



January 15, 2023
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

Welcome to Ordinary Time. What happens in Ordinary time? I always think it is a great time to meet the saints. We have memorials and optional memorials of the saints during the liturgical year. So what does that mean? Glad you asked! Each saint has an established feast day. Usually it is the day they died or were martyred. Depending on the importance of the saints or connection to a nation or people, it may be a memorial or optional memorial.

For example St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated by the whole church around the world on October 4th. So that feast day is on the universal Church calendar. Recently we celebrated the feast of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on January 4th. As a founder of catholic schools in the United States her legacy has been huge the last 200 years. Because of her, we have a school here in Mauston. But the rest of the world may or may not (optional) celebrate her feast day. With thousands of canonized saints they would not all fit on a yearly calendar to be celebrated by all. So some are regional or like Blessed Michael J. McGivney, he is celebrated anywhere by the Knights of Columbus who are all over the world.

How do we meet them? One way is at daily Mass where we celebrate their feast day. Daily readings for their Mass can help us. Of course you can google them. There are many apps that bring you the saint of the day. There are many saints books waiting to be read. Or the history of your parish, the saints in the windows or statues you find inside a church.

Or run into them as I have done. I was with a group in Rome. One of the afternoons was free for us to wander around and see what we wanted. A few of us went to the Piazza Navona to people watch enjoying some Italian wine. After a while we noticed a building open that people were going into that hadn't been open during the days we were there. So we were a little curious and went over. Through the entrance, down a hallway, down some stairs all lit by candles and a few lights. Into a small room which was a chapel. There near the middle was a skull in a silver case on a pedestal. Soon we figured out that it was St. Agnes. The church we entered was St. Agnes in Agone. It was her feast day and people were invited to come into the chapel to venerate her relics. The most famous being her skull that was preserved after her martyrdom. So that was a surprise and a chance to ask for her intercession on her feast day.

Saints are not just from the early Church. A group of us seminarians in 1998 were able to be a part of the morning Mass in the papal chapel. Often in the mornings Pope (now St.) John Paul II allowed small groups to join him for morning Mass if he didn't have major ceremonies that day. So after Mass we were able to meet him and have our picture taken with him. He was in a very good mood and was twirling his cane around waiting for our group to get organized. So it is very possible to meet a saint. Or perhaps their family. There have been a few conferences in our diocese where St. Gianna Beretta Molla's daughter came to speak about her mother who is a canonized saint.

It is possible to go to shrines of the saints where they have been laid to rest. Often for World Youth Days certain patron saints have been brought to be a part of the celebration and a means of veneration so our young people can get to know these saints up close and more personally. Medals and prayer cards keep the saints close to us throughout the day. Youtube also has a great deal on the saints that make them that much more real and not simply a legend from ages ago. The saints in the end are our elder brothers and sisters in the faith. Invite them into your journey of faith so that you can join them forever. Ordinary time does not have to be boring or even that ordinary when traveling with the saints back to our heavenly home land.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM
Sundays ~ 8 AM & 10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM
First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM
& Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass
Benediction at 4:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of January 15, 2023

Sat.	Jan. 14	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun.	Jan. 15	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Don Strack</i>
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Gene Hersil</i>
Tues.	Jan. 17	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Louis Vinopal</i>
Wed.	Jan. 18	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John E. Walsh</i>
		2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the repose of the soul of <i>Bernard Barreau</i>
		6:15 PM	<i>Special Intention</i>
Thu.	Jan. 19	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jeri Delgado</i>
Fri.	Jan. 20	8:00 AM	For the <i>Living & Deceased</i> <i>Members of the Quinn Family</i>
Sat.	Jan. 21	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun.	Jan. 22	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Andy Petrowitz</i>
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Jim & Gerrie Carney</i>

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Anna Maden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, and Sidney G. Mead Jr..

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandowski and Ethan Jasinski.

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers especially at the 5 PM Saturday Masses. If this is your regular Mass time, would you consider taking part in this ministry? We will train you and get you in the rotation. All you need is a love of Jesus in the Eucharist! Please contact Gina Boppart at ginaboppart@stpatricksmauston.com or call the rectory.

Please join fellow parishioners and the children of the 6th grade St. Patrick's class after Mass this Sunday for a pancake breakfast in Reardon Hall. The K of C and the St. Pat's 6th graders are hosting a Pancake Breakfast with sausage, juice and fresh cut fruit. Funds raised from the breakfast will go towards a fun class event at the end of the year for the 6th graders. The breakfast is open to all parishioners and the community. Please feel free to come anytime between 8:30 and noon.

