

Welcome to the

Tri-Parish

Catholic Community

April 14th, 2024



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From the Administrator

Reverently Receive

To take - is it not a terrible word? To take and all its cousins: to snatch, grab, grasp, steal, grip, clasp, or clutch. What is it that we often desire to take? Is it not, in some way, power, fame, wealth, and possessions? We take what we want and do not have.

This is the cause of our sins, is it not? Adam and Eve took the forbidden fruit. Murder is to take someone's life. Theft is to take someone's things. Adultery is to take someone for our own pleasure. A lie is to take the truth away. To cover is to want to take something. Idolatry is to take something other than God.

Thus, concupiscence, which is our tendency to sin out of selfish pride, can be described as our tendency to take things that are not meant for us. Deep down we despise this. Children want to take things that are not theirs, and so our spiritual growth involves working against this tendency. We know that it is wrong to steal cookies from grandma's cookie jar. Why? In part, it is because grandma wants to give these cookies away. Grandma wants us to receive what she gives. There are two antidotes to taking: to generously give and to reverently receive.

In all that we do - worship, prayer, work, and leisure - we should learn to receive, for God wants us to reverently (with due honor and respect) and actively receive what He generously gives in abundance, which is His grace. We cannot grasp grace. As soon as we try to grasp grace, grace is pulled away. We can only receive grace.

Thus, at Mass, when it comes time for communion, it is important to reverently receive the Eucharist. Whether that is on the hand or on the tongue, standing or kneeling, Jesus, in the Eucharist, should be reverently received. Perhaps during this Easter season, it will be a good meditation to reflect on how you receive the Eucharist. Are you fully aware of Who you are receiving in your heart and mind, and does your outward appearance reflect this inward truth?

It has been said that "it is better to give than to receive." Perhaps. It is certainly better to give than to take. Yet, is it not better to receive what God wants to give so that we have something to give?

Blessings,

Fr. Matthew

The Week at a Glance...

Tuesday, April 16th

—Mass 8am SH

Wednesday, April 17th

—CCD 3:30pm-4:45pm SH

—CCD 7pm-8:15pm SH

Friday, April 18th

—Adoration 5:30pm SA

—Mass/Adoration 2pm SH

Sacramental Life

Baptism: Because we believe in the ordinary necessity of Baptism for salvation, it is customary that newborns be baptized as soon as is practical, usually within a month after birth. Parents need to attend baptism preparation with Deacon Sam prior to scheduling a baptism. Please contact the parish office for details or to register.

Marriage: Couples should contact the Pastor at the time of formal engagement or at least eight months prior to the desired date of the wedding. In the case of a mixed marriage, the non-Catholic party must arrange to receive instructions about the Catholic faith prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

Penance:

Saint Augustine	Saturday, 7:00pm
Sacred Heart	Saturday 3:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart	Sunday, 11:00am
Saint Mary's	Sunday 7:00 a.m.

Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick, have been ill for a long period or are to undergo surgery should receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Please contact the Pastor or the parish office.

Visitation of the Sick: If you become hospitalized, institutionalized or homebound because of illness and would like communion brought to your home or just to be visited, please call the parish office.

Catholic Education: Sacred Heart School offers Christian formation to children in grades 4K through 8. Call the school, 654-7733, to visit or request an application for enrollment.

Bulletin Deadline: Please submit items for publication in the weekly bulletin before 8am Wednesday.

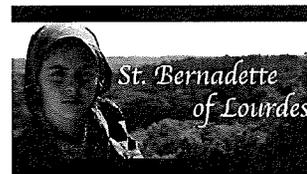
THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of April 14, 2024



God Is with Us

What does it mean to say that God is with us in the Eucharist? What is the Eucharist? Watch Episode 1 of Presence today!



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Joan of Arc

Cultivate a devotion to St. Joan of Arc, the young saint who died a martyr at the age of nineteen, by watching this powerful film. Her story comes to life in this movie and will doubtless leave you inspired by her faith in God.

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Many Thanks!

To everyone who supported the Birthright baby bottle fundraiser. Together our parishes collected over \$1,349.45!

St. Mary's Spring Luncheon

Bring your family and friends together for lunch at St. Mary Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, for lunch on April 27th from 11 AM to 1 PM. Cost is only \$10. We will have guest speakers Joyce and Roger Humfeld discussing their beekeeping an honey business starting at 11:30 a.m. (honey will also be available for purchase) Offering door prizes throughout the event. All are welcome to attend!

