

St. Anne Parish

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16 July 2023

THE WOMAN HAD ARRIVED for Reconciliation expecting something different than she found. I'm still not sure what she'd anticipated, but what we were offering wasn't it. I suggested her confusion might be due to terminology. She was familiar with *confession* but said she'd never encountered the term *Reconciliation* before.

I suspect she had, but there are lots

Forgiveness
Conversion
Confession
RECONCILIATION
Penance
Mercy

of things – words, people, situations – that we don't necessarily notice or remember, especially when they don't seem to apply to us.

My realization that this woman's perplexity may be shared by others is what prompts this column. For most of our lives the sacrament celebrated at 9 a.m. Saturday at St. Anne and 3 p.m. Saturday at St. Michael was commonly known as *confession*, and it's still called that in some parishes. So why is it called *Reconciliation*?

The answer is found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church in a section appropriately titled: "What is this sacrament called?" The Catechism lists several possibilities: the sacrament of *conversion*, the sacrament of *penance*, the sacrament of *confession* and the sacrament of *forgiveness*.

All of these labels are appropriate since they speak to elements of the sacramental celebration – confession, penance and forgiveness; these things do happen. As

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VACATION BIBLE CAMP IS THIS WEEK!

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WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR

9A-Noon

July 17-21 at St. Anne



Children in 4K-4th grade will experience Bible stories exploring our love of God and neighbor, as well as make new friends, sing fun songs, watch dramatic presentations of Bible stories, play active games ... and much more!

WALK-IN REGISTRATION WELCOME ON MONDAY!

"Christ, Be Our Light"

Bernadette Farrell



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark-ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.



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CELEBRATING BAPTISM: We gladly welcome children to faith through the waters of Baptism. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please send an email or call Fr. Tom.

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE: We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact Fr. Tom to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn about marriage preparation.

CARING FOR THE SICK: If you or a loved one are seriously ill or anticipating surgery, please call or email Fr. Tom to schedule the celebration of the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

COMMUNICATION: Email is a primary means of communication in the parish. If you are not getting our weekly parish emails, please send an email to mail@stanneswausau.org and we'll add you to the email list.

RECONCILIATION: This sacrament of God's mercy is celebrated at 9 a.m. Saturday at St. Anne and 3 p.m. Saturday at St. Michael, and by appointment with Fr. Tom or Fr. Al.

BECOMING CATHOLIC: If you are interested in becoming a Christian, becoming a Catholic or curious about matters of faith, contact Lee Ann Lella at leeannl@stanneswausau.org.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Psalm 65

Michael Joncas

The seed that falls on good ground will
yield a fruit - ful har - vest.

Profession of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

"Seed, Scattered and Sown"

Didache, 1 Corinthians, Mark

Seed, scat-tered and sown, wheat, gath-ered and grown,
bread, bro-ken and shared as one, the Liv-ing Bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land, wine, work of our hands, one cup that is
shared by all; the Liv-ing Cup, the Liv-ing Bread of God.

KNEELING & STANDING: People at pews without kneelers, if able, are asked to remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer and throughout the communion procession. At communion time we remain standing, as a sign of unity, until everyone has received communion.

Eucharistic Prayer

Mass of the Angels and Saints, Steven Janco

Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of
 hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
 we pro - claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Amen

A - men, a - men, a - men.
 A - men, a - men, a - men.

CONSECRATED LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS are available from the presider as communion is distributed. Communicants will be invited to take a pyx, a container containing the host, and to return the pyx after Mass.

BOWING: The Church asks that worshipers bow slightly toward the Body of Christ and Blood of Christ as we are receiving communion and proclaiming "Amen."



PARTICIPATION AT MASS

July 8/9
 4 PM - 119; 8:30 AM - 163
 10:30 AM - 165; 6 PM - 127; Online - 153
 July 1/2
 4 PM - 131; 8:30 AM - 154
 10:30 AM - 97; 6 PM - 75; Online - 137

**PARISH GIVING
 FISCAL YEAR 2022-23**

Total collected: \$791,144
 Amount needed: \$816,000
 Shortfall: \$24,856
 Collected July 9: \$16,981
 Collected July 2: \$7,465



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Raffle - \$35,199; Beer Garden - \$6,460;
 Summer Stroll - \$4,506;
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“One Bread, One Body”

John Foley, SJ

One bread, one bod - y, one Lord of all,
 one cup of bless - ing which we bless. And
 we, though man - y, through-out the earth,
 we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

“Rain Down”

Jamie Cortez

Refrain

Rain down, rain down, rain down your
 love on your peo - ple. love, God of life.

