

SAINT JOSEPH  
THE WORKMAN

*Cathedral*  
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

## *First Sunday of Lent*

February 21, 2021

### *Rectory Office Hours*

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-4:00 pm  
Closed Wednesdays: 9:00-9:30 am

### *Liturgy*

#### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am and 10:30 am

#### **Weekday Masses**

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am, 12:10 pm  
Saturday: 8:00 am

### *Sacrament of Penance*

Saturday: After 8:00 am Mass until 9:25 am;  
3:45-4:15 pm  
Monday-Friday: 11:30-11:55 am

### *Eucharistic Devotions*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Wednesday following 6:30 am Mass until noon, concluding with the Litany to St. Joseph and Benediction.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with devotions is held each Saturday morning following the 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am, concluding with Benediction. Confession is available after Mass until 9:25 am.



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If you can help by volunteering at the Birthright office, please contact Birthright at our La Crosse office or email us using the contact information provided below. Volunteers are always our greatest need – no matter how successful our fundraiser, it won't matter if no one is there to answer the phone.

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*Cathedral's 2021  
Year of the Epiphany is the Way  
of Encounter and Engagement  
as we seek to build the  
Kingdom of God in our midst.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 20

8:00 am Mass Philip Knothe  
11:00 am Funeral Mass for Caroline Stilin  
4:30 pm Mass The People of Cathedral Parish

### Sunday, February 21 First Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Mass William and Marion Sendelbach  
10:30 am Mass Arthur G Barbier

### Monday, February 22

6:30 am Mass Intentions of Dorothy Gilomski  
12:10 pm Mass Arthur G Barbier

### Tuesday, February 23

6:30 am Mass Fred Nauman  
12:10 pm Mass Intentions of Deonne Flynn & Family

### Wednesday, February 24

6:30 am Mass Robert McElligott  
12:10 pm Mass George Myer

### Thursday, February 25

6:30 am Mass Intentions of Dorothy Gilomski  
12:10 pm Mass Living and Deceased Members of the Jack and Marilyn Begeman Family

### Friday, February 26

6:30 am Mass Living and Deceased Members of the Reinhard Hoch Family  
12:10 pm Mass Herb and Kate Speltz

### Saturday, February 27

8:00 am Mass George Stuber  
11:00 am Funeral Mass for Paul Zei  
4:30 pm Mass Perry St. John

### Sunday, February 28 Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Mass Clarence Pogreba  
10:30 am Mass The People of Cathedral Parish

## CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS

Feb 24	Go to Joseph Now! Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Mar 3	Go to Joseph Now! Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Mar 4	Finance Council Meeting (undercroft) - 9 am
Mar 6	Sacrament of First Reconciliation - 10 am
Mar 9	Building & Grounds Committee Meeting - 1 pm
Mar 10	Go to Joseph Now! Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Mar 10	Pastoral Council Meeting (undercroft) - 6:30 pm
Mar 12	Blessing of Cathedral Restoration Project - 1:30 pm
Mar 12	Press Conference Cathedral Restoration Project - 2 pm
Mar 17	Go to Joseph Now! Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Mar 19	Feast of St. Joseph
Mar 21	Go to Joseph Now! Consecration Ceremony - 10:30 am Mass
Mar 24	Blood Drive (K of C #839) - 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Mar 30	Go to Joseph Now! (Second Session) Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Apr 5	PCCW Meeting (undercroft) - 6 pm
Apr 6	Finance Council Meeting (undercroft) - 9 am
Apr 6	Go to Joseph Now! (Second Session) Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Apr 7	Confirmation - 6:30 pm
Apr 13	Go to Joseph Now! (Second Session) Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Apr 20	Go to Joseph Now! (Second Session) Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
Apr 24	First Holy Communion practice 10 am
Apr 25	First Holy Communion 10:30 am Mass
Apr 27	Go to Joseph Now! (Second Session) Men's meeting - 6:30 pm
May 2	Go to Joseph Now! Consecration Ceremony - 10:30 am Mass

