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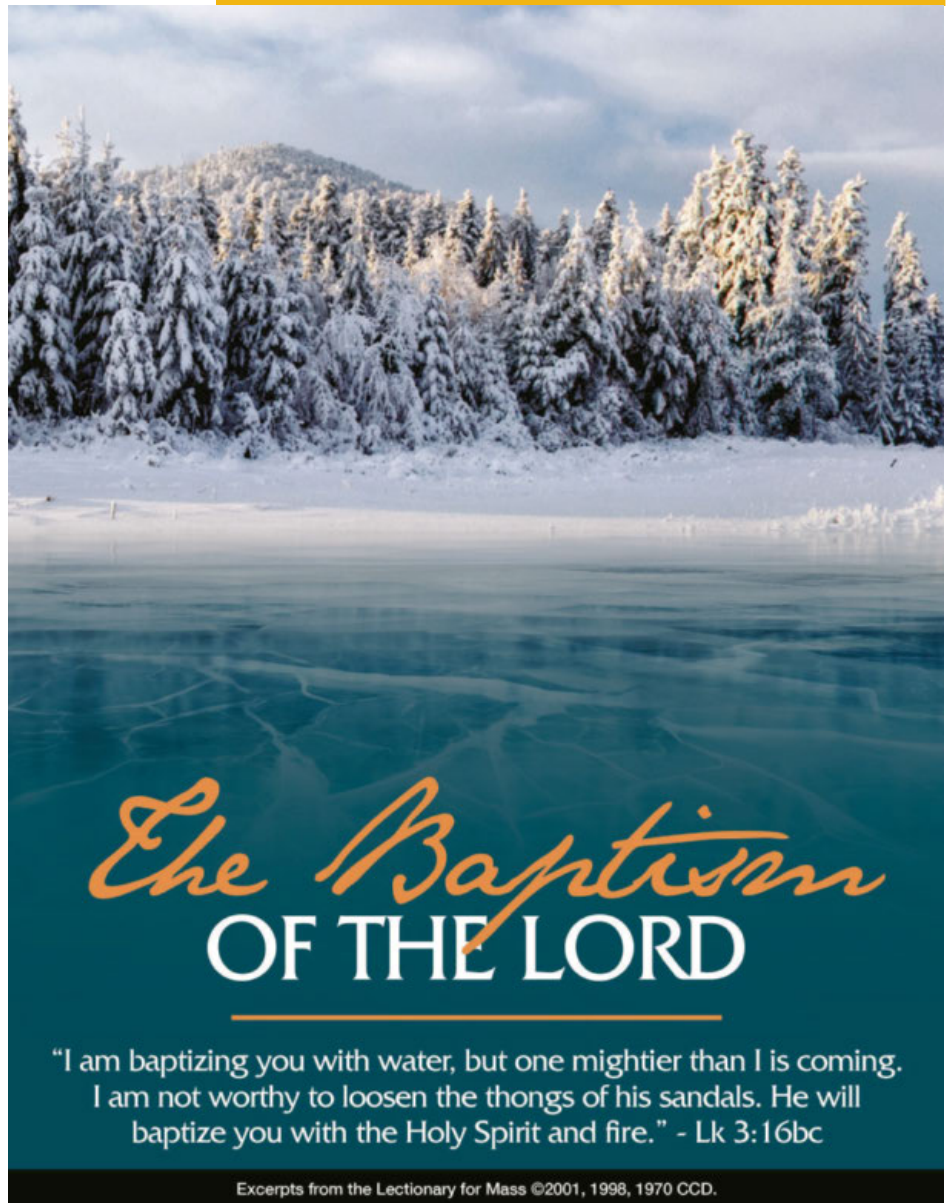
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Deanery Mass - St. Lawrence - 5:00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS

Monday – Communion Prayer Service

Tuesday - 5:00 p.m. Mass

Wednesday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mission Statement: We, the people of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, are called by the Spirit to be Christ to one another & an expression of His love as a faith-filled community. We believe that: God has called us to a covenant relationship with Him to live lives of justice & charity. Love of God & neighbor is essential to our faith. The gift of Baptism in Christ calls us to be His disciples & gives us the power to do God's work. We have a responsibility to worship, proclaim, educate, & serve.

