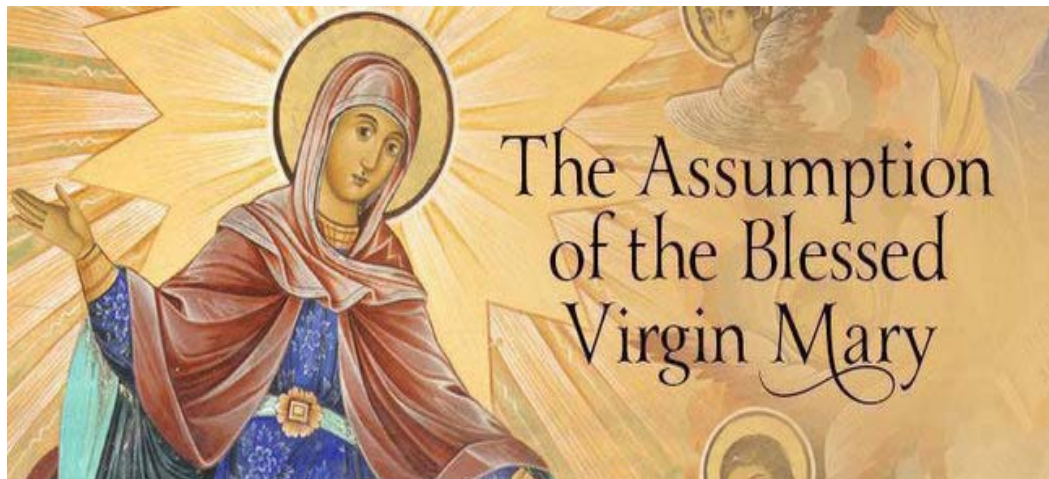




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Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15, 2021

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 Schuttemhelm & 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, Loretta Clarkin

August 15, 2021

**PRAYER AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
AT OUR PARISH**

Men of the Parish, there are 2 active groups meeting here on a regular basis. Both are open to new members at all times.

Weekly Group

This casual study group meets every Monday from September through May following the 7:15 Mass in the Parish Center Conference Room.

Contact Peter Drozdowicz for all the information: 608-519-5525.

Monthly Group

This group meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month from September through May at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Contact David Schreier to find out more: 608-790-3631.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic? Perhaps you yourself need to receive the sacrament of Baptism, Holy Communion, or Confirmation. This is the place for you. Weekly study/prayer sessions prepare one to receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Your contact person is Jennifer Kulzer. Call her at 608-385-3459 or email jkulzer@bsplacrosse.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

For students not attending the Aquinas Schools or Providence Academy

Classes meet on Wednesdays:

Grades 1-5 6:00-7:00 in Blessed Sacrament School

Grades 6-8 6:45-8:15 at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish Hall

Grades 9 & 10 7:00-8:30 in Blessed Sacrament Parish Center

Classes will begin September 8.

Contact Pauline Connell, 608-782-2953, ext. 4

Or email music@bsplacrosse.org.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

The program will begin in the Fall. If you have a son or daughter in 10th grade and have not been contacted, call or email Jennifer Kulzer: 608-385-3459 or jkulzer@baplacrosse.org.

August 16 - 22, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 8/16 7:15 Weekday; Stephen of Hungary
+Mike Roskos

TUES 8/17 7:15 Weekday
+John Janis

WED 8/18 7:15 Weekday
+Luke Schnellbacher

THUR 8/19 7:15 Weekday; John Eudes
+Gwen Shanaghan

FRI 8/20 7:15 Bernard
+Ann Simonson

SAT 8/21 Pius X
NO 7:15 Mass

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj

Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC

SAT 8/21 4:30 pm *+Robert Rathford*
Servers: Elizabeth & Mike Hancock
Readers: Gene Kolaczowski, Chris Nelson
Rosary leaders: Scott & Caryl Doberstein

SUN 8/22 8:00 *+Mike Schuh*
Server: Teddy Uehling
Readers: Ed Noelke, Bob Kelemen
Rosary leaders: Joe & Barb Clements
10:00 *For the People of the Parish*
Servers: Maria & Michael Johnson
Readers: Ann Lankford, Theresa Kivi
Rosary leader: Galen Pittman

CONFESSIONS

**Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 pm
or call for an appointment**

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire You with all my heart.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
I ask You to come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already in my heart
and unite myself to You completely.