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of February 14, 2021

Estimated Weekly Need	• \$8,548.15
Envelopes & Plates	• \$3,394.00
Special Tithing	• \$1,538.46
ACH Contributions	• \$2,672.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,605.24</b>

*St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral appreciates your continued generosity!*

*\*The Steeple Improvements are separate from our operating budget*

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREATS

The La Crosse Deanery, which consists of 14 area parishes, will be offering Married Love: Two Becoming One, a marriage preparation retreat for engaged couples, on February 6, April 24, and July 10, 2021. These retreats will take place at Mary Mother of the Church Parish in La Crosse. Couples must register at least one month prior to the retreat. To register for a retreat, please email Mari at mnerickson95@gmail.com or leave a voice message at 608-518-7655.

## NEW LEADER OF PRAYER CLASS

A New Leader of Prayer Class begins in July 2021. Applications are now open for a new class of men and women who wish to serve as Leaders of Prayer for the Diocese of La Crosse. This is a three-part course of study by which lay persons are prepared and commissioned to serve their parishes by bringing Holy Communion to the sick; conducting a Liturgy of the Word on weekdays when a priest is unavailable (or on Sunday in care facilities or jails); and by leading parishioners in prayer at other times. Applicants must have completed the Lay Formation Institute and be sponsored by their pastor. For more information and to apply, visit diolc.org/ministries and click on "Leader of Prayer."

## IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Caroline Stilin, Paul Zei and William Dunn who died recently and for comfort and consolation for their families, friends and loved ones. May their souls and the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace.

## DAILY NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

**O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.**

**O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, so that having experienced here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers.**

**O Saint Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Hold Him close in my name and kiss His fine head from me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me. Amen.**

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER?

We welcome all new parishioners into our parish family. To register, contact the Parish office at 782-0322, or go on line to our home page or fill out the gray card in the Cathedral Atrium.



## Let's Make This Personal

I refer to our relationship with God. Lent is our time to deepen our love for Him Who first loved us. I think deep down we all want a meaningful and joy-filled relationship with God. The beginning and the end point of our relationship with God is worship of God. When you think of your relationship with God, to what degree do you think of worship of God? Just exactly how do you worship God? The most perfect worship lies within the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on the Lord's Day because we offer to the Father the Victim Gift of Christ Crucified. *The Mass is an extremely personal gift from God to us.* Do we receive this gift as such? Making this personal, say: "I [your name] was personally condemned to eternal separation from God. That was my only future until something wonderfully

life-giving happened!" Because Jesus Christ died and, just as importantly, if not more so, rose from the dead on Easter Sunday as the first fruits of the Resurrection, He has given to each of us a share in His Eternal Life. My baptism and participation in the Eucharist are a personal pledge by Him to me that the death sentence against me is waived and is commuted to the possibility of unimaginable glory and happiness with God for all of eternity. But I must accept and respond to both gift and summons. This occurs most fully when one worships God in the very event [the Eucharist] which makes all this possible. One can say "I am going to Mass (pick any Sunday!) because this is the very event which saved me from eternal damnation! I come here to thank God personally for that most supreme gift!" How can we say this? Because the Mass is the entirety of the Paschal Mystery. That's the life changing power of the Mass. Like I said, let's keep this personal. A blessed and Holy Lent to you all!

*Mgr. Ailber*

## US BISHOPS' PRO-LIFE RESPONSE TO BIDEN ADMINISTRATION POLICIES

The US Bishops have responded to two of President Biden's initial policy moves: President Biden overturned the Mexico City policy that had prohibited federal funds for global health from going to organizations that promote and/or perform abortions. Organizations like International Planned Parenthood are now eligible to receive our tax dollars as they promote abortion in developing countries. President Biden announced his intention to rescind the current rule that keeps abortion out of pre-pregnancy family planning services provided through Title X. To read the responses of the US Bishops to these actions, and for much more, visit [uscbb.org/prolife](https://uscbb.org/prolife).

