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Humbird Pop-Up Food Pantry will take place every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month! Pickup is in front of the Humbird Fire Hall. Sponsored by American Legion Aux Post 320 and Feed My People Food Bank.







**Immaculate Conception Parish** 341 W Main St PO Box 188 Alma Center WI 54611-0188 715-964-5201

Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St Joseph!

In the Acts of Apostles we hear the story of how the early church handled their possessions. According to the text the community held all their property in common. Those who owned property and houses sold these items and brought the monies to the feet of the apostles. Thus, there was no hungry or needy person among them.

This example of the early church has inspired many people to do something similar. Countless saints have modeled this behavior. St Paulinus of Nola, a great saint of the early church, sold thousands and thousands of acres of land so that he and his wife could live in poverty for the sake of the Gospel. St Anthony of Egypt did the same with the land he inherited from his parents. St Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, gave up all his worldly possessions and begged for his food each day. St Francis modeled a life of complete poverty as an evangelical witness of the Gospel. These examples of the saints and of the early church beg the question, should we do something similar? Should we also divest ourselves of our wealth and resources?

The Church has spoken in regard to this issue for the last 150 years. Pope Leo XIII from the 19th century stated, "Private ownership must be held sacred and inviolable." St Pope John XXIII affirmed this commenting that when, "political regimes do not recognize the rights of private ownership of goods... the exercise of freedom ... is suppressed or stifled." Most recently the Church in her documents of Vatican II teaches in Guadium et Spes that individuals have a natural right to private property. Property ownership is required as an aspect of the principles of human dignity, autonomy, and freedom. (GS 71) Much of the Church teaching in regard to the rights of private property were in response to the grave errors proposed by Karl Marx and made visible by the horrors of Communism.

The church, however, also teaches that our rights to private property are not absolute. The Church's Compendium on Social Doctrine states, "Christian tradition has never recognized the right to private property as absolute and untouchable: ... the right to private property is subordinated to the right to common use, to the fact that goods are meant for everyone" (Paragraph 177).

As a Catholic we therefore need to recognize that private property is a natural right, while at the same time holding that it is not an absolute right. Perhaps the following example can illustrate this point. Catholics have a right to own a home. However, if a homeless person is in need of lodging, we must make our home (or something equivalent such as a shelter, a hotel, etc.) available so that the person has shelter. Thus, every individual has a right to personally owning a home, but this right cannot be so exclusive that people around us lack the basic necessities of life.

The saints, such as St Francis and St Ignatius not only asked for food each day, they also asked for lodging. A similar situation played out with Sister Adele in the 1800's at the only approved apparition site of the Blessed Virgin Mary in

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STOR MASS SCHEDULE Sun 8:30 am St Joseph el Thelen 10:15 am Immaculate Con. 64-5201 Facebook live at 10:15AM Tue 5:30 pm Spanish 218-8391 Wed & Fri 9:00 am Immac Conc. Thu 10:00 am St Joseph E PHONE Sat 4:30 pm IC Spanish 64-5201 **CONFESSION** EMAIL ID Tue 6:15-6:45 pm at IC n@hotmail.com Thu 10:30-11:00 am at SJ WEBSITE Sat 4:00-4:30 pm at IC -of-almacenter-fairchild.org Sun 8:00-8:25 am at SJ

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#### Saturday April 17

4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception Family of Ramos Flores

#### Sunday April 18 Third Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Mass St Joseph

†Deceased Members of the Kaufman Family (G Kaufman)

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception †Marcel Kujak (J Kujak) Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15 AM

#### Monday April 19

Private Mass

### Tuesday April 20

5:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic For the End of Abortion (J Jaime)

## 6:00 PM Adoration and Confession

Wednesday April 21 St Anselm 9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception †Arlene Dunnigan

Religious Ed classes in the evening

#### Thursday April 22

10:00 AM Mass St Joseph †John Mayer (M&C Kaufman)

10:30 AM Adoration St Joseph 5:30-7:30 PM Adoration Immaculate Conception

#### Friday April 23 St George, St Adalbert

9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception †Betsy Traczek (R Traczek)

