

*Welcome to
August 8, 2021*

*Saint
Francis of Assisi Parish*

Last week, St. Francis of Assisi welcomed more than 100 children (grades Kindergarten through 5th grade) for a super fun week of **Vacation Bible School!** This event was made possible through the hard work and friendly guidance of over 85 volunteers from middle school, high school and beyond! The theme "Rocky Railway: Jesus' Power Will Pull You Through" offered opportunities for Bible Adventures, hands-on science, outdoor games, and real life stories from kids that were specific to the Bible point each day. A HUGE thank you to all who help support our ministry to the youth of our parish!! Many parents have posted videos of their little ones singing along with the DVD tracks at home! God is so good!!
Please pray that the seeds planted at VBS continue to grow!!!



**A note from Fr. Doug...**

Dear Parishioners,

“Yes!” to my nephew Joe who asked if there would be drive-thru pick up for the fish boil at the picnic this coming Friday night. You see, Joe asked me last week if he could get drive through for the Fish Boil so that he could deliver it to his wife who works Friday evenings at Holy Family Memorial.

Now, you're probably thinking “how am I going to be sure that my nephew who lives in Two Rivers is going to read this article?” Well, my mom happens to get this bulletin mailed to her each week (like many of our homebound parishioners do). I’m counting on my weekly letter to my mom, as well as to my parishioners, and I'm sure she'll read it, forward it, and call my niece to let her know about the drive-thru. (Do you know somebody that's homebound and would appreciate receiving our bulletin? Can you deliver it to them? Or call the office and we will mail them one.)

So, who are you talking to the picnic about? Did you remember that we have our parish community picnic starting Friday evening with a Fish Boil, Clipper City Chordsmen, Roncalli Band, and Dueling Pianos? Saturday has Cribbage, Sheepshead, Bean Bag, and Soccer tournaments, as well as a 5k Fun Run/Walk, and an outdoor Polka Mass at 4:00 p.m. Oh, and there's Kids Games, Escape Room, and many Great Raffles available throughout both days. Please plan to attend! If you have some time to volunteer, check on our website and sign up to help out! See you at the picnic!

I know we're all tired of COVID, but I still encourage you be safe as you can. Masks are optional in church, and if you find it safer, please feel free to wear one.

Thank you for welcoming Father George to our parish. He will be here for a couple months while father Jason is away. I know that he's a little soft spoken, so we have turned up the volume on our sound systems. ☺

You should have received in the mail this past week a letter from Bishop Ricken regarding the collection for seminarians. Please be generous and help to support the formation and education of our men in formation for priesthood. If you did not receive a letter from Bishop with an envelope, feel free to take one at the door, or simply mark your donation accordingly and we will forward it to that fund. Thank you for your generosity.

Finally, please note that the choirs are coming back together again! If you have the gift of music and want to share in any one of the choirs, please do check them out. Contact Dan Berres at the parish office for more details (920) 652-7820 or email to dan.berres@sfamanitowoc.org.

Fr. Doug LeCaptain

P.S. And to my nephew Joe, Saturday night is a Pig Roast Dinner that also has drive-thru available!



A note from Fr. Ben...

Hello everyone! I know the last column about the Breviary might have seemed a little dry, but now that we've introduced this form of prayer and how it works, allow me to share *why* it is so good and highly encouraged for *all* to pray, not just priests, deacons, and seminarians. This is *Stuff I Learned in Seminary* #19: The Breviary (Part 2).

The beating heart of the Liturgy of the Hours is the Psalmody—the collection of psalms which make up the bulk of the prayer. The psalms are beautiful and highly valued for a number of reasons. They express a wide degree of human experience, emotion, and faithfulness, all in the context of giving glory, praise, thanksgiving, and adoration to God. One could argue they are some of the most “human” prayers in Scripture. In this, they have special value for priests because it is the duty of the priest to offer these prayers for the people of his parish, and the psalm might manifest something very real and relevant to someone, even if not the priest himself. A great example of this is in Psalm 88, prayed during Friday night prayer. This is the psalm of someone in great distress, containing such lines as “I call to you, Lord, all the day long... Lord, why do you reject me? Why do you hide your face? ...Friend and neighbor you have taken away: my one companion is darkness.” This is a very raw prayer, and although I may not be personally feeling those emotions contained within the psalm on a given Friday night, I know that someone out there *is* experiencing this, and so I offer my prayer especially for them. Here's another big reason why the psalms are so great: these are the very same prayers that Jesus prayed. As a faithful Jew, Jesus knew these prayers well—we see him invoke Psalm 22 from the Cross, as He cries out “My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?” Praying the same prayers that our Lord prayed is a great way to grow closer to Him.

