



**May 8, 2022**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **Mary, a Model for Motherhood**

The fourth week of Easter is an invitation for the World Day of Prayer for Vocation. As we pray for all those who have responded to God's call, let us also pray for our youth that they may respond to God's call. Another event that falls on May 08<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day. Our prayerful wishes to all our mothers. As we are in the month of May, dedicated to Mary, the Church calls us to open our hearts in a special way to Mary. Hence let us learn some lessons from motherhood of Mary.

Mother's Day has a deep spiritual dimension. Mary, the mother of Jesus, is the greatest of all mothers. Motherhood has always been a sacred and noble vocation, but Mary raised it to even greater stature when she became the Mother of God. As the mother who is "blessed among women" (Lk 1:42), Mary gives us the clearest and most inspiring picture of what the ideal mother should look like.

Pope Benedict XVI said that *"Mary is the image and model of all mothers, of their great mission to be guardians of life, of their mission to be teachers of the art of living and of the art of loving."*

**Mary, a Prayerful Mother:** Mary accompanied Jesus's entire life in prayer, right up to His death and resurrection; and in the end, she continued and she accompanied the first steps of the early Church. Mary prayed with the disciples who had witnessed the scandal of the cross. Mary was there, with the disciples, in the midst of the men and women whom her Son had called to form His Community. She prayed with them and prayed for them. Mary's prayer is silent. Mothers who follow Mary's example are invited to be deeply prayerful, and speak to God from their hearts day-by-day (Magnificat).

**Mary, Our spiritual Mother:** Mary's presence in our lives is a motherly presence. We call her Our Blessed Mother. Indeed, from the Cross, Jesus gave her to us as our Mother and entrusted us to her as her children. Jesus' words to John, the beloved disciple, were also addressed to all of us: Behold your mother! From the cross, Jesus gave us the beautiful gift of his mother to be our mother too. As per Bishop Kevin, *"Jesus made his mother the mother of all the members of his Mystical Body, the Church. Jesus invites us to accept Mary as our mother and to respond to her motherly love as true children."*

**Mary, a Consoling Mother:** Mary the mother of Jesus stood near to the cross so that her son could see her and know she was there for him. She suffered with him as though to bear some of his pain. That's what mothers do. Mary never abandoned her son, even during adulthood, particularly when things were at his worst. This sort of enduring love is exemplary for Christian mothers.

**Mary, a Model for Christian Mothers:** According to Fr. Michael Van Sloun, *"every conception is a miracle, and every Christian mother knows that she is a partner with God in the ongoing work of creation, deeply aware that her child is a gift from God."* As a result, when a Christian woman is blessed with a pregnancy, she rejoices in her child as Mary rejoiced in Jesus, she completes her pregnancy rather than end it in abortion, and cares for her unborn child with good nutrition, medical checkups, and the avoidance of smoking, alcohol, or any drugs that could have a harmful effect. Christian mothers also do not focus solely on themselves and their own families. Instead, they have the marvelous ability to assist relatives and friends who are in need, like Mary visited Elizabeth.

**Our Gratitude and Prayers for our Earthly Mothers:** *As we honor Mary Mother of God, we also honor our earthly mothers. On Mother's Day, we remember with gratitude and affection our mothers, not only through material gifts, flowers, or cards, but also, and more importantly, by our prayers for them. We thank God for the gift of our mothers who conceived and gave birth to us, who cared for us, protected us, taught us, and loved us. Many passed on the precious gift of faith to us. We remember all our mothers, living and deceased. We thank them for their generosity and self-giving love.*

Fr. Cryton

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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

Thursdays at 2:00 PM

#### **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 May 8, 2022**

Sat.	May 7	5:00 PM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Gerald &amp; Beverly Steiner</i>
Sun.	May 8	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Don Strack</i>
		10:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
Tue.	May 10	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jerry Boehm</i>
Wed.	May 11	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Mary Buttner</i>
		6:15 PM	For <i>all Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family</i>
Thu.	May 12	8:00 AM	For <i>Amir Rahnavard</i>
Fri.	May 13	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Louis Varga</i>
Sat.	May 14	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i>
Sun.	May 15	8:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Rose &amp; LaVerne Schaller</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, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, 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 and Phil S.

**Pray for those in the military serving our country:** Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

**Fr. Valentine will be here to concelebrate** Mass on Saturday, May 14th at 5 PM. We will be having a gathering in Reardon Hall after Mass for those who would like to visit with Father. Please feel free to join us!

