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Also see our website:
www.cathedralsjworkman.org

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

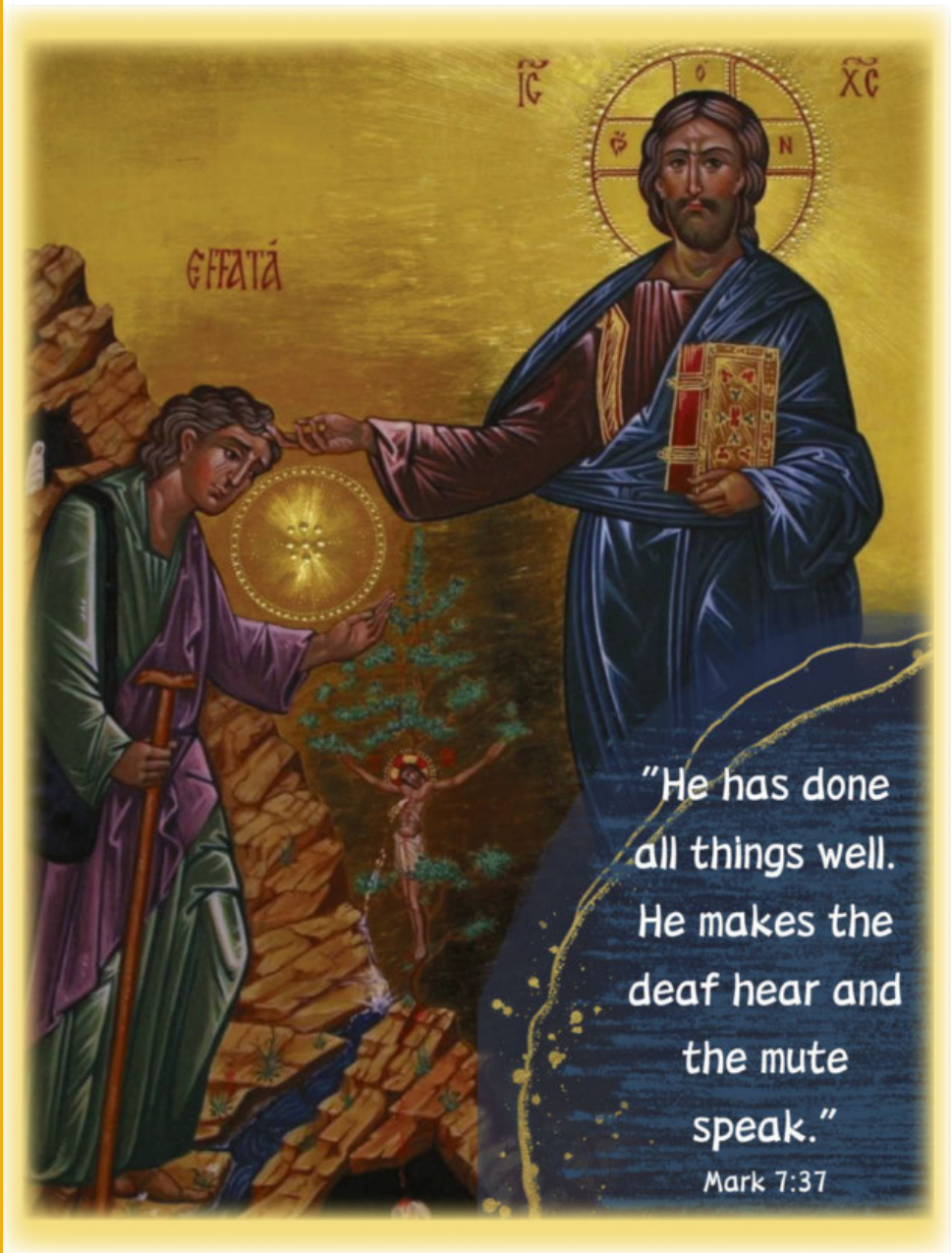
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held
each Wednesday from 7 am - 7 pm including
Benediction at noon and resuming after the
12:10 pm Mass.

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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September 8, 2024 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"He has done
all things well.
He makes the
deaf hear and
the mute
speak."

Mark 7:37

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 August 26 - September 1, 2024

Estimated Weekly Need	\$	10,094.59
Envelopes & Plate	\$	7,453.00
Special Recurring Gift	\$	1,538.46
ACH Contributions	\$	7,105.00
Total	\$	16,096.46

St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral appreciates your continued generosity!

CALLING OUR TALENTED CATHEDRAL ARTISTS

Once again the PCCW is hoping that those of you who have been given an ARTISTIC talent will consider donating a piece or two to our December Christmas Bazaar for our ARTIST'S CORNER! People LOVE your work and I LOVE telling them about it. Please call Pat: 608.792.9858 with any questions.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join the pro-life community of the Coulee Region at a kick-off rally for 40 Days for Life Sunday, September 15th at 4 pm at the Northside Community Church, 1300 Caledonia Street, La Crosse. The fall campaign to end abortion will run Sep 25 - Nov 3 on the sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood, 1201 Caledonia Street. Please consider coming to pray for an hour, anytime between 7 am and 7 pm. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/lacrosse. Contact Marie Allen for more information: 608.784.5189 or marie.v.allen@charter.net.

