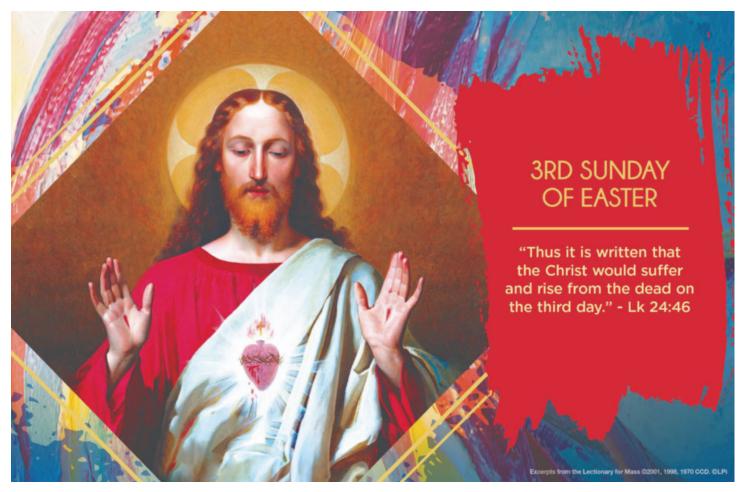
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A New Bishop Pope Francis announced this past Tuesday, March 19, that he had accepted Bishop William Callahan's retirement request and appointed Bishop Gerard Battersby to succeed him and serve as the 11th Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse.



Bishop Battersby was born on May 15, 1960. In 1993, he entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and received a Master of Divinity degree in 1998. After ordination to the priesthood, he served in parish ministry for ten years. He then served at Sacred Heart Major Seminary where he was appointed Vice-Rector and Dean of Formation in 2011. He was ordained as an Auxiliary Bishop of

the Archdiocese of Detroit and Moderator of its South Region in January 2017.

Bishop Battersby will be installed as the Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse on May 20 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in La Crosse. Please keep him in your prayers.



Domestic Church *Domestic Church* is a movement for sacramentally married couples, fostering Catholic Christian community and lifelong spiritual formation through small groups and retreats. It draws its inspiration from the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

which describes the family as the ecclesia domestica or the domestic church. Couples involved in Domestic Church experience personal and shared spiritual growth, finding support to deepen their unity, pass on their faith to their children, and navigate faithful Catholic living amidst contemporary challenges.

There will be a retreat for those interested in considering becoming involved with the *Domestic Church* movement on April 13-14 in

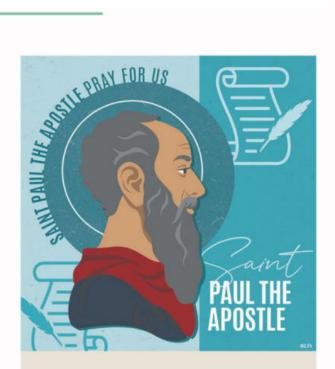


■ Wisconsin Rapids and a potential retreat here in Marshfield later this fall. For more information and to let us know if you are interested, please scan the QR code to the left or visit https://forms.gle/cQRBCKvg4kMdtLQq5

Diocesan Annual Appeal As you know, our Diocesan Annual Appeal funds the critical activities of seminarian education, Catholic school resources, and charitable outreach, which are vital for maintaining church ministries and fostering community growth and vibrancy. Every parishioner's support is crucial for the Appeal's success in advancing our Catholic mission of faith, education, and service. Sadly, this late into the Appeal, only 16% or only 121 families out of 746 families from Our Lady of Peace Parish have made a pledge or donation to this year's Annual Appeal; equally as sad, only 15% or 59 families out of 402 families from Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish have made a pledge or donation. Our Lady of Peace is short \$73,361.00 of its Appeal Goal and Sacred Heart of



Jesus is short \$23,940.00. If you have not yet made a pledge or donation, please scan the QR code to the left or go to https://diolc.org/donate-online/ and do so. Thank you for your support.



