




# Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

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## PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Alan M. Guanella, JCL • *Pastor* • [fr.guanella@our-lady.org](mailto:fr.guanella@our-lady.org)

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Deacon Thomas C. Anderson • [dcn.anderson@our-lady.org](mailto: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  
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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](http://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, June 6th 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 APRIL 30, 2023



General	\$6,281.00
Plate	\$1,239.00
Building Maintenance	\$470.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,990.00</b>

## LECTIONARY READINGS

### Readings for the week of May 7, 2023

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57/Jn 15:12-17

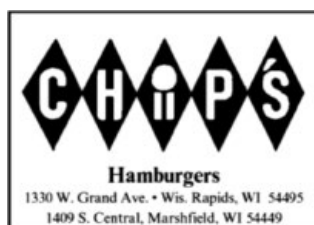
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66/1 Pt 3:15-18/  
Jn 14:15-21

## ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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## SANCTUARY CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candles burn the week of May 6–May 12 in memory of

**Jerry Falk**  
**By: The Family**



Please remember in your prayers

**Rose Bubolz**

May God grant her eternal rest.

**The Mission Rosary Group** will be displaying and selling rosaries after all of the Masses the weekend of May 13/14. Please stop by and check out their items. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Thank You

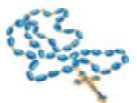


### NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE

Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish will be hosting a meal on Thursday, May 11th. This is the first time since COVID that we have hosted a meal. Volunteers are needed to serve and wait tables. The meal starts at 4:00 pm. If you can help with this event, please call Mary Bathke at 715-424-1582. Thank You

**A Pro-Life Rosary** will be said on Monday, May 8th 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, May 17th. Please join us in the cafeteria from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



Do you have unwanted religious items such as medals, rosaries, or holy cards? Do you receive these items in the mail? There is now a box under the prayer intention book for you to deposit these items.

**Marriage Prep Retreat:** June 24, 2023 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. To register for the retreat, contact Mary Jo Sigourney at 715-572-9748 or stvinred@gmail.com.

**TV Mass** on Spectrum 985 or Solarus 3: OLQH Mass at 9 AM on Wednesday; Diocesan Mass at 6:30 AM on Sunday. Mass is also broadcast on Sunday at 6 AM on WZAW 7.3 (FOX) and at 6:30 AM on WJFW 12.1 (NBC).

### Picnic News-

*Please mark your calendars for OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PARISH PICNIC DATE, Sunday Aug. 27, 11:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. The Flea Market dates are August 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, both days 9:00 to 5:00.*

*Our next picnic meeting is **Monday June 5th**, at 6:30 P.M. in the gathering area. Hope to see you there!* Deacon Tom and Mary Anderson

## Calvary Cemetery Spring Cleanup

9am-noon, Sat. May 13 @

Calvary Cemetery

Bring your rakes, work gloves, trash bags, mowers, trimmers, and a smile:) to help us with our Spring Cemetery Cleanup.

Cookout provided to conclude cleanup.



## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

With Father Janusz

September 25 - October 3, 2023

Due to high demand, Father Janusz is offering a second pilgrimage to the Holy Land for those unable to travel in January. The price for this **once in a lifetime trip is \$2,850.** A down payment of \$1,500 is due no later than July 1st to secure a reservation on the trip.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [frjktrips@gmail.com](mailto:frjktrips@gmail.com) or

call the parish office 715-421-5777 for more information. Itinerary includes: Jerusalem - Bethlehem - Jericho - Dead Sea - Bethany - Cana - Nazareth - Mount Tabor - Mount of Beatitudes - Capernaum - and so much more!

Visit the places Jesus saw and walked and taught at, **and be changed forever!**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Monday, May 8:** Fourth Degree Mother's Day dinner with the ladies at Sacred Heart Parish in Nekoosa. Social will be at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Invitations have been sent.

**Thursday, May 11:** Council Officer's meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria at 6:30 pm with the Council Meeting starting at 7:00 pm. The election of officers will take place.

**Friday, May 12:** Annual Tootsie Roll Charity Drive. The more members we get to volunteer the more charitable works we are able to do. Call John Sweeney, Jr. to volunteer at (715) 204-8129.

**Saturday, May 13:** Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Joseph's Parish in Stevens Point. If interested in joining the Fourth Degree or attending please call Ron Szymanski at (715) 423-0939.

**Friday, May 26:** Assumption High School Graduation at 7:00 pm. The Fourth Degree Honor Guard members will process.

"Desire is to the soul what gravitation is to matter. When we know our desires, we know the direction our soul is taking. If desire is heavenly, we go upwards. If it is wholly earthly, we go downwards. Desire is like raw material out of which we fashion either our virtues or vices."

