## Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newm

Roman Catholic Churches of La Crosse, WI Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 12, 2023

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **SATURDAY**

4:30PM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

#### SUNDAY

9AM Blessed Sacrament (BSP) 11AM Roncalli Newman (RNC) 8:30PM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday - 8:00AM (BSP)
Tues - 5:15PM (RNC)
Thurs - 7pm (RNC)
Wed/Fri - Noon (RNC)

#### CONFESSIONS

3:30 - 4:15PM Saturdays or by appt.

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DIR. OF YOUTH FAITH FORM Samuel Obert

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Adele Gligorevic

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#### FROM THE DESK OF FR. BILLY DODGE

The FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) organization has an annual national conference called SEEK. The SEEK conference will be in St. Louis, Missouri, January 1-5, 2024. In the past it was only for college students, but now anyone is open to come. If you are interested in learning more you can visit the SEEK24 website at www.seek.focus.org. If you are considering attending me please contact the parish office at Blessed Sacrament or Roncalli Newman and let us know your interest. I am looking for parishioners who want learn the FOCUS model of evangelization.

The SEEK conference has some of the top Catholic speakers, opportunities to see every kind of Catholic organization under the sun, and opportunities for prayer and sacraments with 20,000 Catholics from around the country and world. It is a one of a kind opportunity in which I have seen many lives changed.

It is a sacrifice to make the time to attend. But God is never outdone in generosity. I promise the SEEK conference is worth it. For all the parishioners, either you attend or not, I ask you to pray for the success of this conference.

Annual Roncalli Newman Thanksgiving Potluck - this Tuesday! Please join us for our annual Roncalli Newman Thanksgiving Potluck this upcoming Tuesday, November 14th! We will begin with Mass at 5:15pm, and dinner to follow at 6pm in the lower parish hall. Parishioners can sign up at the RN entrances and bring a dish to pass. Looking forward to this special tradition, gathering together as stationary members and students!

#### November Men's Prayer and Fellowship | Nov 13th

November Men's prayer and fellowship gathering will be Monday November 13th from 6-7:30 pm. We will take a closer look at the Communion of Saints as well pray a Chaplet that is relevant for the Month of November. This may be very informative! All Men young and old are invited to attend. Bring your Rosary and a friend. Hope to see you there.

#### Homebound or in the Hospital?

If you or a loved one is homebound or in the hospital and in need of the sacraments, please contact one of our parish offices. Thank you!

#### A Night with St. Nicholas | December 5

Join us for an evening with St Nicholas. This family event will be held on the eve of the feast of St Nicholas, Tuesday December 5th from 6 - 7pm at Mary Mother of the Church in the parish hall. The evening will include singing, crafts, games and treats along with a visit from St Nicholas himself! All children ages 3 to 7 are welcome to attend with their families. Older siblings are welcome too! There is no cost to

this event but to help us better plan, please let us know how many children are coming by registering using the QR code below. Contact Kristin with any question kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org 608-784-5483 Ext. 4

#### AROUND OUR PARISHES

#### Blessed Sacrament Advent Christmas Fair | Saturday Nov 18

Saturday, November 18 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish

Please use the parking lot or side streets. Please keep the Drop Off Area for those with special needs. Use the Losey Blvd. entrance.

Visit or have a photo with St. Nick or our Living Advent Candles. There will be Raffle Baskets (drawing at 1:45, need not be present to win), Giving Tree, Children's Secret Store, Grandma's Pantry, Cache of Jewelry, Catholic Family Room, Attic Treasures, Book Nook (with kids corner while you shop).

St. Lucy Cinnamon Rolls from 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Lunch is \$5 from 11am -1:30pm and includes: pulled pork / bun, chips, cookie & beverage

Parishioners may bring their donations Thursday and Friday, Nov 16th and 17th, from 7:15am until 9pm, using both the parish center entrance off the alley or the handicap drop off area on Losey Blvd. Please contact Barb 608-784-6974 before the 16th if you need someone to pick up your donation. We look forward to seeing you!

