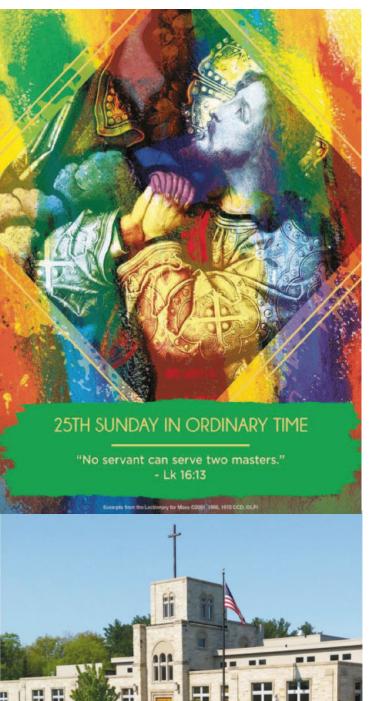


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### **PARISH CLERGY**

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 8am—3:30pm • Friday: 8am—12:00 noon Scrip is available for purchase during parish office hours.

### **PARISH STAFF**

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### **CONFESSION**

Saturday: 8:30am–9:30am and 3:00pm–3:50pm First Friday: 8:30am–9:30am with Eucharistic Exposition • Any time by appointment by contacting the parish office.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism meeting and request a date for the celebration of baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

In case of emergency only, when someone is dying, please call the pastor's emergency line at 715-629-9952. This number is for emergencies only. Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long time should receive the Sacraments. Please call the parish to make arrangements or to schedule a non-emergency visit for those who are sick or homebound.

### **OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN SCHOOL**

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#### **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. A registration form may be downloaded at **www.our-lady.org/contact**. Current parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any address, telephone, or family status changes.

### **UPCOMING BAPTISM CLASS**

The next baptism preparation class will be held on **Tuesday**, **October 18th at 5:30 pm**. The class fee is \$20. Parents should be registered in the parish. Practice of the faith by parents is expected. Please contact the parish office to register.

### PARISH BOOK OF PRAYER

Prayer requests may be written in our Parish Book of Prayer which is located in the gathering area by the offices. A general petition for all prayer requests written in the book is offered at all Sunday Masses.

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

### **SUNDAY EVENING MASS**

A deanery-wide Sunday evening Mass is held each Sunday night at 5:00 PM at St. Lawrence Parish.

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 2022



General	\$8,249.00
Plate	\$1,005.40
Building Maintenance	\$365.00
Total	\$9,619.40

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



General	\$8,637.00
Plate	\$1,117.60
Building Maintenance	\$240.00
Direct Donation 09-12-22	\$7,144.00
Total	\$17,138.60

### LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of September 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15/Lk 8:16-18 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119/Lk 8:19-21 Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19/Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90/Lk 9:7-9 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144/Lk 9:18-22 Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk16:19-31

### SANCTUARY CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candles burn the week of September 17– September 23 in memory of

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

# Wedding Banns

### Oliver Pulsifer & Katelin Kerkman (3)

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, October 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.



**Mission Rosary Makers**—The next date is Wednesday, September 21st. Please join us in the cafeteria from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



Serenity Grief Support Group
Wisconsin Rapids Deanery "Serenity" Grief
Support Group will meet in the Gathering
Space of St. Vincent de Paul Parish on the 3rd
Monday of every month. The next meeting is Monday,
September 19th from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.

If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, please join us for an afternoon of listening and sharing. Free self –help materials are available.

A Life Chain will be held Sunday, October 2nd from 1-2 pm along the Riverview Expressway Bridge, commemorating the lives that were lost to abortion and to pray for an end to abortion. Everyone is welcome to join us. We will gather in the River Hill Dental parking lot at 12:45.

Televised Mass on Spectrum Ch. 985 or Solarus Ch. 3, OLQH Mass at 9:00 AM on Wednesday. Diocesan Mass at 6:00 AM on Sunday.

### Wisconsin Rapids Area Serra Club

The Serra Club of Wisconsin Rapids invites you to learn more about our unique group who have made a commitment to support those who choose a Catholic religious vocation with our prayers and donations. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at 11:45am. For more information, please contact Phil Parker at 715-459-7204.

### ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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### **Religious Education**

This week...September 14 - First Day of Religious Education in the classroom for grades 1-8. September 18 - Catechetical Sunday. (Blessing of teachers and catechists at each Mass)



Religious Education Reminder Please note that the doors of the church and school will be closed at 6:15pm for the safety of everyone in the building. Children and teens will go directly to their classrooms (NOT Church). Prayer before Religious Education All families are welcome to join me in Church before class starts. This month I will be focusing on the Seven Sorrows Rosary.

