



February 12, 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent will soon be upon us. The question of “what are you giving up for Lent?” What will you sacrifice in this season of conversion is a question we will all need to address. Sacrifice, offering something up; what does that mean exactly? In the natural realm the sense is no, you don’t have it or do it and that is the end of the story. But when we look to the spiritual realm, the practice of our faith, there is a much richer sense of sacrifice. The Second Vatican Council spoke of the sacrifice of the Mass and the call to fully participate in it; to exercise the common priesthood of all the baptized. In the coming weeks I will be working with an article, “Sacrifice: Path to Communion” from the Catechetical Review (October-December 2022) edition. The author is Andre Villeneuve the Associate Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Languages at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit Michigan. I will be breaking the article up into smaller pieces for us to reflect upon and help us to understand the word “sacrifice” in its fullest sense and meaning in our faith and its roots in the Old Testament. Yes that does seem like a lot, but we do need to stretch ourselves to grow in the faith and understanding of where we have come from as a people of faith.

“The great mystery of Christ’s sacrifice for us is at the heart of the Christian faith: ‘For Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed’ (1 Cor. 5:7). As the Catechism explains, Jesus’ death manifests his sacrifice in two ways: Christ’s death is both the *Paschal sacrifice* that accomplishes the definitive redemption of men, through ‘the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,’ and the *sacrifice of the New Covenant*, which restores man to communion with God by reconciling him to God through the ‘blood of the covenant, which was poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.’ (CCC 613) Thus, the two principal effects of Christ’s sacrifice are, first, to remove our sins, and second, to restore communion with God. Transformed by this gift of divine love, we are called to imitate Jesus and ‘walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God’ (Eph 5:2) Indeed, the Church teaches that every baptized Christian participates in Christ’s sacrifice (CCC 618). We are especially joined to it in the sacrament of the Eucharist, which makes Christ’s sacrifice ever present to us (CCC1364). The Eucharist is a sacrifice because ‘it *represents* (makes present) the sacrifice of the cross, because it is its *memorial* and because it *applies* its fruit’ to our lives by taking away our sins and restoring communion with God. (CCC1366)

The problem is that for most people today, the biblical notion of sacrifice seems obscure. What does sacrifice in general, and Christ’s sacrifice in particular, really mean? And how do the sacraments—especially Reconciliation and the Eucharist—manifest the Lord’s sacrifice? The best way to gain insight into these questions is to consider the symbolism of the sacrifices in the Old Testament.”

That first part then sets up our question and calls us to think more deeply about what we do each time we come to Mass. It will also help us come to know more deeply a biblical sense of what we are called to do at each Mass we attend and are to enter more deeply into the mystery of God at work for our salvation. So please take these coming reflection points and allow them to help you prepare for the Lenten season. But also prepare yourself to enter the Mass in a whole new way. During the week I encourage you to pray over the texts we will be using and open an avenue for the Holy Spirit to fill you with wisdom and knowledge on something we do so often we may take it for granted or do out of routine.

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 February 12, 2023

Sat. Feb. 11	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John E. Walsh</i>
Sun. Feb. 12	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Frank & Agnes LaBudda</i>
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tues. Feb. 14	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Virginia Rhyner</i>
Wed. Feb. 15	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 souls of <i>Louis & Genevieve Vinopal</i>
	6:15 PM	For <i>Jennifer Sparby</i>
Thu. Feb. 16	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Edna O'Brien Buretta</i>
Fri. Feb. 17	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Derek Joseph Hines</i>
Sat. Feb. 18	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Feb. 19	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>

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 Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, Bev Jurkowski, Catherine Murray 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 Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

We welcome Alexander David Brinsko, son of Nicholas and Caroline (Moore) Brinsko, who is being baptized this weekend. May God's blessing of peace and joy be with him all of his days.

Feast of Blessed Brother James Miller – February 13

A native of Stevens Point and a De La Salle Christian Brother and missionary, Brother James Miller was gunned down while repairing a wall at the school where he worked in Huehuetenango, Guatemala on Feb. 13, 1982. He was declared a martyr and beatified by Pope Francis on Dec. 7, 2019. He stands as an example of fidelity to the Gospel and humble and fearless service on behalf of the poor and the vulnerable. To learn more, visit diolc.org/blessed-brother-james-miller.

Please join fellow parishioners and the children of the 5th grade St. Patrick's class after Mass on Sunday, February 19th for a pancake breakfast in Reardon Hall. The K of C and the St. Pat's 5th 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 5th graders. The breakfast is open to all parishioners and the community. Invite others to come with on Sunday, February 19th anytime between 8:30 and noon.

**Stewardship Corner ~ February 4th & 5th
(506 Registered Families)**

	**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 6,004.00
On-Line Giving		\$ 2,680.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	\$ 9.00
Loose Offering	385.00	\$ 328.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$ 9,021.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$ 289,550.72
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$ 277,105.32

*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	Feb.14	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
Wednesday	Feb.15		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Feb.16	10:00 AM	Rosary Makers—RH
		5:30 PM	Parish Council Mtg.—RH
Friday	Feb.17	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

**Ash Wednesday—February 22:
Mass will be at 8 AM and 6:30 PM.**

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Next Tuesday, February 21st at 7 PM at St. Mary's—Lyndon Station. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Social Sunday — Join us Sunday, February 26th for "Social Sunday". Please plan to stay after the 8 am and the 10 am Masses for donuts, coffee, juice, and fellowship in Reardon Hall. This month's social is hosted by the Parish Council. Hope to see you there!

