



October 11, 2020 TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

We are a people of prayer. Gathering for the liturgy defines us. The Mass is a huge part of our lives. Yet our busy lives can keep us from praying as we want. So there are a few liturgical news items I would like to share with you and invite you to be a part of.

Building on what we started last year during Religious Education, we will have Mass on the Wednesdays that we have Religious Education. It will be at 6 pm and as a daily Mass it will be done by 6:30 pm so that our students can be on time for class that evening. This is open to anyone who can make it. Please watch the bulletin to know if there is class, if so there will be Mass that night.

November 6th will be the First Friday of that month. In the past the First Friday was a time for adoration throughout most of the day. Things have changed in our world. Trying to take that into account and yet allow time for people to spend with the Lord is a balance. At the Sacred Worship committee meeting we discussed offering some time and by making some changes perhaps allow others who may not have been able to attend in the past. So for the next number of months we will have First Friday adoration starting at noon and ending at 6 pm with benediction.

All other Fridays of the month remain as they are with a holy hour from 3-4 pm. They conclude with benediction. It is hoped that with a noon start our school children will have an opportunity to be a part of it. But also those who are working would have some time too. We are looking at having committees be responsible for certain hours as we did before the world shut down back in March. During adoration your focus is fully on the Lord. But adoration also allows for people to spread out throughout the whole church and come and go as their schedule allows.

October 7th was the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The whole month of October is the month of the Rosary. A good reminder and encouragement. Perhaps that is not a usual practice that you or your family does. Nonetheless this would be a good time to pick it up or try again. On Thursdays we are offering the Rosary on Facebook at 2 pm. As you pray through all the mysteries it opens for us the scriptures, God's plan of salvation.

October 16th is the feast of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Jesus appeared to her encouraging her and asking her to celebrate a devotion to the Sacred Heart. Jesus incorporated her love of the Blessed Sacrament into it as a way of coming to know God's great love for His people. Jesus encouraged her and others to receive Holy Communion on First Friday. She was not fully believed during her lifetime, yet she left the Church a great legacy and concrete way to meditate on the heart of Jesus, His love and a way to live that out.

October is filled with many great opportunities for prayer. I encourage you to take some time and return to certain practices putting them back into your schedule or try something new that has been around and helped so many saints.

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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 beginning at 12 Noon
Benediction at 6:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of October 11, 2020

Sat. Oct. 10 5:00 PM For *our Parishioners*

Sun. Oct. 11 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of *John Sustar*

10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of *Shirley Craine*

Tue. Oct. 13 5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of *Patty Schluter*

Wed. Oct. 14 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of *Robert Saliger*

6:00 PM For the repose of the soul of *Marcella (Judy) Prengel*

Thu. Oct. 15 8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of *Andrew & Marie Lobenstein*

Fri. Oct. 16 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of *Mike Gorski*

Sat. Oct. 17 5:00 PM For the repose of the soul of *LaVerne Schaller*

Sun. Oct. 18 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of *Don Strack*

10:00 AM For *our Parishioners*

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnem, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Joe Dolphin, Mary Ann Witcraft, 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, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary Lechleiter, Bernadine Seitz, Marie Boehm and Marsha Hamil.

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, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field and Bailey Granger.

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.

October is the month of the Rosary. Tune into our Parish facebook page on Thursdays at 2pm to say the rosary live. Or better yet, come in person! We will be saying the rosary weekly on Thursdays at 2pm, for a safe, healthy, happy school year for all of our children, staff, and parents in our Parish Family. Please pray with us!

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Them, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the families and friends of Yvonne Franke and Harold Smith who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon them.

Banns of Marriage

October 24 David Bellows & Crystal Butterfield

**Stewardship Corner ~ October 3rd & 4th, 2020
(522 Registered Families)**

	WKLY BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$12,868.42	\$ 6,167.00
On-Line Giving		2,302.00
Children's Envelopes	15.67	
Loose Offering	688.68	169.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$13,572.77	\$ 8,638.00
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 35.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$203,591.55
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$120,751.86

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 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

Wednesday Oct. 14 Religious Ed Classes
 Thursday Oct. 15 2:00 PM Rosary Makers—RH
 Thursday Oct. 15 6:00 PM Parish Council—RH

2021 Stewardship Pledge Cards ~ Thank you to the 116 families who have already returned their pledge cards. We have a total of \$226,338.00 pledged for 2021.

