

# St. Patrick Catholic Community

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**Mission Statement:** "Joyfully serving God and our neighbor with open hearts and helping hands."

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Tuesday—Friday: 8:00am

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30am

Reconciliation: Sunday 9:45-10:15am, except Holidays

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## September 12, 2021



## Speaker Father Albert Haase, OFM "Hearing the Voice of God in Your Life"

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18, 2021



Fr. Albert Haase, OFM

Ordained a Franciscan priest in 1983, Albert Haase, OFM, is a popular preacher, teacher, spiritual director and guest on talk radio shows. A former missionary to mainland China for over eleven years, he is the award-winning author of twelve books on popular spirituality and the presenter on five best-selling DVDs. He is currently chaplain at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center, Temple TX. Visit his website: [www.AlbertOFM.org](http://www.AlbertOFM.org) Fr. Haase has been a regular in the past on Relevant Radio.

### Friday PM

Sept. 17, 2021

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

Heavy hors d'oeuvres or food will be served Friday night

How do we hear the voice of God in the nitty-gritty of our daily routines?



Goodwill offering will be accepted or a donation of canned goods for the Double Portion - Feed the Hungry Program. Especially needed are cream of mushroom, cans of mandarin oranges, mayo, peanut butter & jelly, canned tomato products, cake or brownie mixes.

### Saturday AM

Sept. 18, 2021

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

Continental breakfast foods and beverages will be available

God speaks to us each and every day in the events and people we encounter as well as in our deepest feelings and most creative thoughts. Are we listening?

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## WORSHIP & MEDITATION



September 12, 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus addresses His disciples saying, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." We are Jesus' disciples, and He is speaking those same words to us here and now.

Living a life of discipleship is not always easy. It requires us to be imitators of Christ — who suffered, died, and rose from the dead out of total love for each one of us. This means we are called to share in Christ's sufferings by taking up our cross and following Him daily. But what does this look like in our day-to-day lives?

We can start by making a firm resolution to follow Christ today, here and now, and renewing that resolution each day when we rise. This requires time with Him each day — speaking and listening.

We should also strive to pick up our crosses each day with Christ by our side. Our cross might be suffering from an illness, fighting an addiction, a day of screaming kids, or a period where things just don't seem to go our way. Instead of avoiding these sufferings or complaining about them, we are called to carry them with Christ, allowing Him to transform us through them.

If we live life constantly focused on us, we will ultimately lose ourselves, but if we surrender our lives for Christ and His mission, we will gain eternal life and become more alive than we could have ever imagined, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." This takes daily commitment and requires endurance in our faith, which can only be done through active discipleship.

-Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

## PRAYER LIFE

### ATTENTION:

Fr. Jude continues to have back issues, weekday Masses are canceled until further notice. Please continue to keep Fr. Jude in your prayers. We will keep you updated.

### Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 19, 2021  
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Jay Koller

10:30am Bob Reinhart

8:30 Sunday Mass is livestreamed at [www.facebook.com/stpatricksmenasha](http://www.facebook.com/stpatricksmenasha)

A Sanctuary Candle burns this week from September 12-18 in memory of McQuillan family.

Mass Intentions are available Tuesday-Friday and Sundays!!

The Sanctuary Candle burns weekly and are available.

To schedule a Mass Intention or a Sanctuary Candle, please call the Parish Office at 725-8381. Cost: \$10 each.

### Readings for this week

**Monday** (St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church): 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-10, 17/Lk 7:1-10

**Tuesday** (The Exaltation of the Holy Cross): Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

**Wednesday** (Our Lady of Sorrows): 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-6/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Thursday** (Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs): 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-10/Lk 7:36-50

**Friday** (St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church): 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-10, 17-20/Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday** (BVM): 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 8:4-15

**Sunday** (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday): Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-8/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37



St. Patrick's Pipe Organ Repair  
Fundraiser:

The Clipper City Chordsmen  
Spaghetti Dinner & Show

October 9th

5:30pm: Dinner

6:30pm: Show

St. Patrick's Geenen Hall, Menasha

Come and enjoy community, good food, and great barbershop music!

Cost is \$30 each. Reservations & payment will be taken after Sunday Masses, call 725-8381, or stop in at the Parish Office.

All proceeds will go toward helping us repair St. Pat's pipe organ.

# LITURGICAL LIFE

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

*Isaiah 50:5-9a; Psalms 116:1-6, 8-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35*

### Can You Walk the Walk

I've met and talked with enough people to feel confident that if you polled 100 fallen-away Catholics about why they didn't want anything to do with the Church, the term "accountability" would pop up in almost all of their answers.

And to be fair, a lack of accountability isn't just a Catholic problem. Talking the talk but not walking the walk has been a shortcoming handed down throughout the ages, across all creeds and nationalities.

Loving our neighbor, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, feeding the poor — it all sounds fantastic, especially when we're the ones saying it. But the doing — well, that's a different story, isn't it? We

would do well to remember that Christ calls one of his best friends "Satan" when Peter tries to convince Jesus to stray from his destiny.

Have you ever been called Satan by one of your good buddies? I'll bet it's not a great feeling. But think about what Peter was doing. He had just said, "You are the Christ." And now, mere moments later, he's saying: "Don't say these things. Don't say you're going to suffer. Don't say you'll be killed."

He was telling Christ to squander what the Lord had given him. He was telling him that having faith was fine, but being faithful? It's just a little too hard. God has a destiny for you, too, and He's asking you to be open to it. Maybe it's not in your comfort zone. Maybe you don't think you can do it.

Lord, give us faith — but help us, also, to do the work.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalms 146:7-10; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37*

**First Reading:** Despite his suffering, the prophet Isaiah insisted "the Lord God is my help." In what way do you need the Lord's help today?

**Second Reading:** James sees faith alone as insufficient for Christians. He even asserts: "I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works." Could you do the same?

**Gospel Reading:** We hear today Jesus' definition of discipleship: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." How well do you measure up to this definition of discipleship? ©LPi



## SAVE THE DATE

### Annual 40 Days for Life Mass

Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 5:45pm  
St. Gabriel, Neenah

Speakers: Beth Knapinski (Biking for Babes) & Gail Gunderson (Witness of God's Forgiveness for those involved in Abortion)

Light refreshments to follow

### St. Patrick Parish Vigil Hours at Planned Parenthood, 508 W. Wisconsin Ave. Appleton

September 22-October 31

Tuesdays from 12-2pm

Fridays at 10:00am

Parish Contacts: Steve Figi: 920-540-6827 and Paul Zuiker: 920-722-1095

Sign-up on-line at: [40daysforlife.com/appleton](http://40daysforlife.com/appleton)



### They say, You say: A dialogue on Abortion

#### "Pro-Abortion" (PA) vs. Pro-Life (PL)

1) **PA:** A woman should be able to do what she wants with her own body – My Body, My choice.

**PL:** The baby (fetus) is not part of the mother's body. They are a separate human being with their own DNA.

2) **PA:** But a fetus isn't a human—it's just a lump of cells.

**PL:** Simple tissue doesn't have a beating heart or brain waves. 12 weeks after fertilization, every system of a child's body is in place and functioning.

3) **PA:** I wouldn't have one but I wouldn't take away someone else's right to have one.

**PL:** If the same reasoning applied to other areas of society what would the world look like? "I'm personally opposed to child abuse but I wouldn't take away someone else's right to beat their child."

4) **PA:** If abortion is legal, women won't die through unsafe, illegal abortions.

**PL:** Women still die in legal abortions. According to the CDC since it was legalized nearly 500 women have died in the U.S. alone.

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