St. Patrick's Sacred Worship committee would like to express our gratitude for those parishioners who currently serve in the many important Mass ministries. We appreciate all of you! **After Masses, this weekend**, more of you will have an opportunity to sign up for the following important Mass ministry areas: lectors, servers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, and musicians. We have a representative in the gathering area to help you sign up for a ministry role that will help to serve our parish family. All of these ministries are so important to our liturgies. Please consider helping our parish. Thank you.

Praying the Rosary

Sacred Worship would like to encourage the praying of the rosary anytime, but especially before our weekend Masses. Through Mary we are led to a closer relationship with her son, Jesus.

Thank you to Joe Buttner and Rudy Powers who currently lead the rosary before the 8AM Mass each Sunday. Our parish is looking for people who are willing to lead the rosary before the 5 PM and 10 AM Masses, especially during the month of May. Please consider leading this prayer for our parish. **A sign up is on the table in the gathering area.**

Pope Benedict XV said, "The Rosary is a perfect prayer because of the praises it offers, the lessons it teaches, the graces it obtains, and the virtues it achieves."

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of February 11th & 12th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Kevin Quist
Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser
Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling, John & Nancy Noga
Greeters: Kevin Quist
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

Gift Bearer: Judy Neve
Scrip Seller: Jodi Field

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Bridget Gunther
Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke
Musicians:
Greeters: Donna Miller, Joe Buttner, Vicki Boehm
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Tremel, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer
Gift Bearers: Ed & Mary Ellen Hamil
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Howard Boppart
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart
Servers: Hudson Randall, Cooper Thayer, Johann Wolf
Musicians:
Greeters: Bill Thill, Jane Powers
Ushers: Clinton Pouillie
Gift Bearers: Howard & Gina Boppart
Scrip Seller: Gina Boppart

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of February 18th & 19th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jeri Kolba
Eucharistic Minister:
Servers: Owen & Aedyn Lubinski, Mary Vinopal
Musicians:
Greeters: Danelle Lubinski, Anita Lubinski
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

Gift Bearer: Bill & Ellen Eisch
Scrip Seller: Laura Vinopal

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Gail Boehm
Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca
Servers: Cody Komiskey, Carson Demaske, Spencer Turpin
Musicians:
Greeters: Therese, Bridget & Amelia Gunther
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Tremel, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer
Gift Bearers: Mary Ann Strack
Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Naome Pouillie
Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran
Servers: Caroline & Cecilia Marien, Leia Kocyan
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Greeters: Kris Mazur & Nancy Horabik
Ushers: Clinton Pouillie
Gift Bearers: John & Ann Hersil
Scrip Seller: Diane Kocyan

Juneau County SEA of Change Virtual Auction Fundraiser:

Visit <https://www.32auctions.com/seaofchange2023> to view and bid on items. Items can be paid for and picked up at Oakdale Credit Union (Mauston Office). Juneau Count SEA of Change works with the Department of Human Services to help families in a housing crisis. SEA of Change operates 3 transitional houses in Mauston and is in the process of purchasing one in Necedah. DHS refers families and works with them to set goals and learn strategies to become rent-ready. A main goal is to keep children out of foster care or re-unite foster care children with their families. All of the houses are fully furnished and fully stocked. Funds raised are used for those purposes. **VIRTUAL AUCTION ends FEBRUARY 12th.**

Another reason to buy KWIK TRIP SCRIP ~~~ During the month of February, on any gift cards we order from Kwik Trip, we will receive a bonus! On gas cards (which can be used in the store also) we will get 10% back. On Grocery Only cards, we will get 20%! (We know many of you get your milk, bananas, and more at Kwik Trip. Just think how our SCRIP program could benefit if you paid with a Grocery Only card.) KWIK TRIP cards are always available in the SCRIP BOX.

**Mass & Healing Service at Sacred Heart Church,
Cashton ~ February 27, 2023**

**Do you have a need for healing
—spiritual, physical, psychological, emotional?**

5:30 pm - **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** begins. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available throughout the evening beginning at 5:30 pm.

6:30 pm - Holy Mass

After Mass - Adoration continues with Prayers of Healing & Deliverance. Our clergy and prayer teams will pray over those who desire it. Exorcised & Blessed Oil, Salt, & Water are used. Sacred Heart Catholic Church is located at 1205 Front St., Cashton, WI

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. Please support this very worthy project of the KC's.

The South Central Shamrock Club has selected Marlene McGowan, a Lyndon Station native and member of St. Mary's Parish, as their Irish Rose for 2023. Michael McShane of Reedsburg is the Irishman. The St. Patrick's Day Banquet is March 18th at the Reedsburg Country Club. Join the celebration by contacting Jolene Crowley at 608-356-5959 to obtain your tickets.

February Anniversaries

February 27	2 years	TJ & Kayla Greenwood
February 12	25 years	Lee & Terri Walling
February 13	30 years	Larry & Diane Hamm
February 7	36 years	Paul & Nancy Schaller
February 1	48 years	Albert & Cynthia Felber

February Birthdays

February 2	Jean Steiner
February 17	Paul Pfeifer
February 23	Suzanne Luisi
February 28	Vicky Boehm

Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus for February 12th

Jesus wants to strengthen our faith that He is the "living Bread from Heaven." Sometimes, my mind begins to wander at Mass because I only see bread and wine. Jesus, reveal to my heart the truth that this is really You present, under the appearance of bread and wine. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *"Jesus, help me to believe the truth that You are truly present in the Holy Eucharist"*. This week, read the explanation that Jesus gives that He is the "living Bread from Heaven" in John 6: 48-51

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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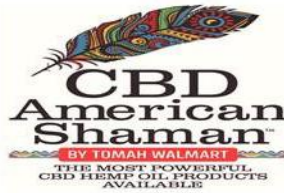
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