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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 4, 2025

Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon	8:00 am	Notre Dame
Tue	5:30 pm	Holy Ghost
Wed	8:00 am	Notre Dame
Wed	8:30 am	Holy Ghost
Thur	8:00 am	Notre Dame
Thur	5:30 pm	Holy Ghost
Fri	8:00 am	Holy Ghost
Sat	8:00 am	Notre Dame

Confession Schedule

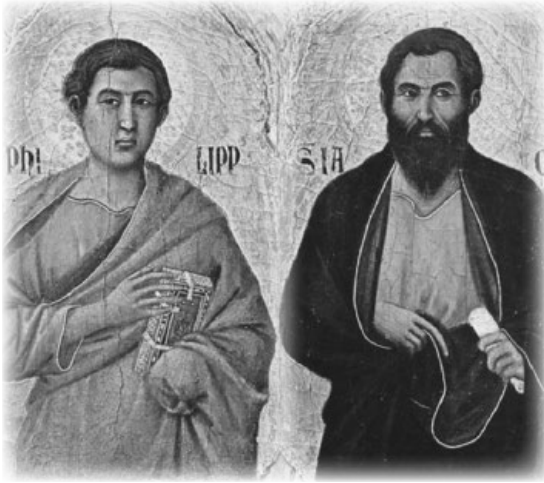
Confessions also available by appointment.

Notre Dame: Weekdays beginning 5 min after daily Mass.
 Saturday: 3:45-4:15 pm
 Sunday: 7:15-7:45 am; 9:45-10:15 am;
 6:15-6:45 pm

Holy Ghost: Weekdays beginning 15 min before daily Mass (*except on Wednesday during the school year*).
 Thursday: 3pm-4:50pm
 Fridays beginning 5 min after Mass

Sunday Mass Schedule

Sat	4:30 pm	Notre Dame
Sun	7:30 am	Holy Ghost
Sun	8:00 am	Notre Dame
Sun	9:15 am	St. Bridget
Sun	10:30am	Notre Dame
Sun	11:00 am	Holy Ghost
Sun	7:00 pm	Notre Dame



Ss. Philip and James

Feast Day: May 3

The relics of Saints Philip and James are still venerated in the crypt of the Twelve Apostles. James, Son of Alphaeus is also known as James the Lesser to avoid confusing him with James the son of Zebedee, also an apostle and known as James the Greater.

Philip came from the same town as Peter and Andrew, Bethsaida in Galilee. Jesus called him directly, whereupon he sought out Nathanael and told him of the “one about whom Moses wrote” (Jn 1:45). Saints Philip and James are the patron saints of Uruguay.



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MISSION:

To invite all people to encounter Christ, and to inspire them to become saints.

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, May. 4

Third Sunday Of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 (48) Pss III

Monday, May. 5

Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 (273)

Tuesday, May. 6

Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 (274)

Wednesday, May. 7

Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 (275)

Thursday, May. 8

Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 (276)

Friday, May. 9

Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 (277)

Saturday, May. 10

St. John of Avila, Priest & Doctor of the Church;

St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 (278)

Sunday, May. 11

Fourth Sunday Of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30 (51) Pss IV



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May. 3 4:30 pm † Marvin & Sylvia Franz. ND

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May. 4 7:30 am † William & Marion Jacobson. HG

8:00 am † Ralph Krumenauer. ND

9:15 am For the parishes SB

10:30 am Special Intention. ND

11:00 am † Patrick Smith. HG

7:00 pm The Walsh family. ND

Monday, May. 5 8:00 am † Lloyd Nyre ND

Tuesday, May. 6 5:30 pm † Don Hable HG

Wednesday, May. 7 8:00 am † Joseph Morris Anderson ND

8:30 am Living and deceased members of the Rudy & Betty Amelse family. HG

Thursday, May. 8 8:00 am Sofia Koenig ND

5:30 pm † Francis & Jean Lancour. HG

Friday, May. 9 8:00 am † John Whelihan HG

Saturday, May. 10 8:00 am † Mary Wadleigh Grosskopf ND

4:30 pm Eleanor Schwetz ND

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May. 11 7:30 am Prayers for Vocations. HG

