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Blessed Sacrament Parish

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May 8, 2022 FOURTH 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

From the Pastor desk:

To answer a few questions that have come our way: our Inspired by the Spirit campaign invites parishioners to invest in our parish, school and ministry programs while caring for our Diocesan vocation programs, senior priests, and the Diocesan Center. Much like the responsible manner in which we care for our families' present and future needs, we must prepare for our family of faith, as well. We are called now, as good stewards, to fortify our parishes and Diocese so we may continue our faith-filled service now and into the future. To do so, the campaign offers us the opportunity to make a commitment over the next five years. During the 2022-2023 time frame we will not have an Annual Appeal, but use the monies collected to finance those on-going needs at the Diocese which the Annual Appeal addressed. The Appeal will return after 2023.

In order to reach all the families of our parish, we are asking for people who will contact 5 fellow parishioners to distribute pledge cards to them along with pertinent information. A personal contact makes all the difference. Please let the parish office know if you can be part of this effort. Call 782-2953, ext. 2, or email office@bsplacrosse.org.

I thank you, my parishioners, in advance for your careful consideration and generous response to this call. Co-chairs, Larry Lee and Ryan Sullivan, and I are most willing to help you with any questions you may have.

Lovingly, in Christ, Father Raj

ORDAINED TO THE PERMANENT DIOCONATE May 7, 2022

Jonathan Anderson Kevin DeCook
Paul Arbanas Todd Hoerter
Terrence Bell Anthony Shay
Tony Biolo James Sniadajewski
John Woehrle

MASS INTENTIONS

This week's reader: Ed Noelke

MON 5/9	Easter Weekday
	7:15 Intention of Mike Ritter
TUES 5/10	Easter Weekday; John of Avila;
	Damien de Veuster
	7:15 +Mary Melde-Weiske
WED 5/11	Easter Weekday
	7:15 +Richard Barone
	8:15 NO Mass today
<i>TH</i> UR 5/12	Easter Weekday; Nereus & Achilleus; Pancras
	7:15 +Ann Lennarson
FRI 5/13	Easter Weekday; Our Lady of Fatima
	7:15 +Wenzel & +Margaret Schubert
SAT 5/14	Matthias
	NO 7:15 Mass

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant: Father Raj
SAT 5/14 4:30 pm +Michael Knothe
Server: Matthew B.

Readers: Tom Kieffer, Joan Mueller Rosary leaders: Ken & Grainne Quillin

SUN 5/15 8:00 +Russel Schams

Servers: Mike & Elizabeth H.

Readers: Tom Michel, John Gallagher

Rosary Leader: Melissa Vach

10:00 For the People of the Parish

Server: Rylan S.

Readers: Tony Weisse, Patti Keil Rosary Leader: Helen Roop

> 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

MORNING OFFERING

I welcome this new day. It is Your gift to me, the first day of the rest of my life.

I thank You for the gift of being alive this morning. I thank You for the sleep that has refreshed me.

I thank You for the chance to begin life all over again. This day is full of promise and of opportunity. Help me to waste none of it.

This day is full of mystery and of the unknown. Help me to face it without fear or anxiety.

This day is full of adventure and beauty. Help me to be fully alive to it all.

During this day, may I become a more thoughtful person, a more prayerful, generous and kind person.

Help me not to be turned in on myself, but to be more sensitive and helpful to others.

When night comes, may I look back on this day without regrets, and may no one be unhappy because of anything I have done or anything I have failed to do.

Lord, bless this day for me and for all of us.

REST IN PEACE

+Dr. George Ellenz father of Mary Ann Campbell

+Mark Swieciak, Jr. nephew of Barb Swieciak

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB Sunday, May 8, 11:30 Parish Center

Learn about this faith-based experience for young girls and their moms at laxlittleflowers.wordpress.com. Or contact the coordinators: Rachel Biemiller at rachelbiemiller@gmail.com or Corry Marcou at gregandcorene.marco@gmail.com.

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.

MEN'S GATHERING

Wednesday, May 11, 6-7:30
Bring your rosary.
We will continue to discuss Mary's role in the timeline of Church history.
Fellowship and great conversation.
This is our last gathering until Fall.

\$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.

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 1 10,785

No one is as glued to any piece of reading material as a parent counting down the songs in the program for a school concert.

COMING UP

May 8 Wis. Right to Life rose sale after Sunday Masses.

May 8 Little Flowers Girls Club, 11:30
May 11 Men's Gathering, 6 pm
May 9-15 Our week for Mobile Meals
May 14/15 KC Tootsie Roll project
May 17 St. Camillus meeting, 6 pm
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)

COMING UP

ROSE SALE TO BENEFIT WISCONSIN RIGHT TO LIFE Sunday, May 8 after both Masses

after both Masses \$2/stem

Support the protection of all life from conception to natural death.

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.

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.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

*Erik & Katie Leaver Children: Curtis, John, Andrew

*Sally Fredricks

AROUND TOWN

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun John Duranso Mon Joseph Glatczak Tues Matthew Szymanski

Wed Brian Ward Thurs Kyle Lang Fri Alex Radtke

Sat Someone God is calling

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.

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.

PADRE JOSE POLISH PARTY

Celebrating Father Joseph Walijewski Sat, May 14, 4-9 pm Memories Ballroom, Marathon City \$30 adult; \$10 6-12 yrs; free under 5 Authentic polish dinner and live polka music to dance to.

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

ATHLETIC AWARDS CEREMONY

Sunday, May 15, 3-4:40 pm, Aquinas High School Cost: \$12/meal

SPIRITUS MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITY

Young Catholic adults, ages 20-29
After training, teams will present retreats to young people throughout Wisconsin. Lodging, food, a monthly allowance, health insurance, and \$3000 stipend are offered. Find out more: 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

GRIEF CIRCLE

Tuesdays, May 3-31, 10:00-noon Franciscan Spirituality Center Facilitators: Sr. Rose Elsbernd & Karna Marks Register: 608-791-5295 or <u>www.FSC.org</u>

SPRING CHICKEN-QUES

Thurs, May 12, 11:00-6 pm Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St \$12 each; pre-sale by phone or text 608-518-6145 or email: chickenque@mmoclacrosse.org. Advanced sales guaranteed

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.

CELEBRATING FRANCISCAN WOMEN

May 20-22, St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon A number of presenters will delve into the lives of St. Clare, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Margaret of Cortona, and Thea Bowman, FSPA.

Cost: \$210 includes lodging and meals Register at: sarcenter.com or 715-443-2236.