In need of Volunteers for Advent Christmas Fair | See more volunteer opportunities in online bulletin New this year at the Advent Christmas Fair! "Living Advent Candles" greeters. Gather a group of 4 to dress up and volunteer for an hour or more! Costumes provided. Contact Christina Thompson for more info / to sign up - 563-650-2606 or christina.thompsons.inbox@gmail.com. Thank you for your service!

Basket Raffle for Advent/Christmas Fair: On Tuesday, November 14, we will be assembling the baskets for our Advent/Christmas Fair in the Conference Room at BSP from 9 – 11 a.m. Your help is needed. Donations for the Basket Raffle may be left in the Scrip Room in the large basket. Questions? Call Marie at 608-799-9196

We are **in need of baked goods** to sell in Grandma's pantry at the fair. Breads, cakes, cookies, pies, candies and other sweet holiday treats. Homemade jams and jellies and pickled preserves are also welcomed! Items can be dropped off in the parish center Nov 16-17

#### **Family Faith Formation**

Family Faith Formation meets this Wednesday November 15th 5:30pm-6:45pm at Mary Mother of the Church. We will be exploring our next monthly topic: Jesus my Friend and Savior. Families will also receive NEW packets with At Home lessons. Contact Kristin with any questions kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org 608-788-5483 Ext. 4

#### Lectio Divina at Newman: Speak Lord Your Servants Are Listening

'If we see and hear what the Lord would have us see and hear, we would receive what many a saint and prophet longed for'. Come join us as we ask for this grace as we pray with the upcoming Sunday readings.

Lectio Divina, Weds 15, 3:30-5pm, Newman bsmt, park in street, elevators off lot entrance. All are welcomed. May the fire of His Word burn with love in our hearts.

#### Coats for Kids, College Kids, and Jail Ministry.

Clean warm winter wear needed, new or gently used, including boots. This year there will be one combined BSP and RNP Drop-Off site at Newman with bins near the coat racks to the far right when entering from parking lot. Someone in need will keep warm this winter because of your generosity.

#### Morning Prayer at Blessed Sacrament on Nov 18th

"Rise before dawn and cry for help." Psalm 119 With these words from the Psalmist we are asking God's blessings on our Advent Christmas Fair, Saturday, November 18th. Join us as we pray, Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, at 7am in our Blessed Sacrament Parish Church. We remember and celebrate the women from our parish who have died this past year and invite especially the family and friends of Mary Brennan, Dolores Zabolio, Rose Uehling, Mary Ann Bradley, Therese Skemp, Agatha Schild, Barb Durst, to join us.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 18/19

#### Sat, Nov 18, 4:30 PM - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (BSP)

Reader (1) Joan Mueller Tom Kieffer Reader (2) Maggie Schreiber Cantor Mary Blaha-DeBoer Accompanist Maria J. Server Michael J. Server Mark & Mary Schuttenhelm Hospitality Ministers Mike Vanderploeg Sacristan/MC

#### Sun, Nov 19, 9:00 AM - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (BSP)

**EMHCs** 

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Jim Bagniewski Reader (1)
Steve McGovern Reader (2)
Kristin Johnson & Mary BD Cantor & Accompanist
Matthew B. & Hunter J. Servers
Steve Flottmeyer & Mark Hyde Hospitality Ministers
LuAnne Kratt & Bob Roth Hospitality Ministers
William Arnold Sacristan/MC

Paulette & Peter Drozdowicz

Marie Allen & Kathi Hancock

#### Rosary Leaders at Blessed Sacrament

11/18 4:30pm - Sean O'Flaherty 11/19 9am - Melissa Vach

#### Sun, Nov 19, 11:00 AM - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (BSP)

Annie Berendes

Maureen Neuville

Michelle Skemp & ME Haupert

AC Van Rooyen

Denise DeBonville & Lois Martin

Dennis & Carlene Illrich

Reader (1)

Reader (2)

