

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman Parishes
April 2nd, 2023 | Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Holy Week Mass Times

Holy Thursday April 6th - 7pm (RNC)
concluding with a Eucharistic Procession to BSP

Good Friday April 7th
12:15pm (BSP) & 5:15pm (RNC)

Easter Vigil Mass April 8th
8:15pm (RNC)

Easter Sunday April 9th
9am (BSP) & 11:15am (RNC)



Around the Parish

Join our mission for 24/7 Adoration

There are 168 hours in a week and we want to pray unceasingly! We are looking for people to sign up and commit to a weekly 60 minute slot to be with Jesus in adoration in the chapel at Blessed Sacrament. Sign up: lacrosse.weadorehim.com. We are hoping to begin 24/7 adoration on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16.

BSP Easter Decor

Should you wish to donate a flowering plant to adorn the BSP altar for the Easter Season, in memory or in honor of a loved one, please drop off in the parish hallway Tuesday through Thursday, the 4th - 6th of April.

Social Justice Mtg April 4th

Please join us for our April Social Justice Meeting on Zoom this Tuesday April 4th at 7pm. Link can be found on the social justice webpage on Roncalli Newman's website or on the online bulletin.

High School Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation does NOT meet **Wednesday April 5th or April 12th** due to Easter and high school Confirmation. **We will see you again on April 19th.**

Cathedral Confessions April 3rd

All Day Confessions at St Joseph the Workman Cathedral on Monday April 3rd from 9:00 am – 6 pm.

RNC Holy Thursday Potluck

Roncalli Newman Holy Thursday Potluck is on April 6th before the 7pm Services. Set up is at 4pm, Serving at 5:15pm-6:45pm and clean up 6:45pm-7pm. Church services at 7pm. Please bring a dish to pass and sign up on line or at church entrances.

RNC Easter Lilies

Those wishing to donate a lily for Newman's Easter Masses can pick up an envelope and place it in the general collection basket at the entrances. Thank you for making our church beautiful for the Easter season!

RNC Church Cleaning for Easter

Please join us as we prepare and clean the Roncalli Newman Sanctuary for Easter Mass on Holy Saturday. Cleaning will start at 9am. Any help is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

No BSP Rosary Thursday, April 6th

There will be no 6:30pm Rosary at Blessed Sacrament this Thursday, Holy Thursday April 6th.

Families Forming Disciples

FFD will not meet **April 2nd or April 9th at Blessed Sacrament and April 5th and April 12th at Mary Mother of the Church** due to the celebration of Easter and high school Confirmation. **We will see you again on April 16th and 19th** respectively.

Music and Liturgy

From the desk of Mary Ellen Haupert

HOLY WEEK – BRING YOUR FAITH into FOCUS

Holy Week brings all aspects of our faith into focus, calling Catholics to embrace Jesus' life, death, and resurrection through our most sacred and meaningful liturgical celebrations. This weekend's **Palm Sunday** Masses commemorated Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem; we also read the Passion according to Matthew. As you reflect on Christ's life-giving sacrifice in our behalf, consider full participation in the most holy liturgies of the year – THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM. Most of our Easter planning and preparation is poured into these three days of prayer because they are the summative expression of what we believe.

The Paschal Triduum celebrates Christ's Passion through **three** liturgies over **three days** ("tri-duum" in Latin); counted from sundown to sundown, the three liturgies are like one long liturgy with two naps. Beginning on **HOLY THURSDAY evening, the Mass of the Lord's Last Supper (7:00pm, preceded by our potluck @ 6:45pm)**, the community acknowledges the Lord's gift to us in His Body and Blood (the institution of the Holy Eucharist). Instead of reading one of the institution narratives from the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke), we read the foot-washing narrative from the Last Supper in John's gospel (chapter 13) and engage in a church-wide effort to wash each other's feet. Roncalli Newman Center sets up eight foot-washing stations so that everyone gets a chance. The service ends without a dismissal, but a procession with the Lord's Body to a Chapel of Repose in the Parish Hall at Blessed Sacrament. All are invited to participate in the procession.

