




Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

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

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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

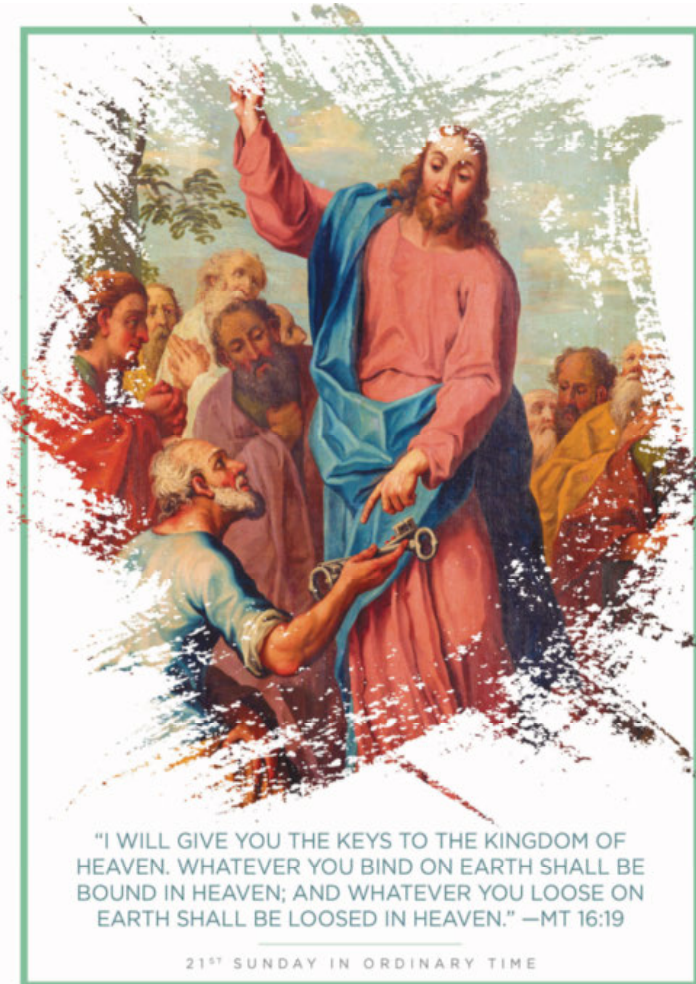
Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

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

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"I WILL GIVE YOU THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. WHATEVER YOU BIND ON EARTH SHALL BE BOUND IN HEAVEN; AND WHATEVER YOU LOOSE ON EARTH SHALL BE LOOSED IN HEAVEN." —MT 16:19

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EXCERPTS FROM THE LECTIONARY FOR MASS (© 2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LP)



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, October 3rd 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 AUGUST 20, 2023



General	\$7,471.00
Plate	\$1,150.00
Immaculate Conception	\$1,313.75
Direct Donation	\$3,387.00
Building Maintenance	\$90.00
Total	\$13,411.75

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of August 27, 2023

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
 Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149/Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139/Mk 6:17-29
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139/Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90/Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97/Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98/Mt 25:14-30
 Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

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SANCTUARY CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candles burn the week of August 26–September 1 in memory of

John Klonowski
 By: **Joyce & Family**

Our Lady Queen of Heaven

Church Picnic

750 10th Avenue South - Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Sunday August 27th, 2023
 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Two Broz's DJ and Karaoke
 Beer Tent - Food Vendors

BINGO

Cash Raffle - 50/50 - **"NEW"** Pull Tabs
 Raffle Baskets
 Kids Games and Face Painting

Bake Sale - Used Book Sale
"NEW" Car Cruise 'in
 (weather permitting)

Visit the Flea Market!
 Saturday August 26th &
 Sunday August 27th
 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Enjoy the Brat Fry Saturday!
 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Sponsored By: The Knights Of Columbus

Ballroom Dance offered at SSPP in Wis. Rapids.

Fall Dance Session begins September 3!

