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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.” - Mt 17:5b

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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 Manager Janeen Sievers
jsievers@our-lady.org

Director of Religious Education Rebecca Zalar
reoffice@our-lady.org

Choir Director Mary Englert

Maintenance & Grounds Paul 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
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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 26, 2023



General	\$8,064.00
Plate	\$943.65
Building Maintenance	\$45.00
Direct Donation 02-21-23	\$3,802.00
Ash Wednesday	\$1,329.00
Total	\$14,183.65

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of March 5, 2023

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

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SANCTUARY CANDLES



We welcome to the family of God:

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Son of Joseph & Hallie (Brock) Ritchay



Please remember in your prayers

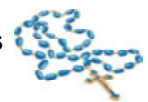
Sarah Pavloski

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 15th. 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.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM 6:00-7:15 PM

March 8 - Religious Education Grades 1-8

March 15- Religious Education Grades 1-9
Confirmation

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

LENT COMMUNAL PENANCE

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

Volunteers needed at the FOCUS Food Pantry

Our parish has the week of March 27—March 31 at the FOCUS (Feeding Our Communities with United Services) food pantry. The hours are:

11:45—4:00 pm— Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

3:45—7:00 pm —Tuesday

The food pantry is located at 2321 West Grand Ave. If you can help one or more days with this worthwhile community program please call Cindy Holberg at 715-421-2311 or email at holberggc@hotmail.com

St. Patrick's Festival-Bingo and Basket Raffle is being sponsored by the CCD youth of St. Joachim Church on Sunday, March 19, 2023, 11:00am-2:00pm. Meal is spaghetti (with or without meat sauce), garlic bread, dessert, and beverage. Meal cost is age 16 and up \$8.00, age 5 to 15 \$4.00, and free for age 4 and under. All you care to eat. Take outs are available.

Bingo starts at 12:30pm and kids games and basket raffle are available all afternoon. (Need not be present to win on basket raffle). Basket Raffle drawing will be at 2:00 pm.

Traveling Virgin of Fatima

The Marian Center's Traveling Virgin of Fatima is now available.

If you would like more info about Fatima & the mission or if you would like her to visit your home, please call Leah at 715-883-4560

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thursday, March 9: Council Officer's meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria at 6:30 pm with the Council Meeting starting at 7:00 pm.

Monday, March 13: Fourth Degree meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria at 7:00 pm.

What's on Formed.org for March?

Return with Fr. John Burns

Fr. John Burns invites you on a pilgrimage this Lent using Return. Fr. John will guide you through the most difficult season of the Church, yet also the most transformative. Are you ready to enter the desert and experience the richness of the Paschal Mystery?

Fearless: A 7-week Lenten Video Series

Time and again, the people of God are called to 'be courageous' and 'be not afraid.' Yet, we live in a time where fear seems to guide our very existence. Don't miss this exciting series with a special guest each week as we seek to follow Jesus into the wilderness this Lent.

Lent with Brother Francis - For Kids

Learn and pray with Brother Francis this Lent. With several different seasons available to watch, Brother Francis will help children learn more about what Lent is all about and why it is so important. Brother Francis Daily Meditations are new episodes released every day. You can also join Brother Francis in praying a special Stations of the Cross for children.

Free Online Lenten Bible Study

Don't let the business of life let Lent pass you by. 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 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 16** on **The Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist 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 (RCIA/RCIC)

Help bring to the Light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those who have never been baptized or who have been baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, to the inquiry sessions. For more information, contact Rebecca Zalar at reoffice@our-lady.org.



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 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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Pancake Breakfast

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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

ACS Employment Openings

Saint Vincent de Paul contact Pam Fochs
pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0962

Grade 3 teacher (2023-24 start)

Paraprofessional and child care (2023-24 start)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven contact Shelley Bruley
sbruley@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0982

Custodian – start June 2023 possibly sooner
Assumption Catholic Schools Food Service contact
Joe Anne Cephas jcephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org
715-422-0922 MS/HS cook immediate start

St. Lawrence Early Childhood Center contact JoAnn Wendels
jwdels@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0990

4K teacher for the WRPS 4K site at
SLECC (2023-24 start)

Assumption Catholic Middle and High Schools contact
Jimmy Lynch jlynch@assumptioncatholicschools.org
715-422-0913 MS HS Interventionist – special education
(2023-24 start)

System Wide – Substitutes for classrooms, offices and
more – contact Melissa O'Brien, 715-422- 0907
mobrien@assumptioncatholicschools.org for a packet.

