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Catholic Community
November 24th, 2024

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Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish & School - Cashton*

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From Our Administrator

Things to be Grateful For

On this weekend before Thanksgiving, it is good to meditate upon the good things that we have received from God and give Him thanks for it. It also marks the final weekend of my first full year here at the Tri-Parishes. Because of this, I would like to take this opportunity to note my thanks.

Bishop Battersby's Vision to Pray - I appreciate Bishop Battersby's first steps for his priests to engage in prayer and to ask the Holy Spirit to guide the Diocese of La Crosse. A part of this first step includes blessing each of the parishes, which are being done this weekend by using the Pope Leo XIII prayer.

Catholic School - My undergraduate degree is math and physics education. Although I have not used it (I have taught elementary religion and middle school gym), I know that I am a teacher at heart. I never thought that I would be a principal, but God does have a funny and mysterious way about Him.

New Look for the Bulletin - Beginning next week, we will have a new look for our bulletin. We are working with LPI, a company that specializes in bulletin publications. I am grateful to our advertisers who helped make this possible. There will be a number of new and current advertisers on the back, so please support their business.

Parish Meetings Next Weekend - After each Mass next weekend, I will offer a parish meeting. Think of it as a "state of the union" address for the parish. I will present some details about the state of the parish as well as the next steps.

Challenges - It certainly has not been easy to run three parishes and a school with only two years of priestly experience and absolutely no background in school administration. Quite frankly, I believe that we can admit that this is an absurd prospect. Despite the challenges, I am grateful that it has allowed me to trust more deeply in God's Providence in all of this. Simply, I know that I cannot do this on my own, and in all humility, I have been confronted with how very little I know.

People - Recently, I have traveled to Tomah a number of times, and it was good to see the people there. All of them were supportive and reassuring. I am also grateful for the good people here as well. Thank you for your support and prayers.

*Gratefully in Christ Jesus,
Fr. Matthew*

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

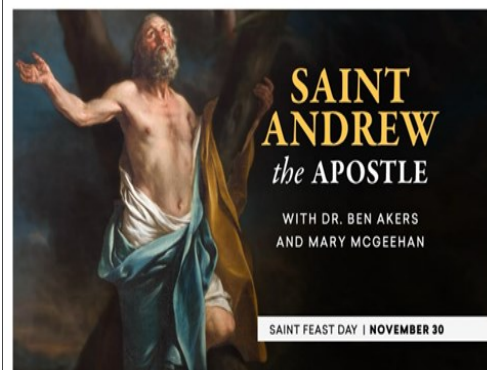
Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick, have been ill for a long period or are to undergo surgery should receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Please contact the Pastor or the parish office.

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.

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Mystic Monk Coffee (Great Christmas Gift)

Sacred Heart school is still selling Mystic Monk Coffee. Simply get in touch with Doreen at the school by phone (654-7733) or email (school@smash3p.org) and let her know what you would like to purchase. We do carry some popular flavors on hand, but if we don't have it in stock we will be happy to order it for you.

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Mass Intention Schedule

Saturday	Nov. 23rd	4:00pm Sacred Heart	† Carlton Hansen
		6:00pm St. Augustine	Living & Deceased Members of the Wiedl Family
Sunday	Nov. 24th	8:00am at St. Mary's	For the People
		10:00am at Sacred Heart (Incense)	† Bob & Marie Geier
Tuesday	Nov. 26th	8:00am at Sacred Heart	Father Matthew
		4:30pm-5:45pm	Adoration
Wednesday	Nov. 27th	No Mass	
Thursday	Nov. 28th	9:00am at St. Augustine	† James E. Siegler
Friday	Nov. 29th	No Mass or Adoration	
Saturday	Nov. 30th	4:00pm Sacred Heart	† David A. Leis & Ricky Janick
		6:00pm St. Augustine	For the People
Sunday	Dec. 1st	8:00am at St. Mary's	† Rita Hemmersbach
		10:00am at Sacred Heart (Incense)	† Sandy Von Ruden

Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 (161)
- Monday :** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4 (503)
- Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11 (504)
- Wed.** Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19 (505)
- Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28 (506)
 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the Mass "In Thanksgiving to God" (943-947)
- Friday:** Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33 (507)
- Saturday:** Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22 (684)
- Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36 (3)



