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Mass Schedule (See page 2 for details)

Mon-Fri: See Schedule on 2nd page
Sat: 4:30 pm - St. Francis of Assisi
Sun: 7:30 am - Our Lady of the Lake
8:45 am - St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am - St. Francis of Assisi
(Extraordinary Form)
12:30 pm - St. Francis of Assisi
(Polish Mass)

Confessions (St. Francis)

Sat: 3:00 to 4:15 pm
Daily Confession 30 Minutes before
each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

All days: 6 am to 8 pm

Holy Rosary

Every Mass: One half hour early

Readings for the week of August 23

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6,
8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11,
12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps
96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps
128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5,
6-7 [1]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5,
10-11 [5]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-
4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Mk
6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-
6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

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21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” - Mt 16:19

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Our Lady of the Lake

Mass Intentions

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 23

7:30 am For special intentions of the David Hamm family

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 30

7:30 am For parishioners of St. Francis & Our Lady of the Lake

Ministry Schedule (August 30)

Lector - Jane Schultz

EMHC* - Bud Kass

*Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Please remember

the following members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Dorothy Zilinski, Alicia Maurer Leroy Zulawski, Delores Zulawski

Recently Deceased: Laura Gaffney, Ron Duda, Dr. C. J. Laridaen, Frank Russ

Military Personnel: Major Jared Glasenap

Mission Appeal

- The Ministry of Polish Redemptorists in the East - The Mission Appeal Sunday helps to spread the Gospel, build the churches and communities around the world. This year I invite you to support the missionary work of Polish

Redemptorists-Mission in Russia. We are working in the former Soviet Union for 30 years. At present, we have five pastoral centers in Russia, one in Kazakhstan, five in Belarus, and two in Ukraine. Due to the current travel restrictions because of the COVID-19 pandemic the "in person" Mission Appeal 2020 is impossible to make. Please view this YouTube presentation about constructing the church in Togliatti that is built with the funds collected during the Mission Appeal: <https://youtu.be/XVDWUg6d3t0>

Though we have enough money to cover basic expenses, we are facing difficulties with building much needed churches in Togliatti and Minsk. Without your help we will be unable to cover all the construction expenses. There will be a donation box set up in the entryway to St. Francis Church to contribute to this appeal. Thank you for your prayers and may God bless you for your generous support for the Mission Appeal.

Faithful Citizenship

- Election 2020 We are in an election year, making it that much more important to form our consciences in light of Catholic teaching and principles. For abundant resources on this topic, visit diolc.org/faithful-citizenship.

Church is Open

The Bishop has approved the opening of St. Francis of Assisi and Our Lady of the Lake Parishes for public Masses. Below are a list of public Masses at St. Francis of Assisi and Our Lady of the Lake:

Saturday -	4:30 pm	SF
Sunday -	7:30 am	OLL
	8:45 am	SF
	11:00 am (Latin)	SF
	12:30 pm (Polish)	SF

We are allowed to open to a capacity of 25% while maintaining social distancing rules. There will be ushers available at each Mass that will be handing our worship aids and directing you to seating arrangements. See statement below from the Bishop of our Diocese: *"As we continue to safeguard human life and the common good in the Diocese of La Crosse I believe that a slow controlled return to the public celebration of the sacraments is necessary and in our best interest. The COVID-19 pandemic has required a great sacrifice for the Catholic faithful restricting worship and active participation in the sacramental life of the Diocese of La Crosse and beyond. After much prayer, extensive consultation with the Bishops of our State, clergy and community leaders, I am happy to announce that we will begin a gradual reopening of our churches beginning May 31, 2020. I ask the Catholic Community to use extra caution and good judgement in determining if you should attend Mass. The Sunday Mass dispensation continues for those concerned about the Coronavirus threat because of age, health condition or other reasons,"* said Bishop Callahan.

Daily Confessions - 6:30 am to 7:00 am
Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is open all days from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Attention - Father Wesley will be on vacation from Sept. 1 - Sept. 12. There will be no daily Mass during this period. The following will be the weekend Mass schedule during this time:
4:30 pm Saturday - Msgr. Robert Hundt
7:30 am Sunday - Msgr. Hundt
8:45 am Sunday - Msgr. Hundt
11:00 am Sunday (Latin) Msgr. Hundt
12:30 pm Sunday (Polish) Father Janusz Kowalski

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St. Francis of Assisi

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 24

7:00 am For Wally Schumer & family

Tuesday, August 25

7:00 am For Mary Ann Zaleski

Wednesday, August 26

7:00 am † Russ & Marjorie Grignon

Thursday, August 27

7:00 am For Todd Sheley

Friday, August 28

7:00 am For our living & deceased veterans & active duty soldiers

Saturday, August 29

7:00 am Priest's intention

Sunday Masses for August 29 - 30

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 29

4:30 pm † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, August 30

8:45 am † Marge Hirt

11:00 am (Latin) Priest's intention

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

12:30 pm (Polish) Priest's intention

Server Schedule

Saturday, August 29

4:30 pm B. Texley & A. McNally

Sunday, August 30

8:45 am M. Teumer & C. Heintz

11:00 am Volunteer

Please remember the following members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Patricia Mayer, Sue Kaminski, Marge Winker, Christine & Richard Van Hoof, Leo LaVoy, Bob Norton, David Olson, Lorraine Wilson, Roy Borden, Dominic Teumer, Lisa Mayer, Lorraine Zych, Frank Joseph Bryja, Gina Mayer, Deb Rubel, Diane (Pech) Bannerman, Fr. James Lesczynski, Eileen O'Loughlin, Francis King, Therese Olsen, Jacob Canady, Jill Walston, Patricia Jahnke, Benjamin Van Hoof, Jim Elliott, Betty Glavin, Raymond Van Hoof, Rose Ann Kinnett, Stacey Mia, Linda Steiner Pipgrass, Wally Schumer