Cantor & Accompanist

Server

Hospitality Ministers

Hospitality Ministers

Dennis & Carlene Ulrich
Cindy Sjolander & John Wissing
Debbie Clarkin

Hospitality Ministers
Gift Bearers
Sacristan/MC

#### AROUND OUR PARISHES CONTINUED



**Blessed Sacrament Giving Tree** 

Our Blessed Sacrament sponsored Catholic Charities GIVING TREE will again make its debut at our parish Advent/Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 18. Inside gift bag 'ornaments' on the tree(s) will be a pre-filled SCRIP gift card form. Each bag will have a tag attached indicating the gender and age of the recipient. Please do not remove the gift tag! Select a bag, and purchase the gift card indicated on the form inside from our SCRIP seller at the Christmas Fair. SCRIP may also be purchased after BSP weekend Masses, from the BSP SCRIP or parish offices during the week, or gift cards may be purchased directly from the retailer. The gift card(s) are then placed inside the gift bag and collected by the BSP office before delivery to Catholic Charities in early December. Catholic Charities has designed the gift card Christmas assistance program to entice recipient

independence of choice and ownership in determining what is most essential for themselves and their family members, which includes the time needed to shop before Christmas gift giving. Cash or check payments only accepted for SCRIP purchases. We encourage you to use the SCRIP program, as a percentage of sale may be passed on in several beneficial ways! After the Christmas Fair, the trees and remaining gift bag ornaments will be relocated to the Narthex of the church and outside the parish office. \*\*We kindly remind you that if a bag is taken from the tree with the intent to return it later, PLEASE remember to do so as the past, we have had several bags/tags removed and not returned which negatively impacts those intended recipients. We are committed to serving 145 individual requests this season. Prayerfully consider your generosity and thank you for participating! Questions may be directed to: Caryl Doberstein at 608-782-1833 or caryl.doberstein@gmail.com

"the Answer" Eucharistic Rally - Save the Date

We are very excited to announce "the Answer" Eucharistic Rally that will be held on June 7, 2024 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. "the Answer" Eucharistic Rally will begin with a Eucharistic Procession across the Cameron Street Bridge as Bishop Barron from the Diocese of Winona-Rochester will bring the Blessed Sacrament to Bishop Callahan in La Crosse. The Procession will end at the La Crosse Center where the rest of the rally will take place. The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, powerful speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagize, and Josh Rosa, music from Luke Spehar, and plenty of vendors. The cost for this event is only \$15 per person. This rally is for youth, young adults, adults, families, etc. Tickets will go on sale Dec. 15, 2023. You can find more information about the event by visiting: https://diolc.org/the-answer/.

Large Suitcases needed for Casa Hogar

Casa Hogar Optical Mission is looking for donations of large suitcases which will be used for the transportation of used eyewear to Peru for the upcoming mission in January. These could be left with a note "Casa Hogar" in the Newman Main St entrance under the coat racks by the choir and we will retrieve them. Thank you!

#### MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

4:30pm BSP +Don Gallagher

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12** 

9am BSP +Bill & Regina Schmitz 11am RNC +Kathleen Sullivan

8:30pm RNC

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13** 

8am BSP +Marguerite Schneider

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 8am BSP +Tom Larkin Pedretti Family 5:15pm RNC **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15** 

8am BSP +Lauretta & Raymond Jahimiak(SCHOOLMASS)

Noon RNC +Jack Niedfeldt **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16** 

8am BSP +William & Vivian Hancock

7pm RNC Poellenger Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

8am BSP +Leo Schneider Noon RNC Holy Land SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 4:30pm BSP +Susan Kallies

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19** 

9am BSP +Denny Hartogh 11am RNC +Fr Camillus Gott

## Campus Ministry

Inspiring testimonies & stories of how Roncalli Newman is changing the lives of college students in La Crosse.

