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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

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Readings for the week of September 20

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a
Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 [1]/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Are you envious because I am generous?” Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:15-16

Our Lady of the Lake

Mass Intentions

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 20

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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 27

7:30 am For Tom Brantmeyer

Ministry Schedule (September 27)

Lector - Shirley Larson

EMHC* - Mary Finger

*Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Please remember

the following

members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Alicia Maurer

Leroy Zulawski, Delores Zulawski

Recently Deceased: Laura Gaffney, Ron

Duda, Dr. C. J. Laridaen, Frank Russ,

Dorothy Zilinski

Military Personnel: Major Jared

Glase nap

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), Chan-

nel 985 and Channel 3 at 6:00 a.m. and

1:00 pm. Sunday.

<https://diolc.org/tvmass>

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.

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.

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.

Relevant Radio - Remember to listen to Relevant Radio on 93.9. Go to the website at www.dioceseoflacrosse.com.

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St. Francis of Assisi

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 21

7:00 am † Buddy Ed

Tuesday, September 22

7:00 am For the intentions of

Dr. McNally's patients

Wednesday, September 23

7:00 am † Joyce Fike

Thursday, September 24

7:00 am † Tom McNally

Friday, September 25

7:00 am † Ed Schumer

Saturday, September 26

7:00 am Priest's intention

Sunday Masses for September 26 - 27

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 26

4:30 pm † Dr. Peter D. O'Loughlin

Sunday, September 27

8:45 am For parishioners of St. Francis

& Our Lady of the Lake

11:00 am (Latin) Priest's intention

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

12:30 pm (Polish) Priest's intention

Server Schedule

Saturday, September 26

4:30 pm B. Texley & M. Teumer

Sunday, September 27

8:45 am C. Heintz, P. Heintz & E. Horak

11:00 am Volunteer

Please remember the following members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Patricia Mayer, Sue Kaminski,

Marge Winker, Christine 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,

Christine Kaminski, Richard Van Hoof

Military Personnel: Michael Schumer,

Christian DeGuire, Eric Ryan, Joshua

Arbanas, Jeremy Mootz, Isaiah

Dutscheck, Leo Arbanas, Raymond Van

Hoof, Anthony Ledvina, Lawrence

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
September 20, 2020 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If I work for five hours, I expect to get paid for five hours. If I work for two, I expect to get paid for two. What if we worked for a company that paid everyone the same amount regardless of how long they worked? How would we feel going home with the same pay for working eight hours as my co-worker did for working only two hours? Secular wisdom would have a huge problem with this and a visit to the Labor Board would quickly pursue. But this is God's wisdom and God's ways.

We sometimes think that if we pray more, better, or more fervently and go over and above with the practice of our faith, God will somehow reward us and present us with some kind of merit badge. We are so wrong. Spiritual practices have only one true purpose: to deepen our love for God. In deepening our love for God, we also increase our ability to see God's presence around us, living life more purposefully and contemplatively. What if God chooses to treat someone who has come on the scene of faith later in life the same as someone who has devoted their whole lives to it? Does it really matter? If we have the merit badge notion of faith, we can find ourselves feeling a

little arrogant and even jealous of folks who have not followed the same path that we have. We can even see ourselves as the privileged few who have a corner on the faith and fully possess it.

That thinking doesn't square with God. God is all about mercy in abundance and is ready to take anyone to himself regardless of when they come. He is only happy that they have come home and delights in their return. After all, if you really and truly love someone, does it matter what they will give you in return or what you receive as a benefit? If relationships were assessed based upon productivity, they would lack authentic love. We invest too much self interest in our prayer and neglect to see it as an opportunity to pursue our Lover and deepen the intimate bond we have with God.

When we breathe our last, all that is of consequence is union with God. If my love for God is real, I am going to want to live the Gospel, abide by the commandments, practice my faith, forgive and love my neighbor, and care for the environment, regardless of how much time it takes or benefits me. We want God to think and behave as we do, and in doing so, we set ourselves up for disappointment. God has a totally different agenda and that's okay.

Catechetical Sunday

*I received
from the Lord
what I also
handed on to you.*

*"The catechist
walks from and
with Christ."*

—Pope Francis

September 20, 2020

Box of Joy - St. Francis will be participating in the Box of Joy once again! Your shopping can begin now! Check out clearance racks, and bins for t-shirts, shorts, flip-flops, etc. Don't forget about school supplies! Fabric pencil cases, crayons, pencils with sharpeners, flash cards, etc. Also if you have extra reusable Go Green fabric bags, please save them. The children can get multiple uses out of them. They get really excited to receive a bar of soap and it is especially needed because of Covid-19. If you would like to purchase extra, we can send them along. Remember no liquids, ie, shampoo, liquid soap, and hand sanitizer can be in the boxes. Boxes will be available the first weekend in October. If you have any questions, please contact Therese McNally at 665-6542. Thank you and God bless you for helping the children!

Prayer for Vocations - Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood, the Diaconate, and the Consecrated Life.

Thank You— A big thank-you to the PCCW for their donation to the parish library for the new addition to our DVDs and children's books. Be sure to check out our display in the narthex for faith formation resources. You are also able to access the library during CCD time on Sundays. Be sure to sign out the material on the sign out sheet on the parish library desk. Thank-you!

The Upper Room Prayer Group is an intercessory prayer ministry consisting of members of St. Francis of Assisi parish who in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord, call upon the Holy Spirit in humility and repentance while offering praise and worship in song and prayer, meditating on the Word of God and praying for the specific intentions of our brothers and sisters in Christ who are in need of healing, reconciliation, guidance and peace. We invite you to join us in this very special prayer time. If you are interested in joining us in prayer each month, please call or text the following parishioners. Tracy Arbanas 608-403-1434, Celine Schumer 608-403-8156, Sue Teumer 608-572-0962

Voting as a Christian - As November approaches, our political landscape boils down primarily to two opposing worldviews – two radically different visions of the meaning and direction of our lives. What are they, and what is a Christian to do? Visit diolc.org/faithful-citizenship to learn more.

CCD Class Delay - Dear Families of St. Francis of Assisi: It has been recently decided to delay the start of in-class religious education classes. Please note that Grades 7th through 10th along with Youth Group began Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 16th at 7 PM with a mandatory meeting for parents. Sunday morning classes with Grades 1 through 6th will begin SEPTEMBER 20th at 9:50 AM with a mandatory meeting for parents. All parents and students will need to review the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Returning to Faith Formation Guidelines. THERE WILL BE NO KINDERGARTEN CLASSES THIS YEAR. Please contact Sue Teumer (608-572-0962) with questions or registration.

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