



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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LORD, YOU ESTABLISH PEACE FOR US;
all that we have accomplished you have done for us.

Isaiah 26:12



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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME January 24, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSION

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

BENEDICTION

First Friday 8:00 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*

Offering Families: *Call the office to volunteer*

Rosary Leader Schedule:

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

January 24, 2021

**WEEKDAY MASS TIME CHANGED
7:15 Monday-Friday**

When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. He was minding his own business when Jesus approached him and asked him to put his nets out into the deep water for a catch. Although hesitant, he did as Jesus asked him and caught an over-abundance of fish! When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, "Come, follow me..." and Peter did. In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him. Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? Perhaps this is the Lord's invitation to follow Him. To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: Father Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave S., P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004; or by phone at 608-791-2667. God bless you!

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun David Nowicki
Mon John Glatczak
Tues Brian Ward
Wed John Duranso
and these recently ordained to priesthood:
Thurs Father Sam McCarthy
Fri Father Joseph Richards
Sat Father John Schmitt
Sun Father Daniel Williams

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.

January 25 - 31, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN CHURCH

MON 1/25 7:15 Conversion of St. Paul
+Ernest Gronemus
TUES 1/26 7:15 Timothy & Titus
+Al Gronemus
WED 1/27 7:15 Weekday; Angela Merici
+Bob Umhoefer
2:20 Intention of Heath Gilkes
THU 1/28 7:15 Thomas Aquinas
+Dr. Tom Flynn
8:15 +Drew Coleman

*Grade School children will be attending Mass
Wednesdays at 2:20 & Thursdays at 8:15.
These Masses ARE NOT OPEN to others.*

FRI 1/29 7:15 Weekday
*Living & deceased members
of the Aquinas family*
SAT 1/30 Weekday; BVM
NO 7:15 Mass

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrant: Father Aaron Becker
Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC
No altar servers; No Eucharistic Ministers

SAT 1/30 4:30 *+Anne Lennarson*
SUN 1/31 8:00 *+Raymond Jahimiak*
10:00 *For the people of the parish*

The Rosary is prayed before our weekend Masses beginning about 20 minutes before Mass starts.

The leaders Jan 30 & 31:

4:30 The Roeslers
8:00
10:00

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 3:30-4:15
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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday:
9am – noon and 1-4 pm
Friday:
9am-noon; closed in pm

If you would like the name of a relative who has died to be printed in the bulletin, please call the office, making sure we have the correct spelling.

BSP CONFIRMANDI 2021

Elizabeth Bagniefski	Kaitlin Groth
Jacob Hillebrand	Gregory Kusmitch
Damien Lee	Aaron Lepak
Zachary Morgan	Jack Murphy
Alexandra Roupe	Robert Skemp
Henry Suttie	Esmeralda Valera
Estella Weisse	

Please keep them in your prayers.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Scrip sellers during morning office hours, 9:00-noon Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri.

* We welcome men and women high school age and older to help out at Mass by serving as ushers. Sign up in the Narthex or online at our parish website: bsplacrosse.org.

*Someone (or couple) to lead the rosary before Masses on the weekends. Call the office to sign up. There are several openings in our monthly schedule.

*"The Holy Rosary is not a pious practice banished to the past, like prayers of other times thought of with nostalgia. Instead, the Rosary is experiencing a new Springtime."
Pope-emeritus Benedict XVI*

SCRIP NEWS

Masks are required face-wear.
Stop in to place your order or call the Scrip office at 782-2953, **ext. 1**, or email orders:

SCRIP@bsplacrosse.org so your order is ready when you stop by. Thanks to our volunteer Scrip sellers. Aquinas families, remember that the full 100% of the rebate can be applied to your tuition bill.

FORMED.org

This week Formed.org offers an inspiring talk on confession: *7 Secrets of Confession* by Vinny Flynn. The Sacrament of Confession is the place where we get to encounter the Lord's mercy in a tangible way. In this talk, best-selling author and Catholic speaker Vinny Flynn explores the incredible gift of mercy we encounter in Confession.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received Jan 17	6,418

COMING UP

Jan 27 Religious Education class
Feb 8-14 Our week for Mobile Meals
Feb 12 Fr. Raj returns from India
Feb 13 Our parish mans the Warming Center

When Father returns from India a decision about when to celebrate First Reconciliation and First Communion will be made. He would like to have the latest information about COVID-19. The Diocese has not made a determination about Confirmation.

