

AUGUST 29, 2021  
*Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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 Contact rectory during office hours for information.

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 Contact Central Office six months, preferably twelve months in advance.

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**St. James Mass Schedule**  
 Monday and Tuesday ..... 8:45 am  
 Saturday ..... 4:00 pm  
 Sunday ..... 7:00 am  
**Confessions** ..... Saturday 3:15-3:45 pm

**St. Joachim Mass Schedule**  
 Wednesday, Friday ..... 8:45 am  
 Saturday ..... 7:00 pm  
 Sunday ..... 10:30 am  
**Confessions** ..... Sat. 6:15 pm; Sun. 10 am

**Holy Rosary Mass Schedule**  
 Thursday & Sunday ..... 8:30 am  
**Confessions** ..... Thursday 8:00 am  
**Rosary** ..... Sunday 8:00 am

"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: *This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.*"  
 - Mk 7:5b-6

**Parish News**



Please submit everything for the bulletin to the Central Office by **1:00 p.m on Monday**. Please e-mail to [friarjo@tds.net](mailto:friarjo@tds.net) or by calling the Central Office during office hours at 715-884-6815. (For Sunday, September 12 bulletin please submit everything by Thurs., Sept. 2).

**Readings for the week of August 29, 2021**  
 Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30  
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37  
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44  
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11  
 Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39  
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5  
 Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-3  
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St. Philip Catholic Church, Rudolph: All are welcome to come and pray in honor of **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on Wednesday, September 8th beginning at 5:30 PM with Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Eucharistic Procession to the Grotto, Rosary, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Benediction, and concluding with birthday cake and ice cream. For more information: (715)424-6279; [mariancenterforpeace.org](http://mariancenterforpeace.org); find us on Facebook.

**Fr. Nathan will have Holy Hour;** Thursday, September 2 at Holy Rosary after 8:30am Mass; and Friday, September 3 after 8:45am Mass at St. Joachim. Tuesday, September 7 after 8:45 a.m. Mass at St. James;

**Open to all MEN in the deanery: Beginning Tuesday, September 7th at 7pm @ St Philip in the Education Building, Jeff Cavin's Bible Timeline Study:** The Story of Salvation. We will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Study will take place on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. Questions? Call Matt @ 715-416-1710

**Dive Deeper in your Faith – Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI)** See why a recent graduate said: "I truly fell in love with the Catholic Church during the past two years. It was a wonderful new beginning to the rest of my life!" And why a pastor said: "That spark the LFI helped ignite is a spark of true discipleship. We have one more coming [to LFI] this fall, I still have hope I'll find one more...sending them in two's!" Spend one weekend a month (Friday evening-Saturday afternoon beginning Sept. 10, 2021) as part of a faith-filled class that prays and learns together. Visit [diolc.org/lay-formation](http://diolc.org/lay-formation) for full details and speak to your pastor about enrolling. Class size is limited, so don't delay!

**Help Haiti – Devastated by Earthquake A powerful 7.2** Archbishop José H. Gomez, President of the USCCB, requesting a special emergency collection for Haiti relief in the wake of the massive earthquake and tropical storm that have caused such devastation there. In response, Bishop Callahan has asked the parishes to take a second collection after Mass, the weekend chosen is Aug. 28-29. The faithful should make their checks payable to the parish and write "Haiti" on the memo line. A check for the total amount should then be sent from the parish, made payable to the Diocese of La Crosse, with "Haiti" on the memo line.

**Save the Date!** Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph" We are very excited to announce this conference will be held in person on Saturday, October 23, 2021 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center in La Crosse, WI. More details will be coming out very soon!

**Pro-Life Corner—** The reason abortion and euthanasia have gone unchecked is because many of today's religious and political leaders do not obey natural law and God's law. Bishop Sheen stated "Civilization is always in danger when those who have never learned to obey are given the right to command." [Pro-Lifefcorner.com](http://Pro-Lifefcorner.com)

**St. James Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 28**

4:00 pm † Ann and Mary Hahn  
requested by Don Hahn

**Sunday, August 29**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am † Don Mueller requested by Parents

**Monday, August 30**

8:45 am † Dolores Baker  
requested by Cindy Schooley

**Tuesday, August 31**

8:45 am † Kenneth Brock  
requested by George and Bev Osenga

**Saturday, September 4**

4:00 pm † Harry Richmond  
requested by Paul & Joan Richmond and Family

**Sunday, September 5**

**Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

7:00 am † Mildred Weidman  
requested by Rick and Doreen Romanski

**St. Joachim Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 28**

7:00 pm † Leonard Seebruck  
requested by Katie Buelt

**Sunday, August 29**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 am † Sally Woiak  
requested by Richard Woiak

**Wednesday, September 1**

8:45 am † Peter Arendt  
requested by Wanita Arendt and Family

**Friday, September 3**

8:45 am † Bill Coulthard, Sr.  
requested by Mary Zdun  
† Merna Seebruck requested by Family

