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Seventh Sunday of Easter

Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only
for them, but also for those who will believe
in me through their word." ~Jn 17:20

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday—4:00 PM
Sunday—8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Pax Christi Adoration Chapel Hours:

Sundays—11:00 AM until 11:00 PM
Wednesdays—7:00 AM until 11:00 PM

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*Katie Pozorski and
Michael Clem
June 18, 2022.*

St. John's Edgar, Summer Camp June 13–17 from noon until 4:00pm. Two Sisters from the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist will be leading this camp. This is for children entering kindergarten through 6th grade. Cost is \$15 per camper or \$45 per family. For more information call 715-352-3011 or email nhackel@stjohnedgar.org.

Sunday Mass & Healing Service on June 12 at 3:30pm at St. Matthew Catholic Church, Wausau. Confessions before Mass will start at 2:00pm.

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St. Anthony Spirituality Center VOLUNTEER WEEK

JULY 28 - AUGUST 2, 2022

Check-in: 3:00 PM on Thursday July 28th |
Orientation: 5:45 | Supper: 6:00 Volunteer Week will
end on Tuesday August 2nd, after the noon meal.

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Please remember our diocesan seminarians in prayer. In particular this week we pray for **Andrew McNally**.

Parish Stewardship for May 22, 2022

Average amount needed in weekly
stewardship envelopes..... \$13,300.00

Adults Env. & Online	\$ 6,991.94
Easter	\$ 100.00
Ascension	\$ 110.00
Students.....	\$ 22.72
Plate	\$ 977.75
Automatic Direct Donation avg.....	\$ <u>1,992.76</u>
<i>Total for the week.....</i>	<i>\$ 10,195.17</i>

Week at a Glance

Wed., Jun 1 Communal Rosary 7:00pm



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Joan of Arc (1412 – 1431) has had her story told throughout history through many books, movies and plays. She was born in the village of Domrémy, near the province of Lorraine, to a French peasant family. At a young age, she began to experience visions and voices, which were later identified to be of St. Michael, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and St. Margaret of Antioch. At the age of 13, all three saints told her that she was to drive the English from French territory, and that she must bring the Dauphin to Reims for his coronation. Trusting in God, she did as she was told.

During the Hundred Years War, St. Joan of Arc led French troops against the English and recaptured the cities of Orléans and Troyes. Captured near Compiègne the following year, she was sold to the English and placed on trial for heresy and witchcraft, eventually being found guilty and burned at the stake in Rouen.

St. Joan of Arc was canonized by Pope Benedict XV on May 16, 1920, and is the patron saint of military members.

Health Hazards of

Homosexuality As society becomes increasingly removed from God, the morals of our culture will continue to decay. Due to increased attention to LGBTQ issues the month of June is now called "pride month." In order to be better educated about how the harmful reality of this lifestyle being pushed in public and sadly in some Catholic schools, the book, *The Health Hazards of Homosexuality - What the Medical and Psychological Research Reveals* by MassResistance, www.healthhazardsofhomosexuality.info/ shines a light on homosexual acts that the Catholic Church in its official capacity reminds us is disordered and sinful.

Endorsements Michelle Cretella, MD, Former Executive Director, American College of Pediatricians *The Health Hazards of Homosexuality: What the Medical and Psychological Research Reveals*, by MassResistance (with Foreword by Brian Camenker), is the single most comprehensive collection of scientific data from authoritative scientific sources on this topic. Health Hazards cites research from the Centers for Disease Control, the Institute of Medicine, the American Psychological Association, and many other "mainstream" medical and mental health organizations to document the reality that the homosexual lifestyle is inherently harmful – and even deadly.

These obvious brute facts have been increasingly suppressed since 1973 when homosexual activists bullied the American Psychiatric Association into removing homosexuality from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. Today, medicine has been so corrupted by political correctness that it is considered "hate speech" to state the scientific facts documented on these pages. Instead, medical students, educators, legislators and the public at large are told that the

elevated rates of physical and mental health disparities, including the ever-increasing HIV epidemic among men who have sex with men, are due to "homophobia and intolerance."