*Some days I amaze myself.
Other days I look for my phone
while I am talking on it.*

COMING UP

VIRTUAL MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

Sat, Feb 20, 9-11:00 am
Presenters: Fr. Sam Martin and Mr. Pat Brueggen
Topic: Saint Joseph as a model for husbands and fathers.
This is an opportunity for men of our parish to gather together for a spiritual boost with time afterward for reflection & discussion. Or one can participate alone at home, as well.

REST IN PEACE

Marjorie Straight
died January 18

INTENTIONS FOR MASSES IN 2021

There are many open dates available for Mass intentions for 2021.

Call the parish office at 782-2953, ext. 2, or stop in to schedule Masses. DO NOT leave your requests on voice mail; you must contact Elizabeth Skemp. One person may request 3 Masses for someone during the next year, one on the weekend, a holyday or a holiday, and 2 during the week. The dates must be a minimum of 6 weeks apart. The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

If you or someone you know is seriously sick, facing surgery, or needs prayers, please call the office so our ANGELS OF MERCY PRAYER GROUP can be notified.

AROUND TOWN

MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREATS

The La Crosse Deanery, which consists of 14 area parishes, will be offering *Married Love: Two Becoming One*, a marriage preparation retreat for engaged couples, on February 6, April 24, and July 10, 2021. These retreats will take place at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish in La Crosse. Couples must register at least one month prior to the retreat. To register you may email Mari at mnerickson95@gmail.com or leave a voice message at 608-518-7655.

CHRIST, OUR CORNERSTONE Restoring our Mother Church, St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral

Brochures with giving information and background are available in the Narthex of church or the parish office. Needed repair work and updating of the Cathedral has begun. Because the Cathedral serves as the central church for all of us in the Diocese, we are invited and encouraged to join in financing this project.

MEDITATION FOR EMOTIONAL HEALTH (via Zoom)

First Thursdays of the month, 6:30-7:30 pm
Free guided meditation sessions.
Register at FSCenter.org

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Pro-life Virtual Afternoon of Reflection
January 30
Keynote speaker: Bob Perron, Exec. Dir. of JMJ
Pregnancy Ctr, Orlando
Broad appeal for the whole family
Go to: diolc.org/respect-life

HEROIC MEN WEBSITE

Free Catholic streaming platform for Catholic men who want to discover (or rediscover) the truth, beauty, and goodness of our Catholic Faith. There are films, TV shows, documentaries and short films.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Jan 29, Washington DC
Information at prolifewi.org/marchforlife

AQUINAS SCHOOLS ENROLLMENT FOR 2021-22

At Aquinas Catholic Schools your child will be ready to succeed in literacy, faith development, social skills, and preparing them for the future. We provide our students with an excellent education, but we also help them grow in spirit and embrace virtues that will stay with them throughout their life. To learn more or schedule a virtual visit call 608-784-8585 or go to: aquinascatholicsschools.org.

DRIVE-THRU PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Today, Sunday, January 24, 10:30-noon
Saint Charles School, Genoa
2 pancakes, ham, scrambled eggs, milk
\$5.00

DIACONATE DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and of the Church – preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat on Feb 27 at St. Mary's Parish in Altoona. Then contact Deacon Bryan Hilts, Director of the Office for the Diaconate at bhilts@diolc.org. A new deacon formation class will begin in fall of 2021, and attendance at the Discernment Retreat is a prerequisite.

ART AS PRAYER

February 15, 6-7:30 pm
No art experience is necessary
Instructor: Mary Thompson
Zoom teleconferencing
Register at FSCenter.org, or call 791-5295

LIVING THE DISCERNING LIFE:

The Spiritual Teaching of St. Ignatius of Loyola Presenter: Father Timothy Gallagher

With a new year starting and resolutions being made, why not resolve to develop a stronger relationship with God in 2021? Do you want to see more clearly how God is acting in your life? Have you felt discouraged this past year and want to know how best to deal with it? Is it normal to have ups and downs in our spiritual life? This 10-week course will help us understand and bring us closer to God. There are 3 class times being offered beginning Jan 25:

Mondays, 9-10:30, St. James Parish

Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00, St. Patrick's, Onalaska

Thursdays, 9:15-10:45, St. Patrick's.

Cost: \$10; to register contact Amy at 783-0847
or dcapelli@charter.net,

or online at www.stpatsonalaska.com.

Class can be done as a Home Study, as well.

Here are comments made by an attendee in 2018: "I was reminded not to be discouraged with distractions and feelings that I am not praying "right" or that my prayer and efforts are not good enough. My understanding of the wiles of the evil one was strengthened. I thank God for the time I spend in prayer even when I think or feel it has been a waste of time."

The Lighthouse Catholic CDs and books are in the entrance to the Adoration Chapel. Check out the titles and subjects.