For teaching positions please send letter of interest, resume
and 3 letters of reference to the associated contact. For all
positions please contact the associated contact

UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023

8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023 STS. PERPETUA AND FELICITY
9:00 am Children's Mass OLQH School Staff by: Shelley

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023 ST. JOHN OF GOD

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

† Sue Farrell & Dan Kluck by: Karen Pagel

† Frank Watkins by: Gladys Brigham

† James Schmutzer by: Dennis & Carol Mandl

† Colton Siegler by: Shirley & Jim Siegler

† Joe Hokamp by: John & Rosemary Hokamp

** Living & Deceased Members of the Thomas & Lucille
Weiler Family by: Ed & Lois Altmann

6:00 pm Religious Education grades 1-9

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023 ST. FRANCES OF ROME

5:00 pm Mass † Don & Diane Slattery by: The Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023 ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

8:00 am Mass † Alice Schuetz by: Mary Gokey

3:05 pm Children's Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

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

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:35 pm Stations of the Cross

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



SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023 Third Sunday of Lent

7:05 am Stations of the Cross

7:30 am Mass † Anita Hager by: the Family

9:35 am Stations of the Cross

10:00 am Mass † Harry Richmond by: The Family

Stations of the Cross... During Lent there will be
stations before the weekend Masses. They will begin
25 minutes before Mass. Times are listed on the
calendar page of the bulletin.

GREETERS



Saturday—March 11

4:00 pm Gary & Kathi Wierzbicki

Sunday March 12

7:30 am Mark & Jeri Ann Reichl Family

10:00 am Vi Dionne & Marge Gee

LECTORS



Saturday—March 11

4:00 pm Therese Miller

Sunday—March 12

7:30 am Diane Moss

10:00 am Tim Huebner

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—March 11

4:00 pm Volunteer Needed

Sunday—March 12

7:30 am Andy & Joanne Dachel

10:00 am Bill & Cheryl Johnson

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Bishop Callahan here with a few words as we enter into the Season of Lent. One of the most important seasons in the Church's calendar is the season of Lent. Lent is a time when the Church invites us into authentic repentance and renewal. We are given 40 days to remind ourselves of how Jesus entered into His public ministry, the care He had for His people, the cruelty He endured and the promise He made at the Last Supper to be with us always. We can only marvel at the unfolding of the historical events and find consolation in the fulfillment of the ancient prophecies.



This year, pay particular attention to the actions carried out by Jesus on the night before he was crucified: He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Likewise, He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is the blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins."

These actions, so simple yet so profound, shape our entire Catholic Faith. It is the Eucharist that gives life, it is the Eucharist that gives hope and it is the Eucharist that is pivotal to your spiritual journey. I encourage you to make your Lenten journey in the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist. Open your heart and let Him speak to you. Make time to examine your life. Be honest about your failings and shortcomings. Approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation with a repentant heart and willingly receive the peace and joy of his merciful love. God will not spur a contrite heart.

Brothers and Sisters, my prayer for you this Lenten season is that you may come to a deeper love of Christ in the Eucharist. He is really present and wants to feed your soul with His very body. May you be transformed by His grace and keep alive in your desire for heaven. May your Lenten observance remind you that His love for us is eternal. By your fasting, almsgiving, and prayer, may you experience His love in a new and lasting way. Blessed Lent to you.

Bishop William P. Callahan, OFM Conv.
Bishop of La Crosse

2023 Lenten Collections Ending 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

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

Registration is open for the 2023-2024 school year!

Contact Mrs. Kerry Meinel for a tour
kmeinel@assumptioncatholicschools.org
715-422-0901



Wisconsin Parental Choice Program: Did you know that your child could attend Assumption Catholic Schools tuition-free? This program is open to new students AND current students entering K, 1st, or 9th grade. The 2023-2024 application period is February 1– April 20, 2023. Visit www.dpi.wi.gov/choice for more information and the online application.

Career Opportunities at our ACS Elementary Schools-- Come work with us, you'll @ it!

- OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN-contact Shelley Bruley, sbruley@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0982
--School custodian (start June 2023, possibly sooner)
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL-contact Pam Fochs, pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org, 715-422-0962
--Grade 3 classroom teacher (2023-2024 school year)
--Paraprofessional & child care (2023-2024 school year)

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