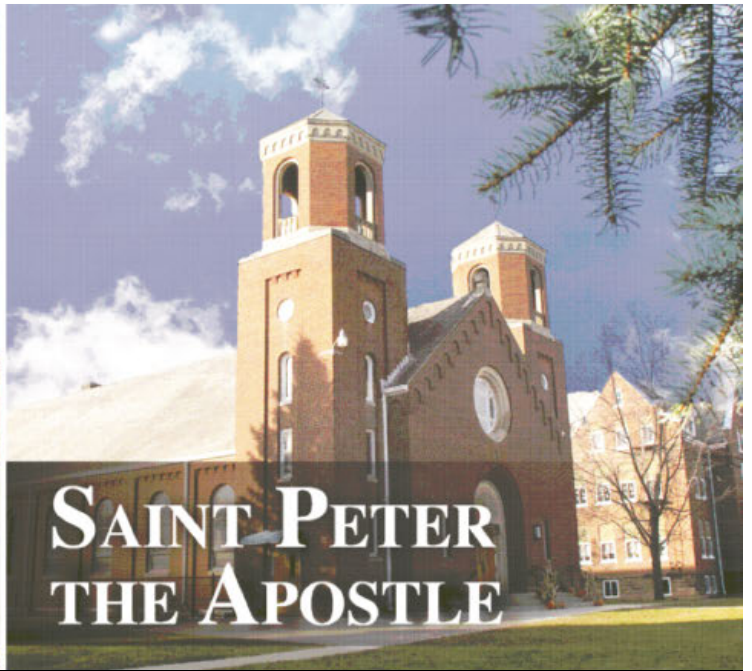


SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO



SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

St. Charles Borromeo, 810 Pearl Street, Chippewa Falls WI 54729 | St. Peter the Apostle, 11358 Cty Hwy Q, Tilden WI 54729



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

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February 26, 2023

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Reverend Monsignor
Michael J. Gorman

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Reverend Ethan J. Hokamp

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810 Pearl St | Chippewa Falls

Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Monday: 5:30 PM

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

Monday: 5:00 PM

Saturday: 3:15 PM

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Masses

Saturday: 6:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

Friday: 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 6:00 PM

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6:30AM-6:00PM | 715.723.2161 | 18m to 12yrs
CFAUSD 4K Program (formerly BB4C)

ST. CHARLES BORROME0 PRIMARY

GRADES K-2 | 715.723.5827

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GRADES 3-5 | 715.723.6478

Principal: Jerry Smith

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GRADES 6-8 | 715.723.4777

McDONELL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

GRADES 9-12 | 715.723.9126

Principal: Eric Wedemeyer

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

THE DEVIL MADE ME DO IT!

This may be one of the oldest excuses in the book, but it is a false excuse. As we learn through the story of the temptation of Jesus in today's gospel, the devil cannot make anyone do anything. Why? Because God created us with free will. This free will God has endowed with a sovereignty which even he respects. God permits no one to relinquish this sovereignty but us ourselves. The devil may entice and even deceive, as in today's First Reading; but only we can decide to give in to his enticement and deception.

Unfortunately it is from the exercise of freedom that sin is possible. Along with the sovereignty of our freedom comes the responsibility for our free choices. The responsibility for good choices is called merit or virtue; the responsibility for evil choices is called guilt or sin. Of course, to make a truly free choice we must understand the choice we are making. We may be mistaken, in which case we are not guilty of deliberate sin. An honest examination of conscience is the only way to separate sin from virtue. A good confession in the sacrament of penance is the way to open the soul to the grace of divine forgiveness and reconciliation.

This Lent is time again for us to "turn away from sin and believe in the gospel." (Mark 1:15) The sacrament of penance is the most powerful means of persevering in this resolve, because its grace is the result of Christ's obedient sacrifice for the redemption of the world. The Lenten discipline of prayer and penance finds its completion in a good confession and act of contrition. The prayer of absolution frees us from the sinful entanglements into which we fall. Take advantage of the opportunity for confession and the conversion it affords.

Lent originated as a season for catechumens to complete their final preparation to receive the sacraments of initiation—baptism, confirmation and holy communion—at the Easter Vigil. For us already baptized it has become a season of prayer and penance offered for those who are coming into the Church, and also for our own ongoing conversion and purification from sin.

