



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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WHO DO YOU
SAY THAT I AM?
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Blessed Sacrament Parish

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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 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 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

September 12, 2021

September 13 - 19, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the Lord give you peace.

The restoration of the Cathedral of St. Joseph is progressing well, and it is anticipated that the work will reach completion this Fall. I hope that you have taken the opportunity to view the Cathedral's website where they have provided updates on the construction, as well as live construction cams, allowing all to join in the excitement of bringing our Cathedral back to its glory. This work could never have been recognized had it not been for the support of all of you. The Christ Our Cornerstone campaign kicked off with a target goal of \$6.1M in January 2020, and I am extremely pleased to share that 143 parishes participated, with over 2200 donors, reaching the target goal. I extend my sincere appreciation to all who carried out this work through your participation, pledge payments, and prayers. It is through the generosity of all the faithful that we have been able to preserve our beloved Mother Church for generations to come. I ask that you take a moment and watch the video message.

<https://vimeo.com/588061083>

In Christ,
Bishop William Patrick Callahan

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MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Tuesday, September 14; 6:00-7:30 pm
Conference Room

All men of the parish and friends are invited to charge their batteries by joining in prayer and the Rosary for the needs of their families and acquaintances. Then there will be a guided discussion on the Joys of Mary and discussion on the excellent book MARY AT THE CROSSROADS OF HISTORY.

Men, take some time for yourself.
See you on Tuesday evening.

Questions? Call David Schreier, 608-790-3631.

If you or someone you know is seriously ill, facing surgery, or needs prayers, please call the parish office at 782-2953, ext. 2, so our ANGELS OF MERCY Prayer Group can be notified.

MASS INTENTIONS

- MON 9/13 7:15 John Chrysostom
+Terry Thomsen
- TUES 9/14 7:15 Exaltation of the Holy Cross
+Gwen Shanagan
- WED 9/15 7:15 Our Lady of Sorrows
+Leonard & +Paula Fronhauer
8:15 +Richard & +Diane Franke
- THUR 9/16 7:15 Cornelius & Cyprian
+Dorothy Heberlein
- FRI 9/17 7:15 Weekday; Robert Bellarmine
+Judy Otis
- SAT 9/18 Weekday; BVM
NO 7:15 Mass

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj
Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC

- SAT 9/18 4:30 pm +Mary Ellen Robertson
Servers: Sam Trussoni, Kyle Craig
Readers: Tom Kieffer, Joan Mueller
Rosary leader: Ken & Grainne Quillin
- SUN 9/19 8:00 +Ray & +Florence Mashak
Server: Teddy Uehling
Readers: Tom Michel, John Gallagher
Rosary leaders: Melissa Vach
10:00 For the People of the Parish
Servers: Elizabeth & Mike Hancock
Readers: Tony Weisse, Patti Keil
Rosary leaders: Kevin & Helen Roop

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 & WIDOWERS

Lunch at Schmidty's
Tues, Sept 14, 11:30
Questions? Call Barb Schmitz,
788-1667.

*Found outside near the office
Timex woman's watch: silver band with
gold accents; white face.
Claim in the parish office*

USHERS NEEDED

Men and women and teens
Contact Tom Kratt to sign up
tomkratt@charter.net
Check the sign up sheet in the
Narthex with your Mass of choice.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Kick-off Rally
September 12, 2 pm
Black River Beach Center
Speaker: Dan Miller,
Director of Pro-Life Wisconsin
Refreshments will be served
40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Sept 22-Oct 31
Check the bulletin insert today
for all the information.

RAFFLE BASKET ASSEMBLY

October 4, 9 am
Conference Room
Please have all your donated
goodies and treasures there so the
fantastic baskets can be assembled.
Questions? Contact Marie: 784-5189

HELP FOR HAITI, AFGHAN REFUGEES, HURRICANE IDA VICTIMS

Learn how you can help by going to
diolc.org/social-concerns.

Thanks to the gardeners who
have provided such beautiful
flowers for the sanctuary this
summer and fall.

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB

*This is a faith-based experience for
pre-school through 6th grade girls
and their moms.
*Monthly gatherings include lots of
activities, learning about our
Catholic faith, prayer time, and fun.
Badges are awarded.
*The Club will meet in our Parish
Center on the 2nd Sunday of the
month, 11:30-1:00, starting Sept 12.
Bring a sack lunch.
Leaders are Rachel Biemiller
rachelbiemiller@gmail.com
and Corry Marco
gregandcorene.marco@gmail.com
If you are interested in joining the
Club or have questions, contact
either leader.

APPLE PIE INGREDIENTS NEEDED Butter, flour, sugar, and shortening.

