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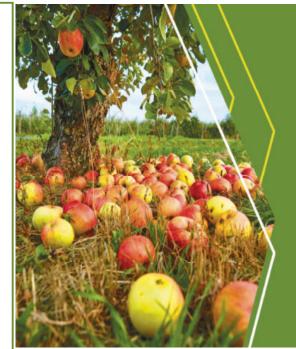
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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

July 16, 2023 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 Closed during the Summer

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

July 17th – July 23rd

17 Monday 8:00 am Communion Service

18 Tuesday 8:00 am † Sally Kyle

19 Wednesday 8:00 am † Floyd and Alice Haupt

20 Thursday 8:00 am † Karen Zarda 21 Friday 8:00 am † Sandy Hass

22 Saturday 8:00 am † Leo Brodjeski family

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 Saturday 4:00 pm † Emil and Ceil Zins

23 Sunday 8:00 am † Leo and Marcy Petrowski and

Janice Cyrs

† Living and deceased members of Holy Name of Jesus Parish

10:30 am † Carman Gress

July 17th - July 23rd

The Church Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Michael and Richard Breese

Dedicated from: The Breese family
The Chapel Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Julia

Dedicated from: Mary and David Gouin



From the Pastor's Desk

Praised be Jesus Christ! The pastor was preaching about temperance and the evils of alcohol, and his passion was impressive. At one point, he began yelling, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd pour it into the river! If I had all the wine in the world, I'd pour it into the river! If I had all the hard liquor in the world, I'd pour it into the river!" Satisfied that he had done his duty and that the congregation would never take a drink again, the pastor sat down. A few moments later, the cantor stood up and sheepishly announced, "Please join us in singing our offertory hymn: 'Shall We Gather At The River?'" The pastor groaned and hung his head in despair.

A classmate of mine is a member of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart. He told me all about it years ago, but honestly I'd forgotten nearly all of the details. As an organization, it started on December 28th of 1898 in Dublin, when four pious women and a Jesuit priest pledged themselves to total abstinence for life from alcohol. Today that organization has 200,000 members in Ireland and 300,000 more all over the world. For full disclosure, I became a member of this Association one year ago.

We Midwesterners have a lot of impressive characteristics, one of which is genuine hospitality. We tend to be down to earth and approachable, and even if we are sometimes slow to welcome strangers, we are nevertheless typically friendly. Among other weaknesses, we do struggle with the amount of alcohol we consume. That's not all that surprising, as sociological evidence suggests that more alcohol is consumed in northern countries that suffer from greater amounts of darkness. For example, there's less alcoholism in the Mediterranean countries of Spain, Italy, and France than in countries like Denmark, England, and Scotland. When people are sad, they often turn to alcohol, which generally makes them more sad. My Dad once put it this way: "If you drink a fifth on the 4th (of July), you'll be less than 1/4th on the 5th (of July)." I've seen evidence that convinces me that Dad was right.

Alcohol, used in moderation, is a blessing that God intended for us to enjoy. It's the moderation part that is a struggle for many of us. One could easily make the case that no other chemical on the planet has done more damage to people and relationships than alcohol. And that's too bad, because when used according to God's design, it can foster harmony and genuine happiness. Some of us just never learned that lesson and fell into the bad habit of using alcohol as a social crutch or to wash away our problems. Thank God for our faith and the friendship that is offered to us by Jesus. Saint Augustine, whose struggles were more with lust than with gluttony, famously said, "Every saint has a past, every sinner has a future." This is a very consoling truth.

My classmate encouraged me to join the Pioneer movement because of the supernatural dimension it gives to abstaining from alcohol. God helped me to give up drinking in 2004. And while I will always thank God for that significant step in my life, I didn't know there was an organization that intentionally prays for people still carrying the heavy cross of abusive drinking. When I joined the Pioneers, I promised to pray the "Heroic Offering" twice a day. Here it is: "For Thy greater glory and consolation, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for Thy sake to give good example, to practice self-denial, to make reparation to Thee for the sins of intemperance and for the conversion of excessive drinkers, I will abstain for life from all intoxicating drink."

I love that prayer because it reminds me to look with love and mercy upon people who have a weakness that I know well. If the goal of our Christian life is to become more like Jesus, then this prayer has really helped me (and countless others) to see the good that comes out of our brokenness when we turn it over to God. We all know people who struggle with drinking. Cut out this prayer and say it for them. If you're struggling, say it for yourself. Jesus loves us in our brokenness, so let's be brave (and humble) and give it all to Him.

