

September 22, 2019 TWENTY-FIFTH

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

"Belief signifies the decision that at the very core of human existence there is a point that cannot be nourished and supported on the visible and tangible, that encounters and comes into contact with what cannot be seen and finds that it is a necessity for its own existence. Belief has always had something of a...leap about it, because in every age it represents the risky enterprise of accepting what plainly cannot be seen as the truly real and fundamental. Belief...has always been a decision calling on the depths of existence, a decision that in every age demanded a turnabout by man that can only be achieved by an effort of will." Pope Benedict XVI

As reflected upon by Pope Benedict, at a certain point for us to believe calls forth a decision at the very core of who we are. There is much that can support us and direct us, but it is that effort, that decision that will carry the day. It is each day that we need to make that decision to follow Jesus, the Son of God, that we have come to know by our time in prayer, through the scriptures and that relationship nourished by the sacraments. If we fade from the practice of the faith, it is not our parents fault. At a deep level we have put Jesus on the throne of our hearts or we have placed something else there.

"Faith is the finding of a 'you' that upholds me and amid all the unfulfilled--and in the last resort unfulfillable--hope of human encounters gives me the promise of an indestructible love that not only longs for eternity but also guarantees it. Christian faith lives on the discovery that not only is there such a thing as objective meaning but that this meaning knows me and loves me, that I can entrust myself to it like the child who knows that everything he may be wondering about is safe in the 'you' of his mother. Thus in the last analysis believing, trusting, and loving are one, and all the theses around which belief revolves are only concrete expressions of the all-embracing about-turn, of the assertion 'I believe in you...." Pope Benedict XVI

Each Sunday we say the Creed. That we believe. Pope Benedict XVI was known for the depth of his reflection on the scriptures, the Fathers of the early Church and the liturgy. This all comes together in the above reflections that we can take for granted. In so many of the sciences there are aspects of chemistry, physics or math that most of us may not grasp easily but play a role in our lives on a daily basis. So too the "simple" statements of the Creed that we pray.

I believe in God the Father is a powerful statement that tells us God is someone and not creation, the world or something of the world. That God is a person that we can have a relationship with. That we can come to know more deeply this person who can be a part of our lives. The sense of family by saying Father. The Catechism can walk us through so much more to reflect on in the section that explores the Creed, the basis and basics of the faith.

This weekend we look forward to the start of our Religious Education program. It is a chance to thank our volunteers who are beginning this journey with our students. Also a reason for all of us to be encouraged to mature in our faith, knowledge of the Creed and our relationship with the Father, Son and 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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of September 22, 2019

Sat. Sept. 21	5:00 PM	For the repose of the souls of Rose & LaVerne Schaller
Sun. Sept. 22	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Joseph Skalak
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue. Sept. 24	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Jack Warsaw
Wed. Sept. 25	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jack Koca
	6:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Paulette Wells
Thu. Sept. 26	8:00 AM	For the Mark and Tina Buttner Family
Fri. Sept. 27	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Bernard & Darlene Perz
Sat. Sept. 28 <i>Members</i>		For the Living & Deceased onna High School Class of 1954
Sun. Sept. 29		For the Living & Deceased hbers of the Knights of Columbus
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Mary Ann Witcraft, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Jon Waalk, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Art Randall, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Therese, Sandy Sarazin, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Margaret Gabay, 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, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, John Sustar, Eric Erskine, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Mary Taylor, Tillie Schumacher, Bill Loescher, Fran Watry, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family,

Charles (Pat) Madden

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, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe and Zachary Bader.

Freddie Dziewior, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary

Lechleiter, and Bernadine Seitz.

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.

If you have Mass intentions that you would like said in October, November or December, we have openings for Masses at Fairview Nursing Home and for the 6 PM Wednesday Masses. Please stop at the rectory to arrange your Mass intentions.

<u>Stewardship Corner ~ September 14th & 15th, 2019</u> (535 Registered Families)

WKLY Adult Envelopes	BUDGETED \$10,776.27	ACTUAL			
On-Line Giving	¢.0,0	REPORT NOT			
Children's Envelopes	19.23	AVAILABLE			
Loose Offering	596.15	_			
Total Weekly Offering:	\$11,391.65				
Budget Contingency Fun	\$				
Year-to-date* budget req	\$125,308.15				
Year-to-date amount con	\$ 85,839.27				
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 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					

Weekly Calendar

Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Tuesday	Sept 24	6:30 PM	Holy Happy Hour
Wednesday Sept. 25			Religious Ed Classes
Thursday	Sept. 19	10:30—1	Rosary Makers - RH
Friday	Sept. 20	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

The Hannah Center invites you to the "*Giving for Life Banquet*" on Thursday, October 3rd at 5:30 PM at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center at 750 S. Central Ave., Marshfield. The speaker will be Annie Meehan, award winning author, speaker and life coach. Tickets are available on line at www.hannahcenter.com - \$65 per ticket. *The Hannah Center exists to assist women in life crisis through compassion and guidance in a nurturing environment. We are committed to preserving life, providing a home and promoting change.*