**Saturday, September 4**

8:45 am † Frank Schuster requested by Family  
7:00 pm † Robert Kiwak  
requested by the Holy Name Society

**Sunday, September 5**

**Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

10:30 am † Wills & Bill Peaslee  
requested by Donna Kopelke

**Holy Rosary Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, August 29**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 am For the People

**Thursday, September 2**

8:30 am † Delma Bertram  
requested by Agnes Langeberg

**Sunday, September 5**

**Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:30 am For vocations to the Priesthood  
requested by Holy Rosary Men's Group

**St. Joseph, Altdorf—Friday, September 24**

6:00 pm Holy Hour

**The Sunday evening Deanery Mass at St. Lawrence, Wisconsin Rapids, 5:00pm.**

**St. James Parish Events**

The members of St. James Parish are grateful for the gifts we have received and are willing to use them to show our love for God and one another.

**St. James PCCW meeting** will be rescheduled for Tuesday, October 5, in an up stairs classroom. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend. (no meeting Tuesday, September 7).



It is time to be looking ahead for the **Religious Education Program for St. James**. If there are families with children entering first grade or new families interested in enrolling their children please contact Elaine Seefeldt to register for the program.

We are **looking for teachers** for the 2021-2022 Faith Formation Program. If you or you know of someone that would be willing to give time for our children of St. James contact Elaine Seefeldt (715 569 4487).

We are looking to fill two positions in our **Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)** for a **President and Vice President**. These positions are for a two year term. Please consider these most rewarding positions by calling Rachel Lamb at 715-213-9870 or Sharon Dupee at 715-652-2258.



**Prayer Line**—if you want prayers said for someone, yourself, family members and/or anyone who is in need of prayers please contact Bernice Jagodzinski at 715-697-0510, she will then contact people on the prayer line.

If anyone is ill or hospitalized in the parish please call our **Sunshine Lady**—Mary Ann Ladick at 715-435-3258 so she can send a card from the parish.

**St. James Church Support**

**Saturday, August 21 and Sunday, August 22, 2021**

Adult.....	\$484.00
Offertory.....	292.75
Candle.....	18.75
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$795.50</b>



**Holy Rosary Parish Events**

Holy Rosary Catholic Church is a Community of Faith and love, whose Mission is to Proclaim and Live the Good News of Jesus Christ. We are Called to Reveal the Love of Jesus through Worship, Sacraments, Education, Formation, Outreach, Service and the Responsible Stewardship of Our God Given Gifts. In the Spirit of the Queen of the Holy Rosary, We Strive to Create a Legacy of Faith and Obedience with a Special Love for the Eucharist Welcoming All to Be Children of the Church.

Tuesday, September 14 **Holy Rosary PCCW Meeting**. Group 3 Servers; All ladies of the parish are encourage to attend.



**CCD Classes will begin on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you would be interested in teaching a class or are new to our program please contact Melissa Mattheis at 715-435-4296 or [jnlissa@wctc.net](mailto:jnlissa@wctc.net).

Sunday, October 3 **Royal Event at AHS**. We will need help in our Lasagna Booth from 11:00-1:00 or 1:00 to finish. Please contact Louise 715-421-1378

Sunday, October 10 **Harvest Mass with Fellowship** to follow. (Will be collecting food donations for local Food Pantry for the month of October)

If anyone is ill or hospitalized in the parish please call our **Sunshine Lady**—Agnes Langeberg (715-424-1517) so she can send a card from the parish.



If you would like prayers said for someone, yourself, family members or anyone else please contact the following people on the **Prayer Chain**—Deb Zurkowski @ 435-3455 or Melissa Mattheis 715-435-4296.

**Holy Rosary Church Support**

**Sunday, August 22, 2021**

Adult.....	\$889.00
Offertory.....	127.00
Candles.....	49.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$1,065.00</b>



## St. Joachim Parish Events

We the members of St. Joachim's Catholic Parish are a family of faith drawn to closer relationship with Jesus Christ through the Teachings and Sacramental Life of the Church. We seek to know God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. By sharing this faith we strive to be a true Christian Community.

