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## *Liturgy*

### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
 Sunday: 7:30 am, and 10:30 am

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am, 12:10 pm  
 Saturday: 8:00 am

### **Holiday and Holy Day Masses**

Please see bulletin for Mass times on  
 Holy Days and Holidays

## *Sacrament of Penance*

Saturday: After 8:00 am Mass until  
 all are heard; and 3:45-4:15 pm  
 Monday-Friday: 11:30-11:55 am

## *Eucharistic Devotions*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held  
 each Wednesday following 6:30 am Mass  
 concluding with Benediction at noon.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with devo-  
 tions is held on first Saturdays, following  
 the 8:00 am Mass, concluding with Benedic-  
 tion at 9:30 am

# SAINT JOSEPH | *Cathedral* THE WORKMAN

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

January 30, 2022 - *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm**  
 Closed Mondays: 9:00-10:00 am  
 Closed Wednesdays: 9:00-9:30 am

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**To follow Christ who is the way of  
 Encounter and Engagement  
 seeking to build  
 the Kingdom of God in our midst!**

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Week of January 17 - 23, 2022

Estimated Weekly Need	• \$9,396.43
Envelopes & Plates	• \$3,987.51
<u>ACH Contributions</u>	<u>• \$ 0.00</u>
Total	\$3,987.51

*St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral appreciates your continued generosity!*

## SOUP-A-RAMA AND BREAD BRAWL

The Education Committee of the Parish Pastoral Council invites you to their Soup-A-Rama and inaugural Bread Brawl, Saturday, February 5th following the 4:30 pm Mass. Sample soups and breads made by fellow parishioners. Vote for your favorites. Winners will have bragging rights for a year! We are seeking volunteers to make soups and breads. If you would like to participate in this fun event contact Sandy Perpich: 608.792.8032 or Jessica Skemp: 608.780.1420.



### Little Corner on the Eucharist

In Christ the King Chapel at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, written around the Tabernacle door are the words "He Whom the whole world cannot contain, love imprisons here." Love is a Person. We must always remember (and act accordingly) that there is a Living Person before us in that tabernacle!

## MASS INTENTIONS

- ♦ **Monday, January 31** (*St. John Bosco*)  
6:30 am – Lauren Holcombe  
12:10 pm – Special Intention
- ♦ **Tuesday, February 1**  
6:30 am – Living/Deceased members of the Pham & Bui Families  
12:10 pm – Scott Allen
- ♦ **Wednesday, February 2** (*The Presentation of the Lord*)  
6:30 am – Mary F. Welch  
12:10 pm – Mary Kay Kucirek
- ♦ **Thursday, February 3** (*St. Blaise & St. Ansgar*)  
6:30 am – Intentions of Anne Anderson  
12:10 pm – Diann Kosakoski
- ♦ **Friday, February 4**  
6:30 am – Intentions of John Ujda  
12:10 pm – Intentions of Colleen Weibel
- ♦ **Saturday, February 5** (*St. Agatha*)  
8:00 am – Audrey Rother Twite  
4:30 pm – For the People of Cathedral Parish
- ♦ **Sunday, February 6** (*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)  
7:30 am – Denny Schumacher  
10:30 am – Ken and Dale Ricke

## AQUINAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

### 2022-2023 ACS ENROLLMENT PERIOD HAS BEGUN



Enrollment and re-enrollment for the 2022-23 school year is now open! 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. We have options for financial aid beginning in 5K, after-school care options, and wide-reaching bus routes throughout the area! Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition. Contact [info@aquinasschools.org](mailto:info@aquinasschools.org) with any questions or visit [www.aquinascatholicsschools.org/enrollment](http://www.aquinascatholicsschools.org/enrollment) to get started.

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

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week starts Sunday, January 30, 2022. Please take time to celebrate with the Catholic School students and their families in our diocese, and pray for the continued success of our Catholic Schools.

### NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME

Welcome to the Parish Becket and Christina Ghioto, Samuel Obert and Sierra May. The Cathedral Parish is grateful to have you as members of our Parish Family!

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKMAN

Cathedral Goal:	\$55,080.00
Total Pledged & Received:	\$44,090.00

Thank you to everyone who has so generously given to the Diocesan Appeal. We have reached 80% of our goal! Just a reminder that any amount pledged over our goal amount will come back to our Parish.

## CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS

- Feb 2 Return Program 1:00 pm (Undercroft)
- Feb 3 Book Club 9:00 am (Gathering Area)
- Feb 4 Young Adult Game Night 7:00 pm (Undercroft)
- Feb 5 Soup-a-rama / Bread Brawl 5:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- Feb 8 Women's Rosary Group 7:00 pm
- Feb 8 Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- Feb 9 Return Program 1:00 pm (Library)
- Feb 9 Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30 pm (Undercroft)
- Feb 14 KC #839 Meeting 6:30 pm (Undercroft)
- Feb 16 Return Program 1:00 pm (Undercroft)
- Feb 18 Young Adult Cor Jesu 7:30 pm
- Feb 22 Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- Mar 2 Ash Wednesday
- Mar 3 Book Club 9:00 am (Gathering Area)
- Mar 4 Young Adult Game Night 7:00 pm (Undercroft)
- Mar 4 Stations with Soup Supper 5:10 pm
- Mar 6 Rite of Election w/ Bishop Callahan 2:00 pm
- Mar 8 Women's Rosary Group 7:00 pm
- Mar 8 Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- Mar 10 Parish Finance Council Meeting 9 am
- Mar 11 Stations with Soup Supper 5:10 pm



**Diversity and Unity, Not Uniformity**

When St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians the Church was young and fresh, and, in many ways they were still trying to figure it out: how to be Christian, how to be His Body. Was Christianity a “club” of sorts? Was it a membership thing? Paul used the analogy of the body to describe the diversity found within the Christian community. He underscored that as one body we have a corporate identity, corporate personhood. There is diversity yet the Spirit harmonizes the differences into unity because we all drink of the one same Spirit into Whom we were baptized.

When Paul wrote to the Corinthians, he speaks to us here at Cathedral Parish. He instructs that we all have something to offer. He ridicules inferiority when he says of any given part of the body “I don’t belong to the body.” The message is: no one can claim that he or she doesn’t have anything worthwhile to offer or that one is not good enough. Cop outs don’t cut it. On the other hand, Paul then ridicules the self-important attitude in that statement “I do not need you.” Just because one is the foot, the head can’t say “I don’t need you”! That’s an arrogance that divides. Everyone needs everyone else. Every member of Cathedral Parish is needed for this Parish to be whole. All of your gifts and talents, whatever they may be (and you all have them!), are needed for this Parish to fulfill its mission.

In the Church there can and must be unity within diversity and diversity within unity. It is a unity far from uniformity. For example, with regard to the celebration of the Eucharist, it is possible to celebrate the Mass offered *ad orientem*, that is to say, the priest facing with the people; or, versus populum with the priest facing the people. Both are equally

valid, legitimate and acceptable. It’s ok to have differences as long as they do not divide from the whole where certain groups become “separatists” even while technically still being within the body. He is telling us that there must not be competition among the members breeding division or resentment. Solidarity must flourish within this Parish.

I see a growing diversity within the greater La Crosse Catholic community and also here at Cathedral Parish. If this diversity abides by the Pauline parameters outlined above, then it’s a good thing. For example, some women may wear a chapel veil, others not; some receive Communion on the tongue, others in the hand; some kneeling, some standing; some prefer a lot of Latin, others not so much; some prefer incense and candles, others perhaps not; some prefer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered *ad orientem* while others are uncomfortable with it. Each must be vigilant in one’s thinking keeping humble custody of one’s soul—not thinking that one is better or less than another, not being jealous or resentful of what others do or don’t do. It would be antithetical for the Sacred Liturgy, the very Source of unity, to divide the congregation. There can be no two-tiered Catholicism with one group thinking it better than another. There shouldn’t be any groups in the first place! For all of us to live with legitimate diversity forging toward unity it requires a **largess of soul, a generosity of heart** saying “Yes, this isn’t my preferred way but I can live with it for the sake of the greater good, the greater whole.”

Let each of us say and believe: “I exist for the sake of the other, to be in relationship with each other, to build up the Body of Christ” which is Cathedral Parish. I exist for the sake of the other. Is this not the norm of the Cross, for which reason Christ took upon Himself our flesh? What we do or think or say must be measured against that norm. It is the path of unity and discipleship as Christ would have it. St. Joseph the Workman, please pray for us!

*Msgn. Gillen*

**SACRAMENTS & SERVICES**

**Marriage**

Couples requesting the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the rector at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage. If a couple wishes to be married as a registered member of our parish, they must actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) and be a registered member of Cathedral parish at least three months prior to requesting the Sacrament of Marriage. Weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

**Baptism**

Parents may request the baptism of their infants at least two months prior to the anticipated date of baptism. To request baptism, please call 782-0322.

**Wills & Estates**

As you prayerfully execute your will or do estate planning, please consider keeping the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in mind. The most common and simplest way to include the parish in your last wishes is to include a bequest in your will or trust.