Saint of the week

St. Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, was the most prolific Christian missionary of all time. Due to a miraculous experience that he had on the road to Damascus, he went from persecuting early Christians to traveling all over the region preaching the Gospel of Jesus.

Prayer in Times of Darkness

Dear Jesus. When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek.

Amen.

Readings for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday:

Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/ Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday:

Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday:

Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/ Jn 6:35-40

Thursday:

Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/ Jn 6:44-51

Friday:

Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday:

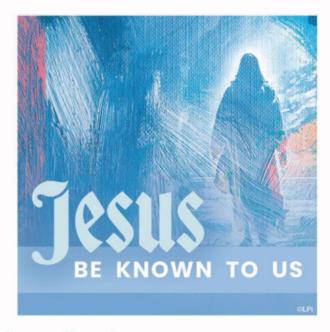
Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday:

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



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Gospel Meditation

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

- Father John Muir

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The Twist Ending

Any reader of psychological thrillers will come across the "dead main character trope" fairly often. This is the famous Sixth Sense twist ending (I would say "spoiler alert," but the movie is older than most of the people who work in Youth Ministry at your archdiocese, so you've probably seen it by now) where the reader finds that the main character has been dead for all or most of the story.

I'm always a little disappointed when this happens. It delivers shock value, sure, but it also undermines everything that happens in the story. You've come on a journey with this character, only to find out that nothing you saw transpire was real in the way you thought it was. You feel a little stupid, because the whole time you only had part of the truth.

I suspect Jesus knows this about us. He knows we don't like to have the rug pulled out. It's why he is so up-front about his humanity following the resurrection. See how Jesus, resurrected, shows the disciples his feet, his hands. See how he asks them for food and lets them watch him eat it. See how this creates in them an understanding, a belief.

The humanity of Jesus Christ is absolutely crucial. It's what bridges the divide between the sons of Eve and the God she defied. Our reconciliation with God cannot happen unless human flesh pays the price that will balance the scales. Human flesh: skin that can tear and bleed, bones that can break, a mouth that can thirst, a stomach that can ache with hunger.

The passion and death of Jesus Christ is not a thriller with a twist ending: he was a ghost the whole time! The twist, if anything, is this: he was human the whole time.

"Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." — Luke 24:39

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

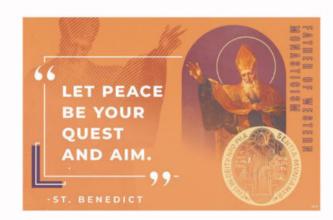
Question:

I've heard that we become angels when we die. Is this what the Church teaches?

Answer:

As human beings, we are both spiritual and corporeal. We are body and soul. This makes us unique in all creation. No other physical creature — plant or animal — possesses an immortal soul made in God's image and likeness. Like the distinction with plants and animals, angels have an entirely different sort of existence. Angels are pure immortal spirit, and they have been so since the moment of their creation. While they may take on an appearance of a body in Biblical history, they are not a body like we are. Angels are neither male nor female, despite the art we often see.

As the result of the Fall, human beings experience death. Our souls are temporarily separated from our bodies. However, we do not become something other than human. Every Sunday in the Creed we profess "I believe in the resurrection of the body." As Jesus was united with his body on the third day, so too will we be united with our bodies at the end of time.



Liturgical Volunteers for next Sunday, April 20-21

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Questions of the Week

First Reading:

Peter challenges the religious leaders of Jerusalem who put Jesus to death to repent of their sins and be converted. Have you ever seen someone have a conversion to the Faith?

Second Reading:

John tells us that we should turn to Jesus, our Advocate, when we sin and fail to keep his commandments. Can you think of a time when you sought Jesus in a time of need?

Gospel Reading:

The resurrected Jesus taught the disciples how they were witnesses to the Scriptures being fulfilled in his suffering, death, and resurrection and that forgiveness of sins was to be preached in his name. How might you share your faith this week at home or at work?