Men of the Cross Conference ~ This year's theme is "The Father's Way." A special rate is being offered for Father-Son attendees. The conference is held in La Crosse on Saturday, October 26, and sure to engage men of all ages. For more details and to register, go to <u>menofthecross.org</u>

Help Hurricane Relief Efforts in the Bahamas ~ After 36 hours of battering the island, Hurricane Dorian has left families homeless and virtually destroyed the land. Rains and flooding continue to affect relief efforts and communication is limited. *Catholic Relief Services*—along with local partners—is working quickly to assess immediate needs. Donations help bring relief, in the form of food, emergency shelter, and safe water, to affected families. If you would like to donate, please visit <u>www.crs.org.</u>

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR <u>SCRIP</u> TODAY AFTER MASS!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of September 21 & 22

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lectors: Roxanne Shragal Extraordinary Minister: Carrol Kaiser Servers: Gracey Kobylski, Landynn Miller, Braden Heath Greeters: Monica Niles, Donna Bollig Musicians: Ann Benz, Cassie Thayer Gift Bearers: Ann Benz & Paul Schaller Scrip Seller: Tammy Heath Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner, Fran Lunenschloss Sunday, 8:00 AM Lectors: Larry Moore, Mary Ann Strack Servers: Matthew Gunther, Jacob Barnes, Eli Schanke Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Gift Bearers: Dave & Sue Bosgraaf Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml, Arnie Penzkover, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Bill Curran Extraordinary Minister: Joelle Curran Servers: Martin Wolf, Christian Brow, Weston Pouillie

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10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:

Chitra & Elaine Garrigan

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of September 28 & 29 Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jerilynn Kolba Extraordinary Minister: Roxanne Shragal Servers: Nolan Powers, Avery Thayer, Owen Lubinski Greeters: Joan Potter, Ernie & Audrey Schmocker Musicians: Peg Schmitz Gift Bearers: Members of the Class of 1954 Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner, Fran Lunenschloss Sunday, 8:00 AM Lectors: Bridget Gunther, Veronica Sustar Servers: Brie Eckerman, Carson Demaske, Noah Fry Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross Musicians: Ann Benz, Sadie Eckerman Gift Bearers: Members of the Knights of Columbus Scrip Seller: Bobbi Eckerman Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml, Arnie Penzkover, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Howard Boppart, Sue Hollenbeck Extraordinary Minister: Gina Boppart Servers: Ethan Lulich, Justyna Jakacki, Jackson Whitney Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill, Devan Minard Musicians: Ann Benz, Liz Housworth Gift Bearers: Paul & Nancy Schaller Scrip Seller: Julie Whitney

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson, Bill Thill

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Harry & Shirley Buttner As a way to help facilitate the theme for Religious Education, "Going Deeper in Prayer", Father will be offering an additional Mass on Wednesday Nights when there are Religious Ed Classes. This Daily Mass will start at 6pm and finish by 6:30pm, just in time for the Religious Ed classes to start. This is open to ALL parishioners, students, and families. The first Mass will be Wednesday September 25th @ 6pm.

St. Andrew's Pancake Breakfast ~WARRENS, WIS. – St. Andrew Catholic Church will hold their annual pancake breakfast – featuring their secret cranberry syrup recipe – all three days of the Warrens Cranberry Festival, which runs Sept. 27-29, 2019. Serving is from 6 to 11 a.m. in the church hall, located at the corner of May and Pine Streets. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Children 5 or younger eat for free. During the festival, Mass is offered on Saturday at 4 and 6 p.m.

ON LINE GIVNG—If you have not tried on-line giving, please check it out! It's safe, secure and simple! You can find the link on our website: <u>stpatricksmauston.com</u>

Do you have a loved one who has been thinking about joining the Catholic Church, and feeling a little lost? OR maybe you are starting to develop your Catholic faith and it is feeling a little overwhelming. Please take some time to pray about it in the next few weeks, and join us later in September for Adult Faith Formation! Details will follow in the next few weeks. We have a great RCIA team that would love to journey with you. If you have any questions please contact Cassandra Thayer at 608-847-6054 or <u>re@stpatricksmauston.com</u>

Rural Life Day ~ September 25th: We thank God for this year's harvest and especially for our farmers. We ask God for continuing good health, safety and success of our farmers in the year to come.

PRAYER FOR FARMERS

Let us pray for the Blessings we receive each day from the Lord. Let us pray for the land, water and air God has given us to take care of. Let us pray for those who work the land that they always be mindful and respectful of God's creation. Let us pray for favorable weather this harvest season. Let us pray for safety of our farmers and their families.

Let us pray for fair and just prices for our farmers so the small family farmers can be sustained. Let us pray for all who have been injured or lost their lives in farm accidents. Amen

World Day of Migrants and Refugees—September 29th ~ "It is not just about migrants." Please take time to pray for those who are seeking a better life for themselves and their families and the challenges that they face.

La Crosse Life-Chain ~ Sunday, October 6th from 2:00 PM—3:00 PM. On the corner of Losey Blvd and La Crosse St. Please come and provide witness to the sanctity of life. Signs will be provided.