

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman Parishes
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 16th, 2022

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RNP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm
Fri 9am - 12pm

BSP Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm
Fri 9am - 12pm

Sunday Mass Times

Sat. 4:30pm @ BSP
Sun. 9am (BSP), 11:15am (RNP), & 8:30pm (RNP)

Daily Mass Times

BSP Mon - Fri 8:00am
RNP Tues 5:15pm
RNP Wed & Fri Noon
RNP Thurs 7pm

Confession Times

Saturday evening @ 3:30pm or by appt.

Around the Parish

Packer Tailgate Party - Oct 16

We're bringing back a past event! Come join us for Food, Fun and Packers at BSP's Packer Tailgate Party on October 16th in the BSP Parish Hall. The game starts at Noon, but doors will open at 11:00 am if you want to come enjoy some cornhole or a beer before the action starts. There will be games and activities for young and old alike, including face painting and balloon animals. The game will be played on the big screen in the parish hall.

Men of the Cross Conference - Nov 12

Join us for the Men of the Cross conference Saturday, November 12th. Speakers include Jeff Cavins (co-producer of the Bible in a Year Podcast), and Father Check from the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The day will conclude with Mass with Bishop Callahan. Cost is \$40 for early bird registration, \$45 after October 24th. The day will include a light breakfast, lunch, confession, Adoration, rosary procession and small group discussions. Middle and High School age sons get free admission. Questions? Email Dave at djschreier@yahoo.com

Food Drive Approaching - Oct 29&30

The parishes are planning a Food Drive for the weekend of October 29 and 30 2022. The primary benefactor will be Catholic Charities of LaCrosse. Along with the universities, Western and the Place of Grace.

Join us for Rosary before Mass

Join us for the Rosary just before the weekend Masses, starting at 4:05pm on Saturdays and 8:35am Sundays.

Gathering Loaves and Fishes Event

Gathering Loaves and Fishes will be getting together on Thursday, October 27th at 6:30pm at t Digger's Sting Restaurant. Please call Colleen at 608-787-1120 to make your reservation.

Pies Needed for Advent Christmas Fair

Pie Bakers Unite! Natalie Bennet and her daughters will 'Chair' of the Slice of Pie area during the mid day at our Advent Christmas Fair. This new area will offer a complimentary slice of pie and cup of coffee for our shoppers - a free will offering will be accepted. Please contact her with your promise of a pie donation for the day. bennetts6kids@gmail.com

High School Confirmation Reminder

This is just a friendly reminder that all high school youth preparing for Confirmation will meet on Sunday, October 23rd from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall for our first session with Fr. Dodge. Only candidates need to attend and a meal will be provided.

Newman Tuesday Student Dinners

Thank you to all who generously helped out with our Mac and Cheese Night last week. We welcomed 110 students! This week our theme is **Italian Night**. Check out the Roncalli Newman Website if you'd like to join this mission. **Anyone who brings an item or dish is welcome and encouraged to stay and eat with our college students.** Thank you very much for serving our college students!

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

October 22/23

Sat, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Judy Kabat	Reader (1)
Mark Steingraeber	Reader (2)
Hunter Johnson	Server
Kyle Craig	Server
Mary Schuttenhelm	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Mark Schuttenhelm	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Thomas Miller	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Rose Porter	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Dave Schreier	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Christine Nelson	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Natalie Bennett	Reader (1)
LuAnne Kratt	Reader (2)
Charlee G.	Server
Ruby G.	Server
Sue Grant	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Paul Grant	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Michele Cook	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Scott Smerud	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Marie Allen	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Maggie Leon	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Bernice Lansing	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Sandra Borreson	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Bob Masewicz	Reader (1)
Beth Piggush	Reader (2)
Aaron Zivney	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Ken Horth	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Ginger Horth	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Debbie Clarkin	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Kathryn Barth	Gift Bearer
Jen Masewicz	Gift Bearer
Cindy Sjolander	Sacristan/MC

