Blessed Sacrament Parish

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PROVERBS 11:26

Pastor Rev. Peter Raj

> **Deacon** David Allen

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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20th and 21st Sundays in Ordinary Time August 18 & 25 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 pm Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:00 am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:30 am

CONFESSION Saturday 3:30–4:00 pm Other times by appointment

EVENING PRAYER Daily 5:15 pm in Adoration Chapel

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: Pete Fiorini Mike Vanderploeg William Arnold

Weekend Servers (Middle and High Schoolers): *Holly Gorman*

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: Kathy Nicks

Weekday Servers (Grade Schoolers): Stephanie Gauger

Weekday Readers: Caryl Doberstein

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers: Carolyn Steingraeber

PARISH CONTACTS

Secretary: Elizabeth Skemp

Finances: Steve McGovern, Eenie Francksen

Building Maintenance: Carl Francksen

Scrip Coordinators: 782.2953 xt6 Paul Poehling, Pat Hammes

Website: Jennifer Kulzer

Music Director: 782.2953 xt3 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

August 19 - 25, 2019

August 25 – September 1, 2019

EUCHARIST: Bill Chamberlain READER: Steve McGovern

MON 8/19	Weekday; John Eudes		
7:30	+Jean Susdorf		
	Servers: Don Flynn, Mike Vanderploeg		
TUES 8/20	Bernard		
7:30	+Lois Olson		
	Server: Pete Fiorini; Mike Vanderploeg		
WED 8/21	Pius X		
7:30	+John Lombardo		
THURS 8/22 Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary			
7:30	+Marian Pavela		
Servers: Alexa Myhre & Rosa Schwinn-Weaver			
FRI 8/23	Weekday; Rose of Lima		
7:30	+David Kulzer		
	Servers: Jackson & Evie Gerke		
SAT 8/24	Bartholomew		
1:00 N	Juptials Emily Saphner & Dan Brander		

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 8/24 +Dick Roth

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Pete Fiorini Servers: Craig, Gorman, Jacob Hillebrand Readers: Gene Kolaczkowski, Christy Nelson Petitions: Eucharist: Kay Nix, Loretta Clarkin, Susan Fukuda Ushers: Tony Flottmeyer, Allan Fukuda, David Sweeney Dave Nelson Offering family: Tom & Maureen Kieffer Rosary Leaders: Scott & Caryl Doberstein

SUN 8/25 8:00 For the People of the Parish

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Mike Vanderploeg Servers: Jacob Nelson, Peyton Strittmater, Shane Willenbring Readers: Paul Rinzel, Bob Kelemen Petitions:

Eucharist: Erin Strittmater, Joe Clements, Jean Kachel, Mary Therese Rinzel, Bob Kachel

Ushers: Mark Chamberlain, Tom Roob, David Schreier, Tad Strittmater

Offering Family: Paul & Mary Therese Rinzel Rosary Leaders: Joe & Barb Clements

10:00 +Albert & Pat Shedesky

Concelebrants: Fr. Peter Raj MC: William Arnold Servers: Jackson Gerke, Michael Johnson, Colin Sans Crainte Readers: Ann Lankford, Theresa Kivi Petitions: Eucharist: Mike Hartley, Larry & Donna Lee, Barb Lee Ushers: Terry Felt, John Sullivan, Tom Franke, Tom Dolan Offering Family: Orlando & Maggie Leon Rosary Leaders: Nick & Kathy Nicks

EUCHARIST: Helen Flynn READER: Kristine Gerke

MON 8/26	Weekday
7:30	+Ann Marie Pint
	Servers: Don Flynn, Mike Vanderploeg
TUES 8/27	Monica
7:30	+James & Arlene Johnson
	Server: Pete Fiorini; Mike Vanderploeg
WED 8/28	Augustine
9:00	+Maxine Kroner
THU 8/29	Passion of John the Baptist
7:30	+Mary Werner
	Servers: Gwen & Oliver Buck
FRI 8/30	Weekday
7:30	Intention of Delina Leon
	Servers: Harry Griffith & Louie Berendes
SAT 8/31	Weekday; BVM
11:00	Nuptials Margaret Shay & John Stubler

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 8/31 Special Intentions of Elizabeth Skemp Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Craig, Gorman. Greg Kusmitch Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders Petitions: Eucharist: Cheryl & Tom Horvath, Anne & Tom Gees, Christy Nelson Ushers: Dick Stelmach, Tony Flottmeyer, Kay Nix, Dave Sweeney Offering family: Dana & Jonella Rademacher Rosary Leaders: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders

SUN 9/1 8:00 For the People of the Parish

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Mike Vanderploeg Servers: Skemps Readers: Dan Skemp, Donna Levi Petitions: Eucharist: Helen Flynn, Jean Kachel, Kathleen Hanson, Tad & Erin Strittmater Ushers: Bill Chamberlain, Mike Watunya, Bruce Simones, Thomas Keil Offering Family: Tad & Erin Strittmater family Rosary Leader: Irm White-Drier

10:00 + Joe & Elaine Steingraeber

Concelebrants: Fr. Peter Raj Servers: Gaugers, Ted Uehling Readers: Dan Weinberger, Kris Gerke Petitions: Eucharist: Fran Sauer, Mary Kay Richert, Kathy Hancock, Brain Fukuda, Bud Lee Ushers: Terry Felt, Tom Richert, LuAnn Kratt, Mark Hyde Offering Family: Ted & Sheila Riley Rosary Leaders: Greg & Fran Sauer

THIS WEEK OUR WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS TIME MOVES TO 9:00 SO OUR GRADE SCHOOLERS CAN PARTICIPATE.

AROUND THE PARISH

SHARE YOUR GARDENS' BOUNTY

*Drop off your excess veggies, herbs, etc. at church in the Narthex. Others who can use it are welcome to take these treats home. Drop off a little donation in the flower pot to be given to Place of Grace.

REST IN PEACE

David Kulzer father of Jennifer Kulzer

A number of our high schoolers who have been so faithful as altar servers and petition readers have gone off to college, so we have openings for new faces. Call the office to volunteer.

OFFERTORY FAMILY CALLERS

At each weekend Mass our gifts of bread and wine are presented at the time of the Offertory by a family or friends. Those folks are contacted beforehand by a caller. We are in need of 4 callers; each takes just one month of Sundays to schedule the offering families. Could you spare time to help out? You will be supplied with the list of folks who wish to be called. Let Elizabeth in the office, 782-2953, ext. 2, know if you can help out.

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

Meet for lunch on Tues, Sept 3 Waterfront Restaurant, 11:00 am Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667, or Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917

Do you have questions about our faith or the liturgy? Visit our parish website or the questionaire box in the Narthex to fill out a form to get the answers you need.

BAPTISMS

Lauren Theresa & Silas Robert Crook children of Wade & Emily

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

Aug 24 & 25 Couples who are celebrating a wedding anniversary during August are invited to receive a blessing and small gift from the parish. Please come forward to the front of church after the homily. Thank you for your faithful witness to the graces of Matrimony.

REJOICE CHOIR

Practice will be held Thurs, Sept 5, 5:30-6:30. The choir will sing at Mass on Sat, Sept 7, at 4:30, and on Sun, Sept 15, at 10:00.

\$CRIP NEWS

Phone orders: 782-2953, ext. 6. Email orders: SCRIP@ bsplacrosse.org \$CRIP ORDER FORMS CAN BE DOWN-LOADED FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE. Makes it easy to fill out before coming to Mass.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDY

A new 4-year program will begin in the Fall and is welcoming registrants now. The program joins the best of contemporary Catholic biblical learning with a desire for spiritual growth in the Church. Classes are held one Saturday a month in Wausau and in La Crosse. Catechists, teachers, deacons, parish Bible study leaders, and regular readers of the Bible looking for something "beyond the basics" will profit from the program. An outline of the course study can be found at the DSBS website (http://diocesanschoolofbiblicalstudies. weebly.com/) or by calling Father Mark Pierce at St. Michael's Parish, Wausau, 715-842-4283 or e-mail: frmarkpierce@gmail.com.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020			
Needed Weekly	\$13,000		
Received Aug 4 & 11	24,095		

I hate it when people accuse me of *lollygagging* when it's quite clear I am *dillydallying.*

COPING WITH CAREGIVING, ILLNESS, OR LOSS?

The Rosary Support Group meets Wednesday, Aug 28, 10:00-11:30, in the Conference Room for prayer and friendship, and to gain strength as we share and seek wisdom in coping with life's challenges. Use the entrance off the alley by the office or the side hallway after 9:00 Mass. For questions call Marcia Kolaczkowski, 790-5342, or Margaret Cunningham, 782-3885. Note: school will be back in session so please park on the street or alley. Aug 24 & 25 Anniversary Weekend Aug 28 School Mass; 9:00 (no 7:30 Mass) Aug 28 Rosary Support Group, 10:00 Sept 2 Labor Day, Office closed Sept 3 Widows & Widowers, Waterfront,

- 11:00
- Sept 16-22 Our week for Mobile Meals Oct 5 Catholic Daughters luncheon & program

Oct 26 Men of the Cross Conference

RCIA

Do you know someone who is interested in learning about our Catholic Faith with the thought of joining the Church? Our parish offers a study-prayer program to help folks learn about the Faith and dive into our liturgical practices. Perhaps you or someone else has been baptized, but not confirmed. Here's the place to make preparations for this sacrament. More information will be coming. If you have questions, contact Jennifer Kulzer at 385-3459.

