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Please call the parish office to register at 783-5535. Marriage

Make arrangements with Deacon Frank at least six months in advance.

Sat. 5:15 pm & Sunday 7:00, 8:45 & 10:30 am Eucharistic Adoration—Fridays 8:30 am—Noon Prayer Chain, Rich Musolf608-397-9548

Our Mission Statement

The St. Patrick's Parish Family through the power of the Holy Spirit seeks to provide for the Catholics of Onalaska and surrounding area:

An environment of worship and prayer in which the parish community is nourished by God's word and the sacramental life of the Church, and an opportunity to share our faith through education, fellowship and service programs; to continually grow in our relations with God and one another; and to share our Christian experience with all God's people.



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Exterpts from the Lectionary for Mass (22001, 1998, 1970 CC)

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-

14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

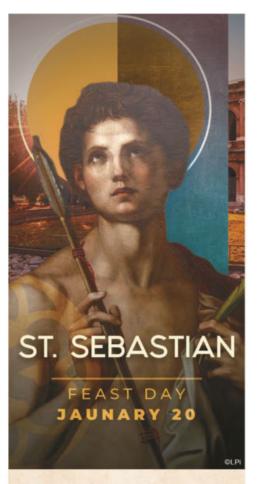
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;

St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022 | 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Desk of Msgr. Steve

"And the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine."

Today we hear the ever-familiar gospel of the wedding of Cana. This is a very well-known gospel, one gospel that we know like the back of our hands. Yet do we understand the depth of its meaning? Wine as we know is the symbol of joy. Sadly, in life too many do not know joy. As we present wine in the offertory, we are presenting the great joys of our life. The priest offers the wine, our joy, and it is consecrated into the blood of Christ. When you look at the symbolism of running out of wine (joy) at the wedding it is Christ who offers the best wine (joy), given by Christ. That is the same within life. We cannot buy joy, nor is it found in the material ways of the world. True joy, real joy, the best wine, is found in Christ. This gospel challenges us to see where we find our joy, for if it is not found in Christ, you will run short.

Every day at mass we pray for vocations, and we need to continue to do so. As Father Raj is at home in India this January, Father Becker is covering the Sunday masses. Beginning in February until July 1st, Father Becker will be covering the masses at St Elizabeth in Holman, due to Father. Parr retiring from ministry. Father Becker will still be here during the week involved with youth ministry and the school and religious education, but we need him to cover the weekend masses. Please pray for priests and vocations.

God Bless,

Msgr. Steve and (woof) George

Marriage Preparation/Retreat

Are you newly engaged? Are you planning to be married in 2022 or 2023? Please contact Deacon Frank to discuss your upcoming nuptials. As per the common policy of the Catholic Dioceses in Wisconsin, we ask that you contact us at least six months before the date of marriage. Please call 783-5535 to schedule your wedding at St. Patrick's Church.

The La Crosse Deanery will be offering Married Love: Two Becoming One, a marriage preparation retreat for engaged couples on February 12, April 30, or July 16, 2022. This is a one-day retreat for you and your future spouse. Retreats are held here, at St. Patrick's Parish in Onalaska. Couples must regis-



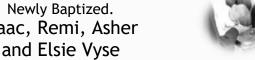
ter at least one month prior to the date. To register, please email Mari at mnerickson95@gmail.com or leave a voice message at 608-518-7655.

Wedding Anniversary Blessing

If you are approaching your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary, you can schedule to renew your vows during any regularly scheduled Mass or in a private ceremony. Please contact the parish office to request an anniversary blessing.

Welcome to the St. Patrick's Family!

With Joyful Hearts, We Welcome Our Newly Baptized. Isaac, Remi, Asher



ACS News

2022-2023 ACS ENROLLMENT PERIOD BEGINS SOON On Monday, January 17, 2022, enrollment for the 2022-23 Aquinas Catholic Schools school year begins! If you are interested in exploring your options when it comes to education, we would be happy to show you what Aquinas has to offer. Current Aquinas families can also begin the re-enrollment process at that time. Aguinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant

Catholic tradition. Please join us for our upcoming open house dates at Aquinas High School & Middle School:

AHS: Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6pm AMS: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6pm

Follow @AguinasCatholicSchools on Facebook to stay up-to-date on everything Aquinas.



