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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 January 24

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

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

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

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Our Lady of the Lake

Mass Intentions

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 24

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 31

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

Ministry Schedule (January 31)

Lector - Shirley Larson

EMHC* - Bill Bruce

*Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Please remember

the following

members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Leroy Zulawski, Bill Pecoraro,

Jackie Hamm, Tom Brantmeyer

Recently Deceased: Karen Caple,

Dorothy Zilinski, Delores Zulawski,

Alicia Maurer

Military Personnel: Major Jared

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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>

Have you asked someone recently?

Do you know someone in your life that you think would make a good priest?

Have you ever told them? If not, you should! Once you encourage them,

don't hesitate to put them in contact with me to continue that conversation.

Contact me: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box

4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

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.

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.

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St. Francis of Assisi

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 25

7:00 am † Richard Van Hoof

Tuesday, January 26

7:00 am For Mr. & Mrs. Keith Schmelzle
& family

Wednesday, January 27

7:00 am For Sue Teumer & kids & their spouses

Thursday, January 28

7:00 am † Ronald Scott Snyder

Friday, January 29

7:00 am Thank you Father in Heaven

Saturday, January 30

7:00 am Priest's intention

Sunday Masses for January 30 - 31

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 30

4:30 pm Thank you Guardian Angel

Sunday, January 31

8:45 am For Therese McNally & children

11:00 am (Latin) Priest's intention

Septuagesima Sunday

12:30 pm (Polish) Priest's intention

Server Schedule

Saturday, January 30

4:30 pm A. McNally & T. Manning

Sunday, January 31

8:45 am W. Van Hoof, B. Van Hoof &

E. Horak

11:00 am Volunteer

Please remember

the following

members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Stacey Mia, Patricia Mayer,

Sue Kaminski, Christine Van Hoof, Leo

LaVoy, Bob Norton, Roy Borden, Dominic

Teumer, Frank Joseph Bryja, Deb Rubel,

Diane (Pech) Bannerman, Fr. James

Lesczynski, Eileen O'Loughlin, Francis

King, Patricia Jahnke, Benjamin Van

Hoof, Betty Glavin, Raymond Van Hoof,

Rose Ann Kinnett, Linda Steiner

Pipgrass, Wally Schumer, Marion

Merkel, Bob Norton, Jason Blohm

Recently Deceased: 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: Christian DeGuire,

Eric Ryan, Joshua Arbanas, 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!

God Guides Us

Through the Experience of Peace in Our Heart

This insert is the sixth in a series on the ways that God guides us. In developing and deepening our relationship with Jesus, we need to learn about Him through study by using our minds and the gift of reason. We also need to encounter the Person of Christ in our hearts. We will then be convinced that Jesus is real: a living, Divine Person who loves us deeply and guides us.

It is helpful to clarify the use of the word heart. In our Catholic Tradition, the meaning of the word "heart" can be explained as follows:

The heart is the deepest center of our being, beyond the grasp of our reason; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the center of our will, the place where decisions are made. It is the place of truth; it is the deepest place of encounter in our relationship with God. (Adapted from the Catechism, paragraph 2563)

It is important to note that in our culture today, the meaning of the word "heart" is used interchangeably with emotions or feelings and this can be a legitimate usage. However, we will never leave aside the definition of "heart" based upon the Catechism.

In our heart, we receive guidance from God. Have you ever experienced being moved in a different direction than advised because it didn't seem right? Have you sensed that you could not trust someone in a situation? These feelings can be prompts from the Holy Spirit who desires to guide us in the right direction. Learning to recognize these promptings requires ongoing prayer, a practiced listening to God, to understand His leading.

St. Teresa of Avila explains in her writings how God speaks to our hearts, giving us clues that can guide us along the path He would have us follow. Our intentional times of prayer are essential.

"...St. Teresa insists that we talk to God directly during our time of prayer. And conversation, in the ordinary acceptance of

the word, implies a mutual exchange of words and sentiments. She assures us that He most definitely responds to our conversation and converses with us.

We need not think, however, that God makes Himself heard in an audible manner. He answers us by sending us graces of light and love whereby we understand His ways better and burn with desire to embrace them generously. Listening, therefore, consists in accepting these graces and striving to profit by them.

Hence, if we speak to Christ, we may be consoled that He will speak to us in return... It is well to vary our verbal conversation directed to Christ with periods of silence, so that we can listen to Him and offer Him our receptivity. We speak to Christ; He speaks to us - we could expect no less of our Divine Friend" (Conversation with Christ by Peter Thomas Rohrbach, pages 52, 53).

Any feelings in our heart that we perceive as direction from God will always include an interior experience of peace, the primary hallmark of His guidance. We must submit this guidance to a mature thinking process and a properly formed conscience based on Scripture and Church teaching as we can be swayed by disordered feelings of selfishness, envy or anger etc. Following guidance from God that is properly distinguished - discerned - will always manifest in an increase of faith, hope & charity. When we follow God's guidance, we may still face difficulties, even opposition. Discerning properly gives us the confidence to hold fast to the direction we have received, knowing that we are following God's guidance in this situation.

Especially in making big decisions, spiritual discernment should include ongoing prayer and waiting with patience on the Lord to confirm the guidance. Seeking the counsel of a spiritually experienced person is also essential.

We are not always going to understand God's guidance perfectly. However, if we are seeking God, He will use everything, even our mistakes, to lead us and guide us. We can know with assurance His desire to guide us and that His peace in our heart will stand as the primary hallmark of this guidance.

By Ann and Carol Lankford



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Volunteer Transportation Drivers

Wanted - The Adams and Juneau County Aging & Disability Resource Center is looking for volunteers to drive the elderly to medical appointments. If interested, call (608) 574-2136 for more information.

Juneau County March for Life, 48 minutes Sunday, January 24 at Juneau County Courthouse in Mauston at 1:00 p.m. Reception to follow at Reardon Hall (Depending on COVID), St. Patrick's Church in Mauston. Call Betty at 572-3176 or Jim at 547-0665 for info.

Diaconate Discernment Retreat -

Saturday, February 27 - Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church - preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat at St. Mary's Church in Altoona on February 27, 2021. Then contact Deacon Bryan Hilts, Director of the Office for the Diaconate at bhilts@diolc.org. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2021 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat is a prerequisite.

In Search of Young Adults! -

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