Please pray for these Intentions

- Drew Von Ruden
- Matt & Christine Allen
- John Brueggeman
- Hope Waite
- Pope Francis
- Bishop Battersby
- John Lindeen
- Matthew Sueppel
- Tressa Klinkner
- Carol Leuck
- Florentine Geier
- Steve Laufenberg
- Sheila Vukovich
- Louis Zanon
- Jeanne Allen
- Ed Schreier
- Jerome & Margaret Leuck
- Glen Miller
- Wesley Clements
- Louise Melby
- Special Intention
- Jeff Mullenberg
- Grace Fowler
- 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 migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Knights of Columbus—Keep Christ in Christmas

Help share the reason for the season this Christmas-tide by purchasing a "Keep Christ In Christmas" yard sign or auto magnet sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds from these will help support future charitable efforts the Knights are well known for. Both items will be available for purchase at each weekend Mass at all three parishes. Asking donation is \$5 each. Outside of Mass opportunities can be made by contacting Michael Haight at 608-487-2138 (text/voice) or michael.a.haight@outlook.com. Please help spread the word and put a new yard sign out to help bring God back into our neighborhoods!

Reading Reflection

We celebrate the Feast of Christ the King on this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism, and individualism and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The establishment of this feast was not just a decree from the Pope but a call to action for all of us. It was a collective hope that this feast would achieve three significant goals: that nations would recognize the Church's right to freedom, that leaders and nations would acknowledge their duty to respect Christ, the King of kings, and that we, the faithful, would be encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

As we observe this feast, it's crucial to remember that it holds profound significance for all, particularly for us as Christian stewards. It serves as a poignant reminder of three fundamental truths that guide our stewardship.

First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge, loving, merciful, and just. His authority is our security.

Second, if Christ is King of all, He is also King of me. I am not the "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a valued servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me, integral to His community.

Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. His humility and service characterize Christ's Kingship, and it should inspire and motivate us to empty Ourselves for the good of others.

The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good, and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live other than as a humble servant like my King?

Thanksgiving Schedule

There will **NOT** be Mass at St. Mary on Nov. 27. Due to my other ministry commitments that day, I will have already said two Masses, and by Church law, I am only permitted two on weekdays.

Nov. 28 - St. Augustine, 9:00 a.m.

Nov. 29 - NO Mass or Adoration at Sacred Heart (I will be spending time with family)

Healing Service & Mass

Monday Dec. 2, 2024

- **4:30 PM:** Adoration and Confession
- **5:30 PM:** Mass
- **6:00 PM:** Corporate Prayer for Healing
- **7:00 PM:** Individual Healing Ministry (for those seeking additional prayers)
- **9:00 PM:** Closing

Feel free to join us as your schedule allows, as times are approximate.

TRIVIA NIGHT SUCCESS

We want to thank everyone who attended Sacred Heart Catholic School's Trivia Night and helped to make our first trivia night successful. We hope everyone enjoyed the great food while socializing and answering some challenging questions. Also, congratulations to the team the "The Unprofitable Servants" on their victory. We made over \$2000. Thank you for your support!

The Glory and Praise choir will sing for the Christmas morning Mass at 10:00. We would like to extend a heartfelt invite for new singers.

Musicians who play trumpets, violins, piano or organ are also invited to join the group. Families are welcome to come and join in the singing as well.

Please prayerfully consider this invitation. Practices will be held, Monday evening, 11/25 at 6:00, Sundays, 12/8 and 12/15 after the 10:00 Mass.

Any questions, please call 608-632-9548.

Thank you. Mary Beth Smith

Christmas Mass Schedule

There will be a different Mass schedule for Christmas this year than in years past. My brother priests have been having a Christmas Mass During the Night to great success. To help you prepare to celebrate Christmas with Mass and with your family gatherings, here will be the schedule for Christmas Masses:

Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Dec. 24, 10:00 p.m. at St. Mary

Dec. 25, 8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine

Dec. 25, 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

St. Mary's Annual Craft Show

Saturday, December 7th, 2024

Come join the fun and find that one of a kind gift for the Holiday Season from several local vendors and crafters. Open from 8am-2pm at the Coon Valley Village Hall at 108 Roosevelt St. Concessions available. Free admission!

Visit our website: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 or Peters @mwt.net

Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 24th at the Cashton Community Hall from 11am-1pm. Delicious traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings. There will be coloring for the kids and door prizes.

