



November 24, 2019

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

FROM OUR PASTOR

So for the last few weeks I have had my orange hunting suit outside, between the raindrops, to air out. This fall my Dad had an idea and wanted to do a project for my deer stand. Now I have an elegant stairwell to get up into my deer stand, as much as elegant and deer stand can go together. I have my license and a box of shells. Going through my check list, getting ready. Looking forward to time home and out in the woods.

Do we put that much time, thought, and effort into the Mass?

Are we looking forward to each Sunday Mass as we do hunting, Thanksgiving or a sports tournament? But those last three you may say have to do with family and teammates. What does that mean for our parish family? What does it mean for the Body of Christ that we are a part of? What does that sense of communion mean to us?

Sometimes we use language on a superficial level not having experienced the full depths of its meaning. As we get older we have a greater grasp and have had time to integrate meanings on many levels. But what do we understand?

So when we say Eucharist (which means thanksgiving), what would a Holy Eucharist, a Holy Thanksgiving look like or mean to us as family? Family meaning blood relatives only? Or family united in the Blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ?

But people will say, being out in the woods all day is boring, that there is nothing to do or nothing is going on. Then again people say that Mass is boring, that there is nothing going on. Or when I lived on other continents, people said that American football is boring, that nothing is really going on. Yet many Americans say that soccer is boring, that there is really nothing going on and so few points are even scored.

My orange hunting suit stands out when I am in the woods, which it is supposed to. How much time do we give to what we are wearing for Mass? What prep time do we give to our time with Jesus? We have had our trail camera out taking some amazing pictures of anything that moves, including crows and blue jays. Luckily the neighborhood bear is sleeping nicely.

The readings for Mass are on-line and there are many different booklets, apps or monthly magazines that have the readings and commentary for us to go deeper into what we hear at each Mass on Sunday.

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. How does He reign in our hearts? How do we get ready for such a day? So whether out in the woods, at the game, with the family or at Mass, let us prepare well to give thanks for our many blessings.

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 November 24, 2019

Sat. Nov. 23 5:00 PM For the repose of the soul of
Gerald Steiner

Sun. Nov. 24 8:00 AM For *our Parishioners*
10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Louis Varga

Tue. Nov. 26 5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of
Ruby Steiner

Wed. Nov. 27 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Jonetta Zukauskis

Thu. Nov. 28 9:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
John Grzenia

Fri. Nov. 29 NO MASS

Sat. Nov. 30 5:00 PM For the repose of the soul of
Christopher Vinopal

Sun. Dec. 1 8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of
Blanche Janecek
10:00 AM For *our Parishioners*

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, Karen Cople, 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, 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, Tillie Schumacher, Bill Loescher, Fran Watry, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family, Freddie Dziewior, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary Lechleiter, Bernadine Seitz and Dave Lewis.

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.

Attention Lectors: Workbooks for the new liturgical year are available in the sacristy. Please stop and pick one up.

Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service—Wednesday, November 27th at 6:30 PM at the Mauston United Methodist Church. All are invited.

Please note that Mass on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 28th) will be at 9 AM. There will NOT be Mass on Friday, November 29th. As well, there will NOT be Holy Hour on Friday, November 29th.

Christmas Flower Memorials in memory of your loved ones who have passed away can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the rectory. Please have them in by December 18th in time for the names to be published at Christmas.

**Stewardship Corner ~ November 16th & 17th, 2019
(535 Registered Families)**

	WKLY BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$10,776.27	\$ 6,100.00
On-Line Giving		1,327.00
Children's Envelopes	19.23	11.00
Loose Offering	596.15	464.70
Total Weekly Offering:	\$11,391.65	\$ 7,902.70
Budget Contingency Fund		\$ 334.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$ 239,224.65
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$ 178,190.66

*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 Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday Nov. 26 6:30 PM Holy Happy Hour
Wednesday Nov. 27 NO Rel. Ed Classes
Friday Nov. 29 NO Friday Folders

Please join us on Tuesday the 26th down at State Street Tap for our sixteenth Holy Happy Hour! From 6:30pm to 7pm is socializing and from 7pm-7:30pm we hold our discussion in the back. Come for part of it or all of it...we are pretty flexible! The topic for this HHH will be: Advent

Community Thanksgiving Dinner ~ Thursday, Nov. 28th serving from 12:00 noon – 2:00 Moose Lodge ~ 601 Colfax Street This traditional turkey dinner is for anyone in the community. Deliveries for those who are unable to get out are available also. Food donations and volunteers are needed. To donate, volunteer or reserve a dinner please call the Moose Lodge at 847-7833.

The rectory office will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th.

Our PCCW Christmas Cookie Sale will be December 7th and 8th after the Weekend Masses! Please consider making a couple dozen cookies for the annual PCCW Christmas Cookie Sale! Please make sure that they are brought to the Church basement on December 6th or by 9am on December 7th. Thanks for your support!