8:00 am † Les & Rosemary Davis. ND

9:15 am † Deceased members of the White & Marko families. SB

10:30 am † Judy Decker ND

11:00 am † Jerry Prince HG

7:00 pm For the parishes ND



From Fr. Tim Oudenhoven

It is an honor to be with you for the coming weeks. I have been introducing myself as the new Fr. Burish, but in reality, my name is Fr. Tim Oudenhoven. I have been a priest for nearly 15 years. I have served as a pastor several times and have primarily ministered to Spanish-speaking Catholics in our Diocese. I have also worked extensively to promote devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe. I was blessed to complete a doctorate on her message and evangelization a couple of years ago, and this past year, I took the show on the road with the Marian Messengers Apostolate. You may remember when I visited last December for the Parish Mission. I have two siblings: my brother, Fr. Dan Oudenhoven (the good priest in the family), who serves at the Newman Center in Eau Claire, and my sister, Tracey (the best of us), who is married and lives in Madison.

Many people have asked if I am the new pastor. That is not confirmed. I have told the Bishop I am open to wherever he needs me. For now, I am here for the next nine weeks, and we can assume the next pastor will be a priest. Beyond that, we must wait to see what the Bishop decides. When we know, we will begin working toward that plan.

This weekend's Gospel is profoundly important. In it, Jesus asks Peter three times if he loves Him. For many, this Gospel feels long and repetitive, but I propose it is far more significant than we often realize. First, Peter denied Jesus three times on Holy Thursday, abandoning Him in His moment of need and neglecting Him on the Cross. Peter's threefold denial was inspired by the Devil. We are baptized into the Blessed Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and we profess our faith in a threefold way in the Church. Peter, called by Jesus to lead, was misled by the Devil to deny all of it. Even today, those who worship the Devil mock the Trinity and the Sacraments in a threefold manner.

After His Resurrection, Jesus allows Peter to repent and return to the Church through a threefold profession of faith, countering his threefold denial. However, Peter's response falls short. In the original Greek text, Jesus asks Peter if he loves Him with *agape* love—the highest, self-sacrificing, "I lay down my life for you" love. This must have shaken Peter, who had just fled from sharing in Jesus' suffering. Peter responds honestly, saying he loves Jesus with *philia*—a love of friendship. Jesus asks twice if Peter loves Him with *agape* love, and Peter responds twice that he can only offer *philia*. The third time, Jesus changes the question, asking if Peter loves Him with *philia*. This must have been humbling for Peter, as Jesus calls him out. Peter replies, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you (*philia*)."

This explains why Jesus then tells Peter he will die a martyr's death in old age. Jesus reassures Peter that he will one day embody *agape* love. In many ways, Jesus accepts Peter where he is while encouraging him toward where he will be. Perhaps this is why Peter's final request was to be crucified upside down, feeling unworthy to die like Jesus.

We can learn much from Peter. First, humility and authenticity are vital. We grow in faith and love only when we are honest about our feelings and beliefs. Second, we must not give up but continue to express ourselves. We may run away at first, but we learn to stop running, even when we feel unable to stay. Peter shows great fortitude in continuing to follow Jesus. Third, Jesus encourages us despite our shame over our weaknesses. God sees us more completely than we see ourselves. Peter trusted Jesus' word that he would one day embrace *agape* love, which enabled him to keep following. This week, let us strive for: 1) deeper humility and authenticity, 2) greater fortitude, and 3) a vision of who we truly are in God's eyes.

God Bless You,

Fr. Tim

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Adorers Needed at the Goldsmith Chapel

Jesus said to His apostles on the Mount of Olives, the night He was betrayed, "Could you not keep watch for one hour?" Jesus gives us the chance to be with Him every day and every night. Would you like a private audience with the King of kings and the Lord or lords? Then a night hour of adoration may be the perfect thing for you.

Adorers Needed for the following hours:

Monday 6am	Tuesday 4am
Tuesday 5am	Tuesday 9am
Tuesday Noon	Wednesday 11am
Wednesday Midnight	Wednesday 1am
Wednesday 6pm	

Please call Andy at 568-5243 if you can help with any of these hours, or to schedule any other hour with Jesus. There are MANY hours that need a 2nd adorer.



Confession, Evening Prayer and Mass at Holy Ghost

Thursdays from 3-5pm Confession followed by 5pm evening prayer, Benediction, & 5:30pm Mass.



