

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

May 30, 2021

The Most Holy Trinity

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Mt 28:19-20

Congratulations!

Confirmation

A sacrament in which the Holy Spirit is perfected in those already baptized in order to make them strong and perfect Christians and soldiers of Jesus Christ.



The 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Wisdom
Understanding
Counsel (Right Judgement)
Fortitude (Courage)
Knowledge
Piety (Reverence)
Fear of the Lord (Wonder & Awe)



We welcome your attendance at Mass.
Social distancing guidelines are being followed.

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends: Saturday: 4:30 pm *
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am
Español-Spanish: 12:00 noon

* Saturday 4:30 pm Mass is live streamed on our website & YouTube and can be watched later.

* Bishop Callahan has currently dispensed the obligation to attend Sunday Mass & Holy Days.

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday: 8 am *

* Masses are live streamed on YouTube.

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: 9 am - 5 pm
Benediction at 4:50 pm

Televised Weekend Mass (La Crosse Diocese)

Wausau TV channels (Ch):
Cable & Satellite: Ch 12 at 6:30 am Sunday
Public Access: Ch 980 at 6 pm Sat, 9 am Sun

Internet Daily Mass:

YouTube: www.youtube.com offers the daily Mass from all over the world. To watch the Mass you are interested in, type in YouTube's search bar: "Catholic Mass" and "St. Matthew Wausau" or "La Crosse" or "EWTN" or "Relevant Radio" etc.

Parish Center Office (Oficina)

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)
221 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm
Friday: closed through Labor Day

Website: www.stmatthewausau.org
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Diocese of La Crosse: www.dioc.org

Face Masks are Required in Church, the Parish Center, and the School.

May 4, 2021 - St Matthew Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Minutes

St Matthew Parish Pastoral Council met on Tuesday, May 4th, at 5:45 pm in the patio room of the Parish Center.

Members present: Father Bob, Father Juan Pedro, Deacon Tom, Aaron Boller, Marie Burish, Jack Reeves, Joel Hynes, Marie Stubbe, Tim Wittwer
Members Absent: Lee Peek, Rogelio Romano

Opening prayer: Fr. Bob led the committee in praying Evening Prayer from the Divine Office.

Director of Religious Education Report: by Joy Orozco, DRE: Highlights: 2 Diocesan Beet grants awarded to the our Religious Education Program; Vacation Bible School will take place from June 14-18 this year. The theme is on the Blessed Virgin Mary; received a \$400 grant from Catholic United Financial which will be used toward the purchase of a laptop; Reminder notices were sent out to those who had not paid their RelEd tuitions; First Communion went well; Catechists have mentioned how much they like teaching in our new program; we are in need of catechists and substitutes for the 2021-2022 Religious Ed school year.
DRE report approved.

Minutes from last PPC meeting were approved.

President's report - Father Bob:

"Soup Supper" sale of soup raised \$3100 for scholarships for twelve (12) students from St. Matthew to attend Newman Catholic Schools. The PPC approval a \$500 scholarship from for St. Matthew student going from 8th Grade to 9th Grade in Newman Catholic Schools. Members wondered whether this is well advertised for students. The scholarship was provided by the Ladies Council every year.

COVID-19 related issues

Holy Water –has been put back in the fonts.

Drinking water fountains – ribbons have been removed for people to use again. Cups are by the fountains for those who would prefer to use those instead.

Furniture in Angelorum – furniture has been returned.

Hymnals – Hymnals have been split into two groups; a group for Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am services and a group for Sunday at 10:00 am.

Masks still required because of Wausau city ordinance. This requirement is not enforced.

The first funeral luncheon since COVID-19 was served in the cafeteria – everything went well, everything worked well. Tables were distanced; people enjoyed having it.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee (from April meeting minutes)

Diocesan Annual Appeal update – as of May 4 about \$5,500.00 under goal

A second PPP loan was received.

The Offertory, or the loose change collection, continues to be well below what it has been in the past. This, of course, was a consequence of restricted capacity due to Covid.