Are you looking for ways to help out your community and spread Christmas Cheer? Go to this link and sign up to help the Salvation Army ring bells!! Lots of shifts are still available at the Walgreen's and Festival in Mauston. Starts November 15th and goes through December 24th. <https://www.registertoring.com>

Christmas Breakfast ~ All Women of St. Patricks Parish are invited for breakfast at the Mauston Park Oasis on Thursday, Dec.12th at 9:00 am. Come join us to celebrate Christmas and each other! We will order off the menu.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Working Together, Sharing Joy, Standing Firm in the Faith"

Our 2019—2020 target is \$37,940.00.

67 families have pledged \$19,510 to date. Thank you!

Pledge forms are available in the gathering area and at the rectory office.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of November 23 & 24

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jaime Pouillie
Extraordinary Minister: Carrol Kaiser
Servers: Gracey & Karter Kobylski, Nolan Powers
Greeters: Joan Potter, Ernie & Audrey Schmocker
Musicians: Bill Ryan
Gift Bearers: The Bev Steiner Family
Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,
Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Larry Moore, Mary Ann Strack
Servers: Cody Komiskey, Brayden Housworth
Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross
Musicians: Bill Ryan
Gift Bearers: Liz & Jonathon Housworth & Family
Scrip Seller: Michelle Komiskey
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Trembl,
Arnie Penzkover, Dave Netzer

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Bill Curran, Gail Boehm
Extraordinary Minister: Joelle Curran
Servers: Jasper & Dylan Walsh, Dylan Loftus
Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill, Devan Minard
Musicians: Peg Schmitz
Gift Bearers: Brigitte Varga & Irene Klingemann
Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh
Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,
Bill Thill, Steve Powers

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:

Marcia Jakubik & Bonnie Duffy

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of Nov. 30 & Dec. 1

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jerilynn Kolba
Extraordinary Minister: Rita Hamm
Servers: Owen and Aedyn Lubinski, Braden Heath
Greeters: Monica Niles, Donna Bollig, Claire Fischbach
Musicians: Bill Ryan
Gift Bearers: Don and Ann Marie Vinopal
Scrip Seller: Donna Miller
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,
Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Bridget Gunther, Veronica Sustar
Servers: Christopher and Noah Fry
Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey
Musicians:
Gift Bearers: The Mary Ann Strack Family
Scrip Seller: Melissa Fry, Bobbi Eckerman
Ushers: Larry Lubinski, Jim Bires, Arris Sullivan

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Howard Boppart, Sue Hollenbeck
Extraordinary Minister: Gina Boppart
Servers: Hudson Randall, Makenna and Ellie Pouillie
Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir
Gift Bearers: Dave & Jenny Randall
Scrip Seller: Diane Kocyan
Ushers: John Walsh Jr., Jeanne Walsh, Mary Ann Allaby,
Jim Allaby

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:

Marie Leipart

Sponsor A Student Fundraiser

Thank you to those who have responded to the "Sponsor A Student" fundraiser for our school. **We have made tremendous progress this week!** We have **103** students sponsored (with only 37 more to go)!

Prayer is a joyful method of keeping us aware of the promises of future and realized glory as we make our way through the weeks of Advent. Remember you are in my daily prayers. If you have a particular intention for which you would like me to pray at Christmas Mass, call 608-352-9565, or visit diolc.org/pray. Keep alert, maintain your vision in Christ. Blessed Advent to you all!
~ Bishop Callahan

Please keep our NCYC group in your prayers this weekend as they travel back from Indianapolis, IN. They have been gone since Thursday attending workshops about our Catholic Faith, having opportunities for Confession, Adoration, and Daily Mass all by being surrounded by 28,000 High School students from around our Nation. Please watch the upcoming Youth Newsletter for photos and insight from the group of 17 students and adults that went from our own Parish.

On Sunday, December 8th, Santa will be stopping by to have donuts and visit with the children after the 10am Mass in Reardon Hall (Church Basement). Don't miss out on this opportunity to take a picture with Santa, and visit with one another!

The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train will be in downtown Mauston on Wednesday Afternoon, December 4 at 4:00 pm. What a wonderful way to begin the Christmas Season!

Two Sisters Events Center and De Colores Catering ~ Sunday Brunch! On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. \$10 per person. Serving 11 AM—1 PM.

Saint Patrick Parish in Sparta seeks to hire a business manager. We are looking for candidates interested in filling a shared full time position as Business Manager for St. Patrick's and St. John the Baptist-Summit to perform bookkeeping, payroll and administration duties following Diocesan Financial Policies under the direction of the Pastor. Education requirements: 4 year degree in Business Administration, Accounting, or similar area. Experience requirements: three years in office management, human resources or communications fields. Please contact Sue at St. Patrick's, Sparta, 608-269-2655 x3, or email letters of interest to sbushmaker@stpats.net to receive a full job description and details of how to apply.

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

With the Solemnity of Christ the King this week, we have the opportunity to contemplate the dichotomy of Jesus as both fully human and fully divine.

Interested in deepening your understanding of the identity of Jesus Christ? Go to formed.org and watch **Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Episode 5 – Who is Jesus.**

Local Scrip Merchant of the Week:

Mauston True Value ~ You name it! This store has everything you need— electrical, plumbing, paint, gardening, no matter the job or the season. (They give us 10% back.)

**DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR
SCRIP TODAY AFTER MASS!**