Drop off in the Narthex.
* Pie assembly: Oct 1
* Pie sale: Oct 2 & 3
* Pie enjoyment: up to you
Mark your calendar and come on
Friday to help peel apples and
prepare the pies. Many hands make
light sweet work.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received September 5	13,327

Marriage tip #46: Your wife won't start
an argument with you if you are
cleaning.

COMING UP

Sept 12 Kick-off for "40 Days for Life"
Sept 13 Social Justice Committee
meeting, 6 pm, Conference Room
Sept 14 Widows & Widowers lunch at
Schmidty's, 11:30
Sept 15 Religious Ed classes
Sept 16 Our parish supplies supper for
the homeless in Houska Park
Sept 22-Oct 31 "40 Days for Life"
Oct 1 Apple Pie making day
Oct 2 & 3 Parish Apple Pie Sale
Oct 23 "Men of the Cross" Gathering
Diocesan Center
Nov 20 Advent/Christmas Fair

COMING UP

Formed.org

This week in the Gospel we hear Jesus
calling us to take up our cross and
follow Him. On the heels of that, the
Church gives us the Feast of the
Exultation of the Holy Cross. To the
world, both of these concepts are
illogical. Why do we exalt an instrument
of torture? Why would we be willing to
suffer and follow after Jesus? This week
on Formed.org Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben
Akers discuss the history and meaning
of this great feast. Check it out this
week on formed.org.

MASS INTENTION OPENINGS

There are several openings for Mass
intentions this year. You may begin
scheduling your intentions for 2022
on November 1. Call the Parish
Office or stop in.

SHARE THE HARVEST

If your zucchini plants are going
crazy, or you are drowning in
tomatoes, share the excess with
others by placing it on the table in
the Narthex. Anyone who can use
the veggies, etc. is welcome to take
some home. If you do, drop a little
donation in the flower pot. We give
that money to Place or Grace.

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

WHO AM I TO JUDGE?

9-WEEK PROGRAM AT MULTIPLE PARISHES AND TIMES.

(Available also to do at home through Formed.org)

Check the information about times for gathering. It's on the bulletin boards.

This program helps answer the question "What is right and wrong?" Society seems to be telling us that each person can make up his or her own morality – that there is no moral truth that applies to everyone. Learn how Catholic morality is all about love, how making a judgment is not judging a person's soul.

Registration deadline is Sept 13.

MEN OF THE CROSS GATHERING

"Walking with St. Joseph"

Saturday, October 23, Diocesan Center

More details to follow

BEST LIFE COMMUNITY AWARDS

Altra Credit Union is awarding up to \$10,000 to local non-profits. Only members of Altra may nominate an organization. It is recommended that Catholic Charities, 3710 East Ave. S, be nominated for the immense impact it has had on our community. The deadline is Sept 13. Go to the Best Life Community Awards homepage for the rules.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas has a unique governance structure. Local groups are called "courts" and leaders are called "regents." This unique structure is replicated at the state level, where a State Board provides state organization to 8 courts. State officers from our area include Bernice Lansing, State Regent, and Barbara McGovern, State Treasurer.

Women age 18 and older are invited to become part of this established charitable group. More information on their website.

RUMMAGE SALE

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St.

Fri, Sept 17, 11-3pm : \$6/bag

Sat, Sept 18, 8-11: \$3/bag

Some items priced individually.

DOMESTIC CHURCH EVANGELIZATION RETREAT

October 30 & 31, Notre Dame Goldsmith Education Center, 117 Allen St, Chippewa Falls

Married couples gather to strengthen their spousal union and lead them to experience harmony and joy in their marriage by intentionally placing Christ in the center.

Cost: \$300, includes lodging

Contact Notre Dame Parish for registration information.

READ THE CATECHISM

15 minutes/day; about 15 paragraphs (roughly 3 pages); 5 days/week for 38 weeks

To receive a schedule every two weeks send an email to Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org with "Catechism" in the subject line.

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 September 23: Dignity and Rights of Workers. Using the Scripture passage "...He did this on the Sabbath" as the basis for his reflection, Father Matt Marshall will explore how work is a way to create with and for God and others.

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

RURAL LIFE DAY

Wednesday, September 22

Castle Rock Organic Farms, Osseo

Mass celebrated by Bishop Callahan at 10:00, followed by recognition, awards, and the blessing of crops and machinery, and catered lunch
More info at diolc.org/rural-life

MARCH FOR LIFE WISCONSIN

Saturday, October 2, noon

State Capitol in Madison

Go to: ProLifeWI.org/march for life for details and bus transportation

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Mon Someone God is calling

Tues Alex Radtke

Wed Deacon Matthew Bowe

Thurs Deacon Steven Weller

Fri Jared Clements

Sat Alex Kren

Sun Isaac Pecha

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.

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.