**Hospital Visits & Visitation of the Sick:**

To secure a priest for unplanned or emergency admissions to a local hospital, it is important that the patient, if possible, or a family member and/or friends, contact the hospital pastoral care department to have the on-call priest administer the sacraments. The on-call priest is considered part of the pastoral team and does not count toward the maximum number of visitors per day rule.

If you become homebound because of illness or a post hospital stay, and would like to be visited; or those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion. Those with preplanned hospital procedures should call the parish office to make arrangements for anointing. If possible, one should be anointed apart from a hospital stay since there are visiting restrictions.

**Cathedral Prayer Chain**

Notice to all Cathedral Parishioners. The parish has a prayer chain that you may request prayers to be said, and pray for the needs of others. Send your prayer requests to Mari at <https://cathedralsj-workman.org/prayer-request/>.

## BIRTHRIGHT OF LA CROSSE FUNDRAISER

The annual fundraiser for Birthright of La Crosse is here! Birthright is an international 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. Envelopes will be available starting January 22 - 23. Please read the insert and return the envelope with your tax-deductible donation at your earliest convenience, but no later than March 6th. Thank you and please know that your pro-life support will be appreciated by moms, dads and babies in the womb!

## MOBILE MEALS

Cathedral Parish begins our 2022 delivery schedule Monday, February 21- Sunday, February 27. The need in our community is greater than ever as Mobile Meals has recently added new delivery areas to La Crosse. Our parish route has not changed. Pick up continues to be 10:40 at the Market Street location of Mayo Health Systems. Kitchen staff assists in loading and provides meal delivery information and instructions. For more information contact Cyndi Withrow (Parish coordinator): cwith56@gmail.com or 608.799.2614. Thank You!

## CLEAN THE CATHEDRAL DAY

Save the date! The Cathedral will have a "Clean the Cathedral" day, on April 9th starting at 9 am. For a spiritual bonus, come to Mass at 8 am and stay to make our Cathedral clean and beautiful. All members are welcome. Lunch will be provided by the PCCW. Any questions, please contact Nancy Rand: 608.518.1120. More details to follow!

## FORMED.ORG

As we celebrate the martyrdom of St. Paul Miki and his companions this week, we invite you to learn more about a modern martyr from the United States: In An Ordinary Martyr: The Life & Death of Blessed Stanley Rother we encounter this ordinary man who loved extraordinarily.

## CATHEDRAL REGISTRATION UPDATE FORM

Please make sure that you fill out the pink Registration Update form that was mailed out to you last week with your 2021 tithing statement. This form will be used to confirm your registration as a parishioner at Cathedral Parish and also update your personal information. It is very important that we get these forms back as soon as possible! If you did not receive a form, there are extra forms in the pews. Please call the parish office with any questions 608.782-0322 x0.

## CROSSWOODS FAMILY CAMP IN WISCONSIN

You are invited to attend Catholic "Family Camp" June 10-12, 2022 at Crosswoods Adventure Camp, LLC, which is owned and operated by a Catholic family in the diocese. Please visit: [crosswoods.camp](http://crosswoods.camp) for further details and to see pictures of this beautiful camp.

## CATHEDRAL BOOK CLUB

The Cathedral Book Club will meet on Thursday, February 3rd from 9 am - 10:30 am in the Gathering Area. The discussion will be A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW, by Armor Towles. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Colleen Walsh at [marycolleenwalsh@yahoo.com](mailto:marycolleenwalsh@yahoo.com) or 608.781.3404.

### STAY CONNECTED WITH THE CATHEDRAL FROM HOME OR ON THE GO!

There are a number of ways to stay connected with St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral parish life whether at home or on the go:

- Like us on Facebook – <http://facebook.com/cathedralsjw>
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- Parish Website – [cathedralsjworkman.org](http://cathedralsjworkman.org)
- Live Streamed Masses – Sundays and Weekdays
- Bulletin – Online & available in the Gathering Area
- Email – [office@cathedralsjworkman.org](mailto:office@cathedralsjworkman.org)
- Telephone – 608/782-0322

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Other Websites – <http://www.cathedralsjworkman.org>  
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January 2022

State of the Parish Address

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THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH  
OF THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Greek god "Janus" had two faces: one that looked forward and the other that looked backward. The month of January takes its name from him. If you're like me, at this time of year we ponder what was but mostly what will be. I take this opportunity to share with you my thoughts on these two aspects of our family life here at Cathedral Parish.

