



### St. Joseph Church

507 Main St  
Black River Falls, WI

#### Mass Intentions

- Sat., Mar. 11** 4:00pm – Mass, Adoration  
ADORATION until 6pm  
† **Jim Zeman**
- Sun., Mar. 12** 8:00am – Mass  
† **Doug Myers**
- Weds., Mar. 15** 8:00am – Mass  
**Birthday of Katie Edwards**
- Thurs., Mar. 16** 8:00am – Mass  
† **Carol Byrns**
- Fri., Mar. 17** 8:00am – Mass  
† **Phil Brown**
- Sat., Mar. 18** 4:00pm – Mass, Adoration  
ADORATION until 6pm  
† **Phil Brown**
- Sun., Mar. 19** 8:00am – Mass  
† **Mark Doyle**

To request a Mass for the living or deceased, contact:  
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# GUARDIAN ANGELS

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

March 11/12, 2023

*3rd Sunday of Lent*

#### Sunday Mass Times

St. Joseph - Saturday 4pm  
Sunday 8am  
St. Kevin - Sunday 10am

#### Confessions upon request and

St. Joseph, Sat. 3:30pm  
St. Kevin, Sun. 9:40am

**Lent: also during Adoration**

#### Sacraments of the Sick

Anyone who wants to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, or for Viaticum may call Fr. Arivu to set up an appointment.

**608-799-3831**

### St. Kevin Church

813 N Washington  
Melrose, WI

#### Mass Intentions

- Sun., Mar. 12** 10:00am – Mass  
† **Vera Dwars**
- Tues., Mar. 14** 4:00pm – Adoration  
NOTE TIME 5:00pm – Mass  
**Special Intention**
- Sun., Mar. 19** 10:00am – Mass  
† **Ralph Dwars**



#### Ministers at St. Kevin

**Sun., Mar. 19, 10:00am**

- Commentator: Volunteer
- Lector: Volunteer
- Servers: Volunteers
- Communion: Volunteers
- Sacristan: Betty Christopherson
- Ushers: Volunteers
- Cashiers: Jane Lash, Gary Woods

## March 12, 2023 — Third Sunday of Lent

Jesus satisfies our thirst for eternal life. Through his spirit his grace has been poured into our hearts. God satisfies the thirst of the Israelites whose hearts had become hardened and rebellious.

**EX 17:3-7 PS 95:1-2, 6-9 ROM 5:1-2, 5-8 JN 4:5-42 or JN 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42**

#### Ministers at St. Joseph

- |                              |             |   |
|------------------------------|-------------|---|
| <b>Sat., Mar. 18, 4:00pm</b> |             | <b>Sun., Mar. 19, 8:00am</b>                      |
| Volunteer                    | Commentator | Volunteer   |
| Volunteer                    | Lector      | Volunteer   |
| Volunteers                   | Servers     | Volunteers  |
| Volunteers                   | Communion   | Volunteers  |
| Knights of Columbus          | Ushers      | Knights of Columbus                               |
|                              | Cashiers.   | Theresa Ripp, Barbara Viste,<br>Delone Hoangenson |



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10



## Father Arivu Mariappan

*ThePastor@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org*

608-799-3831



**This is my body.  
This is my blood.**

**FR. ARIVU WOULD LIKE TO BLESS YOUR HOUSE THIS LENT. CALL OR EMAIL WITH A SUGGESTED TIME.**

## The Long Walk – The Messiah Before You

If you would have asked me on the morning of my confirmation what the chances were of the Holy Spirit getting into my heart, I would have told you they were about the same as getting water from a stone.

My faith was fragile at this time in my life, primarily because I viewed it as exactly that — my faith. Something within my possession and subject to my own power. And I hadn't done the things I thought I needed to do in order to be the kind of Christian who knows the truth and lives it. I was waiting to be made stronger. I was waiting to be made more faithful. I was waiting for a transformation.

Little did I know, I was like the woman at the well, standing around talking about the coming of the Messiah, unaware that he was standing right in front of me. She wasn't ready; she was still living in her sin. She was caught so unawares that she left her water jar at the well, rushing out to tell what she had seen.

When I was anointed with the oil it no longer mattered that I wasn't strong enough to break open the stone that I was convinced encased my heart — God's grace gushed forth through the cracks. While I certainly didn't become a perfect Christian — and never will, in this life — I did learn that when God tells you to strike, it's probably best not to second-guess Him.

