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Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
1 Cor 12:12-30

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2
Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12,
13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a,
6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17
[cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31–13:13 ©LPI

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Mass Schedule**Monday, January 24**

7:30 am Jerry Darr by Don Weis

Tuesday, January 25**August Woiaik Sr and
Catherine Woiaik**
by Gus Woiaik**Wednesday, January 26**

8:00 am At St. Alexander

10:30 am At Edgewater Haven
Shirley Hartje

by Mickey Freeman

Thursday, January 27

7:30 am Irene Pavelec

by Margaret de Pereiro

Friday, January 28**Elizabeth (Betty) Michels**
by Family & Friends**Saturday, January 29**5:00 pm **Judy (Boyles) Toles**

by James & Sharon Boyles

Bill & Dorothy Peaslee

by Kim & Mike Boardman

Sunday, January 307:30 am **Leo & Irene Klein**

by Larry Shear

**Peter & Loretta Andres
Rheinschmidt**

by Rita & Family

10:30 am **John J Dondlinger**by Art & Joan, Nic &
Cheryl, George & Wendy
and Michael**Robert F Wilkins**by Mary Ann Wilkins &
Family**Marvin P Hahn**

by Sharon & Jerry Reyes

**Please Note: Times listed for the
weekdays/weekend are public****Masses with the Sunday 10:30am Mass
live-streamed for your viewing.****Liturgical Ministers****Saturday, Jan 29 & Sunday, Jan 30****Lectors**Sat 5:00 pm Aileen Larson
Sun 7:30 am Cheryl Erickson
Sun 10:30 am Pam Bilderback**Altar Servers**Sat 5:00 pm Amelia Gies
Parker Gies
Sun 7:30 am Adam Taylor
Elijah Klein
Sun 10:30 am James Bilderback
Grant Pulvermacher**Ushers**Sat 5:00 pm Marty Cattanach, Jim
Fisher, Herman Steinert
Sun 7:30 am Joseph Baciak, Scott
Linzmeier, Dan Thomas
Sun 10:30 am John Ritchay, Jerry
Kizewski, Bob Benkowski**Rosary Leaders**Sat 5:00 pm Volunteer Needed
Sun 7:30 am Kevin Collins
Sun 10:30 am Pam Bilderback**SCRIP**Sat 5:00 pm Patty Heeg
Sun 7:30 am Natalie Wenzel
Sun 10:30 am Kathy Sailer**Financial Engineers**

Sharon, Kathy B, Carole D

Altar Linen Cleaner ~ January

Cheryl Erickson

Vacuum Cleaners ~ Jan 24 - Jan 29

Sonia Segovia

FOR BOTH PARISHES:

Year-end contribution statements are now available for you to pick up in the church entrance by the canopy. Please do this to help save the parish the cost of postage. Thank you!

Please note: The Diocese of La Crosse will mail year-end statements for any contributions made to the Diocesan Annual Appeal.

**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God. ©LPi

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

Human trafficking can be described as a form of modern slavery, where victims, either male or female are forced into commercial sex and/or labor. Victims come from any socioeconomic group, race, culture, religion, ethnic background or age. Nobody appears to be immune or safe. However, this is an issue that many Americans are unaware of.

There are 25 different types of trafficking within the United States. Examples are: Sex trafficking, forced labor, forced marriage, exploitative begging and pornography. Many are targeted online. They are groomed and coerced. If you think you have information about a trafficking situation, report immediately. Anti-Trafficking Hotline Advocates are available 24/7 to take a report. The hotline number is 888.373.7888 .

Online training can be found at:

- National Human Trafficking
- Human Trafficking in America's Schools – a guide for educators
- Common Myths about Human Trafficking

Psalm 127: 3 "Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him."



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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm;
 Sunday 7:30 & 10:30 am

Sacraments

Reconciliation.....Saturday 4:30 pm
 or by appointment.
 Baptism contact Father John
 MarriageContact Fr. John
 6 months in advance

Please remember our Sacred Heart Foundation when making or changing your Will.

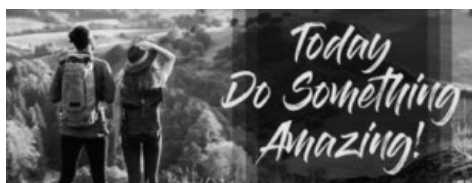
SCRIP Is available at the parish office weekday mornings, Monday - Friday, and after all weekend Masses. Please pay with correct change or check.

