



October 3, 2021
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that (paragraph 352) "the church venerates the angels who help her on her earthly pilgrimage and protect every human being." Paragraph 334 states "the whole life of the Church benefits from the mysterious and powerful help of the angels."

Perhaps that seems abstract. The angels are spiritual beings. We don't see them at work, unless granted by God for our particular good. Maybe we don't give them much thought.

First off we probably should more often not just think of them but thank them. The Church venerates angels. What does that mean? Venerate is a high level of respect and attention. This past week we had two feast days for the angels. September 29th was the feast of the Archangels (St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael). Then on October 2nd we had the feast for the Holy Guardian Angels.

All angels are messengers of God. Their messages can hold good news or guidance. An archangel has a message of greater importance for the whole world; like Gabriel going to Mary.

Our guardian angel carries to each of us a message of God's care and compassion for each of us as individuals. They are assigned to us and are with us as long as we are on earth.

As spiritual beings we do not see them. They are beyond our senses. Some people have been given that privilege of seeing or talking with their particular angel. Others, even those I have talked with, have seen angels at Mass around the altar. We join them in singing Holy, Holy, Holy at Mass. They are there and want to be with Jesus all the more so as He is present Body, Blood, soul and divinity upon the altar. We get to receive Him in the Holy Eucharist while they clearly see His glory and praise Him at Mass.

There are a number of devotions for the angels. The Angel of God prayer is very common and often taught to your children as a night time prayer. There is the chaplet of St. Michael. There are litanies to the guardian angels and one to St. Michael. There are numerous shrines and churches that are named after the angels or Archangels. A famous example is Mont-Saint-Michel abbey in France.

So I encourage you to take that time each day and ask your guardian angel to assist you. Be specific in what you need and the help that benefits you to grow in holiness. We may not always take the angels and their help as seriously as we should. There are many temptations around us and there are areas of our lives that we are working on; why not get that extra help that can assist us to live as God wants us to?

O angel of God, my guardian, by the divine goodness I am entrusted to your charge. Enlighten, keep, govern, and direct me this day. Almighty and everlasting God, You who have created me in Your own image, and have deputized Your holy angel to be my guardian, grant me, by his guidance and protection, to pass successfully through all spiritual and physical dangers, and when this life is ended, to enjoy eternal happiness with him. Amen.

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 October 3, 2021

Sat. Oct. 2	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Dennis Kolba</i>
Sun. Oct. 3	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jeri Delgado</i>
	10:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
Tue. Oct. 5	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jack Koca</i>
Wed. Oct. 6	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Andrew Petrowitz</i>
	2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the <i>Living & Deceased</i> <i>Members of the Infant Jesus of Prague Circle</i>
Thu. Oct. 7	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jerry Neve</i>
Fri. Oct. 8	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Dorothy Neve</i>
Sat. Oct. 9	5:00 PM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Jim & Gerrie Carney</i>
Sun. Oct. 10	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i>
	10:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</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 Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, 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, Bernadine Seitz, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Marty, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak and Eric.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson and Ethan Jasinski.

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.

We welcome Eliza Louise Scribner, daughter of Avery and Madison (Follen) Scribner, who is being baptized today.

For those subscribing to "The Word Among Us", your October issue is available on the rectory porch.

**Stewardship Corner ~ September 25th & 26th, 2021
(524 Registered Families)**

**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING		ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62	3,003.00
On-Line Giving		1,588.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	18.00
Loose Offering	385.00	467.00
Total Weekly Offering:		5,076.00
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 35.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$114,130.54
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$113,329.59

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date

**** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 188,603 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

Wednesday	Oct. 6	6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
		8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church
Thursday	Oct. 7	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		5:15 PM	Catholic Ed. Mtg.
Friday	Oct. 8	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Natasha Quinnell & Michael St. Clair October 16

St. Pat's "That Man Is You Program" has started. We meet each Friday through December 17th from 6:30 am to roughly 7:30 am in the Mile Bluff Community Room. Each session stands on its own so if you didn't make the first one or two you can join us when it works for you. The "**That Man Is You**" program addresses the role men of faith play in today's modern culture based on the teaching of the Church. If you have questions or would like anymore information feel free to call Howard Boppert at 608-548-6513. Hope to see you next Friday morning.

