

September 5, 2021
Twenty-Third Sunday



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Baptisms

Contact rectory during office hours for information.

Marriages

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

Marriage Preparation Program

Phone (715) 572-9748

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

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!" that is, "Be opened!" Mk 7:32-34

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 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 September 5, 2021

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42 7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-3

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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; find us on Facebook.

Fr. Nathan will have **Holy Hour**; 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 for full details and speak to your pastor about enrolling. Class size is limited, so don't delay!

The **restoration of the Cathedral of St. Joseph** is progressing well and it is anticipated that the work will reach completion this Fall. I hope that you have taken an opportunity to view the Cathedral's website where they have provided updates on the construction, as well as live construction cams, allowing all to join in the excitement of bringing our Cathedral back to its glory. This work could never have been recognized had it not been for the support of all of you. The Christ Our Cornerstone campaign kicked off with a target goal of \$6.1M in January 2021 and I am extremely pleased to share that 143 parishes participated, with over 2200 donors, reaching the target goal. I extend my sincere appreciation to all who carried out this work through your participation, pledge payments and prayers. It is through the generosity of the faithful that we have been able to preserve our beloved Mother Church for generations to come. I ask that you take a moment and watch this video message.

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St. James Mass Intentions

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

Monday, September 6
8:45 am † Willis 'Bill' Peaslee
requested by Josh and Kristine Sojka

Tuesday, September 7
8:45 am Protection of the Unborn
requested by Donor

Saturday, September 11
4:00 pm For the People

Sunday, September 12
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 am † Donald Bauer
requested by Joyce Bauer

St. Joachim Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 4
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

Wednesday, September 8
8:45 am † Hatti Jaromin
requested by Tony and Joyce Jaromin

Friday, September 10
8:45 am † Rose Zdun requested Family

Saturday, September 11
7:00 pm Mass of Thanksgiving
requested by the Behselich

Sunday, September 12
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 am † Art Blanchard
requested by Holy Name

Holy Rosary Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 5
Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
8:30 am For vocations to the Priesthood
requested by Holy Rosary Men's Group

Thursday, September 9
8:30 am † Florence Schmick
requested by Erv and Gwen Tomczyk

September 12
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am Mass of thanksgiving
requested by Erv and Gwen Tomczyk

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 would like to welcome **Jan Wright** to our Parish Family.



Just a reminder about the "get together" for the ladies of the parish on Wednesday, Sept. 8 at 6pm (St. James - downstairs). We need your ideas and support.

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.



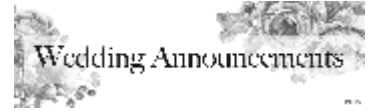
It is time to be looking ahead for the **Religious Education Program for St. James**. If there are families with children entering first grade or new families interested in enrolling their children please contact Elaine Seefeldt to register for the program.

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).

CCD begins on Wednesday, September 22.

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.

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.



Wedding Bann I
Leland 'Lee' James Weber and Patrice Marie Mitchell

St. James Church Support

Saturday, August 28 and Sunday, August 29, 2021

Adult	\$1,316.00
Offertory	209.25
Candle	57.25
Wedding donation	125.00
Haiti donation	600.00
Total.....	\$2,307.50

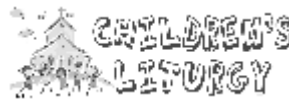


Holy Rosary Parish Events

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. 15th. 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.

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 29, 2021

Adult	\$797.00
Offertory	92.00
Candles	41.00
Haiti	534.00
Total.....	\$1,464.00



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.

We are looking for **catechists for 5th grade and 7th grade** for this CCD year. No experience necessary. We provide all materials and training. Please consider sharing your time and faith with our youth. If interested please contact Cindy Schooley @715-213-6940.

CCD begins on Wednesday, September 8.

Anyone interested in the **Director of Youth Ministry** position, please contact the Central Office to fill out an application.

Fr. Nathan will be blessing all students and backpacks next Sunday, September 12 at 10:30am Mass. He would also like to bless all school staff.

Rosary Makers: Calling all interested Men, Women and children alike. We will be gathering the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month (First date Sept. 10) after the morning Mass until 11:30. You can come and stay as long as like. We will be making Mission rosaries; the Diocese of La Crosse will help us to distribute the rosaries we make (or if you know of a place in need). If you have questions contact Kathy Huebl @ 715-884-6832 or email: khuebl@hotmail.com.

Sunday, September 12 at 8:30am. 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*. 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!

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.

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

Please attend the meetings you are members of.

