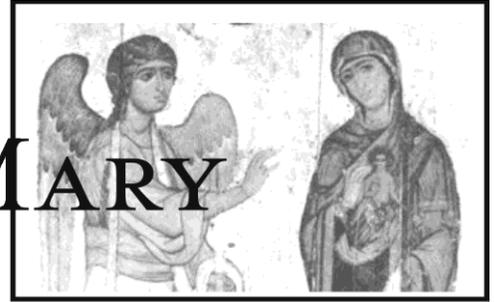


# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



## This Week in Our Parish

The Social Justice Committee extends a big thank you! to all who generously donated items to the La Crosse Warming House and Catholic Charities.

**SYMBOLON** "The Catholic Faith Explained" series, church library, Sundays, 9:15 – 10:15 AM.

Parish Council will meet **Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Marian Hall.**

**Polish Priest Prepares Pierogis for Pro- Life:** Come to learn how to make pierogis (Polish dumplings). Everyone is invited to join Father Janusz and our youth with this fundraiser on **Saturday, January 12th at 9:00 AM** in Marian Hall. Bring a dish to pass for a potluck lunch. The pierogis will be sold after all the Masses on January 12/13<sup>th</sup> - 5 for \$3.00, 10 for \$5.00

We are currently sending 3 youth--Patrick Corr, Ian Corr and Caspian Stevenson--to join the ranks of hundreds of thousands of other pro-lifers to stand up for Life in Washington, D.C. We ask that you keep these kids in your thoughts and prayers as they travel (January 16-20th) and march to put an end to abortion. If you are interested in joining them as a chaperone, please contact Tony Shay (DRE) 608.606.2459.

In the coming weeks, you will be learning more about an initiative called Safe Haven Sunday that will equip parents to protect their family from the ill effects of pornography. Why is this important? According to the Journal of Adolescent Health, prolonged exposure to pornography leads to:

- Cynicism about love or the need for affection between sexual partners.
- Belief that marriage is sexually confining.
- Lack of attraction to family and child-raising.

Learn more about ending porn exposure at [diolc.org/shs](http://diolc.org/shs)  
Come to church on Safe Haven Sunday – March 10th.

**January 6, 2019**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

*today's readings are in the hymnal, page 1011*

**Sunday Mass**

**Saturday**

5:15 PM

**Sunday**

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**Daily Mass**

Tuesday

5:15 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday  
8:00 AM

**Youth Mass** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10:30 AM  
Mass, November to May

**Liturgy of the Hours**

This ancient communal prayer of the Church is prayed after all weekday Masses

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before all Weekend and 20 minutes before all Weekday Masses

**Rosary**

The Holy Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before all Masses

**Bethel Home**

Mass and Rosary held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at  
10:15 AM

**Norseland**

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

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

First Friday of each month after 8:00 AM Mass until Noon

Parish Website [www.stmaryviroqua.org](http://www.stmaryviroqua.org); Parish Fax (608) 299-3721

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# January 6, 2019

## **DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its [policies and procedures](#), seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employee, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, Bishop of La Crosse, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry, 608-519-8002 or [kbecker@cclse.org](mailto:kbecker@cclse.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of the Vicar for Clergy or on the diocesan website at: [www.diolc.org](http://www.diolc.org).

**Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the [diocesan website](#). If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or [tbrown@diolc.org](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org)

**E-Mail Spear Phishing into our parishes** - We have received another report of a targeted attack by a crafted Gmail address, attempting to represent the pastor. There are two things you, and everyone that receives the scam message, can do:

1. Report the Gmail address used to send the phishing message to Google as a violation of the Gmail Program Policies and/or Terms of Use using this link: <https://support.google.com/mail/contact/abuse>
2. Report the phishing message by moving the message into your Spam folder and, if you are using Gmail, Open the message, Next to Reply, click More, and then click Report phishing.

<https://support.google.com/mail/answer/8253?hl=en>

Thank you for your diligence and attention to these clever attacks.

**U.S. Bishops Raise Social Concerns** - The U.S. Bishops invite you to make your voice heard in Washington on a number of issues, including:

- Protection of Catholic adoption and foster care agencies
- Global relief of poverty and hunger
- Protection of the right to seek asylum

For information and action alerts, see [diolc.org/social-concerns](http://diolc.org/social-concerns).



# January 6 , 2019

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend December 30, 2018

Adults: \$3,919.00

Offertory: \$915.15

Christmas: \$4,009.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$25.00

Total: \$8,868.15

Needed Weekly: \$5,000.00

## 2018-2019

## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$32,405.00

Pledged: \$32,126.00

Cash to date: \$27,549.21

THANK YOU!

*Saints of the Week*

*\*St. Raymond of Penyafort*

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Saturday** 5 January, 5:15 PM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**

(Paul Penchi Family)

**Sunday**, 6 January, 8:00 AM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**

(Paul Penchi Family)

**Sunday** 6 January, 10:30 AM + **People of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

**Monday**, 7 January, +**No Mass**

**Tuesday**, 8 January, 5:15 PM +**Agnes Thielker**

(Pat & Ed Klos)

**Wednesday**, 9 January, 8:00 AM + **Wilma Meyers**

(St. Mary's Choir)

**Thursday**, 10 January, 8:00 AM +**Virginia Leis**

(Jim & Shirley Wuensch)

**Friday**, 11 January, 8:00 AM +**Paul Penchi, Jr.**

(Robert Peterson)

**Saturday**, 12 January, 5:15 PM +**Guy Nicks**

(Irene Nicks)

**Sunday**, 13 January, 8:00 AM + **People of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

**Sunday**, 13 January, 10:30 AM +**Wesley Schar**

**Begin the New Year with Emotionally Mature Children** - Do your children test your resolve with their emotional immaturity? Do you need some suggestions on how to moderate the drama in your family? Then plan to attend the Raise Them Well Webinar on emotional maturity, **January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM**. You can be part of this webinar from the comfort of your own home. Just register and watch the entire presentation on your computer or smartphone. Cost \$5. Register at [diolc.org/marriage/webinars/](http://diolc.org/marriage/webinars/)

Engaging Adults in the Theology of the Body – Tomah – **January 12, 9 AM – 3:45 PM, \$10/person** – **Queen of the Apostles Parish**: understand the basics of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. To register, visit [diolc.org/yya/burninghearts](http://diolc.org/yya/burninghearts) or contact 608/791-2652, [pboyle@diolc.org](mailto:pboyle@diolc.org).

**Diocesan Lay Formation Institute classes begins in fall of 2019** - Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! Registration is now underway for the next two-year cycle. Brochures and application forms can be downloaded at [www.diolc.org/lay-formation](http://www.diolc.org/lay-formation). You can also watch a 3-minute slideshow shot at St. Anthony's Retreat Center. If you are interested, discuss this with your pastor. For more information, contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [ministries@diolc.org](mailto:ministries@diolc.org) or call (608) 791-2667.

This week we highlight **United Country Real Estate & Oakwood Realty LLC** as the bulletin sponsor of the week.

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*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.*

*Please note:*

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Book Club will meet regularly the third Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM in the church library. Everyone is welcome to attend and share and discuss your current reading selection – biographies, historical, religious, human interest.

Youth Masses will be celebrated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10:30 Mass, November to May.

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*“Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.” ~ Isaiah 60:1*