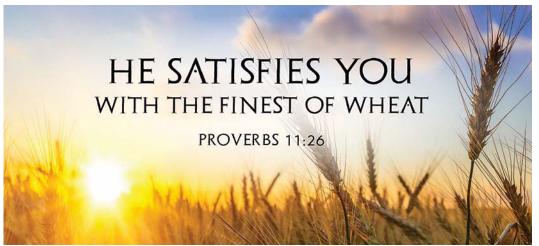


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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15, 2019

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

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, Fenie Francksen

Building Maintenance: Carl Francksen

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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

September 16 - 22, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we kick-off the Annual Appeal. The number and variety of programs it funds is too big to list here. You can access the complete list at: diolc.org/stewardship/appeal-portal. However, some of the various programs are of special interest, so over the next few weeks they will be listed here. It is amazing how broad the scope of Diocesan involvement is. When you receive your pledge card in the mail, keep in mind all the people you are helping with your generous donation. I must, of course, mention that all money received over our target of \$56,510, which is set by the Diocese, is returned to our parish to be used for our own programs and needs. Please prayerfully consider your pledge.

Father Raj

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2019-20

Here's just a few of the programs which the Appeal helps to fund

*SEMINARY EDUCATION & RELIGIOUS FORMATION

*currently we have 24 seminarians

*9 Regency

*5 Journey

The Office of Vocations also offers discernment retreats for all ages, continuing education for ordained priests and regular spiritual enrichment. There are 23 men in Deacon Formation, 5 to be ordained in 2020 and 10 in 2022.

Vocations promotion, the training and support of the 27 international priests, assistance with healthcare costs for clergy, and the overseeing of the Office for Consecrated Life are also funded.

*MARY OF GOOD HELP HMONG MINISTRY
This new parish assists the many Hmong Catholics
who live in our Diocese with a full-time pastor in
Wausau and 2 priest chaplains in the La Crosse
area. Many have never heard of Jesus Christ.
Some of our basic Catholic resources are being
translated into the Hmong language, to foster an
understanding of the Faith through prayer.

*TELEVISED MASS

If you've ever been home-bound on a Sunday, the Mass on TV is a real comfort. For those who are temporarily or permanently unable to go to church this is a life-line to Jesus. It is costly, however. The Appeal makes it happen. Closecaptioned, as well.

EUCHARIST: Mary Frohnauer **READER**: Jim Thompson

MON 9/16 Cornelius & Cyprian

7:30 +Scott Richert

Servers: Don Flynn, Mike Vanderploeg

TUES 9/17 Weekday; Robert Bellarmine

7:30 +Margaret Coleman

Server: Pete Fiorini; Mike Vanderploeg

WED 9/18 Weekday

9:00 +Jim Grenisen

THU 9/19 Weekday; Januarius

7:30 *+Toufyc Boustany*

Servers: Ruby Gauger, Evie Gerke

FRI 9/20 Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Ha-song &

Companions + Maxine Kroner

Servers: Isaac Capelli, Elyse Binsfeld

SAT 9/21 Matthew

7:30

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 9/21 +Marian Pavela

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Clay Berra, Thomas Gorman, Greg Kusmitch

Readers: Gene Kolaczkowski, Christy Nelson

Petitions:

Eucharist: Kay Nix, Loretta Clarkin, Susan Fukuda

Ushers: Tony Flottmeyer, Allan Fukuda, Dave Sweeney,

Dave Nelson

Offering family: Kevin & Mary Ann Campbell Rosary Leaders: Scott & Caryl Doberstein

SUN 9/22 8:00 For the intention of Orlando & Maggie Leon

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Raj MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Jake Hillebrand, 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: Helen & Don Flynn Rosary Leaders: Joe & Barb Clements

10:00 For the People of the Parish

Concelebrants: Fr. Peter Raj MC: William Arnold Servers: Michael Johnson, Colin Sans Crainte, Ted Uehling

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: Angela & Paul Franke & family

Rosary Leaders: Kathy & Nick Nicks

AROUND THE PARISH

APPLE PIES ARE COMING

On Friday, Sept 20, many hands will be needed to peel apples and assemble pies for the sale on the 21st and 22nd. Work & fun start at 8 am in the Parish Center kitchen. Sharpen your peeler and get out your apron.

