



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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May 1, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

May 1, 2022

May 2 - 8, 2022

From the Pastor desk:

I am excited to have Larry Lee and Ryan Sullivan at my side to kick off a 5-year Capital Campaign to financially benefit our wonderful parish, our school, and the Diocese. It is called INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT.

In the weeks ahead I will be letting you know how your participation will be used to grow our legacy for years to come by upgrading our facilities on our parish campus and enriching the good works of our Diocese.

Watch and listen for details.

Father Raj

**INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT
CAMPAIGN PRAYER**

Eternal Father, Your Holy Spirit breathes life and gives beauty to all Your creatures and forms us in Your image. Jesus, as You promised, You send Your Spirit upon Your Church to embolden us always to carry out Your mission.

Holy Spirit, poured out as love itself, we turn to You: inspire us!

You, Who strengthen the faith of those in every generation before us, inspire us today to be courageous in our belief.

You, Who will remain always with us, inspire us now to share what we have received for our present good and for the good of those yet to come. Amen

**CONFIRMED IN THE SPIRIT
April 20**

Confirmation name

Logan Boland	Francis of Assisi
Kyle Craig	Padre Pio
Eston Eberlein	Michael the Archangel
Charlee Gauger	Clare
Jackson Gerke	Martin of Tours
Kate Heiderscheit	Maria Goretti
Matthew Jarrett	Longinus
Michael Johnson	Michael the Archangel
Kole Keppel	Max Kolbe
Madeline Murphy	Joan of Arc
Colin Sans Crainte	Jude the Apostle
Sylvie Schams	Ava of Rome
Jonathan Skemp	Jude the Apostle
Peyton Strittmater	Jude the Apostle
Shane Willenbring	George

MASS INTENTIONS

This week's reader: Jim Thompson

- MON 5/2** Athanasius
7:15 +Frank & Doreen Schuh
- TUES 5/3** Philip & James
7:15 +Ralph Jagodzinski
- WED 5/4** Easter Weekday
7:15 +Samuel Smith
8:15 Living & deceased members of the Steve & Barb McGovern family
- THUR 5/5** Easter Weekday
7:15 +Joe Bahr
- FRI 5/6** Catherine Siena
7:15 +Charlie Brendel
- SAT 5/7** Easter Weekday
NO 7:15 Mass

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant: Father Raj

- SAT 5/7** 4:30 pm +Richard & +Elizabeth Shafer
Servers: Kyle C
Readers: Paulette Drozdowicz, Mary Saphner
Rosary leader: Mary Schuttenhelm
- SUN 5/8** 8:00 For the People of the Parish
Servers Bobby S
Readers: Steve McGovern, Ruth Vanderploeg
Rosary Leaders: Dave & Marie Allen
10:00 +Bill Skemp, Sr.
Servers: Ruby, Jack & Charlee Gauger
Readers: LuAnn Kratt, Bobbi Schamberger
Rosary Leaders: Les & Terry Lachine

CONFESSIONS

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

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.

ADORATION CHAPEL IS OPEN DAILY

AROUND THE PARISH

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Grades 1-5

Religious Education will be offered for students and families in grades 1-5 through a collaborative 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.

FIRST COMMUNICANTS

May 1

Robbie DelRosario

Rylan Hillebrand

Kate Myre

Jaxton Potts

William Sans Crinte

Layla Schmeling

Isaac Sullivan

Sawyer Waletzko

Tenley Wells

Luke Willenbring

Margaret Wollever

Eddie Zellner

Formed.org

Saints Philip and James each lived extraordinary lives of missionary zeal. In this insightful talk, *Reaching Out to Today's Culture*, Bishop Barron shares his advice on how to live similar lives of mission within a culture dominated by media and misconceptions about faith. Check it out this week on Formed.org.

DCCW COLLECTION

The ladies of our parish took up a special collection after Communion at all the Masses last Sunday to support the good 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.

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB

Sunday, May 8, 11:30

Parish Center

Learn about this faith-based experience for young girls and their moms at <https://www.bsplacrosse.org/little-flowers-girls-club>.

Or contact the coordinators:

Rachel Biemiller at

rachelbiemiller@gmail.com

or Corry Marcou at

gregandcorene.marco@gmail.com.

HOME-BOUND AND NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

If you or someone you know would like a visit from our St. Camillus group for company, for shared prayer, or to receive Holy Communion, please call 782-2953, ext. 2, with name, address, and contact information.

SWEET TOOTH HELP ON THE WAY

KC Council 839 will be offering Tootsie Rolls after Masses May 14 & 15. This fund-raiser allows the KCs to help folks with intellectual disabilities.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly \$13,000

Received Apr 24 6,386

COMMON SENSE is a flower that does not grow in everyone's garden.

COMING UP

May 1 First Communion, 10:00

May 8 Wis. Right to Life rose sale after Sunday Masses.

May 8 Little Flowers Girls Club, 11:30

May 9-15 Our week for Mobile Meals

May 14/15 KC Tootsie Roll project

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

ROSE SALE TO BENEFIT

WISCONSIN RIGHT TO LIFE

Sunday, May 8

after both Masses

\$2/stem

If you can help Patti Keil after a Mass, give her a call at 608-792-4993.

Support the protection of all life from conception to natural death.

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.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Diane Hartogh

AROUND TOWN

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun	Deacon Matthew Bowes
Mon	Deacon Steven Weller
Tues	Jared Clements
Wed	Alex Kren
Thurs	Isaac Pecha
Fri	John Zweber
Sat	David Nowicki

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.

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.

JOB OPENINGS AT THE CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Part and full time positions available. Outside work at multiple locations; no driver's license needed
To apply: JReinhart1@yahoo.com.

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.

PADRE JOSE POLISH PARTY

Celebrating Father Joseph Walijewski
Sat, May 14, 4-9 pm

Memories Ballroom, Marathon City
\$30 adult; \$10 6-12 yrs; free under 5
Authentic polish dinner and live polka music to dance to.

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.org/enrollment. Follow @AquinasCatholicSchools on Facebook.

SPRING CONCERTS

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 jreinhardt1@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

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

SPRING CHICKEN-QUES

Thurs, May 12, 11:00-6 pm
Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St
\$12 each; pre-sale by phone or text 608-518-6145 or email: chickenque@mmoclacrosse.org. Advanced sales guaranteed

Wed, May 18, 11:00-5:30
Holy Trinity Parish
\$10 each; preorder tickets at 608-782-2028, ext. 2
Homemade baked goods for sale, too.

SPIRITUALITY AND THE TWELVE STEPS FOR EVERYONE

May 6 & 7, St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon
Cost: \$115. Presenter: Ron Alexander, addiction specialist
Based on the book [Breathing Under Water](#) by Richard Rohr
Reservations: sarcenter.com or 715-443-2236.