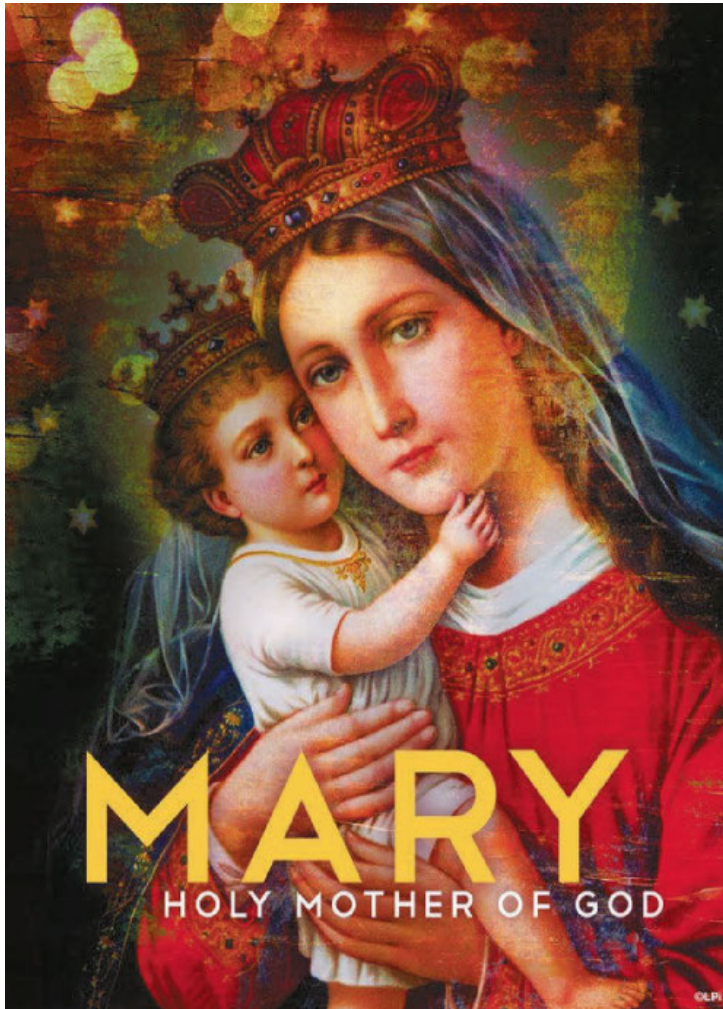




Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

750 10th Avenue South • Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin • 54495-4100
Telephone: 715-423-1251 • Facsimile: 715-423-9407
parishoffice@our-lady.org • www.our-lady.org

Please submit bulletin notices to bulletin@our-lady.org by noon on Monday.



PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Alan M. Guanella, JCL • *Pastor* • fr.guanella@our-lady.org
Fr. Steven Weller • *Parochial Vicar* • fr.weller@our-lady.org
Deacon Thomas C. Anderson • dcn.anderson@our-lady.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

PARISH STAFF

Business ManagerJaneen Sievers
jsievers@our-lady.org
Director of Religious EducationRebecca Zalar
reoffice@our-lady.org
Choir Director.....Mary Englert
Maintenance & GroundsPaul Richmond
Custodian.....LuAnne Birkhauser
Sacristan.....Karen Pagel

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

Principal Shelley Bruley • Administrative Asst. Jenny Zacher
Tel: 715-422-0982 • www.assumptioncatholicschools.org

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, January 10th 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 6:00 PM at SS Peter & Paul.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR DECEMBER 18, 2022



General	\$12,96300
Plate	\$824.00
Building Maintenance	\$15.00
Direct Donation 12-12-22	\$6,949.00
Total	\$20,751.00

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of January 1, 2023

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98/Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98/Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98/Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100/Jn 1:43-51

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147/Mk 1:7-11

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149/Jn 2:1-11

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

**Thank you for
supporting
our parish!**

Please support the advertisers who make our bulletin possible!

SANCTUARY CANDLES



We welcome to the family of God:

Grayson Thomas Whipple

Zoey Ann Whipple

Children of Jeremiah & Cassandra (Quick) Whipple



Please remember in your prayers

Robert "Ole" Olson

May God grant him eternal rest.