Needed ingredients (drop off in the box in the Narthex):

*flour *sugar

*flour *sugar *shortening *butter

BSP AT WARMING CENTER

Our parish will again provide volunteers for overnight duties at the Warming Center on the first Saturday of the month. Training Session dates: Oct 8, 9, 10

Times: 1-2 pm, and 6-7 pm
It is recommended that you attend
one of the sessions to learn about the
procedures and meet other
volunteers.

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.

SCHOOL PLAYGOUND EQUIPMENT UPDATE

Installation is planned for this coming week.
\$48,000 has been raised to fund the project. Total needed:
\$67,716. Your financial help is greatly appreciated. The old equipment found a "home" at St. Joseph Ridge Park where the Lion's Club upgraded their area. The new equipment is more geared to the age of our school children, grades 3-6.

WELCOME TO BSP

Colleen and Daryl Keys daughter Avery

Nicole and Mike Wiczek children: Riley and Braxton

REJOICE CHOIR

The Choir will sing on Sun, Sept 15, at 10:00. Come a few minutes early to warm up. We welcome singers of all ages; music-reading skill is not essential. The Choir practices once a month and sings at 2 weekend Masses and for special occasions.

\$CRIP NEWS

Phone orders: 782-2953, ext. 6.
Email orders: SCRIP@
bsplacrosse.org
Kwik Trip is again offering a 10%
profits on their \$crip cards for a
limited time. We will take
advantage of this generous offer
and have a huge supply on hand
for a few weeks. Thanks, K.T.

BAPTISM

William Charles Sullivan son of Kristen and Ryan

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

Lunch at the Barre Country Diner (outside West Salem) Tues, Oct 1, 11:30 Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667, or Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917

HURRICANE RELIEF

If you would like to lend a hand to reach those in the Bahamas who are enduring such devastation due to Hurricane Dorian, contact Catholic Relief Services at www.crs.org.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

 Needed Weekly
 \$13,000

 Received Sept 1
 10,775

 Sept 8
 10,608

Willpower: the ability to eat just one salted peanut.

ANNUAL APPEAL Kick-off Sept 14/15 Video at Mass

Video at Mass
The Annual Appeal is a yearly drive to fund the various offices and initiatives of our Diocese. It is vital to supporting seminarians' education, to the work of the Missions, outreach to the needy, catechetical and evangelization programs, communication, youth programs, marriage preparation, and the upkeep of the Diocesan Center building.

COMING UP

Sept 14/15 Kick-off for Annual Appeal Sept 16-22 Our week for Mobile Meals

Sept 20 Apple pie making

Sept 21 & 22 Apple pie sale

Sept 22 First session of Bible Study (Tuesdays, 8:15-9:45)

Oct 1 Widows/Widowers, 11:30 Barre Country Diner

Oct 5 Catholic Daughters luncheon & program

Oct 15 Gospel of Life Mass & Banquet, MMOC

Oct 20 Mission Sunday

Oct 26 Men of the Cross Conference, Aguinas

Nov 2 Our parish "mans" Warming Center

Nov 16 Christmas Fair

Crafters, Canners, Creators of gifts and fun stuff: The Christmas Fair is a mere 2 months away

FORMED.ORG

"Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows"

This weekend the Church celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. We all experience suffering and sorrows in this life. This week on Formed.org in the audio talk "Our Lady of Sorrows," Kimberly Hahn reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

Use this code to sign up: K2768J

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Wednesdays beginning Sept 11
*Grades 1-5, 6:00-6:55 Blessed
Sacrament School
*Grades 6-8, 6:45-8:15 Mary,
Mother of the Church
*Grades 9 & 10, 7:00-8:30 Blessed
Sacrament Parish Center
Call Pauline Connell, 782-2953, ext. 3, or

email her: musiconlosey@yahoo.com.

