



February 26, 2023 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM OUR PASTOR

Welcome to Lent. As I mentioned last week I am encouraging you to make this a time of learning, of going deeper. In this time of the Eucharistic revival we continue our look into the Mass with the help of the 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.

"The Book of Leviticus outlines five main types of sacrifices. These can be classified into two major categories: sacrifices for communion and sacrifices in communion.

Sacrifices for communion were mandatory. Their purpose was to restore to communion those Israelites who had broken the covenant and ruptured their relationship with God by sinning. The sin-offering (Heb. chattat) represents a purifying or cleansing of the spiritual defilement engendered by sin (Lv 4). The guilt-offering (asham) signifies indemnity, reparation payment, repairing damage, and making restitution (Lv 5:14-6:7). The description of these two solemn sacrifices in Leviticus is always accompanied by the refrain 'and the priest shall make atonement for them, and they shall be forgiven.' They are never described as producing 'a pleasing odor to the Lord.'

Sacrifices in communion, by contrast, were voluntary. Only those Israelites in covenantal relationship with God—that is, not in a state of sin—could offer them. First, the whole burnt offering (olah), in which the entire animal was burnt on the altar and its blood was sprinkled around it, signified a complete dedication to God (Lv 1). Since the blood symbolizes the soul (Lv 17:11), the animal's blood represented both the owner's blood and soul. Thus, the sprinkling of the blood symbolized 'not the forfeiture of the owner's life, but the rededication of his soul in concert with the rest of his being' to God. Second, the grain offering (minchah)—a gift to God consisting of flour, cakes, or wafers—could be offered on its own or together with burnt and peace offerings (Lv2). Third, the peace offering (zevach shelamim) —a covenantal feast centered around the consumption of meat—symbolized communion with God. It was a shared meal that ritualized the bond between the two parties or celebrated its ongoing renewal. The Jewish people continually rededicated themselves to God, their covenantal partner, by offering shelamim, of which there were three kinds: (1) the thanksgiving offering (the Todah, which could be rendered in Greek as Eucharistia), (2) the vow offering and (3) the freewill offering (Lv 7:11-12, 16)."

Yes that takes us deeper but I hope you are starting to see some familiar aspects of these Jewish sacrifices. Jesus came to fulfill the law, not abolish it. Of course, He fulfills it in His own person. He also invites us into this relationship, this covenant that He has been inviting His people into for generations. We are connected in ways we don't always think of.

In the beginning God created Ex Nihilo yet we see Him in the Old Testament using things the Jewish people would be familiar with and that would allow the symbolism to enter their hearts and minds. As Christians we see our Jewish roots and how Jesus fulfilled the Law and went beyond it in His own person. These sacrifices and their effects are perfected in Jesus. He allows us, He calls us to enter this sacrifice each time we come to Mass. May this time of learning deepen our appreciation of what Jesus has done for us and the preparations God has gone through so that the sacrifice of Calvary may transform our lives here in Mauston.

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 26, 2023

Sat. Feb. 25	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Don Vinopal</i>
Sun. Feb. 26	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Ernie Schmocker</i>
	10:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
Tues. Feb. 28	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John E. Walsh</i>
Wed. Mar. 1	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>La Verne & Rose Schaller</i>
	2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the repose of the souls of <i>Mark & Josephine Powers</i>
	6:15 PM	For <i>Therese Gunther</i>
Thu. Mar. 2	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Joan Kobylski</i>
Fri. Mar. 3	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Florence Stratton</i>
Sat. Mar. 4	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Andy Petrowitz</i>
	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Helen Siegler</i>
Sun. Mar. 5	8:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Hermann Klingemann</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 Levandowski and Ethan Jasinski.

HOLY HAPPY HOUR ~ Holy Happy Hour is this Tuesday, February 28th at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to State Street Tap for fellowship and meaningful conversation. Please join us!

First Friday—This Friday is First Friday. Please sign up for a time of Eucharistic Adoration on the sheet in the gathering area.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays during Lent at 5:30 PM. A soup supper and discussion on the “True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist” will follow. All are invited and welcome to join.

