

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello! I am Fr. Cryton Outschoorn. I come from Sri Lanka, a tiny island in the Indian Ocean. Sri Lanka is also known as Ceylon. The country is surrounded with beautiful beaches. The climate in the country can be described as tropical and quite hot. We experience with year –round warm weather, moderated by ocean winds and considerable moisture. The average yearly temperature for the country as a whole ranges from 28 to 30 C. (82 – 86 F).

The population of the country is closer to twenty one million and the majority are Sinhala Buddhist. There are four ethnic groups live in the country namely, Sinhalese, Tamils, Muslims and Burghers. There are four main religions exist. They are, Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam and Christianity. The percentage of the Christianity in the country is 7% - 8%. I come from the Diocese of Batticaloa which is in the Eastern part of the country.

I was born on the 5th of February 1975. We are two boys in the family and I am the eldest. I joined the junior seminary in the year 1991. I started my philosophy and Theological studies in the year 1995. I was ordained on the 1st of August 2002.

I have served as a pastor in three parishes and engaged in Caritas Sri Lanka which is the social arm of the Catholic Church. Through which I got engaged in helping the needy and projects in community building and integral development of the people. In the mean time I was in charge for the finance section in Diocese as well.

In the year 2014 I went to Canada for my Masters. I did my Masters on Conflict Studies in Ottawa, Canada. I returned to my country in the year 2016 and I was entrusted the task of promoting vocations.

Even though I supposed to come to USA last year, due to pandemic situation my coming got delayed. I landed the Diocese of La Crosse on the 21st of October 2021 to work for the time of five years. I hope and pray my stay will be fruitful to me and the Diocese as well.

Father Cryton

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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

Thursdays at 2:00 PM

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 December 5, 2021

Sat.	Dec. 4	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Dennis Kolba
Sun.	Dec. 5	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners
		10:00 AM	For Heath Thayer
Tue.	Dec. 7	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Jerry Neve
Wed.	Dec. 8	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners
		6:15 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Mar Buttner</i>
Thu.	Dec. 9	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Andrew Petrowitz
Fri.	Dec. 10	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jeri Delgado
Sat.	Dec. 11	5:00 PM	For All Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family
Sun.	Dec. 12	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of John Sustar
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

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, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, 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, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Marty, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen and Randy Czaplewski.

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.

Wednesday. December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, December 7th and at 8 AM and 6:15 PM on Wednesday, December 8th.

Making a good confession is the best way to prepare ourselves for the proper celebration of Christmas. Our Advent Communal Penance Service will be Thursday, December 16th at 7 PM.

Retirement Fund For Religious ~ The annual collection for the national *Retirement Fund for Religious* is scheduled for the weekend of December 11-12. This collection helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Religious in our diocese and across the nation benefit significantly from this national collection. Please plan to give generously.

<u>Stewardship Corner ~ November 20th & 21th 2021</u> (519 Registered Families)

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**WKLY	ACTUAL						
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62	\$ 3,349.00					
On-Line Giving		1,388.00					
Children's Envelopes	9.61	14.00					
Loose Offering	385.00	427.00					
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 8,779.23	5,178.00					
Budget Contingency Fu	\$						
Year-to-date* budget re	\$193,143.06						
Year-to-date amount co	\$184,231.68						
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date							
** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 170,603 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							

Tuesday		2.00 DM	Lieur of Manay in Church
Tuesday	Dec. 7	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
Wednesday	Dec. 8		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
		8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church
Thursday	Dec. 9	8:45 AM	PCCW Meeting—RH
		12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		2:00 PM	Rosary in Church
Friday	Dec. 10	6:30 AM	"That Man is You"
		8:45 AM	Friday Folders

Our PCCW Christmas Cookie Sale will be December 4th and 5th after the Weekend Masses! Proceeds will be used to start a "Floor Replacement Fund" for Reardon Hall. Thanks for your support!

On Sunday, December 5th, 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!

PCCW Meeting—Thursday, December 9th at 8:45 AM in Reardon Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, December 21st at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

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 20th in time for the names to be published at Christmas.

Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. <u>We currently have 62 families who have</u> <u>pledged \$25,845.</u> If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of December 4th & 5th

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lector: Lisa Pouillie Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, & Gracey Kobylski Musicians: Greeters: Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Larry Moore Servers: Seth Schwedrsky & Carson Demaske Musicians: Greeters: Carol Gross, Amelia Gunther Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Paul Curran Servers: Carter Field, Joseph Geis, Naome Pouillie Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Greeters: Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of December 11th & 12th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie Servers: Jack Vinopal, Landynn and Theron Miller Musicians: John and Nancy Noga Greeters: Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Paul Schaller Servers: Jacob Barnes, Holden Eckerman, Eli Schanke Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Howard Boppart Servers: Jonathan Riley, Edmund Riley, Kaden Cook Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Sharon Kelly Greeters: Kris Mazur Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart

Healing of Families Holy Hour and **Mass** on the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 7th at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Necedah, WI. Holy Hour begins at 6:00 pm with Mass following at 7:00 pm. *Thus, the mercy of God can both pardon and heal the sinful hearts of our faithful departed ancestors, and heal us of the ill effects of any of their sins that we suffer from today. That is definitely part of what our Lord meant when He said to St. Faustina: "My Mercy is greater than your sins, and those of the entire world" (Diary of St. Faustina,* 1485). Excerpt from "The Sins of our Ancestors" Dr. Robert Stackpole STD Marian.org

Food Fight Night ~ St. Patrick's Boys Basketball teams will be having a bake sale on Monday, December 13th during their basketball games starting at 5 PM. Everyone is invited to St. Patrick's School and watch our boys take on Baraboo's St. Joseph's School and purchase some individually wrapped home baked items. Proceeds will go to the Mauston Community Sharing Pantry and will be matched by the First Weber Foundation.

Canadian Pacific Holiday Train to Benefit the Food Pantry ~ Join the City of Mauston at Riverside Park on Saturday, December 18th at 7 PM to watch the CPR Holiday Concert on the BIG Screen! There will be bonfire and hot chocolate provided by the Mauston Chamber of Commerce. Monetary donations will be matched by First Weber Realty.



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, December 8 ~

On December 8, we honor Mary, our Mother. The Solemnity of the Immaculate

Conception is a Catholic feast celebrating Mary's conception without sin. Even though this feast day occurs in the liturgical season of Advent, which prepares for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Immaculate Conception refers to the conception of Mary in the womb of her mother, St. Anne.



The True Meaning of Christmas with Dr. Michael Barber

Do you love Christmas traditions but don't know where they come from? Tune in for Dr. Michael Patrick Barber's Advent reflections called "The True Meaning of Christmas" and learn the meaning behind your favorite Christmas pastimes. To set up your account on Formed, go to: <u>https://formed.org/signup</u> and search for St. Patrick Parish, Mauston WI.

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Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays at 3 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world. For more information, contact Deacon Juan or Jan Mulenberg.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Time: 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.

Praying the Rosary: Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. The intention for each week is posted on our parish Facebook page.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