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, January 9th 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, January 4th. Please join us in the cafeteria from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



Televised Mass on Spectrum Ch. 985 or Solarus Ch. 3, OLQH Mass at 9:00 AM on Wednesday. Diocesan Mass at 6:30 AM on Sunday.

New FaceBook Page for the Parish...Check out our Lady Queen of Heaven's new FaceBook page. Our new page name is OLQHWisconsinRapids.

**PRAY FOR THE
FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM 6:00-7:15 PM

January 4 NO CLASS—Evening for Catechists

January 11 Grades 1-8

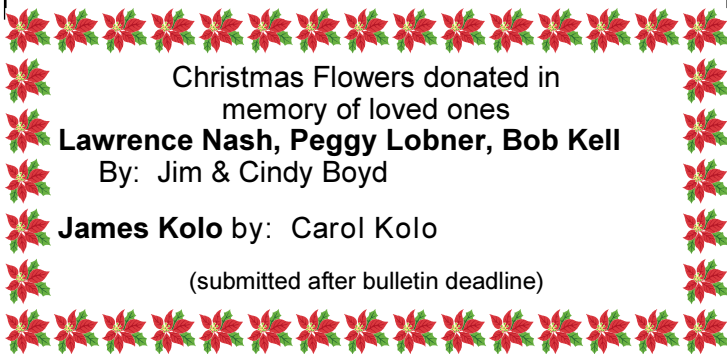
January 18 - Religious Education Grades **1-10**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults & Children

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us recall our own Baptism. We have all received the call to go and baptize all nations. Pray for those who are considering if they too are ready to renounce Satan and all his works and empty promises. If there is someone you think would like to explore what Baptism in the Catholic faith means, ask him or her to contact Rebecca Zalar at reoffice@our-lady.org or call 715-423-1251.

Adult Faith Formation

Join us on January 12 at 9:00am in the church, as we start our new Adult Faith Formation study on the Elements of the Catholic Mass.



Christmas Flowers donated in memory of loved ones

Lawrence Nash, Peggy Lobner, Bob Kell

By: Jim & Cindy Boyd

James Kolo by: Carol Kolo

(submitted after bulletin deadline)

Thank You!! Thank You!!...We wish to thank the following for all of their hard work throughout the year: Fr. Guanella, Fr. Weller, Deacon Tom Anderson, Parish Staff, Organists, Choir, Church Cleaners, Ushers, Cantors, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Sacristans, Money Counters, Parish Council Members, Scrip Sellers, Bulletin Stuffers, Homebound Visitors, Religious Education Teachers & Aides, Servers, Children's Liturgy Leaders, Greeters, Hospitality, Social Justice, Men's Group, Picnic Workers and organizers, CCW, Lawn mowing volunteers, Organizers and workers for the bake sale and Pancake breakfast, and Christmas decorators. We also wish to thank the Sullivan Family for all of their hard work and making the parish grounds look great. Sorry if we missed anyone.

Happy Holidays.....Thanks to St. Mary's Catholic church and the volunteers that helped us shop for clients the week of 12/12 through 12/16. (3 days and 2 snow days) We served 101 families and total of 270 individuals. We gained 2 new clients.

Keep in mind we always appreciate your paper grocery bags as well as clean plastic shopping sized bags.

Thanks again for your help at FOCUS Food Pantry and supporting those in need in our area.



Assumption Catholic Schools is seeking a family to host a student from Vietnam beginning with the 2023-24 school year. The student who will be attending AHS in the 10th grade is the brother of 2019 graduate, Steve Tran. Steve would like this same wonderful experience for his brother. We are seeking a family who is willing to open their hearts and home to him. It could be for one year or through graduation. You will have an unforgettable experience and an international friend. The exchange students are good students. They pay tuition, have their own spending money and health insurance.

Please consider this wonderfully rewarding experience. You do not need to have a high school student to be a host family. You just need to provide a loving, supportive environment for the student to be successful.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact: Kerry Meinel, kmeinel@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715.422.0901

What's on Formed.org for January?

Prepare the Way of the King by Dr. Scott Hahn

We celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord on January 8. In this podcast Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!

Reborn - Episode 1: A New Creation

On January 9, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!

