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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents.” - Lk 15:10

September 11, 2022 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:30am
Monday 8:00am Communion Service
Tuesday - Saturday 8:00am

Confessions

Tuesday– Saturday 7:00am –7:45am
Saturday 8:30am –10:00am and 3:00pm-3:45pm

Parish Center and Chapel Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm
 Friday 8:00am - 12:00 noon

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday 12:00 noon, 1 week prior
 bulletin@holynamewausau.com

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Father Martin for preparation classes. These are required for parents and recommended for Godparents.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact Father Martin 6 months in advance.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Contact Father Martin for information

Anointing of the Sick

If you would like the Anointing of the Sick before a scheduled surgery, or if you're at home or nursing facility, please contact Judy. If you would like Father Martin to visit you while at the hospital, be sure to leave our church name upon registration.

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Mass Intentions

September 12th - September 18th

12	Monday	8:00 am	Communion Service
13	Tuesday	8:00 am	† Charles Rogan
14	Wednesday	8:00 am	† Raymond and Gearldine Krolikowski
15	Thursday	8:00 am	† Sharon Morrill
16	Friday	8:00 am	† Michael Breese
17	Saturday	8:00 am	† Floyd Haupt

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

17	Saturday	4:00 pm	† Mark Martin
18	Sunday	8:00 am	† Anton and Dorothy Nowitzke
			† Living and deceased members of Holy Name of Jesus Parish
		10:30 am	† John Curnow

September 12th - September 18th

The Church Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Terri
 Dedicated from: Leroy and Karen Hall

The Chapel Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Kathryn Kratwell
 Dedicated from: The Kratwell family



From the Pastor's Desk

Praised be Jesus Christ! *"God is at home. It's we who have gone out for a walk."* These insightful words come from Meister Eckhart, who was a Dominican theologian in the 14th century. One immediate takeaway is that not much has changed in the nearly 700 years that have elapsed since: we're still suspicious that God is asleep at the wheel while we're vigilantly trying to keep the world from careening completely out of control. Say what you will for the human race, we've always had a rather high opinion of ourselves.

As we begin a new school year, a brief reflection on the first things is always a good way to start. Just over 30 years ago, Richard John Neuhaus founded a magazine by the name of "First Things" and one of his fundamental convictions was that, *"Culture is the root of politics, and religion is the root of culture."* Thanks to a variety of insidious factors, Neuhaus' claim is not nearly as well-known as it deserves to be. But any discussion about first things demands some resolution about where we came from, and if we were created, then who created us and why? These are the first things we ought to consider as we search for the whole point of what we're doing here for our limited time on earth.

Many of you still remember the first question that appeared in the Baltimore Catechism: *"Why did God make me?"* And if you remember the question, then it's likely that you also remember the answer: *"To know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him in this world, so as to be happy with Him forever in the next."* For all of our sophistication today, that simple answer is still impressive in capturing the meaning of human existence. We're here because God wants us to be. The genius of Catholic education is that it can grapple with this "first thing," exploring how we know God's existence and why we're so sure He created us out of love for a divine purpose. If the end truly depends upon the beginning, then studying the reality and ramifications of the beginning is really important. Maybe a brief brush up on some of the salient details would help.

First, we were innocent in the beginning – Saint Francis of Assisi was fond of reflecting on how life must have been before the reign of sin. C.S. Lewis had his own take on things, suggesting that animals and human beings once understood each other because they spoke one another's language. In the seventh book of his Chronicles of Narnia, Lewis suggests that Heaven will be what earth once was before the fall.

Then came original sin, which made a mess of everything. We now work by the sweat of our brow, which is why so many shy away from work and indulge in the sort of listlessness that leaves us chronically unhappy and restless. Without some work to do, people tend to drift from one distraction to another, hopelessly devoted to avoiding work of any type. While the word "epidemic" is one that is vastly overused these days, it does accurately describe the laziness that has brought sadness and spiritual sickness to countless Americans. Historically this is nothing new: the beginning of the end of every empire that ever reigned was the inordinate attachment to comfort at the expense of work. The solution, however, is not solely in cultivating a solid work ethic. As Neuhaus' quote above suggests, the issue is deeper than that.