Beginner, Intermediate and Silver level classes.

For more information or to sign up, please contact the SSPP Parish Office at **715-423-1351**

A **Pro-Life Rosary** will be said on Monday, Sept. 11th at 4:00 pm along Eighth Street. All are welcome to join us. We will gather in Grace's parking lot at 3:45.

Grief Support Group- Wisconsin Rapids Deanery "Serenity" Grief Support Group meets on the 3rd Monday of the month in the Gathering Space of St Vincent de Paul Church from 1-2 pm. The next meeting is September 18th.

Mission Rosary Makers—The next date is Wednesday, September 6th. Please join us in the cafeteria from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



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).

Religious Formation for Grades 1-10

It is time to begin registering for the 2023-24 Our Lady Queen of Heaven's Religious Education program. Elementary and middle school students can attend on campus with an education component for parents or receive materials so that parents and children learn together at home. One year of Religious Formation is required before preparation for Reconciliation/ Eucharist and Confirmation. Registration is available online at <https://olqh.regfox.com/faith-formation-registration-2023-2024>.

NOTE: Registrations must be in before Orientation on Wednesday, September 6.

If you have a first-grade student, you must provide proof of baptism if they were not baptized at Our Lady Queen of Heaven.

Rite of Christian Initiation... In celebrating this month of Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption, let us ask her motherly intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey, too - of conversion to God and what He intends for us. RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized or were baptized in another Christian tradition become members of the Church, a people on pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father. Please contact the parish office or Rebecca Zalar at rzalar@our-lady.org for more information.

In Honor of

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



All are Welcome to
Come and Pray

Friday, September 8, 2023

Saint Philip Catholic Church
6957 Grotto Avenue
Rudolph, WI 54475

5:30 PM Mass

The evening will also include:

- Exposition / Eucharistic Procession / Rosary
- Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary / Benediction
- Birthday Cake & Ice Cream

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Adult Faith Formation Book Study

This fall, we will do a Book study on **A Devotional Journey into The Mass** by Christopher Carstens. The book discussion will start on September 14 at 9 am. Books cost \$5 each. Christopher Carstens will also be coming to the Rapids this coming year to discuss and answer our questions on his book. For more information and to purchase a book, please call the parish office at 715-423-1251.

Tuesday Morning Mass

School is back in session. Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 5th, the morning Mass will be at 9:00 am. All Tuesday Masses will be at 9:00 am for the entire

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is offered in the following locations/times:

OLQH - Tuesday 10-11:15am Level 1 & 2

St Philip - Wednesday 4-5:30PM & 6-7:30PM
Level 1, 2, & 3

SS Peter & Paul - Friday 9-10:30 Level 1

To Register email - cgs@acswr.org Classes will begin in September. Is God calling you to be involved in CGS? Please let us know! Formation Courses are offered all year round and it is a VERY rewarding ministry.

What's on Formed.org?

FORMED

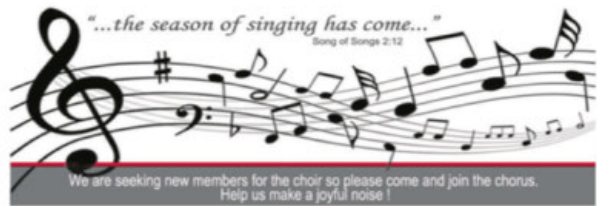
Heresies - Throughout the centuries, heresies have remained a prominent part of our culture and an opponent to truth. Yet, because of them, the Church has clarified her teachings and doctrine. In this series, Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Chris Mooney delve into heresies and the Church's response to all of them. Learn about the historical context from which they emerged, the saints that fought against them, and the many ways they continue to plague our culture today

Serenity Prayer - Written by American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr, the Serenity Prayer helps us to rely on the Lord and place our trust in Him. This short video offered on FORMED brings the prayer into focus and allows viewers to spend time dwelling on each word as they speak it within their hearts. It is a great prayer for the morning or to wrap up the day and can be a helpful reminder for each person as we continue to seek the Lord with everything we do.

