AUGUST 7, 2022 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them." - Lk 12:37 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Evening Under the Stars!

St. Stephen's Parish invites you to join us as we celebrate summer, support our Youth Programs, and view *Remember the Titans!* Hamburgers, chips and beverages will be served as well as popcorn will be available during the movie! All will be free of charge!

When: Saturday, August 13, following the 6 p.m. Mass Where: Father's backyard at St. Stephen's (rain location: school gym) What to Bring: Your Family and Seating (Lawn chair or picnic blanket)

MASS INTENTIONS

Hello everybody,

As the old joke goes, we have two seasons in Wisconsin: Winter and Road Construction. Praise be to God for the gift of road construction as we not only benefit from nicer roads (once they're done), but we are all invited to grow in patience, prayer, and understanding. Though my journey to Target has been a bit more challenging these last few weeks, each time I get stopped, have to slow down, or let someone in, I say a prayer and thank God for the opportunity to be mindful of what's important and not stress about the streets.

Our Gospel today has the image of the servants waiting for their master's return. It calls us all to embrace vigilance and be ready for when God is going to speak to us. This message of prayerful patience is a great refresher for us all as we all need a little extra time, preparation, and prayer not only to traverse our fair city, but to continue our ultimate journey to unite our hearts fully to God's.

The challenge for us is that we really like things to happen right now. I can yell *Hey Siri, tell me the news* while I'm brushing my teeth and get caught up on current events. If we need to know what the forecast is, all we need to do is just need to swipe up on a smart watch and see if it is raining, no need to even look out a window! If I want to talk to a friend doing missionary work in a remote village on the other side of the world...I just figure out the time difference and we can video chat in real-time. Who needs to wait for that painfully slow post office anymore! Instant communication leads us to expect instant gratification.

Today may we challenge ourselves to realize that God's speed does not often reflect our own. Though our technology may be instant, often we need to be patient in our relationships with one another and the Lord. His ways are not instant dings on our phone, but quiet movements in our heart. If we are not alert to these movements, sometimes we miss them. This can lead us to wonder what's going on with God; when in reality we should wonder what's going on in my life that I can't hear? It is never a question as to if God is going to act in our life, but are we are patient enough to listen. Together we eagerly wait for the Lord in His love.

May God bless you always, Fr. Hennes Mon., Aug. 8 ~ Saint Dominic

Tues., Aug. 9 ~ Saint Teresa Benedicts of the Cross
6:30 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen
†Sievwright Family
7:00-8:00 a.m. Holy Hour at St. Stephen

Wed., Aug. 10 ~ Saint Lawrence 7:00-8:00 a.m. Holy Hour at St. Joseph 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph †Leigh Allgaier

Thurs., Aug. 11 ~ Saint Clare 6:30 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen †Elmer Prusinski 7:00-8:00 a.m. Holy Hour at St. Stephen

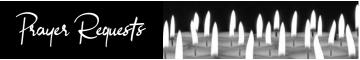
Fri., Aug. 12 ~ Saint Jane Frances de Chantal 7:00-8:00 a.m. Holy Hour at St. Joseph 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph †Arthur Boursier

Sat., Aug. 13 ~ Saints Pontian and Hippolytus
4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph
†Edmund & Gertrude Ksionsk
6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Stephen
Pro-Populo
~ Confessions to follow

Sun., Aug. 14 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen †All Souls of the Faithful Departed 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph †Samara Zelinski ~ Confessions to follow

PARISH CALENDAR

August 8	Knights of Columbus Holy Hour, 7 p.m. at St. Joseph
9	Wine, Women, Worship, 5 p.m.
13	St. Stephen, Evening Under the Stars, following the 6 p.m. Mass
15	St. Joseph Meal of Hope, 5 p.m.
16	St. Stephen, Finance Council, 6:30 p.m.
18	St. Stephen, Parish Council, 6 p.m.
23	St. Joseph, Finance Council, 6:30 p.m.



Health of Dale Tetzloff, Julie Holmes, Helen Gollon, Nora Jisko, Kati Bemowski, James Kezeske, Lavonne Wachowiak.