FORMED.ORG

COMING UP

On Aug 15 we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into Heaven where she reigns as Queen of Heaven and Earth. But why do we celebrate Mary as our Queen Mother? This week on Formed.org hear the answer in the Study *The Bible and*

the Virgin Mary: Episode 7: The Promised Mother. Learn the Biblical roots of this sometimes questioned Catholic doctrine. See how Mary's Queenship is alluded to in the New Testament and fore-shadowed in the Old.

Use this code to sign up: K2768J

There's still time to register for the 2019-2020 school year in an Aquinas Catholic School. Our schools are open to families of all faiths, and we offer several tuition assistance programs. Schedule a tour today. <u>www.aquinascatholicschools.org</u>.

CARE FOR CAREGIVERS

In partnership with Shalom World TV, Nourish for Caregivers is excited to announce the release of its new 12-episode faith-based TV series, "Be Nourished!" Nourish is a Christ-centered ministry that supports the practical, emotional and spiritual needs of family caregivers. Often caregivers feel alone and isolated. "Be Nourished" has proven effective at addressing this challenge. Go to: shalomworldtv.org/benourished.

JOB OPENINGS AT St. JOSEPH VILLA

Nursing and Food Service depts. Full and part time positions open Apply online at fspa.org/employment by Aug 15

HOLY TRINITY SUMMER PROGRAMS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL for Grades K-5 August 19-23, 9-11:30 am Prayer, songs, stories, crafts MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY CAMP for grades 6-8 August 20-22, 6:30-8:30 pm Info & registration: <u>holytrinityreled@charter.net</u>

PILGRIMAGE TO GUATEMALA FOR BEATITICATION OF BROTHER JAMES MILLER

Led by Father Tom Lindner December 7, 2019 Brother James was martyred in 1982 during Guatemala's civil war. He was a Stevens Point native. Info: www.ctscentral.net/trips/guatemala/beatificationpilgrimage-to-guatemala/.

LAY FORMATION INSITITUTE

2-year program; one weekend/month (Fri evening through Sat afternoon) *Deepen your knowledge of our Faith in company with other learners *Become a joyful disciple *Discover the treasures of Sacred Scripture, the Catechism, Church history, Vatican II, Christian Prayer, and more! New session beginning in Sept. Go to: diolc.org/lay-formation

BIRTHRIGHT OF LA CROSSE

115 S 5TH Ave, Office # 406; 782-0373 If you know of someone who is struggling with an unplanned pregnancy, let them know we are here to help.

AQUINASFEST BLOCK PARTY

Friday, September 6, 3-7 PM; free Aquinas Parking lot and Cameron Street Kory Keppel's Pig Roast, inflatables, kids games, cornhole, refreshments

FALL ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Beginning the week of Sept 22 we will offer a Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles. It is one of the most interesting books of the Bible as it follows the heroic accomplishments of the first Christians and the remarkable infusion of the Holy Spirit into the blood of the New Church. It will be offered on Tuesdays, 8:15-9:45 am, in the Parish Center. Mark your calendar. Info to follow.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SALAD LUNCHEON & PROGRAM

Sat, Oct 5, 11:00, Parish Center Save the date

MEN OF THE CROSS CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 26, at Aquinas 8:50 am through 4:30 Mass with Bishop Callahan Inspirational speakers to help men of all ages (and their sons) recharge their batteries. Watch for more details or register today at: menofthecross.org.

NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US

Retreat for those left behind by suicide Aug 23-25, St. Anthony's, Marathon \$190 includes meals and lodging 715-443-2236

or www.sarcenter.com.

We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to Him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives. CCC #2283

HEALING WHILE GRIEVING

Support group for people living with loss or grief Mon, Aug 19, 5:30-6:30 Lang Conference Room, Mayo Healthcare (near the Marketplace) Topic: Good Grief: Towards Healthy Mourning

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 839

invites men 18 years of age and older to prayerfully consider joining their organization. You will be warmly welcomed and afforded a variety of ways to live out the call to perform the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Contact Grand Knight Charlie Peters, 612-760-6192 or email: sjpeters2011@gmail.com.

FIRST SATURDAY AT THE SHRINE

September 7 10:00 Presentation on the Rosary by the Friars 10:30 Rosary 11:00 Mass Confessions heard before and after Mass

Order raffle tickets at aquinascatholicschools.org.