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Second Sunday of Lent March 8, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 pm Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:00 am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:30 am Wed 9:00 am

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30-4:00 pm Other times by appointment

BENEDICTION

First Friday 8:00 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 5:15 pm, during Lent

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

Masters of Ceremonies: Mike Vanderploeg William Arnold Gabe Trussoni

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

Parish Office Ass't Dir: Elizabeth Skemp

Finances: Steve McGovern, Fenie 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

March 9 - 15, 2020

From the Pastor's Desk

As you know there is a growing concern about the Corona virus and its impact on our communities in our nation and around the world.

This past week Bishop Callahan, along with many Bishops around the country, offered some considerations for our parishes. Following on his suggestions and out of an abundance of caution, the following temporary preventative changes have been made for worship in our parish:

*If you are sick or experiencing symptoms of sickness, you are not obligated to attend Mass. Out of charity, you ought not to attend Mass. Tune into Channel 19 at 9:30 so you may view Mass, and pray along. Check the Diocesan website for other Mass times and channels. EWTN offers Mass, as well.

*During Mass the offering of the sign of peace will be temporarily suspended.

*Starting immediately, the Eucharist will be offered only under consecrated Bread. The Cup will not be offered.

*Holy water will only be available from the dispensary at the right side of the chapel in front of church.

*Very importantly, pray for all of those individuals and families who are being affected by this illness and for wisdom and understanding for the professionals and public officials who are working for the common good during this difficult and uncertain time.

+STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays during Lent 2:25 led by the school children 5:15 Stations & Benediction

Soup supper follows in Parish Center

MON 3/9 Lenten Weekday; Frances of Rome

7:30 +John & Laura Levi

Servers: Don Flynn, Mike Vanderploeg

TUES 3/10 Lenten Weekday

EUCHARIST: Florence Koenig

7:30 + Jeffrey & Toni Schoen

Server: Andy Nordeen

READER: Dr. Steve Pavela

WED 3/11 Lenten Weekday

9:00 +Luke Cochran

THU 3/12 Lenten Weekday
7:30 +Bill & Lyda DeGise

Servers: Harry Griffith, Lincoln Stanek, Will Nordeen

FRI 3/13 Lenten Weekday

7:30 +Maxine Kroner

Servers:

5:15 Stations of the Cross & Benediction

SAT 3/14 Lenten Weekday

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SAT 3/14 +Frances Skemp

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj MC: Gabe Trussoni

Servers: Clay Berra, Craig, Gorman Reader: Joan Mueller, Tom Kieffer

Petitions:

Eucharist: Caryl Doberstein, Susan Fukuda, Ruth Wills,

Pauline Jagodzinski

Ushers: Allan Fukuda, Dave Sweeney Offering family: Kay Nix, Mary Ann Melvin

Rosary Leader: Ken Quillin

SUN 3/15 8:00 For the People of the Parish

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Jake Hillebrand, Rylan Schneider Readers: Tom Michel, John Gallagher

Petitions: Lindsay Boland

Eucharist: Bill Chamberlain, Bernice Lansing, David Schreier, Ruth Vanderploeg, Bob Kachel

Ushers: Pat Cavadini, Dave Herlitzke

Offering Family: Dave & Jeannette Schreier family

Rosary Leader: Barb Swieciak

10:00 Living & deceased members of Nic & Lil Hengel families

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj MC: William Arnold

Servers: Caleb Bennett, Michael & Maria Johnson

Reader: Patti Keil, Tony Weisse

Petitions:

Eucharist: Ellen Kallies, Terry Felt, Patti Sans Crainte,

Mary Kay Richert

Ushers: Steve Flottmeyer, Mark Hyde, PJ Paulino,

Matt Cambio

Offering Family: Andrea & Brian Fukuda family

Rosary Leaders: Kevin & Helen Roop

AROUND THE PARISH

THE SAINT JOSEPH TABLE March 19, 5:30 PM, Parish Center

In the long-standing tradition in Italy of honoring St. Joseph near his feast day, we are again planning an evening meal that day. If you would like to make a Minestrone soup or provide fruit or cream puffs or bread for the meal contact Barb Swieciak at 784-6974 or email scwjoy@gmail.com.

