

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman

Roman Catholic Churches of La Crosse, WI

Second Sunday of Easter | Divine Mercy Sunday | April 7, 2024

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

4:30PM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

SUNDAY

9AM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

11AM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

8:30PM (RNC)

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday - 8:00AM (BSP)

Tues - 5:15PM (RNC)

Thurs - 7pm (RNC)

Wed/Fri - Noon (RNC)

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

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FROM THE DESK OF FR. BILLY DODGE

Christ is Risen! I have a few updates. First, both parishes have surpassed their Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA) goals. That means if you donate to the DAA at this point, then 100% of your donation will come back to our parishes. As I mentioned in the past, I recommend that you look at whatever your total donations to our parish will be, then take a percentage of that total and donate it to the parish through the DAA.

Second, we are having a special fundraiser banquet for our Campus Ministry on Saturday, April 27, at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall called "Making Saints Dinner." The fundraiser dinner will begin right after the Saturday 4:30 PM Mass. Along with dinner, there will be presentations from a few of our students and an alumni, auction items, and swing dancing taught by me! The funds raised will support our college student programs. The students do a lot to serve both our parishes in many ways, so this is a great way to show our appreciation. You will also likely have some students sitting at your table, which would be a great way to hear about their experiences.

Fr. Billy Dodge

AROUND THE PARISHES

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today, Divine Mercy Sunday, we celebrate the deep Mercy of our Lord. The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hearing Confessions all day, have 2:30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2:45pm Divine Mercy Reflection and Family Consecration to the Divine Mercy, 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet led by Cardinal Burke, 3:15pm Benediction, and 3:30pm Blessing with the relic of St. Faustina.

Thank you Bishop Callahan!

To honor Bishop Callahan, the Diocese is gathering comments to share with Bishop Callahan as he transitions to our Emeritus Bishop. These memories, moments and sentiments will serve as the foundation for a project that provides him with a lasting and tangible record of the lives he's touched, the moments he created and the well-wishes of the faithful across our diocese and during his time as our bishop.



Welcome Bishop Battersby!

Our diocese looks forward to welcoming Bishop Gerard Battersby in his official installment on May 20th. To learn more about Bishop Battersby, please see the extended version of the bulletin online.

First Communion Celebration April 21st

Second graders from Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman will be celebrating their First Communion on Sunday April 21st at the 9:00am Mass at Blessed Sacrament and 11:15am Mass at Roncalli Newman. Expect additional guests at Mass who will be in attendance on this special day. Please pray for these children and their families.

Sacraments for Homebound Parishioners

Are you or a loved one homebound and need to be visited for Communion or an Anointing? Please call one of our parish offices!

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

A Minute with Jesus

The Eucharist is the Great Miracle of Mercy
In His great love for us, Jesus gave us a great miracle of mercy: The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. God did not only become man in the Incarnation to give His life for us on the cross and to rise again in glory for our salvation. The Incarnation also looked forward to Jesus remaining physically with us in the Eucharist as we journey through this life. The Divine Mercy Image of Jesus with the white and red rays represents our Eucharistic Lord, whose Heart has been pierced and now pours forth the water of Baptism and the Precious Blood of the Eucharist as a fountain of mercy for us.

• This week, as we continue the Easter Season and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let's pray right now 3 times the words that Jesus gave St. Faustina: "Jesus, I trust in You!"

Aquinas Booster Club | April 24

Chicken Q. The annual Chicken Q will be held in the Cass Street parking lot at Aquinas High School on Wednesday, April 24, serving from 11 a.m. until gone. Delicious chicken and fixings for \$12 per plate.

Need help around your yard this spring?