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## Christian Initiation (RCIA)

As our Blessed Mother brings us to her Son Jesus, it is our task also to bring others to the Lord. Is there someone you can invite to explore the Catholic faith - someone unbaptized, or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition? Perhaps you know a Catholic adult interested in being confirmed. Please contact Rebecca at [rzalar@our-lady.org](mailto:rzalar@our-lady.org) or call the parish office at 715-423-1251.

**Look what's on  
Formed.org for May**

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### Prayer: A Surge of the Heart

Did you know that May 4 is the National Day of Prayer? Finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn, and there's always another job to be done. This inspiring presentation challenges us to make more time for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever-deepening life of prayer.

### Symbolon Session 6: The Paschal Mystery: Jesus' Death & Resurrection

"The Paschal Mystery: is a phrase we hear and use in the Mass and sacramental rites, but do we understand what it means in the greater story of Salvation.

### The Wild Goose with Fr. Dave Pivonka

As we celebrate Pentecost on May 28, deepen your relationship with the Holy Spirit in this fourteen part series. The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom.

### ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

#### 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CASH SWEEPSTAKES

\$13,900 in cash prizes, including a \$5000 grand prize and a \$3000 grand prize.

Suggested donation - \$100 - only 550 tickets available.

Drawing on Sunday, May 14, 2023, at approximately 4:00 pm in the gym at Assumption High School. Need not be present to win. Confirmation of entry will be provided.

An entry form is available by contacting Bob Birkhauser at (715) 213-4387(C) or at (715) 886-3158 (H) or Joe Birkhauser at (715) 422-0915 (W).

Return entry and donation to Assumption High School Athletic Dept., 445 Chestnut St., Wi. Rapids, WI 54494.

(Entry forms will be available in bulletin on April 8/9, April 16/17 or April 29/30)

**The Shepherd's Loft** takes donations of clothing on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00 to noon. They are located on Baker Street in the Wesleyan Church. Please do not bring items to our church, take directly to Shepherd's Loft.

**Give the gift of FAITH to the TEEN in your life!  
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New Pro-life novel, SECRETS: *The Truth Will Out*, by local author Verity Lucia, serves as a poignant reminder of Our Lord's infinite mercy.

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### ACS Employment Openings

Saint Vincent de Paul contact Pam Fochs

[pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org](mailto:pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org) 715-422-0962

- \*Grade 3 teacher (2023-24 start)
- \*2 grade 4 teachers (2023-24 start)
- \*Phy Ed teacher (2023-24 start) .4 FTE
- \*Librarian (2023-24 start) .4 FTE
- \*Math Tutor (2023-24 start) .2 FTE
- \*SNSP interventionist (2023-24)
- \*Title I reading specialist (shared with OLQH) .4 FTE  
To full time possible (2023-24 start)

Assumption Catholic Schools Food Service contact JoAnn Cephas 715-422-0922

[icephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org](mailto:icephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org)

- \*SLECC cook immediate start

St. Lawrence Early Childhood Center contact JoAnn Wendels [jwendels@assumptioncatholicschools.org](mailto:jwendels@assumptioncatholicschools.org)

715-422-0990 4K teacher for the WRPS 4K site at

- \*SLECC (2023-24 start) .5 FTE

Assumption Catholic Middle and High Schools contact Jimmy Lynch [jlynch@assumptioncatholicschools.org](mailto:jlynch@assumptioncatholicschools.org)

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- \*MS HS Interventionist – special education  
(New Position 2023-24 start)
- \*MS Math (2023-24 start)
- \*HS Religion/Latin (2023-24 start)
- \*MS any subject (New Position 2023-24 start)
- \*MS HS Spanish (2023-24 start)

System Wide – Substitutes for classrooms, offices and more – contact Melissia O'Brien, 715-422- 0907

[mobrien@assumptioncatholicschools.org](mailto: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

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, is presenting a concert of Sacred Music, **May 28th**, in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The concert will be representative of multiple periods of music, various instruments, and vocal talent. Learn more and stay up to date with events at [GuadalupeShrine.org/events](http://GuadalupeShrine.org/events)

## UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

**MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023**

**8:00 am Morning Prayer and Communion Service**

**TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023**

**9:00 am Mass - Children's Mass †** Al Sievers by: The Family

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023**

*STS. JOHN OF AVILA & DAMIEN DE VEUSTER*

**8:00 am Mass** Collective Intentions

† Gordon Boerner by: Dee Boerner

† Lois Cantin by: Deanna Waltz

† James Schmutzer by: Russell & Carol Mandl

† Dan Weinfurter & Debbie Beck Schwandt by: Weinfurter Family

† Living & Deceased Members of the Bernard & Apollonia Altmann Families by: Ed & Lois Altmann

**THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023**

**5:00 pm Mass †** Jerry Falk by: The Family

**FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023** *STS NEREUS, ACHILLEUS & PANCRAS*

**8:00 Mass †** Vivian Heidman by: The Family

**SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass †** Mary Tomlinson by: John & Rosemary Hokamp

**8:30 am** Confessions

**3:00 pm** Rosary

**3:30 pm** Confessions

**4:00 pm Mass †** Doug Wettstein by: Deb & Andy Kaminski

**SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023** *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

**7:30 am Mass †** Living & Deceased Members of the

Dekarske & Cherney Families by: John & Pat Dekarske

**10:00 am Mass †** Helen Swetz by: Charleen Swetz Moscinski

The Tuesday morning Mass will revert to "Summer Time" at 8:00 AM on Tuesday, May 30.