This afternoon catechumens from throughout the diocese will be formally enrolled at the Cathedral as candidates for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and eucharist this coming Easter. Pray for them. Pray also for the many baptized persons from throughout the diocese who will be called to continue their preparation for confirmation and/or holy communion. Our Church will be enriched by their presence as they will be enriched by their participation in the sacraments of the Church.

The penitential aspect of Lent is characterized by liturgical simplicity. The *Gloria* and *Alleluia* are omitted. The sanctuary is devoid of flowers and other decorations. All this noble restraint will give way to the joy and solemnity of Easter.

While fasting and abstinence are good Lenten penances that enhance our self-discipline, they go hand in hand with works of charity or almsgiving. The children of our diocese traditionally have their "mite boxes" in which they may put a daily offering. These proceeds now go to the Missionary Childhood Association, a papal missionary society. We have something similar for adults called Operation Rice Bowl. The idea is that what we save by fasting or "giving something up for Lent" we can use to feed the poor. Since its beginning Operation Rice Bowl has funded development projects that improve people's ability to access food around the world and in local diocesan communities in the United States. If you did not get a Rice Bowl on Ash Wednesday, they are still available in the church entrances.

Pray the Rosary this week for people seeking reconciliation with God and the Church this Lent, and for those preparing for the sacraments of initiation. Pray for the people recovering from the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. As always, pray for peace, particularly in Ukraine.

May God bless his people with peace.
Monsignor Gorman



Monsignor
Michael J. Gorman

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Monday, February 27

St. Gregory of Narek
5:30 PM Mass, † Franklin and Devota Henning St. Charles
6:30 PM Novena & Stations St. Peter

Tuesday, February 28

8:30 AM Mass, † Patrick J. Akan St. Charles

Wednesday, March 1

8:30 AM Mass, † Thomas Rubenzer St. Charles

Thursday, March 2

8:30 AM Mass, † Evelyn Kerber St. Charles

Friday, March 3

St. Katharine Drexel
8:30 AM Mass, † Living and Deceased Members St. Peter
of the Christian Mothers St. Charles
5:30 PM Stations and Benediction

Saturday, March 4

St. Casimir
8:30 AM Ordinary Form Latin Mass, † Patricia Sokup St. Charles
4:00 PM Mass, † Alan and Eunice Zenner St. Charles
6:30 PM Mass, † Robert and Louise Loew St. Peter

Sunday, February 26

Second Sunday in Lent
7:30 AM Mass, † Duane Boyd St. Charles
9:00 AM Mass, All Entrusted to Our Pastor's Care St. Peter
10:30 AM Mass, † Vernetta Krall St. Charles
6:00 PM Rosary & Stations St. Charles

Readings for the week of February 26, 2023

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8
Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

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1st SUNDAY OF LENT



ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO MINISTRIES

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

4:00 PM

SERVERS: Sam Tietz, Eli Burnmeister
Sam Kuechenmeister
READER: Matt Amundson, Norb Gaier
CANTOR: Barb Eckwright
EMOC: Matt Amundson, Butch Dachel,
Kathy Dachel
USHERS: Sheila Armstrong, Steve Armstrong,
Needed, Needed
SACRISTAN: JoAnn Vahlenkamp
ROSARY: Tom Weyenberg

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

7:30 AM

SERVERS: Emily Thaler, Andrew Thaler,
Anna Thaler
READER: Cathy Greenseth, John Rider
CANTOR: Karen Schmidt
EMOC: Mary Jean Wagner, Cathy Greenseth,
Erin Rapienski
USHERS: Brent Franz, Otto Wagner,
Lucy Cushman, Ralph Cushman
SACRISTAN: Ginger Harings
ROSARY: Milford Lechleitner
SCRIP: Cathy Greenseth

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:30 AM

SERVERS: Elaina Geissler, Peter Murphy
Needed
READER: Gini Dachel, Jill Pomietlo
CANTOR: Adult Choir
EMOC: Mike Horan, Diane Schemenauer,
Linda Marinello
USHERS: Ron Bresina, Jim Dorn,
Mike Dubiel, Dick Schemenauer
SACRISTAN: Barb Parkhurst
SCRIP: Amy Underwood
DONATION COUNTERS: Amy Underwood,
Linda Marinello

St. Charles Borromeo Altar Server Training

Sunday, March 5 | 11:45 AM

Please contact the parish office to register.