SAVE THE DATE!
AUCTION
Royale
SAT. EVENING
NOVEMBER 4, 2023 AT THE RIDGES

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!
Are there certain items you'd like to see at Auction Royale?
LOOKING TO HAVE FUN WHILE VOLUNTEERING?
Then we'd love for you to join us during the planning process or during the event!

CONTACT
Lorna Holewinski at 715-422-0914 or
lholewinski@assumptioncatholicschools.org



We are happy to announce that the choir at Our Lady Queen of Heaven will return to singing in September 2023! We are looking for new members, both men and women. Please consider joining our choir. No auditions are required. High school students and adults are all welcome. For more information, please contact the choir director, Mary Englert, at menglert@our-lady.org



OLQH Knitting and Crocheting Group

The knitting and crocheting group will meet on **Friday morning September 7, 2023 at 9:00 AM** in the gathering area at church.

Remember there is quite a bit of donated yarn in the bins. Take it if you can use it. If you are not able to make the meeting, we will continue to work on winter items such as hats, scarves or mittens; and lap blankets for the nursing homes. If you make a winter scarf, please make it at least 8-10 inches wide and about 36-40 inches long. 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.

News & Notes from Assumption Catholic Schools

The 2023 State of the Schools report can be viewed at <https://www.smores.com/anecr> or scan the QR code



Career Opportunity

Do you have a talent for working with numbers? Would you like to work in a faith filled environment? If the answer is yes, this may be the calling for you.

Assumption Catholic Schools in Wisconsin Rapids is currently seeking a full time versatile & highly motivated controller. For more information and to apply please visit <https://www.assumptioncatholicschools.org/acs-central-office/human-resources/>



CALIX—For Help with Addiction from a Catholic Perspective. Do you or a family member or friend need help with an addiction concern? CALIX (calixsociety.org) is an association of Catholics in addiction and family members and friends affected by addiction, who are maintaining their sobriety through participation in their Catholic faith and a 12-Step program. You can make a confidential call to 612.383.8232 (Jim R.) or 651.587.4668 (Jim B.), for information on meetings and recovery support. You need not disclose your name.

UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023 ST AUGUSTINE

8:00 am Morning Prayer

Mass † Jane Campbell by: John Pat Dekarske

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023 PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00 am Mass † Jacob & Ethel Schuerman by: Schuerman Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2023

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

† Bob Waltz by: Deanna Waltz

† James Schmutzer by: The Schmutzer Family

† Bernadette Gerum by: Donald & Mary Gerum

† Tim Ebacher by: Family & Friends

** Special Intention by: Parishioners

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2023

5:00 pm Mass † Leona Dekarske by: Grace Wanta

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

8:00 am † Rommel Pingul by: Bill & Christine Weiland

8:30 am Adoration & Confessions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

8:00 am Mass † Jim Fieber by: Dan McCarville

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Mass † Eleanor & William Slattery by: The Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

7:30 am Mass † George & Lucille Jackan by: Rob & Carol Heuer

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

GREETERS



Saturday, September 2

4:00 pm Gary & Kathi Wierzbicki

Sunday, September 3

7:30 am Jerold & Nancy Mischnick

10:00 am Vi Dionne & Marge Gee

LECTORS



Saturday, September 2

4:00 pm Carol Dean

Sunday, September 3

7:30 am Diane Moss

10:00 am Deanna Scholz

SERVERS



Saturday—September 2

4:00 pm Mason Hackman, Joe Fidler

Corby Olson

Sunday—September 3

7:30 am Christian & Cade Statz

10:00 am Rubi & Hugo Marti

Ric Anderson

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—September 9

4:00 pm Rebecca Zalar

Sunday—September 10

7:30 am Joanne & Andy Dachel

10:00 am Nick & Ashley Marti

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Standing before God- What sign will you hold?