On the third Wednesday's of the month we have **Breakfast Potluck Fellowship** after the 8:45am Mass. Our next date will be Wednesday, September 15. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday, September 19 **Maryheart Knights of Columbus meeting** at 9:00am in the Mary Triplet building.

The **PCCW Final Fund Raiser** for this year will be a Basket Raffle in November. We ask all the PCCW Ladies to start thinking of a basket. You can do it as an individual or group of ladies. We will be running for 3 to 4 wks. Tickets will be sold after Mass on Saturday and Sunday. The winners will be announced at the Family Bingo Christmas Party. More information to follow as we get closer to November. Any ideas or questions contact, Sharon McDonald, PCCW President. 715-884-6491 or email LJSAMCD2@TDS.NET

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

St. Joachim Church Support

Saturday, August 28 and Sunday, August 29, 2021	
Adult.....	\$1,841.00
Youth.....	1.00
Offertory.....	167.00
Candle.....	41.00
Project Milk.....	23.00
Feast of the Assumption.....	25.00
Haiti.....	1,175.00
Total.....	\$3,273.00

meal catered by members of St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish.

St. Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon 715-443-2236

Sept. 23—Know your Faith Series: Dignity & Rights of Workers
Sept. 24-26 Franciscan Living Retreat w/Fr. Dan Crosby
Oct. 1-3 Serenity Retreat w/Katherine McCauley
Oct. 28 Know Your Faith Series: Rights & Responsibilities
Oct. 30-31 Moving Meditation Retreat w/Elizabeth Lewis



Join pro-life Wisconsinites for the first-ever March for Life Wisconsin on Saturday, October 2, 2021! We will gather at noon at the Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison to hear from pro-life leaders. The March will follow and will conclude in prayer at 3:00 p.m. outside of Planned Parenthood. Buses from various Wisconsin cities are available for easy travel to and from Madison. For more information, visit: ProLifeWI.org/marchforlife



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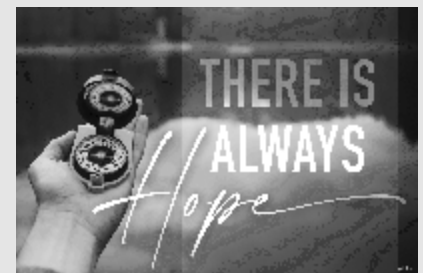
We take this opportunity to thank **PROTECTING SENIORS NATIONWIDE**, as well as all of our contributors for their generous and gracious support of our bulletin.

September 5, 2021—23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the time we are born into this world until we die, our human radar picks up signals about how to respond to life. What we picked up on when we were very young carries an even greater power. The messages we receive and process tell us what we are "supposed" to do with our feelings, how to understand and cope with disappointment, anxiety, failure, death, illness, and what to expect out of life. As life unfolds for us, these radar messages kick in and resonate in us at very deep levels. Sometimes what we have learned is helpful and sometimes it is not. The stories we have been told, especially when we are young, about how life is best lived and how to negotiate its pain carry a heavy weight.

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. It also can be quite unpredictable and, at times, unfair. We face our vulnerability and brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. It doesn't take much for life to quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar and true is gone and something we relied upon, physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can be taken away. It is hard to confront our limitations and sit with our incompleteness. Often, life hurts us so much that we find ourselves sitting in a pool of sadness, not sure what we are supposed to do. It is particularly hard when the signals we have inherited tell us that we need to be successful in what we do, and we have to avoid life's unfairness. We can feel like a failure, wondering what precisely we did to deserve this fate, or ruminate about what we did not do correctly. But it's really not about us. We are part of a bigger picture and a much more fascinating story!

If we cease doing battle with life's incompleteness and see ourselves, as God does, on a journey toward wholeness and completeness we can better accept our disappointments and stand firm. The prophets told us, and Jesus reassured us: Be strong! Fear not! Sometimes we have to update our stories and replace them with newer, more accurate ones. When we make God's story our own and tune our radar into His voice, what we hear is all about restoration, healing, and rejuvenation! This is true even when we think we have hit rock bottom and can go no further. There is always hope. Remember the words of Julian of Norwich: God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. Now, listen to God when He says, "be opened!" Be healed and allow



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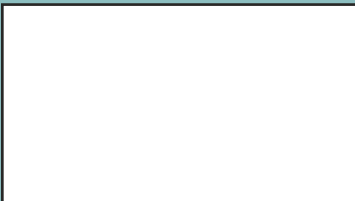
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