Sign up for La Crosse Neighbor's Day to have volunteers come to your yard below. Or, sign up to help volunteer!
www.habitatlacrosse.org/events/neighbors-day/

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser to support the student exchange between **Aquinas, Central, and Junglingster, Luxembourg High Schools.** Sponsored by the Luxembourg/American Descendant's Society of the La Crosse Region

Spaghetti and meatballs, Salad, and Garlic Toast | Raffle & Bake Sale
 Tickets \$12 (children under 5 - \$5) | Available at the Moose or from LADS (608 317 5865)

Date: Saturday, April 13th | Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: Moose Lodge, 1932 Ward Ave, La Crosse

Walk-ins are welcome and carry-outs are available



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AROUND OUR PARISHES & COMMUNITY

Social Justice Offering of Letters

Social Justice will hold its annual Offering of Letters on April 13 & 14. For over 25 years, Newman has joined with Bread for the World Member Churches around the nation, writing to congress to advocate for the passage of bills to help end hunger. This year we are asking Congress to renew farm bill programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and international food aid programs. Among the measures that should be included are strengthening nutrition security in domestically and internationally, creating a more equitable SNAP program, and increasing food systems sustainability. The impact of the farm bill not only affects the agriculture and food sectors - it can play a huge role in reducing food insecurity and hunger in the U.S. and abroad.

Look for post cards at the doors at Newman April 13 & 14 and join us in the Offering of Letters. You can also go to www.bread.org for more info and updates. By working together, we can make our nation's laws more compassionate and work to make hunger and poverty a thing of the past.

Pilgrimage to India with Fr. Francis Thadathil in 2025

Fr. Francis Thadathil is leading a group on pilgrimage to India in January 14th-27th 2025. Limited spots are available. \$2054/person in double/twin room. \$795 single room supplement. If interested, please contact Theresa Kivi at 715-835-9935 or parishoffice@icpeau.diolcparish.org.

Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation does NOT meet Wednesday April 10th. Families should be completing At Home Lessons 7-1 Mary and 7-2 Saint Joseph and Patron Saints. We will see you again on April 17th. Contact Kristin with any questions kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org 608-788-5483 Ext. 4

Women's Club Notes

Heritage Bake Sale: Raised \$985 | Will return next year, with twice as many baked goods

May 8th Budget Meeting — New Ideas for Consideration: Book Club & Story Hour / Babysitting | Monthly Mother of Perpetual Help Novena | Social to follow | St. Nick Food Bags & St. Benedict Travel Kits | Celebrate the feasts of St. Nicholas and St. Benedict Labre by donating food and hygiene items to Catholic Charities

Hosea's Heart: Plant Sale is May 18 | Clara, who is sponsored by the Women's Club, is celebrating her 19th birthday | Members are encouraged to send her birthday wishes

Nursing Homes: A greater presence from the parish is needed in the nursing homes | Seeking volunteers for prayer, music, activities, etc.

Advent Fair Lunch: New themed lunch will provide an example of what Mary and Joseph would have eaten in Bethlehem | Presale tickets will be offered

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

4:30pm BSP +Diane Yeske

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 - Divine Mercy Sunday

9am BSP +Terri Levi

11am RNC +Rose Dahl

8:30pm

MONDAY, APRIL 8

8am BSP +Marianne Pittman SCHOOL MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

8am BSP +Don Gallagher

5:15pm RNC Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

8am BSP +Michael Gray

Noon RNC +Jean Gadow

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

8am BSP +James Vallez

7pm RNC +Mary Jenks

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8am BSP +Ken and Karen Leppert

Noon RNC Mental Health Healing

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

4:30pm BSP Living and Deceased Members of the Rybarczyk Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

9am BSP +Dave and Betty Hammes

11am RNC +Dick Berendes

8:30pm RNC

Baptism Congratulations!

Congratulations to Olive Marie, daughter of Jacob and Alexandra Dorshorst, on her Baptism on March 17th at Roncalli Newman.

Sympathies

Our condolences to the family of long time parishioner Kenneth (Ken) Gerke who passed away on the 20th of March.

*Campus Ministry
Corner*

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Stewardship of Treasure 03/31

BSP \$20,869 | RNC \$13,574

Thank you for your support!