Here in Wisconsin, the State Supreme Court will be taking up a challenge of a law that has been around since Wisconsin became a State in 1848. This law, to be accurate, was enacted in 1849, making it a crime to take the life of a child in the womb of the mother. Roe v. Wade has been struck down; but not in time to save over 61 million of God's children, our fellow citizens, our future, who were not given the basic RIGHT TO LIFE. Now with a progressive State Supreme Court, a lawsuit has been filed and the fight to keep the killing of a child in the womb in Wisconsin illegal, begins, and it will be an uphill battle.

On August 15th we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother Mary who herself recognized the beauty and privilege of giving birth. Alongside God in his creative process, the beauty and the true miracle of birth were revealed. We celebrated our Blessed Mother's fiat, her YES to God, in allowing God's plan for redemption of us all, to go through her, through her sacred and blessed womb.

God's redemption of all mankind could have come from Jesus as a grown man, or he could have just snapped his fingers. Redemption comes through the gift of a child. From that life in the womb of Mary came our Lord into the life of the world, to lead us to the womb of the afterlife, eternal life.

We must continue praying for the protection of life. Keep praying for those whose twisted ideology states that we can kill our own, in the womb of a WOMAN, that baby's mother, right up to the time for that child of God to be born.

We will all stand before God at the end of our own lives or when Jesus comes back. We will be asked what we did for the least of us, the child in the womb. Will those who support killing a child in the womb, those who say abortion is a right, hold up that sign in Jesus' face, at that moment in their life?

We are all God's children. We will continue to pray for the protection of our own, our children, our future and for those whose hearts are hardened to the beauty and right to life. We need to hear again "what you did to the least of mine, you did to me."

~Deacon Tom

Rural Life Mass | September 13th 11875 US Hwy. 10 in Marshfield

The 42nd Annual Rural Life Day will be held on Sept. 13, 2023, hosted by Ken and Joellen Heiman of Heiman Holsteins, at 11875 US Hwy 10 in Marshfield. The day begins with a 10:00 AM Mass celebrated by Bishop Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery and a catered meal. There will also be wagon rides to tour the ridge-top farm. All are welcome to this celebration of the uniqueness of rural life, giving thanks to God for the contribution of rural values to the life of the Church in the Diocese of La Crosse



ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



Lord give our children a thirst for knowledge, wisdom and understanding. May their hearts be ready to learn this year, at home, school and church. Open their ears, may they crave knowledge and seek it out. Amen



Scrip is once again available Monday – Friday from 8-4 in the school office. Get your gas and groceries with Scrip either at the ACS Scrip Office, school office or at church. This is the easiest way to earn funds for tuition of your child or someone else who is gaining a Catholic education in our schools.

ROYAL CARDS ARE HERE!! Thank you to all of the area vendors who make this card possible. Talk to an ACS family or school office to get yours. They last the whole year-get some for gifts! \$20 and you are on your way to saving.

Volunteer in the schools: Do you have a couple of hours that you would like to share with children? Maybe reading, practicing math, serving food? We would love to make that dream come true. Please contact 715-422-0980 (OLQH) or 715-422-0960 (SV) to start your dream!!

The United Way of South Wood/Adams Counties would like to say thank you for the generous donation of school supplies for Stuff the Bus. There was a great turnout and many supplies were able to be distributed to students in our community. We could not make this event as successful as it is every single year without the help of our wonderful community. So a huge Thank You again to everyone involved!!

You can do something I can't do. I can do something you can't do. Together let us do something beautiful for God.

– Mother Teresa

*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*



Sign Up NOW for September 5-9 —This is the last session.—

To schedule your appointment online, go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login, enter church code **wi273** and password **photos**. Following the prompts to schedule the appointment. You can also schedule by calling the parish office during regular business hours.

Everyone who is photographed will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a parish pictorial directory. We hope to have full parish participation!




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