We are working on the Jul 1, 2021 – June 31, 2022 budget.

Buildings and Grounds

Church Bells – We discussed the possibility of repairing the church bell. The Consensus was to move forward with getting quotes as long as the bell will be used.

Budget needs – The Parish Council reviewed an email of budget items. The suggestion was to make sure we focus was on priorities.

Hiring – we are looking for a full-time person, 16 and older to help Jason for 8 weeks during the summer.

Sacred Worship – no recent meeting. Committee welcoming younger input. Marie Stubbe will fill the position vacated by Ellen Schumann; Marie Burish to fill Marie Stubbe's vacated position on Family Life.

Family Life – no recent meeting. Taco Tuesday event to be held again on Tuesday, May 25. More details to come. "Blest are We" group gatherings to continue in the fall or later in the summer.

Education – no recent meeting; nothing to report.

Old Business

Faith Christian Academy (FCA), which leases our school, plans to extend their contract for 2 years .

Calendaring gym and school usage outside of class times – problems come up in the following areas:

Need to have a more accurate system of calendaring gym usage, and making sure all coaches/directors use the calendar

Occasional problems with one group staying longer than it should and overlapping the next group's time

The condition of gym after a group leaves – who is responsible for the "mess" left behind.

Discussion held on ways to better control gym access, such as shared Google calendar and keyless door entry ideas rather than keyed entry.

New Business

COVID-19: Agreed to remove ribbons from center aisle pews, and all pews

Jubilee House – still on hold due to help; discussion with ideas presented on how to start moving forward again.

Next meeting – Tuesday, June 1st at 5:45 pm. Prayer leader to be Tim Wittwer. As a reminder, the July and August meetings are cancelled for summer.

The meeting closed with prayer led by Deacon Tom Tierney. Minutes submitted by Marie Stubbe

Celebration of Sacraments

Confession

- Saturday: 11am - 12 noon or by Appointment

Baptism

- Call the Parish Center (715-842-3148) to register for the "Baptism Preparation Class" which must be attended by the parents. The Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class.

Next Baptism Class: Monday, July 12th: 6:30 pm

Bautismo

- Para Bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase de preparación. Generalmente las clases son el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el centro parroquial. Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy al (715-842-3148).

 **Marriage** - Contact Fr Bob 6 months in advance for arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick and Home Communion Visits

- To make arrangements call Dorothy at 715-432-5519. Also, notify Dorothy when you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, rehab center, assisted living facility or nursing home.
- It's important to contact the care team or social worker at the hospital to request authorization to be visited by a priest.
- **Anointing of the Sick** - available when you or a loved one are seriously ill or before a scheduled surgery.
- **Communion Visits to the Homebound** - let us know if you would like to receive Holy Communion at your home, assisted living facility, or nursing home.

In Need of Prayer? - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you when you need extra prayer. Call Bonnie at 715-675-9876.

*** You may also call the Parish Center at 715-842-3148**



FROM THE DIOCESE
OF
LA CROSSE

Voice Your Objection to the Movie "The Unholy"

On April 2, 2021 (Good Friday), Sony Pictures released a blasphemous movie denigrating devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Various Catholic news sources have reported on this, including LifeSiteNews.com.

Please consider vigorously opposing this evil "entertainment" by voicing your objection to Sony's CEO in the words below, or in your own words:

"Sony's movie "The Unholy" is blasphemous and insinuates that if one opens oneself up to Mary and welcomes her in, a demon will enter instead. Such attacks on devotion to the Mother of God evidence hostility toward Catholic faith and devotion. This is insulting to hundreds of millions of Catholics around the world. Please apologize and remove this film now! Sincerely, (Your Name)"

**Send email to Sony Pictures CEO: Mr. Tony Vinciguerra
tony_vinciguerra@spe.sony.com**



Help with Grieving

GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life.

St Anne's Parish is hosting GriefShare, which is currently meeting online on Zoom. If you are interested in joining this program, call Grant Johnson at 715-551-2365 or email: bosdad.johnson2@gmail.com

You can join any week as sessions are self-contained. This is a 13 session weekly program, with excellent videos of people and professionals sharing their grief experiences followed by participants sharing and supporting each other.