As of the First Sunday of Advent November 28th, the Church began the New Year of Grace 2022. This is a sacred time in which Christ the Lord renews His invitation to deepen our trust in the gift of His Divine friendship He offers to each. Jesus gave us His Catholic Church to facilitate an encounter with Him, especially through active participation in the Sacraments which are personal gifts from Him to us. At the very center of everything is the Eucharist because it is Christ the Lord Himself. The whole of the life of the Church (and this Parish) revolves around the Eucharist which is the source and summit of Christian Life. Everything we do in the Parish must serve this reality.

Our Parish Family this past year has embarked upon a time of renewal and rebirth. Indeed, we have thoroughly entered into a new Springtime of Faith. Cathedral Parish has noticeably leapt forward in many ways. We have vigorously embarked upon the Epiphany Way of Encounter and Engagement seeking to build the Kingdom of God in our midst. This begins with each of us opening wide the doors of our hearts to Christ in friendship.

Here are some of the many things that have occurred in the last 17 months: Establishing weekly Staff meetings; inaugurating the very successful Christ Our Cornerstone Campaign which raised over \$6.1M (with a three million dollar grant from the Diocese); accomplishing a lion's share of the Cathedral Restoration; hiring Jackie Craig as our Parish Administrative Assistant, who is simply quite phenomenal!; hosting several Faith Formation opportunities (most notably the Consecration to St. Joseph); restoration of the high altar to a place of prominence and dominance—the axis upon which all things revolve in the Cathedral church; forming the Frassati Men's group, a young adult group (Cor Jesu) and a ladies' Rosary group; hosting a successful Rectory Open House; hosting many blood drives; implementing Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for ages 3-5; forming Team Hospitality to facilitate the engagement and encounter of parishioners; welcoming and individually meeting with many new parishioners; rebooting a robust Euchre Club; hosting three organ recitals; holding Pastoral Council Elections adding eight new members; remodeling/updating the confessionals; cleaning, updating and organizing the inside of the Rectory; and creating a nursing room just off the east side of the north narthex; and even decorating the rectory for Christmas—inside and out!

Very importantly, I formed an evangelization team called Team Renewal which meets weekly in order to assist me with the vigorous rebirth and expansion of Cathedral Parish. It serves the Pastoral Council which is all the more stimulated and expanded as Team Renewal (TR) will heavily draw from the Council's deliberation so as to give TR (through the Rector) its direction. TR will rely upon the Council to inform it of what is needed in Cathedral Parish to make it become the Parish that God wants us to be—after all, it is His!

Going forward we have several new exciting things happening. The plan is to continue everything just mentioned. Looking forward, after much delay, we will have our beautiful crucifix installed above the altar and below the tester creating this heightened sense of the vertical nature of worship of God. We will expand the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program; participate in the Synod on Synodality process; host concerts here from Viterbo and possibly elsewhere; complete, God willing, the restoration of the steeple by June 1 and host a "big bash" celebrating its completion this summer; prepare 10 couples for marriage; update our parish census; deliberately invite new parishioners to join our Parish Family; consider purchasing all of the parking lot from the Diocese so as to give ourselves room for more parking; consider how we can re-do the parking lot to make it much more attractive by eliminating the unsightly concrete barriers and removing the Main Street tenant entrance to give our campus a much more appealing look; and preparing for and executing the Diocesan Inspired by the Spirit Campaign this December. We can do either the "base line" campaign with a target amount given to us by the Diocese or we could add on to it and dream/envision big by, for example, replace/repair the kneelers, purchase the parking lot or even to build a new handicap accessible parish office, Front Door Ministry and conference room. God will lead us and with Him we will do this together. I will always seek your input and support on all of these fronts.

With great excitement, I inform you that we will employ a new full-time staff member (God willing, July 1) to assist all of us in taking Cathedral Parish to the next level moving us forward in our mission to thrive as a parish. There are so many possibilities and with a new "missionary" at our side we will together build our parish into an even more vibrant community of faith! With prayer, God will bring us the right person to help us all open wide the doors to Christ!

The most important thing I want to say is this: THANK YOU for the gift of you and all we've accomplished so far! I love you with a shepherd's heart. The graces of my priesthood have flourished in a most unexpected and rewarding way. God has called me to be here to serve Him in serving you. I pray that all of you will come along with me in this new, exciting chapter of parish life. I am one with you as your spiritual Father and Shepherd. Please let me know how I can serve you so that we can continue to grow as a Parish. As a community of faith, we are here to love and take care of one another. Thank you for willingness to be a part of that sacred summons to do something beautiful for God.

We are all unfinished images of God but we trust that He will bring this work to completion through holy abandonment to His Divine Will. Trusting in Him in this way will let Christ shine forth as the true Shepherd of our Parish!

*Mgr. Gilber*

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