ST. PETER MINISTRIES

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

6:30 PM

SERVERS: Emery Bohl, Wyatt Anderson,
Weston Anderson
READER: Charlotte Sloan
CANTOR: Laura McChesney
ROSARY: Julie Rider
SACRISTAN: Charlotte Sloan
SCRIP: Amanda Anderson

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

9:00 AM

SERVERS: Clay Hilger, Hunter Hilger,
Thomas McDonald
READER: Mike Stoffel
CANTOR: Youth Choir
SACRISTAN: Lisa Stoffel
ROSARY: Carrie Anders
SCRIP: Tami Pieper
DONATION COUNTERS: Mary Steinmetz,
Janet Swartz-Myrman



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Alexis Pomietlo

Hello and a blessed first Sunday of Lent to all of you,

I have to say that I've grown to look forward to and cherish the season of Lent during these past five years out of college. When I was still in high school, a nondenominational Christian friend of mine asked me why Catholics felt the need to be sad and gloomy for the weeks leading up to Easter. In his eyes, he saw it as a waste of time and didn't see a point when we could be rejoicing in God's love.

As I reflect on his question after (hopefully) maturing in my faith and several more seasons of Lent, I would now answer him that we aren't sacrificing or taking on more almsgiving for the sake of being sorrowful. Lent is a time of stripping back the "extras" we build up during the year, the things that fog our vision, and make it too loud for us to hear the voice of God. We get to "Mari Kondo" our spiritual lives. In other words, we are given an opportunity to tidy up our spiritual lives. As much as there is physical clutter in our homes, there is spiritual clutter in our souls. It's not just excess social media or a weak prayer life that prevents us from growing closer to God, sometimes it's the good stuff too! When we're enjoying the good things of this world, we can at times ignore the fact we possess them due to the sheer goodness of God. These gifts can also become stumbling blocks for us.

I have grown to appreciate the season of Lent as a spiritual reboot before entering into the heartbreaking, Earth-shattering reality of Jesus Christ's Passion. There is no way I could genuinely feel ready to walk through the Paschal Triduum without this season of preparation and detachment. The Church, in Her great wisdom, has always recognized this, and I'm so grateful that she has and continues to do so.

I'm praying for you, please pray for our priests and my work at our parishes. May God grant a fruitful Lenten season to you and your own!

"The Screwtape Letters" Lenten Discussion Group

Join with other Chippewa Falls area Catholics as we explore C.S. Lewis' book, "The Screwtape Letters". By looking at corruption of a human soul from the perspective of a devil, we'll learn how to not be a Christian while at the same time discovering how to be a Christian through loving things the devil hates and hating things the devil loves.

Our adventure runs each Saturday until April 1. Meetings are 9:30am-11:00am in Holy Ghost Elementary School (come in the back door off the big parking lot). Bring your own book or purchase one at the meeting (\$10). Bring your own coffee, we'll provide the rolls. *Members of all area parishes are welcome.*

RSVP to Paula Hanson <phanson@ourladyofthefalls.org> or Alexis Pomietlo <dre@stcharles-cf.com>.

St. Charles Fellowship Hall Update



On Tuesday, February 21 the gas range we have been waiting for arrived. The oven has been back ordered into March. However, with the gas range now installed, final inspections on the hoods may now begin.

Below: Building Committee Member Joe Oberweis takes a look at the new gas range.



Feast of St. Joseph

This year St. Peter Parish will be celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph on Sunday, March 19 with a St. Joseph's Altar. The altar will be set up in the front of church and we invite you to bring items to be placed on the altar.

The altar is set up in three tiers, representing the Holy Trinity. A statue of St. Joseph is placed on the top tier, usually surrounded by flowers, greenery, fruit, pasta, pastries, breads, dried fish, images of loved ones, holy pictures and statues, tools of your trade, candles and other non-perishable items. There will also be a basket for petitions and an opportunity to donate food items or cash to our Sojourner House food fund if you wish.