October 29/30

Sat, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Caryl Doberstein	Reader (1)
Judy Kabat	Reader (2)
Kyle C.	Server
Hunter J.	Server
Suzanne Verdoliva	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Kathie Hanna	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Annie Berendes	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Michael J Porter	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Mary Therese Rinzel	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Susan Fukuda	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Steve McGovern	Reader (1)
John Gallagher	Reader (2)
Matthew B.	Server
John Wissing	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Pat Abraham	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Carolyn Bagniewski	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Jim Bagniewski	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Carol Steingraeber	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Betty Roth	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Meredith Houge	Reader (1)
John Houge	Reader (2)
Trish Harkness	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Don Harkness	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Ressano Machado	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Vanessa Machado	Minister of Hospitality (Greeter, Usher)
Andy Manson	Gift Bearer
Teresa Walter	Gift Bearer
Sandra Johnston	Sacristan/MC

Coming Up this Week

Saturday 10/15

3:30pm Confessions @ BSP
4:05pm Rosary (led by Gene and Mary Ann Roesler)
4:30pm BSP Mass +Leonard and Margaret Degenhardt

Sunday 10/16

8:35am Rosary (led by Kevin and Helen Roop)
9:0am BSP Mass +Mary Wieman
11:15am RNP Mass +Jack Niedfeldt

Monday 10/17

8am BSP Mass +Ralph and Joyce Clason
6 -7:30pm Lectio: The Case for Jesus (BSP Parish Hall)

Tuesday 10/18

8am BSP Mass +Sylvester & Blanche Gallagher
5:15pm RNP Mass +Vince Hatt
6:30pm RCIA Class (BSP)

Wednesday 10/19

8am BSP +Joan Margeurite Marco **SCHOOL MASS**
12pm RNP Mass +Mary Lueck
5pm Liturgical Choir Rehearsal (RNP)
7pm RCIA Class (RNP)
7pm - 8:30pm High School Faith Formation (BSP)

Thursday 10/20

8am BSP Mass +Theresa Gotz
7pm RNP Mass For Reparation of the Eucharist
7pm Liturgical Choir Rehearsal (BSP)

Friday 10/21

8am Mass BSP +Mary Melde-Weiske
12pm Mass RNP +Robert Pruse

Saturday 10/22

3:30pm Confessions @ BSP
4:05pm Rosary (led by Scott and Carol Doberstein)
4:30pm BSP Mass +Sylvester Schaub

Sunday 10/23

8:35am Rosary (led by Joe and Barb Clements)
9:00am BSP Mass +Mark Swiecieak Jr
11:15am RNP Mass +Jack Niedfeldt
5pm - 8pm High School Confirmation (BSP)

Weekend Collection 10/9

BSP \$6,153.00

RNP \$1,845.40

Music & Liturgy

From the desk of Mary Ellen Hauptert

UPCOMING HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULES

- For the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st, there will be a Vigil Mass at Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 on October 31st and three Masses on November 1st: 8:00 AM @ BSP, Noon @ RNP, and 5:15 @ RNP.
- For the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th, there will be a Vigil Mass at Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 on December 7th and three Masses on December 8th: 8:00 AM @ BSP, Noon @ RNP, and 7:00 PM @ RNP.
- For the Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas), there will be three Masses on Christmas Eve and two on Christmas Day:
 - o Christmas Eve: 4:00 PM @ Blessed Sacrament; 6:00 PM Family Mass @ Roncalli Newman; and 8:00 PM Candlelight Mass @ Roncalli Newman
 - o Christmas Day: 9:00 AM @ Blessed Sacrament and 11:15 AM @ Roncalli Newman

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

For many years, Roncalli Newman Parish has celebrated Thanksgiving a week in advance with its student population. The “mother of all potlucks” is preceded by prayer in the chapel. We hope that BSP parishioners will attend this annual event on Thursday, November 17th. The thanksgiving prayer begins in the chapel at 5:30 PM, with the potluck to follow (in the lower level).

