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# Second Sunday of Lent

February 28, 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

Wednesdays during Lent: 5:00-6:30 pm

## 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.

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.

# Lent

Lent is like a long "retreat" during which we can turn into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One.

It is a period of spiritual "combat" which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption but using the arms of faith, prayer and listening to the word of God and penance.

In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our baptism.

Pope Benedict XVI

Also see our website: www.cathedralsjworkman.org

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### 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

#### Monday, March 1

6:30 am Mass Living and Deceased members of the Pham and Bui Families 12:10 pm Mass Helen Mae Daley

#### Tuesday, March 2

6:30 am Mass Intentions of the Dudley Family 12:10 pm Mass George Myer

#### Wednesday, March 3

6:30 am Mass Intentions of Dorothy Gilomski 12:10 pm Mass Living and Deceased Members of the Reinhard Hoch Family

#### Thursday, March 4

6:30 am Mass Living and Deceased Members of the Reinhard Hoch Family 12:10 pm Mass Bill Welch Sr.

### Friday, March 5

6:30 am Mass Roger Reichert 12:10 pm Mass Homebound Parishioners

#### Saturday, March 6

8:00 am Mass Intentions of Dorothy Gilomski 4:30 pm Mass The People of Cathedral Parish

Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent 7:30 am Mass Judy Schumacher 10:30 am Mass Marie Daley

### **CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS**

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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 6	PCCW Morning of Reflection - 8 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 11	Divine Mercy Sunday 12n - 3:15 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

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### THANK YOU

## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL THANK YOU CATHEDRAL OF ST. IOSEPH THE WORKMAN

Cathedral Goal: \$55,845.00 Total Pledged & Received: \$63,830.00 Over Goal: \$7,985.00

Thank you to everyone who so generously gave to the Diocesan Appeal. We surpassed our goal. The amount that was pledged over our goal amount will come back to our Parish.

#### MAY THE LORD GIVE YOU PEACE!

APPEAL I extend my heartfelt and humble congratulations Ħ to you for surpassing your goal for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. This year has been anything but routine; life has changed. Our community is experiencing the adverse effects of this pandemic and the efforts to subdue it. However, His Church remains, and it provides because the Church is you and me. Your sacrificial gifts awaken hope, a hope that uplifts and inspires people to seek Christ now and into the future.

Again Congratulations! May God continue to bless abundantly the charitable and good works you do!

Bishop William P. Callahan

Servant of God, Fr. Joseph Walijewski pray for us!

#### 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, 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.

#### 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, 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 offering is \$10.

#### **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.

# MONSIGNOR'S Musings Confession, It Does a Soul Good!

There are at least five excellent reasons why the Catechism of the Catholic Church strongly recommends frequent confession of our venial sins. It helps us to: 1) form our conscience correctly; 2) fight against evil tendencies; 3) let ourselves to be healed by Christ; 4) progress in the spiritual life; and 5) be more merciful to others even as we receive the Father's mercy (CCC n. 1458). Given that, why would anyone ever want to stay away from the loving embrace of Christ? How frequent is frequent? Well, I'd say it's definitely more than the typical twice a year during Advent and Lent. However, if you're not there yet, that's a very good place to start! This sacrament, if used to its full potential, will squarely place you on the path to holiness and true happiness not the delusional happiness which sin promises. This being said, I, as your spiritual shepherd, ask you to consider prayerfully coming to the sacrament of the Father's Mercy. When we go to confession, the focus must be on Christ above all else. He is the center of the Sacrament, recognizing that God's glory and love is more important than our sins. We need to look at Jesus and his goodness much more

than at ourselves and our wretchedness because the interior life is a dialogue of love in which God is always the point of reference. Remember, it was the prodigal son's <u>father</u> who sets out on the path when he sees his son from afar to welcome him home. He didn't wait to make his son grovel at the door of the house before he would meet him. What a great father! Basically the son said "you are dead to me" when he requested his share of the inheritance. You need to be dead to get it, but the son made the request early. And, yet, the father (God the Father) forgives. Always.

When we go to Confession God only asks us to acknowledge our faults and to recognize our debt before Him. We go before God's representative, the priest, to accuse ourselves of our sins. It is not a matter of simply recounting our sins as if it were a mere historical account of our transgressions. Rather, it is a heartfelt and sincere accusation of our sins. We do not try to find excuses to cover up our faults or to diminish our personal responsibility. Our confession ought to be clear, concise, concrete and complete. I will speak more about that in my next column. Do yourself a tremendous favor and visit our Lord who longs to encounter you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It does a soul good! As you can see, during Lent confessions are now also on Wednesday from 5-6:30. The Lord of Mercy awaits you!

