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April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday

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

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Palm Sunday: 4:30 pm Sat. 8:00 & 10:00 Sunday We gather IN THE PARISH CENTER and process into Church.

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm
The Adoration Chapel will remain open until 10:00
pm after Mass for private prayer.

Good Friday Service: 12:15 pm
We suggest that veneration of the cross be by bowing or genuflecting.
The church will remain open until 4:00 pm for private prayer.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

If you would like to be one of the "apostles" on Holy Thursday for the washing of feet, please call Pauline at 782-2953, ext. 4.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in the early 1930s. He told her that He would make her a missionary of His Divine Mercy to the world. As part of that mission, He gave her the prayers for the Divine Mercy Novena, a nine-day prayer that begins on Good Friday of each year and ends on the Sunday after Easter Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday). What makes this Novena unique is that Jesus Himself composed it, and each day a prayer can be offered for one specific group of souls, such as children, priests and religious, luke-warm souls, fallen-away Catholics, and so on. Pray the Divine Mercy Novena starting on Good Friday in preparation for this feast. For more information on Divine Mercy, go to: thedivinemercy.org.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions will take place on Sunday, April 24, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, from noon to 3:15 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at noon. Confessions will be heard throughout the afternoon with hourly recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Devotions will conclude with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction at 3:30. Come when you can; leave when you must.

MASS INTENTIONS

This week's reader: Les Lachine

MON 4/11 Monday of Holy Week

7:15 Living & deceased members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Tuesday of Holy Week

7:15 Intention of Lori & Intention of Wally

Blaschko

WED 4/13 Wednesday of Holy Week

7:15 +Chris Poehling NO 8:15 Mass today

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THE TRIDUUM

THUR 4/14 Holy Thursday

TUES 4/12

NO 7:15 Mass today

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper +Eleanor & Ellis Crook

Readers: Tony Weisse, Ed Noelke

FRI 4/15 Good Friday

NO 7:15 Mass today

12:15 Good Friday Service

Readers: Tom Kieffer, Ed Noelke

NO 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross; Benediction

SAT 4/16 Holy Saturday

NO 7:15 Mass

8:30 pm Easter Vigil

+Dick Meyer

Readers: Ruth Vanderploeg, Tom Kieffer,

Tony Weisse

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Celebrant: Father Raj

SUN 4/17 8:00 +Periyanayagi Ammal (Fr. Raj's mother)

Servers:

Readers: Tom Michel, John Gallagher

Rosary Leader: Melissa Vach

10:00 For the People of the Parish

Server:

Readers: Tony Weisse, Patti Keil Rosary Leaders: Kevin & Helen Roop

CONFESSIONS Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 or by appointment. Mon, Apr 11, 8:00-6:00, Cathedral NO Confessions Holy Sat, Apr 16, 3:30

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!

AROUND THE PARISH

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

All Masses begin in the Parish Center where the palms will be blessed. We will follow in Christ's footsteps as we march into church, as He entered Jerusalem to shouts of "Hosanna to our King!" We then hear the Passion and officially enter Holy Week.

HOLY THURDAYS, 7:00 pm

*The Holy Oils, blessed at the Cathedral at the Chrism Mass, are brought forward. These oils are used to administer the sacraments throughout the year.

*After the Homily Father Raj will symbolically wash the feet of parishioners who represent the 12 apostles at the Last Supper whose feet were washed by Jesus.

*The Mass ends with a procession taking the Eucharist from church to our Adoration Chapel where adoration continues until 10 pm. We think about Christ's agony of the garden as we kneel in prayer.

GOOD FRIDAY, 12:15 pm

- *Liturgy of the Word & Passion
- *Solemn Intercessions
- *Veneration of the Cross
- *Reception of Holy Communion

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.

EASTER VIGIL, 8:30 pm

*Lighting the New fire; weather permitting this will be outside *Scripture readings recounting the story of Salvation from Eden on. *Blessing the Easter water and renewal of Baptism Promises *Confirmation and Reception into full communion

EASTER SUNDAY, 8:00 & 10:00

At our Easter Mass we renew our Baptism Promises and are sprinkled with the newly blessed Easter water. It's a worthy day for ALLELUIA!

Formed.org

This week on Formed.org, as we begin Holy Week, join Dr. Brant Pitre, author and Scripture scholar, as he walks us through the journey of our Lord Who invites us to walk along with Him. Pitre's insights and clarity allow the listener to enter into a deeper appreciation of the most important events of Christ's earthly ministry.

Check it out on Formed.org.

