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## March 25, 2018

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

#### FROM OUR PASTOR:

Palm Sunday ushers us into Holy Week. The readings are powerful. They call us to reflect on what our God has done for us. Yes on one hand we know this. But it is not meant to be something we read or remember year to year only. We are to enter these mysteries (that which we can not fully grasp but can grow into) with an open heart that will allow us to love God all the more and serve our neighbor as we can.

The Chrism Mass is on Tuesday. What a powerful celebration by the Bishop. The oils we use all year long are blessed and are a sign of unity, sharing in these sacraments that Jesus gave to us. Holy Thursday recalls for us the gift of the Holy Eucharist, the gift of Jesus Himself, that we receive; how to thank Him for that? Good Friday is good for us. It is the day that the greatest good is done: salvation for all of creation. Holy Saturday is a time of vigil and prayer. The Easter vigil is the greatest of feasts. Some see it as too long, yet any football or baseball game, any tournament is far longer and no one complains or doesn't bother to come because of it. If it is that difficult for us to spend time with God now, why go to heaven and spend eternity with Him? That may sound tough, but it should open our eyes to look at our priorities.

Easter Sunday!! The resurrection of our Lord. How can we not cry out with joy! How to celebrate and recognize the opening of eternity for us. To be able to look upon the face of God and live? This great feast day continues for eight days, an octave. Divine Mercy Sunday concludes this great feast. For our 150th birthday as a diocese, we as the Tomah deanery are having Bishop Callahan celebrating that feast at Queen of the Apostles parish in Tomah. There will not be any Divine Mercy activities here at St. Patrick's parish. Please join with other parishioners and members of the deanery at Queen of the Apostles.

On Ash Wednesday Jesus told us "When you fast, when you pray, when you give alms." May we use these tools in this last week of Lent to prepare our hearts to know and experience the joyful gifts that our heavenly Father offers to us through Jesus in the life of the Holy Spirit.

*Father John*

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 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

#### **HOLY HOUR**

Mondays at 2:00 PM

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

#### **EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION**

First Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM  
All other Fridays beginning at 4:00 PM  
Stations of the Cross at 4:30 PM  
Benediction at 5:00 PM

### Mass Intentions for the week of March 25, 2018

Sat. Mar. 24 5:00 PM For our Parishioners

Sun. Mar. 25 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of  
*Bob Boehm*

10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of  
*Bill Rhyner*

Tue. Mar. 27 5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of  
*Mike Gorski*

Wed. Mar. 28 8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of  
Joseph & Phyllis Pochop

Thu. Mar. 29 7:00 PM For *Ernie & Audrey Schmocker*

Fri. Mar. 30 1:30 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Sat. Mar. 31 8:30 PM For our Parishioners

Sun. Apr. 1 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of  
*Don Strack*

10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of  
*Gene Hersil*

**Pray for the health of** Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Bonnie Norton, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, John Kueppers, Shirley Mills, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Maxine Grefe, Mary Ann Witcraft, Denise Dean, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kevin L., Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Jon Waalk, Helen Eucolono, Rita Burdick, Ethel Passer, Bill Eisch, Sid Mead, Steve, Art Randall, Ruby Steiner, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Dale Dolata, Therese, Gale Ryczek, Sandy Sarazin, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Margaret Gabay, Mary Allaby, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, Jim Czajka, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, John Buttner, Kathryn Doughty, Lavonne Kuwitzky, and the Moore Family.

**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 and Jessica Tremain.

**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.

**Rice Bowl helps Catholic Relief Services AND the Local Community with Project Seed** ~ Did you know that, besides helping Catholic Relief Services alleviate hunger worldwide, 25% of the donations collected through your Rice Bowls stays in the Diocese to fund Project Seed? Since 1996, Project Seed has offered high quality, low cost seed to area farmers, with initial savings of 20-30%. Further assistance is available in cases of hardship. For more information visit [www.dioc.org/social-concerns](http://www.dioc.org/social-concerns) and click on the "Rural Life" tab.

### Stewardship Corner ~ March 17th & 18th, 2018 (546 Registered Families)

	WKLY BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$10,774.46	\$ 4,443.29
On-Line Giving		\$ 773.00
Children's Envelopes	28.84	\$ 12.00
Loose Offering	596.15	\$ 653.88
Total Weekly Offering:	\$11,399.45	\$ 5,881.88
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 10.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$ 433,179.10
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$ 383,168.31

\*Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 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

Monday	Mar. 26	2:00 PM	Holy Hour
Tuesday	Mar. 27	6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	Mar. 28		NO Religious Ed Classes
		7:45 PM	Men's Bible Study
Thursday	Mar. 29	11—1	Rosary Makers ~ Lyndon Station

**Blest Art is visiting** our parish this weekend on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Their mission is to support these families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits, they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. **They gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards.**

**Please join us for Adult Faith Formation classes starting on April 10th**, 1-2:30pm OR Thursday April 12th, 5-6:30pm at the Rectory. Our topic for this first week will be "The Third Commandment: Love the Lord's Day." For the next 10 weeks, we will be offering Adult Faith Formation classes at the Rectory. Watch the bulletin for what topic we will be discussing for that week. No need to call ahead, or commit to all ten, just come when you are able. Any questions please contact Cassandra at 608-847-6054.