The second day of the Triduum, GOOD FRIDAY, reverences Christ's ultimate sacrifice for humanity, his death on the cross. The service begins quietly, with the priest lying prostrate before the altar – a symbol of Christ's self-giving. Many people aren't aware that the GOOD FRIDAY service is not a Mass. The priest, deacons, and servers bring consecrated elements from the tabernacle back into the church for the communion procession, and return what remains after all have received. We end the liturgy as quietly as it began. **We will have two GOOD FRIDAY services this year: 12:15pm at BSP and 5:15pm at RNP.**

The Easter Vigil, often referred to as the GREAT VIGIL, will welcome several new candidates into the church on Saturday, April 8th @ 8:15pm. There are four different "liturgies" within this great liturgy – the **Liturgy of Light** (where we light a fire outside the church and use its flames for the Easter candle), the **Liturgy of the Word** (which chronicles salvation history through a series of readings beginning with Genesis, continuing through the prophets and Paul's letter to the Romans, and culminating with a gospel resurrection narrative – this year by the evangelist Matthew), the **Liturgy of Baptism** (where new members of the church receive sacraments of initiation and the faithful renew their baptismal promises), and the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**. There will be a reception in the Newman lower level hall to celebrate the new Catholics in our midst.

Easter Sunday Masses will be celebrated at 9:00am @ BSP and 11:15am @ RNP. Since most of our musicians will be involved in music for the TRIDUUM, these Masses will have a cantor and pianist.

Associate Pastoral Notes

From the desk of Father Sam McCarty

Hi All,

Last weekend I went with three guys for a seminary visit in Milwaukee. It was a great trip! I was reminded of the great goodness of my time in formation and the gifts that can be received in that time. In particular I saw the true brotherhood that exists among the men studying for priesthood and was very uplifted by that. I also, of course, appreciated the ones who went from UWL down there; they have an openness to God's call and each talked about how different things impacted them from the weekend - stay tuned for some reflections from them after Easter. A blessed Holy Week to you all!

-Fr. Sam

Wednesday Rosary Group

Join us Wednesdays at 1pm pray a Rosary for priests. Anyone is welcome to join! Contact Barb Clements for more information - 608-782-5777.

BSP Plant Sale

The Blessed Sacrament Women's Club Plant Sale on Saturday June 3rd coincides with the WIAA State Track meet. Hoping to capitalize on the folks from all over the state who will be in LaCrosse for the meet, we would like to advertise on social media, specifically "Explore LaCrosse." If you are tech savvy and are willing to help us post our event on the social media platforms please contact Nancy Soldner (608-385-7825) or Helen Roop (608-796-2644). A planning meeting will be held this Wednesday April 5 at 1:30 in the parish conference room for anyone wishing to help with the sale. Saint Josephine Bakihita pray for us and for the success of our sale

"The Passion" Showing

Join in for a showing of Mel Gibson's movie, "The Passion of the Christ"

Mon, April 3rd 6pm Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall
Tues, April 4th 9am St. Patrick's Parish Hall
Tues, April 4th 6:30pm Mary, Mother of the Church

Hungering for God? Holy is His Name

Join us in this free video series as Scott Hahn traces the call and meaning of holiness in Scripture. He reveals how God transmits his holiness to his people, ultimately transforming us through calling us to and sharing his own divine life.

Viewing prior sessions is not required. Come learn with us, come pray with us!

*We will NOT be meeting this Wednesday April 5th of Holy Week, but will resume again **April 12th**. 6:15-7:45 pm. Our last session will be **April 19** (Questions? Please call Marcia Kolaczowski 608-790-5342)

Attention Art Enthusiasts (all forms of art)

You are invited to show and sell your art on **August, 26, 2023** from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. A designated space for each vendor will be available for \$50. or a shared space for \$75. To reserve a space and more information contact Sandy at (608) 787-6482. More information to follow.

Sympathies

Rest in peace Alice Howe, long-time Roncalli Newman parishioner. Our deepest sympathies to the entire Howe family. Funeral will be held April 15th, more details to come.