Saint Francis de Sales: Pastor of Souls

St. Francis de Sales became a hero during the Catholic Reformation for his pastoral care and spiritual writings. Join Dr. Chris Blum as he walks through the life of this great saint, who is celebrated on January 24th!



BINGO

Assumption High School Gym
Sunday, January 1st & 15th
Doors open at noon
Play starts at 1:00 pm



OLQH Knitting & Crocheting Group

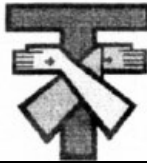
The knitting and crocheting group will meet on **Friday morning January 6th at 9:00 AM** in the gathering area at church. We have been meeting every other month. If you are not able to make the meeting, we will work on winter items such as hats or mittens and lap blankets for the nursing homes. You can begin working on baby items for the Lenten Collections that will begin in February. You may drop off any knitted or crocheted items in the bins at church and I will pick them up. Thank you to everyone who has been bringing hand made items to church. Hope to see you at the next meeting.



An Invitation

Have you felt a call for a deeper meaning in your life? Do you desire relationship with Christ? Do you feel a need to simplify your life? We invite you to come and join us to share/ learn/ explore the Secular Franciscan Order.

Please Contact
Our Lady Queen of Heaven Fraternity
Minister Patrick Ruesch OFS
(715)569-3994



St. Bronislava Holy Name Society's "All You Can Eat Breakfast" will be held Sunday, January 8, 2023 from 8:30AM to Noon at St. Bronislava Catholic Church located at 3200 Plover Rd in Plover. The Menu includes buttermilk & potato pancakes, French toast, breakfast sausage links, milk, juice & coffee. Cost is \$9.00 for ages 13-adult, \$4 for ages 5-12 & Free for ages 4 & under. The meal is cooked by the men of Holy Name and table service is provided by St Bron's Boy Scout troop #201. Proceeds from the breakfast go towards the Parish, School & Youth Needs. Thank you for your support.

Assumption Catholic Schools Food Service URGENT NEED

We are in need of 2-3 part time food service workers. For details and to apply contact Joe Anne Cephas – food service director 715-422-0922 or Jcephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org

Save the Date! Culture of Life Summit - Jan. 21, 2023 We are excited to partner with the Diocese of Superior to hold a Culture of Life Summit. This will take the place of our Pilgrimage for Life. This will be a day of live music, speakers and a time where you can discuss the issues that pertain to respecting the dignity of life. The event will be held at Regis Catholic High School. More Information is coming soon!

NEWS FROM

Mother of America Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel and the Marian Center for Peace

There are newsletters on tables in Church and in the gathering space.

UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023

STS. BASIL THE GREAT AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN
8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023 MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

9:00 am Children's Mass † Poor Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023 ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

† Richard Vetter by: Lisa Falk

† Matt & Leona Ashenbrenner by: Don & Mary Bemke

† Patrick McAleer by: Stacy Reeder

† Jackie Ashbeck by: Terry & Patty Weinfurter

† Wally & Janet Anderson by: Dan McCarville

NO Religious Education Classes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5 2023 ST. JOHN NEUMANN

5:00 pm Mass † John Cetnarowski by: Mike & Karen Abbott

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023 ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE

8:00 am Mass † Doug Wettstein by: The Family

8:30 am Adoration and Confessions

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023

8:00 am Mass † Barb Tork by: The Family

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Rosary

3:30 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass † Doreen & Jim Dekarske by: The Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 am Mass † Rueben & Romelle Grassl by: Yvonne Strub

10:00 am Mass † Ron Pagel by: The Edwards Family

GREETERS



Saturday—January 7

4:00 pm Lucy Lawrence

Sunday January 8

7:30 am Confirmation Class

10:00 am Confirmation Class

LECTORS



Saturday—January 7

4:00 pm John Wasshausen

Sunday—January 8

7:30 am Diane Moss

10:00 am Mike Hittner

ST. ALEXANDER PARISH JOB OPENING

St. Alexander Parish has a part-time (4 hours per week) job opening for Indoor Custodian for the church and school to begin immediately. Job description available at the parish office or by calling 715-887-3012. Must be willing to submit fingerprints for a background check.

Thank you to Ritchay Funeral Home and Herman-Taylor Funeral Home for donating 2023 Catholic Calendars.



PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Happy New Year! May 2023 be happy, holy, and healthy to you and your families. Since 1967, January 1st is observed as the "World Day of Peace" in the Catholic Church. In his 1967 encyclical on the development of people, *Populorum Progressio*, Saint Pope Paul VI notes that "peace is not simply the absence of warfare, based on a precarious balance of power; it is fashioned by efforts directed day after day toward the establishment of the ordered universe willed by God, with a more perfect form of justice among men." As war continues to rage in Ukraine, Yemen, Ethiopia, and in other places, may we continue to pray for peace in our world and may 2023 be the year that these tragic wars come to an end.



Switching gears entirely, some of you may know about St. John Bosco, known affectionately as "Don Bosco" in Italian. He was an Italian priest, born in 1815, and died in 1888. He dedicated his life to the betterment and education of street children, juvenile delinquents, and other disadvantaged youth. He is the patron saint of schoolchildren. As we begin a new year, many of us will make New Year's Resolutions. I found the following "Resolutions" written by St. John Bosco that are still applicable today and I share them with all of you as good New Year's Resolutions for our participation in Mass:

1. Try to be early for Mass always. A few minutes spent in prayer before Mass can open your soul to wonderful Graces.
2. When you enter or leave the church take Holy Water and sign yourself with the Sign of the Cross.
3. Always genuflect when you enter or leave your seat. This is an Act of Adoration to Almighty God, present in the tabernacle. So take time to genuflect reverently, facing the altar and saying "My Lord and My God" as your right knee touches the floor.
4. Don't talk in church unless absolutely necessary. Talk only to Jesus—it is Him you have come to visit. Don't talk as you leave either. Some people may still be praying.
5. Listen to the sermon. It is a message from God which could bear much fruit for you.
6. Don't start to leave church until the priest has left the church. Stay to thank God for the Graces you received from Him in the Mass.

Finally, St John Bosco reminded us that every day we take a step closer to Heaven, that every act should be for the greater glory of God and that every morning we should renew our resolve to work for the Salvation of souls. May God bless you this year and always. Happy 2023!

In Christ,
Father Guanella

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

School News

You are very welcome to join our school family at any time. If you would like to visit our schools and see what a day in the life of a Catholic school student entails. Please call the ACS Enrollment office at 715/422-0901 to make a reservation.



Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from January 30 to February 6. Please join us in our excitement and spread the word about what a great school we have here. Invite another family to experience what goes on in our schools.



A New Year's Prayer for Our Family

GOD, THANK YOU FOR A NEW YEAR. MAY EVERYONE IN OUR FAMILY BE WILLING TO BEGIN ANEW WITH A CLEAN SLATE. WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE ALWAYS READY TO FORGIVE US. HELP US TO BE WILLING TO FORGIVE OURSELVES AND TO FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER.

AS WE BEGIN A NEW YEAR, REMIND US OF OUR TRUEST VALUES AND OUR DEEPEST DESIRES. HELP US TO LIVE IN THE GOODNESS THAT COMES FROM DOING WHAT YOU WANT US TO DO, HELP US TO PUT ASIDE ANXIETY ABOUT THE FUTURE AND THE PAST, SO THAT WE MIGHT LIVE IN PEACE WITH YOU NOW, ONE DAY AT A TIME.

AMEN



Mission-To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition

PRG PREMIER REALTY GROUP | **KWRAPIDS** REALTY

PAUL SCHLAEFER
"Assumption Family"
(715) 213-7449
Paul@PremierRealty.Group



ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Live, Learn & Lead in Faith

445 Chestnut St. • Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
(715) 422-0900 | WPCP Participant
www.assumptioncatholicschools.org

SWETZ OIL
BULK GASOLINE • DIESEL FUEL & FUEL OIL
Quality Conoco Motor Oil, Hydraulic Oil & Grease
"Serving Your Area"

652-2380
County Hwy P • Blenker **CONOCO** bp

NICK MICHELS AND SONS INC
Established in 1946
Commercial • Industrial • Roofing Contractors

886-3551 • Fax: 886-3966
PO BOX 127-NEKOOSA
Union Member • Member NRCA - MRCA



EXPRESS RECYCLING SOLUTIONS, INC.
Recycling • Shredding
"Trusted Vendor - Parish Member"
Wisconsin Rapids - Stevens Point - Grand Rapids -
ExpressRecycling.Biz
(715) 451-8888

