



**January 17, 2021
SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

FROM OUR PASTOR

What is the old phrase, “if you want to make God laugh, tell Him your plans.” God has been laughing, especially when we think we are in charge. I had that reminder these last number of days as I have been in quarantine. I feel fine and I am very grateful for all of your prayers. I know there are many who have suffered far greater because of the Coronavirus. Let us not forget them or their families as they deal with their trials.

Because of that “timeout”, I wish to thank Fr. Kulas in being able to come for two weekends so that we can have Mass and confession here at St. Patrick. Priests around the diocese, whether they have it or were a close contact, are being quarantined like anyone else. So having a priest available was a grace for our parish.

Of course that moved other things around. So I am grateful for those whose meetings for baptisms and weddings have been changed that you are able to work out different dates. It also impacted some of the parish meetings. Some others used Zoom. Being flexible is key.

On January 23 and 24 will be the Knights of Columbus and grade 6 “no pancake” pancake event as a fundraiser for their end of the year activities. As the other grades have done, they will be in back of church with their signs hoping for your generosity.

January 23 and 24 is when the priest from Cross Catholic International will be here to present on behalf of that organization. Last year it seemed like a great idea to be in Arizona at this time of year. Here we are a year later and things are a little different than what I expected or planned. It is a little weird for me not preaching for 3 weeks, yet we keep in mind how good it is that Fr. Kulas and Cross Catholic are able to be with us.

These days keep reminding us that we are not in charge. That patience is a virtue and being flexible is an asset. All of these things should play a role in our spiritual lives. “Normal or going back to the way it used to be” probably is not going to happen. In so many ways we have made decisions that have changed what we valued or gave time to or the way that we express how something or someone is important to us.

These days have allowed us to look more deeply into “why”. Why anything. That question has touched schools, our places of work, sports, our community or family life. Our sense of relationships has changed. Has virtual become real? How important is it to reach out and truly touch someone? To be there? In person? What do some of these things look like or will they look like as we go forward into the new year? We have plans but have we brought God into them? Down the road, perhaps we can join God as we look to our plans and laugh with Him. As the scriptures remind us, His plans are for our good, not that they are easy. Daily Jesus tells us to pick up your cross and follow Me. Our hope lies in the resurrection and God’s grace, not our stand alone efforts or plans. So as we deal with things constantly changing on us, let us step back and laugh, knowing God is right there with us.

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 beginning at 12 Noon
Benediction at 6:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of January 17, 2021

Sat. Jan. 16 5:00 PM For *our Parishioners*

Sun. Jan. 17 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
John Sustar

10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Jim Stanek

Tue. Jan. 18 5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of
Bob Boehm

Wed. Jan. 20 8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of
Andrew & Marie Lobenstein

6:00 PM For the *health of Bob Penzkover*

Thu. Jan. 21 8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of
John & Matilda Gedel

Fri. Jan. 22 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Dennis Kolba

Sat. Jan. 23 5:00 PM For the repose of the souls of
Jim & Gerrie Carney

Sun. Jan. 24 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Chuck Nicksic

10:00 AM For *our Parishioners*

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Joe Dolphin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary Lechleiter, Bernadine Seitz, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Randall Stanke, Jerry Neve, Barb Gardner and Corwin Tralmer.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, John Miller, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field and Bailey Granger.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Him, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Father Eugene Trainer who passed away recently. May perpetual light shine upon him.

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call Cassandra at the church office. To be included on the prayer line or to be listed in the bulletin prayer list, you may also call the church office at 847-6054.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

January 30 Brandon Feit & Shannon Cowan

Stewardship Corner ~ January 9th & 10th, 2021
(521 Registered Families)

	WKLY BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$12,868.42	\$ 3,852.00
On-Line Giving		3,685.00
Children's Envelopes	15.67	0.00
Loose Offering	688.68	120.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$13,572.77	\$ 7,657.00
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 125.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$407,183.10
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$254,940.49

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to current date

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. 19 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus
 Wednesday Jan. 20 Religious Ed Classes
 Thursday Jan. 21 2:00 PM Rosary Makers—RH
 6:00 PM Parish Council Mtg.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK ~

You can watch with your free parish subscription by simply selecting our parish's name during registration at formed.org/signup.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK January 17, 2021

WATCH JOHN PAUL II: I KEPT LOOKING FOR YOU

This incredible documentary traces Pope St. John Paul II's impact on the Church and the world. This film is a wonderful tribute to a man who inspired millions of people to deeper faith in Jesus Christ.