The Breviary is a beautiful way to sanctify the whole day, and even if you pray it alone, you can bet that someone, somewhere, is praying that same hour with you, be it morning, daytime, evening, or night. I highly encourage anyone who is interested to seek out either the one-volume or the four-volume set, and join me in this prayer of the Church!

God bless,

Rev Ben Johnson
Rev. Ben Johnson

PARISH SUPPORT

Received Week of 8/01/21

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| Envelopes | \$25,391 |
| Collection Basket | \$ 1,334 |
| ATP | <u>17,216</u> |
| Total This Week: | \$43,941 |
| Support Required/Week: | \$40,480 |
| Difference this Week: | \$3,461 |
| Year-to-Date Required | \$202,400 |
| Year-to-Date Support | <u>\$158,387</u> |
| Difference this Year: | -\$44,013 |
| Last Year-To-Date Support: | \$168,318 |

TOP 5 REASONS TO CONSIDER CONFIRMATION AS AN ADULT:



- 1) Confirmation seals you to the Holy Spirit and strengthens the grace you received at Baptism.
- 2) To commit to the faith that was chosen for you by your parents at Baptism.
- 3) Confirmation deepens your commitment to Christ and the Catholic Church.
- 4) To witness Christ to the World.
- 5) To be a Godparent for a child being baptized into the Catholic faith, one must be a fully initiated Catholic (Baptized, Confirmed and received Eucharist) and leading a sacramental life in harmony with the Catholic Church.

Did you choose to delay Confirmation in your youth? Do you have hopes of being a Godparent to a family member or friend in the future? Are you ready to commit to the faith? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, you may be ready to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Diocesan-wide Confirmation will take place on Sunday, October 10, 2021 in Green Bay. If you are interested in preparing for the Sacrament, please contact Ruthann Ross at the parish office at (920) 652-7804 no later than **August 16**. **Classes will begin August 31.**



**Parish
PICNIC**

*See
you
there!*

Friday, August 13
Fish Boil, Clipper City Chordsmen,
Roncalli Band, Dueling Pianos, Escape Room

Saturday, August 14
Fun Run/Walk, Sheepshead & Cribbage
Tournaments, Bean Bag Tournament,
Soccer Tournament, Outdoor Polka Mass,
Pig Roast, Escape Room

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baby carrots, onions, & rye bread.
Drive-thru available (enter on Menasha Avenue)
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SFA PARISH PICNIC

PIG ROAST DINNER - \$15

SATURDAY AUGUST 14, 2021 | 5-8 PM

Includes: BBQ sauce (on the side), Old Fashioned Stuffing,
Baby Red Potatoes, Sauerkraut, & Dinner Roll
Drive-thru available (enter on Menasha Avenue)
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SAVE THE DATE!!!

MORE INFORMATION TO COME!

SCRIP UPDATE:

As of July 1, we welcome Ann Altergott as our Scrip Coordinator. Ann is replacing Cindi Verch who has wonderfully served our parish in the Scrip program for many years. We gratefully thank Cindi for all she has done for our parish and school. Scrip is a crucial part of our ministry and discipleship here at St Francis of Assisi.

What is scrip you might wonder! Scrip is fundraising while you shop and you don't have to sell anything! Fundraising gift cards (scrip) are the same as regular gift cards. We purchase them at a discount, sell them at face value, and you redeem at face value. The difference is the rebate and that is used to support both the parish and the school.

This truly is a ministry where volunteers manage 85% (170 hours a week) of the program. We are always looking for more volunteers, from data entry, picking up at local businesses weekly, selling in the office, picking up at the elementary and middle school, to counting inventory weekly. To learn more how you can help, please contact Ann at the parish office: (920) 652-7835 or email to scrip@sfamanitowoc.org.



Thank you
Cindi!



Welcome
Ann!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KNOWLEDGE CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

A number of students from Roncalli Middle School were recently winners in the Knights of Columbus Knowledge Contest at the Diocese and State levels. The winners include: (Green Bay Diocese Level) Math: Grade 5 Clare Vadney (3rd), Grade 6 Lucas Naidl (1st), Grade 7 Dominic Thiele (3rd), Grade 8 Ryan Cole (1st), Laney Heyduk (3rd). Spelling: Grade 5 Anthony Wall (2nd), Ayden Perez (3rd), Grade 6 Sonya McClain (3rd), Grade 7 Ben Wall (2nd), Grade 8 Claire Culligan (1st), Laney Heyduk (3rd). State level: Math: Grade 6 Lucas Naidl (3rd), Grade 8 Ryan Cole (3rd).