Culture, which is the bedrock of society, depends on religion and the convictions that lead souls to put their trust in a supreme being. Karl Marx and folks like him thought that a world without God and religion was the only way to find true happiness. Poor Marx thought we could pull Heaven down to earth, but in the process he only promised happiness where it could never be found. Without going deeper down the rabbit hole (this is becoming rather philosophical), suffice it to say that people work harder when there is a supernatural dimension that makes it worthwhile. Sure, some work only to become millionaires, but if you compare them to the saints, the difference is one that even the untrained eye can see. People who do not know God will ultimately find work to be draining and more and more seek ways to avoid it. While the friends of God will not only whistle while they work, they'll know the joy that comes when we serve the one true Master, Jesus Christ.

Speaking of work and its supernatural dimension, someone passed along the following prayer to Saint Joseph that sheds light on some of the things we've been considering:

"Glorious Saint Joseph, model of all who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my selfish interests, to work with gratitude and joy, considering it an honor to employ and develop, by means of labor, the gifts received from God; to work with order, peace, moderation and patience without ever recoiling before weariness or difficulties; to work, above all, with purity of intention, and with detachment from self, as Jesus worked at Nazareth under the direction of your guidance and skill. Amen."

The saints worked harder than most people, but what set them apart is that they worked for the Lord and imitated Him. One of the most tangible benefits of working for Jesus is that we gradually become more and more like Him. And Jesus is humble, as Saint John Vianney described in the following quote, *"Humility is to the various virtues what the chain is in a rosary. Take away the chain and the beads are scattered; remove humility, and all virtues vanish."*

In closing, while the following anecdote might appear as a bit of a *non sequitur*, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux summarizes our discussion with an insight regarding the purpose of life and death and how God chose to save us:

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux once responded to a married couple who had asked after a traumatic miscarriage, *"What is going to happen to my child. The child didn't get baptized."* Here's Saint Bernard's consoling response: *"Your faith spoke for this child. Baptism for his child was only delayed by time. Your faith suffices. The waters of your womb – were they not the waters of life for this child? Look at your tears. Are they not like the waters of baptism? Do not fear this. God's ability to love is greater than our tears. Surrender everything to God."*

May God bless us with attention to the first things in our life so that we'll be adequately prepared for the last things!

Your friend in Christ,
Father Samuel Martin


September 11, 2022 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since God created human beings, we have struggled to keep our focus on God. We wrestle with the question of “who is God” and foolishly believe some of God’s job description can be better completed by us. We wander in different directions, lose our way, think that happiness can be found elsewhere and even construct golden calves to worship. Are we simply too independent or just blatantly stubborn? It’s a good question to ask. Even with all of our silliness and distractions, God compassionately and patiently waits. He lets us assert our wills and knows that perhaps one day we will actually wake up and realize how lost we are.

“Since happiness is nothing other than the enjoyment of the highest good and since the highest good is above, no one can be made happy unless he rises above himself, not by an ascent of the body but of the heart. But we cannot rise above ourselves unless a higher power lifts us up ... Divine aid is available to those who seek it from their hearts, humbly and devoutly; and this means to sigh for it in this valley of tears, through fervent prayer (St. Bonaventure).” One of the biggest human struggles is discerning what, exactly, is the highest good. We are ordered to achieve it but if we pursue it with clouded vision, we will never truly find it.

One of the greatest obstacles to God’s power and love is a stubborn, closed heart of stone. When we are fiercely determined to set our sights elsewhere for happiness or simply ride the popular currents of the day, we will never satisfy the deep ache and longing within. We know that ache well. It is precisely why we scurry all over the place, attempting to find the next best thing to take away its pain. Nothing in the created world ever can or will. We continue our journey. One day, people may wake up and realize that they are grazing in the wrong pasture and putting themselves in harm’s way. When this awakening occurs, it will be a most joyous day as we will see God’s wide-open arms waiting to receive us. “Lead me, Lord, in your path, and I will enter in your truth. Let my heart rejoice that it may fear your name (St. Bonaventure).”