REST IN PEACE

John Leinfelder husband of Barbara

Terry Tomsen brother of Ann Jahimiak

50[™] WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If you are celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary this year, please let the office know. Call Elizabeth at 782-2953, ext. 2, or email her at office@bsplacrosse.org

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA

CD's and books are again available in the entry to the Adoration Chapel.

Make yourself spiritually strong this Lent.

And, while you're there, pop into the Chapel for a few quiet refreshing minutes with Our Lord.

VOLUNTEER RECEPTION Sun, March 15, 11:00 am Parish Center

Are you a singer, cleaner, server, reader, money counter, teacher, sewer, cloth washer, vacuumer, garbage collector, repair person, purchaser, floral arranger...? Please come to YOUR reception and enjoy a thank you from the parish by enjoying some time together with good food and good company.

Questions about your faith or the liturgy? Visit our parish website or the questionnaire box in the back of church to fill out a form to get the answer you need. The answers by Father can be provided privately or during Mass. Please take advantage of this opportunity to increase the faithfulness in your life.

MUSIC NEWS & NOTES

The Rejoice choir will sing at 10:00 Mass on March 15. If you like to sing, come join us.

Questions? Call Pauline Connell, 782-2953, ext. 3.

\$CRIP NEWSPhone orders: 782-2953, ext. 6.

Email orders: SCRIP@
bsplacrosse.org
Kwik Trip is again offering its semi-annual
10% rebate on \$crip profits. We are
carrying a boat-load of cards through
mid-March so you can stock up and
gain that extra money toward your
Aquinas School tuition.

FORMED.ORG

Did you know that Catholic Answers offers quick "Ready Reasons" on Formed.org? The Catholic teaching on penance is often rejected because they think it implies Jesus' death on the cross was not enough. Learn why this is not actually the case. Sign up for your free subscription by simply selecting our parish's name at formed.org/signup. Or use our code: K2768J

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Needed Weekly \$13,000 Received Feb 23 6,485 Mar 2 9,797

If you or someone you know is seriously ill, facing surgery, or needs prayers, please call the parish office so our ANGELS OF MERCY PRAYER GROUP can be notified.

ROSARY SUPPORT GROUP

Wednesday, March 18, 10:00 am
Conference Room
Come for prayer and friendship
and to gain strength as we share
and seek wisdom for life's
challenges. Questions? Call Marcia
Kolaczkowski, 790-5342, or
Margaret Cunningham, 782-3885.

COMING UP

Mar 7 & 8 Anointing of the Sick after all Masses

Mar 8 Daylight Saving Time begins Mar 10 Building & Grounds meeting 6:30

Mar 14 First Reconciliation, 9 am

Mar 15 Choir sings at 10:00 Mass

Mar 15 Volunteer Reception, 11:00

Mar 16-22 Our week for Mobile Meals

Mar 18 Rosary Support Group, 10 am

Mar 19 St. Joseph Table event

Mar 21 Women's Morning of Reflection

Mar 28 Aquinas Booster Club live and silent auction event

Mar 30 Women's Club potluck meeting, 6pm

Apr 7 Widows & Widowers, 11:30, Radisson

Apr 9 Holy Thursday Mass, 7 pm Apr 10 Good Friday Service, 12:15

Apr 11 Easter Vigil, 8:30 pm

Apr 12 Easter Masses, 8:00 and 10:00

Apr 15 Confirmation, 6:30, Cathedral

Apr 25 First Communion practice, 9:00 Apr 26 First Communion, 10:00 Mass

PARENTS:

Bishop Callahan and the Office of Family Life ask us to focus on the potential misuse of the internet by young folks and what parents can do to give them the help they need to avoid this threat.

Parents, please take a copy of the book CONFIDENT: HELPING PARENTS NAVIGATE ONLINE EXPOSURE

Copies are in the Narthex.