GOSPEL REFLECTION...



JANUARY 9TH THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."
— Pope Francis*

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

May God bless you all !!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

For January 8th ~ January 16th

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Andy & Tom Devine
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	† Kathy Siegler
	10:00 a.m.	† Don Kercher
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Communion Prayer Service
Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	† Norman Reichert
{School Mass}	9:00 a.m.	† Pete Gudelis
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	† Mary Ruesch
Friday	8:00 a.m.	† Jean Stelzer
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Andy & Tom Devine
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	† Living & Deceased Members of the Anton and Valeria Panko Family
	10:00 a.m.	† John Montag

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS ~ JAN. 15TH & 16TH

Servers :

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Need 2 Volunteers
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Need 2 Volunteers
	10:00 a.m.	Need 2 Volunteers

Lectors:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Phil Hartley
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Ron Race
	10:00 a.m.	Sharon Nalbach

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Ann Ruesch, Darrel Anderson, Diane Wanta, Need 1 Volunteer
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Chris & Kathy Strobe, Tom Voelker, Jon & Sue Byom
	10:00 a.m.	Joe & Sharon Nalbach, Sue Sopa, Need 1 Volunteer

Musicians:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Sue Glinski & Ann Hartley
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Joanie Moscinski & Bob Elliott
	10:00 a.m.	Karen Shirek/ Becky G. & Traditional Choir

Ushers:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Jeff Joosten, Lance Schroeder, Greg Hellner
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Don Drewiske, Richard See, Need 1 Volunteer
	10:00 a.m.	Jaime Fischer, Don Kempen, Need 1 Volunteer

Greeters: *No Greeters needed at this time*

Video Taping: Scott Sigourney

READINGS

Jan. 9th ~ Jan. 16th

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord will bless his people with his peace.

Readings for the week of January 9, 2022

Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday:	1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Pre-Baptism Sessions - Call Mary Jo Sigourney, 715 - 572 - 9748 for more information.

Baptisms - The Sacrament of Baptism for infants can be celebrated during the 8:00 a.m. or the 10 a.m. Mass. Please call the parish office at least 2 weeks ahead of time to make arrangements, 715 - 423-2111.

Communion to the Homebound - Anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion on Sunday, please notify the rectory 715/423-2111 or **Linda Millner** at 715 - 421-2353 by Thursday, if possible. **Volunteers needed.**

Confessions - Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration – **The Marian Center for Peace**, Mother of America Chapel, invites and encourages *all deanery parishioners and others* to spend time with Jesus, truly present, in the Eucharist in the chapel. The chapel is open 24 hours daily except during the Easter Triduum. Bishop Callahan decreed the Marian Center for Peace as a Private Association of the Faithful in the Diocese of La Crosse. Located at 241 Apricot St, Wisc. Rapids on the grounds of Saints Peter and Paul parish.

Marriages - Please contact the parish where you intend to be married at least six months before proceeding with your marriage plans to reserve the date and to set up a meeting with the priest or deacon. To register for the **Marriage Prep Retreat** contact **Mary Jo Sigourney** at 715-572-9748 or stvinred@gmail.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - consists of people who wish to prayerfully create shawls in which to enfold other people in need by it physically, mentally or emotionally. If you knit or crochet and would like to join this ministry, please contact **Karen Weinfurter** at 715 - 424-1774.

Rides to Mass - We are in need of volunteers willing to offer fellow parishioners (who may be physically challenged, or unable to drive) a ride to Church. Contact the **parish office** if you would be able to volunteer.

St. Vincent de Paul Prayer Chain - Need Prayers? Contact **Sandy Anderson**, 715-421-5958 or **Sherry Squires**, 1-715-284-1677. They will get word to the other members of the chain.

