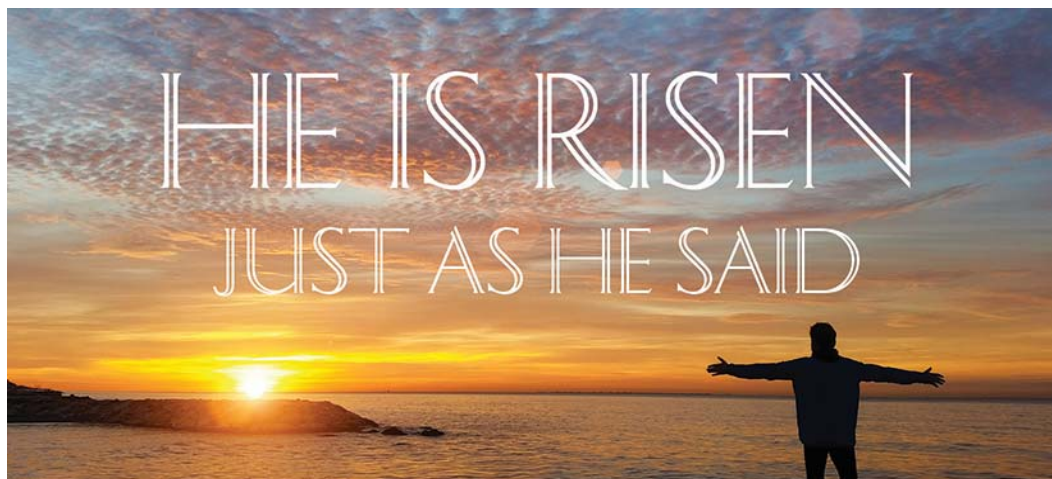




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May 15, 2022 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 15, 2022

May 16 - 22, 2022

From the Pastor desk:

We are off to a wonderful start in our ***Inspired By the Spirit*** campaign. Chairmen Larry Lee and Ryan Sullivan helped us understand the “nuts and bolts” of the project after we viewed a well-done video from the Diocese last Sunday. If you’d like to view the video again, or missed it last Sunday, go to the Diocesan website and follow the prompts.

For clarification, 65% of the money pledged by our parishioners will be for our own use to upgrade the sound and lighting systems in church, improve security around our parish campus, and make needed improvements to the school building including the essential heating system. Technology upgrades and energy efficiencies have been too long ignored in our parish and school, as well. The other 35% will be used for Diocesan needs, such as supporting our retired priests, funding the Diocesan Center building’s maintenance needs, allowing Catholic Charities to continue being the lifeboat for many in need, and ensuring continued monetary support for years to come. This year only, the Diocesan Annual Appeal will not occur. That may help many of us make a substantial initial down-payment on our five-year pledge.

Have you asked, “Where is my pledge card?” The answer is, “It’s in the mail.” This week volunteers put together a mailing with the pledge cards and return envelopes for your use. Watch for yours in the coming days.

I thank you, my parishioners, in advance for your careful consideration and generous response to this call.

Lovingly, in Christ,
Father Raj

SERVERS AND USHERS

We have many open spots in our schedule for guys and gals to be altar servers and for men and women to be ushers at weekend Masses. If you’d like more information contact the ministry “captains” listed on the front of the bulletin.

MASS INTENTIONS

This week’s reader: Ruth Vanderploeg

- MON 5/16** Easter Weekday
7:15 +Terri Levi
- TUES 5/17** Easter Weekday
7:15 +Mary Sue Finn
- WED 5/18** Easter Weekday; St. John I
7:15 +Josephine Irudayam
8:15 **NO Mass today**
- THUR 5/19** Easter Weekday
7:15 +Daniel Chamberlain
- FRI 5/20** Easter Weekday; Bernadine of Siena
7:15 +Phil Knothe & +Mike Knothe
- SAT 5/21** Easter Weekday; Christopher Magallanes & companions
NO 7:15 Mass

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant: Father Raj

- SAT 5/21** 4:30 pm +Alexander Jessintha
Server: Kyle C.
Readers: Jean Kolaczowski, Christine Nelson
Rosary leaders: Scott & Caryl Doberstein
- SUN 5/22** 8:00 **For the People of the Parish**
Servers: Jackson & Jonny W.
Readers: Ed Noelke, Bob Kelemen
Rosary Leaders: Joe & Barb Clements
10:00 **Intention of Hancock family**
Servers: Maria & Michael J.
Readers: Ann Lankford, Theresa Kivi
Rosary Leader: Galen Pittman

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

If you would like to visit the Chapel during the night time hours, call the parish office to receive the code for the door lock.