When it comes to the topic of sexual health, our youth have the distinction of being among the most lied-to generation. For this reason alone, *The Health Hazards of Homosexuality* should be required reading for all health professionals, educators, legislators, graduate students, and parents. Mr. Camenker and his research team are to be congratulated on this tour de force. (Sept. 2017)

Paul A. Church, MD, Urologist; former Asst. Clinical Professor of Surgery (part-time), Harvard Medical School As a practicing clinician for 35 years, I have seen and treated the serious consequences associated with promiscuity and high-risk sexual behaviors, including those common to the LGBT community. The medical "establishment" has been all too silent on its duty to inform and alert the public to these dangers, as its ranks have become infiltrated by homosexual activists and its policy makers preoccupied with political correctness more than protecting the public welfare.

This new reference compiled by MassResistance contains a wealth of factual information drawn from mostly peer-reviewed medical journals and statistics compiled by highly credible sources, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It is comprehensive in its scope and fully annotated with references to the cited sources.

This is an excellent go-to reference for those seeking accurate, truthful information on the health risks of certain sexual behaviors. I commend the authors for their hard work and their concern for the public health, and I recommend this book highly. (Oct. 2016)

Our Mission and Identity

Our parish, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, grows only in Christ and through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Flowing from these gifts, we dedicate ourselves to live and proclaim the Gospel message of Christ’s love. To live Christ’s love may at times be difficult. Nevertheless, it is our goal.

We are called to reach out to our parish family, to the needs of the local community, the diocesan Church, the universal Church, and to the global community. We do this by being attentive to the voice of God found in the Sacred Scriptures, in the Sacred Tradition of our Catholic faith, and through an informed conscience which we try to cultivate.

In light of our baptism, we try to be Christ centered in every aspect of our faith life.

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Pax Christi Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel can ONLY be described as a wonderful gift. It is the gift of being close to the presence of the Lord Jesus as we contemplate His love for us.

During the Holy Mass, the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. During times of Adoration when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, we see the consecrated bread and the consecrated wine which have truly become the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. In one sense, this is a miracle in our midst – that Jesus would come to us in this way. But often that is the way of the Lord – a silent and unobtrusive way. He comes to us in silence, remains within us and invites us to carry Him into the world around us. None of us can ever fully understand how this occurs, but we do know why it occurs. It happens because God loves us and loves this world so deeply. He wants to remain with us and we with Him.

If you are willing to give the Lord even a bit of your time by adoring Him in the Blessed Sacrament, you will find these words to take on new meaning:

Come in faith, Remain in hope, go out in love.

The effects of adoration: Here is a comment from one of our parishioners who has a weekly hour of adoration. “In the past, I never had a personal relationship with Jesus. I knew of him, I knew about him, but I didn’t know him. I didn’t really love Jesus because you can’t love someone you don’t know. The first time I went to adoration, I was bored out of my mind and spent most of the time looking at my watch. During my second visit, I didn’t pray at all. The third time, however, I was at a low point. Adoration has improved every aspect of my life. I’m no longer in a state of constant worry about situations I have no control over. I don’t know what the future holds, but I find great comfort in knowing the One who does.”

***Currently the Adoration Chapel is open on Sundays and Wednesdays.**

SACRAMENTS and SPIRITUAL LIFE

Weekend Mass

Saturday at 4:00PM

Sunday at 8:00AM and 10:00AM

Weekdays

Holy Mass is offered most days. A Communion Service is scheduled at 8:00AM on weekdays when the Mass is not celebrated.

Baptism

Preparation classes will be held each month in the church meeting room. Pre-registration is required by calling the parish office.

Reconciliation

Anytime by request.

Marriage

Couples desiring marriage should contact the pastor at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick

Anytime by request.

- Regular visits are made to the hospital. Families may notify the parish office when a parishioner is hospitalized.
- If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please call the Religious Education Office.
- If you are interested in the religious life, the diaconate, the priesthood or lay ministry, please contact the pastor for further information.
- All adults (anyone beyond high school age) living within the parish and regularly participating in the liturgy may register as parishioners. To register, please contact the pastor.

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