Electronic Deposit for contributions is available. Forms are available on the bulletin board, in the ministry rack in the sacristy in church, and on the website.

Sacred Heart Income

Saturday, Jan 15 & Sunday, Jan 16

Adults \$14776.00
 Electronic Contributions: (Feb 3)..... \$
 Offertory..... \$439.00
 Other Income: Votives \$21.00
 Bequest/Memorial \$50.00
 Total Received This Week..... \$15286.00



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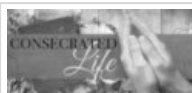
ACS Mission Statement: To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition.

Religious Education News...From the desk of Mrs P Wettstein

Religious Education Classes this week:

Gr 1 – 5	3:30 – 5:00 pm
Gr 6 – 10	6:30 – 8:00 pm

New Hope for Unborn Babies? Pray for our Supreme Court Justices! Is the end near for Roe v. Wade? Could the 1973 ruling that legalized abortion through all 9 months of pregnancy be overturned? The Dobbs case being heard by the Supreme Court could have that outcome – but we must pray. Read about the nationwide initiative of fasting and prayer at diolc.org/respect-life, where you can also download a flyer with photos of each of the Justices. Post it on your refrigerator and remember to pray and sacrifice for each of them by name! A ruling is expected by June.



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in parishes on the weekend of February 5-6. Please pray for all those who have answered the call to consecrated life, aspiring towards joy-filled holiness in the service of the Church and world. Please pray also for many more laborers to enter the vineyard so that Jesus Christ may be better known, experienced, and loved!

Announcing a Lifeline of Hope and Healing for Struggling Marriages!

When the old ways aren't working, the Retrouvaille Program helps couples restore their marriages and rebuild loving relationships. This is a three-phase program that begins with a weekend stay in the Wausau area. A series of "post sessions" provide ongoing healing and support. Presentations are given by couples who share their personal struggles in marriage and the tools they used to rediscover their love. Participants reflect and interact in privacy with their spouse. It is not group therapy. Costs are affordable and no couple is turned away because of limited finances. If you are wondering if this program is right for you or a loved one, find more information and answers to Frequently Asked Questions at www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call toll-free: 1-877-922-HOPE (4673). All calls are fully confidential. The next program begins on February 18-20, 2022. Space is limited. Early registration is recommended!

Knights of Columbus, Council 1558 will be hosting a math, spelling, and free throw contest on January 29, 2022 at St Vincent de Paul School, 831 12th Street South, Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

The math and spelling contests are for students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8. Each student may compete in either one or both contests. Awards will be presented for each grade and the winners will be eligible to participate at the Diocesan level in Plover on March 12, 2022. Winners at the Diocesan level can move on to the State contest which will be held at Assumption High School on April 30.

The Free throw contest is for children ages 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14. Boys and girls will compete separately. Awards will be presented to the winners and they will be eligible to compete at the District level immediately following the council contest. Winners at the District can move on to Diocesan contest and possibly the State contest which will also be at Assumption High School on April 30.

A schedule for the day is listed below:

Registration	9:15 am until time of each contest
Math Test	10:00 am
Spelling Test	10:45 am
Free throw contest	1:00 pm (Register up to 12:45PM)

If you have any questions, please call Duane Spinler at 715.213.5410.

Mission Statement

Be part of the family—St. Alexander Parish “Do not neglect hospitality for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.” Hebrews 13:2

Prayer Chain

Carol Kuehl715-887-3938

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, January 26

8:00 am †Gladys & Lawrence Boinski
By Family

Sunday, January 30

9:00 am For the People of Sacred Heart and St. Alexander
†Robert Marchenkuski
By Dave & Karen Thiel

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30pm at Sacred Heart or by appointment.

Baptism, Marriage & RCIA Contact:
Fr. John Swing

OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

January 9, 2022

Total Operating Budget ...\$174,796.00
Adult Envelopes\$2,435.00
Offertory Plate..... \$229.00
Votives \$6.00
Maintenance Envelopes \$135.00
Monthly EFT\$2,535.00
Sanctuary Lamp Sponsors \$120.00
Christmas Envelope\$20.00
Initial Offering Envelopes.....\$80.00
Catholic Life Envelopes\$30.00
Scrip Rebate..... \$310.80
Total Support this Week..... \$5,900.80

Please Note: The fifth Sunday plate collection goes to St. Pat's Mission.

