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Readings for the Week of April 25, 2021

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

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/

Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/

Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/

Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/

Jn 14:7-14

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13,

14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Prayer petitions may be written in our Book of Petitions which is located in the gathering area by the offices. The petition book is carried to the altar and the petitions are offered at each Sunday Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN Please call Mary Kobza at 715-421-0447 with your intentions.

All emergency calls for Sunday, April 25, 2021 may be directed to Fr. Valentine at 608-399-4799.

## Sacrificial Giving for April 18, 2021



General	\$6,176.00
Plate	\$864.00
Building Maintenance	\$55.00
Total	\$7,095.00

Parish Office Hours (open over noon hour)
Mon-Thurs. 8:00 am to 3:30
Fridays 8:00 am to Noon.
Scrip is available during office hours

**Baptisms...**Parents should be registered in the parish. Practice of the faith by parents is expected. A preparation class is required. **The next class is Tuesday, May 25 at 5:30 pm.** The class fee is \$20. Please call the parish office at 715-423-1251 if you have any questions.

**Wedding Preparation...**Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. Anyone wishing to marry at Our Lady Queen of Heaven must be active participating members.

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, May 10th at 4:00 pm along Eighth Street. All are welcome to join us. We will gather in Grace's parking lot at 3:45.





Please remember in your prayers

#### Janet Anderson Gordon Boerner

May God grant them eternal rest.

On Line Giving...With churches being closed, here is a link that you can use to make donations to the parish. This is a link for Our Lady Queen of Heaven. It's very easy to use. You can make a one time donation or make recurring donations.

https://diolc.org/our-lady-queen-of-heaven-wi-rapids/

#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You with all my heart. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already in my heart and unite myself to You completely. Please do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen

## May Crowning

at our parish will be Sunday, May 9 after the 10:00 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us outside by the Statue of the Blessed Mother to crown Mary after the Mass



#### Commissioned Eucharistic Ministers

Father Valentine is asking that we have one Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Minister at Sunday Mass beginning this month. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please call the office or email <a href="ministriesolqh@solarus.net">ministriesolqh@solarus.net</a>. Please include your phone number.

Mass on Public Access Channel—Time & date have changed. It will now be on Wed. morning at 9:00 am and Sunday evenings at 9:00 pm.



## **Religious Education Grades 1-9**

\*April 28 – Grades 1-9 Last night of classes. Living Rosary with social to follow. Parents are encouraged to attend.

First communion will be Sunday, May 3 at the 10:00 am Mass. We have a small group this year so parish families can join us for this beautiful celebration. Please keep the young people in your prayers as they finalize their preparations for this most important sacrament.

#### Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

by Dr. Edward Sri, from the Augustine Institute, will be our next bible study. It is an 8 week study and will begin Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Sri will journey through the biblical narrative of Mary's life and visit the places where key events in salvation history occurred. You will be introduced to the Blessed Mother on a personal level and will see how Scripture, history and Jewish culture reveal the sorrows, anxieties and joys Mary would have felt in her heart. If you have not attended a study in the past, join us. These studies will change your life. We will meet in the morning at 9:00 am and 5:30 pm on Thursdays. The cost of the workbook is \$25. All are welcome to join us. Please call the parish office to order a book.

We are trying to locate two DVDs from the bible study on "The Eucharist" by Brant Pitre. If anyone has borrowed them, can you please call the office and let us know? Thank you.

A Fatima Rosary will be said on Saturday, May 15, at 9:00 am here at Our Lady Queen of Heaven. We will meet at church at 8:45 and walk out to the Expressway together. All are encouraged to join us. We all know the message of Fatima - praying the rosary can change the world.

**New Parishioners...**All new families are most welcome to the Parish and are kindly asked to register at the Parish Office as soon as possible. Please inform the office of any address or phone number changes.

#### FORMED.org things to take a look at:

\*Under Recently Added: - Short dramatizations to view: Vianney Speaks; John of the Cross; Saint Francis, Troubadour of God's Peace.
\*Under St. Joseph – Novena to Saint Joseph
\*Under Kids – Brother Francis – "The Mass:
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#### DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.

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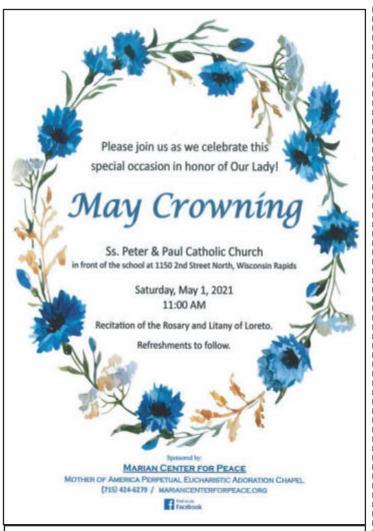
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#### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil		4:00	pm
Sunday7:30	) &	10:00	am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation—OLQH

Saturday......9:00 am & 3:00 pm or by appointment

Sponsor the Sanctuary Candles...in memoriam, for a birthday, anniversary, for a special prayer intention or as a special gift. Five Sanctuary Candles will burn for six days and the 2 altar candles will burn at all Masses during that week. They are \$25 for the week.