**The Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated here at St. Patrick's on Tuesday, May 17th at 6 PM. Let us pray for those who will be receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Padre Jose Polish Party**—Saturday, May 14th from 4 PM to 9 PM at Memories Ballroom in Marathon City. Family Friendly Polish Dinner, Live Music, Raffle Baskets, Dancing. \$30 per adult (\$10 for dance only). Celebrating Fr. Joe Walijewski and his legacy.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you** to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. **We currently have 88 families who have pledged \$33,341.** If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

**Stewardship Corner ~ April 30th & May 1st, 2022  
(524 Registered Families)**

		<b>**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62		\$ 4,523.00
On-Line Giving			1,525.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61		9.00
Loose Offering	385.00		732.00
<b>Total Weekly Offering:</b>		<b>\$ 8,779.23</b>	<b>\$ 6,789.00</b>
Year-to-date* budget requirement			\$386,286.09
Year-to-date amount contributed			\$393,052.59

\*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date

**\*\* Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 125,803 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	May 10	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
		7:00 PM	KC Meeting—RH
Wednesday	May 11		Religious Ed Classes
		5:15 PM	Catholic Ed Meeting
		8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church
Thursday	May 12	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		2:00 PM	Rosary in Church
Friday	May 13	8:30 AM	Friday Folders

**Knights of Columbus Meeting**—Tuesday, May 10th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

**Just a Reminder—Scrip is sold during the week at the SCHOOL office.** You can stop by to purchase it during our office hours or call or e-mail ahead and we will have your order ready for you to pick up. Please support our school by using Scrip.

*Merciful God,*  
 bless my mother this  
*Mother's Day*  
 for her *loving*  
 and *nurturing* ways.  
 Through her *care* and intercession,  
 you graced me and  
 formed me in so many ways.  
 May the *love* you  
 gave me *through her*  
 be showered on her today  
 and for all eternity. *Amen.*

Fr. Patrick Caveglia, O.S.B.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 7th & 8th**  
**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Kevin Quist  
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm  
Servers: Owen & Aedyn Lubinski  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Jacob Brunner  
Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski, Laura Schwab  
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Melissa Schanke  
Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke  
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke  
Musicians:  
Greeters: Donna Miller, Joe Buttner, Vicki Boehm  
Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Julie Whitney  
Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Horabik  
Servers: Brayden & Kellen Housworth, Caroline Marien  
Musicians: Sharon Kelly  
Greeters: Steve & Tracy Thorson  
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of May 14th & 15th**  
**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Jaime Pouillie  
Eucharistic Minister: Carrol Kaiser  
Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, Gracey Kobylski  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Jacob Brunner  
Greeters:  
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Mark Becker  
Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca  
Servers: Cody Komiskey  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary  
Greeters: Therese, Bridget & Amelia Gunther  
Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Lisa Pouillie  
Eucharistic Minister: Julie Whitney  
Servers: Hudson Randall, Cooper Thayer, Johann Wolf  
Musicians: Ann Benz, Cristina Becker  
Greeters: Kris Mazur, Jane Powers  
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

## 200 ENVELOPES FUNDRAISER

This week, 8 envelopes were returned bringing our total to 125 envelopes for a total of \$11,712.00. Thank you!

### *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.

**Wednesday Evening Prayer Time:** The church will be open on Wednesday evenings at 8 PM for a time of prayer. Please feel free to join as / when you are able.

**Praying the Rosary:** Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. Our intention is for “peace in Eastern Europe and throughout the world.” The rosary is live-streamed on our parish Facebook page.

**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.

**CRAFT SUPPLY SALE—Saturday, June 18th from 9 AM—12 noon in Reardon Hall (Pre-Sale for parishioners—Friday, June 17th from 6—8 PM).** Thanks to the generosity of Jim Taylor, we have lots of crafting supplies for knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, etc. including lots of patterns and kits. There will be NO prices marked—everything will be for a free-will donation in memory of Mary Taylor. All proceeds will go to the Fr. Reardon Scholarship Fund.

**Rummage Sale Items Wanted: Time to start collecting items for our Rummage Sale** (which will be in early August)!. We will be collecting items for the sale on Wednesday evenings from 6—8 PM starting **JUNE 29th**. You may bring your items to the rectory garage starting then. Please do not bring clothes. If you have larger items or furniture or cannot drop off your items on Wednesday evenings, please give Therese Gunther a call (847-6744) to make arrangements.

## FORMED

### A Catholic Take on Star Wars

Join a Biblical scholar and a moral theologian as they discuss Star Wars! Dr. Michael Barber and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, professors at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, dive into the famous series of Star Wars created by George Lucas. These two Star Wars enthusiasts look into the various themes within the series, the transcendentals that drive much of the scripts, and touch on the character development present in the movies. They address the recent additions to the corpus of Star Wars—the Mandalorian and the Book of Boba Fett—and why they have captured audiences across the country since release.

**Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated during Mass on weekends. Parents may request baptism for their child by calling the rectory to schedule a preparation class for Baptism.

**Marriage:** Couples requesting marriage in the Church should contact the parish at least six months prior to the anticipated date. Weddings are not celebrated during Advent or Lent.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** Individuals who are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion should contact the rectory.

**New Parish Members:** All adult Catholics (who have turned 18) should be registered in a parish community. To register, please contact the rectory for this easy process.

**Christian Initiation of Adults:** We welcome those who are interested in joining the Catholic Church. Please call the rectory for information on our welcoming ministry.

### **DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or [intakeagent@diolc.org](mailto:intakeagent@diolc.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: [diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting](http://diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting). **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or [tbrown@diolc.org](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org).

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