The Neighborhood Table - During COVID-19 pandemic, all meals are on a to-go only basis by reservation on Thursdays from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm (unless otherwise noted), distributed at the United Methodist Church, 441 Garfield Street, Wisc Rapids. To reserve a meal, go to www.theneighborhoodtable.org

Visits to Homebound - Our parish Justice & Peace Committee volunteers are anxious to make visits to parishioners in extended care facilities, nursing homes or confined to their own homes. If you, or someone you know, would like a visitor contact **Ann Ruesch**, 715-423-6339 evenings. **Volunteers needed.**

Wisconsin Rapids Community Media - St Vincent de Paul records a Mass that is aired at **WRCM** on Wednesdays at 10:00 am and Sundays at 4 p.m. You may view these recordings on Solarus ch 3, Charter ch 985, and www.wisconsinrapidscommunitymedia.com (streaming tv).

DATES & EVENTS

BLESSING OF THE HOME & FAMILY ON EPIPHANY



Members of the CCW have provided Blessed Chalk and a copy of a "Home Blessing Prayer" to all parishioners this weekend to take and bless their homes with.

Chalk & Blessing Prayers are available on the tables in the Gathering Space. Please help yourself!

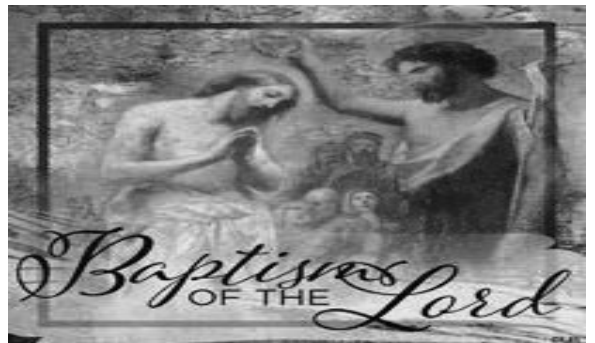
CO-COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR FUNERAL LUNCHESES

*We are still in need of someone to coordinate workers and supervise service and clean-up the day of the funeral. Please contact **Pat Springer** (715-423-8706) if you are willing to assist with this important ministry.*



A Warm Welcome to our New Member

Mrs. Cathy Kuhn



DONATIONS WELCOME

Recently, a brand new stove and refrigerator were purchased for the Rectory. The current appliances were original to the building and no longer in good working condition. Donations to help cover the cost are most welcome and much appreciated. Checks can be mailed to the Parish Office or put in an envelope, marked "New Appliances" and put in the offertory collection basket at Mass. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

DATES & EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JANUARY 2022

All Knights of Columbus Meetings for the month of January have been canceled. This includes both Council and Assembly meetings.

St. Anthony Spirituality Center

JANUARY SESSIONS & RETREATS :

Tues. ~ 1/25 ~ "Learning to Live & Love Beyond Bias" (Session 1)
w/ Rev. Christa Fischer; 6-8 pm

Thurs. ~ 1/27 ~ "American Prophet Series: Thomas Merton"
w/ Tony Pichler; 6:30 - 8 pm; Offered in person & via Zoom.

1/28 - 1/30 ~ Silent Theme Retreat: "Separating the Wheat from the Chaff in our Lives"
w/ Various presenters.

REDEMPTORIST RETREAT CENTER

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES

February 11 - 13, 2022
"Healing in a Wounded World."

- * To register by phone call 262-567-6900
- * To register by email rrc@redemptoristretreat.org
- * Cost: \$395 per couple includes room, board and materials.
- * Arrival/Check-in begins at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, followed by welcoming/orientation at 7:15 p.m. (Note: No evening meal is served on Friday). The retreat concludes after the noon meal on Sunday.

DIocese OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its [policies and procedures](#), seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendors, or volunteers). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Compliant Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker, 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment, or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting.

Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the [diocesan website](#). If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608/791.2679; or tbrown@diolc.org.