Computer and Network Safety:

Verify Before Sending Money:

Scammers consistently target parishes and parishioners, asking the recipient to send money via email. Even if the request sounds legitimate and comes from a contact you expect for a purpose you expect, always verify where you are sending money via some means other than email. The video shared at the link below and the QR code to the right provides an example where everything seemed legitimate, but was not. In our case, it probably wouldn't be an attorney, but it could be an employee asking for their direct deposit information to be updated. An email alone is not enough to make this change. Call them on a known number or have them request the change in person. An email can initiate the conversation, but changes like this should be verified before the change is made.



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Sacred Heart Cemetery Clean up

Help is needed on Saturday, April 20th from 8am-12pm cleaning up Sacred Heart cemetery and Saints Peter and Paul cemetery. Confirmation students, if you are needing hours this is the perfect opportunity to work outside and help out the Tri-parish at the same time. Please call Arnie Klinkner at 608-487-4182 with questions. If you are able to help out, please bring a shovel with you.

Pizza Fundraiser

I scream, you scream, we all scream for...PIZZA? If you love pizza and you love our local library, you are in luck! The Cashton library is taking orders for freshly made take and bake pizzas. Pizzas can also be frozen once they are picked up. Cheese, sausage, pepperoni and combination pizzas will be available for preorder from April 10 - May 1 and are \$9.00 each with a discount given when you purchase 6 pizzas. You can pick up and drop off order forms in the school office or at the Cashton Library. Pizzas will be prepared and ready for pick up on May 18. You can contact the Cashton Library with any questions.

Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608.860.6698 or email projectrachel@diolc.org. There are also post-abortion healing retreats offered in the Diocese of Madison. For more information on the retreats, visit madisondiocese.org/rachel

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE OPERATION OF OUR PARISHES

March 31st, 2024

SAINT AUGUSTINE

ADULT ENVELOPES	\$630.00
OFFERTORY	\$292.00
DEBT	\$50.00
EASTER	\$425.00
TOTAL	\$1,397.00

SAINT MARY'S

ADULT ENVELOPES	\$771.00
OFFERTORY	\$297.00
CCD	\$2,020.00
EASTER	\$5,035.00
TOTAL	\$8,123.00

SACRED HEART

ADULT ENVELOPES	\$1,555.00
OFFERTORY	\$233.00
FUEL	\$150.00
EASTER	\$2,025.00
HOLY LAND	\$589.11
TOTAL	\$4,552.11

For Youth and Young Adults

St. Thomas More is the patron saint of lawyers. I know there are a lot of jokes out there about lawyers and there not being many in heaven but we are sure that at least St. Thomas More is there. And, after you learn a bit more about him and who he was, you'll understand why he's a saint.

Thomas was a lawyer of good standing who managed to attract the attention of King Henry VIII. Henry appointed him to many high ranking positions and offices and finally to Lord Chancellor. However, this last just 3 short years before Thomas resigned. King Henry was refusing to follow Church law on the issue of marriage and divorce and the supremacy of the Pope.

Thomas spent the remainder of his life writing in defense of the Church. King Henry appointed himself as head of the Church of England (which he couldn't do) and Thomas and his close friend St. John Fisher refused to give allegiance to him (King Henry). They were sent to the Tower. Over a year later, John was executed first followed 9 days later by Thomas. Thomas told spectators that he was dying "the King's good servant-but God's first."

Thomas was at the top of his game and

it was all lost because he followed God's law first. How many of us could do that? Could we give up the power, prestige and money to stand up for God? Of course, it's easy to say we could and we would, but in that moment, would we? How many little moments do we have to put God's law first? And do we? Or is it easy to stay comfortable? What can we do this week to put God's law first, especially in the little moments?

Religious Ed News

First Communions will be held the following dates:

April 20th 6pm Saint Augustine's

April 21st 10am Sacred Heart

April 28th 8am Saint Mary's

Our Chastity Project Kiosk has been restocked. Take a look and see what we have!

First Communion Retreat/First Confession

Will be April 14th after the 10am Mass. A light lunch will be provided. Please plan for one adult to attend with your first communicant.

Parents of First Sacrament Students

Make sure you are taking time everyday to practice for confession.