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows, whose memorial the Church celebrates on September 15. Devotion to the sorrows of the Virgin Mary dates from the twelfth century, when it made its appearance in monastic circles under the influence of St. Anselm and St. Bernard.

Religious Items—That are no longer needed St Mary Recycle Mission Group of Lancaster, PA has been working with Catholic churches, Convents and Schools to help rescue and recycle used Religious items that are no longer needed. They will be in our area the week of Octobers 3rd. Please consider cleaning out your closets and bringing in religious items from your home to recycle. They can take in just about anything of Religious nature. Such as:

Crucifixes, Rosaries (damaged OK) Holy Cards Altar Books Prayer Books Statues (any size) Holy Medals Framed Pictures Bibles

(Please NO Story Type Books or Pamphlets/ Magazines/DVD's/or VHS Tapes.

There will be bins located in the church entryways.

OLQH, S.S Peter & Paul and Assumption High School has joined together to offer Youth Ministry Nights. We believe it is important that youth are given the opportunity to develop friendships with other Catholic teens in a safe environment. For High School we offer Mission Nights, Men/women's group and Dead Theologian Society. For Middle School we offer youth nights and Dead Theologian Society. Check out the calendars on our-lady.org/youth-ministry

Casa Hogar Optical Mission is looking for volunteers for its January 2023 mission to Lurin, Peru. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Sjolander at <a href="mailto:casahogaropticalmission@outlook.com">casahogaropticalmission@outlook.com</a> with any questions and the application form.

RCIA is an acronym that stands for "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults." The first period of RCIA, called the "Inquiry" period and is open to anyone who is honestly seeking. This period requires **no commitment and imposes no obligation to join the Church**. Join us this Sunday at 11:15am for our first inquiry session in the gathering space right outside church.

### **Greeters & Hospitality Calendars**

Greeter and Hospitality Calendars are available in the gathering space located on the counter next to the sink.



#### **FOCUS**

Feeding Our Communities with United Services
Thank you for the volunteers from your church that
helped at the FOCUS food pantry during the days of
8/29 thru 9/2. During those 5 days 72 households were
served for a total of 166 individuals including 4 new
clients in South Wood County. We are so thankful for
those who care about the well-being of our neighbors
in this area.

Our needs are ongoing, so food and monetary donations are continuously and graciously appreciated. We also appreciate receiving paper and plastic bags as well as children's books. Thanks again, for your help at the FOCUS food pantry and supporting those in need in our area.

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

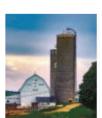
Thank you for your contributions to the food pantry in the last couple of weeks.

We are looking for a couple of new members. We focus on helping people in the community. We meet in person 3 - 4 times per year and work on projects the rest of the year. If interested or have any questions. call Mary at 715-424-4670.

In planning for the upcoming winter, we are having a Coat Drive for the month of October. The donated coats should be in good shape, with no holes, and the zippers or buttons should be working so the coat can be closed to keep people warm. If you wouldn't wear them, we shouldn't ask someone else to wear them. Coats can be any size, men's, women's or children's coats. The knitting group is working on some hats, mittens and scarves to go with the coats.

Please place any donated items in the bins near the front and side doors to the church. Thank you for sharing your gifts.

SWEPS food pantry is in need of a few items. They are having trouble getting jelly, dry pasta (elbow macaroni, or any noodles), cereal, canned soups, dish soap and shampoo. Also they can use paper grocery bags. If you place your donations in the bins near the exterior doors, we will make sure it gets delivered to the food pantry. Thank you.



## Join us for Rural Life Day - Sept. 21

The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 41st annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday. Sept. 21, hosted by Jack and Pat Herricks at 12130 Hwy. 33, Cashton. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by their good stewardship of the land. The day begins with Mass at 10 am celebrated by Bishop William Patrick

Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery, and a catered lunch. For a flyer or brochure, visit diolc.org/rural-life. For more information, contact Deacon Bob Zietlow, Rural Life Committee Liaison, rzietlow@diolc.org.

40 Days for Life, La Crosse - Opening Rally Sept. 20, 40 Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history. This year we will stand in prayerful witness outside Planned Parenthood, 1201 Caledonia Street in La Crosse, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sept. 28-Nov. 3. Attend the Opening Rally on Tues. Sept. 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Black River Beach Neighborhood Center, 1433 Rose Street in La Crosse. Brian Gibson, Executive Director of Pro-Life Action Ministries, will be the featured speaker. Refreshments served. Sponsored by La Crosse Life League. Questions? Call Marie Allen at 608.784.5189

### **UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 ST JANUARIUS 8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 STS ANDREW KIM TAE-GÖN. PRIEST, AND PAUL CHONG HA-SANG AND COMPANIONS, 9:00 am Mass † Pete Gudelis by: Karen Pagel