SOUP SUPPERS IN LENT

On Fridays, following Stations of the Cross, we offer a soup and bread supper. If you would like to help prepare one of these suppers, call the office to sign up: 782-2953, ext. 2. It works very well if 2 families sign up together.

AROUND TOWN

CONFESSION OPPORTUNITIES AT BSP DURING LENT

Saturdays, 3:30-4:00 Sundays, Mar 15, 22, 29, 7:00 am Wednesday, March 18, 6:30 pm

U.S.CENSUS TAKERS NEEDED

Great pay, flexible hour ApplyOnline: 2020census.gov/jobs

LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRYS

March 27, St. Bartholomew, Trempealeau, 4-7 pm St. Pat's, Onalaska, 5-7:30 pm Mary, Mother of the Church, 5-7 pm

2020 VETERANS BONANZA

Thursday, March 19, 11am-6 pm Radisson Hotel Learn about all the services provided by the Veterans Association

AQUINAS BOOSTER CLUB AUCTION

Saturday, March 28 5:00 Silent Auction; 7:30 Live Auction; food stations Don't miss it this year!

MORNING OF REFLECTION

Sat, March 21, here at BSP 8:30 Mass; 9:15 breakfast; 10-11:30 presentation "Blessed are You, Beautitudes Revisited" by Sandy Setterlund Hosted by the Catholic Daughters. No reservations required.

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun Steven Weller
Mon Matthew Bowe
Tues Jared Clements
Wed Alex Kren
Thurs Isaac Pecha
Fri Daniel Smyth

Sat

John Zweber

CHRISM MASS, APRIL 7

The Chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights at which the Bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism and the Anointing of the Sick, and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and we the faithful pray for them. It is most impressive to be in the Cathedral for this moving Mass. You will want to come early to accommodate parking and seating. Mark your calendar for April 7 at 10:30.

20/20 VISION OF FAITH: SEEING HOW GOD IS PRESENT AND ACTIVE IN OUR LIVES

Spiritual Renewal Days Mary, Mother of the Church March 9-11, 6:30 pm Presenters: Father Dennis Lynch (Aquinas graduate) and Sandy Setterlund

GROUP SPIRITUAL DIRECTION FOR WOMEN

Tuesdays, through May 26, 5:30-7:30 \$125 for the 5 monthly sessions Facilitators: Rose Elsbernd and Sarah Hennessey, FSPA Franciscan Spirituality Center Register at FSCenter.org or call 791-5295

Enrollment is now open for all the Aquinas Schools. The schools are open to families of all faiths, and there are several tuition assistance programs.

If you would like to see firsthand how the schools operate, consider coming to a SHADOW DAY. Info at: aquinascatholicschools.org/visit-our-school Questions? Call Nancy Pederson, 784-8585, ext. 23

PERMANENT DIACONATE

If you are a man between 30 and 60 years of age and think God may be calling you to be a permanent deason, there is a Disconate Discernment Retreat on Sat, April 4. The first step is to contact Deacon Kevin Ray, Director of the Office for the Diaconate at 791-2665, or email: kray@diocl.org.

LECTIO EUCHARIST

This week the study focused on the "Bread of Life Discourse," Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist, the pinnacle of our Faith. How interesting that Protestants and we Catholics both use this Chapter 6 from St. John's Gospel to defend our beliefs in the Eucharist. Join a class, listed below, or go to Formed.org to learn from the best!

Discussion/presentations are held at these locations:

Mon: Murphy Hall at St. James, 8:45-10:15

Tues: here at BSP, 8:15-9:45 in Parish Center
Crucifixion, La Crescent, 6:30-8:00

St. Patrick, Onalaska, 6:30-8:00, parish basement
Wed: Holy Trinity Leo Hall, 1:00-2:30

Thurs: St. Patrick, 9:15-10:45

Viterbo, 3:00-4:30 in Murphy Center
MMOC, 6:30-8:00 in Parish Hall
Newman, 7:00-8:30 in church basement
Fri: Cathedral,10:00-11:30 undercroft
To register call Amy, 783-0847 or dcapelli@charter.net

This is a super program! Jump on board.