## THANK YOU

A warm thank you to our parish volunteers who delivered mobile meals during the frigid temperatures of February - Charlie and Jennifer Peters, Julie and Paul Jacobs, JoAnne and Denny Schlict, Mari and Norm Erickson, Suzy Zenker and Cyndi Withrow. You make this important work possible! Our next week to deliver Meals is June 21- June 27. Please mark your calendars and watch for announcements in upcoming bulletins.

## **NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME**

We welcome to the Parish the following new parishioners: Leah Schwartz, Olivia Gadient, Stacy Otgontugus and Jonathan Robinson. The Cathedral Parish welcomes you to our Parish Family!

## **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. Couples must actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) and be a registered member of Cathedral parish at least three months prior to requesting the Sacrament of Marriage. 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.

## 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 inperson 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.lacrossemardigras.com/tickets/ or send to P.O. Box 1433 La Crosse, WI 54602-1433. Thank you for your support!

#### **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 \$2.55 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 livestream at 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.

## 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.

#### PCCW LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION

The PCCW of St. Joseph Cathedral invites all women of the La Crosse deanery to join us for a Lenten Morning of Reflection on Saturday, March 6, 2021. The morning starts out with Mass at the Cathedral at 8:00 am. After Mass (8 am - 11 am) there will be a light breakfast served in the Undercroft. Guest speaker, Christopher Ruff, from the La Crosse Diocesan Center, will be speaking about St. Joseph the Workman, in this year of St. Joseph. Please make reservations by calling either Therese: 784-3762 or Betty: 788-7619.

#### **FORMED.ORG**

Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories! Check out Discerning God's Will this week on Formed.org.

Don't forget about Scrip!

Please go to the Cathedral website:

https://cathedralsj-workman.org/parish-life/scrip/ Still have questions? Email Sara: sstaggart@gmail.com Scrip is a great way to support the parish!

### **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, Bishop of La Crosse

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

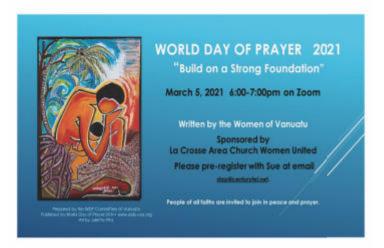
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## World Day of Prayer Announcement



World Day of Prayer is held annually on the 1st Friday of March. Each year, people of all faiths the world over join in prayer to further peace and understanding of one another.

La Crosse Area Church Women United invites you to join area churches for a virtual World Day of Prayer service via Zoom on Friday, March 5th from 6:00-7:00pm. The program has been written by the women of Vanuatu, an island nation in the South Pacific close to New Zealand. (If you are a fan of the CBS series "Survivor" you have seen the islands!)

With the global pandemic creating upheaval, each service offered this year will look different. Our service will feature a short video and music from Vanuatu, the prayer service, and a short reflection.

Pre-registration is required to receive the Zoom entrance code. If you do not have a device to watch, we will provide a telephone number for the audio portion of the program. To pre-register, or if you have questions, email Sue Staples at <a href="mailto:staples.at.staple.centurytel.net">staple.centurytel.net</a>.

#### **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS**

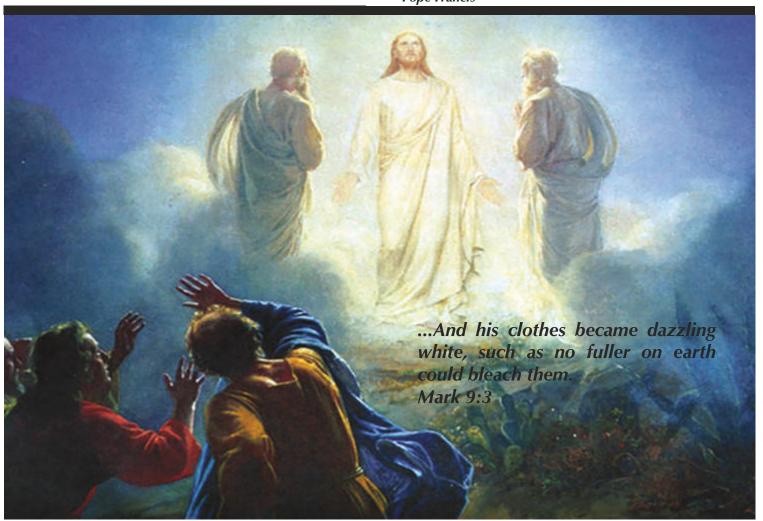
The Cathedral Parish has resumed its Lenten Soup Suppers during the Fridays of Lent. The evening opens with Stations of the Cross at 5:10 pm, followed by a soup supper in the Undercroft. The Cathedral Education Committee has developed occasional programs following the Lenten Soup Suppers. Dr. Charlie 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).

## 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 or Sign up for "Best Lent Ever" with Matthew Kelly at 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 for adult resources and diolc.org/prayer for children and young people resources.

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy."

-Pope Francis







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