Liturgy of the Word for Children

Children (3 years old through 1st gr.) are invited to attend Liturgy of the Word. Liturgy of the Word for Children starts January 16 and is held during the 10:30 am Mass.

We are still in need of volunteers to help lead and assist. Anyone in High School or older can volunteer. We ask that volunteers sign in at the sacristy at least 10 minutes before Mass. Please contact Andrew Brueggen.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday of Ordinary
Time

7:00 am Don Pierce 8:45 am John von Weiss

10:30 am Mary Lou Mattson

Monday, January 17, St. Anthony, Abbot

8:00 am Communion Service

Tuesday, January 18, Weekday

8:00 am Ed Sullivan

Wednesday, January 19, Weekday

8:00 am Joe Shock

Thursday, January 20, St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

8:00 am Jacob Trannel

Friday, January 21, St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 am Barbara Sue Walsh

Saturday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 am Paul Kruk

5:15 pm Parents of Bob and Connie Muth

Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00 am Doug Reinhart

8:45 am Special Intention of J. & D. Hansen

10:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the

Bardelmeier and DeSchneau Families

St. Patrick's School News

Milwaukee Burger Night

Monday, January 31 is St. Patrick's Night at the Milwaukee Burger Company. Please join us for an evening out from 3pm—9pm that will benefit St. Pat's School. Please mark your calendars. More information will be coming. Keep a look out in next week's bulletin.

Restaurant Passport books

St. Patrick School is partnering with the Onalaska Education Foundation to sell restaurant Passport Books. Each book costs \$50.00 and has coupons for 43 area restaurants. It's important to note that each time you use a coupon, it is an entry to win gift cards. The catch is the coupons are valid March 1-April 30, and you have to mail the coupon book back to the Onalaska Education Foundation to be eligible for the gift card raffle. Passport books are available from the school office, but checks should be made payable to Onalaska Education Foundation. We are encouraging families to support OEF because several of our teachers received grants this year and in years past.

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Calendar of Events			
5:30 pm	Daisy Troop		
6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel		
6:00 pm	Confirmation Dinner		
8:00 am	Communion Service		
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal		
6:30 pm	"Return" Religious Ed Series		
8:30 am	Marian Mantle Prayer		
9:00 am	Quilting Group		
1:00 pm	Sunday Scripture Study Group		
6:00 pm	1st-5th Religious Education		
6:00 pm	Finance Council Meeting		
9:15 am	"Return" Religious Ed Series		
7:00 pm	4th Degree K of C Meeting		
8:30 am	Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel		
5:00 pm	Scout Troop 19		
6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel		
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Birthright Bottles

The annual fundraiser for Birthright of La Crosse is here. Birthright is an international volunteer organization with a La Crosse chapter since 1976. Birthright is available to those with an unintended pregnancy to provide information, a listening space, and love, along with referrals and emotional and spiritual support when needed. The bottles/envelopes will be available to take home Saturday January 22, 2022



and Sunday January 23. Bottles will be available at all 3 entrances. Please read the insert and return at your earliest convenience or by Sunday March 6, 2022. Thank you and know your pro-life support will be appreciated by moms, dads, and babies to be.

Blood Drive

The first St. Pat's Blood Drive of this new year will be held Thursday, February 10 from 1pm—6pm in the parish hall. The appeal for donors is particularly urgent because of pandemic/Covid—19 demands. Procedures will be conducted by professional staff of Versiti. Individual appointments can be arranged in

advance by contacting parish blood drive coordinators, Jo Ann Wickizer (608)797-7052 or John Kenny (608)519 -1169. Please support your parish blood drive program.



Stewardship

January 9, 2022

Adult Env	9921.75	Vigil Lights	3.00
Offertory	470.75	Education Center	. 95.00
Initial Offering	70.00	Solemnity of Mary	. 60.00
Online Giving	4265.50	,	

Thinking of doing online giving? Go to our website, www.stpatsonalaska.com and click on the light orange tab to get started. It is a safe, convenient way to do your weekly giving. If you have questions, email or call Corrinne at the parish office.

Diocesan Annual Appeal update as of 1/3: Received: \$123,293.81 84% of Goal

Under Goal: \$23,306.19

Congratulations Bob Conzemius!

Bob Conzemius is the fourth recipient of the annual St Patrick Parish Witness Award.

