

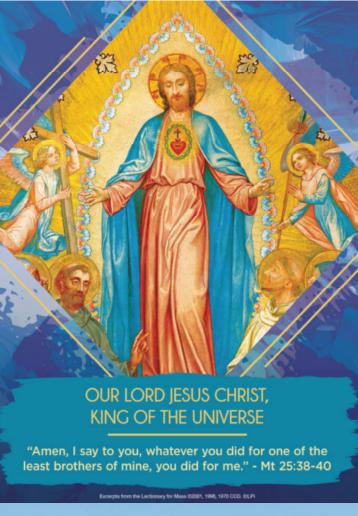
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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.

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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 date has not been determined. 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.)

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General	\$9,907.00
Plate	\$1,274.86
Building Maintenance	\$90.00
Scrip Sept/Oct	1,113.61
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Total	\$19.559.47

LECTIONARY READINGS

Readings for the week of November 26, 2023

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/

Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/

Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19 Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22 Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80/1 Cor 1:3-9/

Mk 13:33-37

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Leonard & Loretta VakocBy: Sue Morgan



We welcome to the family of God: **Burkleigh Ana Rodriguez**Daughter of Ryan Rodriguez & Elli Esselman



Please remember in your prayers

James Popp Walter McCaughna

May God grant them eternal rest.

December 24th Children's Nativity & Mass

We are in the planning stages for this years Children's Mass at 4:00 pm on Dec. 24th. If your child age 5 and older would like to participate in the Gospel Narrative, call the church office to sign up (715-423-1251).



Parish Family Sunday: December 10

Join us after the 10:00 am Mass on December 10 for crafts, cookies, and a movie about Saint Nicholas. More details will be coming!

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 December 18th.

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, Dec. 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, December 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 PROGRAM 6:00-7:15 PM

Pop-up Movie: December 12

Join us for a viewing of *Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message* on December 12 after the 9:00 am Mass. This video traces the history of this transformative event from the 16th century to the present. Featuring interviews with leading theologians, historians, and experts on the scientific inquiries into the miraculous image, this gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image and the continued relevance of the Guadalupe apparition to the modern world. Video is 58 minutes long

What's on Formed.org for Advent?

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This new 22-episode series guides Catholics through a daily Advent reflection using the Jesse Tree model traditionally practiced by families. Each seven-minute episode introduces the ancestors of Jesus Christ, shares a Scripture passage, and offers an engaging, practical reflection. Episodes begin on December 3, the First Sunday of Advent, and end on December 24, the Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Drawing Closer to God prepares your family for the Messiah's coming.

Journey through Advent with the whole family! Join art teacher Ms. Kim as she teaches children to draw different scenes from the Christmas story, including the Annunciation, shepherds' visit, the Nativity scene, and more. With compelling storytelling, Ms. Kim points out key details from Scripture and Catholic tradition. As kids follow along and learn new art skills, they also learn to see the connections between the big picture of God's story and their place within it.



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CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

The St. Lawrence Council of Catholic Women
Annual Christmas Cookie Walk
Saturday, December 2, 2023
St. Lawrence Church Hall
530 10th Ave. North – WI. Rapids, WI
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Coats were delivered to OLQH and SVDP grade schools. Wood County Jail, Wood County Social Services, The Shepherd's Loft, ODC Industries for the disabled, ODC Opportunity for Hope, The Family Center, Mary's Place, Love it Again Thrift Store and coat racks around town. Thank you for sharing your blessings.

De Olde Madrigal Feast

During the Renaissance period it was traditional for members of the royal courts of Europe to gather for great feasts during the holiday season. These events included good food, good wine, singing of songs, the telling of the Christmas story as well as other stories and general merriment! The Merry Carolers Madrigal Troupe has recreated this wonderful experience for you to share with your church, friends and loved ones! Come join us for a wonderful dinner, lots of fun, and a generous serving of incredible holiday music and spirit!

Saturday, December 9th

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church Social Hall

8611 Hwy 54, Almond, WI 54909

Cocktail Hour: 5:00 p.m.

Dinner Show: 6:00 p.m.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monday, December 11: Fourth Degree Christmas Party with the ladies at Sacred Heart Parish in Nekoosa. The social will begin at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Invitations will be sent.

Thursday, December 14: Council Officer's meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. with the Council Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 17: Council Christmas Party at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria. Doors will open at 2:30 pm with chowder being served starting at 3:00 pm. Bingo will follow. All members, their wives, and families are invited. The price is \$5.00 per person with those under 12 free. Reservations are required by December 13th and can be made by calling Bill Plante at (715) 421-1698 or Len Schliesman at (715) 423-1296.

Saturday, December 30: The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Corporate Communion Mass at the 4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady Queen of Heaven. All members are invited and the Fourth Degree Honor Guard will process.