WELCOME Ingrid Mary Josie May

Ingrid Mary is the daughter of Christopher and Shannon (Jackson) Jaeger who was baptized on Saturday, February 18 at St. Charles Borromeo. *Congratulations!*

Josie May is the daughter of Zechariah and Amy (Reither) Rochester who was baptized on Sunday, February 19 at St. Charles Borromeo. *Congratulations!*

St. Charles Pastoral and Finance Councils

Approved minutes of the St. Charles Pastoral and Finance Councils can be found posted outside the Divine Mercy Chapel on the bulletin board. Minutes are approved at the following council meeting.

Catholic Women's Club Luncheon - March 16

Note: Change of location

The Chippewa Falls Area Catholic Women's Club will have its March Luncheon on Thursday, March 16, at the **Fill Inn Station**. Social hour is at 11:30 followed by lunch at 12:30. Wear green in honor of St. Patrick.

Menu will include roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered corn, coleslaw, rolls, dessert, coffee and milk. Cost is \$15.00.

For reservations call Lorraine Gardow at 715-723-0579.

We invite new members to attend and join our Catholic organization to promote fellowship among women from local parishes who support the McDonnell Area Catholic Schools. Annual dues are \$10.00 and start each year in October.

Scrip Update

Kwik Trip Groceries Only (15%) in \$25 gift cards are now in our inventory at the parish office and sold at 7:30 & 10:30 St. Charles Masses. Call in your Scrip order or use our online form at <https://www.stcharles-cf.com/scrip> by Thursday morning in the parish office and we will have it filled for pick up on the weekend Masses at St. Peter and St. Charles. Thank you for supporting the churches and schools.

Lent/Easter Signs

The Knights of Columbus are giving away Lent/Easter yard signs. These signs remind us to follow the three pillars of Lent which are to **Pray, Fast and Give**. Please pick one up and display it in your yard during Lent through Easter. After Easter, please keep the signs to re-use next year; do not throw them away. Thank you for participating in the 40 days of Lent.



FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO at 7:00 PM

Food and refreshments are available beginning at 5:00 PM.

Proceeds go to local charities.

Knights of Columbus Hall
236 Pumphouse Road
Chippewa Falls

www.kofc974.com

Lenten Regulations

All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from eating meat for all Catholics 14 and older. Good Friday is a day of fasting (one regular meal and two smaller meals with nothing in between) for all Catholics who are 18 but not yet 59.



Stations of the Cross

St. Charles: Sundays @ 6:00pm Rosary and Stations (starting February 26)

Fridays @ 5:30pm (starting March 3)

St. Peter: Mondays @ 6:30pm Novena and Stations (starting February 27)

St. Peter Monday Night Novena

Every Monday evening at 6:30, Deacon Dan Rider leads Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions in the church. We recall how she helped others. Her whole life was a lesson in love. *Do you have petitions of sick loved ones or deceased family members and friends you would like prayers?* Bring your petitions with you to give to Deacon Dan. During lent the Stations of the Cross will follow the Novena.

Nominations for McDonnell Honorary Alumni

The McDonnell Alumni Association is looking for nominations of individuals who exemplify the McDonnell spirit of community and servant leadership, who give back to McDonnell as if it were their own alma mater. To nominate someone, please visit our website at www.mcdonellareacatholicschools.org/alumni/honoraryalumni or contact the MACS Central Office at 715.723.0538. *Deadline is March 15, 2022.*

McDonnell Alumni Weekend

The 37th annual Alumni Weekend, including a basketball and volleyball tournament, is on March 31 - April 1. This event is open to all alumni as well as parents of future alumni! There are incredible raffles, prizes, delicious food, and fun. Please like and follow the MACS Alumni Facebook group for more information.

Email Kari Stepp with any volleyball questions:

k.stepp@macs.k12.wi.us or email Chris Eckes with any basketball questions: eckes22@gmail.com

FRIDAY FISH FRIES

ALL MARCH 3

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Jim Falls | 4:30 - 6:30 PM

Meal: potato soup, 3) pieces of deep-fried fish, potato, beans, coleslaw, homemade roll, beverage, and dessert. Meal is \$14.00 adults, \$6.00 per plate for children 4 to 12. Dine in or carryout.

St Olaf Church, Eau Claire | 4:00-7:00 PM

All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry. Menu: beer-battered fried or baked fish, French fries or baked potato, vegetables, coleslaw, and salad bar. Cost is \$14 for all adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12. Carry-outs will be available. Future Dates: 17, April 14 & 28.