#### Saturday April 24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic †Members of Both Parishes

Sunday April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Deceased Members of the Kutchera Family (P Kutchera)

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception +Deceased Members of the Leis Family Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15 AM

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Website: www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org

#### **PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS**

Contact Jolene Janke if you have a request for the Prayer Chain at 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@canturytel.net. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain, praying for others needs, let Jolene know. The Power of Prayer is amazing! Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military: Geralyn Csizmar, Joseph Janke, Katie Kotschi-Nelson, Frank Ueker, Derek Laufenberg, Logan Meacham, Madeleine Searles, Michelle Thompson, Luke Hansen, Brandon Ripp, Alex Ripp, Andrew Elfering, Holden Mitchell, Cameron Lane and Seth Johnson. If your soldier is no longer in the service, please let us know.

(Continued from page 1) the United States, located near Green Bay. Sister Adele taught school and cleaned homes free of cost, just so that she could share the catechism with children.

God has given us every good gift. Private property is a noble and natural right; however, it is also meant to be used for the sake of the Gospel, to be a tool by which we live charity and extend love. Perhaps you too will entertain and host a saint! I am here if you are in need. Please do not hesitate to call. You are in my prayers. Trust greatly in Jesus as we continue through this difficult time. St Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church - Pray for Us

Fr. Daniel L. Thelen

# **Discover and Support the Work of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse**

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<b>Sun. Apr. 18, 8:30 am, SJ</b> Lector: Jan Elfering Count: P&B Connelly	Sun. Apr. 18, 10:15 am, IC Lector: Kathy Laudon Count: C&D Hagedorn, K Laudon	
<b>Sun. Apr. 25, 8:30 am, SJ</b> Lector: C Eisberner Count: J&D Elfering	<b>Sun. Apr. 25, 10:15 am, IC</b> Lector: Eugenia Cray Count: Meacham, J&M Esser	
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WEEKLY TITHING			
Apr. 11	Іммас. Солс	St. Joseph	
Adult	2190.00	545.00	
PLATE	158.00	61.00	
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TOTAL	2348.00	636.65	
BUDGET	1668.00	1083.00	
DIFFERENCE	680.00	(446.35)	
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Handicap Entrance is Complete! The canopy for the outside door of the handicap entrance at St Joseph's is complete. A little landscaping is all that is needed to finish off the project.

### Parents: Walk with your son or daughter

Today's middle schoolers and high schoolers face new pressure. Social networking and the whole gamut of virtual reality present new horizons of connectivity yet often without real engagement, adding to the hard task of adolescents finding their identity. We need a message of hope that is more powerful than the glitter of society's offerings. This is what Pope St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body provides, for it resonates with the deepest desires of the heart. Parents, join us virtually on Saturday, June 5th to hear an overview of the Theology of the Body so that you can "walk with" your son or daughter as they receive this formation in Middle School and High School. Visit diolc.org/tob for further details and to register. Cost is \$10.



# **Advertiser Of The Week**

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#### Parish—Bible Study

We will hold Bible Study on Thursday evenings at 6 PM in person and through the internet. If you are interested, let us know and we will send you an email to join in through the ZOOM app on your laptop, phone or tablet. You can download the app anytime from your playstore: ZOOM Cloud Meetings

Confessions We will hold Confessions at these times, or call Fr Dan.

6:15 pm—6:45 pm—Tuesday at IC 10:30—11:00 am—Thursday at St Joseph 4:00 pm-4:30 pm-Saturday at IC 8:00 am-8:30 am—Sunday at St Joseph

#### Adoration

6:00 pm-6:45 pm-Tuesday at IC 10:30 am Thursday at St Joseph 5:30 pm-7:30 pm-Thursday at IC

Rosary Join Fr Dan on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evenings at 8pm for an online Rosary. If you are interested in joining contact Fr Dan and he will send you the link for the ZOOM app.

### Be Part of an Amazing Adventure in Faith -Join the Lay Formation Institute!

Registration is now open for the next two-year Lay Formation cycle that begins in fall of 2021. Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! See complete information, schedule and application form at diolc.org/layformation.

Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call (608) 791-0161.

# YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