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 ST MATTHEW 8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

- **†** Poor Souls in Purgatory
- † Glen & Jean Zieher by: The Family
- † Ben & Carol Tritz by: Lee Tritz
- † Pam Derse by: Friends
- † Al Sievers by: John & Rosemary Hokamp
- † Ed & Agnes Fuehrer by: John & Rosemary Hokamp
- † W. L., Anne & Eileen O'Connor by: Pat O'Connor

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

9:00 am & 6:00 pm Bible Study

5:00 pm Mass † Mary Lou Uttermark by: Charleen Moscinski

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2022 ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA 8:00 am † Glen Zieher by: The Family

2:15 pm Grandparent's Day Mass † For the Living & Deceased Grandparents of ACS & OLQH

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

8:00 Mass † Charles & Alice Ashbeck by: Ron & Karen Tlachac

8: 30 am Confessions

1:00 pm Oliver Pulcifer & Katelin Kerkman Wedding

3:00 pm Confessions

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Mass † Gail Seefeldt by: Mom & Dad

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

7:30 am Mass † Kilian & Caroline Ashbeck by: The Family

**10:00 am Mass †** Anna Roginski by: Mary Jo Gustafson

#### **GREETERS**



Saturday—September 24 4:00 pm Gary & Kathi Wierzbicki Sunday—September 25 7:30 am Sue Basler & Deb Eron 10:00 am Mark & Jeri Ann Reichl Family

#### **LECTORS**



Saturday—September 24 4:00 pm Brenda Walczak Sunday—September 25 7:30 am Mary Benbow 10:00 am Angela Peters

### TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR MUSICIANS

We are excited to announce that the **choir** at Our Lady will be restarting in September! If you enjoy singing in a group, you are cordially invited to join us. We welcome new members to give us a try. You'll be glad you did.

We are also looking for adults or high school students who would be willing to cantor for weekend Masses. Cantors are musical leaders who sing with the congregation. Instruction would be provided to individuals who are interested in doing this.

For more information regarding both of these opportunities, please contact Mary Englert at menglert@our-lady.org

### PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Last Sunday, we remembered the tragedy that was 9-11, the anniversary of the plane terrorist attacks on the United States. While that day remains infamous, the next day is not as well known; September 12, the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary. I, among others, suspect that the two days, the 9-11 of 2001 and the 9-12 of Mary are intricately connected. For the feast was created after a heroic victory over Islamic forces invading Europe in 1683 on that famous date of 9-11 going into 9-12. Hence the feast day of victory for Mary, and also hence the carefully picked day for Islamic extremists to exact terror on the Christian world in 2001.

In 1683, Europe was very different than it is today. The Muslim world was encroaching upon the Christian but very divided Europe. Ottoman forces had reached as far as Vienna, a city that would prove to be a turning point for an advance against Europe; it was strategic for its access to numerous trade routes and the Danube to the Black Sea, not to mention its position on the doorsteps to the Holy Roman Empire. Some 150,000 Ottomans began the two-month siege on the city, and in that dark hour, a summons came for Europe to rally in response, but not many would suspect Poland to be the hero. King Sobieski rallied his soldiers and thousands of his "Winged Hussar" heavy cavalry who were said to have resembled angels in battle with their wings. They set out in August, leaving Poland practically defenseless. When they reached Vienna, Sobieski himself led the largest cavalry charge in recorded history, some 18,000 horsemen with tens of thousands of soldiers against the massive 150,000 soldier army of the Ottomans. The horsemen descended hills upon their foes with their massive wings, and some say that their wings "whistled" in the wind as they approached their foes.

The victory of 9-12 proved to be the turning point of the conflict between Europe and the Ottoman Empire, and it was so much a victory for Europe that Sobieski was declared by the Pope to be the defender of Christendom. Sobieski humbly attributed his victory to the Holy Mass and to Mary, to whom he pleaded for victory before the battle; Pope Innocent XI consequently declared September 12 to forever honor the Most Holy Name of Mary, which saved Europe. I pray that our current battles with secularism and atheism today will have a similar outcome; may Mary intercede for us to bring in the heroic forces that will conquer that which threatens Christianity.

May Mary watch over us all, Fr. Weller

### KWIKTRIP KWIKSTAR

What everyone really wants to know is this: SCRIPTEMBER IS BACK! Kwik Trip is increasing their rebate from 5% to 10% for the month of September.

### ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS







School is in full swing and students in grades K-12 are busy learning curriculum, participating in weekly Mass, and learning about the virtue of faith through the Virtue=Strength Catholic virtue-based formation program. ACS is a great place to be as we learn academics and grow in our faith!

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