St. Raymond, Fall Creek | 4:00-7:00 PM

Carry-outs: 715.877.3400. Menu: deep fried or baked cod loins, coleslaw, dessert, famous bread pudding, au gratin potatoes, French fries, green beans, baked beans, milk and coffee. A two piece dinner is \$12, three piece \$15, ages 6-11 is \$7. Future Dates: March 10, 17 & 24.

FINANCES

February 19, 2023

ADULT GIVING	ST. CHARLES	ST. PETER
Weekly Budget	\$9,390.00	\$4,386.00
Envelope Contributions	\$3,101.00	\$2,743.00
Online Giving	\$1,592.35	\$ 840.10
(Shortfall)/Over	(\$4,696.65)	(\$ 802.90)
Budget Thru 06/30/2023	\$488,280.00 (100%)	\$228,072.00 (100%)
Budget Thru 02/19/2023	\$319,260.00 (65.1%)	\$149,124.00 (65.4%)
Collected Thru 02/19/23	\$278,523.51 (57.0%)	\$120,516.36 (52.8%)
(Shortfall)/Over *	(\$40,736.49)*	(\$ 28,607.64)*

This section shows the weekly and yearly budget for adult envelope giving. *This last number shows the amount that we are (short) or over to make our adult envelope budget from 7/1/2022 through the current week.

EXTRA COLLECTIONS	ST. CHARLES	ST. PETER
Youth	\$1.00	\$30.10
Easter Flowers		\$40.00

St. Charles Building Fund

5/1/2019 thru 02/14/2023

Goal	\$2,500,000.00
Total Pledged	\$1,701,382.89
Beginning Balance	\$ 307,915.45
Pledges Received	\$2,124,308.65
Interest Earned	\$ 110,222.30
Less Expenses	-\$2,229,429.11
Total in Savings	\$ 313,017.29
Diocesan Loan	\$ 846,647.48

Peter's Patter

Well the groundhog predicted six more weeks of winter, and it sounds like he is going to be right. Our class made a prediction also, and we were a 50/50 split. I don't know if that was a prediction for first graders, or wishful thinking.

Tuesday, February 21 was our 100th day of school. That makes a building full of children 100 days smarter. To celebrate the wisdom we have gained, we dressed as though we were 100 years old in first grade. We used our imaginations to write about what it may be like to be 100. I am so grateful to have been able to celebrate my father in law's 100th birthday this summer. Have you ever wondered how many licks it takes to finish a popsicle or lollipop? On the 100th day, we found out if 100 licks did it. Let's just say the wise owl was not correct. It is more than three. For science we did a couple of experiments to practice making predictions. How full will a glass be with 100 drops of water? How far can we get with 100 steps or 100 hops? How many times can you write your name, stick out your tongue, sit in complete silence, or raise your hand in

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS' NEWS



St. Peter 2023 Christian Mothers' Officers

President: Megan McChesney
 Vice President: Position Available
 Treasurer: Position Available
 Secretary: Position Available
 Email: sparishofficers@gmail.com

February Church Cleaning: St. Anne Circle

Weekly please vacuum church entrances, wash windows on doors, sanitize doorknobs and handles, clean restrooms, do a walk-through of the church, check the basement.

Shin-Dig

The Shin-Dig is July 23. Please be looking for items for the silent auction and our other Shin-Dig raffles. Contact an officer if you have items to donate. Thank you!

Mega Raffle

Tickets are still available, contact an officer or purchase tickets before or after Mass.

COME ONE, COME ALL!

... to the 25th Annual St. Peter Chicken Dinner on April 19, 2023. We are excited to have this event as a cafeteria style dinner and to be able to work together (hand-in-hand) again. The community and fellowship is what makes it so great at St. Peter's. More details will be forthcoming about the dinner and schedule. We look forward to working together with all of you again at this parish-wide event!

Registering now for the 2023-24 School Year

Please contact our school if you and your family would like to take a tour, meet our teachers and see how a Catholic education can make a difference. We partner with your family offering a Catholic education for your grades 1-8 students. Call 715.288.6250.

St. Peter Catholic School
 715.288.6250
www.stpeterschooltilden.com

100 seconds? Ask a first grader and they will tell you. It was fun finding out the answers to these questions!

