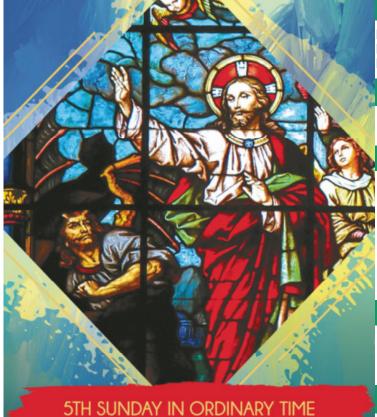


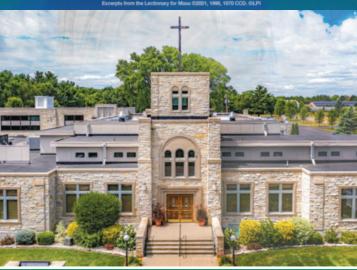
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So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee. - Mk 1:39



#### **PARISH CLERGY**

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# Parish Office Hours

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#### **PARISH STAFF**

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## **CONFESSION**

Saturday: 8:30am-9:30am and 3:00pm-3:50pm First Fri.: 8:30am-9:30am; 6:30pm-7:30pm with 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 is February 20th 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 JANUARY 28, 2024



General	\$6,623.00
Plate	\$933.50
Building Maintenance	\$90.00
Total	\$7,646.50

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

#### Readings for the week of February 4, 2024

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/
Mk 1:40-45

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# **SANCTUARY CANDLES**



The Sanctuary Candles burn the week of February 10 – February 16

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May God grant them eternal rest.

# **Greetings from the Social Justice Committee:**

Thank you for your generosity for the elderly of our sister parish. The dollar collection held the weekend of January 13/14 and allowed us to send approximately \$2290 to our sister parish. With the current exchange rate, this equals approximately 182,000 rupees. This will help provide food and shelter for a whole year to several of the poorest elderly of the parish. Thank you.

Also in January we were able to take a dozen pair of men's shoes over to the Wood County Jail. Thank you for your generosity.



February 4 & 18
AHS Doors open at 12:00
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Progressive Bingo is +\$1000!

**MAGNIFICAT**: There are extra copies of the Magnificat for \$3 each. They are located on the counter by the sink in the gathering area. You may pay at the office.

**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 February 19th.

A Pro-Life Rosary will be said on Monday, Feb. 12th 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, February 7th. 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







#### Free Tax Service

"Need help filing your income taxes? The AARP Tax Aide Program was designed to provide free assistance for low to middle-income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 60 and older. Volunteer counselors, trained in cooperation with the IRS will be available every Monday, Wednesday and select Thursdays starting February 5 through April 11 (8:00 am until 3 pm) at the Lowell Center. This program is a "Drop-Off & Pick –Up" Service.

Appointments are necessary! You can call 715-422-2778 between the hours of 10:00 am and 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday, to schedule your personal tax appointment. Appointments will be determined on a first-call, first-serve basis. As a reminder, although this is a free service, donations are appreciated and greatly benefit Lowell Senior Center programming."

# SS Peter & Paul—Wisconsin Rapids

Join us for an SSPP Youth Fundraiser Brunch on Sunday, February 11th, from 10 AM to Noon in the church basement! Money raised will go toward providing youth activities throughout the year. The brunch will consist of french toast, sausage, scrambled eggs, drinks and sides. Cost is \$8/adult and \$5/child (4-12). \$40 max per family. To-Go option available for \$6. We will also have raffle baskets (need not be present to win). Drawing will be at Noon.

# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Thursday, February 8: Council Officer's meeting at Our Lady Queen of Heaven cafeteria at 6:30 pm. with the Council Meeting starting at 7:00 pm. We will elect delegates for the State Convention.

Monday, February 12: Fourth Degree Valentine's Day dinner with the Ladies. The Social will begin at 5:30 pm with Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Invitations have been sent.

#### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Open House

Have you been hearing about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and wondering what it is? Now is your chance to hear first-hand from an expert on CGS. Thursday, Feb. 29, at 6:00 pm at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic School, nationally recognized Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Formation Leader and AMI certified Montessori guide Carolyn Kohlhaas will be giving a presentation, "What is CGS and is He calling You?" Please come learn more about this beautiful work, observe a presentation as the children do, and explore the Atrium.