More events!

Check out more events and activities happening around the diocese by visiting the chancery bulletin: diolc.org/chancery/past-bulletins/

Pastoral Notes

From the desk of Father Billy Dodge

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday (a.k.a. Passion Sunday because of the reading of the Passion Narrative of Jesus). I want to highlight some important activities this week:

- Confessions: On Sunday, April 2, St. Patrick's Onalaska will have a communal confession service at 7:00pm. Monday, April 3, is Confess-athon at Cathedral: Four priests will be hearing confessions from 9:00am-6:00pm. If you have not gone to confession for Lent these are great opportunities.
- Tuesday, April 4, is the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 10:30am. Bishop consecrates the Holy Oils used for Sacraments like Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, Ordination, Baptism, and the priests will publicly recommit their promises of ordination to the Bishop. All are welcome to attend.
- Triduum Services for Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman: Please consider attending Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil liturgies. These are the holiest days of the year and your presence makes a difference. You will be impacted, but your presence will also have an impact on others. Also, we have several people entering the Catholic Church this year at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, so please come and show your support. Please be aware of the various locations and times of these services listed elsewhere in the bulletin.

Please be patient as we try new things to accommodate both parishes this Triduum. For example, following the Holy Thursday Mass there will be a procession of the Eucharist from Roncalli Newman to Blessed Sacrament for an all night prayer vigil in the Blessed Sacrament parish hall. Following the Triduum we will evaluate and make adjustments for the future. We will try our best, keep Jesus in the center, and trust in the end all will be well!

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

EASTER - April 8/9

Saturday, Apr 8, 8:15 PM: Easter Vigil @ RNP

Annie Berendes	Reader (1)
Greg Wegner	Reader (2)
Carol Mader	Reader (3)
Judy Kabat	Reader (4)
Mary Blaha-DeBoer	Cantor
Mary Ellen Hauptert	Accompanist
Gabe Berendes	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Mike Mader	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Sean O'Flaherty	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
NOT FILLED	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
NOT FILLED	Gift Bearer
NOT FILLED	Gift Bearer

Sunday, Apr 9, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

LuAnne Kratt	Reader (1)
Natalie Bennett	Reader (2)
Michelle Johnson	Cantor
Mary Blaha-DeBoer	Accompanist
Matthew B.	Server
Bernice Lansing	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Sunny Onyeabor	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Scott Smerud	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Bruce Simones	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Larry Lee	EMHC
Donna Lee	EMHC

Sunday, Apr 9, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Mark Thorn	Reader (1)
Ellen Thorn	Reader (2)
Peg Manson	Cantor
Mary Ellen Hauptert	Accompanist
Sean O'Flaherty	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Lois Martin	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Suzanne Verdoliva	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Erma Hafner	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Aaron Zivney	Gift Bearer
Sean O'Flaherty	Gift Bearer
Cindy Sjolander	Sacristan/MC

April 15/16

Saturday, Apr 15, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Michael J Porter	Reader (1)
Tom Kieffer	Reader (2)
Kristin Johnson	Cantor
Mary Blaha-DeBoer	Accompanist
Hunter J	Server
Kyle C	Server
Alice Mcquire Backlund	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Chip Backlund	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Mike Vanderploeg	Sacristan/MC
Thomas Miller	EMHC
Bernice Lansing	EMHC

Sunday, Apr 16, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Dave Reinders	Reader (1)
Mary Jo Reinders	Reader (2)
Julia Kreitzer	Cantor
Mary Blaha-DeBoer	Accompanist
Dave Schreier	Server
Steve Flottmeyer	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Mark Hyde	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
LuAnne Kratt	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Bob Roth	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Erin Strittmater	EMHC
Tad Strittmater	EMHC

Sunday, Apr 16, 11:15 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Margaret Anderson	Reader (1)
Grace Nicholson-Maly	Reader (2)
Andy Manson	Cantor
Mary Ellen Hauptert	Accompanist
Kathie Hanna	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Pat Cavadini	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Maria Fisher	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
Waide Fisher	Hospitality Minister (usher/greeter)
John Wissing	Gift Bearer
Judy Kabat	Gift Bearer
Mary Lou Balts	Sacristan/MC

