Roman Catholic Churches of La Crosse, WI Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 27th, 2023

MASS TIMES SATURDAY

4:30PM Blessed Sacrament (BSP) **SUNDAY**

9AM Blessed Sacrament (BSP) 11AM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday - 8:00AM (BSP) Tues - 5:15PM (RNC) Wed/Fri - Noon (RNC)

CONFESSIONS

3:30PM - 4:15PM Saturdays or by appointment

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RNC OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thurs: 9AM - 12PM, 1PM - 4PM Fri: 9AM - 12PM office@newmanlc.org 608-860-6001 ext. 1

*Are you homebound and need to be visited for Communion? Please call our parish office!

FROM THE DESK OF FR. BILLY DODGE

First, a reminder to be aware of scammers pretending to be me asking parishioners for financial assistance. They comb through past bulletins or the parish website looking for parishioner emails and phone numbers. If you ever get such a request and are not sure if it is me please call the parish offices.

Second, a special thank you to parishioners who helped put together Mary Ellen's retirement party. It was a great celebration of her 25 years of service. Mary Ellen will continue in her role of director of liturgy through September.

Third, now that summer vacation is over, our Mass attendance will increase. Please make room in your pew, especially at the 11am Mass, to make newcomers feel welcome.

AROUND THE PARISHES

Thank you!

Many thanks to all who helped make Mary Ellen's retirement party possible. It was a great success full of well wishes and great company. If you weren't able to make it, be sure to check out the speeches given on Mary Ellen's staff page on the Roncalli Newman website: www.roncallinewmancenter.com/mary-ellen-haupert-director-of-music-and-liturgy

Welcome new BSP Parishioners!

Welcome to Chris and Kurt Kopp and daughter Eleanor, new members of Blessed Sacrament Parish. Please also welcome Ken and Ann Vargas who recently joined the parish.

Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to long-time Newman parishioners, Mary & Dale Wetterling who recently celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Best wishes.

Uganda School Collection

Many thanks to all who donated to the collection for Our Lady of Guadalupe School in Uganda. We've raised \$3,780 for the completion of their dining hall.

Wedding Congratulations!

Congratulations to Oliver Raboin and Alexandra Radle who were married at Roncalli Newman last Saturday. Many blessings to you both!

AROUND OUR PARISHES

Bishop Barron's Eucharistic Congress Video Now Here!

In our time of Eucharistic Renewal, please join us on Wednesday, August 30, 630 - 7:45 pm for the first of a series of videos on the Eucharist. "The Eucharist and The Poor: Real Sacrifice, Real Presence, Real Communion" by Sr Alicia Torres will be shown downstairs in the Bartl lounge. All are welcomed. For further information please call Marcia Kolaczkowski 608-790-5342.

Women's Club Mtg & Holy Hour for our Children | September 7th

Ladies of Blessed Sacrament and Roncalli Newman; you are invited to Blessed Sacrament Women's club first meeting of the year, Thursday September 7 at 3:30 in the parish center. The meeting will be preceded by Eucharistic Holy Hour to pray for all our school children: | 1:30-2:30 Holy Hour in Church | 2:30-3:15 Root beer social on Blessed Sacrament School playground | 3:30- Women's Club meeting in parish center

Welcome Back Picnic | September 10th

As Summer is winding down we are happily anticipating the arrival of students back to our Roncalli Newman parish family. In strong Newman tradition we will hold a Welcome Back Picnic at Myrick Park after the 11:00 Mass on September 10th. Many hands make light work. Stationary members please sign up to help set up, serve, or clean up AND as this is a pot luck sign up to bring amazing salads or desserts to feed our hungry students. Sign up sheets are at the entrances. The Parish will provide brats and burgers. Students just bring yourselves and a hearty appetite for good food and conversation with your parish family!

