



January 21, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, Praise be to the Lord. Last Wednesday on January 17, 2024, we had a big memorial celebration in my home town with a meaningful memorial Mass followed by lunch. After that, all the members of our family around 35 of us gathered in our home and shared all sweet memories of my father. It was heartwarming and heart moving. Thank you all for your prayers. I am getting ready to get back to St. Patrick, Mauston. See you all soon. Can't wait to see you all. This week I write about Saint Anthony of Egypt. The life of Anthony will remind many people of Saint Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, "Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor" (Mark 10:21b), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony's life was spent in solitude. He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, he responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery of scattered cells. Again, like Francis, he had great fear of "stately buildings and well-laden tables." At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover. "The mule kicking over the altar" denied the divinity of Christ. Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil—the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for "the book of nature" over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at age 105. In an age that smiles at the notion of devils and angels, a person known for having power over evil spirits must at least make us pause. And in a day when people speak of life as a "rat race," one who devotes a whole life to solitude and prayer points to an essential of the Christian life in all ages. Anthony's hermit life reminds us of the absoluteness of our break with sin and the totality of our commitment to Christ. Even in God's good world, there is another world whose false values constantly tempt us.

God bless, Fr. Jey

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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 21, 2024

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| Sat. Jan. 20 | 5:00 PM | For the Living & Deceased Members of the John & Mary Vinopal Family |
| Sun. Jan. 21 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the souls of Don & Mary Ann Strack |
| | 10:00 AM | For our Parishioners |
| Tues. Jan. 23 | | NO MASS |
| Wed. Jan. 24 | | NO MASS |
| Thu. Jan. 25 | 8:00 AM | Communion Service |
| Fri. Jan. 26 | 8:00 AM | For the Members of the Gruna, Boerner and Boehm Families |
| Sat. Jan. 27 | 5:00 PM | For our Parishioners |
| Sun. Jan. 28 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Peter Bosgraaf |
| | 10:00 AM | For the repose of the souls of Mark & Jo Powers |

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, 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, Bill Eisch, Marsha Hamil, EMM, Brenna, Lori P., Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Anna Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, Sidney G. Mead Jr., Mary Mead, Mike Miller, Jon B, Linda Serrurier, Joe Slowinski, Bob and Lisa Konitzer, Joy Kelley, Ofelia Sandoval-Villreal, Estella Villarreal, Mary Jo Link, Mary Beth Hall, Connor Laridaen, Nancy & Tom Mueller, Fran Schroeder, Kevin, Tom and Joyce Czysz, Jordan P., John Hersil, Marge Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Barutha and Larry Purvis.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

We welcome Hudson Thomas Cummings, son of Gregory and Kayla (Denofrio) Cummings, who is being baptized this weekend. May God's blessing of peace and joy be with him all of his days!

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Her, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Rita (McGarty) Goepel who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon her.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Him, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Ray Moriarty who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon him.

Holy Happy Hours will begin again! They will be held every month on the last Thursday of the month starting Thursday, January 25th from 6:30 pm—7:30 pm at Timmy's Timeout (now Legends Bar & Grille) ~ 522 Gateway Ave., Mauston. All are invited to join us for food, fellowship and a great discussion. Hope to see you there!

**Stewardship Corner ~ January 13th & 14th, 2024
(493 Registered Families)**

| | **WKLY BUDGETED GIVING | ACTUAL |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Adult Envelopes | \$8,653.85 | \$ 2,162.00 |
| On-Line Giving | | \$ 1,972.00 |
| Children's Envelopes | 14.42 | \$ 16.00 |
| Loose Offering | 480.75 | \$ 510.25 |
| Total Weekly Offering: | \$ 9,149.02 | \$ 4,660.25 |
| Year-to-date* budget requirement | | \$274,470.60 |
| Year-to-date amount contributed | | \$235,746.06 |

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to current date
 ** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 91,454.00 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

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| Tuesday | Jan. 23 | 3—4 PM | Divine Mercy / Holy Face to Jesus Devotions |
| | | 6:30 PM | Building & Grounds Mtg. |
| Wednesday | Jan. 24 | | NO RELIGIOUS ED |
| | | 5:15 PM | Catholic Ed. Mtg.—RH |
| Thursday | Jan. 25 | 10:00 AM | Rosary Markers—RH |
| | | 5:30 PM | Sacred Worship Mtg.—RH |
| Friday | Jan. 26 | 8:45 AM | Friday Folders |

Annual Diocesan Appeal Update

Goal: \$40,685.00
 To date our parish has pledged \$ 17,435.00
 Our shortfall is \$ 23,250.00
 Number of Families Pledging: 45

The appeal supports the many ministries of our diocese as well as the ministries of the greater Church. Please prayerfully consider how you can best support this appeal and please be generous in your giving.



