




Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

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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.

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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

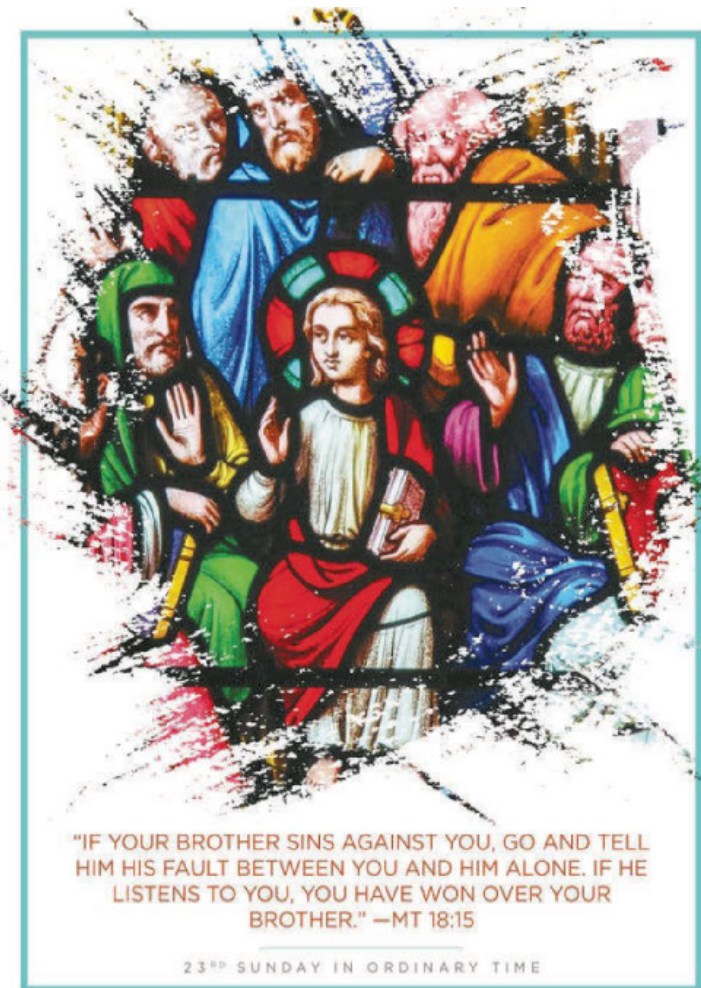
Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

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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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 3, 2023

Will be in the next bulletin. Early bulletin deadline.

SCAM ALERT—The scammers are at it again. The priests of the parish will never ask you via social media or email to purchase gift cards or send money to them. Always check with the parish office if there is suspicious communication from one of the parish clergy.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of September 10, 2023

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16/Jn 19:25-27

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103/Rom 14:7-9/
Mt 18:21-35

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The Sanctuary Candles burn the week of September 9–September 15 in memory of

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Assumption Catholic Schools is looking for individuals who would be interested in being a substitute teacher for any of our K-12 students.

A Bachelor Degree is needed for in classroom coverage and a high school or associate degree is needed for office or classroom aide coverage.

Applicants can indicate what grades / subjects they prefer to cover, if they have a preference.

All interested applicants, please call or send an email to Melissa O'Brien in Human Resources to obtain necessary paperwork. mobrien@assumptioncatholicschools.org or 715-422-0907.



****Formerly known as The Neighborhood Table****

A community meal program for those in need of a free meal and/or the companionship of others while sharing a meal.

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- **Thursdays Only**
- **Open to the public, no reservations necessary**
- **Serving 4:30–6:00 PM in house sit down meals only**
- **No carry outs!**
- **Doors will open at 4:15 PM for seating**
- **We ask that guests arrive no later than 5:45 PM**
- **2321 W Grand Ave (our new home)**

We look forward to serving you.

*Please note that we are not open on Holidays or if the schools close for weather related reasons.

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.

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.

Mission Rosary Makers—The next date is Wednesday, September 20th. 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>.

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

If your family needs tuition assistance, be sure to get in touch with us immediately.

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.

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.

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?

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.



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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St. James CHARCOAL CHICKEN DINNER

September 17th

MASS

9:30 Mass

St. James
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MEAL

11:00-1:00

Charcoal Chicken Dinner

\$12 per plate

(Includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, beans, coloslave, dinner roll, & dessert)

Carryouts Available

KIDS

Kids Hot Dog Plate

\$3 per plate

FUN

Bake Sale & Kids Games



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@assumptioncatholicchools.org

PLEASE SLOW DOWN IN OUR PARKING LOT

Running Late? Every now and then things get away from us and we get a late start to our day. Please do not make our parking lot the place to "make up time". We have so many precious gifts of all ages with us beginning very early in the morning with child care and daily Mass. Slow down, enjoy the atmosphere, say a little prayer for your day to go better... anything rather than speeding. **Please do not drive past the barriers in the parking lot. It is a no parking area. Please do not park in the bus loading zone. It is along the sidewalk in front of the 10th Ave church entrance. Please look for the NO PARKING SIGNS. Parents please do not drop your children off at the church drive up, please use the children's drop off area. Please do not park and get out of your car in the pick up line for the children. Do not block Father's driveway. If he is called for an emergency he must be able to leave right away. Thank You!**

School is back in Session



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

ATTENTION ALL LADIES

You are invited to attend the Wisconsin Rapids Fall Deanery Meeting which will be hosted by our (PCCW) on Thursday, Sept 21st, at St Joachim's, Pittsville, WI.

All ladies of the parish are welcome to come to hear and see what a Deanery Meeting is about.