## MARDI GRAS

We are blessed to have a quality Catholic school system such as Aquinas in the La Crosse area. Coulee Region Mardi Gras has staunchly supported faith-based education in Aquinas Catholic Schools since 1991. In the grip of a COVID-19 pandemic the need for fundraising has not diminished. In lieu of in-person celebrations we have set up an online donation portal to continue our support of Catholic education. Your generous donation will provide tuition assistance and classroom grants, channeling resources to students and families in need at ACS. Donation campaign begins on Fat Tuesday, February 16, 2021 and ends on March 31, 2021. Please visit <https://www.lacross-semardigras.com/tickets/> or send to P.O. Box 1433 La Crosse, WI 54602-1433. Thank you for your support!

## SACRAMENTS & SERVICES

### Marriage

Couples requesting the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the rector at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage and actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) as a registered member of a parish. Weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

### Cathedral Prayer Chain

Notice to all Cathedral Parishioners. The parish has a prayer chain that you may request prayer to be said and pray for the needs of others. Send your prayer requests to Mari at <https://cathedralsjworkman.org/prayer-request/>.

### Wills & Estates

As you prayerfully execute your will or do estate planning, please consider keeping the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in mind. The most common and simplest way to include the parish in your last wishes is to include a bequest in your will or trust.

### Baptism

Parents may request the baptism of their infants at least two months prior to the anticipated date of baptism. To request baptism, please call 782-0322.

### Hospital Visits & Visitation of the Sick:

To secure a priest for unplanned or emergency admissions to a local hospital, it is important that the patient, if possible, or a family member and/or friends contact the hospital pastoral care department to have the on call priest administer the sacraments. The on call priest is considered part of the pastoral team and does not count toward the "one visitor per day" rule (Gundersen).

If you become homebound because of illness or a post hospital stay, and would like to be visited; or those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion. Those with preplanned hospital procedures should call the parish office to make arrangements for anointing. If possible, should be anointed apart from a hospital stay since there are such severe visiting restrictions.

## EXCITING STEEPLE NEWS

### CHRIST OUR CORNERSTONE CAMPAIGN NEWS

It is with joy and gratitude that we share an update on our Christ Our Cornerstone Restoration Campaign. Presently, more than \$2.4 million has been pledged from Cathedral Parishioners, Diocesan Parishes, and Clergy, to restore our magnificent Cathedral. These faithful gifts, combined with the generous match from St. Ambrose Financial Services brings the total up to more than \$5.55 million! The total \$6.1 million restoration needed for our beloved Cathedral is well within our reach! We are so grateful for the outpouring of support we have seen from our Parish, the Diocese, and from within our community. Work on the Steeple is in the starting phase and workers are now on premises! There will be a **"Blessing of the Cathedral Restoration Project"** on Friday, March 12 at 1:30 pm with Bishop Callahan. Under the guidance of St. Joseph, we ask his protection as this project begins. Everyone is invited to be present, or to join via live-stream at [Cathedralsjworkman.org](http://Cathedralsjworkman.org). Following the blessing, there will be a press conference at 2 pm to announce the start of the Construction. Monsignor Gilles will start the conference with opening remarks and spiritual reason for the project followed by Steve Mar-Pohl, President of InSite Consulting Architects, to explain the approach of the restoration project and to answer any questions. Bishop Callahan will give the closing remarks. Thank you to everyone for your kindness and generosity.

### VIDEO SERIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Cathedral Parish will be starting a video series for young adults which will take place on Mondays during Lent. The video series is called "The Wild Goose." It is about deepening our relationship with the Holy Spirit. The series starts on February 22, at 7 pm. For more information, visit our Facebook page @CathedralSJW.YoungAdult, or contact Luke Zoroufy at 608.843.4239 or [lzoroufy@diolc.org](mailto:lzoroufy@diolc.org).

### VIRTUAL FORMATION

There will be a Virtual Formation on Thursday, February 25th, 2 pm - 4 pm. Msgr. Joseph Hirsch will present on the Sacrament of Reconciliation: God's Sacrament of Healing for our Wounded World. This is a timely topic for Lent. This presentation will deal with the common questions and struggles surrounding this Sacrament. This series is free but registration is necessary. Contact Paula Boyle at [pboyle@diolc.org](mailto:pboyle@diolc.org) to register. Catechetical leaders, catechists, Catholic school teachers, administrators, parents and any interested adults are invited to attend this virtual webinar.