Advent: A Time of Preparation

This year, the season of Advent begins on Sunday. December 3rd. Advent is the four weeks we set aside for preparing our hearts before the annual celebrations of Christ's birth on Christmas. The Incarnation - God becoming man – is the turning point of history. Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that He promised to send us a Savior after the Original Sin of Adam and Eve. And He kept His promise. The Son of God was born in Bethlehem to give His life for us on the cross so that our sins can be forgiven, so that we "may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10). This preparation during Advent is to include interior penance. which involves a conversion of heart toward God and away from sin. Let us take Advent seriously by taking more time for prayer, offering small sacrifices for peace in families and the world, and receiving the Sacrament of Penance

UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023

8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023

9:00 am Children's Mass † Mary Haines by: Charleen Moscinski

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

- † Shirley Giese by: Her Sister Joyce
- † Anton Statz by: The Family
- † Fred & Edna Lorenz by: The Family
- † Richard Schmutzer by: Ray & Maxine Marks
- † Ashbeck & Lobner Families by: The Family
- † Jean Dietsch by: Nellie & Richard Larsen
- † Rita Kellerman by: Jim & Lois Mancl
- † Joan Koth by: John & Rosemary Hokamp

6:00 pm - Religious Formation Classes-Grades 1-8

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023

1:00 pm Choir Practice

5:00 pm Mass † William Taylor by: Mary Taylor

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023 St. Andrew

8:00 am Mass † Scott Lobner by: Mom

8:30 am Adoration & Confessions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023

8:00 am Mass † Leonard Walters by: Jerry & Nancy Mischnick

8:30 am Confessions

3:00 pm Confessions

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Mass † Douglas Borre by: Mom & Dad

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent 7:30 am Mass † Fr. Mark Doyle by: Robert & Carol Heuer 10:00 am Mass † Lee McCarville by: Dan McCarville

GREETERS



Saturday, December 2
4:00 pm Gary & Kathi Wierzbicki
Sunday, December 3
7:30 am Jerold & Nancy Mischnick
10:00 am Vi Dionne & Marge Gee

LECTORS



Saturday, December 2
4:00 pm Therese Miller
Sunday, December 3
7:30 am John Benbow
10:00 am Angela Peters

SERVERS



Saturday—December 2
4:00 pm Corby Olson, Joe Fidler
Mason Hackman
Sunday—December 3
7:30 am Cade & Christian Statz
10:00 am Ric Anderson, Braeden Peters

Noah Unversaw

HOSPITALITY



Saturday—November 25
4:00 pm Rebecca Zalar
Sunday—November 26
7:30 am Shelley Bruley/Kerry Meinel
10:00 am Jeri Ann & Mark Reichl

PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

LIFE IS A RISK-

As we near the beautiful season of Advent, we have been reminded over the past few weeks about the end times. This season of Advent is meant to ready us for not only the coming of our Savior, but also reminds us that Jesus will return as he promised; the second coming. We will hear from



John the Baptist, the one crying out in the desert, attesting to the coming of the Messiah. The one whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. We also are reminded that we are given charisms, gifts in life to be used for our own good, but more importantly for the good of our neighbor.

Just as we receive unique talents in life, we are also called to use these talents. Be the one today who calls out, witnesses to the truth, that is the mission we all have been called to. We are all called to use those special talents. We all have been blessed for the betterment of the Kingdom, not bury those talents, afraid to take risk, because risk means failure.

There is a beautiful saying by an anonymous author who wrote the following "When you take risks you learn that there will be times when you succeed and there will be times when you fail, and both are equally important." Rarely does that person invent something new, without first having failed many many times. Thomas Edison himself said, "he has not failed, he just knows 10,000 ways that it will not work."

Just as Saint Augustine reminds us that we are made for God, he is our destination and the very reason why each of us is unique. God knew us when he made us, because he made us for himself.

So life does remain a risk. Everything we do in life involves some form of risk, but risk must be taken. The greatest risk in life is to do nothing with your Godgiven talents and bury them in fear. For the one who does nothing in life, really does nothing in life.

~~Deacon Tom

Post-Abortion Healing Ministry in the Diocese of La Crosse.

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608.860.6698 or email projectrachel@diolc.org.

Christmas Bake Sale...We are having a Christmas bake sale on the weekend of Dec. 9/10 before and after all of the Masses. You can drop off your delicious baked goods on Friday morning until noon and on Saturday morning.



Thank you so much for your contributions. Please mark any items that contain any major food allergens such as nuts or peanut butter.

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS







Throughout the month of November, our ACS students have been learning about the virtue of Love for God as part of our participation in the *Virtue=Strength* Catholic virtue-based formation program. Expressing gratitude for the gifts God has given us is one way to show our Love for God. God has certainly blessed the ACS community with many gifts. Please know that we are grateful to our parishes, parishioners, friends, and families for the many gifts and blessings you share with us. Thank you for your prayers, donations of your time and resources, and for your financial support. The ACS community thanks you for the many ways in which you richly bless our schools



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!

ACS CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

*12/4/23 6:30 pm AMS/AHS Christmas Choral Concert @ Assumption Souper Supper at 5:00 pm *12/7/23 SVDP Christmas Concert @ SVDP

Dress Rehearsal (Guests Welcome) @ 2:30 pm Concert 6:30 pm

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Enjoy the book fair before and after the concerts.

*12/11/23 6:30 pm ACS Christmas Band Concert @ Assumption, Souper Supper @ 5:00 pm *OLQH Christmas *12/12/23 OLQH Dress Rehearsal @ 2:30 pm 6:30 pm Concert

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