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Mass Intentions for the Week of April 14, 2024

Tuesday, April 16th

7:00 am (Columbus Chapel)

† Bill and Jane Herr by Terri Wilczek

8:00 am (Our Lady of Peace)

† Doris Borths by Charles Borths

Wednesday, April 17th

7:00 am (Columbus Chapel)

† Bill Binder by Kelly Weiler

8:00 am (Sacred Heart)

† Bernadine Weber by Mark & Kathy Binder

Thursday, April 18th

8:00 am (Our Lady of Peace)

Robert Lotzer by Pete & Cathy Lotzer

Friday, April 19th

7:00 am (Columbus Chapel)

† Wayne & Mary Sondgeroth by Connie Walter

8:00 am (Sacred Heart)

† Ken Wry by Gary & Barb Boor

Saturday, April 20th

4:00 pm (Our Lady of Peace)

† Lance Erwin by Cathy Erwin

Sunday, April 21st

8:00 am (Sacred Heart)

† Harold Spencer by Randy & Sara Spencer

10:00 am (Our Lady of Peace)

† Darrell and Jane Acker by Gene Stangl

Arrivederci Fr. Robertson & Fr. Clements will be gone on their pilgrimage to Italy, April 8 until April 15.

That Man Is You All men are invited this Tuesday, April 16, at 6:00 a.m. in Dillenburg Hall at Our Lady of Peace. This will be the last meeting until September.



Toot Toot Tootsie The Knights of Columbus will be selling Tootsie Rolls after the

Masses today and tomorrow. The proceeds will go to help those with cognitive disabilities.



Additional Easter Flower Donations

This past week additional Easter flower memorials were made in memory of the following people: Walter Willfahrt by Barbara Willfahrt; Carolee Schueller by Don & Jackie Schueller; Ray

Gougeon, Frank Opatik Family, and Edie Braun by Joann Gougeon; Arline Stangl by Gene Stangl; Irene & Jeffrey Duerr by Edwin Duerr; Kathy Broast, Victor Jensen, Robert & Mary Grosbier, Tom & Nancy Bruhn, by Joan Zoellner.



The Marshfield Deanery is sponsoring a bus for those wishing to attend our diocesan Eucharistic Rally, *The Answer*, on Friday, June 7. The bus will leave St. John Parish at 7:00

a.m. and return at 7:00 p.m. The day will feature a Eucharistic procession; Mass; speakers Chris Stefanick and Immaculee Ilibagiza; and free time for opportunities to go to Confession, visit the Adoration Chapel, visit booths, eat, etc. The cost is \$25 (there is a \$0.50 discount for each additional ticket purchased). You can sign up and pay online by going to olpmarshfield.com and clicking *The Answer* icon. If you do not have access to the internet or do not have a credit or debit card, please contact the parish offices to make arrangements.

Doctrine on Draft The topic for this month's Doctrine on Draft will be *Gender Theory and Transgendersim*. Come and learn more about the Church's teaching and discuss this timely topic at Nutz Deep on Wednesday, April 17, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Save the Date The dedication and open house for the new Sacred Heart Jesus Parish Hall will be on Sunday, May 5, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Mark your calendars. All are welcome!



Our Lady of Peace Parish and Sacred Heart have been invited to join with Zion Methodist in packing food boxes April 25 through 27.

People work with a team for a two hour shift to pack the meals. To sign up for a time slot please email Eileen at ejkrall@charter.net or call her at 715-387-3755.

Miracles for Grady & Jace Fundraiser The Bakerville Sports Bar will be hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, April 20, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. to help support the Binder family with medical expenses for their sons who have a rare disease. There will be a bean bag toss

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tournament, silent auction, bake sale and a 50/50 raffle. Please consider helping this Columbus Alumni family.

Baptism Congratulations to Wade Schaefer upon entering the church through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Youth Choir Update The final rehearsals for this choir season will be Sunday, April 14, 28 and May 12.

We Missed You! If you have not picked up your picture directory, please contact the office, or stop by, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.



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