#### **Greetings from the Social Justice Committee:**

The drive thru food pantries are continuing in April. Every Tuesday in April from 10am -noon at the WR city garage on Chase Street. Enter off 16th Avenue to the back of the city garage. You will see the line of cars. People drive up, but cannot get out of their cars, and the box of food is loaded into their trunk. This is in addition to SWEPS and the Neighborhood Table. All volunteers wear masks and maintain social distancing.

It is a great opportunity for anyone who needs food. Boxes usually contain, potatoes, fruit, milk, cheese and other staples. Many seniors are taking advantage of this opportunity. Please see the whole flyer for details.

#### Monday, April 26, 2021

8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021

9:00 am Children's Mass † Janice Stublaski by: Andy Stublaski & Family

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021

STS PETER CHANEL & LOUIS GRIGNION DE MONTFORT 8:00 am Mass † Mary Ritchay by: Mike & Patti Ritchay 6:00 pm Religious Education Classes Grades 1-9

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2021 ST CATHERINE OF SIENA 5:00 pm Mass † Dennis Conway by: The Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2021 ST PIUS V

8:00 am Mass + Sarah Strigel by: Ed & Lois Altmann

#### SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

8:00 am † Ed Aschenbrenner by: Tom & Joan Freidel

9:00 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Vigil Mass † Harland & Erma Ehlers by: Joe & Chris Ehlers

#### SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

7:30 am Mass † James Kolo by: the Hilgart Family

10:00 am Mass † Merlin McHugh by: Milly Hoffman & Family



#### Saturday—May 1

4:00 pm John & Peg Wasshausen

Sunday—May 2

7:30 am Andy & Joanne Dachel 10:00 am Marge Gee & Vi Dionne



## Saturday—May 1

4:00 pm Brenda Walczak

Sunday—May 2

7:30 am Mary Benbow

10:00 am Mike Mancl

Calvary Cemetery is preparing for our Spring Cleanup in May. Please remove from grave sites any seasonal or deteriorated decorations by April 30, 2021. Thank You!

#### Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

There will be a second collection this weekend April 24/25 for CCW. It is known as Low Sunday or CCW collection. This helps fund projects for CCW. Thank you

#### Walk for Life 2021

Liz Musch will be participating in the Walk for Life. If you wish to sponsor her you may send a donation to her home at 2895 Biron Drive E, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494. Thank You

# St Joseph Pray For Us!



## SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of April 23 —April 30

For the Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady Queen of Heaven

#### SCHOOL NEWS



# Catechesis students celebrating the Liturgy of Light.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is available to all students at Our Lady Queen of Heaven. Students participate in the program in small groups for 45 minutes once a week. During their time in the Atrium, children grow in their relationship with God in a way that is developmentally appropriate and is based on Sacred Scripture, the Liturgy, and Maria Montessori's educational philosophy.



Amelia LaCasse is the first student at Our Lady Queen of Heaven who has read over 1,000,000 words this year!

<u>Lectors</u> I am currently working on the next Lector's schedule. If you have any days or times that you want noted, please email ministriesolgh@solarus.net Karen Abbott

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

## **Good Shepherd Sunday**

In most of our homes, we have domestic animals. If we pay attention, we can learn a lot about their



wonderful behaviors that create wonder to human minds. Let us think of the endearing way domestic animals recognize their owners. Dogs collapse into a frenzy of delight when you come home, even if you have only been gone for a half hour. New heavens have arrived in their midst, and hysterics are the least they can do.

Jesus might have paid a lot of attention to animals and their humans. He watched shepherds and sheep many times in his trips through the lands and he observed their kinship. Not cat-like or dog-like, but heartfelt in a different way. Shepherds made the sheep safe, guarded them. led them to food and drink. In Jerusalem, in those days, various flocks would arrive along with their respective shepherds, but there was only one sheepfold. So, all the shepherds sent all the sheep into it. This made for a rather large herd, and there wasn't any practice of branding or marking in order to tell one from the other. What's more, sheep, unlike dogs, do not get excited when their shepherd walks in. Then how could each shepherd reclaim his own sheep?

In two ways: One, the shepherd knew them by heart. Sometimes he had a special name for each character in the flock. Second, the sheep themselves recognize their master's voice immediately. When he called out, they simply got to their feet and came with him, through the sheep-gate.

Jesus refers to this familiarity in today's Gospel: "I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me" Those who belong to Christ know Him well and Jesus knows them well also. Jesus knows clearly our inner desires and needs. As a good shepherd, He loves and leads us to the fullness of life. This reality should liberate us from our daily worries. It should give us an intimacy with a person who is ready to give His life for us. If Christ knows us, what else could we want? Let us just hold His hand and walk with Him with a song of gratitude.

Today, in a special way, let us pray for our priests who are working in different parishes and our own pastors, past and present. May the

Good Shepherd lead them with comfort and consolation and may they radiate the loving concern of Jesus to the people in their ministry.





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