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Liturgy

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, and 10:00 am

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am, 12:10 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am

Holiday and Holy Day Masses

For Mass times please see

- bulletin interior
- www.cathedralsjworkman.org or
- call the Rectory

Sacrament of Penance

Monday-Friday: 11:30-11:55 am

Saturday: After 8:00 am Mass until
all are heard; and 3:45-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held
each Wednesday from 7 am - 7 pm including
Benediction at noon and resuming after the
12:10 pm Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with
devotions is held on first Saturdays, following
the 8:00 am Mass, concluding with
Benediction at 9:30 am.

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March 17, 2024 – Fifth Sunday of Lent



RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Closed Mondays: 9:00-10:00 am (Administration)

Closed Wednesdays: 9:00-9:30 am (Staff Meeting)

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**To follow Christ who is the way of *encounter* and *engagement*
seeking to build the Kingdom of God in our midst!**

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Week of February 26 - March 3, 2024

Estimated Weekly Need	\$ 9,837.39
Envelopes & Plate	\$ 5,364.27
Special Recurring Gift	\$ 1,538.46
ACH Contributions	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 6,902.73

St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral appreciates your continued generosity!

FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation does NOT meet Wednesday, March 20th or March 27th. Families should be completing At Home Lesson 6-2 The Eucharist and 6-3 Going to Mass. We will see you again on April 3rd. Contact Kristin with any questions: kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org or 608.788.5483 Ext. 4.

At Church Sacramental Preparation Session

Our next At Church Nourish session for families with a child preparing to receive First Eucharist will be this Wednesday, March 20th from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm at Mary Mother of the Church. Families should complete Family Meetings 3, 4, and 5 prior to this session. Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm. Contact Kristin with any questions.

RONCALLI NEWMAN LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Roncalli Newman Parish in La Crosse will be hosting a penance service Tuesday, March 19th at 7 pm. The evening will include Lenten prayers, songs and the opportunity for Confession with Father Billy Dodge, Father Sam McCarty, or two other priests. Whether it's been two weeks or 20 years since you've been to Confession, you are welcome here! Join us in this beautiful way to prepare for Easter.

ALL DAY CONFESSIONS

There will be all day confessions at the Cathedral on Monday, March 25th from 9 am - 6 pm. There will be four priests available to hear confessions at any given time.

MASS INTENTIONS

- ♦ **Monday, March 18** (*Saint Cyril of Jerusalem*)
6:30 am – Jean Gadow
12:10 pm – Dr. John Ujda
- ♦ **Tuesday, March 19** (*Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*)
6:30 am – Madonna Bahr
12:10 pm – Patricia Prochaska
- ♦ **Wednesday, March 20**
6:30 am – Mary Jenks
12:10 pm – Ervin and Hazel Janisch
- ♦ **Thursday, March 21**
6:30 am – Intentions of the Joseph Mulhern Family
12:10 pm – Dr. John Ujda
- ♦ **Friday, March 22**
6:30 am – Living/Deceased Members of the McElligott Family
12:10 pm – Arthur and Kim Barbier
- ♦ **Saturday, March 23** (*Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo*)
8:00 am – Mary Dunn
4:30 pm – Dr. John Ujda
- ♦ **Sunday, March 24** (*Palm Sunday*)
7:30 am – The People of Cathedral Parish
10:00 am – Bill Warren

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

From the desk of Samuel Obert

For each weekend during Lent, I'd like to share with you a short poem. These poems have been written by members of this year's group of 10th grade Confirmation candidates from Blessed Sacrament Parish, Cathedral Parish, Holy Trinity Parish, Mary Mother of the Church Parish and Roncalli Newman Center Parish. Students were asked to use the theme "Jesus on the Cross" or "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit." I hope you delight in these and that they will enrich your Lenten season!

*Jesus Died, Mary cried
Through sharp pain, nails,
blood, wood soaked in grace
sins are cleared*

Please pray for the 53 young men and women who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Spring!

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on March 26th at 10:30 am at the Cathedral. The Chrism Mass is one of the Diocesan highlights at which the Bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Anointing of the Sick, and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and the faithful pray for them. Please consider attending.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent. FASTING is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 60. Those who are bound by this law may take 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.

CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS

March 21 (Thursday)
Walking With Women 5:30 pm (Undercroft)

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Stations of the Cross w/ Soup Supper 5:30 pm

March 22 (Friday)
Lenten Study-Biblical Walk through the Mass 10:30 am (Undercroft)

March 25 (Monday)
All Day Confessions 9 am - 6 pm

March 26 (Tuesday)
Chrism Mass 10:30 am

April 3 (Wednesday)
Confirmation 6:30 pm

April 4 (Thursday)
Book Club 9:00 am (Gathering Area)

April 7 (Sunday)
First Holy Communion 10:00 am Mass

April 9 (Tuesday)
Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)

April 9 (Tuesday)
Pastoral Council Meeting 5:30 pm (Undercroft)

April 10 (Wednesday)
Pastoral Council Meeting 6:00 pm (Undercroft)

MONSIGNOR'S *Musings*



Why Do We Veil Images of Our Lord and the Saints?

Good question. I'll answer it to the best of my ability. With regard to the crucifix, it is to prepare us for the great unveiling of the crucifix during the Good Friday Liturgy. The unveiling on Good Friday makes little sense if the dominant crucifix in the sanctuary is already unveiled. Moreover, with regard to the crucifix (and the statues) the Church's liturgy at this point in Lent seems to want to transport us back in time prior to the crucifixion. Before Jesus' death on the cross (and His Resurrection), there were no "saints" as of yet since the gates of heaven were still locked. To see no statues of saints is a reminder that the whole world waits anew with eager anticipation the saving event which sets us free from sin and brings

us into communion with God. The church building becomes more like a tomb—barren, craving new life, and culminating with Good Friday's stark, if not harsh, "emptiness." It is a certain "fasting" experienced in wood and stone calling us to do the same: to hunger for the things of God, to pine for our salvation. Seeing no statues is a reminder that there was a time historically speaking when humanity was "unsaved" since the act of Redemption had not yet occurred. Therefore, it brings to mind the startling reminder of the gift we do have and that it should never be taken for granted. It begs the question: How are we earnestly responding to the gift of salvation? It is a time pregnant with urgency.

St. Joseph the Workman, pray for us!

Msr. Gilles

JOB OPENING - DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

The Diocese of La Crosse has a job opening for an Accounting Services Professional. This position is responsible for the preparation, production and maintenance of client parish financial records through the use of the Diocese centralized financial software. Provides client parish financial information to the Shared Services Supervisor and assists client parish leadership in fulfillment of their parish, Diocesan and regulatory reporting requirements. This position will be working with the Stewardship and Development Department with data input and record maintenance. For more information: diolc.org website, Human Resources, (at the bottom of the site) Employment Opportunities.

GOOD FRIDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, to help Christians in the Holy Land. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name a few. The pandemic hit Christians in the Holy Land hard and the war made things even more dramatic. They depend on pilgrimages for work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. Please be generous!

SACRAMENTS & SERVICES

Marriage

Couples requesting the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish office at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage. If a couple wishes to be married as a registered member of our parish, they must actively participate in the faith (Sunday worship) and be a registered member of Cathedral parish for at least three months prior to requesting the Sacrament of Marriage. Weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA is a process of initiation into the Catholic Church for those who are experiencing a conversion in their lives and desire to be baptized; those who from other Christian traditions seek full communion in the Catholic Church through Eucharist and Confirmation; or for those Catholics who have not received religious education, Confirmation or First Eucharist. This process enables one to come more fully into a relationship with Jesus Christ. To do this we study the Gospels; learn Catholic doctrine and moral teaching; develop and deepen a life of prayer; and live the faith in action. It is not merely a course of instruction but a process of conversion designed to meet the unique and individual needs of the participants. For further guidance, contact the parish office at 608-782-0322, or Msgr. Gilles, Rector, or Deacon Joe Richards.

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 Rector to administer the Sacraments. Please call the Parish Office.