To place your name or the name of a loved one on the weekly prayer list, email secretary@pointcatholicfaith.org or call 715-341-1617 x101.



Purchasing Scrip Gift Cards helps to support your parish while you do your shopping. Whether it is groceries, gas, or other household items that you are out shopping for, consider using Scrip Cards.

Scrip is available for purchase from the parish office, or at St. Joe's after Mass on the 1st & 3rd weekends.

2022/2023 Registration — Grades 1-11

- Returning families should have received their family registration form. Please return this form as soon as possible so that we can plan. If you did not receive a form, please contact the office or download the form online at www.pointcatholicfaith.org/rel-ed

- New families, please contact the office if you need information, or would like a form mailed to you. Registration forms are also available online at www.pointcatholicfaith.org/rel-ed

Confirmation Prep (Soon to be 10 & 11 grade):

- Don't forget about your summer assignments due August 31! You need to complete five services hours for the Catholic Church and your Pilgrimage Experience. In addition, those students preparing to be confirmed in November should also get their sponsor form completed. If you have any questions, please contact the office 715-341-1617 ext. 101. Continue to watch for Flocknote messages throughout the summer months!

Breviary Week 3

Readings for the week of August 7, 2022

Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/ Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Monday:	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/ Jn 12:24-26
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/ Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14- 15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday:	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/ Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Mission Statement: Together in faith we worship, serve, & proclaim the Word of God.



Annual Appeal and Nicaragua House Update.

Thanks to the generosity of many, we were able to reach our goal of \$4,900 to be able to purchase our 29th house in Nicaragua.

As we close out the 2021-2022 Annual Appeal, we fell \$6,032 short of reaching our goal of \$48,982.

May God bless you all for your generosity!



Parish Council wants to say *"Thank You!"* to all of our amazing volunteers. Whether you assist at Mass, serve on a committee, or help out at one of the

many parish events throughout the year, you are invited to a celebration on Saturday, September 24 following the 4 p.m. Mass. Join our wine and hors 'doeuvres social as we extend our thanks to the many people that make St. Joe's special. *See you there!*



Many thanks to Cindy Mazoch and the Rummage sale team for their diligent work putting it all together! May God bless you generously for sharing your time!



All are welcome to view the Synod 2021-2023 Diocese of La Crosse final Synthesis online at www.diolc.org/synod-on-synodality/

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

Mission Statement: St. Stephen Parish, a faith-filled Catholic Community, is committed to sharing our gifts of time, talent & treasure within our parish, community & the Kingdom of God.

Next Weekend's Liturgical Ministers

Saturday Lector: Phil Server: Ellla Sunday Lector: Maxine Server: Adam Eucharistic Minister: Joanne Cantor: Rick

Find the Minister schedule online at www.PointCatholicFaith.org/ss-ministers



Wine, Women and Worship extend their appreciation for collections last weekend of 78 packages of pasta, 15 misc. items and \$110 for Operation Bootstrap.

The next get together will be held at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9 at the home of Cheryl Davis, 2414 Christian St. If attending, please contact Cheryl at 715-252-0178 today.

Can you assist? We are looking for an individual to be the St. Stephen representative for the Stevens Point Area Cemetery Association. This unique but important representative would attend meetings once per month during odd months, on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. If interested, please contact Fr. Hennes.



Celebrating our Priests for Tomorrow

A group from St. Stephen's attended the Diocesan event support our future priests.





Youth Ministry Sweepstakes 18 Chances to win!

Information and tickets were mailed to each parish household, and additional tickets are available in the parish office. All entries must be received at the parish office no later than Saturday, August 13 at 7 p.m. This fundraiser will goes 100% towards the parish youth ministry programs These funds will do much to aid the pressure of where funding comes, and allow our new DRE, Mr. Conner Franz funds to rebuild the program, including future youth programs like a Steubenville Retreat.

Suggested donation is \$5 per tickets or \$60 for 16!



Make plans to join us for our *Evening Under The Stars* on Saturday, August 13 following Mass!

All are welcome to join us for our sweepstakes drawing, dinner, and a viewing of *Remember the Titans*.



