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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

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 Sunday evening Mass is held each Sunday night at 6:00 PM at SS Peter & Paul Parish (1150 2nd St. N.)

SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR MARCH 5, 2023



General	\$13,745.00
Plate	\$962.75
Building Maintenance	\$945.00
Total	\$15,652.75

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of March 12, 2023

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41

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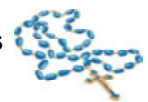
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SANCTUARY CANDLES

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, March 13th 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, 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 is aired at 9:00 AM on Wednesdays.
Diocesan Mass is aired at 6:30 AM on Sundays.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM 6:00–7:15 PM

March 15 - Religious Education Grades 1–9
Confirmation

March - 22 Religious Education Grades 1–8

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

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

SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
1150 2nd Street North Wisconsin Rapids, WI, 54494

Speaker
Tricia Fancher
The Hannah Center
"Where New Life Begins"

April 27th

4:00pm Officers Meeting
(All PCCW Deanery Officers Are Asked To Attend)
5:00pm Social Hour
6:00pm Dinner
7:00pm Speaker

Dessert & Raffle Baskets!

\$25 to attend
or
\$5 for the program

Mary Pierce 431 11th Ave N
Wisc. Rapids, WI 54495 715-421-3068
RSVP to your parish PCCW
Treasurer by April 6th

2023 Spring Deanery Meeting



What's on Formed.org for March? FORMED

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)

Carry Outs Available - \$12.00
To call in orders: 715-423-4680 or 715-540-6078

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, and dessert.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

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 13, 2023

8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

9:00 am Children’s Mass † Gail Seefeldt by: Mom & Dad
6:30 pm Communal Penance—St Lawrence

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

† Douglas Borre by: Ron & Jean Borre

† Greg Gillen by: Marilyn Rehberg

† Ken Mertes by: Linda Paterick

† Barb Tork by: Linda Paterick

6:00 pm Religious Education grades 1-9

6:30 pm Communal Penance—Our Lady Queen of Heaven

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023

5:00 pm Mass † Hank & Marge Oesterreicher by: Kay

6:30 pm Communal Penance - St Philip, Rudolph

6:30 pm Communal Penance - St Vincent de Paul

FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023 *ST PATRICK*

8:00 am Mass † Vivian Heidmann by: Family

3:05 pm Children’s Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

8:00 am Mass † Anton, Kris & Sherry Statz by: Bea Statz

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:35 pm Stations of the Cross

4:00 pm Mass Special Intention

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023 *Third Sunday of Lent*

7:05 am Stations of the Cross

7:30 am Mass † Michael Hasenohr by: Family

9:35 am Stations of the Cross

10:00 am Mass † Virginia Hohl by: George & Janet Hohl

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 18

4:00 pm John & Peg Wasshausen

Sunday March 19

7:30 am Fran, Shirley & Deb Eron

10:00 am Marge Gee & Liz Musch

LECTORS



Saturday—March 18

4:00 pm Brenda Walczak

Sunday—March 19

7:30 am Mary Benbow

10:00 am Karen Abbott

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—March 25

4:00 pm Mary Anderson

Sunday—March 26

7:30 am Shelley Bruley/Kerry Meinel

10:00 am Mark & Jeri Ann Reichl

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

I enjoy reading the MAGNIFICAT each month. One of the parts I enjoy reading are the brief commentaries on the psalms in the daily morning and evening prayers. Last month, one of these commentaries struck me. It said, "Pride sets subtle snares. Whenever we imagine that we are in control of life—our own or someone else's—we have fallen prey to the ancient whisper in the Garden: 'You shall be like gods.' Mortality is the enduring reminder that we become like God not by our own power but by the power of the cross."



Many of the sins that we fall into have at their root some form of pride: that it's all about us and what we want—all that matters are our own desires, wants, pleasures, and needs. We subtly forget about both God and our neighbor. We can easily fall into this pride as easily as we step on a rock. We want to believe it takes stepping across the Grand Canyon but in reality, sin is much subtler. Temptation can be almost imperceptible when we aren't paying attention.

Sometimes people ask me why they seem strong in resisting temptation after the Sacrament of Confession or a retreat or other spiritual exercise. They might be good for a while and then fall back into the old habits of temptation and sin. It is that old whisper in the Garden. We imagine that we are in control of our lives but, in reality, God is in control. He's the one that we should rely on to guide us and tell us what to do. When we put ourselves in control we are bound to fail and fall back into our old ways. Therefore, we must pray at all times, both in temptation and outside of it. We can never become complacent in fighting against evil or in seeking God in all things.

As the MAGNIFICAT commentary states: "we become like God not by our power but by the power of the cross." During this season of Lent, we have many opportunities to reflect on the cross, the instrument of our salvation. One of my favorite Latin sayings is "*Ave, O Crux, Spes Unica!*" — "Hail, O Cross, Our Only Hope!" We cannot save ourselves and we already have a savior, Jesus Christ, who won for us our salvation on the cross. By uniting ourselves closer and closer to Jesus and letting God have control, we become more the person we were created to be. In the end, I am reminded of the beginning of a prayer by St. Basil of Caesarea: *Steer the ship of my life, Lord, to your quiet harbor, where I can be safe from the storms of sin and conflict.*

—Father Guanella

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 FOR 2023–2024



If you do not already have your child registered at your Catholic school, please contact our office and we will get you all set up for the 2023-2024 school year. We are always eager to share our school life with those in the community.

At Assumption Catholic Schools, we strive to uphold our Mission: To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and traditions. Our curriculum provides a Christ-centered learning environment, using State and Diocesan educational standards. All ACS schools are accredited. Class sizes are small, allowing us to give students the individual attention they deserve.

Call or email for a tour or check us out online:
www.assumptioncatholicschools.org

Contact the Admissions and Enrollment Coordinator
 Mrs. Kerry Meinel at 715-422-0901 or at
kmeinel@assumptioncatholicschools.org

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program: Did you know that your child could attend ACS tuition-free? The application period is February 1st – April 15th. Visit www.dpi.wi.gov/ choice for more information and the online application.

What Parents Say About Assumption Catholic Schools: Parents of the students of your Catholic schools rave about the education their students receive. We are thankful for the spiritual leadership, teaching the same virtues and values at school that our children receive at home, the tenderness and caring of teachers, the smaller class sizes support quality learning practice, the participation in school of other parents: the list is endless and priceless. Talk to a parent of an Assumption student. Consider enrolling your most precious child. For more information, call 715-422-0901.

Tenebrae Prayer Service

Please join us for a sung, candlelight prayer service that will feature the choirs and musicians of SS. Peter & Paul Parish and Sacred Heart Parish from Polonia. This event, inspired by the traditional Holy Week offices of Tenebrae, will take place on Wednesday, April 5, at 7:30 PM at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1150 2nd St. North.

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