Attention Ladies: The PCCW will be meeting on Thursday, October 14th at 8:45 AM. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day ~ Monday, October 4th.

Saint Francis of Assisi is a beacon for those seeking a life of meaning and service. It does no good to put him on a pedestal; rather we should walk with St. Francis on the path of peace, openness, mysticism, poverty, reverence for nature, and love of animals.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of October 2nd & 3rd

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich

Servers: Kord, Kutter & Gracey Kobylski

Musicians:

Greeters:

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Paul Schaller

Servers: Seth Schwedsky, Noah Fry, Holden Eckerman

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie

Servers: Warrick Housworth, Jasper Walsh, Naome Pouillie

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir

Greeters: Kris Mazur

Ushers: Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of October 9th & 10th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Howard Boppart

Servers: Jack Vinopal, Landynn Miller, Jonny Riley

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling

Greeters:

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Nora Scully

Servers: Jacob Barnes, Carson Demaske, Eli Schanke

Musicians:

Greeters: Carol Gross, Amelia Gunther

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Lisa Pouillie

Servers: Christian Brow, Carter & Nathan Field

Musicians:

Greeters:

Ushers: Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart

Our liturgies should utilize the talents and gifts that God has given this community to the fullest extent. Whether participation is through "behind the scenes" preparation and planning or through a public role of service within the Mass, parishioner contributions help our liturgies to be truly life-giving celebrations. Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry:

* **Ushers:** Ushers seat parishioners, take up collections, and organize communion processions among other duties. Ushering teams carry out the duty of ushering at parish Masses, services, and special holiday services. If you are interested in knowing more about this ministry or signing up please contact Bill Powers at billyboy82@hotmail.com



40 Days for Life – La Crosse Campaign continues through Oct. 31 ~ This fall a 40 Days for Life campaign in La Crosse runs through October 31 on the corner of 7th Street and South Avenue. *40 Days for Life* is a worldwide effort open to people of all faiths who wish to see an end to the injustice of abortion. Visit diolc.org/respect-life to learn more and to sign up for this 40 Days for Life fall campaign.

National Life-Chain Sunday ~ Sunday, October 3rd from 2:30 PM—4:00 PM at the intersection of N. Union Street and Hwy 82. Please come and provide witness to the sanctity of life. Signs will be provided. For more information, please contact Betty Lobenstein at 608-572-3176.

Nationally-known speaker, Dr. Edward Sri, to speak on October 12 and 13 ~ Dr. Edward Sri is a theologian, author and well-known Catholic speaker who appears regularly on EWTN. Dr. Sri will be speaking at St. Patrick Church in Onalaska on Tues. Oct. 12 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm and at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral on Wed. Oct. 13 from 9 – 11 a.m. All are welcome.

Gospel of Life White Mass and Banquet – October 18: All the faithful are most welcome to honor the dedicated service of Catholic doctors, nurses, and other healthcare professionals at the Gospel of Life White Mass and Banquet held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in La Crosse. Dr. John Travaline, a teaching surgeon, a deacon and expert in St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body will speak on Seeing Human Dignity through the Theology of the Body. Learn more and register at diolc.org/gospeloflife.

The Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph" We invite you to join us for the 2021 Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph!" On Saturday, October 23, 2021, we have a seat for you at the table to, not only join us for the day, but to develop friendships with Catholic men from around the Diocese of La Crosse. While this will be a great day for prayer, spiritual nourishment, fellowship, and food, it will also be an opportunity to talk about action steps Catholic men can take in their own parishes and communities to minister to other Catholic men throughout the year. You will hear from nationally known speakers: Jon Leonetti and Monsignor Joseph Hirsch. The day will also include a time of Adoration and opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will end the conference with a Eucharistic procession and Mass with Bishop William Patrick Callahan. And there is more exciting news! Dads, you can bring your high school and college-age sons with you at no extra charge (Free spots are limited)! What a great experience for fathers and sons to have together! We hope you will not only register for this awesome day but spread the word to other Catholic men! To Register, please visit menofthecross.org.

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