Please do not let me ever be separated from You.
Amen.

AROUND THE PARISH

THE ROSARY

Thursdays, at 6:30, in church.
The Women's Club will lead
our beloved prayer.
Use the alley handicap entrance.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

It's time to get together again.
Tues, Sept 14, 11:30, Schmidty's
If you have questions contact Barb
Schmitz, 788-1667, or Loretta Clarkin,
784-7106.
Don't sit home alone.

AQUINAS SCHOOLS ENROLLMENT OPEN

The Aquinas Schools offer faith-filled
education to all ages.
Generous financial assistance is available.
To learn more or schedule a visit with one
of our principals call 784-8585 or visit
www.aquinaschoolscatholic.org.

BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL Thursday, August 29, 5-7 pm All are invited

*Meet the new Principal,
Mrs. Kate Moll
*Enjoy tacos from a food truck
*music
*fun

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS FAIR November 20

Once again, the Fair will look
different because of gathering
restrictions and safety.
***RAFFLE BASKETS** will be on display
and tickets sold for your chance to
win something(s) dandy.
*The **GIVING TREE** will be available
with \$scrip card sales that day.
Shopping, gift-wrapping, etc: not this
year yet.
*Your generous donations through
your **ADVENT/CHRISTMAS JARS** will
be collected, like last year. Take a
nice big jar and fill it with your spare
change now through Nov 20. You
might be surprised how that adds
up.

SCRIP NEWS HELPERS NEEDED

Can you spare a few hours a week to
be our \$scrip seller in the Parish office?
Call the \$scrip office for details:
782-2953, ext. 1.

**RUDY'S gives us a whopping 20% profit
on their \$scrip certificates! Load up while
the root beer is cold and the chili dogs
hot.**

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Chapel is open during the day.
If you'd like to come for prayer
during the nighttime hours, call the
parish office to receive the code for
the door lock.

**3:00 WEDNESDAYS
The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
is recited in the
Adoration Chapel**

Extra garden produce? Drop off what
you can't use in the Narthex so others
can enjoy it. A little donation for the
Place of Grace is appreciated.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received August 8	6,541

I asked my Grandpa, "After 65 years
you still call Grandma Darling,
Beautiful, and Honey. What's the
secret?"
He said, "I forgot her name 5 years
ago and I'm scared to ask her."

COMING UP

Aug 16 Social Justice Committee
meeting, 6 pm, Conference Room
Aug 19 Back to School Social, 5-7 pm
Sept 12 Kick-off for "40 Days for Life"
Sept 14 Widows & Widowers lunch at
Schmidty's, 11:30
Sept 22-Oct 31 "40 Days for Life"
Oct 1 Apple Pie making day
Oct 2 & 3 Parish Apple Pie Sale
Nov 20 Advent/Christmas Fair

COMING UP

Formed.org

In the Gospels we hear Jesus refer
to His mother as "Woman." This
reference should draw our
attention to both Genesis and
Revelation. But who is this
"Woman," and why is she so central
to salvation history? The powerful
film "The Woman" on formed.org
presents the Catholic teaching
about Mary and her important role
in the life of the Church today. On
this Solemnity of the Assumption, let
us ponder Mary's role in our own
lives! Check it out this week on
formed.org.

STEWARDSHIP FORMS

Drop off in the basket in the Narthex
of church. Be sure to include your
updated contact information.

LADIES BRIDGE

Do you enjoy a few hours of fun with
gals playing Bridge? Our parish
group is re-assembling after a year
off. The shuffling will begin in
September.