"My name is Katie Hintz and I am a freshman here on campus at UWL. Although I have only been here two short months, the Roncalli Newman Center has made a big impact on me and my college experience. While on campus I have found myself taking part in a variety of things hosted here at the church. These activities vary from tuesday night dinners, bible studies, morning prayer and socializing with friends to attending mass and adoration. Through these events I have made meaningful connections with several students from both UWL and Viterbo. These friendships extend outside the church environment and will last a lifetime. The Newman center has truly given me what feels like a second home. A place of opportunity, comfort and connection."

- Katie Hintz, freshman at UWL

#### AROUND THE COMMUNITY

**Eucharistic Prayer** 

The Eucharistic Revival is meant to stir a deeper love for the incredible Gift of the Eucharist - Jesus Himself. God created you to be His beloved son or daughter so that you may spend eternity with Him. God is our Creator, and He only wants what is best for us. We must remember! It is our choice: we want to knowingly be open and receive God's love; or we can refuse it. God gives us the freedom to choose Him. Let us choose to receive God's love by receiving the Eucharist—Jesus Himself. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: God, help me not to prefer anything more than You, nor to substitute anything for You. Thank You for the grace that will always strengthen me to choose You above every-SCHARISA thing

Encounter Jesus

in the Eucharist.

He waits for you!

Pilgrimage for Life – Jan. 17-21, 2024:

The Diocese of La Crosse is excited to offer the Pilgrimage for Life. We will be traveling by coach bus to Washington, DC to participate in the annual March for Life. This opportunity is for anyone ages 13 and up. The estimated cost is estimated to be \$400 per person. Parishes/Schools wishing to get a group to join us will have their participants complete the registration online by filling out all of the required forms and pay a non refundable deposit of \$100. The remainder of the fee will be paid to the parish/school. All information and registration link can be found at diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/pilgrimage-for-life/

> Stewardship of Treasure 11/05 BSP \$15,711 | RNC \$10,403 Thank you for your support!













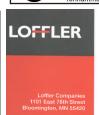
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#### **Benefit Concert for Place of Grace | Nov 19**

A benefit concert for A Place of Grace will be held Sunday, November 19th, 2 PM at San Damiano Chapel (formally St. Wenceslaus Parish), 900 Viterbo Dr., La Crosse. Music will be provided by Prairie Smoke and Fr. Conrad Targonski and Polly Pappadopolos with an introduction by Tom Thibedeau. There is no admission but monetary and non-perishable food donations will be joyfully accepted. The concert is open to everyone and the

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Join us for three sessions of "Eternal Rest". Each session we will show a video followed by a question and answer period with a priest.

NOVEMBER 7 – The Story of Death and The Afterlife

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NOVEMBER 28 – The Faithful Departed

AFTERNOONS 1:00 – 2:30 PM with Msgr. Richard Gilles St. Joseph the Workman, Cathedral – 530 Main Street, La Crosse

EVENINGS 6:30 - 8:00 PM with Fr. Tim Reither St. Patrick's Parish – 1031 Main Street, Onalaska

#### **Substitute Teachers Needed**

Aquinas Catholic Schools are seeking candidates for Substitute Teaching positions at all schools. If you are interested in applying, please submit a resume and cover letter to J.T. Gilbert (Dean of Students) at jt.gilbert@aquinasschools.org.

#### **AHS Musical - ANNIE**

November 11 • 2:00 pm

November 12 • 2:00 pm

Performances will be held in the Aquinas High School Campbell Theatre.

Tickets are \$10 • General Seating • Get your tickets in the AHS office

#### **Poinsettia Sale**

The St. Patrick's PTO is hosting a Poinsettia Sale. Orders are due Monday, November 13.

\$14 per plant, or 2 for \$25

Colors available: Burgundy, Jingle Bell, Red, White, and Marble

Make checks payable to: St. Patrick PTO

If you have any questions, please call St. Patrick Elementary School.

#### Rorate Caeli, Mass by Candlelight at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, invites all to celebrate the candlelit, Rorate Caeli Mass this December 9, 2023. The Mass will be begin at 6:30am.

Learn more at GuadalupeShrine.org/events!