*"We boast in the glory of God... and hope does not disappoint." Romans 5:2-5*

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS  
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi



## Lenten Regulations

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023. Lenten regulations are as follows:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

**DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE** - The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternately, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or [intakeagent@diolc.org](mailto:intakeagent@diolc.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: [diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting](http://diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting). Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or [tbrown@diolc.org](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org).

## GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

### Business Office Hours

St. Joseph Church  
507 Main Street  
Black River Falls, WI 54615  
715-284-5613

St. Joseph — 10am-4pm — Tues, Wed, Thurs  
St. Kevin — 2pm-5pm — Friday  
Website: [GuardianAngelsCathParish.org](http://GuardianAngelsCathParish.org)  
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St. Kevin Church  
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608-488-3001

Email: [ParishOffice@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org](mailto:ParishOffice@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org)

Online Bulletin: [Parishesonline.com/organization/guardian-angels-parish-brf](http://Parishesonline.com/organization/guardian-angels-parish-brf)

**GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH  
 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM  
 OPEN REGISTRATION  
 2023-24 School Year**

Guardian Angels Parish is now accepting registration forms for the 2023-24 school year. Any student age 4 years or above must be registered in order to attend any of the religious education classes. Early registration is being encouraged as this helps with logistics. Parents can register their student by logging onto the Parish Website

[www.guardianangelscathparish.org](http://www.guardianangelscathparish.org)

**SECOND SEMESTER CHECKPOINT**

Parents, please continue to help your child stay on track for completing the online component of their grade level requirements. All lessons are to be completed by the end of the current school year. Contact your child's respective Catechist if you have any questions.

**HELP STUDENTS PREPARE FOR MAKING  
 A GOOD CONFESSION**

**EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE: GUIDE TO CONFESSION**

*A downloadable Guide to Confession is available.*

Visit [diolc.org/catechesis/catechetical-leaders-info](http://diolc.org/catechesis/catechetical-leaders-info)

***Examination of Conscience***

*Grades 2 – 3 Guide to Confession*

*Grades 4 – 5 Guide to Confession*

*Grades 6 – 9 Guide to Confession*

*Grades 10 – 12 Guide to Confession*

**A Call to Serve**

There are few things in life that are more uplifting than being able to help someone or be there for someone in need. When we can use our gifts and talents to make someone else's life better, it can bring joy to not just our lives, but to those we are able to serve as well. Jesus tells us that there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friend. As friends of Christ, we are called to love in this way, to be willing to lay down our life for others. A powerful way to do this is by being a priest of Jesus Christ. He is calling young men to consider this call to serve, to offer their lives out of love for their sisters and brothers. He may be calling YOU! If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

**A Minute with Jesus:**

**As you take "steps forward," your faith in Jesus' true Presence in the Eucharist will grow.**

We cannot simply convince ourselves through reason that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. One of the best ways to grow in this faith is to spend some time in conversation with Jesus, truly present in a Catholic Church. Go there and share something with the Lord that is on your heart. You will notice that probably without saying or feeling anything special, you will leave with a quieted heart.



Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

**Jesus, help me commit to spending some time in conversation with you in Church.**

This week, read about how we can always find Jesus in His Father's house in Luke 2:41-51.

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN**

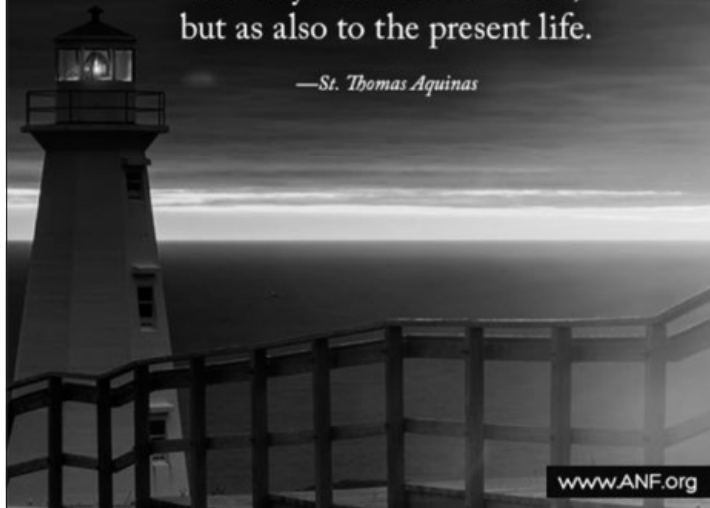
**Question:** During what two liturgical seasons is the Gloria omitted from the Mass?