This award recognizes witnesses of the faith who make a substantial contribution of exceptional significance to the St Patrick Parish Community and/or to evangelizing our Catholic Faith. This contribution must be of rare quality due to praiseworthy length of service and/or of substantial and lasting impact in one or more service category. The Witness Award consists of a framed print of James Tissot's painting, "The Voice in the Desert".

Bob is a long-standing member of the parish Social Justice Committee and has served many years as its committee chair. His many parish contributions include: organizing the annual Giving Tree and Spring Garden charity drives, volunteering weekends to serve as a Sunday Sacristan, serving as a weekday Sacristan, volunteering for our annual Fish Fries and Rummage Sales, and singing in the Sunday Choir. Bob also volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and Place of Grace. He is an active member in the Knights of Columbus and has also served for many years on the Diocese of La Crosse Social Justice Committee.

Bob's support of our parish goes above and beyond that expected of lay ministers. He continues to volunteer his time to help whenever and wherever there is a need, and he does so with humility and sincerity. It is easy to overlook Bob, as he serves quietly and without expectation of recognition. Bob's exemplary service bears witness to Christ and reflects superior credit to our parish and to himself.

Bob received this award in front of his fellow parishioners during the 8:45 am Mass on January 9th.

If you have questions on our recognition program, please contact our Liturgy Planner and Ministry Coordinator, Steven Nott, <u>liturgyplanner@stpatsonalaska.com</u>, or at (608)783-5535 ext.8.

Ushers Needed

Our parish is very much in need of additional ushers. If you would like to serve your parish as an usher, please contact our liturgy planner, Steven Nott.

Scrip News

Kwik Trip Ultimate Car Wash Cards are available while supplies last. We have a limited number of these cards available for your car care needs. Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards are good for Five Ultimate Car Washes for \$35. The Ultimate Car Wash includes undercarriage flush, presoak, high pressure wash or soft foam wash, triple shine vehicle enhancer, spot free rinse and a 95 second super dry. These cards are available for purchase after Mass (at the Scrip Table) or at the Parish Office, while supplies last.

Our Lose, Your Gain! The local TGIF Restaurant has closed and have 19 TGIF Gift Cards in stock. There are still 312 TGIF Restaurants open across the country, including one in Appleton and one in Madison. If you are traveling or have family in one of these cities, you can't beat this opportunity. These cards are valued at \$25 but are we are selling them for \$15. Contact Joan at the Parish Office with questions.

Communion Homebound Program

We are currently conducting a review of our Communion to the Homebound program. If you are currently volunteering as a homebound communion minister and have NOT yet been contacted by our Ministry Coordinator, Steven Nott, this indicates that we do not have you in our current records. Please contact Steven and let him know. If you would like to join our communion to the homebound ministry, or if you know of someone unable to attend Mass who would like to receive communion, please also contact Steven Nott at liturgyplanner@stpatsonalaska.com or 608-783-5535, ext. 8.

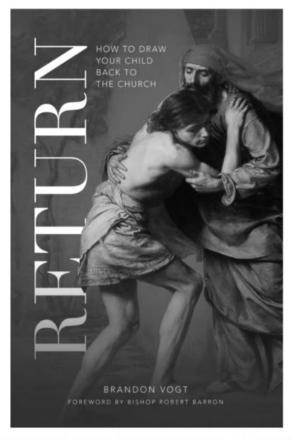
Where's George

George (the dog) has been hiding in the bulletins. Have you found him? George will be offering a weekly reward for finding the lost dog. When you find George, email or call Joan at the Parish Office before noon on Monday. Leave your name, phone number, and where you found George hidden within the pages of the bulletin. Your name will be entered into

a weekly drawing for a small prize from George. The winner from Week Two is **Amy Capelli**. Be on the lookout for George to make his weekly appearance.



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Behind these statistics are countless stories of wounded families. Millions of mothers and fathers are longing for their prodigal children to come home to the Church, crying: "Where did we go wrong?"

The passive wait-and-see approach is no longer an option. We need a different strategy. We need to understand the real reasons why our young people drift away, and we need a game plan to bring them home. **We need Return.**

Everyone is invited to join us. In order to make this program more accessible, this class will be offered in multiple parishes. Each week you can go to the class that best fits your schedule.



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