



**November 10, 2024
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

FROM OUR PASTOR:

Dear people of God, Greetings from Fr. Cruz!!

Let me put forth a simple question to you. If you have different sorts of answer for the simple question kindly email me (divacruz86@gmail.com) and share your thoughts.



DOES EVIL EXIST?

One day, a professor of university decided to defy his pupils. He asked: did God create everything that exists in this world? A student answered bravely, “Yes, He did”. Everything asked the teacher, yes, everything was the answer of the student.

In this case, God also created evil, correct? Because evil exists- said the teacher. To that, the student had no answer and remained in silence. The teacher was delighted at the opportunity to prove one more time that faith was only a myth. Suddenly, another student raised his hand and asked. “May I ask you a question, professor?”. “of course,” was the answer.

Does cold exists? – of course, answered the professor. Did you never feel cold? “Actually sir, cold does not exist. According to studies in physics, cold is the total and complete absence of heat”. An object can only be studied if it has and transmits energy and it is the heat of the object that transmit its energy. “Without heat, the objects are inert, incapable to react. But cold does not exist. We created the term cold to explain the lack of heat”.

“And darkness?”, continues the student, “it exists”, replied the professor. “Again, you are wrong sir, darkness is the total absence of light”. You can study light and brightness, but not darkness. The prism of Nichols shows the variety of different colors in which the light can be decomposed according to the longitude of the waves. Darkness is the term we create to explain the total absence of light”. And finally, the student asked: “and evil, sir, does evil exists?” God did not create evil. **Evil is the absence of God in people’s hearts, it is the absence of love, humanity and faith. Love and faith are like heat and light. They exist. Their absence lead to evil.** Now it was the professors turn to remain silent.

DOES EVIL EXIST?

Yours in Christ

Fr. Cruz

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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
Sundays ~ 7:30 AM—7:50 AM
Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass
Benediction at 4:00 PM
All other Fridays following the
8 AM Mass
Benediction at 9:00 AM

Mass Intentions for the week of November 10, 2024

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| Sat. | Nov. 9 | 5:00 PM | For the repose of the soul of <i>Jerry Niles</i> |
| Sun. | Nov. 10 | 8:00 AM | For <i>our Parishioners</i> |
| | | 10:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of <i>Gerald "Skip" Peterson</i> |
| Tues. | Nov. 12 | 5:30 PM | For the repose of the soul of <i>Mary Jean Cauley</i> |
| Wed. | Nov. 13 | 8:00 AM | For the <i>Living & Deceased</i> <i>Members of the Howard G Rose Family</i> |
| | | 6:15 PM | For the <i>Poor Souls in Purgatory</i> |
| Thu. | Nov. 14 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of <i>Marie Hersil</i> |
| Fri. | Nov. 15 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of <i>Monica Niles</i> |
| | | 10:00 AM | FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the <i>Poor Souls in Purgatory</i> |
| Sat. | Nov. 16 | 5:00 PM | For <i>our Parishioners</i> |
| Sun. | Nov. 17 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i> |
| | | 10:00 AM | For the repose of the souls of <i>Virginia & Roy Rhyner</i> |

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Helen Eucolono, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Lori P., Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, Mary Mead, Mike Miller, Jon B, Joe Slowinski, Bob and Lisa Konitzer, Joy Kelley, Fran Schroeder, Kevin, Jordan P., John Hersil, Marge Bailey, Ron & Lisa M., Diane & Bill Brinkley, Jo, Nancy Albreck, Eymard Krupa, the Burzynski Family, Denise Householder, Anna Madden, Tom Schoettler, Sarah, Marie, Grace, Elsie Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Slowinski, Kathy, John & Family, Debbie Parker, Kathy Morris & Family, Laura Moeller, Pat Murphy, Kathryn Kurtz & family, Abby DeSanto, Linsey Casper, Jeff & Kylie J., Dave & Pam, and Dakota.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

We welcome Camryn Lynn Crawford, daughter of Cody and Betsy (Vinopal) Crawford who is being baptized this weekend. May God's blessing of peace and joy be with her all of her days!

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Him, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of William Eisch who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon him.