Recently Deceased: Eugene Manning, Geraldine Schumer, Laura Moran, Edward Detmer, Judy Lefferts, Gene Naber, Patricia Judge, Virginia Worachek, Gerald Scharff, Mary Kathleen Blohm, Ed Schumer, Ben Goetz, Kieran Grogan, Eleanor Dziki, Chris Jahnke, Kazimer Rudnicki, Alan Brinsko, Trevor Zeller, Marge Hirt
Military Personnel: Michael Schumer, Christian DeGuire, Eric Ryan, Joshua Arbanas, Jeremy Mootz, Isaiah Dutschek, Leo Arbanas, Raymond Van Hoof, Anthony Ledvina, Lawrence Ledvina

Please remember St. Francis of Assisi Parish in your will or trust. Thank you!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

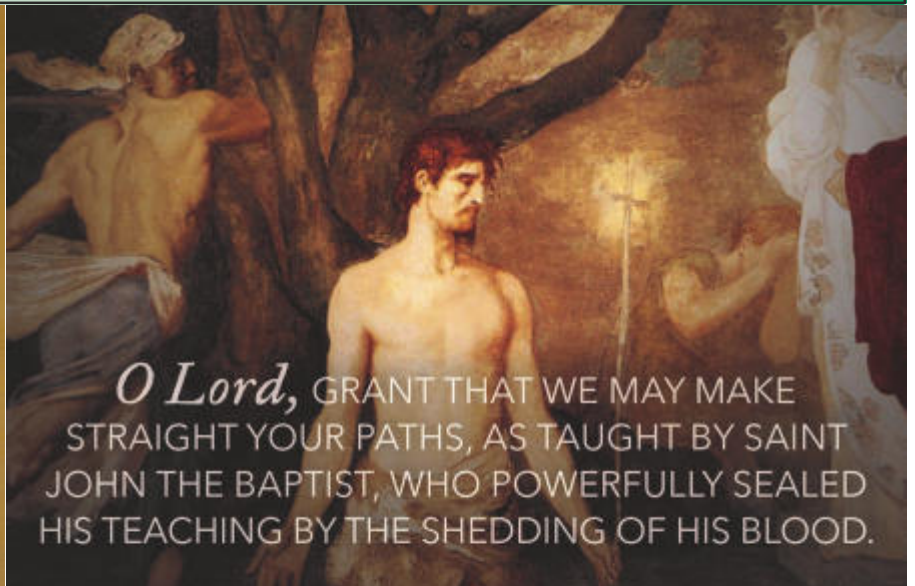
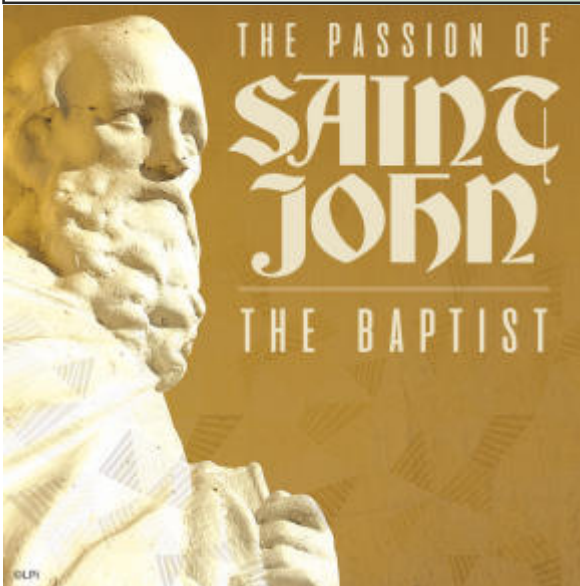
August 23, 2020 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The only way to know God is to love God. Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to too quickly accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad other technological truths can add to, fabricate, and make even the non-existent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don't allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds

around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untrue, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Peter came to this knowledge, which is not "head knowledge" because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal in and through that relationship. Peter simply "knew" because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical?



Religious Education classes for St.

Francis of Assisi will begin on Wednesday, September 9th at 7 PM and Sunday, September 13th at 9:50 AM. Parents must refer to the Reopening of Religious Education Program Guidelines. A mandatory parents' meeting will take place on September 9th and September 13th. For registration or questions, please call Sue Teumer at 608-572-0962.

Spiritual Services for parishioners who are homebound, or are in the hospital, nursing home, or assisted living home. Arrangements can be made for a spiritual visit, distribution of Communion, a ride to church, or other needs from our parish. Parishioners or family/friends are encouraged to Call Father Wesley Janowski. Office: 608-565-2488. Emergency: 608-495-3182 We would like all of our church friends to be with us in spirit.

Live & Pre-recorded Sunday Mass

- Please note that live and prerecorded Sunday Mass is available via diolc.org, the diocesan YouTube channel, Facebook, and televised on the following channels:

Eau Claire, Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

Marshfield (Public Access), Channel 989, at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Stevens Point (Public Access), Channel 984 at Noon and 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

Wausau, (Cable and Satellite), Channel 12 at 6:30 a.m. Sunday.

Wausau (Public Access), Channel 980, at 6:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday.

Wisconsin Rapids (Public Access), Channel 985 and Channel 3 at 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 pm. Sunday.

<https://diolc.org/tvmass>

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