

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



This Week in Our Parish

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2018 St. Mary's scholarships! The \$500 PCCW scholarship is awarded to Rebecca Schipper, daughter of Pam Schipper. The \$450 parish scholarship is awarded to Claire Anderson, daughter of Joel and Kathryn Anderson.

Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 3: there will be a Corpus Christi procession following the 11:00 AM Mass.

Sunday Meals for Fortney Hotel Residents – Sunday, **June 3rd**, is the next date we will be providing the meal. Food should be delivered to the kitchen in Marian Hall on Sunday, June 3rd by 12 PM Noon. Pans, with instructions, will be out in the Atrium this weekend. Take a pan home, make a hot dish, salad or desert and return next weekend. Join in feeding the hungry!

Annual Appeal: This is a reminder that the end of the Annual Appeal year is June 30, 2018. All payments must be postmarked by June 30th. Any payment received after June 30, will be applied toward next year's appeal. Please send your payments directly to La Crosse. The mailing address is Diocese of La Crosse, Attn: Annual Appeal, PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004.

Fr. Matt Marshall will celebrate Saturday, May 26, Mass; Fr. Charlie Richmond will celebrate the May 27, Sunday Masses; Fr. Larry Berger will celebrate June 2-3, weekend Masses; June 9-10 has not been filled yet; Msgr. Hundt will celebrate June 16-17, weekend Masses; Fr. Eugene Wolf will celebrate June 23-24, and June 30-July 1, weekend Masses. There will be no week-day Masses after February 27, until further notice.

NOTE: The parish office will be closed Thursday, May 31. The parish secretary will be attending an all-day software training session at the Diocesan Center in La Crosse.

May 27, 2018

**The Most Holy
Trinity**

8th Week in Ordinary Time

Sunday Mass

Saturday

6:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard beginning
5:30 PM before Saturday Mass

Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed 30
minutes before all Weekend Masses

Bethel Home

Rosary held on 3rd Friday of each
month at 10:15 AM

Norseland

Mass and rosary held on 2nd & 4th
Wednesday each month at 9:30 AM

Schedule of Area Daily Masses:

St Mary (Gays Mills) Monday &
Thursday 8:30 AM

St Philip (Rolling Ground) Tuesday
8:30 AM

Sacred Heart (Cashton) Tuesday &
Friday 8 AM

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe 11
AM

St Charles (Genoa) M/W/Th/F 8:00
AM, Tuesday 8:30 AM

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Formation: An Ongoing Need for Those in Parish Leadership! <http://diolc.org/catechesis/catechetical-leaders-info> for details and free registration for the **June 1 training** at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center.

Corpus Christi Procession with Bishop Callahan, June 3 - Please join Bishop Callahan in celebrating the Diocese's 150th anniversary by participating in this year's Corpus Christi procession on June 3. Beginning at noon at the Cathedral, this short procession will circle the parish grounds accompanied by songs, prayers, and Eucharistic Benediction, concluding by 1:00. "The Church draws her life from the Eucharist," Pope John Paul II taught. Our Diocesan Church celebrates her own Eucharistic life in an intense way at this celebration. Please join us.

ANOINTED - June 4-12, 2018 - Are you a high school girl looking for something to renew your faith? Are you interested in learning what it's like to live as a religious Sister? If you are 14-18 years old, we have a week planned for you! Come join the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George at Mater Redemptoris House of Formation! The week includes daily Mass, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recreation with the Sisters and time spent serving others. You will also have time for individual meetings with the Sisters and instruction in topics related to prayer and the religious life. For more information and registration please visit www.materredemptoris.org or contact Sister M. Consolata at materredemptoris@gmail.com or **608-788-4530**.

Franciscan Core University – June 10-15 in La Crosse--A five-day summer, residential program for rising 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students which offers education, reflection, and experience on Catholic Social Teaching themes and principles using St. Francis of Assisi as a model for action. For more information, go to <http://www.viterbo.edu/franciscan-core>.

Come, Follow Days - June 12-13, 2018 - Young girls ages 9-13 are invited to Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse! Come spend time with the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George learning more about your faith. You will enjoy prayer, food, fun activities and more! For more information and registration, please visit www.materredemptoris.org or contact Sister M. Consolata at materredemptoris@gmail.com or call 608-788-4530. Registration is open until filled with 30 girls.

Human Trafficking Conference – June 20-22 in St. Paul, MN - [Shared Hope](#), a leading expert on the issue of anti-trafficking legislation, education and service provision, is hosting a national 3-day conference in St. Paul, Minnesota, to equip, connect and inspire faith leaders and communities. The [JuST Faith Summit](#) will be held June 20-22 at Bethel University and will include nearly 50 plenary sessions and workshops with leading experts from across the nation, featuring a keynote address by Eric Metaxas, radio host and New York Times #1 bestselling author. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.justconference.org/faith-summit/>.