PARISH SUPPORT

Our Lady of the Falls Catholic Community is not an entity that can receive donations. Please make donation checks out to the individual parish.

St. Bridget Support

Collection Received Apr. 20: \$1955.05

Holy Ghost Parish Support

Collection Received Apr. 20: \$10,706.25

How to give to either St. Bridget or Holy Ghost: Donations from visitors or non-parishioners are welcome. You can place your contribution in the collection basket at Mass or:

- Mail your envelope to Holy Ghost, 412 S. Main St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.
- Contact the parish office to set up ACH automatic withdrawal, or visit the parish website for online giving via credit card.

Notre Dame Parish Support

Collection Received Apr. 20: \$15,450.05
Apr. 27: \$7,132.177

We need your financial support! There are several ways you can make a contribution. You can place it in the collection basket at Mass or:

- Mail your envelope to us at Notre Dame, 117 Allen St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.
- Contact the parish office to set up ACH automatic withdrawal, or visit the parish website for online giving via credit card.
- Remember to drop off or mail in your Capital Improvement donations

Do you want to receive informational emails from the parish? Email *communicate@ourladyofthefalls.org* to sign up.



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LOCAL & DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

KC 974 Friday Night Jackpot BINGO | Doors will open at 4pm, Great food at 5pm, & BINGO at 7pm. All other details at: www.KC974BINGO.com

All Saints Bingo Every Tuesday starting Feb. 4-May 20. *All Saints Parish Hall* at 136 E Third Ave, Stanley. Doors open at 5pm. Concessions available. Bingo at 7pm. Must purchase a regular Bingo card to be eligible for Progressive Bingo. Must use a dauber to play. For more information, visit our website at www.allsaintscathcom.com/hall-bingo



Baptism

Please welcome recently baptized at Notre Dame
Clara Katherine Behling,
daughter of Benjamin Behling & Alison (Pankratz) Behling

UPCOMING PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING | MAY 8

- Upcoming Pastoral Council meeting: Thursday, May 8th, 6:30pm at GREC Joseph Room
- If you would like to attend the Pastoral Council meeting to raise a particular concern or present an idea, please email Angie at akatz@ourladyofthefalls.org so we can put you on our agenda. All parishioners are welcome to simply attend these meetings.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update

	<i>Goal</i>	<i>Pledged</i>	<i>Remaining</i>	
Notre Dame	\$98,855	\$104,259.44	\$0	We need everyone who is able to contribute to this appeal. If you misplaced your pledge card, pick 1 up in church or contact the parish office. These cards are parish specific so you use the one for your parish.
Holy Ghost	\$57,465	\$63,465	\$0	
St. Bridget	\$14,915	\$11,260	\$3,355	

ROMAN COMMUNICATION

Want to send a letter or email to Father Burish in Rome?

Here is his new contact information:

Rev. Jesse D. Burish
Villa Stritch
Via della Nocetta, 63
00164 Roma RM, Italia
fatherburish@gmail.com



Special prolife intentions for your family prayer time:

That the life of every person, from conception to natural death, will be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts;

We pray to the Lord.

For women and men suffering after abortion: May the Church's abortion healing ministry, Project Rachel, help them find peace and healing through Christ's endless mercy;

We pray to the Lord.

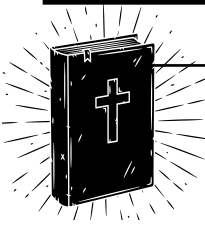
For those nearing the end of life: May they receive care that respects their dignity and protects their lives as they place their hope in the promise of eternal life;

We pray to the Lord.

May God grant us the wisdom and courage to lovingly protect His gift of human life at every stage, in sickness and in health;

We pray to the Lord.

FAITH FORMATION



Bible Study: Meets on Tuesdays from 9:30am-11am in the GREC. All are welcome. For more information, contact Deanna at jdsuilmann@gmail.com

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) Do you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic, or Catholic and wishing to be confirmed? Contact John at jshakal@ourladyofthefalls.org for more information.

Christ With Us Adult Study Join us for faith and fellowship once a month on Thursday mornings from 9-10:30am in the GREC, St. Joseph room at the Notre Dame campus. Refreshments will be served.