Thursday, November 14th—Mass of Remembrance at 5:30 PM. Parishioners who have died during the past year will be remembered. All are invited to this Mass to pray for those who have passed away this year as well as those we have lost before. We will be having refreshments and a time to visit in Reardon Hall after Mass. Hosted by the PCCW.

Stewardship Corner ~ November 2nd & 3rd, 2024
(502 Registered Families)

| | | **WKLY BUDGETED GIVING | ACTUAL |
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| Adult Envelopes | | \$ 8,173.08 | \$ 5,204.00 |
| All Saints Day | | | 1,173.00 |
| On-Line Giving | | | 3,226.00 |
| Children's Envelopes | 14.42 | | 15.00 |
| Loose Offering | 480.75 | | 745.00 |
| Total Weekly Offering: | | \$ 8,668.25 | \$10,363.00 |
| Year-to-date* budget requirement | | | \$164,696.75 |
| Year-to-date amount contributed | | | \$159,990.51 |
| *Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to current date | | | |
| ** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 145,783.00 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

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| Tuesday | Nov 12 | 3—4 PM | Divine Mercy / Holy Face To Jesus Devotions |
| Wednesday | Nov 13 | 4—8 PM | RE Classes |
| | | 6:45 PM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | | 7:00 PM | "Walking with Mary" Study |
| Thursday | Nov 14 | 8:45 AM | PCCW Meeting—RH |
| | | 10:00 AM | Rosary Makers—RH |
| | | 5:30 PM | Memorial Mass |
| Friday | Nov 15 | 6:30 AM | That Man Is You |
| | | 8:45 AM | Friday Folders |

All ladies are invited to attend the PCCW meeting on Thursday, November 14th at 8:45 AM in Reardon Hall.

Join us next Sunday as we celebrate the Feast of St. Cecilia again this year with a concert by our parish musicians followed by a pot luck dinner on Sunday, November 17th. The concert will begin at 5:30pm with dinner following. Please come and enjoy this wonderful evening of music and fellowship.

Join us for "Welcome Weekend" (formally know as Social Sunday) on November 23rd & 24th. This month's social is sponsored by the Home and School Committee. Join us after ALL weekend Masses for refreshments and socializing.

Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service—Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 PM at Bethany Lutheran Church. All are invited to attend. Hosted by the Mauston Area Ministerial Association.

Toys for Joy— Do you know a family that could use a little help from Santa and his elves this year? Toys for Joy is accepting names of children (ages 0-18) from the Mauston School District whose families could use a little help giving gifts at Christmas time. There is a QR code posted on the bulletin board in the gathering area that you can scan to register or call Amber at 608-432-4844 or email: maustontoy sfor-joy@gmail.com. Sign-up runs through Wednesday, November 27th. Once again, their "elves" are seeking new toys; gifts for older children; and monetary donations to purchase gifts where they fall short. Toys may be dropped off at the Hatch Public Library or Mauston City Hall. Checks should be mailed to: Toys for Joy, PO Box 346, Mauston, WI 53948. Donations would be appreciated by November 29th.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of November 9th & 10th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Lisa Pouillie
Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser
Servers: Ariana Pokorney, Isabella Kolba
Musicians: Peg Schmitz
Greeters: Barb Cowan, Kevin Stillson
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Carrol & Corinne Kaiser
Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Adrienne Baumgart
Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca
Servers: Jacob Barnes
Musicians: Ann Benz
Greeters: Joe Buttner, Russ & Donna Miller
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Larry & Tina Moore
Scrip Seller: Donna Miller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Bill Curran
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart
Servers: Johnny & Eddy Riley, Jensina Stevens
Musicians: Ann Benz, Ryleigh Vinopal
Greeters: Jen, Brix, and Berklee Barnharst
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: The Brad Vinopal Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of November 16th & 17th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie
Eucharistic Minister: Dorothy Gorski
Servers: Gracey, Kord & Kutter Kobylski
Musicians:
Greeters: Erin, Whitney, Nolan Klapps
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski
Gift Bearer: Mike & Lynn Levandoski
Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: David Hoffmann
Eucharistic Minister: Robert Turpin
Servers: Spencer & Maykayla Turpin
Musicians:
Greeters: Pam Zolondek
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby
Gift Bearers: Veronica Sustar
Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Howard Boppart
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart
Servers: Weston & Garrett Pouillie, Jameson Franck
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Greeters: Nancy Horabik, Kris Mazur
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill
Gift Bearers: Bill & Joelle Curran