EUCCHARISTIC RALLY

JUNE 7, 2024 | LA CROSSE CENTER

**THE ANSWER IS THE EUCHARIST.
THE EUCHARIST IS JESUS.**

Discover and embrace the gift of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Your whole life, you have been looking for the answer to the meaning of life, your purpose, your dreams, and your difficulties. We have been given the ANSWER to all of it. This Rally will give you the opportunity to connect more deeply with Jesus, who is the Answer, through Mass, Adoration, Confession, National Speakers, Powerful Music, and so much more!

St. Patrick's Parish in Mauston will be taking a chartered bus to the event. We will hold a sign-up after the Masses THIS WEEKEND. Please prayerfully consider joining us!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 20th & 21st

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Kevin Quist
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm
Servers: Landynn & Theron Miller
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski
Gift Bearer: The Vinopal Family
Scrip Seller: Jodi Field

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Melissa Schanke
Servers: Cody Komiskey, Carson Demaske, Spencer Turpin
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary, Cristina Becker
Greeters:
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Bill Strack
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Sue Hollenbeck
Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran
Servers: Hudson Randall, Cooper Thayer, Johann Wolf
Musicians: Ann Benz, Sharon Kelly
Greeters: Kris Mazur, Nancy Horabik
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: The Radoslaw & Agnies Karczmarczyk Family
Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 27th & 28th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm
Servers: Owen Lubinski, Jack & Mary Vinopal
Musicians: John & Nancy Noga
Greeters: Kevin Quist
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Bill & Ellen Eisch
Scrip Seller: Laura Vinopal

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: David Hoffmann
Eucharistic Minister:
Servers: Seth Schwedersky, Canaan Becker
Musicians:
Greeters: Donna Miller, Joe Buttner, Vicki Boehm
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Dave & Sue Bosgraaf
Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: School Children
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart
Servers: Caroline & Cecilia Marien, Leia Kocyan
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Carla & Jacob Brunner
Greeters: School Children
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill,
Gift Bearers: School Children
Scrip Seller: Diane Kocyan

2023 Contribution Statements are available in the gathering area. Please stop and pick yours up.

Thank you!

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are so glad that you have chosen this place of worship to honor the Lord's name with us. If you are new to this church or just visiting, we would like to thank you for worshipping with us and we warmly welcome you to St. Patrick's as our brothers and our sisters. If you would like more information about St. Patrick's in general or would like to join our parish, please check out our website: stpatrickσμαuston.com or give our rectory office a call. Welcome!

PARENTS: There are activity bags for your children to use during Mass located outside of the library. Please feel free to pick one up before Mass and return at the end of Mass.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Please join fellow parishioners and the children of the 6th grade St. Patrick's class after Mass on Sunday, January 21st 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. A suggested \$5 per person or \$10 per family free-will offering will be collected with all proceeds going to the St. Pat's 6th grade class needs. The breakfast is open to all parishioners and the community. Please feel free to invite others to come with you on Sunday January 21st anytime between 8:30 and noon.

March for Life— Sunday, January 21st at 1:00 PM at the Juneau County Courthouse. Please join with other Life Marchers to walk around the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, holding signs. 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.

Our next "Social Sunday" is Saturday, January 27th AND Sunday, January 28th. This month's social is sponsored by the St. Patrick School Staff. Join us after both Saturday and Sunday Masses for refreshments and socializing as we kick off Catholic School Week!

St. Patrick School Winter Bash (formerly the Gala) is Saturday, February 24th! The event will be at The Lodge of Mauston again this year. Tickets are available at the school. Cost is \$75 per ticket for dinner and show featuring Elvis tribute artist, Garry Wesley. (P.S. If you would like to donate items, services, gift certificates, etc. to our silent auction, please feel free to drop off your items at the rectory or school office). Your support of our school is always appreciated!

That Man Is You ~ TMIY is a program offered for all men who want to be more faith filled and knowledgeable Christian leaders in their family and community. TMIY meets at 6:30 AM on Fridays at the Mile Bluff Community room. If you have any questions, please contact Howard Boppart @ 608-548-6513

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

The Catholic Parent

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Watch the series with your spouse, with friends, on your own, or as part of a small group! The participant guide includes questions for group discussion, topics for personal reflection, and ideas to try at home.

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