■ May 15 | Our Lady of Fatima

■ Jun. 19 | The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

■ Jul. 24 | Our Lady of Mount Carmel

■ Aug. 21 | St Michael the Archangel

■ Sept. 25 | Our Lady of Sorrows

■ Oct. 23 | Our Lady of Champion

■ Nov. 20 | Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

■ Dec. 18 | The Last Things

For questions contact Renee Zimmerman at rzimmerman@ourladyofthefalls.org or 608-697-0527.

Still the Answer Eucharistic Rally in Eau Claire! | Aug. 9, 2025

We have another incredible opportunity to pause, reflect and be renewed in His presence. The 2025 *Eucharistic Rally* will take place at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire, WI, bringing together Catholics from across the Diocese for a day of faith, fellowship & encounter like no other. Our Lady of the Falls has reserved 50 tickets so that our parishioners can attend together. We will meet in Eau Claire by the Lismore, start the day with prayer, & then walk together to the event. To attend separately from Our Lady of the Falls, you can purchase tickets on the Diocese of La Crosse website (www.dioclc.org). There are only a total of 1,000 tickets available for the entire event. *Call the parish office or go to the announcements page on Our Lady of the Falls website to attend with Our Lady of the Falls!* Tickets are \$20.

Bereavement Ministry for Our Lady of the Falls:

This ministry is to help anyone who has lost someone they care about find comfort in community & to remember and pray for our loved ones. Please reach out to the parish office at 715-723-7108 if you have any questions. Meetings are held at 22 S. Prairie St. (the GREC) in the Mary Room on the second Wednesdays of the Month. The upcoming dates are May 14, & Jun. 11.



ROOTED | MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION! | MAY 10

Rooted, our city-wide apostolate for families with young children, is hosting a Mother's Day Celebration! Kids and families can come honor their moms and our blessed Mother Mary at a free, family-friendly event on Saturday, May 10th from 9:30-11am at Notre Dame parish. There will be snacks, treats, photo booth, gift-making station for the kids, a children's procession and May crowning, as well as a special blessing given to all moms. Any family with children 6 & under are invited to attend!



Share the Joy! | We are asking YOU to find a couple of things each month to increase your own Joy in the Faith and to share that Joy with others! Share the Joy is a mindset and a mission! It is important for Notre Dame pastors and staff, but it should be important for all of you! Take a look at the new suggestions and don't forget to Share the Joy by learning about the parishioners on the new poster board in the back of church and submitting something yourself. *New Share the Joy Suggestions: How will you Share the Joy?* (1.) Learn the name of someone new. (2.) Ask someone what they thought of Father's homily. (3.) Thank a Mass or Ministry volunteer.

THIS & THAT FROM SR. YVONNE

"FISH IS ON THE MENU" | Disillusioned by what happened to Jesus at his crucifixion, his disciples return to their usual work. In the Gospel passage today from John 21:1-19, Simon Peter said he was going fishing, and the other disciples went with him. I wonder why they returned to fishing when Jesus had given them a commission to spread the good news of the Resurrection? Perhaps they felt inadequate or unsure of how they were to live a new life of the spirit. Peter was probably feeling unfit because he had denied Jesus before his crucifixion. They fished all night and caught nothing. At dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore and tells them to cast their nets to the right of the boat. Even though they were professional fishermen, they did what Jesus said. Wow! The catch was so big that they struggled to pull it in. Finally, they recognize Jesus, and they see that he has a meal prepared for them on the shore.

Jesus seems to realize that they need more understanding about their new role. They are renewed in their commitment, and now they realize Jesus will always be with them in spirit, directing them where they are to "cast their nets." They share the meal Jesus has prepared for them and they are assured of forgiveness.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. "Feed my lambs—tend my sheep... feed my sheep." These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even to sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in sacrifice and service. When we feel lost and forsaken in our lives, or unsure of our role in proclaiming the kingdom, Jesus is waiting "on shore" to strengthen us with his presence. The Eucharist is a constant reminder of Jesus' presence and forgiveness.

As our Easter alleluias continue, and spring moves toward summer, let us continue to celebrate Jesus' resurrection and nature's rebirth by doing all that we can to cherish the gifts of creation. Maybe it is time to go fishing. Get out your gear, catch a few and enjoy fish on your menu! Have a blessed week and stay healthy!

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