AROUND TOWN

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.

One of the Keynotes: STEVE RAY is a best-selling author and international speaker, pilgrimage guide to Israel and Biblical Lands. He is a video producer, Bible study writer and teacher, frequent guest on radio and TV. The Ray family entered the Catholic Church in 1994. It was an unintended journey from the Baptist tradition to Catholic. Since then Steve has been busy writing books, traveling around the world, teaching the truth of the Catholic Church, leading pilgrimages and producing the awardwinning documentary series with Ignatius Press "The Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine." Steve's Footprints of God apostolate is one of adventure and education, demonstrating the truth, beauty and excitement of the Christian life lived in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Register today at: menofthecross.org.

COULEE REGION HUNGER WALK

Sunday, October 13 Myrick Park

To benefit the Hunger Task Force, WAFER Food Pantry, Catholic Charities and other non-profits. Mark your calendar. There will be sponsor sheets.

AGING CAFÉ

Tues, Oct 1, 6-8 pm
Franciscan Spirituality Center
\$10 donation; call 791-5295 or go to: FSCenter.org
Community members of all ages may gather for
open-ended conversations about the aging process,
explore topics such as quality of life issues, hopes,
fears, caregiving, and spirituality.
The facilitators all deal with issues involved with aging
and dying.

BLUE MASS

Police, fire fighters, first responders
Mass on Sun, Sept 29, 10:30 am, at St. Patrick's
To hono rand recognize their sacrifices,
and to pray for their safety.

Encourage those you know who work in these fields
to attend this Mass.

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Please let Steven Nott, 783-5535, know if you are attending.

COAST TO COAST ROSARY led by the KC's

Sunday, Oct 13, 3 pm (Anniversary of the Fatima miracle) Corner of King St and Losey Blvd.

YOUTH GATHERINGS COMING UP

*Immersion Retreat: Nov 8-10, Chula Vista Resort in the Dells. Grades 9-12 *Pilgrimage for Life: Jan 22-26, 2020. Ages 13 and older All info at diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities

BIBLE STUDY FOCUSING ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

This Book of the Bible shows us how the Holy Spirit works through normal human beings to spread the Gospel message. If you have asked yourself recently, "What am I supposed to do in this crazy world we are currently living in?" this class is for you.

Sessions will begin Sept 24 here at BSP, 8:15-9:45 am, Tuesdays. Other times and parish places are available, as well. \$10 for the full 10 sessions.

Sign up today by stopping in the parish office or give a call, 782-2953, ext. 2.

AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING GAME Sept 20, 7 pm

Alumni and alumnae are encouraged to attend and cheer for the Blugolds

FALL FESTIVAL

*St. Kevin's & Guardian Angels Parish, Melrose

Sunday, September 15, 11-2:00 Family Style turkey & ham dinner Country Store, raffles, Packers on TV, kids' games

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SALAD LUNCHEON & BLACK DRESS SKIT

Sat, Oct 5, 11:00, Parish Center; Save the date The flyer in today's bulletin gives you all the info on purchasing tickets. Have fun!

FALL CAMPOREE 2019

October 4-6, Camp Decorah Diocesan Scouts BSA & Ventururer Crews Call Cindy Sjolander, 783-4911

SAINT PATRICK FUN RUN OCTOBER 5

Family-centered games and refreshments Funding for first aid supplies/kits for the Exchange

LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 6, 2-3 pm, along Losey Blvd. This is a peaceful prayerful public witness of our belief in the sanctity of life from conception onward. Bring water, a chair, strollers, umbrellas, etc. The chain begins at La Crosse St.

GOSPEL OF LIFE EVENING

Tuesday, October 15, at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish

6:00 pm White Mass (medical personnel honored) 7:00 catered dinner

7:30 Presentation: "Connecting the Dots: Tracing Man's Broken Image"

Fr. Sean Kilcawley, presenter

This talk will explore the common roots of violence, abortion, human trafficking, racism and oppression. \$18 adults/\$9 students

Go to: diolc.org/Gospel of Life, or call 791-0161.