To prepare for the Easter season, we have been learning about the last supper in religion. We learned that Jesus gave the Apostles and priests the power to change bread, wine, and water into the body and blood of Jesus. Jesus is always with us through the Eucharist. Next week, we will learn why Jesus wanted to suffer and die on the cross for us.

We have been having a lot of fun in first grade learning about books, and how they are made. We learned about the first printing press, how paper is made, and how Braille was created. We had a great time making paper and writing in Braille. In Math, we have been making 10 to add and subtract big numbers. In Social Studies we started learning about maps and geography. For Science, we are learning about the functions of plants and animals. We are having so much fun in first grade, we're sorry everyone can't join us for the learning. God Bless!

Mrs. Shellenbarger



McDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS (MACS)
 1316 Bel Air Blvd., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org * 715.723.0538

Enrollment is open for the 2023-24 School Year

All current MACS families - please complete your enrollment by March 6 in order to hold your child's spot in their class.

We have waiting lists due to capacity limitations. We are saving the seats for currently enrolled students until March 6, but at that time we will need to open them up to families on the waiting list. We only have a few spots left in our new faith-based Little Macks 3K and 4K programs, so don't wait to apply! Contact:

Admission Coordinator Kathleen Adams for enrollment questions
 <k.adams@macs.k12.wi.us>
 Business Manager Teresa Dachel for financial questions
 <t.dachel@macs.k12.wi.us>

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

- Review the income bracket on our MACS website under Admissions - Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. If you qualify, you will receive a FREE MACS education!
- WPCP is currently open but closes for applications **Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 4:00 PM.**
- Late applications and late required documents will not be accepted due to DPI requirements.
- If you are a current MACS family participating in the Choice program you will need to re-apply.

International Students

Have you ever thought about becoming a host family? We have students that attend McDonell every year that are from all over the world. Places such as Spain, Ukraine, China, Japan, Italy and many others. They are eager to learn about the US, our culture, our education and ways of life. If you have an interest in expanding your home to one of these students and making a life long friendship please contact Laurie Francis at <lfrancis@sbcglobal.net>. Laurie can share personal experiences, the perks of being a host family and also share how you can find a perfect match for your household. You do not need to be a MACS family or have children in high school to host an international student.

Chippewa Valley GRACE sponsors Zero Abuse Project Workshops

On March 15, MACS is hosting two personal safety workshops at McDonell High School, sponsored by Chippewa Valley GRACE and presented by the Jacob Wetterling Resource Center's Zero Abuse Project, for parents to attend either on their own or with their child(ren). "Empower Me" from 6:00-6:45 is an elementary-age appropriate presentation including topics such as the buddy system and identifying trusted adults. "Smart Not Scared" from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. is a middle-high school appropriate presentation including topics such as consent and bystander intervention. Free and open to the public. For questions email: <chippewagrace@gmail.com>.

March Diocesan In-Service and Spring Break

There is no school on March 17 for a Diocesan in-service, as well as the week of March 20-24 for spring break. Central office and Scrip hours may be limited depending on staffing, so be sure to get your orders in early either in the central office, your parish, or through the online order form on the MACS website.

Employment Opportunities at MACS

MACS is seeking the following positions: Preschool and Early Childhood Program Coordinator, Middle/High School Choral Director for 23-24, Camp Macks summer camp assistants, Substitute Teachers, Food Service, and Volunteer Bus Drivers. Please visit our website ABOUT - EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY or contact human resources at 715.723.0538 x3312, or by email <m.pfeifer@macs.k12.wi.us>.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Who is a parishioner?

One who is registered and regularly participates in the liturgical life of the parish and demonstrates support of the parish mission by completing and fulfilling an annual commitment of time, treasure and talent.

To register in the Parish: We welcome anyone interested in being an active member of our parish. Please call the parish office (715-723-4088) and make an appointment with Msgr. Michael Gorman.

Baptisms: First-time parents must attend an instruction class, which is held every three months. Parents are encouraged to plan ahead and attend the class prior to the birth of their child. Please contact the parish office to sign up for the class.

Marriages: Couples are required to contact Father at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date and BEFORE making any other arrangements or reserving a reception hall.

Anointing of the Sick: If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please see Father after Mass. The sacrament is available to all who are ailing physically, mentally or spiritually.

Hospitalized/Homebound: If you are in the hospital or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

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