St. Patricks Parish Women's Retreat, "Fanning The Flame". Join us for a day of Adoration, prayer, talks, discussion, activities and time away with your friends on Saturday, November 23rd starting at 8:00 AM. Please call the Rectory to Register. There is a \$10 Registration Fee. The deadline for Registration is November 11th. Call 608-747-2681 to register now. Free daycare will be provided if you need it. Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be served.

The Mauston Moose Lodge will be hosting Thanksgiving dinner again this year. Serving will be from 12 noon—2 PM. If you or someone you know would like a Thanksgiving meal, feel free to stop at the Moose Lodge on Colfax Street on Thanksgiving Day (November 28) starting at 12 noon. They will also deliver meals for shut-ins. For more information, please call 847-7833 and leave your name, address, number of meals to be delivered and PHONE NUMBER.

The first PANCAKE BREAKFAST of the season is here! Join us this Sunday November 10th for our Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Breakfast will be served from 9 to noon in Reardon Hall. Students and parents of St. Pat's 8th grade class are assisting the Knights for this event. A suggested \$5 per person or \$10 per family free-will offering will be collected with all proceeds over costs going to the St. Pat's 8th grade class needs. Join us for breakfast after Mass and share fellowship with parishioners.

Your Help is Still Needed – Hurricane Helene and Milton Relief: Hurricanes Helene and Milton caused catastrophic damage in the southeast, with whole communities destroyed by devastating floods. Please support those who continue to suffer the storms' effects by making a donation at www.cclse.org (scroll down to "Hurricane Helene and Milton Relief Funds")

Chili Feed ~ St. James Catholic Church ~ Camp Douglas—Sat, November 23rd, Serving from 4:30 PM-8 PM. \$8.00/person. Includes Bread, Apple sauce, Coffee, water, or milk Along with dessert **Carry outs available** Mass @ 6:00 PM Raffle Drawing @ 5PM. Hunters and non-hunters are encouraged to join us! It's a great chance to share some good food and stories. There will even be beer available to purchase!

The Parish is planning an outing to Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show again this year on Thursday, December 12th. We'll meet at the theater, have dinner together and then attend the show. We hope you can join us! To sign up / purchase tickets, please contact the rectory office. We are receiving a special discounted price. Ticket prices are \$72 each. If you are thinking of seeing this performance, join us to save some money and have some great company! The sign up deadline is Wednesday, November 27th. Tell your family and friends. 50 tickets are available!

ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal: \$ 43,070.00

Amount Pledged: \$7,935 Number of Pledgers: 22

Amount Collected: \$7,935

Starting the week of December 1st, all future bulletin announcements will need to be to the parish office by Tuesday, 12 noon each week in order to be published in the upcoming Sunday's bulletin.

Coming Soon: Brand New Church Bulletin!! Starting the weekend of January 5th, our parish will have a BRAND NEW Church Bulletin. This change will save the parish time & money, and allow for an expanded bulletin that will have a new professional look with vibrant FULL COLOR ads available for the business sponsors also! We hope you will consider advertising on the bulletin, since the revenue from the ads, is what will make the bulletin possible at no cost to our parish. Also, if you know of any other business in the community that would like to support the parish, please let them know about this opportunity. It's a terrific way to get your name in front of the parish families, business owners, and visitors at the church. To find out more about advertising in our bulletin, contact: .Gina Shaughnessy from LPi at (800) 950-9952 x2487 or (952) 356-6488 or email her at > gshaughnessy@4lpi.com

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are so glad that you have chosen this place of worship to honor the Lord's name with us. If you are new to this church or just visiting, we would like to thank you for worshipping with us and we warmly welcome you to St. Patrick's as our brothers and our sisters. If you would like more information about St. Patrick's in general or would like to join our parish, please check out our website: stpatricks-mauston.com or give our rectory office a call.

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