Congratulations to all of these students! The contest was open to 5th-8th graders throughout the state, with local Council winners advancing to the Diocesan (Regional) and State levels of competition. Winners received a trophy (1st place) and medals, Certificates of Merit and ribbons.

In announcing the winners, KC State Program Director William Frayer of Racine said, "These students are most deserving of the honors they've earned during these trying times of the COVID-19 pandemic. We congratulate them and thank them for participating as well as their parents and families for all of their support."

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic men's fraternal organization with nearly 2 million members globally and almost 35,000 in Wisconsin. Based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism, the Knowledge Contest is one of many family strengthening programs run by the KC's, together with their faith based, pro-life and community programs as well as their top-rated insurance arm. For more information about our local Council 710, please contact Tony Holzinger at (920) 629-8802 or Joe Debilzen at (920) 629-1601.



Saturday, August 7th- Weekday

4:00 PM G †Evelyn Kohlman
4:00 PM W †Willian & Carol Daley

Sunday, August 8th -

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM W †Victor, Agnes & Paul Zeman
8:00 AM G For the Parish
9:00 AM M †Jean Wilke
9:30 AM W Jeanette Schermetzler
10:30 AM G †Oran Bushman
6:30 PM W †Mary Ann Hernet

Monday, August 9th - Weekday

6:45 AM G †Conrad & Betty Vogel

Tuesday, August 10th - Weekday

6:45 AM G †John Dvorak
8:00 AM W †Albin, Margaret, John & David
Martinson
6:30 PM G †Delores Yohanek

Wednesday, August 11th- Weekday

6:45 AM G †L/D Mbrs. St. Clare Society

Thursday, August 12th - Weekday

6:45 AM G †Paul J. Kramer
8:00 AM W †L/D Mbrs. St. Vincent de Paul

Friday, August 13th - Weekday

6:45 AM G †JoAnn Hodas, Joe & Violet
Brockhoff

Saturday, August 14th- Weekday

4:00 PM G †L/D Mbrs. Charles & Mary
Jerabek-Burich Families
4:00 PM W †Anna Mae Marsh

Sunday, August 15th -

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 AM W †Sylvia Nemetz
8:00 AM G †Connie Dooley
9:00 AM M For the Parish
9:30 AM W †Ralph & Kathrine Knox
10:30 AM G †Roger & Janice Grall
6:30 PM W †John (Jack) Laurent



Eternal Rest to Our Loved Ones

We extend our sympathy to the families & friends of:

Joan Heinzen

Dennis Koish

May all the faithful departed
rest in peace.

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August 14, 2021

In Memory of...

For the week of August 8th, 2021

Sanctuary Candle is for:

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at the Grand Site

Sanctuary Candle is for:

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at the Marshall Site

Sanctuary Candle is for:

Thomas Dirkman

at the Waldo Site

Tabernacle Sanctuary Candle is for:

Barney Dvorachek

at the Adoration Chapel

Parish Employment Opportunity

Youth Faith Formation (Elementary Religious Education) for grades 1-5 (part-time)

Areas of Responsibility Include:

- Develop and oversee the "Hearts on FIRE" (Family Integrated Religious Education) program for grades 1-5.
- Work with catechists/volunteers to share the faith with the youth.
- Communicate with parents and involve them in the faith formation program and teaching of our faith.
- Create an exceptional faith formation experience that allows youth to see the many ways God influences our everyday lives.
- First Communion and 1st Reconciliation Sacramental preparation.
- Some summer ministry included such as assisting with Vacation Bible School.
- Collaborate with our parish team and families

Candidates are asked to contact Deacon Mark LeGreve by email to: mark.legreve@sfamanitowoc.org by the deadline of August 9th.

Many people had family members or friends who passed away during the pandemic. Some may have been unable to have a funeral, while others may not have felt safe attending a funeral. We recognize that you may not have been able to pray for your loved one or bring about closure. If you lost a loved one or friend and feel like you would now like to remember them in a special way, please join us for this Mass of Remembrance. All are welcome!"



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PARISH ON GRAND
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24 AT
6:30 PM

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

Because your loved one died during the Pandemic Shut-Down, we are offering an opportunity to formally remember them. You are invited to bring a photograph of your loved one with you to the service.