Dare to Follow Retreat - Who: Boys going into 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grades; **When:** July 6-8, 2018; **Where:** Holy Cross Diocesan Center, 3710 East Avenue S., La Crosse, WI 54601. **What: Dare to Follow... When Jesus saw the fishermen at the Sea of Galilee, he asked them to leave everything and follow him to a new way of life. Jesus is calling, will you dare to follow him?** Spend a couple of days with young men your own age • Learning more about your Catholic Faith • Talking about the vocation of priesthood • Having fun. **Contact Vocations Office** – 608-791-2667 | rorth@diolc.org

THRESHOLD RETREAT - Who: For young men entering junior or senior year of high school, or any year of college, who have considered the priesthood; **When:** July 13 – 15, 2018; **Where:** Holy Cross Diocesan Center, 3710 East Ave. S., La Crosse, WI 54601. **Cost:** No Cost – Limited to 25 registrants. **What:** Three days of prayer and conversation and reflections on the priesthood as well as plenty of recreation. We invite you to take a couple of days this summer to listen, to pray, to ask, to seek, and to discover how the Lord is calling you. **Contact Vocations Office** – 608-791-2667 | rorth@diolc.org.

May 27, 2018

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend May 20, 2018

Adults: \$2,344.10

Offertory: \$248.25

Total: \$2,592.35

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

THANK YOU!

2017-2018

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$\$34,455.00

Pledged: \$37,407.00

Cash to date: \$36,697.00

Saints of the Week

**St. Justin*

**SS. Marcellinus & Peter*

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, 26 May, 6:00 PM +PJ Hauser

(Hauser Family)

Sunday, 27 May, 7:30 AM +Deceased Members of the

Stoltz/Humfeld Families

(Joyce & Roger Humfeld)

Sunday, 27 May, 11:00 AM +Larry & Lila Cina's 50th Wedding

Anniversary

(Terry Cina)

Monday, 28 May, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Tuesday, 29 May, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Wednesday, 30 May, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Thursday, 31 May, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Friday, 1 June, 5:00 PM +No Mass

Saturday, 2 June, 6:00 PM +People of St. Mary's Parish

Sunday, 3 June, 7:30 AM +Lois Campbell

(Angie Cina)

Sunday, 3 June, 11:00 AM +Agnes Thielker

(Angie Leis)

Monday, June 4th from 4-5 PM, **Vernon County Alzheimer's Support Group**, Maplewood Terrace, 620 S. Garfield, Viroqua. Tricia Clements, Director of the Vernon County Aging and Disability Resources Center (ADRC), will be our guest presenter. The ADRC is gathering information for their three-year aging plan and would love to hear your thoughts and concerns as it relates to supportive services for caregivers. Hope to see you there!

Wednesday, June 13th from 11:30 AM-1 PM, **Bethel Home Reunion Picnic**, Maplewood Terrace, 620 S. Garfield, Viroqua. Join us for lunch, music, and a reunion of Bethel Home friends. Free event. Please RSVP to Amanda at 637-6358 or awarthesen@bethelhome.org.

Thursday, June 21st, **Bethel Home Bus Trip**. Come along & enjoy "America's prettiest town" according to Forbes magazine. We'll hop on *Trolls Trolley* for a narrated scenic & historic tour of Decorah. There'll be enough time to explore the historic downtown with plenty of shopping before lunch. We'll enjoy a plated luncheon at the *Rubaiyat* restaurant with **choice of Pork loin with Lingonberry Sauce or Grilled Salmon topped with Crabmeat & Hollandaise**. After lunch we'll have a guided tour of the *Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum*. We depart Viroqua 8:00 AM; \$89 includes motor coach transportation, tours, lunch & tips. Call Bette to reserve your seat at 637-6323 or email bschoen@bethelhome.org.

Friday, June 22nd, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM, **Birchwood Prairie Groundbreaking Event**. Join us as we celebrate the groundbreaking of Birchwood Prairie, an independent living retirement community located in thriving Viroqua! Lunch will be provided. Free event. RSVP requested to Amanda at 637-6358 or awarthesen@bethelhome.org.

MEN OF THE CROSS CONFERENCE - SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2018

You will not want to miss out on the 2018 conference, which will be taking place at Logan Middle School, located in La Crosse, WI. Dynamic speakers, Mass, confession, adoration and fellowship. Lunch included, student/\$25; adult/\$35. Stay tuned for more information at menofthecross.org.

This week we highlight **Accounting & Tax Service of Viroqua, Ltd.** as the bulletin sponsor of the week. Please Support the Businesses that Support Our Parish Bulletin

St. Mary's Mission Statement

As a community of faith, St. Mary Parish celebrates the love of Jesus through sacred worship and religious education; we cherish the dignity of each person, and we aspire to minister to all. We revere our history, embrace God's presence among us each day, and walk hopefully into the future.


Encounter Christ in the Sacraments - As a catechist, catechetical leader or deacon, do you want to help cultivate in others a desire for God? Do you want your students to experience the Sacraments as a life-changing encounter with Christ rather than an empty ritual? As a parent, do you want your children to participate in Mass beyond "Sit, Stand, and Kneel"? Then please join us for "**The Witnesses for Christ Conference**" August 10-11 at Blessed Sacrament Parish in La Crosse. For a brochure with further details, a poster or to register, visit: <http://diolc.org/catechesis/>

Save the Date! Sunday, October 21, 2018, the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry along with The 177 Project will be sponsoring a Sesquicentennial Celebration for all high school youth. Details are coming soon.

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