**Stewardship Corner ~ January 7th & 8th
(506 Registered Families)**

	**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 3,728.00
On-Line Giving		\$ 3,042.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	\$ 10.00
Loose Offering	385.00	\$ 439.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$ 7,219.00

Year-to-date* budget requirement \$ 253,356.88
Year-to-date amount contributed \$ 246,895.55

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to current date

** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 42,539.00 for this fiscal year.

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday	Jan. 17	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
		7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Mtg
Wednesday	Jan. 18		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Jan. 19	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		5:30 PM	Parish Council Mtg—RH
Friday	Jan. 20	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, January 17th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Knights of Columbus Sportsmen's Raffle ~ Tickets now available! You can purchase tickets from any KC member, at the rectory office or at local businesses. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Prizes: Matthews Mission Crossbow; Pointer Acrius 12 ga. Over Under Shotgun; and Savage 110 Apex .243 Rifle OR \$500 cash. Drawing will be Tuesday, April 18th. More information is available on the bulletin board in the gathering area. If you would like to help sell tickets, they are available on the porch at the rectory. Proceeds with benefit St. Patrick School & the Juneau County Sea of Change Housing Project. Please support this very worthy project of the KC's.

Help Needed!! We are looking for one or two (or more) individuals to host and prepare the meals for our RE Vocations Dinners on the evenings of February 15 and March 15 for the youth of our parish. Please let Father John know if you are able to help with this. (Each dinner will be for about 20 people.) Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest—Sunday, January 22 at St. Patrick School. Boys & Girls ages 9 to 14. Sign up at 11 AM. Contest starts at 12 noon!

Gala 2023—Save the Date! Saturday, February 18th—This year's theme ~**MARDI GRAS!!** Cocktails at 6 PM and dinner at 7 PM. Musical entertainment provided by Pat McCurdy. Raffles, silent auction, drawings and more! Tickets are available at the rectory (\$70 per person).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 14th & 15th
Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jeri Kolba
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm
Servers: Ryleigh Vinopal, Gracey Kobylski
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, John & Nancy Noga, Terri Walling
Greeters: Kevin Quist
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Rita Hamm, Dorothy Bugenhagen
Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Mark Becker
Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca
Servers: Seth Schwedersky, Canaan Becker
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary, Cristina Becker, Sharon Kelly
Greeters: Therese, Bridget, Amelia Gunther
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Mary Ann Strack
Scrip Seller: Connie Walhovd

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Eli Boppart
Eucharistic Minister: Julie Whitney
Servers: Caroline Marien, Leia Kocyan
Musicians: Ann Benz, Bridget Swanson
Greeters: Kris Mazur, Nancy Horabik
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: John & Ann Hersil
Scrip Seller: Julie Whitney

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 21st & 22nd
Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Kevin Quist
Eucharistic Minister:
Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller
Musicians:
Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Tom & Ashley Miller
Scrip Seller: Jodi Field

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: David Hoffmann
Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke
Musicians:
Greeters: The Becker Family
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Mike & Karen Krause
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Bill Curran
Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran
Servers: Brayden & Kellen Housworth, Beau Barreau
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Greeters: Bill Thill, Jane Powers
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: Heath & Cassie Thayer
Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus for January 15th
Jesus' name means "God saves"

The angel told Joseph in a dream that this Child was to be called "Jesus, for He will save His people from their sin" (Matthew 1: 21). Jesus saves us from our sin by dying on the Cross and then giving us His Resurrected Body in the Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is the Church's most precious treasure. What a Gift, that we may have a life-giving encounter with Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: "*Jesus, thank You for coming into the world to give us the greatest Gift – Yourself in the Holy Eucharist*". This week, read the account of the angel appearing to Joseph in Matthew 1: 18-25

March for Life— NEXT Sunday, January 22nd at 1:00 PM at the Juneau County Courthouse. Please join with other Life Marchers to walk around the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, for 50 minutes (one minute for each year since Roe v. Wade—January 22, 1973) holding signs or carrying candles. This is a simple, yet effective way for all those who call on the name of the Lord to show that they oppose abortion. A reception will follow the March here in Reardon Hall.

Culture of Life Summit - Jan. 21, 2023 ~ The Diocese of La Crosse is excited to partner with the Diocese of Superior to hold a Culture of Life Summit. This will take the place of our Pilgrimage for Life. This will be a day of live music, speakers and a time where you can discuss the issues that pertain to respecting the dignity of life. The event will be held at Regis Catholic High School. To register please visit: <https://diolc.org/youth-opportunities/culture-of-life/>

GIVEN Retreat - Jan. 28, 2023 ~ GIVEN is a short, powerful retreat for couples who are married, dating and engaged. It is an opportunity to share, learn and celebrate marriage with other couples through engaging talks, and adoration, prayer and reconciliation. GIVEN retreats help couples foster a deeper relationship that is rooted in Jesus Christ and His Church. This mini retreat will:

- ◆ Encourage a greater devotion to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Eucharist
- ◆ Develop a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage through Theology of the Body
- ◆ Provide couples the encouragement to live the vocation of marriage well in a culture that is increasingly more hostile to the sacrament.

Married, Engaged and Seriously Dating Couples are invited to attend. Speakers will be Ted and Julie Imgrund and Michael and Jacqueline Van Hemmert. Cost: \$45 per couple. For more information, contact Chris Rogers at crogers@diolc.org

In preparation for the repainting on the church interior beginning May 1st, we are looking for a place to store our pews and other items from the church. They will need to be stored until approximately September 1st. If you know of or have a space that we can use where they will be dry and safe, please give the rectory a call or let one of our Building & Grounds Committee members know. Thanks for your help!

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays from 3 PM to 4 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

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