JOB OPENING - DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Job Opportunity at the Diocese of La Crosse. Please go to Indeed.com and search for Diocese of La Crosse.

WEDDING BANNERS III

*Mitchell Dentice and
Arianna Prichard
September 14, 2024*



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YOUTH FORMATION

Our K-5th program needs a 1st Grade Teacher and 5th Grade Assistant. Commitment is two times/month on Wednesday evenings from approximately 5 pm - 7 pm Want to help? Have questions? Contact Kristin: kjohnson@moclacrosse.org or 608.788.5483 Ext. 4.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION KICK-OFF

Our Family Faith Formation programming year kicks off Wednesday, September 18th at 5:30 pm at Mary Mother of the Church. If you are a family with a 1st - 5th Grader and you have not registered yet please contact Kristin at kjohnson@moclacrosse.org or 608-788-5483 Ext. 4

CATHEDRAL GALLERY SINGERS OPENINGS

The Cathedral Gallery Singers, the Cathedral's outstanding adult mixed choir, has a number of openings in all four sections available for suitable singers. The 2024-25 choir season begins on September 12. Prospective members should contact Dr. Brian Luckner to schedule a very simple and brief audition. The choir is a friendly and welcoming group, rehearsals are fast-paced and stimulating, and the repertoire is of the highest quality. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 and the choir sings at the 10:00 Sunday Mass, meeting at 9:15. Choir is in session from mid-September through mid-June. Membership is open to singers, generally of high school age and older, who can read music and possess a voice that will blend with our ensemble. If interested, please call 608.782.0322, option 4 (leave message).

MMOC CHICKEN QUE

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on Thursday, September 12, from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery. The price is \$12 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For pre-sale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries, call 608.518.6145. No minimum order and no delivery charge. Enter at Weston Street driveway.

MASS INTENTIONS

- **Monday, September 9** (*Saint Peter Claver*)
6:30 am – Jean Gadow
12:10 pm – John Dudley
- **Tuesday, September 10**
6:30 am – Mary Jenks
12:10 pm – Gene Gonia
- **Wednesday, September 11**
6:30 am – Cole Berra
12:10 pm – Ken and Marie Doherty
- **Thursday, September 12** (*The Most Holy Name of Mary*)
6:30 am – Frank Finn
12:10 pm – Ken and Marie Doherty
- **Friday, September 13** (*Saint John Chrysostom*)
6:30 am – Leona and Robert Welsh
12:10 pm – Mary Dunn
- **Saturday, September 14** (*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*)
8:00 am – Philip and Michael Knothe
4:30 pm – Intentions of Alexandra Carlson
- **Sunday, September 15** (*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)
7:30 am – The People of Cathedral Parish
10:00 am – Intentions of Jason and Allie Sauppe'

CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS

- **September 8** (Sunday)
Beacon of Light Cathedral Parish Picnic 11:30 am (Myrick Park)
- **September 10** (Tuesday)
Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- **September 11** (Wednesday)
PCCW Meeting 6:00 pm (Undercroft)
- **September 12** (Thursday)
Finance Council Meeting 7:30 am (Rectory)
- **September 13** (Friday)
Senior Luncheon 11:00 am
- **September 14** (Saturday)
Sacred Worship Meeting 9:30 am
- **September 15** (Sunday)
First Communion Meeting (parents/students) 8:45 am (Undercroft)
- **September 19** (Thursday)
Walking With Women 6:00 pm (Undercroft)
- **September 24** (Tuesday)
Euchre Club 6:30 pm (Gathering Area)
- **September 29** (Thursday)
Confirmation Meeting 8:45 am (Undercroft)



Let Us See Sin for What it Truly Is

Humans can be quite clever but not in a wise way. So clever that we can rationalize just about anything, including sin, whether grave or venial. Delusions and false promises easily rule our fallen human nature until the light of God's revelation shines upon this darkness. What is this light? It is light of God's truth made known to us through Sacred Scripture, Tradition and the authentic perennial teaching of the Church. So easily and often we do not see sin for the ugly reality it is. We can gloss over sin because it is a comfortable place for most. However, we remember the Lord's strict teaching on the narrow way that leads to eternal life. It is not more fearful to travel that hard narrow steep way to holiness as opposed to the wide smooth path to perdition. What is more fearful is to travel that broad path of disorder, anxiety, isolation, human misery, violence and mistrust. Even one small sin is a very great misery to the human soul. And yet, why do we travel that ugly, painful path? Because we do not see sin for what it is. We too easily become inured to its hideous reality.

This is a fact of life (the ugliness of sin). And if one does not realize it, then we will never understand the very nature of heaven, nor what this life on Earth is about. God wants to communicate to us the gifts of his love, light, and Presence

but our hearts are cold. Worse yet, they are lukewarm. And this is worse because it is very self-deceptive. It gives the illusion that we are good and it makes us feel comfortable when in fact it is masking that we are very inadequate to the standard of God's holiness. As one hermitess said, "This certainly opens the soul to a different spirit, the spirit of the devil: confusion, domination, false peace. It is the false peace of cover-up: the cover-up of sin in the soul, removing it from the protection of God's Divine love and Divine law."