CHANGE IN MUSIC LEADERSHIP

For the past 24 years, I have been the music director at Roncalli Newman Parish and have had the pleasure of working with Msgr. Pierce, Fr. Alan Wierzba, Fr. James Kurzynski, Fr. Raj, Fr. Billy Dodge, Fr. Mano, Fr. Matt Marshall, and Fr. Sam McCarty...not to mention all the parishioners and music ministers who worked with me in various capacities. When I was first hired in the fall of 1998, my part-time responsibilities balanced my husband’s teaching at UW-L. In 2003 I was hired as a full-time member of the music department at Viterbo University, which begged the question of whether I should quit my church job. With Mike’s support (and my youngest entering kindergarten) I started working seven days a week.

When the parishes merged this summer, I struggled with how I was going to manage both positions. I scaled back at Viterbo by handing over my role as chair of the department to a younger colleague. It wasn’t enough, and discernment morphed into keeping one job over the other and flip-flopping between the church job and teaching. My long-time friend and cantor at Newman, Mary Blaha-DeBoer, knew that I wanted both more time with my kids and grandchild in California and the freedom to drive north to see my 93-year-old mother. Her suggestion that we share the job seemed plausible, so on December 1, 2022 I will become the Director of Liturgy and Mary Blaha-DeBoer will be the new Director of Music.

Mary Blaha-DeBoer was the Director of Music at Roncalli Newman Parish for seven years in the 1990s and remained as cantor throughout my career as music director. She has been the wedding music coordinator at RNP for the past 5 or 6 years and recently added that responsibility at BSP. Mary grew up in Etrick, WI and provided music at St. Bridget’s from a very early age. In addition to being an exceptional singer, Mary has fine keyboard skills and has been music director for several musicals at La Crosse Community Theater. Most important, Mary and I know each other very well and have a deep respect for each other’s abilities. I’m confident that we will succeed in this new arrangement.

Advent Christmas Fair - Nov. 19th

From our Heart and Home to Yours. Advent Christmas Fair Saturday November 19th, 2022 from 8am until 2 pm. Plan to come and bring the family and friends!

Advent Christmas Fair Help Needed

1. Volunteers needed to 'chair' 4 areas 1 - Greeters, 2 Hospitality - 3 Collection of Advent Christmas Jar donations, 4 Music Room. Contact Barb for more information scwjoy@gmail.com, 608-784-6974 or leave a note at my home 149 S 24th street (corner home mail slot)

2. Melinda Wishon is accepting items for the Attic Treasures. Contact her with your items.

3. The Children's Secret Store Donation box is located outside Barb's garage door on the corner 149 S 24th. Please unclick and click the handles to keep the cover secure.

4. Join us for Breakfast! This year we will offer Company French Toast, Sausage patties fruit and beverage for \$4 at our Advent Christmas Fair. Join us from 8:15 until all is gone. Contact Kathy Reinhart to volunteer kathyrein@aol.com

5. Barb McGovern is collecting jewelry of all sorts (in good condition) and gently used fashion scarves for the Cache of Jewelry as part of our Advent Christmas Fair. Please contact her for more information, mcgovernlax@hotmail.com

Thanksgiving Potluck - Nov 17th

Newman's annual Thanksgiving Potluck is returning this year on November 17th! Thanksgiving prayer begins @ 5:30pm in the chapel. Details to come

Neighbors Day

Newman's student leadership team is hosting their second annual Neighbors Day. Saturday, Nov 5th students will be devoting the day to parishioners who are in need of yard work done - yard work , raking or picking up leaves, etc. If you're interested, call Jenna Droessler at 608-330-3786 and leave a voicemail. Thanks!

Wanted - Pumpkins

Newman's student leadership team is planning a pumpkin carving and painting night and are in need of pumpkins. Pumpkins of any size or color can be dropped off anytime between now and October 28th at the Campus Ministry office Thank you!