Sessions meet every Tuesday from 6 - 8 pm with the last session on Tuesday, June 29th.



HELPING HANDS NEWS

Important Date Coming Up - Mark your Calendars

Helping Hands will be celebrating **25 years** as a humanitarian organization on **Saturday, September 25th.**

More information will be coming.

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1. Go to: www.formed.org/signup
2. Under "Create a New Account" to find your Parish or Organization type in the zip code "54401"
3. When "St. Matthew Parish" shows up click on it to select it, then click on "Next"
4. Create a New Account by typing in "Your Name" and "Your email address" then click "Sign Up"



Visit the U.S. Bishops' "Action Alerts" Page

Our Bishops have a list of action items calling upon us to make our voices heard. Many have to do with threats against the unborn, against the dignity of the family, and against religious freedom as individuals and Christian charitable institutions.

Visit www.voterveice.net/USCCB/home for more information and to take action.

Motorcycle Blessing and Faith Run

Sunday, June 6, 2021
St. Bronislava Church
3200 Plover Rd
Plover, WI 54467

1:00 PM Blessing of Motorcycles
1:30 PM 90-Mile Faith Run
4:00 PM Food & Fellowship at the church

Sponsored by the Plover Knights of Columbus

For more Information and to Register:
www.stbrons.com
715.344.4326



This Week at Saint Matthew

Monday, May 31 - Memorial Day - Pray for Those Who Serve(d) Our Country

Parish Center Closed

Thursday, June 3

Healing Fire of the Spirit Prayer Group - Church, Emily's Room: 6:30 pm

We Wish You a Blessed Memorial Day!

Memorial Day Prayer



On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. Amen.

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021

Target: \$72,700

His Church is Still Here His Church Still Provides His Church is You and Me!



The appeal is winding down and if you have not sent in your last payment please do so at this time. If you haven't contributed you still can just call the Parish Center at: **715-842-3148**.

Thank you to all parishioners for your contributions. May God Bless each and everyone of you!

*Sharing God's Blessings
Thank You
for Your Support!*

**Weekly Minimum Amount Needed
per Budget: \$9,612.00**

Weekend Collection.....\$5,975.20

Parish Contributions: Our weekly offertory collection provides the necessary funds to meet our financial obligations. If you are not attending Mass in person, please consider sending your weekly donations by:

- **Mail** (St Matthew Parish, 221 S 28th Ave, Wausau, WI 54401)
- **Monthly Electronic Funds Transfer** from your bank (to set up, contact Jerry at: **715-842-3148** or email: **jerryg@stmatthewausau.org**).
- **Bill Pay through your Bank** (contact your bank to set up).
- **Online Giving:** (via credit card or direct debit)
 - www.stmatthewausau.org/donations (one-time donations)
 - www.stmatthewausau.org/payments (recurring donations available)

Parish Staff (715-842-3148)

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Bulletin Deadline: 3 pm Monday



Mass Intentions May 31 - June 6, 2021



Pray for Us

Monday 8:00 am -†Anthony Kraft
 Tuesday 8:00 am -†Paul M. Wiegert
 Wednesday 8:00 am -†Marlene Ptaszynski
 Thursday 8:00 am -†James & †Elizabeth Gallenberg
 Friday 8:00 am -†Terry Bushar
 Saturday 8:00 am -Special Intention
 4:30 pm -†Mike Lach
 Sunday 8:00 am -†Tom Wanserski & Family
 10:00 am -St Matthew Parishioners and their Families
 Spanish 12 noon -†Por las benditas almas del purgatorio.