If you become homebound due to illness, and would like to be visited; or those who are seriously ill, should receive the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Those with preplanned hospital procedures should call the parish office to make arrangements for anointing.

Cathedral Prayer Chain

Cathedral parish has a prayer chain that you may request prayers 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.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS FOR MARCH 17

Fifth Sunday of Lent As we near the end of our Lenten journey, our readings today remind us of the goodness that God has to offer us. In today's Gospel, Jesus announces that the "hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." All that He came to do on this earth was soon fulfilled. When we reflect on what Jesus says in this passage, He tells us a great deal about how we should live as disciples of Christ. He clearly states, "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." We must detach from our desires and entrust our lives to all God has in store. Without self-denial, we might miss occasions God has given us to produce good fruit. We have been practicing this throughout our Lenten season through fasting. One way to continue this effort after Lent is by taking advantage of the opportunities God presents to us to sacrifice our desires for something much more significant - whether waking earlier to spend time in prayer, fasting from a favorite comfort weekly, or taking the time to check in on a friend or family member instead of turning on the TV, to name a few. We must continue to make room for God and the good things He wants to produce in us all year long. As our Lenten journey soon concludes, may we consider how we might continue the practice of self-denial by offering small, daily sacrifices to the Lord.

SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

The next Senior Luncheon will be on Friday, April 12th at 11:00 am. Please call or email Karol for further details and to RSVP at: kschlo3004@aol.com or 608.769.1270.

CATHEDRAL BOOK CLUB

The Cathedral Book Club will meet Thursday, April 4 from 9 am - 10:30 am to discuss *THE BEAUTY OF DUSK*, by Frank Bruni. All are welcome! If you have questions please contact Colleen Wash.

Bulletin Deadline: The Cathedral Bulletin regular deadline is 9:00 am on Fridays (nine days prior) to bulletin printing. Prior to major holidays, announcements should be received at least 16 days prior to printing.

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 7

The Deanery of the La Crosse Diocese has chosen the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. You are invited to make a pilgrimage for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 7. The schedule for the day is as follows: 9:00 am Latin Mass, 11:00 am Spanish Mass, 1:00 pm English Mass, 2:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2:45 pm Divine Mercy Reflection and Family Consecration to the Divine Mercy led by Cardinal Burke, 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet led by Cardinal Burke, 3:15 pm Benediction, 3:30 pm Blessing with the relic of St. Faustina. Confessions will be heard in English and Spanish 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. Cart shuttles will be available for pilgrims from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. For more information, please call the Shrine: 877.799.4059.

"On that day (Divine Mercy Sunday), the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." – Diary of St. Faustina #699

COOKING CLUB

The next Cathedral Cooking Club dinner will be Sunday, June 9th. More details to follow.

PCCW APRIL MEETING

PCCW will meet Wednesday, April 10th in the Undercroft at 5:30 (social time) with meeting to start at 6 pm. All women of the parish are welcome!

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OUR FEATURED BULLETIN SPONSOR THIS WEEK IS:

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Josiah Francis Fergades, son of John and Jennifer Fergades received the gift of eternal life through baptism on February 25, 2024. We welcome Josiah into the Roman Catholic Faith and congratulate his parents and older siblings Madilynn, Noah, Rosalie and Joseph.

Please pray for those in our RCIA program

Please pray for those that will be Baptized, and for those who will be entering into full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.



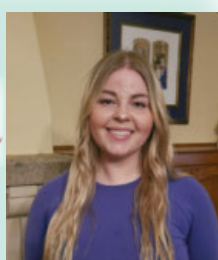
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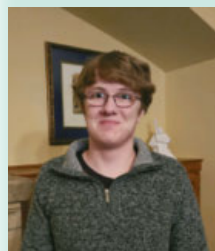
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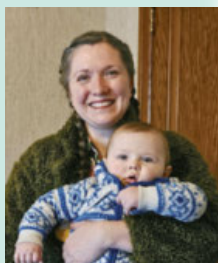
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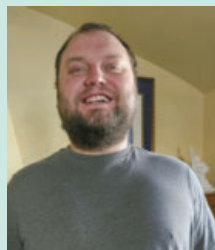
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