Sacred Heart School News

4k & 5k with Mrs. Klinge

O is for Obedience. Obedience to God is very important. This week we celebrated Mary's "Yes" to God. Without Mary, Jesus could not have come into the world to save us from our sins. In what ways do we need to be obedient to God?

- Follow the 10 commandments.
- Listen to everything God tells us in the Bible.
 - Obey our parents.
 - Listen to our teachers.
 - Love our neighbors.
 - Share what we have.
 - Give to others.
 - Pray for everyone.
 - Make good choices.
 - Follow the rules.
 - Be safe.

1st & 2nd with Mrs. Balk

The first and second graders have been talking about goods and services and have been discussing different types of jobs. We brainstormed a variety of jobs that we thought would be interesting. Here are some of our thoughts:

- I think it would be interesting to be a logger so I can work with my uncle.
- I think it would be interesting to be a semi-driver because their cabs are so high.
- I think it would be interesting to work with animals in an animal shelter.
- I think it would be interesting to be a carpenter who builds houses because I like to build.
- I think it would be interesting to work with wood and carve statues.
- I think it would be interesting to be a Lego designer because there are so many cool Lego sets.
- I think it would be interesting to work in a bakery because I love seeing all the decorations on cakes and cupcakes.

Art with Mrs. Leis

This week we took a break from art projects and starting anything new. We had a fun day of team building with a friendly game of Pictionary. The students were supportive and encouraging of each other while enjoying the game.

3rd & 4th with Miss Santas

In third and fourth grade this week, in science we are finishing up our unit on changes on the Earth and all of Earth's resources with a review and test. In Math this week, the third graders are learning about different shapes and angles in geometry, while the fourth graders are working on either converting measurements or decimals. In social studies, we started reading how the Great Lakes states contributed to the growth of the U.S. and some reasons that the Europeans came to settle in the area.

5th-8th Literature & Spelling with Mrs. Slattery

WWI-A more remarkable list of hero's & villains is hard to find: Austro-Hungarian Emperor Karl, Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm II, Isar Nicholas II of Russia, our President Woodrow Wilson plus Lenin Trotsky, Stalin.....Pope Benedict XV offered a remarkable 7 point plan for peace—which was rejected.

5th-8th Science & Math with Mrs. Flock

This week the Math students in 8th grade are finishing their study of quadratic equations and their applications while grade 7 is working on solving probability problems, Grade 6 is reviewing order of operations, and grade 5 is learning how to use a coordinate graph. Science 7/8 will finish a lesson on worm phyla and start to dissect worms. Grades 5/6 are studying minerals and their characteristics.

Religion with Mrs. Steger

7/8 finished up a chapter on Anointing of the Sick. They came up with some great questions that I didn't have the answer to but we will learn together. Then we moved on to a chapter on Holy Orders.

5/6 finished a chapter on how to prepare to receive Holy Communion and moved on to our next chapter. Did you know the Church says we need to receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter Season? This is binding on all Catholics.

Atrium students experienced the Liturgy of the Light while some learned the Empty Tomb work. Others continued working on several other larger works they started previously.

Divine3rd Sunday of Easter

Reading Reflections

In addition to celebrating all Christ did for us this Easter season and how His sacrifice impacts our lives, today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus should be the center of our lives. Today's passage begins with two disciples realizing Jesus had just appeared to them. We can learn a valuable lesson from these disciples. To recognize Jesus' appearance in our lives, we need to know Him. And the best way to know the Lord is to spend time with Him. It can start with 10 minutes of quiet prayer daily and increase that each week. We might begin by reading Scripture, books on the lives of the Saints, or even a decade of the Rosary. Yet the goal should be to carve out time each day in a quiet space for you and the Lord. As the disciples mentioned, they recognized that Jesus was breaking the bread. We, too, can better know the Lord through the sacraments, especially the Holy Mass. The Eucharist is Jesus Himself — Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. What better way to grow in intimacy with Christ than to receive Him frequently or talk to Him in front of the Blessed Sacrament? As we make Jesus the center of our lives through prayer and the sacraments, we can recognize Him in day-to-day moments. As we are still amid this Easter season, think about what Christ did for us and the changes we should make daily to help us grow closer to Him.

What does your future hold?