**Stewardship Corner ~ February 18th & 19th
(506 Registered Families)**

	**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 4,956.00
On-Line Giving		\$ 1,555.00
Children’s Envelopes	9.61	\$ 15.00
Loose Offering	385.00	\$ 450.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$ 6,976.00

Year-to-date* budget requirement \$ 307,647.64
Year-to-date amount contributed \$ 292,017.93

*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.28	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
		6:30 PM	Holy Happy Hour
Wednesday	Mar. 1		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Mar. 2	10:00 AM	Rosary Makers—RH
Friday	Mar. 3	8:45 AM	Friday Folders
		5:30 PM	Stations of the Cross

**Eucharistic Revival:
A Minute with Jesus for February 26th
We need God’s help to believe.**

The Eucharist is a mystery, which means that God has revealed this truth to us. In other words, we would not know this reality without the Lord specifically saying these words about the Eucharist to us in Scripture. We can understand this mystery to an extent, but not fully because this mystery is of God, Who is infinite. The Eucharist is beyond our ability to grasp fully. Let’s pray this right now and every day this week: “*Jesus, please open my heart to believe that You are truly present in the Holy Eucharist*”. This week, read how St. Paul speaks of this mystery of the Eucharist in 1Corinthians 11:23-26

On March 2nd Queen of the Apostles Parish, Tomah, is hosting a presentation and display on the Shroud of Turin. Mr. Tony Cherniawski has been studying and presenting on the Shroud for over 20 years and his presentation includes life size photos of the Shroud. The presentation is at 6:30pm on Thursday, March 2nd in QOA’s church hall, downstairs from the church. All are invited to attend.

Retrouvaille—March 3rd—5th: ~ Are you struggling in your marriage? When the old ways aren’t working, the Retrouvaille Program helps couples restore their marriages and rebuild loving relationships. Retrouvaille offers hope and healing for hurting marriages. Costs are affordable and no couple is turned away because of limited finances. If you are wondering if this program is right for you or a loved one, find more information and answers to Frequently Asked Questions at HelpOurMarriage.org or call toll-free: 1.877.922.HOPE (4673). The next program begins on March 3-5. Call now!

St. Paul’s Catholic Church (New Lisbon) Friday Fish Fry! March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Baked or Fried cod, baked or fried potato, coleslaw, dessert and beverage—\$13 for adults. Children (6-12) \$6. Serving from 5 PM to 7 PM. For To-Go orders, call 608-562-3125 before 3 PM.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of February 25th & 26th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Kevin Quist
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm
Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, Gracey Kobylski
Musicians: John & Nancy Noga
Greeters: Kevin Quist
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

Gift Bearer: Ann Marie Vinopal & Family

Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Melissa Schanke
Eucharistic Minister: Vicki Boehm
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky, Canaan Becker
Musicians:

Greeters: The Becker Family
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Trembl, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer
Gift Bearers: Jim & Deb Bires
Scrip Seller: Connie Walhovd

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Lisa Pouillie
Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Horabik
Servers: Brayden & Kellen Housworth, Beau Barreau
Musicians: Peg Schmitz
Greeters: Bill Thill & Jane Powers
Ushers: Clinton Pouillie
Gift Bearers:
Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 4th & 5th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector:
Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser
Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller
Musicians: Sharon Kelly
Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Jim & Ann Vinopal
Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector:
Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke
Musicians:
Greeters: Barb Cowan, Kevin Stillson, Carol Gross
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Chris & Bonnie Clark
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector:
Eucharistic Minister: Julie Whitney
Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Greeters: Kris Mazur, Nancy Horabik
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: Irene Klingemann
Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

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!

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. Please take a "rice bowl" from the table in the gathering area for your family to use during Lent.

**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

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**St. Patrick's 2023 Trivia Night**—Saturday, March 11th (6:30 PM—10 PM). Hosted by St. Patrick's Home & School Committee. 8 adults per team (\$160 per team). Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the gathering area. Come out and have some fun (and maybe learn a few trivial things too!). It's sure to be lots of fun!

**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.

**200 ENVELOPES.....**On the bulletin board in the Gathering Area, there are 200 envelopes numbered 1 through 200. If each family or individual would take an envelope and place the corresponding dollar amount in the envelope (Envelope #1 = \$1, Envelope #50 = \$50, Envelope #179 = \$179, etc.) and return it in the collection basket, we could raise \$20,000! Let's, as a parish, set our goal to take and return ALL of the envelopes before Easter ~ April 9th. This year's donations will be used toward our Church Interior Restoration Project ( which begins MAY 1st ) You are welcome to take more than one envelope. You do not need to limit your donation to the amount that matched the number on the envelope. Your support is needed and appreciated! Please check each week's bulletin for our progress! Thank you! (P.S. Please put your name on the envelope(s) so we can record your donations.)



**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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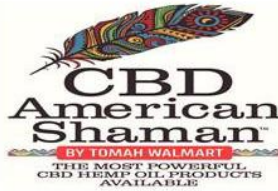
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