We must be intentionally engaged in the battle between Good and Evil. It is prayer which gives us courage never to give up or to give in. Reading the Bible gives us great confidence to do battle and to be appropriately armed. Also, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass must be cherished and taken seriously. It must be more than a convenient place to visit with friends, but to be appreciated as the Sacrifice of our Redemption. God has given us everything we need to win the battle: Prayer, Scripture and the Sacraments, practiced frequently and with devotion. These are God's best ways to comfort the soul. The best thing to do is to invite now the judgment of God in prayer. It is God's judgment that makes clear to us what is authentically good and that which creates unhappiness for us. Let us pray for God's judgement of love in order that we may know authentic peace in this life and in the next.

St. Joseph the Workman, pray for us!

Msr. Gilles

CATHEDRAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Congratulations to Kathryn Savoldelli who was awarded the Funke Welch Tuition Scholarship. Kathryn, who is a senior at Aquinas High School, is the daughter of Jim and Margie Savoldelli. Thank you to everyone who submitted an application for this award. Congratulations Kathryn!

CALLING ALL PARISH WOMEN

PCCW will meet Wednesday, September 11th in the Undercroft at 5:30 pm with meeting to start at 6 pm. Please bring a snack to share with others. All parish women, aged 18 or older, are automatic members of the PCCW. Come and see how you can get involved and have your voice heard.

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.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The OCIA 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.

FALL FAITH ADULT FORMATION CLASS

Join us as Fr. Gaitley helps to bring our relationship with Jesus from the head to the heart. We have spent a lot of time on programs that focus on "head knowledge" to help us confirm our belief in what the Catholic Church teaches. With Consoling the Heart of Jesus, we learn ways of living the Catholic faith on a daily basis and forming a relationship with Jesus, i.e. "heart knowledge." Based on the 14 rules of St. Ignatius, this program is an Ignatian retreat experience from the comfort of your home. Small group meetings allow you to connect with others and grow in faith and community. It is a life-changing program that is sure to be one of your all-time favorites. You can sign up for this program at any of the participating parish offices, after weekend Masses at many of the participating parishes, online registration at www.stpatsonalaska.com, or by contacting Amy Capelli: 608.783.0847 or amy_capelli@chapter.net. The cost for the book and workbook is only \$20.00 (Retail cost is \$30). Please Note: A generous donor has helped us to provide the class materials at reduced cost to you! Classes run September 16 – November 23, 2024.

BIRTHRIGHT REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Birthright of La Crosse would like to thank you for your support of women who come to them for help and for loving and supporting them through their pregnancy and beyond. Birthright La Crosse chapter is hosting the annual Birthright Regional Conference, which includes the Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa chapters, on September 14, 2024 in La Crosse at Blessed Sacrament Parish from 10 am - 3:20 pm. The program will feature three dynamic and life-affirming speakers. The conference is free. Lunch will be served for \$10.00. Please contact Julie Dietz to register: julie.dietz@gmail.com.

SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

The next Senior Luncheon will be on Friday, September 13th at 11:00 am. Please call or email Karol for further details and to RSVP at: kschlo3004@aol.com or 608.769.1270.

MASS AND HEALING SERVICE

Are you suffering from physical, spiritual, or psychological distress? God's will is for you to be whole! A Healing Service will be held on September 9th at Sacred Heart Church (1205 Front Street, Cashton). Adoration starts at 4:30 pm (Praise and Worship, Rosary, Divine Mercy and Confessions). Mass will start at 5:30 pm. After Mass, Adoration continues with prayers and group healing and deliverance. At 7:00 pm there will be an Individual Healing Ministry for those who do not experience breakthrough in the group session. Jesus Promised: "These signs will accompany those who believe... They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." - Mark 16:17. Come and experience the healing power of God's love and grace. All are welcome!

MEAL TRAIN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Cathedral Meal Train is a parish community outreach that allows parishioners to bring food to fellow parishioners in a time of need. Meals can be provided to families during a time of recovery from surgery, an illness, the birth of a baby (remember when Monsignor Gilles gave a blessing to couples who were expecting a baby? Some of those babies have recently been born and more will be soon), or some other life event. Providing a meal blesses the giver and the receiver. Contact the parish office: 608.782.0322 if you can occasionally provide a meal for a parish family or to sign up to receive meals!

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- Bulletin – online & available in the Gathering Area
- Email – office@cathedralsjworkman.org
- Telephone – 608/782-0322

RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP & STAFF

The Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby - Bishop of La Crosse
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Walking with Women Praying with Scripture



All Women are invited!

**First gathering will be on
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For more info contact: Mari Erickson or Amy Mulhern

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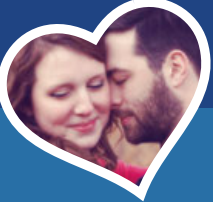
**Meeting Dates: Sep 19, Oct 10, Oct 31, Nov 21, Dec 12,
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