A follow-up letter should have arrived at your house this week. If you have not taken the opportunity to respond to our Stewardship Drive yet, we ask that you do so. Please take the time to prayerfully consider how you can support our parish and it's many missions and return your card as soon as you are able. This will help us to plan for 2021. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, October 20th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

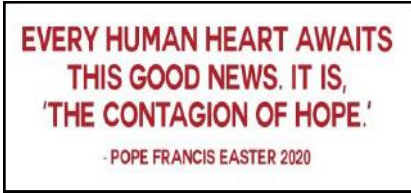
Pro-Life Rosaries with the Bishops of Wisconsin: Beginning Oct. 4 with Bishop William Patrick Callahan, join each of our five Wisconsin Bishops for a live-streamed Pro-Life Rosary from 7:30-8:00 PM on five consecutive Sundays. October is both Respect Life Month and the Month of the Holy Rosary, making it a providential time to pray with our Bishops to our Blessed Mother, Patroness of the Unborn, for an end to abortion and other offenses against human life and dignity. The closing Rosary will be led by Archbishop Jerome Listecky on Nov. 1, the Feast of All Saints, concluding with their invocation through the Litany of the Saints. For more details on this statewide pro-life prayer initiative, visit diolc.org/live. May God's grace be poured out upon our state, our nation, and our world. Schedule of Pro-Life Rosaries Sundays, 7:30-8:00 PM

Oct. 11 – Bishop Donald Joseph Hying, Diocese of Madison
 Oct. 18 – Bishop David Laurin Ricken, Diocese of Green Bay
 Oct. 25 – Bishop James Patrick Powers, Diocese of Superior
 Nov. 1 – Archbishop Jerome Edward Listecky

FALL FESTIVAL SILENT (ON-LINE) AUCTION

We hope to have our silent (on-line) auction up and running very shortly. We have many, many, many wonderful items as well as many certificates for various businesses.

HIS CHURCH IS YOU AND ME: Our Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021 kicks off this week. Every parish family will be receiving information regarding the appeal in the mail this week. Please take some time to read through the appeal information and make a pledge to this year's campaign. Your pledge along with the pledges of parishioners all over the diocese support 38 missions which serve our brothers and sisters both locally and internationally. Our parish goal for this year is: **\$41,710.**



World Mission Sunday ~ NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in the envelope collection held October 17-18, 2020 for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. May God receive your gift, multiply the good it may accomplish and reward your sacrifice of faith.



The "Good News" has a central and irreplaceable role ~ We need to be constantly reminded of "the love of God, who invites us to enter into a personal relationship with Himself in Christ." This "Good News", as captured in 4 key points, opens the way for the person to seek a change of heart that impels the individual to know and love Jesus in a much deeper way. (see *Mission of the Redeemer*, Pope Saint John Paul II, n. 44)

The "Good News", also referred to as the Gospel Message, can be expressed like this:

1. God loves you and desires that you develop a deeper friendship with Him.
2. Like Adam and Eve, you can freely choose to reject God and break your relationship with Him through sin.
3. But God loves you so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, to restore the relationship through His Crucifixion, Death and Resurrection.
4. You can accept Jesus' love by opening your heart to a deeper relationship with Him through daily conversation and encounters with Him in the Sacraments.

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PICK OF THE WEEK ~ JOHN XXIII: THE POPE OF PEACE ~ This inspiring feature film tells the whole life story of Pope Saint John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as pope

You can watch with your free parish subscription by simply selecting our parish's name during registration at formed.org/signup.

Holy Family Parish, La Valle: Chicken & Biscuit Supper ~ Drive-Thru Only. Tuesday, October 13th serving from 4—7 PM. Tickets for the "Wine Wall" \$5.00 and a new 50/50 Raffle will be available at the drive thru.

Mauston Community Sharing Pantry—Our community food pantry is accepting and is in need of your donations. Any items that you wish to donate can be left in the box in the gathering area or in the box by the elevator entrance. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the parish office or mailed directly to the Mauston Community Sharing Pantry, PO Box 433, Mauston WI 53948

Receive the Holy Spirit and let Him lead you to an encounter with the "Friendly Fire" at St. Theresa's in Union Center on Saturday mornings. Confession/Rosary/Mass at 9 AM. For more information, call Bev at 608-572-1266.

Faithful Citizenship 2020 ~ In these turbulent times, and with the election only a month away, what should a Catholic be thinking about and weighing? For a wealth of resources from the US Bishops, the Wisconsin Bishops, and for a reflection on "Voting as a Christian," visit www.dioc.org/faithfulcitizenship.



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