Men of Christ Conference Registration now open! | October 14th

Registration for the annual Men of Christ Conference in La Crosse is now open! The conference is held at the La Crosse Center and tickets are \$45 per person. Father's, make this a Father/Son day and bring your high school age son for free! Register at menofthecross.org

RCIA Beginning Soon @ Blessed Sacrament Parish ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW SEARCHING FOR...

•A deeper relationship with God? | •A sense of belonging in a faith community? | •A greater understanding of vour mission in life?

HAVE YOU BEEN CURIOUS...

- •What Catholics actually believe? | •Why Catholics do what we do at Mass? ALREADY CATHOLIC ... ?
- •Invite someone you know who may be interested and accompany them on their journey. | Get answers to all of your questions about the Catholic faith; Our "no strings" inquiry program is starting soon. Contact the office for more information.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS OCIA (formerly RCIA): 2023-24 @ Roncalli Newman Parish EVER WONDERED WHY CATHOLICS DO WHAT THEY DO? WHY THE SACRAMENTS, WHY GO TO MASS, WHAT IS TRUTH? EVER HAD THE THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC CREEP INTO YOUR MIND OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED? COME AND SEE: SEPTEMBER 13 or 20 | 7PM UNTIL 8PM NEWMAN CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM | RSVP TO: dbelland@newmanlc.org Or call 608-769-4423 | Provide name, phone number, email address. Our first OCIA Class at RNP is 27 SEP from 7-8:30pm.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2/3

Sat, Sep 2, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Tom Kieffer Reader (1) Joan Mueller Reader (2) Michelle Johnson & Mary BD Cantor & Accompanist Maria J. And Michael J Servers Chip & Alice Mcquire Backlund **Hospitality Ministers** Mike Vanderploeg Sacristan/MC Donna Cramer & Ellen Kallies **FMHCs**

Sun, Sep 3, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Ann Lankford Reader (1) Barb Swieciak Reader (2) Andrea Fritts & Mary BD Cantor & Accompanist Jackson W. & Jonny W. Servers John Gallagher & Kathi Hancock **Hospitality Ministers** Roger Korger & Bernice Lansing Hospitality Ministers William Arnold Sacristan/MC Fran & Greg Sauer **EMHCs**

Sun, Sep 3, 11:00 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Reader (1) Tom Hench Kathleen Hench Reader (2) Andy Manson & Mary BD Cantor & Accompanist Carol Knox & Bobbie Wilson Hospitality Ministers Pat Wilson & Aaron Zivney **Hospitality Ministers** Denise DeBonville & Erma Hafner Gift Bearers Sacristan/MC Cindy Sjolander

Rosary Leaders at Blessed Sacrament

9/2 4:30pm - Mary Schuttenhelm 9/3 9am - Deacon Dave and Marie Allen

MUSIC & LITURGY: FROM THE DESK OF MARY ELLEN HAUPERT

Thank you, thank you! Thank you to Sheila Momont, Mary Blaha-DeBoer, and Carol Mader for planning my retirement party last Sunday. Thanks to all the parishioners who shared salads and kind words. Thanks to the MANY HANDS who helped clean up when the event was over. Special thanks to Sheila, Mary, Peg Manson, my husband and children for their well-prepared, light-hearted, and sincere talks. They are posted on Mary Ellen's staff page on the Roncalli Newman website: www.roncallinewmancenter.com/mary-ellen-haupert-director-of-music-and-liturgy

Excerpt from Retirement Speech - August 20, 2023

Even though I have always loved church, I had several reasons why I never wanted to work for a church:

1. I didn't want to be tied down every weekend.

2. I had never studied the organ because I didn't think I'd ever need the skill.

3. I had never taken a course in sacred scripture or liturgy and most of the bible studies that I tried in college were narrowly focused. At a time when I was searching for deeper meaning, I found that these groups seemed to be making it up as they went along...and I had better things to do.

4. I didn't find the music very challenging. Even though I was part of a small group of musicians who supplied music every weekend at the Newman Center at Wash U, I didn't want to plan, prepare, and play that music exclusively.