Scripture Readings

Monday, May 31 - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Memorial Day

Zep 3:14-18/Is 12:2-6/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday, June 1 - St Justin, Martyr

Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday, June 2 - Saint Marcellinus and Saint Peter, Martyrs

Tb 3:1-11, 16-17/Ps 25/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday, June 3 - Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

Tb 6:10-11; 7:1, 9-17; 8:4-9/Ps 128/Mk 12:28-34

Friday, June 4

Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146/Mk 12:35-37

Saturday, June 5 - Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6-8/Mk 12:38-44

Sunday, June 6 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



Buy Scrip Cards for Gifts or Your Everyday Needs



Did you know:

If you are feeling crafty we can order scrip cards for JoAnn Fabric \$25 (6% rebate) and Michael's \$25 (4%). Please allow 14 days for special orders.

Scrip gift cards will be sold before & after Masses on the 1st & 3rd weekends of each month.

Call the Parish Center (715-842-3148) to check availability and to purchase Scrip during the week.

Volunteers are needed - please consider donating your time. Call the Parish Center if you are able to help with this continuing fund raiser.

Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday June 5 4:30 pm	Sunday June 6 8:00 am	Sunday June 6 10:00 am
Lectors		
Micheline Beattie	Jim Low	Joel Hynes
Musicians		
Lynn Meyer Anne Paul	Jim Washebek Annette Southworth	Joel Stubbe Mary Lenard

Sacrament of Baptism

"I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."



We welcome into the Catholic Faith:

Baptized Sunday, May 23, 2021

Hayward Grant Widmar

Son of Andrew and Kristin

Congratulations!

May Jesus be your dearest companion!



What does your future hold?

When we are young, we look towards the future and wonder what's in store. Perhaps there are dreams of accomplishing great things, helping others, or being able to change the world.

Well, there is a vocational calling that can provide the opportunity to do all of that and so much more: the priesthood! Consider the Lord's call to the priesthood, a calling that gives young men the opportunity to be part of something greater, the Church. It provides an opportunity to be part of God's healing mission, a mission to save souls and bring people into deeper relationship with Him. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering this call, please contact me at:

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 by phone at: 608.791.2667. **God bless you!**

Memorial Day Prayer

God our creator and sustainer, today our country brings to our memory those who have defended this nation in times of trouble.

They have sacrificed their lives to protect our shores from those who would limit our freedoms or enslave us to ways that are against Your will.

Bring all those who have died in service to our country into Your heavenly presence.

We humbly call down Your blessing on those still serving; grant Your heavenly protection to these men and women, and open Your Sacred Heart to give them peace and comfort.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen



He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain...Rev 21:4

Our Prayers & Sympathy go to the Family & Friends of:



Darrel (Pete) Peterson

He died Thursday - April 29, 2021
Father-in-Law of Joyce (Rick) Peterson

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen



**St Matthew Parish
Vacation Bible School**

**June 14th - 18th
8:00 am - 11:50 am**

Children K - 5th Grade

To Register:

- Call the Parish Center at: 715-842-3148
- Print Registration Form from website under "Religious Education" at www.stmatthewwausau.org
- Pick up Registration Form at back of church and return



Nursing Home Residents Looking for "Guideposts"

A nursing home resident asked if anyone has "Guideposts" or similar magazines that they could donate. If you would like to donate these magazines please contact Dorothy at: 715-432-5519. Thank You!



**Saint Boniface
Feast Day - June 5th**

"The Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship, but to keep her on her course."

Saint Boniface (c. 675 - June 5, 754)



**Our Lady Queen of All Saints
Central Wisconsin
Catholic Home School Conference**

**Saturday, June 5, 9 am - 4 pm
Les and Jim's Banquet Hall, Merrill, WI**

For information and to register, go to:

wicatholichomeschool.com Registration fee \$25.00

Parents: Gain Insights on what your Children are Learning



Pope St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body provides a road map to discovering our purpose in life and resonates with the deepest desires of the heart.

Parents, grandparents and any interested adult are encouraged to join with a small group on Saturday,

June 5th to hear an overview of the Theology of the Body. This will help parents "walk with" their son or daughter as they receive this formation at school or in the parish program. Brian Butler, the author of Theology of the Body for Middle School and High School, will be the presenter. Visit diolc.org/tob for further details and to register for \$10.

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