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Mass Intentions

March 28/29, 2020

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CHURCH MASSES CANCELED

Father Emmanuel will offer Mass privately.

Sat., Mar. 28 † Dick and Ann Piette

Sun., Mar. 29 † Joanne Wenz
† Marilyn Stubler and
LaVerne Volden

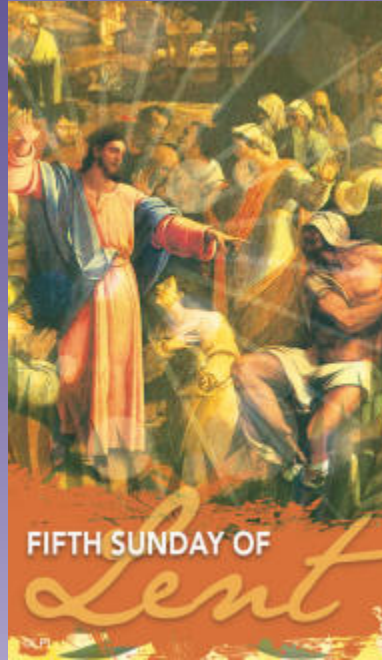
Weds., Apr. 1 † Virginia Weimer
† Lemuel Olson

Thurs., Apr. 2 † Roselyn Zeller

Fri., Apr. 3 † Brad Bauer

Sat., Apr. 4 † Bob Rowekamp

Sun., Apr. 5 † Robert E. Hanrahan
† Donna Morden



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Mass Times

All Masses in the Diocese of La Crosse have been canceled as of 20 March 2020 until further notice.

Links to online Masses can be found at:

GuardianAngelsCathParish.org/

and at
diolc.org

Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading:

You shall know that I am the LORD,
when I open your graves and have you rise from them,
O my people! (Ez 37:13)

Psalm:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

But if Christ is in you,
although the body is dead because of sin,
the spirit is alive because of righteousness. (Rom 8:10)

Gospel:

Jesus told her,
“I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live.” (Jn 11:25)





From the Desk of Your Pastor

Father Emmanuel Stella Famiyeh
Pastor@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org

Masses Canceled

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With the presence of the new coronavirus, Bishop Callahan has temporarily suspended the Sunday Mass Obligation. Please watch the Holy Mass on television, or do the Weekend Readings, or say the Rosary or conduct any other prayer session, as this is required to be done by those who for a dire reason cannot attend Mass.

Bishop Callahan stated:

...

In light of the continued concern surrounding the coronavirus, and the advice of medical experts, across the country, and especially in our State, all Masses in the Diocese of La Crosse will be canceled beginning 20 March 2020 until further notice. All fish fries, parish gatherings, etc. are also canceled. This development follows Governor Evers decision to prohibit gatherings of more than [10] people at all public meetings. It is also intended to provide clarity and consistency throughout the nineteen counties that comprise our Diocese in western and north central Wisconsin.

Funerals and weddings should continue to be celebrated for the faithful...

Please note, however, churches will remain open for private prayer. I am urging the faithful to remember in their prayers all of our brothers and sisters whose personal lives and the lives of their families have been affected by this disease.

...

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, 7 April 2020 and will be open only to the Deans. ... The Chrism Mass (as well as all other Masses and services of the Triduum) will be live-streamed electronically for viewing on the diocesan website, diolc.org.

At this point,... we are looking at a time frame from 20 March to 1 May. ... This, of course, is unprecedented in our lives and we rely on the providence of Almighty God and His Holy Mother. Please stay well and take every precaution to do so. Be aware of my prayers and my confidence in our protection under the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Father Emmanuel will say a private Mass daily for our intentions.

Governor Evers has banned any gathering 10 people or over as of 5pm March 17, 2020. This includes anything in our parish churches.



As we practice social distancing, please pray for the resolution of COVID19 and that our parish will again flourish. May the Lord bless each one of you and keep you well until we are again able to be together in the worship of our Lord.

Business Office Hours

St. Joseph — 10am-4pm — Tues, Wed, Thurs

St. Kevin — 2pm-5pm — Friday

Website: GuardianAngelsCathParish.org

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Email: ParishOffice@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org

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507 Main Street

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813 North Washington Street

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608-488-3001

Religious Education in-person classes have been canceled until further notice.

A Time for Fervent Family Prayer

Individual and family prayer is what is especially needed during challenging times such as these. Parishioners are invited to download a simple Prayer Card from the following link: diolc.org/prayer. Let us remember and be encouraged by these words from Scripture: "Cast all your anxiety on Jesus because He cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7)

Novena Prayer to St. Roch

(also called St. Rocco and St. Rock)

O Blessed Saint Roch, patron of the sick, have pity on those who lie upon a bed of suffering. Your power was so great when you were in this world that, by the sign of the Cross, many were healed of their diseases. Now that you are in heaven, your power is not less. Offer, then, to God our sighs and tears and obtain for us that health we seek. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Roch, pray for us, that we may be preserved from all diseases of body and soul. (Repeat 3 times.)

<https://catholiclife.diolc.org/2020/03/20/novena-st-broch/>

SAVE THE DATES

ST. JOSEPH FESTIVAL SAT/SUN AUGUST 15/16
ST. KEVIN FESTIVAL SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20

Meetings have been held early this year by the festival committees. These meetings will resume when we are again able to gather.

Holy Week and Easter Virtual Parish Mission

Most of the faithful may not be able to participate in the Holy Week and Triduum liturgies because of the coronavirus outbreak. However, these sacred events will still be celebrated locally and around the world. Jesus and his Paschal Mystery will be in our midst, and his saving grace will be available to us. To help the faithful share in this grace, every day from **Monday, March 30, through Thursday, April 2**, Christopher Carstens will offer a Virtual Parish Mission that uncovers Easter's powerful mysteries. We will travel with Christ from Ash Wednesday through Palm Sunday and look especially at the Triduum's Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday liturgy, and Easter Vigil. In the course of this journey we will also consider what divine life in God looks like during the Easter season to Pentecost—and beyond.