5. All the church music directors that I knew were rather odd, and I didn't want to be one of them.

What was going through my head when Tom Walter called and said, "We are looking for a Director of Music at the Newman Center. Do you know anyone who might be interested?" After submitting an application, I remember Fr. Mark asking me if I really wanted the job. I could only answer that "I had an inexplicable feeling in my gut that it was the right thing to do," and who says "no" to the Holy Spirit?

What I learned was that...

1. I enjoyed playing for Mass and didn't mind the Saturday/Sunday work schedule.

2. I was no longer afraid of the organ.

3. I worked on a Masters in Theology at St. Mary's University for three years – taking courses focused on liturgy, ecclesiology, theology, spirituality, and scripture, to name a few. The Diocesan School of Biblical Studies was another avenue of

4. The music in my fingers seemed to beckon for more, and before I knew it, I was improvising for the first time in my life; I also exercised arranging and conducting skills which would have gone unused in my teaching job; and I have loved working with Liturgy Committee on Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time liturgies.

5. As for church music directors being odd... They are odd because they love their assemblies and the music ministers who either participate for a time, or stick it out indefinitely. Yes, I have been happily odd for 25 years because knowing all of you has been one of my greatest joys.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

4:30pm BSP +William & Georganna Mishler

SUNDAY. AUGUST 27

9am BSP +Mike Schuh 11am RNC +Tom Strange

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

8am BSP +Therese Skemp

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

8am BSP +Paul Swieciak 5:15pm RNC +Mary Jenks

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

8am BSP +Vernadine Doll (SCHOOL MASS)

Noon RNC +Irma Euler THURSDAY, AUGUST 31 8am BSP +Leo Mashak

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8am BSP +Dr George & Margaret Ellenz

Noon RNC No intention listed

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

4:30pm BSP +Sylvester Schaub

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9am BSP Living and Deceased Members of

Roy Mashak Family

11am RNC +John Withers

A Minute with Jesus in light of the Eucharistic Revival - a movement to help all Catholics know and believe that the Eucharist is Jesus. At Mass, the Scripture Readings prepare us to receive Jesus There are two major parts to the Mass: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In the Liturgy of the Word, we listen to three Readings and a Psalm from Sacred Scripture (the Bible). These
Readings help us recall all that God has done for us:
His love and His plan for us. We stand up for the third
Reading – the Gospel, the most important Reading - because Matthew, Mark, Luke and John deliver the message that Jesus brings, and include quotations of HIs very own spoken words. After the Gospel, the priest or deacon helps us to understand these Readings from the Bible and how to apply the message to our daily life in order to be a more faithful follower of the Lord. Hearing the Words of Scripture and the Homily which follows helps our hearts to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to come to Mass with an open heart, ready to hear the Readings from Scripture and the Homily in order to know You better.

This week, read from the Letter of Paul to Timothy about the importance of God's Word: "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, correction and training in righteousness, so that the man (or woman) of God may be fully competent and equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 9/10

Sat, Sep 9, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Debbie Clarkin (sub req.) Margaret Anderson NOT FILLED Mary Blaha-DeBoer NOT FILLED

Pat Abraham & Mary O'Mara Mike Vanderploeg

Caryl Doberstein & Luci Johnson

Sun, Sep 10, 11:00 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Michele Thorman Alexandra UWL - Hill Mary Blaha-DeBoer & ME Haupert Gabe & Annie Berendes Kathy Fuss (sub req.) & Suzanne Verdoliva Hospitality Ministers Mike & Becky Kreiling Debbie Clarkin

Reader (2) Cantor Accompanist Servers Hospitality Minister Sacristan/MC **EMHCs**

Cantor & Accompanist

Hospitality Ministers

Reader (1)

Reader (2)

Gift Bearers

Sacristan/MC

Sun, Sep 10, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Natalie Bennett Gene Kolaczkowski Kent Stein & Mary BD Matthew B. & Dave Schreier Bonnie & Bruce Hrabak Jack Kallies & Tad Strittmater William Arnold