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 1

4:30pm BSP +Betty Lou Blaha

Sunday, April 2

9am BSP +Daniel Chamberlain

11:15am RNP + Joan Beebe

Monday, April 3

8am BSP For the Deacons in Formation in our Diocese

Tuesday, April 4

8am BSP + Dolores Hutzler

5:15pm RNP Reparation for offense against the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, April 5

8am BSP + Betty Sapp (SCHOOL MASS)

Noon RNP +Fr. David Wechter

Thursday, April 6 - Holy Thursday

8am BSP NO MORNING MASS

7pm RNP Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday

8am BSP NO MORNING MASS

12:15 RNP Reparation for offense against the name of Jesus

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday

4:30pm BSP NO 4:30PM MASS

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

9am BSP +Karl Keppel

11:15am RNP +Frank Dorman

This Week

Saturday, April 1

- Confessions, 3:30pm @ BSP
- Rosary, 4:05pm (led by Natalie Schwinn-Weaver)

Sunday, April 2

- Rosary, 8:35am (led by Steve and Annette Flottmeyer)

Monday, April 3

- Salvation Army Service, 4:15pm
- Sunday Scripture Study, 7pm RNC

Tuesday, April 4

- Stations of the Cross and Benediction followed by Soup Supper, 5:30pm BSP
- Social Justice Mtg, 7pm Online (link on RNC website)
- RCIA 7pm BSP

Wednesday, April 5

- Dogma and Donuts Men's Group, 8:45am BSP
- Triduum Choir, 5pm - 7pm, RNC
- RCIA 7pm RNP

Thursday, April 6 - Holy Thursday

- Salvation Army Service, 4:15pm

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday

- Parish offices closed

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

Weekend Collection 03/19

BSP \$7,970 // RNP \$4,953

***See the complete list of this week's Holy Week Liturgical Ministries Schedule in last week's bulletin.**

Around the Community | April 2nd, 2023

Cathedral Confessions April 3rd

All Day Confessions at St Joseph the Workman Cathedral on Monday April 3rd from 9:00 am – 6 pm.

Cathedral Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 4, at 10:30 am, at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral

Aquinas Schools Enrollment open

Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with. Call (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour!

Founder's Day

The Aquinas Catholic Schools Foundation is celebrating Founder's Day on Sunday, April 23, with an award dinner at the Radisson Hotel Ballroom. Mrs. Julie Wagner, Mark Hansen, Phil (PJ) Esten, and The Weber Group will all be honored at the event. If you would like additional information about this event or to RSVP, please visit aquinascatholicschools.org/founders-day

Divine Mercy Sunday at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 16: 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 16. 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, 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet, 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 at (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

MMOC Rummage Sale

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Spring Rummage Sale on Friday, April 21, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, April 22, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

Divine Mercy

Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in the early 1930s. He told her that he would make her a missionary of His Divine Mercy to the world. As part of that mission, He gave her the prayers for the Divine Mercy Novena (a nine-day prayer that begins on Good Friday of each year and ends on the Sunday after Easter Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday)). What makes this novena unique is that Jesus Himself composed it and each day a prayer can be offered for one specific group of souls such as children, priests and religious, lukewarm souls, fallen-away Catholics, and so on. Pray the Divine Mercy Novena (starting on Good Friday) in preparation for this feast. For more information on Divine Mercy, go to thedivinemercury.org.

FREE MOVIE SHOWINGS

during Holy Week

— 3 times / 3 locations —



THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST

*Join us for a showing of the movie – **THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST***

Monday, April 3 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament – Parish Hall
130 Losey Blvd. S, La Crosse

Tuesday, April 4 9:00-11:00 a.m. – St. Patrick's – Parish Hall
1031 Main Street, Onalaska

Tuesday, April 4 6:30- 8:30 p.m. – Mary, Mother of the Church – Parish Hall
2006 Weston Street, La Crosse

ALL ARE WELCOME!