Families Forming Disciples

Families Forming Disciples does **NOT** meet this **Sunday October 16th or Wednesday October 19th. Families should be completing their Lesson 2 Week 2 At Home Mission.** We will see our Sunday participants and Wednesday participants respectively, again on Sunday October 23rd and Wednesday October 26th for Lesson 2 Week 3 where families will share with others about their Week 2 At Home Mission.

High School Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation will meet this Wednesday October 19 th from 7:00pm-8:30pm at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall.

Cor Jesu - October 21st

Starts at 7:30 with Eucharist Adoration, Reflection, Confession, and praise and worship. 830 is food, drinks, and games in the basement after. Cor Jesu is for young adults to worship, Adore, Confess and build community. Cor Jesu will be every 3rd Friday of the month at the Cathedral in La Crosse next Cor Jesu is on the **21st of October.** Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Raffle Basket Items & Volunteering

Your help and donations are needed for the Raffle Baskets at the Advent Christmas Fair. We are looking for donations for these baskets: Eating Out, Spa and Beauty, Christmas Kitchen, Family Fun Night. Please put in the basket in the SCRIP office or give to Marie Allen. Donations of entire baskets also accepted on any creative theme. We will meet in the BSP conference room on Nov. 10th from 9 AM to 12 Noon to put the baskets together. Volunteers needed. Call/text Marie Allen at 608-799-9196.

October, the month of the Holy Rosary



Five reasons the rosary is the perfect prayer for families

By Gretchen R. Crowe

Gretchen R. Crowe is editor-in-chief at *Our Sunday Visitor* and author of *“Why the Rosary, Why Now?”*

Image by Mary Ann Roesler



It was one of those days you never forget. Sitting on the beach one summer evening last year, my husband and I decided to pray the rosary. Close by on a blanket was our son, only 8 weeks old. As we started praying out loud, our son began to coo along with every word.

Maybe he didn't know their meaning, but he sensed the rhythm of every Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be. That was my first lived experience of the rosary's power as a family prayer.

Over the centuries, many Catholics of all walks of life have underscored the familial nature of praying the rosary. Notable among these include two great 20th-century rosary devotees, Father Patrick Peyton and St. John Paul II.

In the mid-20th century, Father Peyton, who founded Holy Cross Family Ministries, also known as the “rosary priest,” became famous for the saying, “The family that prays together, stays together.” In his autobiography, he explained why praying to Jesus through Mary in the rosary was so fundamental to his childhood that it eventually became the core of his life.

Pope John Paul II wrote in *“Rosarium Virginis Mariae,”* his masterful 2002 apostolic letter on the rosary, that the rosary is “a prayer of and for the family.”

“It is important not to lose this precious inheritance,” the pope said. “We need to return to the practice of family prayer and prayer for families, continuing to use the rosary.”

Surely we know there is no better prayer suited to family life than the rosary — but why? Here are five reasons.

— The rosary is simple. The short, repetitive prayers of the rosary make it a perfect devotion for families. It can be prayed by anyone, anywhere. The prayers are easily memorized and recited, and even young children can be encouraged to lead a decade.

It would be a mistake, though, to mistake simplicity for insignificance, as there is much to be gained from praying the rosary frequently and with dedication. Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, a great lover of the rosary, called the devotion “the place where the simple love grows in knowledge and where the knowing mind grows in love.” There is much depth to be found in the rosary's simplicity.

— The rosary is tactile. A rosary comes with an almost built-in “fidget spinner” for young ones. Holding a rosary in their hands, they can keep track of how much is completed and how much remains. The string of beads also serves as a physical manifestation of the relationship with Our Lady and her Son.

Simply holding a rosary often gives comfort, especially to young ones — and even the very young can hold onto (or chew!) a baby-friendly version. As you touch the beads during prayer, you can hand over your worries, concerns, sufferings and pains to the Lord through his mother.

— The rosary brings peace. St. Pius X is credited with saying, “If you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family rosary.” For families, moments of quiet can be hard to come by. Peace is also shattered by the day-to-day conflicts that are bound to occur in family life.