Donna & Larry Lee

Reader (1) Reader (2) Cantor & Accompanist Servers Hospitality Ministers Hospitality Ministers Sacristan/MC **EMHCs**

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

BIKING FOR ADOPTION

On Tuesday, September 12th, St. James the Less PCCW & the Knights of Columbus Council 2137 will host Fr. Dennis Mullen as he gives a presentation about his Adoption Initiative Bike Ride. Fr. Mullen is currently biking across Wisconsin to raise awareness about the need for adoption and to help families with adoption expenses. Please join us in the Church at 5:30pm for a Rosary followed by the presentation at 6pm. Refreshments will be served after the event in Murphy Hall. All local Parishes are encouraged to attend to support this pro-life initiative.

The Franciscan Spirituality Center, 920 Market St., LaCrosse, offers the following opportunities for grief support:

Listening Together: A Monthly Grief Support Group meets from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month. Laurie Swan facilitates. The next session is Aug. 14. Free to attend. No registration necessary. **Grief Circle**, five-week series, meets from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays starting Sept. 13. Karna Marks and Kay Kienetz facilitate. Cost is \$50 for the series or \$20 with discount code GRIEF60.

Death Café, open conversation about death, dying, loss and grief, meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28. Erica G. Srinivasan facilitates. Free to attend. No registration necessary.

Moving Through Grief, six-week series, meets from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays starting Oct. 4. Cathie Boerboom, RGS, facilitates. Cost is \$125 for the series or \$50 with discount code GRIEF60.

Unless otherwise indicated, advance registration is required at www.FSCenter.org or 608-791-5295. The Franciscan Spirituality Center welcomes people of all faith backgrounds and traditions, or none.

Mary Mother of the Church Chicken-Que | September 14th

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on Thursday, September 14, from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery only. 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

Mark your calendars now!

This fall's Adult Faith Formation Program will begin the week of September 17. To help you to better understand the Eucharist during this 3-year period of Eucharistic Revival, we are offering a Bible Study on the Eucharist called Lectio Eucharist. This program will help you to understand that the Eucharist truly is Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Multiple parishes in our area will be offering this program so there will be many times and days to choose from. Already took this program? I guarantee the 2nd time you take it you will be amazed at how much more you learn. Invite a friend to join you and let's make this a year of true Eucharistic Revival. More details to come in next week's bulletin.

HELP NEEDED!

- Second Grade Teacher St. Patrick's Elementary School
- If you are interested in this position please submit a resume, cover letter, and three references to St. Pat's Principal, Angela Koblitz, at angela koblitz@aquinasschools.org
- After Care Workers Blessed Sacrament Elementary School
- Band Teacher Blessed Sacrament Elementary School
- Full-Time Custodian Blessed Sacrament Elementary School
- Secretary Blessed Sacrament Elementary School
- If you are interested in any of these positions, please submit a resume, cover letter, and three references to Blessed Sacrament's Principal, Kate Moll, at kate.moll@aquinasschools.org

2023-2024 AHS & AMS Enrollment

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!

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.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY CONTINUED

Fall Adult Faith Formation Program

During this 2nd year of the Eucharistic Revival, we are offering the Bible study Lectio Eucharist which begins the week of September 17. This is an opportunity to increase your understanding of the Eucharist and Mass. One person explained the class by saying, "Before I took the class it was as if I had my eyes closed whenever I went to Mass. After taking Lectio Eucharist my eyes are wide open and I see and understand things I never did before! I wish everyone would take advantage of this opportunity and could experience the same thing." Check bulletin boards and the main entrance of church for flyers. Have you already taken this course? Take it again but this time, bring a friend to join you! Let's help evangelize those around us and make the real presence known to all! Cost to register is \$15 for those who need a workbook. Those who already have a workbook are free! Registration will be available after all masses next weekend.