EASTER FLOWER THANK YOU

Thank you to all who purchased an Easter Lily or flowering plant in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Our altars look beautiful!

Blessed Sacrament

Galen Pittman Family in memory of Marianne Pittman
 Jeanette Hammes for the deceased and living Members of the Eugene & Elizabeth Freit Family
 Jeanette Hammes for the deceased and living members of the Ronald & Jeanette Hammes Family
 The Chamberlain Family in memory of Bill Chamberlain
 Donna and Wayne Levi in memory of Bill and Lyda DeGise
 Donna and Wayne Levi in memory of John and Laura Levi
 The Scott and Caryl Doberstein Family in memory of Dr and Mrs Richard & Arlene Carley
 The Scott and Carly Doberstein Family in memory of Pat Gagnon
 The Marilyn Finn Family in memory of Lil Hengel
 Barbara Schmitz in memory of Gregory Schmitz and Susan Szemraj
 Chuck and Patti Sans Crainte for the Deceased and Living members or the Ryan Sans Crainte Family
 Dave and Marie Allen in memory of James and Marilyn Vallez
 Helen and Kevin Roop in memory of Jim and Mary Lee Roop
 Jerry and Sandy Borreson in memory of Raymond and Florence Mashak
 Diane Hartogh in memory of Denny Hartogh
 Fred and Jean Skemp in memory of Dr Fred and Florence Skemp
 Sandy Poehling in memory of Christopher and Ryan Poehling
 Ruth and Harland Wills in memory of Verne and Vera Wills
 Ruth and Harland Wills in memory of Paul and Martha Brom
 Ruth and Harland Wills in memory of Robert Brom
 Carolyn and Mark Steingraeber for Bob and Fran Skemp
 Carolyn and Mark Steingraeber in memory of Joe and Elaine Steingraeber
 Ellen Smith for the Deceased members of the Ray and Laretta Jahimiak Family
 Steve and Annette Flottmeyer in memory of Eugene and Brian Hafner
 Erna Gallagher in memory of Don Gallagher
 Erna Gallagher in memory of Blanche and Sylvester Gallagher
 Rita and David Herlitzke in memory of Leonard and Margaret Degenhardt
 Rita and David Herlitzke in memory of Lloyd Herlitzke
 Kristine Gerke and Cindy & Jackie Gerke Edwards in memory of Gilbert & Joyce Gerke
 Peter and Paulette Drozdowicz in memory of Paul and Lorraine Matushek
 Peter and Paulette Drozdowicz in memory of Peter and Gertrude Drozdowicz
 Duane and Nancy Garbisch for family members passed
 Betty Roth in memory of Richard Roth
 Betty Roth in memory of Andy Roth

Roncalli Newman Flowers

Alice McGuire Backland for Edward & Eleanore Scovronski	Ellie Dorman for Adelene Kaye
Lisa Ward for Thanksgiving	Iona Kaye Barton for the Paulin & Hilgart Families
Chris Holland for Thanksgiving	Tim & Patty McAllister for Molly McAllister
Kathy Barth for the Barth & Klaas Families	Katherine Niedfeldt for Thanksgiving
Linda Birkle for June Norgaard	Mary Wetterling for Thanksgiving
Randy & Marian Schiesser for Deceased Family Members	

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 13/14

Sat, Apr 13, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Joan Mueller	Reader (1)
Tom Kieffer	Reader (2)
Maggie Schreiber & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Charlee G. & Ruby G.	Servers
Pat Abraham & Natalie Schwinn Weaver	Hospitality Ministers
Dave Schreier	Sacristan/MC
Paulette Drozdowicz & Luci Johnson	EMHCs