Staying with the theme of drinking, I've become more and more of a coffee aficionado as I've gotten older. Recently I made a trip to Edgar to visit Redwood Street Roasters and it was wonderful. I did not grow up drinking coffee and even in college I rarely tried it. Once I moved to Italy, because coffee is such a cultural experience, it wasn't long before I was drinking cappuccinos on a regular basis. Once I discovered the power of espresso, I was hooked for life.

Please know that coffee, like everything else that is good on our planet, can be abused by overuse. But it also has the capacity to bring people together in a way that allows us to experience a foretaste of the communion we hope to share someday in Heaven. For example, I had a great visit with Francisco (the founder and owner of Redwood Street Roasters) when I was at his coffee store, and I learned a lot about roasting beans and how he adds subtle flavors like hazelnut and blackberry. Whenever I'm in Italy I make it a point to have an espresso every day. And while the coffee is superb, generally so is the barista and I've met some inspiring people over the years through our mutual love of coffee.

By the way, now that you know that I enjoy coffee, please do not overwhelm me with gifts! One time Archbishop Fulton Sheen mentioned during his television show that he loved chocolate chip cookies. By the following week he had received literally thousands of pounds of chocolate chip cookies that he mostly donated to local food pantries. And as long as I'm issuing caveats, not all coffee bars are equal. If you remember the life of Saint Bernadette and Our Lady of Lourdes, you'll recall that some of the most insidious talk about the Virgin Mary and hatred for the church was cultivated in coffee bars. Frankly, coffee bars are often characterized by ideas that are antithetical to faith and when I walk in wearing a Roman collar, sometimes I can feel the tension. This is all the more reason to go to coffee bars: they're missionary territory and offer a chance to share the Gospel with people who may never have heard it.

In conclusion, alcohol and coffee both have the capacity to bring us closer to God. But it doesn't always work out that way because we're fallen creatures. Let's be honest with God about not only what we do, but why we do it. He already knows our motives, and trusting Him helps us to avoid the terrible scourge of addiction.

May God help us use the things He made for us so that we might praise Him for His many gifts!

Your friend in Christ, Father Samuel Martin

July 16, 2023 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Gospel Meditation - Father John Muir

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available.

Make a confidential call to Catholic Charities at 844.644.7223 (844.64.GRACE) 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..



Post-Abortion Healing Ministry in the Diocese of La Crosse.

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608.860.6698 or email projectrachel@diolc.org.



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Readings for the week of July16, 2023				
Sunday-16	Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/			
	Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9			
Monday-17	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34-			
	11:1			
Tuesday-18	Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-			
	24			
Wednesday-19	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-			
	27			
Thursday-20	Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/			
	Mt 11:28-30			
Friday-21	Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc,			
	17-18/Mt 12:1-8			
Saturday-22	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-			
	9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18			
Sunday-23	Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/			
	Rom 8:26-27/			

United Way's 2-1-1

Is our community's free information and referral service. They maintain a database of community resources and offer 24/7 access to information on health and human service resources.

How can you access 2-1-1 services?

There are three (3) ways to connect with them:

- Dialing 211 or 715-848-2255 or 1-800-922-5590
- Email askus@unitedwaymc.org
- Visit www.unitedwaymc.org/211.htm to search the database online and view resource publications online

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Scrip is sold after weekend Masses You may purchase from our stock, or place an order with payment. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Center at 715-842-4543.

Scrip Hours: Mondays 8:00-4:00 and Thursdays 8:00 - 5:30

Scrip Office phone number: 715-849-7713

Scrip Office is located at 619 Stark Street. Wausau, WI 54403

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE July 22nd and 23rd Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Lectors			
Bill Franzen	Shaun Eades	Mike Murphy	
Servers			
Ben Mergen	Tavin Eades	Timmy Murphy	
Jack Mergen	Olivia Eades	20.000	
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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

July 16th - July 23rd

Sun-16
Mon-17
Tue-18
Rosary Making 9:00 SH
St. Catherine's Planning Meeting 6:30 SH
Wed-19
Father has Mass at Mt. View 2:30
Father Martin's pilgrimage meeting 6:30 SH
Thurs-20
Fri-21
Sat-22
Sun-23

Pilgrimage Meeting

Father Martin will hold a meeting for all those going on the Pilgrimage with him. It will be at 6:30 Wednesday, July 19th, in Simmons Hall.