Stop in anytime from 4-7 to speak to Carolyn, tour the Atrium, or share a meal with other curious Christians.

The schedule for the evening:

4-5:30--Tour Atrium or speak with Carolyn and other Catechists.

5:30-6:00--Share a meal in the OLQH cafeteria 6-7:00--hear a talk by Carolyn and watch a

typical presentation

In order to get an accurate meal count, please respond on the following link. https://gr.codes/SNXIu3



## **Adult Faith Formation Study**

Join us starting **February 1 at 9:00 am** to discover a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Fr. Dave Pivonka will lead us in a series for the next nine weeks, The Wild Goose. The term "wild Goose" was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. The Wild Goose invites viewers to an encounter, or a renewed encounter, with the Holy Spirit.

Parish Family Sunday: The Prince of Egypt

Assumption Catholic Schools has several job

openings for both the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school year. Details can be found on the web site.https://

www.assumptioncatholicschools.org/ acs-central-office/human-resources/



# What's on Formed.org for February & Lent?

# The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God by Fulton Sheen

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With eloquence and brilliance, Fulton J. Sheen presents a moving portrayal of the Blessed Virgin Mary, combining deep spirituality, history, philosophy, and theology. Sheen gives profound insights into all the Marian beliefs ranging from the Immaculate Conception to the Assumption to the miracle of Our Lady of Fatima. Sheen stresses mankind's need for the Mother of God and her burning love for all her children.

Metanoia: A Journey with Christ into Conversion Metanoia- and believe in the Gospel. In the Gospel of Mark, the first words of Jesus are an invitation to metanoia, to repent, to change, and to be converted. This series is beautifully filmed on location in the Holy Land, highlighting sacred places such as the Sea of Galilee, the River Jordan, the desert of Temptations, and many of the holy sites in Jerusalem.

Each of the ten episodes explores areas of our life where conversion is so often necessary. Metanoia will examine topics such as who is Jesus, what must we do to inherit eternal life, and many other significant matters of faith.

Mission Trip Stock Sale This year, our rising 7th-12th graders and adult chaperones will travel July 7-12 for a summer youth camp in Mason, WI. Adventure Camp allows young people to grow more deeply in their relationship with Christ and connect it to every aspect of their lives. You are invited to invest in this work by participating in our annual "Stock Sale." Shareholders will receive a stock certificate, daily email updates from the trips with photos and news, and a seat at the popular "Shareholder's Luncheon" in the fall, where the youth will talk about the trip and share a slideshow of their experience. Youth Campers will be available after all the Masses on February 10-11 to visit with you - please stop and say hi! Donation forms will also be available - Thank you for your support!

#### **UPCOMING MASSES & EVENTS**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 ST AGATHA 8:00 am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024 ST PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS 9:00 am Mass † Karen Compton by: John Compton

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024

8:00 am Mass Collective Intentions

- † Bill Stellmach by: Verlyn & kay Ashbeck
- **†** Poor Souls in Purgatory
- † W. L., Anne, Eileen & Gunny O'Conor by: Pat O'Connor
- † Jean Dietsch by: Joe & Lois Fogarty
- † Helen & Melvin Ponczoch by: Mary Gellerman

6:00 pm Religious Formation Classes Grades 9-10

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024

STS JEROME EMILIANI & JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

9:00 am Bible Study

**5:00 pm Mass †** Francis, Mike & Terry Cherney by: John & Pat Dekarske

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024

8:00 am Mass † Pam Guenther by: The Family

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024

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 † Jim, Leona & Doreen Dekarske by: Family

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

7:30 am Mass † Michael Hasenohrl by: The Family 10:00 am Mass † Earl & Louise Armagost by: The Family

#### **GREETERS**



Saturday - February 10
4:00 pm Lucy Lawrence
Sunday - February 11
7:30 am Confirmation Class
10:00 am Confirmation Class

#### LECTORS



Saturday - February 10
4:00 pm John Wasshausen
Sunday - February 11
7:30 am Mike Hittner
10:00 am Deanna Scholz

