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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

Business Manager Janeen Sievers
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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.

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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, April 11th 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 FEBRUARY 19, 2023



General	\$5,145.00
Plate	\$1,136.00
Building Maintenance	\$130.00
Total	\$6,411.00

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of February 26, 2023

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51/Rom 5:12-19 /Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

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SANCTUARY CANDLES



Please remember in your prayers

Thea Provost

May God grant her eternal rest.

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, March 13th at 4:00 pm along Eighth St. 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, March 1st. Please join us in the cafeteria from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



Praying for a seminarian daily is a wonderful habit to get into. They need our prayers. Books are available on a shelf in the gathering area.

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.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM 6:00-7:15 PM

March 1 - Religious Education Grades 1--9
Confirmation Class

March 8 - Religious Education Grades 1-8

NOTE: Please remember to enter via the church doors for Religious Ed.

LENT COMMUNAL PENANCE

St. Joseph-Adams	Thurs	March 2	6:30 pm
Sacred Heart	Sun	March 12	1:00 pm
St. Lawrence	Tues	March 14	6:30 pm
OLQH	Wed	March 15	6:30 pm
St. Philip	Thurs	March 16	6:30 pm
St Vincent de Paul	Thurs	March 16	6:30 pm
SS Peter & Paul	Sun	March 19	1:00 pm
ACS	Wed	March 22	10:50 am
St Alexander	Thurs	March 23	6:30 pm
St Joachim	Wed	March 29	6:30 pm
Holy Rosary-Sigel	Wed	March 29	6:30 pm

LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Fasting

Ash Wednesday
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday
during Lent

Ages 14+

How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically or mentally ill** including individuals suffering from **chronic illnesses** such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant or nursing women**.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit uscbb.org.



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What's on Formed.org for Lent?

Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent and a great day to make a plan for this holy and grace-filled season. Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.

Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

Take a healing journey with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, as she helps you turn away from what wounds you and toward God who heals you and makes you whole.

Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross by Monsignor James Shea

In these three beautiful talks, Monsignor James Shea guides us along the Stations of the Cross, teaching us how to open our hearts more to the suffering and loneliness of Jesus on His way to Calvary.

Free Online Lenten Bible Study

Don't let the business of life let Lent pass you by. Lent is less than a month away, and will be here before you know it. Make your preparations now and register for St. Paul Center's new free video Bible study, Holy Is His Name! Starting on Ash Wednesday, registrants will receive access to this 12-part series that examines the Holiness of God, how He hopes to transmit that holiness to His people, and what that looks like in our daily lives.

To register for the upcoming free Lenten study, go to Adult Faith Formation Tab on our website.

Adult Faith Formation: Exploring the Catholic Mass

Deepen your knowledge of the Catholic Mass and ask questions! Our next presentation will be on **March 2** on **Eucharistic Prayers & the Roman Missal at 9:00am**. For more dates and topics go to our-lady.org under Adult Faith Formation Tab.

Elements of the Catholic Mass: Can't make it to the presentations on Thursday mornings but want to learn more about the Mass? Check out Elements of the Catholic Mass on Formed.org or elementsofthecatholicmass.com to learn more about the Mass.

Answers to the Study guide will be posted on the Adult Faith Formation tab each week.

Rite of Christian Initiation

Come and see. Are you searching for a Church to call your own? Do you struggle with questions about life, death, suffering, hope, forgiveness, love, God? Sessions exploring these and other issues in relation to our Catholic faith are being held. Ask about inquiry meetings by contacting Rebecca Zalar at reoffice@our-lady.org

Mission Rosary Group

For the year 2022 we mailed out 4,000 rosaries. If you have any unused or broken rosaries which you no longer need. Please consider donating them to our group. Thank you for your support.



St. Lawrence Fish Fry

Dates: Fridays during Lent
(February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

530 – 10th Avenue North Wisconsin Rapids

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Dining Room Open

Adults: \$12.00 Senior: \$11.50 Child: \$8.00
(Salad Bar included for meals dining in)

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Carry Out Menu: Fried or Baked Fish, Potato Salad or French Fries,
Baked Beans or Pasta Salad, Cole Slaw, Bread, Tartar Sauce, Dessert

Dining Room Desserts: \$1.50



“Drive Thru Fish Fry”

Sacred Heart Parish—Nekoosa

Fridays, February 24 thru March 31st

3:00 - 6:00 pm \$13.00

Beer battered fried COD, baked potato or potato salad, cole slaw, dinner roll, dessert

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

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Annual

Pancake Breakfast

Potato and Buttermilk Pancakes



BAKE SALE

Sunday, March 5th, 2023

Serving 8:00 am -12:00 pm

Wagner Hall

Serving

Potato and Buttermilk Pancakes,
Pork Sausage, Applesauce and Sweet Rolls

Adults - \$10.00 Ages 6-12 - \$5.00 5 and under - Free

All proceeds and \$1,500 matching funds from 1891 Financial Life
will be used for Main Level Bathroom Project at St. Philip.



Kwik Trip 10%
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Fundraising CARD PROGRAM

The rebate for Kwik Trip gift cards will increase to 10%
in the month of February!! 10% cards will be available
in the Scrip Office

Job Opening

SS Peter and Paul Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

Part-time: 25 hours per week

The secretary and bookkeeping roles may be separated
into two positions. Contact Fr. Schaller (715-423-1351
ext. 4) or the SS Peter & Paul parish office
(kaitlyn@ssppwisrapids.org/715-423-1351) for more
information or to apply.

UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023 ST. GREGORY OF NAREK
8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023

9:00 am Children's Mass † Frank, Mike & Terry Cherney
by: John & Pat Dekarske

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

† Janice Stublaski by: Andy & Family

† Helen Ponczoch by: The Family

† Living & Deceased Members of the
Anderson & Frisch Families

† Wally & Janet Anderson by: John & Bonnie Joosten

† Al Sievers by: The Family

† Tim Ebacher by: Family & Friends

*** For the health of husband & dad's health by: The Family

6:00 pm Religious Education grades 1-9

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023

5:00 pm Mass † Jerry Falk by: Joleen Larson

1:00 pm Choir Practice

6:30 pm Communal Penance—St Joseph, Adams

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023 ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

8:00 am Mass † Scott Lobner by: Mom

8:30 am Adoration & Confessions

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

8:00 am Mass † Theresa (Falkosky) Burns by: Mom & Dad

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:35 pm Stations of the Cross

4:00 pm Mass † Don & Diane Slattery by: The Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023 Second Sunday of Lent

7:05 am Stations of the Cross

7:30 am Mass † Robert & Jeanette Heuer by: Robert & Carol Heuer

9:35 am Stations of the Cross

10:00 am Mass † Alice Schuetz by: Family & Friends

GREETERS



Saturday—March 4

4:00 pm Lucy Lawrence

Sunday March 5

7:30 am Confirmation Class

10:00 am Confirmation class

LECTORS



Saturday—March 4

4:00 pm Carol Dean

Sunday—March 5

7:30 am John Benbow

10:00 am Deanna Probandt

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—March 11

4:00 pm Volunteer Needed

Sunday—March 12

7:30 am Andy & Joanne Dachel

10:00 am Bill & Cheryl Johnson

Church Picnic News!!

Meeting March 6th at 6:30 pm—gathering space

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

“GOD DOESN’T CALL THOSE WHO ARE WORTHY, HE CALLS THOSE HE WILLS”

As we begin this Lenten Season, we are all striving to listen to the voice of God calling out to us. We are all looking for a personal renewal, for repentance and forgiveness, and the willingness to follow Jesus, as he carries the Cross of life, all the way to Calvary.

As your Servant, I am now in my fifth year of being your Deacon. What a blessing this calling has truly been to one who is unworthy. We never know when God is calling us to further service. We need to find that quiet moment and listen, in prayer, to the voice of God. “Whom shall I send?” “Send Me.”

This is a good time of the year to listen for the voice of God, and if you feel he may be calling you to the Deaconate, please take that to prayer, and really consider it. No one becomes a Deacon because of the title, it is truly a calling of further service in the Church. Deaconate means “Servant,” the very reason why the Deacon wears the Dalmatic, the vestment that has sleeves in it. The sleeves look like they are rolled up, preparing that person for the work of the church, in charity. Roll up your sleeves and go to work for the Lord.

The La Crosse diocese has an excellent Deacon program, so much so that it encompasses Madison, as well as the Diocese of Superior. The whole program is five years of study, once you are accepted by the Diocese and get through the back-ground checks. The first two years are very much discernment driven, for this is the time when you will know, and the Church will know, if this is right for the both of you. It is not failure to step back from the program, it is discernment that you must take to prayer, and in prayer the good Lord will let you know.

A new class will be beginning in the fall, if you feel called, if you have even the littlest bit of interest, that may be God calling you. The program is set up so that those who apply should be ordained before age 65, with some exceptions.

Priests, Bishops, the Pope are all Deacons first. All of them are ordained a Deacon. Some are transitional, meaning they will be ordained to the priesthood within a year. Others, like myself, are permanent Deacons, I will go no further. Deacons can be married as long as you are married before ordination.

Being a permanent Deacon, for most, is a volunteer position, an unpaid position, but a very rewarding answer to God’s call. “Send me Lord.” ~Deacon Tom

2023 Lenten Collections February 22nd (Ash Wednesday) – April 9th (Easter)

Greetings from the Social Justice Committee.

During Lent, in addition to giving up something, consider doing something extra to help someone else. As we have done in the past, here are some ideas:

Suggestions for Lenten Collections	
SWEPS Food Pantry	Dry pasta, jelly and canned soups. Any hygiene items such as shampoo, hand soap, razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, deodorant, toilet paper
First Choice Pregnancy Center & Infant Pantry	Diapers, baby wipes, baby toys, onesies or infant undershirts, bottles/sippy cups, Infant books, Baby bath, shampoo or lotion., bibs, or baby spoons.
Family Center	Hygiene items, laundry detergent, towels, wash cloths, and kitchen towels, peanut butter, ketchup, rice, pasta, spaghetti sauce, pancake syrup.
Shepherd’s Loft	Gently used children’s snow pants. Any type of gently used blanket. Also collecting gently used medical equipment like canes, crutches, wheelchairs or other equipment
Wood County Jail	Black and white composition notebooks (No spiral bound and no staples) Puzzles, Word Search books, crossword Sudoku books (no staples) Paperback books (no hard cover), they like series. (No explicit or violence)
SWC Humane Society	Paper towels, dog or cat food, treats or toys, Kitty litter, Lysol wipes

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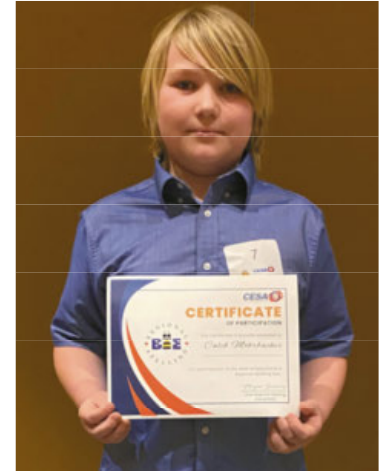
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