Contact Sandy Hood if you'd like to
be dealt a hand.
608-788-5399 or
sahood@charter.net.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

"There's nothing I can do about it!"
Yes, you can.

Check out the information on the
table in the Narthex. There you will
find pro-life information and prayer
cards to use as you pray for a baby
in danger of being aborted. Gather
your family around, even give your
baby a name, and pray for his/her
safe delivery and the health and
well-being of the parents.

AROUND TOWN

REFRESH AND RENEW: A CAREGIVER SERIES

In-person monthly gatherings through March, 2022, is a collaboration between FSC and the Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Session 1: Sept 8, 1-2 pm

Mindfulness Practices

Presenter: Sister Sarah Hennessey

Register at FSCenter.org. No cost

Those Boxtops for Education from various grocery containers may be dropped off in the Narthex. Our school uses the proceeds to fund special events.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas focuses on 10 charities besides their major projects.

- 1 The North American College in Rome – educate seminarians
 - 2 Catholic Relief Services – provide assistance in over 100 countries
 - 3 Apostleship of the Sea – support for seamen at ports
 - 4 Covenant House – rescues homeless & run-away youth
 - 5 Mother Teresa – care for the most needy
 - 6 Tutweiler Clinic – care for the poor in the Bayou country
 - 7 Disaster Relief Fund – local relief from flooding disaster
 - 8 Smile Train
 - 9 Catholic Extension – take the Faith to isolated communities
 - 10 Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington DC
- Women age 18 and older are invited to become part of this established charitable group.
More information on their website.

THE MANY NAMES OF GOD

In-person mini-retreat at St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon

Presenter: Sister Roselyn Heil

August 20, 5:00 pm – Aug 21, noon

Go to: sarcenter.com; 715-443-2236; \$105

FESTIVALS AND FUN

- *Summerfest at St. Patrick's, Sparta
August 20-22
Baked Chicken Dinner; live specialty auction
Family Fun
- *St. Mary's Craft Show, Coon Valley
December 4, 8:00-1:30
Reserve your craft table for \$25 by contacting Nancy Peters, 608-790-6034 or Peters@mwt.net.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

November 20, 2011

Our Diocese will organize a local/live event in order to participate in the simulcast stream of the main event in Indianapolis, IN.

Link to the Facebook event:

<https://fb.me/e/wh0DbZBc>

GO DEEPER INTO THE FAITH

Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI) Spend one weekend a month (Fri evening through Sat afternoon) as part of an enthusiastic, faith-filled class that prays and learns together. See why a recent graduate said, "I am amazed how my understanding of my faith has deepened and how many times I've been able to answer questions that come up." And why a pastor said, "Our RCIA team is filled with LFI graduates, not to mention all of the parish ministries and committees. The spiritual fruits are abundant and lasting!" Visit diolc.org/lay-formation for full details and speak to your pastor about enrolling. Class size is limited, so don't delay!

KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES The Social Justice Teachings of the Church

St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon

4th Thursday of the month, 6:30-8 pm

(in person or via zoom)

Register at sarcenter.com or call 715-443-2236

Social justice teachings are integral to our faith. Jesus taught that every person is invaluable and worthy of respect as a member of God's family. Human dignity comes from God, not from any human quality or accomplishment.

Topic for August 26: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable. Lee Ann Lella will help us consider "An Option that is Not Optional" and what this means for us today and how we are called to live it out. A basic moral test for our society is how we treat the most vulnerable in our midst.

Go to: sarcenter.com or 715-443-2236.

There are few things in life more uplifting than being able to help someone or be there for someone in need. When we use our gifts and talents to make someone else's life better, it can bring joy to, not just our lives, but to those we are able to serve as well. Jesus tells us that there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friend. As friends of Christ we are called to love in this way, to be willing to lay down your life for others. A powerful way to do this is by being a priest of Jesus Christ. He is calling young men to consider this call to serve, to offer their lives out of love for their sisters and brothers. He may be calling YOU! If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this 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.

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 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.