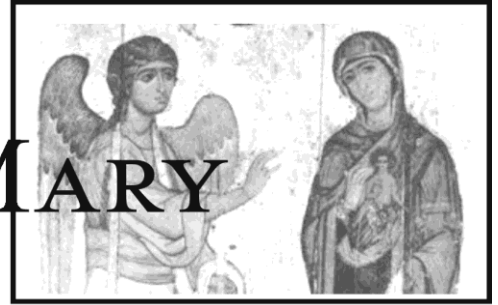


ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



This Week in Our Parish

Blest Art is visiting our Parish this weekend, on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Their mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When *Blest Art* visits, they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art for sale. Please visit their display, after each Mass.

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.

Televised Masses: St Mary's - Viroqua has been asked to participate in two TV Masses for the homebound. Filming will take place at St. Mary's Church in Richland Center on **Tuesday, July 10th**. Father Kulas will celebrate the Masses. We are asked to have at least 20 people attend and be at the church in Richland Center by 1:00 PM (rehearsal held at this time). The first Mass will be filmed at 1:30 PM, the second at 2:15 PM. Each Mass will be 23 minutes. *Please sign up in the Atrium if you are able to attend and indicate if you need a ride.*

National Council of Catholic Women: Leadership Training Development Team – Will You Come and Follow Me? **Saturday, August 4, 2018, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Mass at 4:00 PM**, Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, WI 54601. La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Workshop; register by July 23rd – **registration forms available in the Atrium**; cost \$30/includes lunch and program resources. For more information, contact Lorraine Riedl, phone: 608-463-7662 or e-mail: kendallriedls@gmail.com.

Fr. Eugene Wolf will celebrate June 23-24, and June 30-July 1, weekend Masses. Fr. Janusz Kowalski will celebrate a week-day Mass Thursday, July 5, and Friday, July 6, at 8:00 AM; regular week-day Mass times yet to be determined.

June 24, 2018

Nativity of
St. John the Baptist

12th Sunday 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 Mary (Coon Valley) Wednesday &
Friday 8:00 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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June 24, 2018

Cardinal DiNardo Condemns Separation of Children from Parents at Border - USCCB President Daniel Cardinal DiNardo released a [statement on June 13](#) condemning the continued use of family separation at the U.S./Mexico border as an implementation of the Administration's zero tolerance policy. He wrote: "Our government has the discretion in our laws to ensure that young children are not separated from their parents and exposed to irreparable harm and trauma. Families are the foundational element of our society and they must be able to stay together. While protecting our borders is important, we can and must do better as a government, and as a society, to find other ways to ensure that safety. Separating babies from their mothers is not the answer and is immoral."

US Bishops Proclaim Religious Freedom Week June 22-29 - *Serving Others in God's Love: Religious Freedom Week 2018* will take place from June 22-29. The Week begins with the Feast of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More, ends with the Solemnity of SS. Peter and Paul, and includes the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. For information and many resources, visit: <http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek>.

Ordination to the Priesthood will take place on **June 30th, at 10 a.m.**, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman. If you are unable to attend you can watch the livestream at diolc.org/live.

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 .

Encounter Christ in the Sacraments - Join us at Blessed Sacrament Parish in La Crosse on **August 10-11** for the "Witnesses for Christ Conference". It is essential for DRE/CREs, Youth Ministers, Deacons, Catechists, Catholic School Teachers, Parents and any interested adult. Handing on the Faith to individuals at all age levels "is intrinsically linked with the whole of sacramental activity, for it is in the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, that Christ Jesus works in fullness for the transformation of human beings." (Saint Pope John Paul II *On Catechesis in Our Time*, n. 23) For a brochure with further details, a poster or to register, visit: <http://diolc.org/catechesis/>

Stress in Your Marriage? – Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking about it only make it worse...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is a program that helps couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage to find forgiveness and renewed love and trust. Countless couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages have successfully rebuilt loving relationships using this program. Presenters are couples who have been there. For information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **August 17-19, 2018**, call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) *Fully confidential!*, or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

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.

June 24, 2018

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend June 17, 2018

Adults: \$3,221.10

Offertory: \$350.00

Catholic Times: \$40.00

Total: \$3,611.10

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

THANK YOU!

2017-2018

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$\$34,455.00

Pledged: \$37,407.00

Cash to date: \$37,377.00

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, 23 June, 6:00 PM +PJ Hauser
(Hauser Family)

Sunday, 24 June, 7:30 AM +Wesley Schar

Sunday, 24 June, 11:00 AM +People of St. Mary's Parish

Monday, 25 June, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Tuesday, 26 June, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Wednesday, 27 June, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Thursday, 28 June, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Friday, 29 June, 5:00 PM +No Mass

Saturday, 30 June, 6:00 PM +People of St. Mary's Parish

Sunday, 1 July, 7:30 AM +Virginia Leis

(Jim & Shirley Wuensch)

Sunday, 1 July, 11:00 AM +Agnes Thielker

(Steve & Sue Schmitz)

Saints of the Week

**St. Cyril of Alexandria *St. Irenaeus*

**SS. Peter & Paul*

La Crosse Life League will hold their annual **Ladies for Life Tea on Sunday, June 24, 2018**, at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 130 Losey Blvd. S., in La Crosse from 2-4 PM. Join us for tea, sandwiches, treats, door prizes, activities for the little ladies, and pro-life speaker Jeff Arrowood who will talk on Raising a ProLife Family. Tickets will be \$10 for ladies 12 and up, \$5 for 3 to 11-year-olds, and girls under 3 are free. To decorate a table for this event, call Marie Allen at 608-784-5189. Tickets will be available through June 20 by calling Mari Erickson at 608-518-7655. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door.

Thursday, June 28th, 4:30 – 6pm, **Bethel Village Strawberry Social**, 904 Wall Street, Cashton. Come enjoy a delicious supper, strawberry shortcake dessert, musical entertainment, and a pie & plant auction! Blood pressure checks by Scenic Bluffs. Freewill offering. We will also be collecting food pantry items for the Cashton Cupboard and Closet!

Monday, July 2nd from 4-5, **Vernon County Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group**, Maplewood Terrace, 620 S. Garfield, Viroqua. Shawn Fish, Manager of Bethel Oaks Memory Care, will join us to discuss memory care as it relates to your loved one's living situation. We will also get the first tour of the NEW Bethel Oaks Memory Care set to open mid-July. Hope to see you there!

Tuesday, July 3rd, 1:15 pm **Auxiliary Meeting** - 2:00 pm **Program** by Maplewood Terrace residents and refreshments by Vang Lutheran Church. To be held in Bethel Home's Fellowship Room. Everyone welcome!

Sunday, July 15th, 2-4 pm, **Pie and Ice Cream Social**, Maplewood Terrace, 620 S. Garfield, Viroqua. Join us for homemade pie, ice cream, lemonade, and coffee. Freewill offering. Sponsored by the Bethel Home & Services Auxiliary. All proceeds to benefits projects for Bethel Home & Services.

Thursday, July 19th at 5 pm, **Burgers in the Park**, Davidson Park in Westby. Come and enjoy an evening of hamburgers and music in the lovely Davidson Park. Musical entertainment by Tor Eness. Proceeds benefit the Bethel Butikk Food Pantry. More details to follow at a later date.

This week we highlight **Moser Trucking Inc.** as the bulletin sponsor of the week.
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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.

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.

Immersion Retreat - The Immersion Retreat will be held at the Chula Vista Resort November 9-11, 2018. The theme is "150," in honor of our Diocesan Sesquicentennial, as well as, a reference to Psalm 150. This will be for all high school age students. More information is coming soon.


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