Getting to know Jesus Christ in a deeper way:
 Reading the Catechism in 10 months We grow in our love for someone as we get to know them better. Would you like to grow in your love for Jesus Christ through coming to know Him better? Reading the Catechism, a few pages each day, will help you to deepen your understanding of His incredible love for you. A modest schedule of 15 paragraphs per night (roughly 3 pages) has been arranged that will take about 10-15 minutes of reflective reading, 5 nights a week over 38 weeks. A schedule is emailed to participants every two weeks. To sign up, email Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org with the word Catechism in the subject line. There are usually over 100 people who participate each year and they express that the fruits are well worth the effort. Invite your friends to join.




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Readings for the week of September 11, 2022

Sunday-11	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10
Monday-12	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday-13	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday-14	Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Thursday-15	1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Friday-16	1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday-17	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15
Sunday-18	Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Building a community of Grace: Hope Banquet
 September 26, 2022
 Hilton Garden Inn, Wausau.
 Lunch 11:30 am or Dinner 6:00pm
 For reservations call 715-470-1005.




Pregnant and in distress?
Confidential help is available.
 Make a confidential call to Catholic Charities at 888.212.4357 or text 715.600.6391. To learn more, visit cclse.org/i-think-im-pregnant. For additional pregnancy support resources and locations, visit diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
September 17th and 18th
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Lectors	Doris Martin	Shaun Eades	Shirley Fritsche
Servers	Jack Mergen Ben Mergen	Tavin Eades **Olivia Eades	Calen Franson XXXXX
Ushers	Jim Reel Steve Sleeter Ken Zuber Bill Franzen	John Borowicz Ron Hoffman Ron Mroczenski Jim Thompson	Bernie Ford Brian Brodjieski XXXXX XXXXX

MARCH FOR LIFE WISCONSIN
 Buses from Wausau and La Crosse leave September 24, 2022 to commemorate this historic year with thousands from around the Midwest. Saturday, Sept. 24, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wisconsin State Capitol (2 E. Main St., Madison).
 Hear from inspirational pro-life speakers, march at the capitol, and pray together for an end to abortion. Pro-Life Wisconsin signs will be available, but bring your own, too! Bus tickets from Wausau or La Crosse: \$30 + \$3.46 Fee (\$10 discount if you bring a pack of diapers). Depart at 10:15 a.m., arrive back at 6 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult. See transportation details and purchase tickets at ProLifeWI.org/marchforlife.



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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

September 11th - September 18th

- Sun-11
- Mon-12
- Tue-13 Father Martin has Mass at Wausau Manor 3:00
Pastoral Council Meeting 6:00 PC
- Wed-14 Communion Service at Mt. View 2:30
- Thurs-15 **Classical School Information Meeting 6:30 C**
- Fri-16 Home School Co-op 9:00-1:00 EC
- Sat-17
- Sun-18 **Parish Picnic at Riverside Park 12:00-3:00**

Our sympathies and assurance of prayers
to the family of

Darlene Kapitz
and
Mary Ann Detert

May their souls and all the souls
of the faithfully departed rest in peace.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you or someone you know is indefinitely or temporarily unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, we can help. Volunteers will bring you Communion and pray with you. For more information, please call Angie at 715-436-0133.

Interested in a Catholic Classical School in Wausau?

Come hear about our vision for a Catholic Classical School within the Newman Catholic School System.



Join us for an informational meeting on:

Thursday, September 15th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Holy Name of Jesus School



Father John Girotti, JCL,
Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia for the
Diocese of Green Bay

“Why a Catholic Classical Education?
What role did it play in the foundation of Western
Civilization?

And how is that relevant today? “
Father Girotti was one of the founders of the Saint
John Paul II Classical School in 2016

HOLY NAME PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection Report for September 4, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 9,663.00
Holy Days	\$ 565.00
ACH Weekly Deposit	\$ 1,445.20
Student.....	\$
Offertory.....	\$ 1,210.00
Maintenance.....	\$ 760.00
Weekly Collection	\$13,573.20

**The Parish Center is off Summer Hours after Labor Day.
We will again be open on Fridays from 8:00am - 12:00 noon.**

Window Update

There have been challenges regarding the production of colored glass. Given that they are not able to fabricate two of the colors, the proposal is to install the window as seen below. Please speak up now (or forever hold your peace) if you have any constructive objection.