#### **SERVERS**



Saturday - February 10
4:00 pm Joe Fidler, Corby Olson
Mason Hackman
Sunday - February 11
7:30 am Cade & Christian Statz

10:00 am Noah Unversaw, Paul Richmond

#### HOSPITALITY



Saturday - February 17
4:00 pm Rebecca Zalar
Sunday - February 18
7:30 am Shelley Bruley/Kerry Meinel
10:00 am Jeri Ann & Mark Reichl

#### PASTORAL THOUGHTS...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Bishop Callahan here as we joyfully conclude our celebration of Catholic Schools Week. In Catholic Schools Week, we embark on a journey of reflection and appreciation for the profound impact of Catholic education. It is a time to recognize the unique role our schools



play in molding young minds, fostering a deep connection with the Faith, and instilling a sense of service to others. Our schools are not mere academic institutions: they are vibrant communities where the Gospel message is lived out daily, where the pursuit of knowledge is intertwined with a commitment to service, and where faith is not just taught but experienced. In the realm of education, our Catholic schools stand as beacons of light, offering a holistic approach that nurtures the intellectual, Catholic, and moral dimensions of each student. Rooted in the teachings of Christ, our educators go beyond the curriculum, striving to create an environment where faith is not just an abstract concept but a lived reality.

Our schools are more than just places of learning: they are communities where the four cardinal virtues—the hinge on which all others turn: Prudence, Justice, Fortitude, and Temperance—are woven into the fabric of everyday life. Through prayer, sacraments, and religious education, our students encounter the richness of the Catholic Faith. deepening their understanding and fostering a personal relationship with Christ. In this encounter with our Faith, Catholic schools provide witness to Christ, transforming the culture all around us. Furthermore, the emphasis on service within our Catholic schools instills in our students a profound sense of social responsibility. Inspired by the Gospel call to love and serve our neighbors, our schools engage in various service projects and outreach programs. Whether volunteering at local shelters, participating in community cleanups, or supporting charitable initiatives, our students learn the transformative power of Catholic social teaching.

As we conclude Catholic Schools Week, let us extend our gratitude to the over 1,200 dedicated teachers, administrators, and staff who tirelessly contribute to the holistic development of our nearly 7,000 students. Recognizing the collaborative effort between the domestic church and our Catholic schools. a heartfelt thank you also goes to the parents who entrust us with the education and spiritual formation of their children. To the students in our Catholic schools across the 19 counties of our diocese, thank you! As your bishop, I must tell you that visiting your schools, celebrating Mass with you, and having the chance to spend time with you, are moments that I cherish. I am so thankful for each and every one of you. May our celebration of Catholic schools serve as a time of reflection, gratitude, and renewed commitment to the mission of Catholic education. Join me in praying through the intercession of the Servant of God Father Joseph Walijewski that we may continue to build communities of faith, knowledge, and service that radiate the Light of Christ in a world hungering for love, justice, and compassion.

+Bishop William P. Callahan, OFM Conv. Bishop of La Crosse

**Sacred Heart in Polonia** will be selling "made from scratch" ponczkas from 2:00-6:00pm on Saturday, February 10, and from 7:30-9:30 am on Sunday, February 11. (We will not be taking pre-orders.) The cost is \$13.00 per dozen for filled (prune or jelly) and \$12.00 per dozen for plain. Peanut squares will also be sold. If you have any questions, please call Debbie at 715-345-1257.

#### **ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS**







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#### Scenes from our January Birthday Breakfast





A Note from Fr. Guanella: Some of you have heard that I have been elected to the diocesan Presbyteral Council. This council is a group of priests which, representing all the priests in the diocese, is like a senate of the bishop and assists the bishop in the governance of the diocese to promote as much as possible the pastoral good of the people of God entrusted to him. At our first meeting, I was elected chairman of the council. Additionally, I was named to the diocesan College of Consultors. This group of priests is a consultative body that the bishop must consult primarily regarding matters of major financial importance. Moreover, if the diocese becomes vacant, it is the responsibility of the College of Consultors to elect a priest who will govern the diocese until a bishop is appointed. These appointments do not change my assignment here at Our Lady, other than more diocesan meetings that I must attend.



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