Thank You.

Next Electronic Contribution (EFT) will be February 3, 2022

The 5:00pm Deanery Sunday Mass is currently held at:
St. Lawrence Parish



Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of January 30th, 2022

Lector

Sun. Mary Armatoski

Ushers

Sun. Ryan Shaw, Norb Fenske

Elevator

Sun. Norb Fenske

Scrip

Sun. Stephanie Vela

Money Counters

Sun. **2 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Servers

Sun. Evan Antinoja

OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

January 16, 2022

Total Operating Budget...\$174,796.00
Adult Envelopes\$1,975.00
Offertory Plate\$122.00
Votives..... \$24.00
Maintenance Envelopes\$205.00
Initial Offering Envelopes \$35.00
Catholic Life Envelopes..... \$45.00
Total Support this Week \$2,406.00

Please Note: The fifth Sunday plate collection goes to St. Pat's Mission. Next Electronic Contribution (EFT) will be February 3, 2022

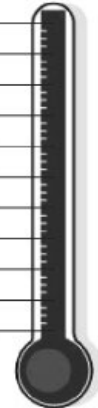


ST. PAT'S REMINDER

There are 5 Sunday's in January which means St. Alexander Parish will be taking up the January 30, 2022 plate collection for St. Pat's Mission. Please plan ahead to support this giving opportunity. Thanks so much for your continued support in our long relationship with this Mission.

St. Alexander DAA

\$20,990
\$18,891
\$16,792
\$14,693
\$12,594
\$10,495
\$8,396
\$6,297
\$4,198
\$2,099
\$0
\$21,895



We have met our parish goal!

Thanks to all who donated to make this happen. Any funds given now to the DAA will come 100% back to the parish! God bless you.

Year-end giving statements are now available for you to pick up in the church entrance. Please do this to help save the parish the cost of postage. Thank you!

FOR BOTH PARISHES CONTINUED:



Is it Right to Sue? Question: Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

Answer: Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and

forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

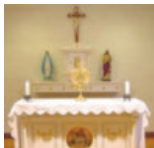
In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing. ©LPi



PRO-LIFE CORNER

“Give us the grace—When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life.” - St. John Paul II.



Adorers Needed! Spend an Hour with JESUS!

Come adore our Lord at the Mother of America Adoration Chapel at the Marian Center for Peace. Go to adorationpro.org/mother & sign up for one of our open hours or to be a substitute adorer. Or call Dan (715-451-3180) or Marion (715-316-1285).

Registration Night

**Wednesday, 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



Casa Hogar 2022 Mission Trip

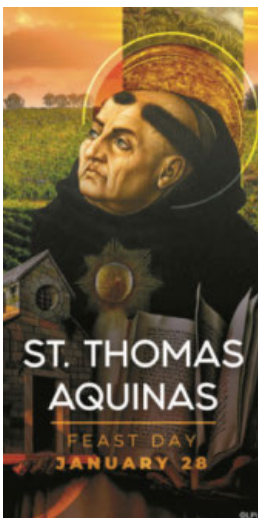
Thank you all who donated the much-needed vitamins, socks, underwear, face masks and financial support to the children of Casa Hogar!

Five Assumption High School students with three adults teachers and four Pacelli High School students with an adult teacher carried 19 extra-large suitcases and 13 carry-on suitcases to the children in Lurin Peru. Nothing was left behind.

The orphanage's deep appreciation was so evident in the smiles and outpouring of love that we received in return.

Thank you from Casa Hogar's Missionaries:

*Anne, Eliz, Nick, Maggie, Morgan, Ava, Kara, Blake. ACS
Larry, Madison, Grace, Shannon, Lexi. PCS*



St. Thomas Aquinas | January 28

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, “*The Summa Theologiae*.” Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great. His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology. The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

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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.

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!

Luminary Prayer Walk: Wednesday, February 2. Join us at 6:00 for a candle blessing and then a prayer walk around the SVdP property. Praying for the intentions written on the luminaries.

Hot cocoa and cookies after the walk in the gym lobby.



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