RCIA CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Thinking about becoming Catholic? Are you planning to raise your children in the faith and need to learn more about the faith in order to teach them? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you might want to consider RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.) We will begin RCIA classes in September.

If you are interested in the process or need more information I would love to talk with you!

Please contact Ruthann Ross, Pastoral Associate at:
(920) 652-7804 or by email at
ruthann.ross@sfamanitowoc.org



"Sing of the Lord's Goodness!"

The Cecilia Choir is looking for new members to join their choir! This men's choir rehearses on Sunday mornings before Mass at the Marshall site and sings at the 9:00am Mass at Marshall on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Please consider joining this group as they energetically "Sing of the Lord's Goodness"!

If you'd like more information about this choir, please contact their director, Ann Rhode, by email at: arhode@sbcglobal.net or by phone: (920) 682-2339.

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## "Glory and Praise to Our God!"

The Celebrator Choir is looking for new members to join their choir! This choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm at the Waldo site and sings at the 9:30am mass at Waldo on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Please consider joining this group as they create beautiful music to give "glory and praise to our God"! They especially need more guys to join them. This would also be a great opportunity for families with high school kids to be able to sing together! If you'd like more information about this choir, please contact their director, Roxanne Perronne, by email: [rperronne1@gmail.com](mailto:rperronne1@gmail.com).

## Readings for the Week

## August 8, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51  
 Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27  
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26  
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20  
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1  
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12  
 Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15  
 Next Sunday: *Vigil*: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/  
 1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day*: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/  
 Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

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Roncalli Catholic Schools is seeking to hire a Head Cook position at Roncalli High School.

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Interested applicants should sent their resume  
and cover letter

to [HR@roncallicatholicschools.org](mailto:HR@roncallicatholicschools.org).

Are you or someone you know interested in a physical education teacher position? Roncalli Elementary School and Roncalli Middle School, part of Roncalli Catholic Schools, are looking for qualified candidates to fill a Physical Education Teacher (Grades PK-6) position beginning in August.

For the complete job description,  
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[roncallielementaryandmiddleschool](https://www.facebook.com/roncallielementaryandmiddleschool).

Interested applicants should fill out the WECAN application for Vacancy ID #116997.

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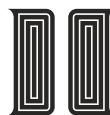
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## Parish Worship Sites:

Grand Site, 1416 Grand Avenue ~ Marshall Site, 1114 S. 21st Street ~ Waldo Site, 1121 N. 14th Street

### Priests

Fr. Doug LeCaptain...652-7808

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### Parish Deacons

Deacon Bob Beehner

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### Parish Team

Ruthann Ross - Pastoral Associate.....652-7804

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### Pastoral Care of the Sick/Homebound

Please notify the parish office of family/friends who are homebound, in care facilities, or hospitalized.

## We Welcome You to St. Francis of Assisi Parish Community

- Our most important involvement in the parish community is our presence at the Sunday Eucharist—  
“the source and summit of our life in Christ”.
- Our parish Christian stewardship is based on prayer, service, and sharing. We are called to give back to God as generously as God has given to us.
- If you wish to find out more about our parish community, please contact the parish office, or complete this form and drop in the collection basket at Mass. You will be contacted by a member of the parish staff.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Admission to the office during the afternoon is by appointment only. There is a secure drop box near the front door entrance and bulletins are available outside. Scrip hours are the same as parish office hours.

### Mission Statement:

*The Manitowoc Catholic Community exists as a sacramental body of Christ, to love as Christ loved, by boldly proclaiming our faith, teaching our youth, spreading the Good News of Jesus, and serving one another and others in an ever-changing community.*

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** Grand site: 4:00 p.m.

Waldo site: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** Waldo site: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Marshall site: 9:00 a.m.

Grand site: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

**Weekday:** Monday-Friday 6:45 a.m. at the Grand Site

Tues. & Thurs. 8:00 a.m. at the Waldo Site

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. at the Grand Site

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### Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Grand site: Saturday, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Grand site: Wednesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Waldo site: Saturday, 3:00-3:30 p.m.

### Baptism & Marriage

Please contact the parish office for more information on baptisms and marriage and to make arrangements.

### Anointing of the Sick

A communal celebration is offered three times per year. individual anointing is available upon request.

### Want to become a Catholic?

Have you been questioning whether the Catholic faith is the path you should take? Then RCIA may be the answer! The RCIA journey will lead you to a fullness of faith in the Catholic Church. Please contact Ruthann Ross; our Pastoral Associate, in the parish office for more information.