**First Saturday Mass** and devotions will be Saturday, September 4 at 8:45am. Rosary and Litany at 8:15 followed by Mass at 8:45.



It is that time of year again. We're looking for all families with first graders and new families who need to register for the upcoming 2021-2022 CCD year, which will begin Wednesday, Sept. 8. Please contact Cindy Schooley at [sjcccdnews@gmail.com](mailto:sjcccdnews@gmail.com) or you may call or text Cindy at 715-213-6940 to register your child(ren). If you are new to the parish please contact the Central Office.

We are looking for a **fifth and seventh grade catechist for this CCD year**. No experience necessary. We will train and support you every step of the way. You will learn right along with the students. This is a great way to give of your time to church and share your faith with our youth. Anyone interested in the **Director of Youth Ministry**



position, please contact the Central Office to fill out an application.

### Welcome Back to Community!

Join the women of Walking with Purpose at St. Joachim's as we kick off our newest Bible study, *Reclaiming Friendship: God's Plan for Deep Connection*. Come and

view the video *True Friendship and its Fruit* while enjoying coffee, refreshments, and getting to know other women of the parish. We need relationships, especially friendships, to live thriving, joy-filled lives. Let God reshape how you see and experience intentional relationships, deal with your past friendship wounds, and become a woman who is capable of the lifelong bond of true friendship. No previous Bible study experience required!

**Open House - Sunday, August 29th 8:30 a.m. - Parish Hall**

**Prayer Line:** Sharon McDonald coordinates the prayer line for St. Joachim's. If you would like prayers said for anyone including your family or yourself, contact Sharon at 715-884-6491

**Up coming meetings on Monday, September 13 are:**  
Pro-Life meeting at 6:00pm in the Mary Triplet building.  
PCCW meeting at 6:30pm in the parish hall.  
Holy Name meeting at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Room.  
Please attend the meetings you are members of.

### St. Joachim Church Support

Saturday, August 21 and Sunday, August 22, 2021	
Adult .....	\$1,886.00
Youth .....	.00
Offertory .....	205.00
Candle .....	22.00
Project Milk .....	25.80
Feast of the Assumption .....	150.00
Miscellaneous .....	30.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$2,273.80</b>

## Community Events

### Wisconsin Rapids Knights of Columbus

Thursday, September 9: Council meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria starting at 7:00pm.  
Monday, September 13: Fourth Degree dinner with the ladies at Sacred Heart Church Nekoosa. Social begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30pm.  
Thursday, September 23: Regular Council meeting, 7:00pm at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Cafeteria. We will wear a mask and practice social distancing.

### Men's Holy League RESUMES!

The Men's Holy League will next be meeting **6:00pm, Fri, Sep. 10 @ SS Peter & Paul**  
If there are enough people, there will be refreshments.

A **ProLife Rosary** will be said on Monday, September 13 (October 11 next date) at 4:00 pm along Eighth Street. All are welcome to join us. We will gather in Grace's parking lot at 3:45pm.

**Join us for Rural Life Day** – Sept. 22 The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 40th annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday, September 22, hosted by Carla Kostka and her son, Barry, at their Castle Rock Organic Farms, S12360 Young Road in Osseo. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by their good stewardship of the land. The day begins with 10 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop William Patrick Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by members of St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish.

### Assumption Catholic Schools Positions for 2021-22



**Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish** in Wisconsin Rapids is seeking a person to fill the position of DRE. The applicant will plan the religious education year, conduct RCIA, sacramental preparation for confirmation and first communion, bible studies and many other miscellaneous activities of ministry. Applicants may apply by sending a resume to Our Lady Queen of Heaven church at 750 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., Wisconsin Rapids WI 54495 or sending a resume by email To [olqh@solarus.net](mailto:olqh@solarus.net) We hope to fill the position by August 9.



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## August 29, 2021 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling. ©LPi



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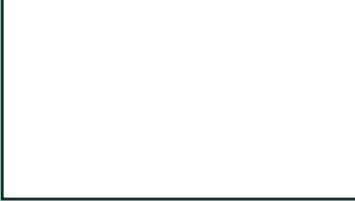
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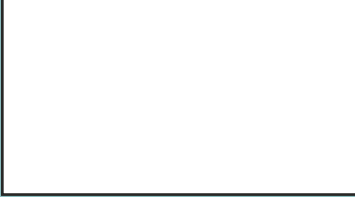


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