

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman

Roman Catholic Churches of La Crosse, WI

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph | December 31, 2023

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

4:30PM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

SUNDAY

9AM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

11AM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

8:30PM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday - 8:00AM (BSP)

Tues - 5:15PM (RNC)

Thurs - 7pm (RNC)

Wed/Fri - Noon (RNC)

CONFESSIONS

3:30 - 4:15PM Saturdays or by appt.

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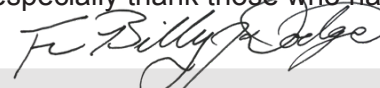
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FROM THE DESK OF FR. BILLY DODGE

Merry Christmas! A special thank-you to all who made our Christmas celebrations so special - the volunteers who helped set up the decorations and donated the Christmas trees and flowers, the musicians for putting in the extra practice during this busy time of year, and the parish staff. Thank you! The Christmas season continues through the celebration of Epiphany on January 7. Enjoy the Christmas decorations these next couple weeks. Please check the bulletin for requests to help take-down the decorations after January 7.

January 1, the celebration of Mary Mother of God, is a holy day, but it is NOT a holy day of obligation this year. However, attending Mass on that day would be a pious and holy thing to do if you are able. I will be leaving La Crosse early on New Years Day with 74 college students to attend the SEEK conference put on by FOCUS. This year SEEK is being held in St. Louis, MO, with 25,000 attendees. I will return to La Crosse later on Friday, January 5. Please pray for the college students attending this conference. Several parishioners will be joining me too!

To those who have sent me Christmas cards - THANK YOU! Your kind notes and generosity are greatly appreciated. I try to respond to as many as possible with personal notes of thanks, but sometimes I get overwhelmed. So I want to publicly thank those who have been so kind and generous, and especially thank those who have made me feel as part of their family!



AROUND THE PARISH

Christmas Decoration Take Down - Your Assistance Is Needed

As we transition from the joyous Advent & Christmas season into the beginning of the new liturgical year, thank you to all who contributed time, materials and financial support for the beautiful decorations that adorned Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman. With the season soon concluding, the Environment Leads kindly ask for your assistance in dismantling and storing the holiday decorations. Your HELP IS ESSENTIAL - please consider joining:

Roncalli Newman: Sunday, Jan. 7th after the 11AM Mass. Please meet in the basement hall.

Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday, Jan, 9th after the 8AM Mass.

Women's Club Holy Hour | Saturday January 6th

Saturday January 6, 10am Women's Club Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour in Church. With humble prayer and grateful hearts let us join together in worship as we adore our Newborn King

Men's Prayer and Fellowship Gathering | January 8th

The Men's prayer and fellowship gathering will be Monday January 8th from 6-7:30 in the conference room. Long time Master of Ceremonies for BSP William Arnold will lead the discussion. Bring your Rosary and a friend.

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

This year the Solemnity on January 1st is not a Holy Day of Obligation, so there will be no Vigil Mass on New Year's Eve. Mass for the Solemnity will be at **9am at Blessed Sacrament on the 1st.**

POINTSETTIA GRATITUDE

Thank you to all who donated the beautiful poinsettias to adorn the altar at Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman

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LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 6/7

Sat, Jan 6, 4:30 PM - The Epiphany of the Lord (BSP)

Debbie Clarkin	Reader (1)
Judy Kabat	Reader (2)
Michelle Johnson & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Jackson W. & Jonny W.	Servers
Sean O'Flaherty & Dave Schreier	Hospitality Ministers
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Thomas Miller	EMHC
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Rosary Leaders at Blessed Sacrament

01/06 4:30pm - Natalie Schwinn Weaver

01/07 9am - Helen Arnold

Sun, Jan 7, 9:00 AM - The Epiphany of the Lord (BSP)

John Drake	Reader (1)
Kristin Sullivan	Reader (2)
Jennifer Kulzer & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Dominic S. & Isaac S.	Servers
Bonnie & Bruce Hrabak	Hospitality Ministers
Jack Kallies & Tad Strittmater	Hospitality Ministers
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Ellen Kallies & Carol Steingraeber	EMHCs

Sun, Jan 7, 11:00 AM - The Epiphany of the Lord (RNC)

Erma Hafner	Reader (1)
Michele Thorman	Reader (2)
Michelle Skemp & ME Hauptert	Cantor & Accompanist
AC Van Rooyen	Server
Debbie Dahl-Schultz & Karen Lange	Hospitality Ministers
Ressano & Vanessa Machado	Hospitality Ministers
Alice Mcquire Backlund & Denise Debonville	Gift Bearer
Kathy Running	Sacristan/MC