To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

The Knights of Columbus and the St. Pat's 6th grade class are holding a "no bake" pancake breakfast fundraiser after each of the Masses January 23rd and 24th. Due to the pandemic the St. Pat's 6th grade class and Knights members will collect donations in the gathering area after each of the weekend masses in place of the traditional pancake breakfast. Funds will go towards a fun class activity at the end of the school year.

Gala Basket Raffle tickets are available at the school office. If you would like to purchase some, please stop by the school or call the office at 847-5844. The drawing will be Saturday, February 13th. Thank you for supporting our school!

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, January 19th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Cross Catholic Outreach

Father Augustine Temu will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Father Temu was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Tanga in Tanga / Tanzania, East Africa in 2007. He is working on his Masters of Arts in Pastoral Ministry at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania.

As an Outreach Priest he is able to see the difference Cross Catholic makes in serving the poor. He is inspired and motivated as a priest from the developing country of Tanzania and has worked in rural parishes where the majority are terribly poor.

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**March for Life Chicago – Jan. 23 ~** Nine years ago when a hundred and fifty people walked at the March for Life Chicago, it was hard to imagine it would grow to thousands of people flooding the streets and echoing off the skyscrapers. They are bringing that same passion this year as they bring their cars and raise signs and voices in downtown Chicago. For complete details, visit [marchforlifechicago.org/tour-details/#chicago](http://marchforlifechicago.org/tour-details/#chicago).

**March for Life—Sunday, January 24th at 1:00 PM at the Juneau County Courthouse.** Please join with other Life Marchers to walk around the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, for 48 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.

**Jan. 29 in Washington, D.C. ~** While the Diocese of La Crosse is not taking pilgrims to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. this year, you can still choose to participate in it either individually or through a trip sponsored by ProLife Wisconsin. For more information, visit [prolifewi.org/marchforlife](http://prolifewi.org/marchforlife).

**Receive the Holy Spirit and let Him** lead you to an encounter with the “Friendly Fire” at St. Theresa’s in Union Center on Saturday mornings. Confession/Rosary/Mass at 9 AM. For more information, call Bev at 608-572-1266.

**Contribution Statements for 2020** are available in the back of church. Please help us save on postage by picking yours up. Thank you! Statements not picked up by January 27th will be mailed.

**January 30 – Pro-Life Virtual Afternoon of Reflection: “Walking with Moms in Need”** Some people accuse pro-lifers of caring only about the child in the womb and not women in need. Not true at all, as you will see from this virtual afternoon of reflection on January 30, 2021, with keynote speaker Bob Perron, Executive Director of JMJ Pregnancy Center in Orlando, FL. You will also hear about the fourteen Pregnancy Care Centers in the Diocese of La Crosse and what you can do to help one near you. This afternoon of reflection is a free event and will have broad appeal for families, adults and teens. To register, visit [diolc.org/respect-life](http://diolc.org/respect-life).

**Healing Your Marriage-- Retrouvaille** (French for “Rediscovery”) is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. The next program in Central Wisconsin begins with a weekend stay, February 12-14, 2021 at St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon. For more information or to register, call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) or visit website: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org). Fully Confidential and affordable. Space is limited with Covid-19 precautions. Register early.

**Save the Date! February 20, 2021 ~ Virtual Men's Lenten Retreat** We will have a Virtual Lenten Retreat for Men talking about looking to St. Joseph as a model for being a great husband and father. The retreat will feature speakers Fr. Sam Martin and Mr. Pat Brueggen. More information is coming soon.



**Thank you to everyone who has supported the Christ Our Cornerstone campaign.** This campaign is inviting parishioners from across the diocese to fund necessary restoration of St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. If you have not yet made your pledge, pledge cards are available in the gathering area or you can visit [cathedralsjworkman.org/cornerstone](http://cathedralsjworkman.org/cornerstone). Or you can call the rectory for more details. We thank you for your faith and generosity

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Our Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021:  
Goal—\$41,710  
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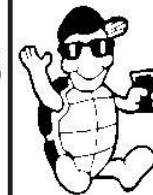
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