Diocese of La Crosse Officials

The Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, D.D., Bishop of La Crosse, makes the following announcements:



The Reverend Juan Pedro Roblez Baltazar, Associate Pastor of St. Matthew Parish in Wausau and Chaplain to the Hispanic Community in the Wausau area, is appointed

Associate of St. Bronislava Parish in Plover and Chaplain to the Hispanic Community in the Plover area, with residence at the parish rectory, effective August 23, 2022.



The Reverend Eric J. Mashak, Associate of St. Bronislava Parish in Plover, is appointed Associate of St. Michael Parish and Church of the Resurrection Parish, both in Wausau, and

Chaplain to Newman Catholic Middle School and High School, with residence at St. Michael Parish rectory, effective August 23, 2022.

Please keep Fr. Baltazar and Fr. Mashak in your prayers as they prepare for their new assignments.



St. Joseph & St. Stephen Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you interested entering the Catholic faith from another Christian faith tradition? Are you an adult Catholic, who has never completed the initiation process by being confirmed? Are you an adult who has never been baptized in any Christian denomination? If you or someone you know fits into one of these categories, we have the means to help. It is called the RCIA process. We meet Tuesday evenings beginning September 20th at 6:30p.m. If you or someone you know is interested in joining the RCIA please call Kris Hansen at 341-1617 ext. 112 or leave a message at 715-340-7751 with name and address of the person who is interested. An official letter will be sent with the details about preparing for this process.



Would you like to claim the joy and the life you were made for? Based upon evidence, experience and common sense, internationallyknown Chris Stefanick will present simple rules to help you rediscover and live joy every day.

Join us in the St. Joe's Family Center on **Wednesday., August 24** from 5:30-7:30 p.m. to participate in this webinar. For more information or to register contact Mr. Conner Franz, our DRE at 715-341-1617 ext. 104 or email dre@pointcatholicfaith.org. Seminarian of the week. May we be mindful that we are always connected to the universal Church. Let us pray for our priests for tomorrow, our seminarians.



This week we pray for Deacon John Zweber who will be spending the summer preparing to return to his studies in the fall.

May God bless all of the seminarians discerning their vocation to the priesthood for the Diocese of La Crosse.

Upcoming at the St. Anthony Spirituality Center. - **Divorce Recovery Worship Series.** Workshop 1 to be held in September, with following in February and May. In this 3 part series you will learn the skills needed to heal the grief and emotional pain associated with divorce.

- **Transforming the World through Reverence.** September 22-25, 2022. Cost is \$220 for this Franciscan Living Silent Retreat.

- Fall Serenity 12-Step Retreat. Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available from First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center, 101 N Division Street, Stevens Point, 715-345-0280 or www.firstchoiceprc.org. For additional resources and locations, visit www.diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.



During the month of August we will be collecting crackers to be donated to Operation Bootstrap.

- St. Joseph's please place your items in the carts in the gather space.

- St. Stephen's please place your items in the baskets at the entrance.

(St. Stephen's collection weekend will be August 27 & 28.)

Young Adult Gathering Opportunity:

Who: Anyone at least 18 years old through mid-thirties
What: A night of socializing and community building for young adults and young families
When: Every Tuesday at 6:00 PM
Where: St. Joseph's Rectory (1709 Wyatt Ave)
Why: To develop Catholic friendship and have holistic fun.
Extra: Please bring a snack to pass or community drinks

Contact: Conner Franz, dre@pointcatholicfaith.org, 715-341-1617, ext. 104.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS:

August Fest, St. Therese, Rothschild. Saturday Aug. events held 4-11:30 p.m. and Sunday begins with

13-14 10 a.m. Mass with events until 5 p.m. More information: www.sttheresecc.org

Picnic, St. Maximilian Kolbe. Events begin at 9

20 a.m. and conclude with Mass at 4 p.m. More information: www.stmaxkolbe.org

Picnic, Sacred Heart, Polonia. Mass at 10 a.m.

21 with events throughout the day until 7 p.m.. More information: www: sacredheartpolonia.com



PACELLI CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 4-6PM

715.341.2445 www.pacellicatholicschools.com/visitpcs

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Stevens Point Deanery	www.pointdeanery.org	Holy Name Society
Diocese of La Crosse	www.diolc.org	Rob Jaworski, President 715-498-1594
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