### SCRIP NEWS

How would you like to contribute to Cathedral Church without it costing you a dime? Now would be a perfect time. For the month of February, Kwik Trip scrip is offering a 10% rebate! Purchase after a weekend mass with "Kwik Trip Quick Pick-up!" No forms to fill out. Just select a gift card (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100 or \$500) then pay for your card and go! All rebate money from the month will go to support the parish. Questions? see Sara Taggart at the Scrip table in the gathering area after mass or email [sstaggart@gmail.com](mailto:sstaggart@gmail.com).

#### Bulletin Deadlines:

The Cathedral Bulletin deadline regularly is 4:00 pm each Monday. Prior to major holidays, announcements should be received at least three weeks prior to printing so all can enjoy the holiday.

## CATHEDRAL LEADERSHIP & STAFF

The Most Reverend William P. Callahan, OFM Conv,  
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## STAY CONNECTED WITH THE CATHEDRAL FROM HOME OR ON THE GO!

There are a number of ways to stay connected with St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral parish life whether at home or on the go:

- Like us on Facebook - <http://facebook.com/cathedralsjw>
- MyParish App - text "app" to 88202 or visit the Google Play Store or visit the Apple App Store
- Parish Website - [cathedralsjworkman.org](http://cathedralsjworkman.org)
- Live Streamed Masses - Sunday's and Weekdays
- Bulletin - Online & available in the Gathering Area
- Email - [office@cathedralsjworkman.org](mailto:office@cathedralsjworkman.org)
- Telephone - 608/782-0322

OUR FEATURED BULLETIN SPONSOR THIS WEEK IS:  
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## LENTEN REGULATIONS

Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

## AT HOME LENTEN PRACTICES

During these forty days of Lent, sign up to receive a daily email with a short video to help you connect in a stronger way with Jesus. Sign up for Bishop Barron's daily Lenten reflections: [lentreflections.com](http://lentreflections.com) or Sign up for "Best Lent Ever" with Matthew Kelly at [dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever](http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever). Choose a Prayer Card for Lent in order to "Go Deeper" in your relationship with Jesus and your understanding of the prayer. Visit [diolc.org/deeper](http://diolc.org/deeper) for adult resources and [diolc.org/prayer](http://diolc.org/prayer) for children and young people resources.

## JUMP-START YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE THIS LENT

As source and summit of the Christian life, the Eucharist is the #1 way to grow closer to Christ! Consider spending an hour each week with Jesus in His Eucharistic Presence. Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament discover peace, joy, a deeper knowledge of God's love, and special graces for themselves and their loved ones. Jesus asked his disciples, "Will you not watch one hour with me?" Answer YES! Lent is a perfect time to start! Questions? Email: [cruff@hosea4you.org](mailto:cruff@hosea4you.org).

## LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

The Cathedral Parish will resume its Lenten Soup Suppers during the Fridays of Lent. The evening opens with Stations of the Cross at 5:10 pm, followed by a soup supper in the Undercroft. The Cathedral Education Committee has developed occasional programs following the Lenten Soup Suppers. Dr. Charlie Peters will present a reflection on St. Joseph on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph, The actuality of crucifixion will be addressed on March 26. There are also tentative plans for a Catholic Trivia Night early in March. Please join us for good soup, intriguing ideas, and companionable conversation! As in other years, the people of the parish are being asked to donate various breads for the suppers. Breads can be dropped off in the Undercroft near the kitchen. The following "last name" schedule can be used: (A - I Feb 19), (J - R Feb 26), (S - Z Mar 5), (A - I Mar 12), (J - R Mar 19), (S - Z Mar 26).