Rosary Leaders at Blessed Sacrament

04/13 4:30pm - Mary Schuttenhelm
 04/14 9am - Les and Terry Lachine

Sun, Apr 14, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Patty Keil	Reader (1)
Bob Kelemen	Reader (2)
Chris Dresen & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Ellanor Greene	Server
John Gallagher & Karen Gamoke	Hospitality Minister
Bruce Simones & Scott Smerud	Hospitality Minister
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Larry & Donna Lee	EMHCs

Sun, Apr 14, 11:00 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Kathleen Hench	Reader (1)
Tom Hench	Reader (2)
Michelle Skemp & ME Hauptert	Cantor & Accompanist
AC Van Rooyen	Server
Pat Cavadini & Kathie Hanna	Hospitality Ministers
Leigh & Kathy Running	Hospitality Minister
Mary O'Mara & Janelle Vanderzee	Gift Bearers
Cindy Sjolander	Sacristan/MC

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

“Six Tips for Talking to ‘Pro-Choice People’ (What We’ve Learned from Talking to More than 5000)” – Saturday Morning, April 27 – St. James Parish, La Crosse

Come to a pro-life breakfast and talk featuring Emily Geiger, Director of Education & Outreach for the Equal Rights Institute (ERI). Emily is the former Co-President of Oles for Life at St. Olaf College, where she worked to transform campus culture using ERI’s apologetics to foster respectful and productive dialogues about abortion. A sought-after speaker, Emily frequently gives talks on college and high school campuses and for churches and conferences. She has also been interviewed on MSNBC, BBC Newsday, EWTN, Focus on the Family, Relevant Radio, and Christianity Today. To learn more and to register, visit diolc.org/respect-life or scan the QR code to the right.



2024-2025 ACS Enrollment

Enrollment for Cathedral Elementary School, St. Patrick Elementary School, Blessed Sacrament Elementary School, Aquinas Middle School, and Aquinas High School is currently open for returning and new families for 2024-2025! ACS is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. Call (608) 784-8585 to schedule a tour! Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition. Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinascatholicschools.org/enrollment to get started.

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program

Open enrollment starts February 1, 2024. Enrollment ends on April 18, 2024.

Visit schoolchoicewi.org to find out if you qualify, learn how to apply, read FAQs and step-by-step instructions.

“the ANSWER” La Crosse Eucharistic Rally | June 7th

Have you heard of the Eucharistic Rally coming to La Crosse? Say “Yes!” to this life-changing event being held **June 7, 2024** at the **La Crosse Center**. The rally will include a Eucharistic Procession, Adoration and Confession, Catholic speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Illabagiza, and Father Jusin Kizewski. Discounted tickets are now available for purchase. Please check out the official website for all the detailed information, including the link to purchase online tickets diolc.org/the-answer/ or use your smartphone’s camera to scan the QR code on the right.



Roncalli Newman Campus Ministry Fundraiser Dinner | April 27th

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La Crosse Wide Blessed is She Women’s Brunch | April 13th

Are you a woman who desires prayer and community? Blessed is She is a sisterhood of women who want to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ through their Catholic faith.

Come join us on April 13th from 11 am - 1 pm in the Parish Hall at Mary, Mother of the Church for our first Blessed Brunch. It’s a potluck brunch for women of all ages and stages (so that’s you!) We’ll enjoy food, conversation and prayer.

Scan the QR code to sign up to bring an item to the brunch and/or RSVP to attend! Contact Jamie Thompson at jlwthomps@gmail.com for any questions.



Trivia Night at St. Charles School, Genoa – Friday April 26th

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!! Another St. Charles School Trivia Night will be held on FRIDAY, April 26!

There will be no buzzers or putting you on the spot. Teams will come up with their answers together and turn in one answer sheet. Teams can be as small as 2 players or as big as 10. The cost to play is \$10/player. Cash or check only. A simple supper, snacks and drinks can be purchased throughout the evening starting at 5:30. Trivia begins at 6:30. New this time: lifelines can be purchased for \$5 or \$10. Come prepared! Call Mariette Donovan at 608-381-0220 with your team’s name, number of players on your team, and contact person’s name and phone number. See you there!