THANKS TO OUR FRIDAY SOUP CREW

Following Stations of the Cross on
Fridays in Lent we gathered for a
simple soup & bread supper.
Hail to the soup makers and helpers:
Stephanie Froegel
Theresa & Rick Jeric
Marie Allen
Barb & Joe Clements
Paulette & Peter Drozdowicz
Bernice Lansing
Nancy Soldner
Ann Lankford
Jennifer Kulzer

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly \$13,000 Received Apr 3 \$12,138

Dear Optimist and Pessimist,
While you were arguing about that
glass of water, I drank it.
Sincerely, the Opportunist

COMING UP

Apr 10 Little Flowers, 11:30

Apr 11 All day Confession at Cathedral

Apr 11-17 Our week for Mobile Meals

Apr 12 Chrism Mass, 10:30, Cathedral

Apr 18 Office & \$crip closed

Apr 20 Confirmation, 6:30 pm

Apr 20 Men's Gathering, 6pm

May 1 First Communion, 10:00

June 19 Corpus Christi, Parish Feast Day We will have one Sunday Mass at 9:00 with a solemn Fucharistic

9:00 with a solemn Eucharistic Procession following and breakfast afterward. (No 8:00 or 10:00 Masses) REST IN PEACE +Taylor Vanderploeg

Grandson of Mike and Ruth Funeral: Mon, Apr 18, 9:00 am

+(Mary) Lou Smith

Longtime parishioner Funeral at a later date

COMING UP

EASTER LILIES & FLOWERS

Let's fill our sanctuary with loads of blossoms to celebrate Easter! You may order a lily in 2 sizes: small for \$17 and large for \$30. Just call the office: 782-2953, ext. 2.

AND pretty spring blooming plants – all colors – are also welcome. Drop off in the hallway along Losey on Good Fri, noon-4 pm, or Holy Saturday, 9-11 am.

As always, you may designate your donation to honor or remember a loved one.

a friend. WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES

+Mon, Apr 11, Cathedral

8:00am - 5:00 pm

Several priests available all day

+Sat, Apr 16 Holy Saturday

NO confessions at 3:30

MEN'S GATHERING

Wed, Apr 20, 6-7:30 pm

Parish Center

Bring your rosary. We will dive

deeper into Church history. Bring

Kyle and Megan Zellner Meredith, Charlie, Eddie

If you have moved or changed contact information please contact the parish office.

AROUND TOWN

FATIMA MOVIE SHOWINGS

Mon, Apr 25, 9am & 6 pm, St. James Murphy Hall
Tues, Apr 26, 6:30 pm, St. Patrick's Parish Hall
Thurs, Apr 28, 9 am, St. Patrick Parish Hall
Fri, Apr 29, 10 am, Cathedral Undercroft
Free and open to all. This movie may help us understand
more fully why Pope Francis asks us to put Russia and
Ukraine under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

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.

Seminarians to pray for this week

Mon Brian Ward Tues Kyle Lang Wed Alex Radtke

Thurs Someone God is calling Fri Deacon Matthew Bowe Sat Deacon Steven Weller

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.

FRANCISCAN CORE

June 19-24 at Viterbo
Resident experience for late teens
Service Camp includes time for prayer, education on
Church social teachings, direct service, meditation with
counselors.

Apply online at www.viterbo.edu/franciscan-core

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION PREPARATION

Do you wish to help others discover a personal, intimate relationship with God? Are you interested in preparing for retreat ministry? Are you looking to hone your deep, compassionate listening skills?

Franciscan Spirituality Center is offering a 3-year program to prepare for these steps. The new cycle begins in September, 2022, with application deadline of June 1. Go to www.FSCenter.org to download a brochure and application.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish Fri, Apr 29, 11:00-3:00; \$6/bag Sat, Apr 30, 8:00-1:00; \$3/bag

CATHEDRAL PARISH CHICKEN-QUE

Thurs, April 28, 11:00-6:00; tickets at 769-7965

AQUINAS NEWS

2022-2023 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment and re-enrollment for the 2022-23 school year is now open. 2022 Aquinas Financial Aid application period closes April 15. There is \$650,000 available; apply through FACTS. The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program application period ends April 2. Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinascatholic schools.org/enrollment. Follow @AquinasCatholicSchools on Facebook.

FOUNDER'S DAY APRIL 24

Radisson Ballroom Details on website event page

CHICKEN-QUE on April 27

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 jreinhart1@yahoo.com. During Lent, pray the Stations in the Cemetery; they are beautiful!

SPIRITUS RETREAT LEADERS

Young adults in their 20's are invited to join SPIRITUS. Work in teams and lead retreats for young folks throughout Wisconsin for 9 months. Training, lodging, travel, food, monthly allowance, health insurance, and \$3,000 stipend. Learn all about this group by contacting Sarah Ruud at 920-722-8918, ext. 7, or email: sarahrudd@spiritusministries.org

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

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.

BUS TRIP TO THE FIRESIDE, FT. ATKINSON

"A Mighty Fortress is our Basement" Sat, April 30; \$100/person - meal included Contact Arlene Young, 608-788-3440

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