But by its rote nature, the rosary invites quiet reflection and meditation. Through the rosary, we are able to entrust any and all worries and anxieties over to Mary. By carving out a space each night for a family rosary, you also are carving out a space for peace to take root in the family home.

Reflecting on the mysteries of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus also offers the opportunity for families to reflect on their own actions throughout the day and attune their lives to Christ’s. This can lead to something of an examination of conscience, providing opportunities for reconciliation at the day’s end.

— The rosary tells a story. The mysteries of the rosary make the story of salvation come alive. Every member of the family, no matter how small, can understand to some extent the events and relationships illustrated.

In the joyful mysteries, we learn about the life of Jesus and God’s plan for him and his family. The sorrowful mysteries, through meditation on Jesus’ passion and death, illustrate that no one is immune from suffering, even the Son of God. The luminous mysteries offer us an opportunity to grow in knowledge of ourselves and the universe, and, most importantly, of God and our relationship with him. The glorious mysteries provide a backdrop for our hope in eternal life, according to which we pattern our lives.

The stories contained within the mysteries of the rosary can teach all members of the family about the life of Jesus, thereby bringing each person into closer relationship with him.

— The rosary mirrors the rhythms of daily family life. Mirroring the mysteries, our lives are composed of moments of joy and suffering and moments of hope and illumination. By grappling with the mysteries of the life of Jesus, in union with Mary who pondered them all in her heart, we are better able to cope with the ups and downs in our own families.

Catholic Boy Scout Emblems

Calling all Boy Scouts interested in earning their Religious Emblems: Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII. If your unit does not offer classes and you want information on classes please contact Cindy at catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com. or call 608-783-4911.

Healthy Living with Diabetes Class

“Healthy Living with Diabetes class to be offered in Nov/Dec through Gundersen Health System virtually. For more information, please contact Vicky at 608-775-6870.

Lectio: The Case for Jesus

This week we are learning about “The Kingdom of God and the Messiah”. In this week’s lesson Brant Pitre explains how the Jewish people of Jesus’ time would have heard the prophecy of Daniel being fulfilled in Jesus when Jesus said, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” These words alone convinced many Jewish people that Jesus was the long awaited Messiah.

Join us for class or watch the video online on the Formed.org website. This lesson is a must for understanding that Jesus is the Messiah.

Each week there are 5 class offerings. Join us for the class that best fits your schedule.

Mondays 9:00 - 10:30 am St. James the Less (basement)

6:00 – 7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament

(Parish Hall)

Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm St. Patrick’s (basement)

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm Holy Trinity (Leo Hall)

Thursdays 9:15 - 10:45 am St Patrick’s (basement)

Fridays 10:30 - 12:00 Noon Cathedral (Undercroft)

Job Opening for WI Right to Life

Wisconsin Right to Life and the Veritas Society have an open position in the fund development department and invite residents of the La Crosse and Eau Claire areas to apply. This is a new position, and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, look for “Individual Gift Officer – Western Wisconsin” on Indeed.com, or visit the Wisconsin Right to Life blog: <https://bit.ly/wrtl-igo-ww>.

Causeway Caregivers

Causeway Caregivers exists to help! Causeway serves elderly and disabled adults in La Crosse County by providing volunteer services without charge for those in need of a volunteer connection. Raking leaves, grocery shopping, doing errands and helping after a winter weather event are the types of needs Causeway is receiving now. Would you like to volunteer? Do you need a volunteer? Call (608) 775-9999 to get started!

OASIS Respite Program is a weekly program for individuals in the beginning to mid-stages of a dementia, Alzheimer's or other brain related diagnosis. This respite time provides socialization, brain enrichment, and activities while a caregiver gets a four hour much needed break. Suggested donation of \$20 per attendance provides the activities and a nutritious, flavor-forward lunch. OASIS is an outreach program of Causeway Caregivers and be reached at (608) 780-0471