The cost is \$25.00 for Dinner, Speaker, Dessert and door prizes, Raffle Baskets.

If someone has a financial hardship so they can't attend, call Sharon McDonald,

Come enjoy our guest speaker, Dawn Freedlund, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator. It's a Home Hospice & House of the Dove that focuses on each person as an individual.

Sharon McDonald, President
St Joachim's PCCW

You may send money and registration form to Mary Pierce (OLQH CCW Treasurer) at 431 11th Ave N, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

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.



"God is nudging you. He is calling you through that uncomfortable pain in your soul. He is inviting you out of the pain and into something deeper and truer. Trust Him."

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UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 PATRIOT DAY
8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY
9:00 am Children's Mass † Poor Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM
8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions
† Jerry Falk by: The Family
† Dave & Rose Bubolz by: The Family
† Al Biot by: Dan McCarville
6:00 pm Religious Education Classes Grades 1-8

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
9:00 am Bible Study
1:00 pm Choir Practice
5:00 pm Mass † Jean Zieher by: The Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 OUR LADY OF SORROWS
8:00 am † William Taylor by: Mary Taylor

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023
8:00 am Mass † Art & Russ Lobner by: The Family
8:30 am Confessions
3:00 pm Confessions
3:30 pm Rosary
4:00 pm Mass † Living & Deceased Members of the Assumption Class of 1968

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023
7:30 am Mass † Bernard & Apollonia Altmann Family by: Ed & Lois Altmann
10:00 am Mass † Glen & Jean Zieher by: The Family

GREETERS



Saturday, September 16
4:00 pm Mark & JeriAnn Reichl
Sunday, September 17
7:30 am Sue Basler & Kelly Rosekrans
10:00 am Marge Gee & Liz Musch

LECTORS



Saturday, September 16
4:00 pm Brenda Walczak
Sunday, September 17
7:30 am Mary Benbow
10:00 am Karen Abbott

SERVERS



Saturday—September 16
4:00 pm Joe Fidler, Corby Olson
Greg Bathke
Sunday—September 17
7:30 am Cade & Christian Statz
10:00 am Ruby & Hugo Marti
Ric Anderson

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—September 23
4:00 pm Mary Anderson
Sunday—September 24
7:30 am Tom & Joan Freidel
10:00 am Bill & Cheryl Johnson

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last month, I had the chance to get away for a few days and attend a 10-year reunion of the seminary Class of 2013 from the Pontifical North American College in Rome, my *alma mater*. It was a great time to see so many of my classmates, many of whom I had not seen since we were in Rome together, a decade ago.



We met in Ocean Grove, New Jersey, on the Jersey Shore. Ocean Grove, known as “God’s square mile on the Jersey Shore,” is a fascinating place. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Ocean Grove is noted for its abundant examples of Victorian architecture. It was founded in 1869 as an outgrowth of the camp meeting movement in the United States, when a group of Methodist clergymen formed the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association to develop and operate a summer camp meeting site on the Jersey Shore. By the early 20th century, the popular Christian meeting ground became known as the “Queen of Religious Resorts.”

While out East, a classmate and I had a chance to drive to Philadelphia and visit the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. There we were able to venerate the tomb of St. Katharine Drexel, the second American-born saint and patron saint of racial justice and of philanthropists. We also visited the newest basilica in the United States, the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, located in the East Germantown neighborhood of Philadelphia, which was named a basilica just earlier this year. Within the church is the shrine to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (see photo below), a title of the Virgin Mary originating with her apparitions to St. Catherine Labouré in Paris in 1830. While at the Shrine, I prayed specifically for all members of OQLH Parish. While in Philadelphia, I would be remiss to not stop and get a Philly Cheesesteak. Having to decide between the famous rivals, Geno’s Steaks or Pat’s Steaks, we settled on Pat’s. It was a great lunch!

Back in Ocean Grove, as we sat on the beach one evening reminiscing about our time in Rome and the joys and struggles of the past decade of priesthood, I thought of an inscription over the North American College in Rome that says, “Young men who have come to this place from the distant shores of America,

keep their gaze upon the Vatican hill, strengthen their faith and their love for the Roman Pontiff.” Here we were, sitting quite literally on the now not-so-distant shores of America, together after 10 years: it was a great moment. In your kindness, pray for the Class of 2013, and pray for all priests and



deacons in our Church. God bless you. —Father Guarella

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



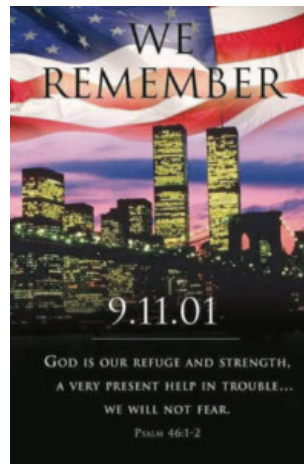
Guest Teachers K-12: Flexible schedule, fabulous coworkers, and fantastic kids... what more could you ask for? Come join the family at Assumption Catholic Schools. You choose the grade level and the days you are available. Call 715-422-0907 for information on how to obtain an application packet.

Scrip is once again available Monday – Friday from 8-4 in the school offices. 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 Still need a Royal Card? You can still get them by coming into any of our offices, or contacting an Assumption Family.

Volunteers Sought-Do you have a couple of hours that you would like to share with our ACS children? Maybe reading, practicing math, supervising the cafeteria or playground? We would love to make that dream come true. Please contact 715-422-0980 (OLQH) or 715-422-0960 (SV) to start your dream!

Thank you to our priests who came and blessed the students and the classrooms. We will definitely have a great school year.



Assumption Catholic Schools Mission Statement

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Vision Statement

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