## MASS INTENTIONS

After all Masses during Lent, somebody will be available to schedule Masses for 2021 dates. There are many openings still available. To schedule a Mass(s), stop at the table in the Gathering Space. Masses are not only for our dearly departed but are also for the intentions of our brothers and sisters, who may be ailing, preparing for surgery; or perhaps have experienced a loss and are suffering emotional and/or mental pain; or who are celebrating an anniversary, birthday, or special occasion. The usual and customary stipend is \$10.

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During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference. - Pope Francis

# FAST VS FEAST

*Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them.*

*Fast from emphasis on differences; Feast on the unity of life.*

*Fast from thoughts of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.*

*Fast from words that pollute; Feast on phrases that purify.*

*Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation.*

*Fast from bitterness and anger; Feast on forgiveness.*

*Fast from facts that depress; Feast on truths that uplift.*

*Fast on worry; Feast on divine order.*

*Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion for others.*

*Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm.*

*Fast from personal anxiety; Feast on the eternal truth.*

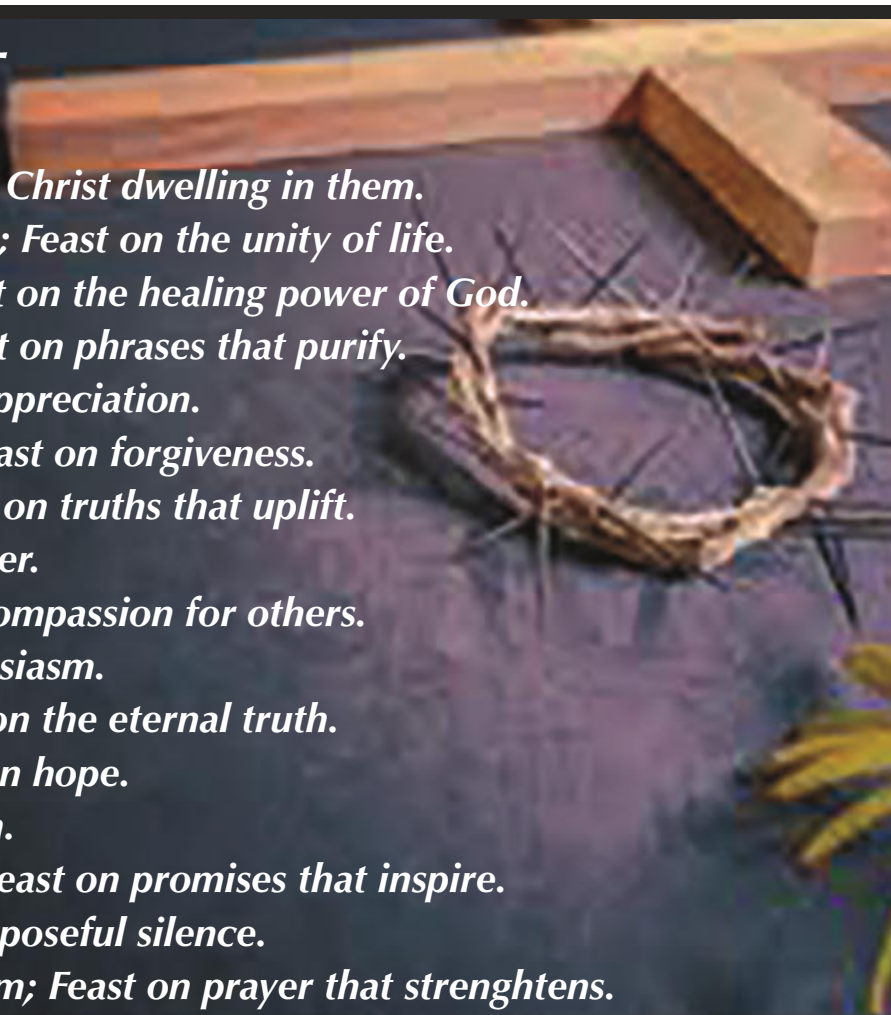
*Fast from discouragement; Feast on hope.*

*Fast from suspicion; Feast on truth.*

*Fast from thoughts that weaken; Feast on promises that inspire.*

*Fast from idle gossip; Feast on purposeful silence.*

*Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that strengthens.*



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