Participants can join the mission live stream at 2pm CST on each of these days (March 30—April 2) at facebook.com/AdoremusSociety, or after watch on-demand.

LENT



We face death every day. Whether it comes with the actual death of someone we love (or someone we don't even know), a failed relationship, the loss of a job, a broken dream, or pondering our own mortality, death is always around us. What does death say to us? What we believe about our death experiences is going to say volumes about how we live our lives. Jesus comes to us today just as he did many years ago to people who were struggling with loss and death and wondering what to do. He calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" Jesus leads us out of death and gives us hope. There is always hope. There is always transformation. Although we may not always see where the road of life is taking us or see God's presence with us on our journey, we will be brought to a new place and be given new life. Walk with God and listen to Him call you. Tomorrow, there awaits another surprise.

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Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service

As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes are called to be "*islands of mercy in the midst of the sea of indifference.*" The 25th anniversary of *The Gospel of Life* gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand and communicate the resources to pregnant moms and families in need.

Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service officially commences March 25, 2020. Ask your local pregnancy resource center how you can help. Lives that we may not currently be able to protect by the law, we can rescue through love.

A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

Calendar of Events – Updates

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

MARCH

- 28/29 **Fifth Sunday of Lent** Online
- 29 No In-person Religious Education Classes

APRIL

- 4/5 **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord** Online
- 5 No Religious Education Classes
- 7 Chrism Mass, 10:30am, Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, Online
- 9 **Holy Thursday** Online
- 10 **Good Friday** Online
- 11 **Holy Saturday** Online
- 12 **Easter Sunday** Online
- No Religious Education Classes
- 18/19 **Second Sunday of Easter**
(Divine Mercy Sunday)
- No In-person Religious Education Classes
- 25/26 **Third Sunday of Easter**
- No In-person Religious Education Classes

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Married couples ought to say the Rosary together each night, for their common prayer is more than the separate prayers of each.

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Early deadline for April 4/5 Bulletin is Sunday March 29 at noon.

BulletinEditor@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org

Early deadline for April 11/12 Bulletin is Thursday April 2 at noon.



MARCH

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP
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ONLINE GIVING 2020	March 1-13	March 14-22
Adult Envelopes	\$ 582.50	\$ 1,325.00
Roof Fund	\$ 150.00	\$ 540.00
Total	\$ 732.50	\$ 1,865.00

St. Columbkille Raffle Tickets - Sell and Return

If you have not returned your tickets for the St. Columbkille Raffle please do so by April 15, 2020. They may be mailed to the parish office at 507 Main St., Black River Falls WI 54615. If you need more tickets please e-mail

parishoffice@guardianangelscathparish.org

and request more to be mailed to you or you can send us the price of the number of tickets you need and the names that you want on them and we will fill them out for you and return the stubs to you by mail.

The prizes for the raffle are:

- 1st – Apple I-Pad
- 2nd – Doll House, handcrafted and donated by Emmy Schmidt
- 3rd – \$100 Visa Card

The drawing will be held Sunday April 19 at 11:00am at Guardian Angels Parish Office.

Please sell your tickets. St. Columbkille needs funds to maintain the cemetery!





HOPE FOR TROUBLED HEARTS

Spiritual Communion

In his last encyclical as Pope, St. John Paul II explained that the practice of spiritual communion has “happily been established in the Church for centuries and recommended by saints who were masters of the spiritual life. Saint Teresa of Jesus wrote: ‘When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you’” (Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 34).

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire You with all my heart.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already in my heart
and unite myself to You completely.
Please do not let me ever be separated from You.
Amen.

– traditionally attributed to St. Alphonsus Liguori

St. Josemaria Escriva encouraged everyone to make a spiritual communion as often as they could, “What a source of grace there is in spiritual communion! Practice it frequently and you’ll have greater presence of God and closer union with him in all your actions.” What a blessing and consolation for us all in these difficult days.

- Bishop Callahan



Any Catholic man still interested in becoming a Knight can sign-up online at KofC.org/JoinUs. For more information about the Knights contact Orv Semke, oslsemeke@gmail.com. The Knights of Columbus are here to serve.

April St. Kevin PCCW Meeting Canceled

Online Giving

Now is an excellent time to give online to your parish. There is a link to our giving portal on our website - www.guardianangelscathparish.org where you can sign up for automatic withdrawal contributions or a GIVE NOW contribution. You may also enter the following link into your telephone and donate from your phone:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/guardianangels>

If you have any questions please contact the parish online at parishoffice@guardianangelscathparish.org. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support of Guardian Angels Parish.

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Weekly Giving to Parish Still Needed

Your financial obligation to assist the parish is not diminished when you cannot attend Mass. You may utilize the Online giving portal on the Parish Website GuardianAngelsCathParish.org to send in your support, or you may mail in your checks to the parish office (507 Main Street, Black River Falls 54615) otherwise, you may stop over at the parish office with your weekly offering.

We ask that those of you who are able to contribute as usual please do so. We understand that many are going to be without work and unable to give as usual and that we understand. Please remember in prayer all of these parishioners. For those of you able to contribute please consider adding a little additional to your contribution to cover the loss of our Offertory Plate collection at each Mass.



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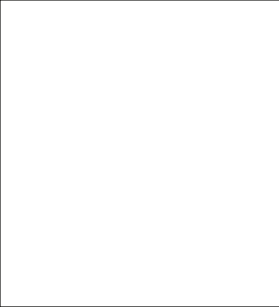
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