#### **Cub and Boy Scout Religious Emblems**

Any Cub or Boy Scout interested in earning their religious emblem and not able to do so in your scout unit please contact Cindy Sjolabder at catholic religious emblems@gmail.com

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW ~ SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023 ~ Come join the fun and find that one of a kind gift for the Holiday Season from several local vendors and crafters. Open from 8:00 AM-2:00 PM at the Coon Valley Village Hall, 108 Roosevelt St. Concessions available throughout the show. Free admission! Visit our website: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 Peters@mwt.net



#### Living Advent Candles

Christina Thompson, Chair 563-650-2606



christina.thompsons.inbox@gmail.com

#### Before the Fair

Contact school and submit information to the bulletin for volunteers to sign up. Sign up chart in Narthex of Church and school. There are two sizes of Advent candle costumes, large and small, 3 purple and one rose for each size.

Set up rack, table chairs, hangers and costumes near the restrooms off of Losey Blvd or the coat room closest to the door way to the Church.



Photo from Advent Christmas Fair 2000

#### Day of the Fair

Have the sign up chart and the costumes in the hallway off Losey Blvd near the restroom for the "Living Candles" to get ready. Moveable coat rack available to hang the costumes. Coats may be worn under the costume as needed. Weather permitting the Candles should stand outside welcoming guests. Inside they could stand together welcoming others.

#### At the end of the fair

Check if the costumes need to be washed.

If not return the costumes to the boxes take the boxes, and rack to the parish storage garage.

Return table and chairs to the parish center, conference room, sacristy basement.

### Bakers start your ovens!

Requesting baked goods to sell in Grandma's Pantry at the Advent Christmas Fair on November 18!

Breads, cakes, cookies, pies, candies, and other sweet treats to get ready for the holidays!

Homemade jams, jellies, pickles, and other preserves make great gifts!

All items should be dropped off in the Parish Center on November 16-17.

Any questions contact Helen, 608-796-2644 or Luci, <u>luci54601@yahoo.com</u>

#### Update for Raffle Baskets!

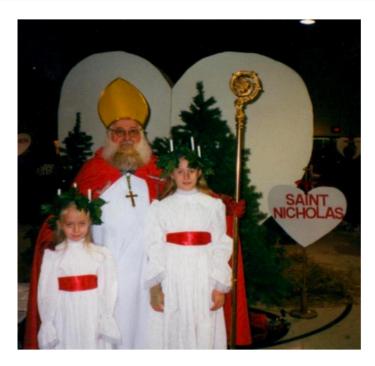
Items still needed for the "Pamper Yourself" basket! Suggestions are gift cards for a salon, lotions, teas, etc.

Items still needed for "Family Game & Craft Night" basket! How does your family like to spend a night together?

Drop off items in church or contact Marie Allen at 608-784-5189 Come help assemble the baskets November 14, 9-11 am.

## Saint Nicholas Greeter / Photo Opportunity





This photo was taken during our 2000 Advent Christmas Fair (John Stubler as Saint Nichols with two 'St Lucy' helpers Abbey and Callie Cooper)

We try to have a volunteer represent & celebrate one of our Catholic saints we remember in the season of Advent. Saint Nicholas reminds us of giving without being recognized, a giving seen by Our Heavenly Father, the tradition of charity towards those in need.

If interested, in being Saint Nicholas for the Fair, please contact:

Chris Lepak (who has a Saint Nicholas costume)

Nancy Soldner in charge of 'Greeters" or Barb Swieciak

Also contact the IMPACT student group and Mark Koehne at Aquinas for volunteers

# Sunday. Rest

Come and pray with us! Fr. Sam will lead a teaching and practice of different forms of prayer.

## EVERY OTHER SUNDAY AT NEWMAN 7:30PM STARTING SEPTEMBER 17

Sept 17 - Lectio Divina Nov 12 - Breviary and Psalms

Oct 1 - Examen Prayer Nov 26 - Praise and Worship

Oct 15 - Ignatian Meditation Dec 10 - "ARRR"

Oct 29 - Rosary

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while"

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