You can also register at our parish office, online at https://www.stpatsonalaska.com, or by contacting Amy Capelli at (608)783-0847 or amy capelli@charter.net

See the list of parishes the class is offered at on the St. Patrick's Onalaska parish website or on the flyer.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

On Tuesday, September 12th, St. James the Less PCCW & the Knights of Columbus Council 16444 will host Fr. Dennis Mullen as he gives a presentation about his Adoption Initiative Bike Ride Fundraiser. Please join us in the Church at 5:30pm for a Rosary followed by the presentation at 6pm. Refreshments will be served after the event in Murphy Hall. All local Parishes are encouraged to attend to support this pro-life initiative. Below is a link for more information.

https://adoptioninitiativefdm.org/the-father-dennis-mullen-adoption initiative-bike-ride/

JOIN US FOR THIS FALL'S 10-WEEK RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **SERIES CHOICE! CLASSES BEGIN** THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17TH REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED DEADLINE IS

The cost for the workbook is \$15.00. Also available is the book Iesus and the Iewish Roots of the Eucharist for \$2.00

10 SESSIONS

Session 1: Source and Summit

SEPTEMBER 12

Session 2: In the Beginning

Session 3: Lamb of God

Session 4: Miracles of the Exodus

Session 5: Mysteries of the Tabernacle

Session 6: Miracles of Jesus

Session 7: Bread of Life Discourse

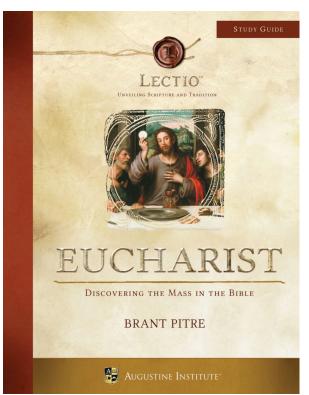
Session 8: The Last Supper and the Cross

Session 9: The Mass

Session 10: Revelation

Encourage a friend to attend!

Already taken the class? Come back and discover NEW REVELATIONS!





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Join us for an in depth look at where the Eucharist is found throughout the pages of the Bible. Learn our Jewish roots which help us understand the true source and summit of the Catholic faith, the Eucharist. Dr. Pitre reveals better understanding of the original Greek and Hebrew text of the Bible, showing us how true meaning is lost in the translation in our modern Bibles. Through his teachings, Dr. Pitre helps us see how the Eucharist is part of God's divine plan.

Everyone is invited to join us!

In order to make this program more accessible, this class will be offered in multiple parishes. Each week you can go to the class that best fits your schedule!

- Registration will be available after all Masses the weekends of September 2/3 & 9/10
- Registration forms can be dropped off at any of the participating parish offices
- Online registration is available at www.stpatsonalaska.com
- Questions? Contact Amy at 608.783.0847 or email amy_capelli@charter.net

Lectio: Eucharist Registration Form	Checks Payable to St. Patrick's Parish	Session Location Preference: (check one)
Please Print Clearly (fill blanks and check boxes that apply)	☐ I already have the workbook	☐ MON – Blessed Sacrament 6:30 - 8:00 pm
RETURN LOWER PORTION	☐ I purchased the workbook at registration	☐ TUES – Mary Mother of the Church 8:15 – 9:45 am
or register online at www.stpatsonalaska.com	Cash or Check # I will pay at the first class	☐ TUES – St. James the Less 9:00 - 10:30 am
Name:	If you do not already have the workbook,	☐ WED - Holy Trinity 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Home Parish:	your workbook will be at the first session.	☐ THUR – St. Patrick's Onalaska 9:15 - 10:45 am
	If you need your workbook at another location	☐ THUR – St. Patrick's Onalaska 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Telephone: ()	please let Amy Capelli know 608-783-0847	☐ THUR – Mary Mother of the Church 6:00 - 7:30 pm
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