PARISH LIFE

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The parish office will be open **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** on **Mondays and Tuesdays** until a new secretary/bookkeeper is hired. The office will be open as usual on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 am - 3 pm.



The **SERENITY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** is seeking a compassionate person to facilitate monthly sessions at St. Vincent dePaul Parish. Training and materials will be provided. For more information, please contact **Terri Sersch at 715/424-5338 or tsersch@wctc.net**

HAITI COLLECTION

HAITI UPDATE:

Envelopes	\$ 450	Cans	\$ 39.92
Boxes	\$ 21	Mass Intentions	\$ 0

2021 - 22 DAA CAMPAIGN

As of November 16th, 2021

Theme / Mission : That they are one as we are one
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we pray that the Diocesan Annual Appeal gives us the grace to carry out Your mission to worship You, teach the Catholic faith, and serve the needs of the human person. We ask for these gifts, through the intercession of our Holy Mother, Mary, and Her ever faithful spouse, Saint Joseph. Amen.

GOAL		\$ 84,180
TOTAL PLEDGED & RECEIVED	\$ 22,495	26.72 % of GOAL
AMOUNT RECEIVED AT DIOCESE	\$ 20,165	23.95 % of GOAL
NUMBER OF DONORS	67	10.58 % of Active Parish Households

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Christmas Masses &
Sunday, December 26, 2021

Adult Envelopes	\$ 8,710.00
Offertory Plate	\$ 786.08
Children's Basket	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,496.08

2021 Retirement for Senior Religious {as of 12 / 26} \$ 2,243.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR

JANUARY CLASS DATES: 12TH ~ 19TH ~ 26TH

CONFIRMATION

Next Confirmation Class: **Sunday, January 23rd**
6:30 pm



Scrip is sold after each Mass in the Gathering Space

Scrip credit can benefit the parish, Assumption Catholic Schools



AHS ATHLETICS FALL SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

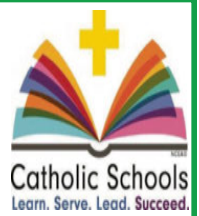
The drawing took place as scheduled on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 4:00pm at Assumption High School. If you have any questions, contact an individual whose name is at the bottom of this letter. The drawing of tickets was recorded, drawn by Father Bill Menzel, and witnessed by Mr. Marv Walloch and Mr. Al Villeneuve. *Thank you to everyone who entered the drawing and supported AHS Athletics.*

1 st Prize	\$ 2,000	Sylvia Sigler	Port Edwards
2 nd Prize	\$ 1,000	Carol Brey	Wis. Rapids
3 rd Prize	\$ 500	Carol Brey	Wis. Rapids
	\$ 500	Ted Feenstra	Wis. Rapids
4 th Prize	\$ 200	Vic & Kathy Kopacz	Wis. Rapids
	\$ 200	Mike Meinel	Wis. Rapids
	\$ 200	Bill & Diane Reitz	Wis. Rapids
	\$ 200	Bernadine Ladick	Wis. Rapids
	\$ 200	John Galbreath	Wis. Rapids



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

Mission Statement: to inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition.



From the desk of Mrs. Bruley:

You are very welcome to join our ACS school family at any time. If you would like to visit our schools and see what a day in the life of a Catholic school student involves, please call the ACS Enrollment office at 715-422-0900 to make a reservation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * OLQH Christmas Pageant- 01/11/2022 @ 6:30 pm in the OLQH church
- * Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from January 30 to February 6. Please join us in our excitement and spread the word about our wonderful ACS schools!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration Night

Thursday, February 2, 2022
from 4:00-6:00 PM
at Our Lady Queen of Heaven School

You will need to bring a few items with you on Registration Night:

- Your child's birth certificate
- Your child's immunization records

CUSTODIAL HELP NEEDED

Do you have a couple hours or more that you would like to fill? We are looking for custodial help at each of our buildings. Please contact any of the school offices if you are the person we are looking for.

SLEEC-JoAnn Wendels 715-422-0990
jwendels@assumptioncatholicsschools.org

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