## GREETERS



**Saturday—May 13**

**4:00 pm** John & Peg Wasshausen

**Sunday May 14**

**7:30 am** Sue Basler & Kelly Rosekrans

**10:00 am** Jim & Mary Krause, Marge Gee

## LECTORS



**Saturday—May 13**

**4:00 pm** Brenda Walczak

**Sunday—May 14**

**7:30 am** John Benbow

**10:00 am** Karen Abbott

## HOSPITALITY



**Saturday—May 13**

**4:00 pm** Laura Danczyk

**Sunday—May 14**

**7:30 am** Shelley Bruley,

Kerry Meinel

**10:00 am** John & Rosemary Hokamp

St. Alexander Parish, Port Edwards, WI has a full-time salaried position open for a combined Pastoral Associate/ Assistant DRE CRE. For further information or interest regarding the position please contact Fr. John Swing at 715-886-3422 or email him at [sachtnek@wctc.net](mailto:sachtnek@wctc.net)

## PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Dear Friends in Christ,

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady. Many of you may have grown up praying the *Angelus* at 6:00am, Noon, and 6:00pm. Traditionally church bells peel out at these times to remind the faithful of the Annunciation of Mary and subsequent Incarnation of Christ. Pope St. Paul VI wrote that the *Angelus* “reminds us of the Paschal Mystery, in which recalling the Incarnation of the Son of God we pray that we may be led through his passion and cross to the glory of his resurrection.”



Our own church bell rings for the *Angelus* as well, although at 7:00am rather than 6:00am (lest we awaken the neighbors too early). In the Vatican, since the time of Pope St. John XXIII, the popes have appeared in the window of the Apostolic Palace on Sundays to give the weekly “*Angelus* Address” and to pray the *Angelus* and bless the crowds gathered. However, during the Easter Season, the *Angelus* is replaced by the *Regina Caeli*, known in English as “Queen of Heaven.” It’s a fitting title for our parish!

The Regina Caeli is prayed every night after Night Prayer (known as Compline). Each liturgical season has its assigned Marian anthem (for example, the “Hail, Holy Queen” is prayed during Ordinary Time). In Easter, it’s the Regina Caeli. You’re probably familiar with the words: Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. The Son you merited to bear, alleluia, Has risen as he said, alleluia. Pray to God for us, alleluia.

Why is Mary considered the Queen of Heaven? The Venerable Pope Pius XII taught that Jesus is King throughout all eternity by nature and by right of conquest: through Him, with Him, and subordinate to Him, Mary is Queen by grace, by divine relationship, by right of conquest, and by singular choice of the Father. Mary is called Queen of Heaven because her son, Jesus Christ, is the king of Israel and the heavenly king of the universe; indeed, the Davidic tradition of Israel recognized the mother of the king as the queen mother of Israel.

Pope Pius XII established the feast of the Queenship of Mary through his 1954 encyclical *Ad Caeli Reginam* (“To The Queen of Heaven”). Pope Pius XII gives us a commission: “Let all, therefore, try to approach with greater trust the throne of grace and mercy of our Queen and Mother, and beg for strength in adversity, light in darkness, consolation in sorrow; above all let them strive to free themselves from the slavery of sin and offer an unceasing homage, filled with filial loyalty, to their Queenly Mother. May Mary’s name be held in highest reverence, a name sweeter than honey and more precious than jewels. All, according to their state, should strive to bring alive the wondrous virtues of our heavenly Queen and most loving Mother through constant effort of mind and manner.”

—Father Guanella

### Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

A second collection will be taken at all of the Masses this weekend. It is known as Low Sunday Collection. This collection helps fund projects for CCW.

## ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



### Upcoming ACS Spring Concert

- May 9-AMS/AHS Spring Choral Concert- 6:30 pm @ Assumption High School

We pray for all parishioners each day for their support and confidence as we grow to be leaders in our community and beyond. It’s wonderful to see the students who represent the character traits their parents have shown them. We journey through this path together as a community

This week we celebrate all the teachers in our life. Thank you for stepping up and taking on the most beautiful job in the world.



### + Eucharistic Revival +

Presentation by Father Justin Kizewski  
with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, May 18th at 7:00 pm

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