Hospital visits: If you're sick and in the hospital, please make sure to inform the medical staff that you're a member of Holy Name and would like a visit (unless you prefer not to be visited). We check the local hospitals regularly and I do my best to visit if my schedule permits (in an emergency, I drop everything and come). If you're anticipating a hospital stay, you can also call the office and let us know. Visiting the sick is a corporal work of mercy and it is a blessing for both the person visited and the person visiting. This announcement will run regularly to remind you because sometimes people are in the hospital for days and are never visited. It makes me sad when this happens. Thanks for helping me with this!

What is FOCUS?

FOCUS is a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the gospel with college and university students. Trained in Church teaching, prayer, sacred Scripture, evangelization and discipleship, FOCUS missionaries encounter students in friendship where they are, inviting them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and accompanying them as they pursue lives of virtue and excellence. Through Bible studies, outreach events, mission trips and discipleship, missionaries inspire and build up students in the faith, sending them out to spread the good news and to live out the Great Commission: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations (Mt. 28:19).

How Does This Impact You?

When missionaries answer the call to join FOCUS, they make the decision to rely on the spiritual and financial support of mission partners to help them through this mission. If you are interested in joining a missionary in this way, look out for a FOCUS missionaries coming to visit the parish the weekend of July 16th, Mara Whitaker (see bio below). She will be speaking at all of the weekend Masses and will be around afterwards to speak with any who are interested in supporting the mission of Christ through FOCUS.

Who Is the Missionary?

Mara Whitaker is a 1st year missionary serving at South Dakota State University. She is from Wausau and received her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from the University of Mary in North Dakota. Her family has recently become parishioners at Holy Name of Jesus, you may know her little brother Nico.

HOLY NAME PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection Report for July 9, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$ 7.	,456.00
ACH Weekly Deposit	.\$ 1,	,648.00
Student		
Offertory	.\$	919.27
Maintenance		
Weekly Collection	\$10	,255.00

Thank you for your generous contribution!

Our sympathies and assurance of prayers to the family of

Betty Schuster

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





St. Catherine's planning meeting July 18th, 6:30 in Simmons Hall.

All members are invited to attend to help plan the speakers and activities for 2023 – 2024 Year. Please bring ideas of interest to you, and use the elevator entrance.

Help make Rosaries

Help make rosaries for the Missions. Simmons Hall **Tuesday, July 18th at 9:00am after the morning Mass**. We will have an instructor and all supplies you need. It's a lot of fun getting together and accomplishing a good thing at the same time!



The more the merrier ~ Elaine Meyer

We welcome the newly Baptized into our faith community



Maximus Theodore Ruechel
Son of
Cole Ruechel and Hillary Franzen Ruechel

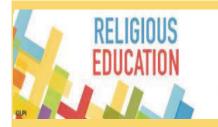
Violet Myka Fleming
Daughter of
Michael Fleming and Ashley Paul Fleming

Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI) Watch testimonials of recent graduates!

Watch short videos of what the most recent graduates are saying about their Lay Formation experience, how it has deepened their relationship with Christ and their Faith! Registration is now open for the next two-year cycle that begins in the fall of 2023. For the video clips and more information, visit

diolc.org/lay-formation, or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right. Discuss enrollment with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call 608.791.0161.





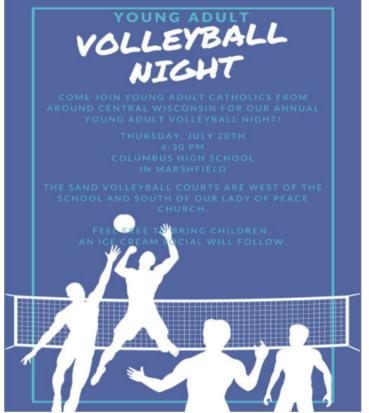
5th grade and 10th grade catechists needed. Substitutes are needed for all grades.

Join the Holy Name Catechetical Team! Help the children of our parish grow in their relationship with Jesus. If you fee called to work in this ministry, or have questions, please call Stacie at 715-842-4543.



Religious Education Wish List

- White copy paper
- Medium size rubber bands (2 bags)
- Staples (4 boxes)
- Scotch tape
- Kleenex
- #10 White Envelopes





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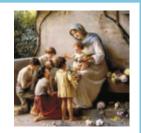
Grades 6 - 12

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Our Lady Queen of All Saints Homeschool Conference

Saturday August 12, 2023 from 9am-5pm at St Matthew's school. We will have speakers, interactive workshops, and a huge used curriculum sale!



https://wicatholichomeschool.com

Please contact Jade (717)307-5958 with questions.

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Cookout & Social

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

Please join us for the 10:30

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we will gather behind the
Parish Center for a cookout,
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