**Easter Flower Memorials** in memory of your loved ones who have passed away can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the rectory. Please have them in by March 28 in time for the names to be published for Easter.

### **Holy Week Schedule**

**Palm Sunday**—March 24th & 25th—Masses at 5PM  
Saturday, 8AM & 10 AM Sunday

**Chrism Mass**—Tues., March 27th at 10:30 AM at St.  
Joseph the Workman Cathedral, La Crosse

**Holy Thursday**—March 29th—Mass at 7 PM

**Good Friday**—March 30th—Stations of the Cross at 1 PM  
Good Friday Service at 1:30 PM

**Holy Saturday**—March 31st—Mass at 8:30 PM

**Easter Sunday**—April 1st—Masses at 8AM and 10 AM

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 24th & 25th**  
**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lectors: Gracie Footit, Jeri Kolba, Sam McCarty  
Extraordinary Ministers: Corinne Kaiser  
Servers: Lydia Chapman, Haley Marini, Nolan Powers  
Greeters: Monica Niles, Joan Potter  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Heidi Randall  
Gift Bearers: Bill & Jessica Powers  
Scrip Seller: Haley Gruber  
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Jerry Gardner, Bill Powers,  
Fran Lunenschloss

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lectors: Veronica Sustar, Mary Ann Strack, Bridget Gunther,  
Larry Moore  
Servers: Emma Eilers, Noah Fry, Elliot Thayer  
Greeters: Jerry & Marie Boehm, Geri Shore  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary  
Gift Bearers: Vicky Boehm  
Scrip Seller: Melissa Fry  
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Trembl,  
Arnie Penzkover

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lectors: Sue Hollenbeck, Paul Curran, Sam McCarty  
Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Beth Crowley  
Servers: Nathan & Carter Field, Myra Hancock  
Greeters: Kris & Janina Mazur, Bill Thill  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir  
Gift Bearers: Fred & Sue Hollenbeck  
Scrip Seller: Jodi Field  
Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,  
Greg Cowan

**10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:**

Chitra & Elaine Garrigan

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 31st & April 1st**  
**Saturday, 8:30 PM**

Lectors: Jeri Kolba, Veronica Sustar, Shirley Buttner,  
Sam McCarty, David Hoffmann  
Extraordinary Ministers:  
Servers: Nolan Powers, Annah Lund, Zach Lund  
Greeters:  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers Needed  
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Jerry Gardner, Bill Powers,  
Fran Lunenschloss

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lectors: Lois Lawton, Mary Ann Strack  
Extraordinary Ministers:  
Servers: Sena Vinopal  
Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross, Bridget Gunther  
Musicians: Ann Benz  
Gift Bearers: Mary Ann Strack & Family  
Ushers: Larry Lubinski, Chuck Kraemer, Jim Bires,  
Arris Sullivan

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lectors: Bill Curran, Millie Hovde  
Extraordinary Ministers:  
Servers: Carter Field, Nathan Field  
Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Cassandra Thayer  
Gift Bearers: John & Ann Hersil  
Ushers: John Walsh Jr., Maryann Allaby, Jim Allaby,  
Steve Powers

**10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:**

Harry & Shirley Buttner

**NOTE: Daily Mass on Friday, April 6th will be at 7:30 AM not 8:00 AM.**

**For those subscribing to the “Word Among Us”,** the April issue is available at the rectory.

**We'll be cleaning the Church for Easter** on Monday, March 26th starting at 10AM. We are looking for help! If you are willing and able to help, please give Jane Powers a call at 847-5117.

**Thank you to all who came** to the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast on February 25th. The breakfast was a success with net proceeds of \$395 going to St. Patrick's 8th grade class needs.

**Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land:**

Each year, His Holiness, Pope Francis asks our parishes to support the Christians in the Holy Land. In the Diocese of La Crosse, the collection is a part of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Therefore, it is not required that parishes take up the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land. However, wars, unrest and instability continue to plague the area and are especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees as well as support for area Catholic parishes and schools. Therefore, our parishioners may look forward to the traditional collection. At the pastor's discretion, if the collection is taken up, please send the funds to the Diocesan Office for Temporalities. Parish collections will then be joined to the Annual Appeal funds and forwarded to the Commissariat of the Holy Land. May God reward your generosity.