AROUND THE PARISH

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY

The Food pantry has been relocated to the Catholic Charities offices on 5th street across from Kwik Trip on Cass. Food collected here is delivered to that location on Tuesdays. There is a need for the following items – along with all the usual basic necessities: canned pasta meals (like Ravioli), coffee (prefer smaller cans), canned fruit, instant meals (the kind that don't need refrigeration), and hamburger-, tuna-, chicken Helper. Bring along an item or 2 when you come to Mass and drop off in the grocery basket in the Narthex. Thanks so much from the Peace and Justice Committee.

LOST AND FOUND

We have a wooden cane in the parish office. It is black with some red markings and looks like it has a lot of miles on it. Come to claim. Winter items – scarves, mittens, etc- look over the collection in the Narthex for your lost items and take home. Rosaries, prayer books, etc. - they all need a "home."

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.

FORMED.ORG

In our busy lives, finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn; there's always another job to be done. The inspiring presentation *Prayer: A Surge of the Heart* challenges us to make more time for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever-deepening life of prayer. Find it this week on Formed.org.

May 15
Feast of St. Isadore
Patron of Farmers

\$CRIP NEWS

Time for chili dogs and rootbeer floats

Rudy's is ready!

You're going to need some \$crip cards in your glove box for emergencies: Arby's, Culvers, McDonalds, Papa Murphy's, Subway, Wendy's, plus many others. Graduates love gift cards. Nice thank you's for teachers, too.

NEEDED NOW: \$crip sellers during office hours. Call 782-2953, ext. 1, to learn all about this low stress volunteer opportunity.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

When the blossoms are ready, we'd love to have them to decorate the sanctuary. Give Bernice Lansing a call for drop off directions.
608-793-1972.

If you have moved or changed your contact information, please let the parish office know by calling 782-2953, ext. 2, or email office@bsplacrosse.org.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received May 8	8,782

Remember: Parents who are confused by technology taught you how to use a spoon.

COMING UP

May 14/15 KC Tootsie Roll project
May 17 St. Camillus meeting, 6 pm
June 13-19 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)

Thanks to the folks who supported Wisconsin Right to Life by purchasing roses last weekend.

COMING UP

SHARE THE HARVEST

As you plant those seedlings and rows of seeds, keep others in mind who would love to enjoy the fruits (and vegetables) of your labors. Plant some extras to share with the parish.

HELP FOR YOUR SWEET TOOTH

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

HOSPITALITY AFTER MASS

We're looking forward to having time to share a treat, cup of coffee, and conversation after Mass again. Watch for dates coming up. To lend a hand, call Jennifer Kulzer at 608-385-3459 or email kulzerj@gmail.com. It's easy- just a little planning and setting up.

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 volunteers provide such an outreach. If you feel called to this ministry, please come to a meeting:

**Tues, May 17, 6 pm
Conference Room**

If you have questions, contact Deacon David Allen at david.j.allen@charter.net.

PARISH LIBRARY

Need something good to read while in the hammock? Check out the many Lives of the Saints, Church history, and spiritual guidance books in our parish library. It's in the hallway along Losey Blvd.

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.

WHEN BAD THINGS HAPPEN:

THE BOOK OF JOB FOR TROUBLED TIMES

June 3-4, Franciscan Spirituality Center
Facilitator: Peter Watkins

\$95, includes retreat with lunch on Sat.

Help in discovering where God is in times of suffering.

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.

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/schools.org/enrollment. Follow @AquinasCatholicSchools on Facebook.

ATHLETIC AWARDS CEREMONY

Sunday, May 15, 3-4:30 pm, Aquinas High School

GRADUATION CEREMONIES

Middle School: Wed, May 25, 12:30 pm

High School: Sat, May 21, noon-2pm

Blessed Sacrament Grade School: Thurs, May 26, 8:15 am

SPIRITUS MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITY

Young Catholic adults, ages 20-29

After training, teams will lead retreats for young people throughout Wisconsin. Lodging, food, a monthly allowance, health insurance, and \$3000 stipend are offered. Find out more: sarahrudd@spiritusministries.org.

GRIEF CIRCLE

Tuesdays, through May 31, 10:00-noon

Franciscan Spirituality Center

Facilitators: Sr. Rose Elsbernd & Karna Marks

Register: 608-791-5295 or www.FSC.org

SPRING CHICKEN-Q

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.

SERENITY 12-STEP RETREAT

June 3-5, St. Anthony Retreat Center

Presenter: Ruth Hoenick

Cost: \$210; go to sarcenter.com or call 715-443-2236

ADVENTURE CAMP

June 26 – July 1

Students in grades 6-12

\$440 for the week: meals, lodging, activities
All information and registration at diolc.org/youth

BUS TRIP TO THE FIRESIDE, FT. ATKINSON

June 18 "What Happens in Vegas"

\$100 includes travel, performance, and lunch
Contact Arlene Young, 608-788-3440, for all information/sign up.

GOLF OUTING & DINNER FOR VOCATIONS

June 13, Fox Hollow in Barre Mills

Reservations: diolc.org/vocations