**Answer:** Lent and Advent

**Venerable Eusebio Francisco Kino** was a prolific Jesuit missionary to the early Americas. He covered 50,000 miles on horseback establishing missions and ranches from northern Mexico through what is now California and Arizona, befriending Natives and settlers.

*A long life is promised to those who honor their parents, not only at the life to come, but as also to the present life.*

*—St. Thomas Aquinas*



## Calendar of Events – Updates

### MARCH

- 11 **Confessions and Adoration**, following 4pm Mass until 6pm at St. Joseph
- 11/12 **Third Sunday of Lent** (Daylight Savings Time begins)
- 12 **Anniversary of the opening of the cause of Servant of God, Father Joe Walijewski**, Cathedral of St. Joseph, 10:30.
- 12 **St. Joseph, Mass 8am**, RE Class 9-10am, **Students Confessions**
- 12 **St. Kevin**, RE Class 9-10am, **Student Confessions, Mass 10am**
- 14 **Confessions and Adoration**, 4-5pm, Mass 5pm at St. Kevin
- 15 **Bible Study**, Parish Center Rm 7, 9:30am
- 17 **Stations of the Cross**, St. Joseph 4pm, St. Kevin 6pm
- 18 **Confessions and Adoration**, following 4pm Mass until 6pm at St. Joseph
- 18/19 **Fourth Sunday of Lent**, Works of Charity Collection
- 19 **St. Joseph, Mass 8am**, RE Class 9-10am, **Students Confessions**
- 19 **St. Kevin**, RE Class 9-10am, **Student Confessions, Mass 10am**
- 19 **Communal Penance, Benediction and Adoration**, St. Joseph, 5-6pm
- 21 **Confessions and Adoration**, 4-5pm, Mass 5pm at St. Kevin
- 22 **Bible Study**, Parish Center Rm 7, 9:30am
- 24 **Stations of the Cross**, St. Joseph 4pm, St. Kevin 6pm
- 25 **Confessions and Adoration**, following 4pm Mass until 6pm at St. Joseph
- 25/26 **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
- 26 **St. Joseph All Youth Mass 8am**, RE Class 9-10am
- 26 **St. Kevin**, RE Class 9-10am, **All Youth Mass 10am**
- 28 **Confessions and Adoration**, 4-5pm, Mass 5pm at St. Kevin
- 29 **Bible Study**, Parish Center Rm 7, 9:30am
- 31 **Stations of the Cross**, St. Joseph 4pm, St. Kevin 6pm

Bulletin deadline is Monday noon.

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### Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Knights of Columbus Council 4697 has scholarship applications available for graduating Catholic seniors from the parishes of Guardian Angels of Black River Falls and Melrose, Immaculate Conception of Alma Center and St. Joseph of Fairview. Applications can be picked up from your designated parish office.

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

**Contribution Statements are available by request.** They can either be e-mailed to you or sent by USPS. Contact the parish office at 715-284-5613x3 or e-mail [bookkeeper@guardianangelscathparish.org](mailto:bookkeeper@guardianangelscathparish.org).

Lenten practices of giving up pleasures are good reminders that the purpose of life is not pleasure. The purpose of life is to attain to perfect life, all truth and undying ecstatic love – which is the definition of God. In pursuing that goal we find happiness. Pleasure is not the purpose of anything; pleasure is a by-product resulting from doing something that is good. One of the best ways to get happiness and pleasure out of life is to ask ourselves, 'How can I please God?' and, 'Why am I not better?' It is the pleasure-seeker who is bored, for all pleasures diminish with repetition.

*Ver. Fulton J. Sheen*



**Guardian Angels Parish prayer network** has been active for over 25 years. If you have prayer requests, please call Connie Gates at 715-299-4957.

### Pregnant and in distress?

Confidential help is available, visit [diolc.org/pregnancy-resources](http://diolc.org/pregnancy-resources) or [123GiveLife.com](http://123GiveLife.com)

### Post-Abortion Healing Ministry in the Diocese of La Crosse

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608-860-6698 or email [projectrachel@diolc.org](mailto:projectrachel@diolc.org).





## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS : St. Joseph, 4pm  
St. Kevin, 6pm

TAKE UP  
THE  
CROSS  
AND  
FOLLOW ME

## Lenten Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration

Communal Penance, Benediction, Adoration

**SUNDAY MARCH 19, ST. JOSEPH, 5-6 PM**

Several priest for confessions

Saturdays following 4pm Mass at St. Joseph until 6pm  
Saturdays through April 1

Tuesdays, 4-5pm, at St. Kevin, with Mass at 5pm  
Tuesdays through March 28

The disciplinary practice of abstaining from meat on the Fridays in Lent is an important dimension of the penitential nature of the season. This year, the **Feast of St. Patrick, March 17, 2023**, falls on a Friday in Lent. Given the many celebrations that occur on this day in accord with the norm of law, **I herewith grant to all Catholics of the Diocese of La Crosse as well as all present here that day, a dispensation from abstinence from meat and meat products.** I encourage all who make use of this dispensation to engage in another sacrificial or charitable act that day. ~ *Bishop Callahan*

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY

### DINNER

March 12, 11am - 2pm

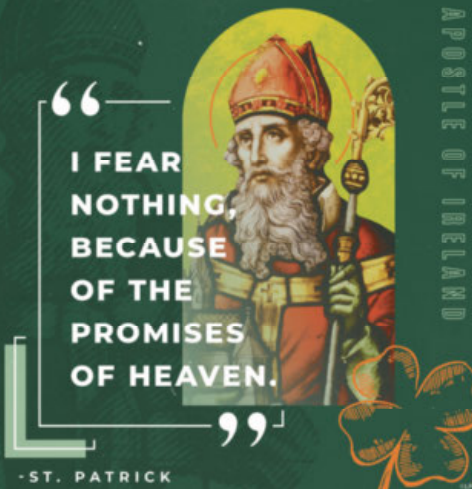
Oven-roasted Turkey with all the fixings, pie and beverage

Dine-in or Carry-out \$15

### 10:00 MASS

## St. Bridget's

22638 Washington St.,  
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## YOUR PARISH – Guardian Angels

### "YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR ME SING!" (OH YES, WE DO!!)

I can't tell you how many times I have heard this phrase from members of our congregation. When encouraged to sing as a way to actively participate in the Liturgy, many of us are uncomfortable with the quality of our singing voices. We don't think we have the capability to sing in tune or hit the high notes. But singing is one of the highest means of prayer! It is a way to share our faith, to serve our Church community and to express the love of God!

Music in our Liturgy is never about performance. It is not about entertainment. The role of music is to serve the needs of the Liturgy. It is one of the ways in which we are to be "fully engaged" in the Mass.

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has provided a document, *Sing To The Lord, Music in Divine Worship, 2007*, <https://www.yakimadiocese.org/pdf/SingToTheLord.pdf>. This document provides ways in which music is to be used in our Liturgy.

**So, how can you participate in this part of our service?** As a member of the assembly, you can sing and chant as part of the Liturgy and participate in all the music. You can also join our choirs for regular Sunday Mass or Feast Days. Guardian Angels parish has our Kevinettes and has special choirs for Easter, funerals, and other special Feast Days. You can help by learning how to play the recorded music when the Liturgist is not in attendance. Finally, you can share your gifts if you play the piano/organ or another instrument.



The beauty of music in our liturgy is not about the quality of your voice! It is about joining our community of worshippers in expressing your love of God! Sing loud so God can hear us!

Watch the bulletin for opportunities coming up to participate in the Holy Week/Easter choir. If you want to discuss your interest in participating in the music of the Liturgy in any way, contact Wanda at 507-951-2614 or [wplachecki@centurtytel.net](mailto:wplachecki@centurtytel.net).

Wanda Plachecki  
Volunteer Liturgist



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 7 days a week

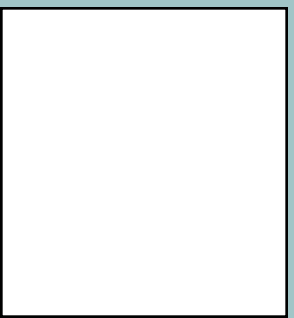
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