**Join Bishop Callahan for Divine Mercy Sunday** at

Queen of the Apostles Parish in Tomah. He will be celebrating the 10:30am Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be from noon-3:15pm and confessions will be heard from 1pm-3pm. In conjunction with the Diocesan Sesquicentennial, the bishop is traveling to all deaneries throughout the year starting in the Tomah Deanery. Mark your calendars and come help him celebrate! See this weekend's bulletin insert for more information.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

**Our goal for this year is \$39,810.00**

**Pledged to date: \$35,015.00 ~ 133 families have pledged**

**THANK YOU!!**

We ask each and every family to prayerful consider supporting the appeal. Your support is needed. Please return your pledge card as soon as you are able.

**200 Envelopes....**

Thank you to everyone who is participating in our 200 Envelopes Lenten Fundraiser. What a great response so far! 90 envelopes have already been returned. We have collected \$8,805.00! Thank you! Envelopes remain. Please take one or two and help us reach our goal of \$20,000.00 by Easter.

**FORMED** ~ Our FORMED Pick of the Week is an audio version of The Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross is the traditional prayer of the Church during Lent, especially during Holy Week. This audio version beautifully combines the prayers of a great saint, St. Alphonsus Ligouri, with the Latin hymn Stabat Mater to draw you into a more intimate experience of Christ's journey to Calvary. This Holy Week, journey with Christ toward Good Friday with the Stations of the Cross on [formed.org](http://formed.org).

FORMED is for the WHOLE family. Register at [stpatriksmauston.formed.org](http://stpatriksmauston.formed.org). You can also download an app for your Android or I-phone from your Play Store. Take some time this Lenten season to check it out!

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**Project Seed – Help for Farmers** ~ Since 1996, the Rural Life Committee has offered high quality, low cost seeds through Project Seed. There are initial savings of 20-30% and for hardships, further assistance is possible. Forage and corn seed are offered and both conventional and Glyphosate Resistant varieties are available. It is best to pre-order by contacting: Scott Mohr 608-769-2764 • Steve Mohr 608-780-5460 • Jim Pingel 715-456-2710

Sale dates, locations and contacts are:

- April 7, 10am – 12pm in Cassel @ Sacred Heart – Mary 715-443-2103
- April 14, 10am – 2pm in Colby @ Forman Farm Home Store - 715-456-2710

**Farmers' Hotline** ~ With historically high numbers of farmers declaring bankruptcy, there is also a high amount of distress. There is HELP. We offer two helplines:

The Farmers' Hotline in Madison is 800-942-2474

Organic Valley farmer hotline number is: 888-809-9297

**First Saturday Devotions** – Please join in observing First Saturday Devotions, as Our Lady requested at Fatima, to obtain peace for the world. On Saturday, April 7, 2018, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, a meditation on one of the mysteries of the Holy Rosary will be given by the Friars of the Immaculate. Their talk will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Shrine Church, followed by the Holy Rosary at 10:30 a.m. and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 11:00 a.m. Confession will be available from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and also following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**Basic Catechism Study Group** – A Study Group for Fr. Hardon's Basic Catechism Course will meet every First Saturday of the month at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse. Meetings will be held immediately following the 11 a.m. Mass in the Church crypt. For more information, email the Marian Catechist Apostolate at [Prayer@MarianCatechist.com](mailto:Prayer@MarianCatechist.com); or call their office at 608-782-0011. Everyone is invited to participate.

**Learn to Love your Spouse as God Does – Attend the Domestic Church Retreat** ~ A Domestic Church retreat gives sacramentally married couples real, concrete help so they can tap into what God has in store for them. It helps spouses find true joy in the midst of the daily demands of marriage and family life. This is your opportunity to begin a spiritual journey together (or deepen what already exists). It is also an introduction to Domestic Church for those interested in beginning formation in a Domestic Church circle. The next retreat is April 26-29, 2018 at the Saint Anthony Retreat Center in Marathon City. Register at [diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/](http://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/). Scholarships are available. For more information about Domestic Church, go to [domesticchurchfamilies.com](http://domesticchurchfamilies.com)

### **Diaconate Discernment Retreat Saturday, April 7**

Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church – preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat at St. Anthony's Retreat Center on April 7, 2018. Then call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2019 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat (this spring or next) is a prerequisite. For more information, visit [www.diolc.org/diaconate](http://www.diolc.org/diaconate).

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~ Building Upon A Tradition of Faith ~  
Celebrating its 150th Anniversary March 3, 1868 - 2018**

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