Trucking • Cat - Hoe Work

BOHN
TRUCKING & EXCAVATING, INC.
5631 Kellner Road
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
Office (715) 423-2028 Parishioner

Quality Foods
Hometown Markets

423-9750 423-8350
West Grand Ave. Baker Drive

Johnson & Sons Co Inc
DODGE CHRYSLER
Jeep RAM
Sales: 715-318-3058 Service: 715-318-2786
Parts: 715-318-2348
www.johnsonsons.com Parish Family

PAPER CITY SAVINGS
FDIC (715) 423-8100
www.papercitysavings.com

Herman-Taylor
FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CENTER

Since 1953
715-423-5460
2201 Chestnut Street, Wisconsin Rapids
www.taylorfuneralhome.net

ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

Authorized Provider **SafeStreets** **833-287-3502**

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS
Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME
Kena Owen

kowen@4LPi.com
(800) 950-9952 x5876

Bertram-Junemann Well Drilling Inc.
Complete Water Systems Installed
7117 County Road S
Rudolph, Wisconsin
435-3379

Home Furniture

Free In-Home Design Service **WI Rapids 423-4460 Plover 345-1992** Parish Member
LA-Z-BOY® GALLERY

ALTMANN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

WE BUILD FUTURES.

Municipal/Government
Manufacturing
Commercial
Educational
Health Care

(715) 421-2550
altmannconstruction.com

HOMESTEAD Supper & Country Club

3372 WI 73 - WI Rapids
(713) 423-7577

Nightly Dinner & Drink Specials
WINTER HOURS Mon-Fri: 5-9

Shanon G. Moon, LUTCF, CRPC®
Financial Advisor

Ameriprise Financial

Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.
400 Daly Avenue, Suite 107 • Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
T: 715.421.2250 • C: 715.459.9600
shanon.g.moon@ampf.com
ameripriseadvisors.com/shanon.g.moon

An Ameriprise Financial franchise

MARSHFIELD MONUMENT
Markers-Monuments Mausoleums

Brian Hopperdietzel, Owner
MarshfieldMonument.com

435 S. Central Ave. • (715) 384-5575

Arndt's Trees
Christmas Trees, Wreaths & Garland

New Location: 9410 80th St S
(3 miles south of Kellner)
715-325-5212

Open Thanksgiving - Christmas
Jon & Audrey, Parish Members

Rocky Rococo
Parishioners

(715) 712-1200

1841 8th Street South • Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
PIZZA OR PASTA
DINE IN! CARRY OUT! or WE DELIVER!

WE'RE HIRING!
AD SALES EXECUTIVES

BE YOURSELF.
BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.

- Paid training
- Some travel
- Work-life balance
- Full-Time with benefits
- Serve your community

Contact us at **careers@4lpi.com** or **www.4lpi.com/careers**



Combine Home & Auto. Save & Smile.

STATE FARM® INSURANCE AGENT
Kari Van Ert
478 E Grand Ave, Suite 100,
Wisc Rapids, WI 54494
(715) 424-4181
State Farm®

ECON Electrical Contractors
4610 Plover Rd.
Wisconsin Rapids
or email: **econ@econelectric.com**
715-423-8440

Ritchay Funeral Home
1950 12th St. South 423-1414

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

Instantly create and purchase an ad with

AD CREATOR STUDIO

 **4lpi.com/adcreator**



Eron & Gee/Herman's
Plumbing & Heating, Inc.
Residential & Commercial
1111 Alton ☎ 715-423-7430

Aden TREE CARE!
Tree Removal • Tree Pruning • Stump Grinding
(715) 897-1849
sales@adentreecare.com

~ 100% Pure Beef & Charcolled ~

CHIPS HAMBURGERS
OPEN DAILY AT: 10:30

Marshfield (715) 384-7600 WI Rapids (715) 423-8820
ChipsHamburgers.com

Terrace Custom Builders®
Model Homes Open 7 Days
1553 11th Dr., Friendship, WI
(608) 339-7888
www.terracehomes.com

TRI-CITY SERVICES
ACS SCRIP Merchant

(715) 423-5840
• Air Conditioning & Heating
• Commercial Refrigeration
CallTriCity.com