Pope Francis Appoints and
The Diocese of La Crosse Welcomes

BISHOP GERARD BATTERSBY

11th Bishop of La Crosse



Diocese of LA CROSSE

The Diocese of La Crosse Welcomes Bishop Gerard Battersby as the 11th Bishop for the Diocese of La Crosse

"It is with joy that I received the news that the Holy Father had named me the 11th Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse, Wisconsin," Bishop Battersby said. "When I was baptized, ordained a priest and consecrated a bishop, I received a call within a call, an invitation to follow. The Risen One has bid me to follow him to western Wisconsin, to the banks of the mighty Mississippi. I leave with hope and anticipatory joy."
— Bishop Battersby

Bishop Battersby was born on May 15th, 1960. In 1993, he entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary and received a Master of Divinity degree in 1998. After ordination to the priesthood, he served in parish ministry for ten years. Bishop Battersby then served as director of graduate seminarians and graduate pastoral formation at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit. In 2011, he was appointed Vice-Rector and Dean of Seminary Formation and was ordained to the Episcopacy as an Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit and Moderator of the South Region in January 2017.

"I have had the privilege of serving as a bishop in west-central Wisconsin for fourteen years," said Bishop Callahan. "During this time, I have been blessed with numerous wonderful memories. I am grateful for the meaningful prayers and reflections that have connected my heart and soul with joy and gratitude and I am especially thankful for the three years I spent serving in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, where I received fraternity and support from Cardinal Tim Dolan, Archbishop Jerry ListECKI and the Milwaukee presbyterate. In 2010, I was called by His Holiness, Pope Benedict, to become the Tenth Bishop of La Crosse and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to work with some of the best priests and deacons in the Church in this capacity.

"Throughout my ministry, I have been fortunate to have the steadfast support of my Franciscan community since I was ordained as a priest in 1977. Looking back, it is a great blessing and I simply say, 'thank you' to all the wonderful people who have been part of my journey, especially the priests, deacons, religious, and holy women who have been so kind to me over these 14 years. Their friendship and mentorship have taught me to be mindful of what it means to be brothers and sisters of Christ and sons and daughters of God.

"As I move forward, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has made my time in the Diocese of La Crosse so meaningful. I look forward to continuing my service to Bishop Battersby and spiritual service to brother priests and deacons in La Crosse. I am grateful for the opportunity to remain in this wonderful community for as long as God allows, and I will cherish the memories and experiences I have had here. Thank you for allowing me to fulfill God's call among you. Be assured of my daily prayer and happy memories."

Bishop Battersby will be installed as the Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse on May 20th at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman.



Watch the Press Conference
and learn more about
Bishop Battersby at:
diolc.org/bishop-battersby



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March 15, 2024

TO
Rev Fr Billy Dodge
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Dear Fr Dodge,

Greetings to you. The Parishioners here have been talking about a *Tour India* Program. In response to their interest, I am taking a group to India in January 2025. The details of the Tour have already been planned. Enclosed please find a few copies of the Flyer that provides basic information. I will be with the group throughout this tour. I am looking for a group of 20-25 people only. A number of parishioners have already signed up. Limited seats are still available. If any of your parishioners are interested, please call or email at the earliest.