Thank you ~
Father Martin

Holy Name of Jesus Bible Study



Want to know more about the Bible? Deacon Mike Maher will be leading a Bible Study **after morning Mass on Thursdays beginning September 8th**. The Bible Study will meet in the cry room in the back of church. All you need to do is bring your Bible and curiosity. The class will last about an hour and there will be no homework, tests, or quizzes. It will be a time for conversation, discussion, and questions. And, yes there will be coffee.

Holy Name of Jesus Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 18th

12:00 - 3:00

**At Riverside Park
100 Sherman Street**



Lunch served at 12:30

Main Course and Beverages will be provided

Please bring a dish to pass according to your last name:

- A-I Desserts
- J-S Salads (Pasta, Potato, Lettuce)
- T-Z Fruits or Vegetables

RSVP BY— Monday, September 12th

Call the Parish Center at 715-842-4543



..... Please Place in Collection Basket

Name _____ Number Attending _____

**2022-2023 Religious Education
Upcoming Schedule**

- Sept 14 Parent Meeting—No children
- Sept 21 1st Night of Classes in school
Students report directly to classrooms.
- Sept 28 Class

Families already enrolled in the Religious Education program are asked to return registration forms early. This helps us plan for the upcoming school year. If you are new to the parish, or haven't received registration materials, please contact Stacie at 715-842-4543



Religious Education Parent Meeting

Wednesday, September 14th
6:15 in church

If you haven't registered your child, you can do it at the parent meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact Stacie at 715-842-4543 or Stacie@holynamewausau.com.

Confirmation Candidate and Parent Meeting

Sunday, September 11th
6:30 pm in church

This is a required meeting for all 10th grade students and parents. If you are unable to attend, please contact Stacie at 715-842-4543 to schedule another time to meet.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word
Begins 9/18/22 during the 10:30 Mass**

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be offered for children PreK-2nd grades throughout the year. During Mass, children will invited to go to Simmons Hall as a group. Together they will learn about the word of the Lord at a level they can understand.



**Catechetical Sunday
September 18, 2022 - 8:00 Mass**

Those who serve the parish as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. This is an opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. It is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

We thank the following catechists and aids for answering the call to serve our children at Holy Name:

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| Tina Crass | Tonya Hardie |
| Jean Drake | Taylor Haroldson |
| Melissa Eades | Jodi Kurtzweil |
| Shaun Eades | Kathy Oelke |
| Darlene Gregoire | Gary Townsend |
| Tamara Hall | Taylor Townsend |
| Brandon Hardie | Jan Zellmer |

**ST. JOHN BOSCO YOUTH DAY
FIRE ON THE HILL**
"The Summit"

Saturday, October 1st

Basilica and National Shrine of Mary
Help of Christians at Holy Hill

Join us on a pilgrimage to discover the True Presence of Jesus Christ as the Source and Summit of our Catholic faith. This energizing day invites attendees to experience Christ through prayer, fellowship, dynamic talks, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and so much more, all with a backdrop of beautiful Holy Hill.

Registration is open to youth 9th - 12th grade

\$40 per person includes:
Transportation and a Chick-fil-A lunch

Registration and more information:
www.wausaudeanery.weebly.com

Register by noon on Friday, September 23rd

For more information contact Stacie at 715-842-4543 or stacie@holynamewausau.com

Parish

BINGO Day

Food! Sunday, September 11th
Great Prizes! 12:00 pm-2:00 pm
Lots of Fun! Simmons Hall

**\$5 per
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5 games**

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Proceeds to benefit young
adult ministry



Hosted by the Young Adult Group

Holy Name of Jesus Youth Ministry invites you to the



**2023 Casa Hogar Mission Trip
Launch Meeting**
Sunday, October 2nd at 6:30 pm
in Holy Name of Jesus church

If you have any questions regarding this trip, or would like to know how you can help a Missionary team member, please contact Stacie Stanke at 715-842-4543.



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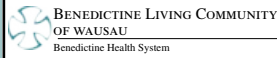


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