When we are young we look towards the future and wonder what's in store. Perhaps there are dreams of accomplishing great things, helping others, or being able to change the world. Well, there is a vocational calling that can provide the opportunity to do all of that and so much more: The Priesthood! Consider the Lord's call to the priesthood, a calling that allows young men to be part of something greater, the Church. It provides an opportunity to be part of God's healing mission, a mission to save souls and bring people into a deeper relationship with Him. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering this call, please contact me: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S., Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602. Or call me at 608-791-2667. God Bless You!

"the Answer"

Eucharistic Rally: Be Part of This Amazing Day! | June 7 | La Crosse Center Do you desire more joy, hope and peace in your heart? God wants to shower you with His healing grace during this time of Eucharistic Revival. Join Catholics from around the Diocese and surrounding states on June 7th for "the Answer." Be inspired by Bishop Battersby, Bishop Callahan, Bishop Barron and internationally-known speakers as we seek to encounter Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, His gift of Himself to us with unconditional love. For further details and to register, visit diolc.org/the-answer, or scan the QR code to the right.



Sacred Heart PCCW

Women of Sacred Heart parish. It is time to begin collecting your annual PCCW dues. We are asking all ladies to please send \$25 to Jessica Eggen at E8284 County Highway P, Westby 54667. You can also drop it into any collection with a clearly marked envelope "SH PCCW Dues" and we will forward it on. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

St. Mary's Brunch

Mark your calendars for brunch after the 8am Mass on April 14th. Bring your favorite breakfast dish and we will provide the coffee. See you there!

Please Donate to Project Milk!

Your help is needed, as we prepare to purchase whole powdered milk for the children of Casa Hogar and other surrounding orphanages in Peru. We are \$32,000 short of funding to purchase a full shipping container, which is 800 bags of milk (we currently have enough for 500 bags). Please consider donating by visiting frjoesguild.org/donate/ Select "Project Milk" from the designation menu.

Family Camp:

A family Camp will take place at Crosswoods Camp in Mason, WI. The cost is \$350 for a family of four, with an additional \$30 for each person above that number. It starts on Friday afternoon to early evening and ends on Sunday at noon. The camp will take the families on adventures and include family-style meals, arts and crafts, prayer, faith talks, family time, bonfires, Mass, and great fellowship! Please contact Cheryl Kauffer at goshawkcpc@gmail.com for more information.

Mass Intention Schedule

Sat. April 13th	4:00pm Sacred Heart	† Joseph, Ardella & Thomas Leis
	6:00pm St. Augustine	† Mary Ann Schmitz
Sun. April 14th	8am at St. Mary's	† David Schreier
	10am at Sacred Heart	For the People
Tues. April 16th	8:00am at Sacred Heart	† Phyllis Hansen
Sat. April 20th	4:00pm Sacred Heart	Living and Deceased members of the Hansen Family
	6:00pm St. Augustine	† Bob Dickman
Sun. April 21st	8am at St. Mary's	For the People
	10am at Sacred Heart	† Glen & Marie Whitehead

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48 (47)

Monday : Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 (273)

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 (274)

Wed. Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 (275)

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 (276)

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 (277)

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 (278)

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18 (50) Pss IV

Please pray for these Intentions



- Pope Francis
- Bishop Callahan
- Hope Waite
- Adam
- Steve Laufenberg
- Marlene Flock
- Corey Janzen
- Sheila Vukovich
- Louis Zanon
- Jeanne Allen
- Ed Schreier
- Jerome & Margaret Leuck
- Glen Miller
- Wesley Clements
- Louise Melby
- Special Intention
- Gene Degenhardt
- Jeff Mullenberg
- Grace Fowler
- Nancy Karis
- David Schwarz
- Sandy Von Ruden
- Alice Schmitz
- Mary Leuck
- Bobbi Baker
- Mike Metzler
- Joshua Mack
- For Vocations to Holy Orders and the Consecrated Life and all the seminarians of the Diocese of La Crosse including our own seminarian Thomas Cummings.

For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Lector/Serving/Usher Schedule April 20th & 21st

<u>St Augustine</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
6pm Saturday	Patricia Doll		Volunteers Appreciated
<u>Sacred Heart</u>			
4pm Saturday	Thea Von Ruden		Volunteers Appreciated
10am Sunday	Enid Neubauer	Ben Harris & Dominic & George Knutson	Volunteers Appreciated
<u>St. Mary's</u>			
8am Sunday's	Jeff Menn	Thaddeus Slattery & Jeffery Menn	Volunteers Appreciated

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