Verses

1. Faith - ful and true is the word of our God. All of God's
2. God of cre - a - tion, we long for your truth; you are the

1. works are so wor - thy of trust. God's mer - cy falls on the
2. wa - ter of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your

1. just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.
2. peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

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A SUMMER COMMUNITY MEAL will be prepared and served by St. Anne parishioners Thursday, July 20 at Jubilee House. People are needed to assist in preparing and serving the meal, as well as in providing desserts. To learn more or to offer your assistance, send an email to Dana Pease at dparlier77@gmail.com or call 715.212.3060.

THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOMELESS CENTER is now open year-round and so additional volunteers are needed to assist in serving the 30 guests welcomed each night.

Specifically, people are needed to assist in preparing and serving meals, staffing the nightly intake process and being witnesses of the Gospel in word and action.

To learn more about volunteer needs and duties, watch a Quick Things Conversation with shelter director Jeff Hancock. You can find a link in the Quick Things email and at stanneswausau.org. You can contact Jeff at jhancock@cclse.org.



Transitions

ETERNAL LIFE: We pray for the eternal rest of **James Light** and **Joan Chittum** who died recently. May they rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

NEW LIFE:

Last Sunday **Noelle Beatrice Tlachac** was claimed for Christ and washed in the waters of Baptism. Her parents are Matt and Danielle Tlachac.



This Week

MONDAY 17 JULY / Ex 1:8-14,22/Mt 10:34-11:1
 • 9 AM-Noon - Vacation Bible Camp

TUESDAY 18 JULY / Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
 • 7 AM - Mass +Librada Lagaras
 • 9 AM-Noon - Vacation Bible Camp
 • 12:10 PM - Mass at Resurrection

WEDNESDAY 19 JULY / Ex 3:1-6,9-12/Mt 11:25-27
 • 8:15 AM - Mass +Gene Laurent
 • 9 AM-Noon - Vacation Bible Camp
 • 12:10 PM - Mass at Resurrection

THURSDAY 20 JULY / Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
 • 7 AM - Mass +Ada & Peter Calmes
 • 9 AM-Noon - Vacation Bible Camp
 • 12:10 PM - Mass at Resurrection
 • 6 PM - Community Dinner, St Matthew

FRIDAY 21 JULY / Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8
 • 7 AM - Mass +Betty Nass
 • 9 AM-Noon - Vacation Bible Camp
 • 12:10 PM - Mass at Resurrection

SATURDAY 22 JULY / Sg 3:1-4b/Jn 20:1-2,11-18
 • 9 AM - Reconciliation, St. Anne
 • 3 PM - Reconciliation, St. Michael

SOLEMNITY OF ST. ANNE | JULY 22/23

Wis 12:13,16-19/Rom8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
 • 4 PM +Marvin Stencil
 • 8:30 AM - People of St. Anne Parish -**LIVESTREAM**
 • 10:30 AM +Shirley Britten
 • 6 PM +Alex & Marion Wisnewski

Links to the daily readings listed above, as well as video and written reflections, can be found at stanneswausau.org.

RECONCILIATION / from Page 1

well as the ultimate desire that our repentance and God's mercy initiate conversion and change in our lives.

But, the Catechism offers one more, all-encompassing title: "It is called the sacrament of Reconciliation because it imparts to the sinner the love of God who reconciles: 'Be reconciled to God.' The one who lives by God's merciful love is ready to respond to the Lord's call: 'Go, first be reconciled to your brother (or sister).'"

Yes, *confession* is one of the titles listed in the Catechism, but it refers to only one component of what unfolds in this encounter of penitent, priest and God. *Forgiveness* at least conveys what is essential to the sacramental experience: sure, confessing our sins is essential, but it's the forgiveness, the absolving of our sins that is cause of celebration. It's unlikely, however, that we'll come to commonly refer to the sacrament of *forgiveness* or of *mercy*.

And, there's really no need to look further than Reconciliation. It encompasses all the elements of the sacrament: confession, repentance, penance, absolution – becoming reconciled with God and, if appropriate, seeking further reconciliation with our sisters and brothers.

Regardless of what we call it, this sacrament is a powerful experience of God's mercy. If you haven't celebrated Reconciliation in awhile, there's always next Saturday. There's no need to remember a script or specific numbers of sin. It is important to examine one's conscience and consider our sins, but beyond that the encounter of priest and penitent can be a conversation; an honest and humble encounter of grace culminating in forgiveness and being sent on a renewed mission of discipleship.

Now that we have a better idea as to why it's called what it is, we might want to pursue the possibility of Reconciliation. **TL**

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