Thanking you for your support,

Fr. Francis Thadathil MSFS

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SUNDAY, APRIL 21

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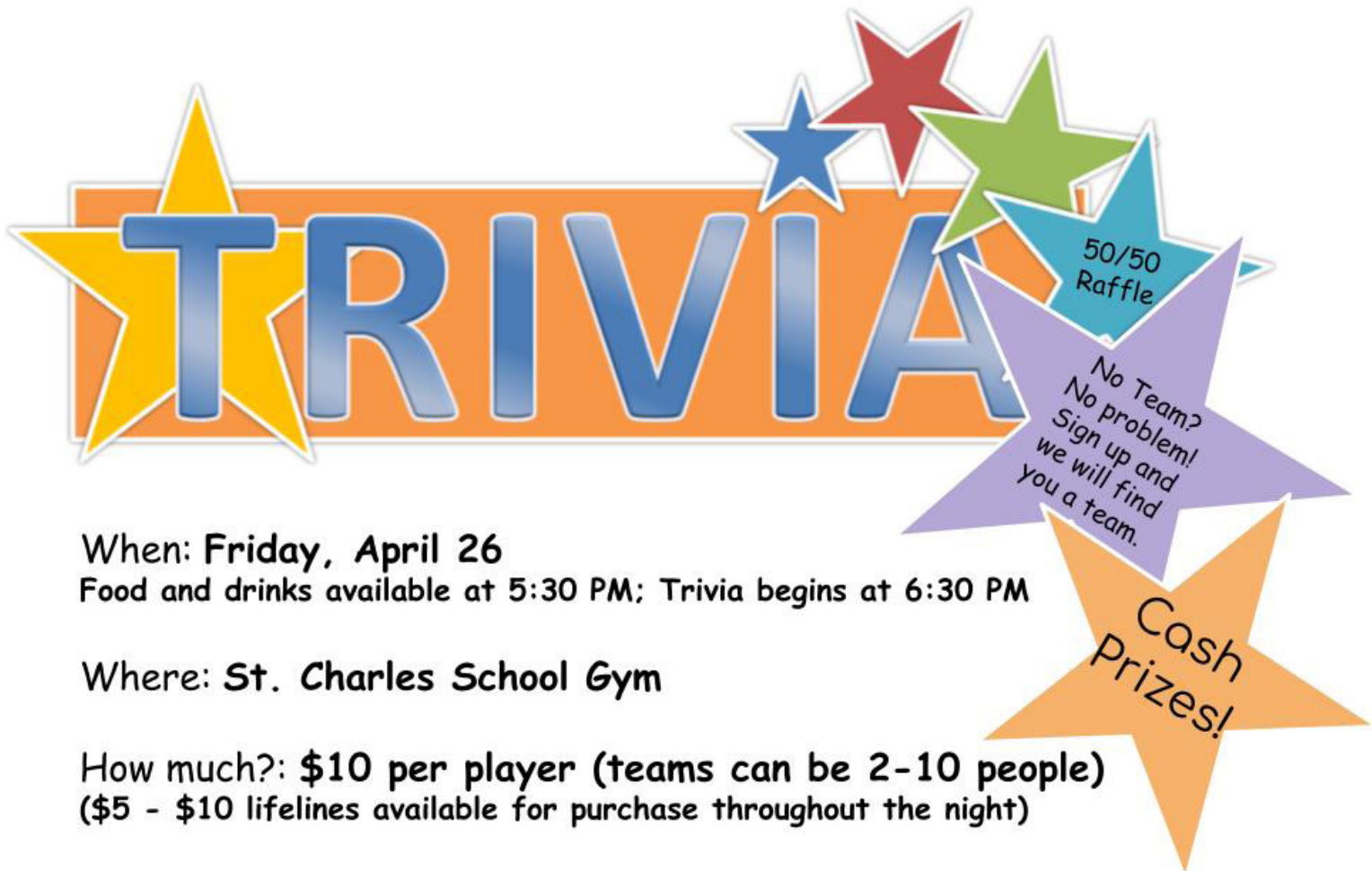
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10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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When: Friday, April 26

Food and drinks available at 5:30 PM; Trivia begins at 6:30 PM

Where: St. Charles School Gym

How much?: \$10 per player (teams can be 2-10 people)
(\$5 - \$10 lifelines available for purchase throughout the night)

How to sign up: Call Mariette Donovan at (608) 381-0220
with your team's name, number of players on your team,
and contact person's name and phone number.