AROUND OUR PARISHES & COMMUNITY

Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation meets this Wednesday January 3rd from 5:30pm-6:45pm at Mary Mother of the Church where we will introduce our monthly topic The Bible: Our Family's Story. Contact Kristin with any questions kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org 608-788-5483 Ext. 4

Behold Young Adult Retreat | January 27

Jesus left us Himself in the Eucharist so that our intimate love and union with Him -flesh to flesh- may continue in this life as we await the perfection of His love and union in the next. "Behold: God is With Us" is a Eucharistic retreat on January 27th for all young adults (18-35) in La Crosse. It's an opportunity for you to retreat from the busyness and stresses of life and find rest and consolation in Jesus and other young adults like you. Join us for a day of enriching talks, silent prayer/reflection, small group discussion, adoration, confession, and Mass. Most importantly, learn how you can remain connected post-retreat to a vibrant community of young adults striving for Sainthood. This day-long retreat will take place at Blessed Sacrament Parish from 9am-5:30pm. An optional after party will take place to follow! Breastfeeding babies are welcome. A delicious lunch will be provided. All of this and more for the low cost of \$20. Let us behold the Lord together! Scan the QR code to register. **Registration ends January 20th!**



Thank You from Jail Ministry!

On behalf of La Crosse Jail Ministry, I want to express our gratitude for the overwhelming response to our need for boots, socks, and underwear for our inmates. Too often we forget about the stories behind the people who travel the wrong path and fail to realize that they are God's children as well. As they are released from jail we can be assured that they go forward with warmth during our winter weather. Thank you, thank you, thank you! -Dee Paqué, Board Member

MASS INTENTIONS

Note: There will be NO Daily Mass at RNC until January 16th when the college students return from Winter Break. Mass intentions will be offered privately. 8:30pm Sunday Masses will resume on January 28th.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

4:30pm BSP +Raymond & Laretta Jahimiak

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

9am BSP The William Mishler Family

11am RNC +Betty Patterson

MONDAY JANUARY 1

9am BSP +Joel Swieciak

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

8am BSP +Horace Lindley

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

8am BSP +Leonard Degenhardt Jr

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

8am BSP +Mary Dunn

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

8am BSP +Tom Coulombe –SCHOOL MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

4:30pm BSP +Kenneth Sonsalla

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

9am BSP +Carol & Harold Arnold

11am RNC +Tom Adams

Campus Ministry Corner

Inspiring testimonies & stories of how Roncalli Newman is changing the lives of college students in La Crosse.

Coming into college I knew my faith would continue to be a part of my life, but I never imagined I would find such an amazing community like Newman. I am so grateful to have become involved in a community that is so full of love, joy, and shared values. There are always so many opportunities to participate in fun activities in such a welcoming environment.

Throughout my past year and a half here, I have not only grown through retreats, daily mass, and adoration, but I have learned what true virtuous friendships are. I have met and am surrounded by the most amazing friends who walk beside me and challenge me to live my faith more deeply every day. Newman has helped me find the most beautiful, god-centered, and loving friends. It is a place where I feel safe to be myself and really is like a home away from home!

-Lydia Rosendahl, Sophomore

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Eucharistic Prayer

Jesus came to earth as an infant, born of Mary. Mary was prepared to be the Mother of our Savior; by God's favor she was created "full of grace" and free from sin. The Savior – Jesus – was to be called Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Jesus will remain with us throughout our life as we receive Him in the Eucharist. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, thank You for the gift of Mary, Your Mother, through whom the world received You as our Savior.* This week, read how this glorious news was revealed to the Shepherds in Luke 2: 8-20

Resources for the New Year

- Reading the Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz – Ascension Press media. ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-podcasts/bibleinayear/
- Reading the Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz- Ascension Press media. ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-podcasts/catechisminayear/
- Receive Bishop Barron's daily Gospel reflections from Word on Fire https://www.wordonfire.org/reflections/
- Read or listen to the Scripture Readings from Mass each day of the week – US Bishop's Website bible.usccb.org

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Fr. Samuel Hakeem, OP
Eucharistic Preacher and
Vocations Director for Central
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Fr. Derek Sakowski
Director of the Rebuild My
Church Initiative for the
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Fr. Paul N. Check
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Guadalupe in La Crosse



Scan QR code above. Registration ends on Jan. 20th!