Annual Appeal

The Diocesan Annual Appeal is fully up and running, and we are rolling out the Appeal here at our parishes. Thank you to everyone who has already pledged their generosity to the Annual Appeal. I thank you for it! The following are the goals and pledged amounts:

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Goal: \$17,730 (All for the Diocese)
 Pledged: \$14,395
 Donors: 29 members

Sacred Heart
 Goal: \$37,000 (\$21,365 for Diocese)
 Pledged: \$16,235
 Donors: 46 members

St. Augustine of Hippo
 Goal: \$10,000 (\$5,375 for Diocese)
 Pledged: \$4,125
 Donors: 9 members

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE OPERATION OF OUR PARISHES

November 2nd & 3rd, 2024

<u>SAINT AUGUSTINE</u>		<u>SAINT MARY'S</u>		<u>SACRED HEART</u>	
ADULT ENVELOPES	\$190.00	ADULT ENVELOPES	\$2706.00	ADULT ENVELOPES	\$3425.00
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ALL SAINTS DAY	\$263.00	FUEL	\$50.00	RENOVATION	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$741.00	ALL SAINTS DAY	\$173.00	DEBT	\$50.00
		TOTAL	\$3081.00	SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$100.00
				ALL SAINTS DAY	\$537.00
				TOTAL	\$4465.00

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Parish Meetings After Masses on Nov. 30 - Dec. 1

I will be having parish meetings following each Mass during the weekend of Nov. 30 - Dec. 1. At these meetings, the parish reports will be passed out and discussed. I will also relate the state of the parishes as I see them as well as the beginnings of my vision for the parishes and school.

Sacred Heart Finance Council

There will be a meeting on December 3 at 6:00 p.m.

For Youth and Young Adults

Our final saint for November that we will learn about is St. Therese of Lisieux or St. Therese of the Child Jesus. St. Therese was the daughter of Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, recently canonized together. She was born in 1873, one of 9 children and one of 5 to make it past childhood. St. Therese is a fairly popular saint and St. John Paul the Great (Pope John Paul II) declared her a Doctor of the Church. This honor has only been given to 34 other saints.

There was nothing real special about St. Therese. She entered a Carmelite order at the age of 15 and spent the next nine years of her life there, doing nothing of great importance. She did everything that was ordinary, that daily life in the convent required of her.

She wasn't a martyr, physically dying for her Faith. She wasn't a missionary who traveled around the world spreading God's message to those who didn't

know it. She didn't found a new religious order, as some of the saints have done. She didn't preach or write great theological things. She was simple, just like you and me.

She lived her life in a little way. She did all those daily ordinary things with great love and to the best of her ability. There was nothing special about her childhood, nothing that set her aside as particularly religious or holy even. Some might say she was even spoiled!

St. Therese knew that becoming a saint meant to be what God wants us to be. For some of us, that might mean we are doctors or bus drivers or farmers. For others it might be a parent or a religious. No matter what, God is calling each of us to sainthood. What is it that God wants you to be? Do you pray to God asking Him to tell you what He wants? How can we imitate St. Therese right now?

Religious Education

Religious Education is on Wednesdays. Grades 1-5 will be having class from 3:30-4:45 p.m. at Sacred Heart School. Grades 6-10 will be having class from 7:00-8:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart School.

St. Patrick, Sparta, Dead Theologians' Society

The next Dead Theologians' Society gathering at 6:00 p.m. at the Rectory at St. Patrick Church in Sparta will be December 8 and 22. This is a gathering of high school youth that learn about a saint, enjoy fellowship with each other, and eat a scrumptious meal by the Very Rev. Eric Berns. I highly recommend attending.



"This week we prepared our hearts for the enthronement of the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We prayed a Triduum of prayers to Jesus our King, our Brother, and our Friend. On Friday, we enthroned the image of Jesus and blessed the school, entrusting all that we do to Jesus."

4k & 5k with Mrs. Klinge

We are thankful for...

- God
- good weather
- fall
- brothers
- snow
- books
- bugs
- clothes and shoes
- trees and leaves
- sisters
- eyes to see
- ears to hear
- night and day
- sun and rain
- stores
- birds
- light
- food- veggies and fruits
- animals
- Mom and Dad
- Grandpas and Grandmas
- land
- houses
- fish
- stoves
- school supplies
- friends
- beds
- cars
- Everything!!

5-8 with Mrs. Flock & Mr. Kuhn

As we get ready to celebrate Thanksgiving, we reflect upon the blessings we have received. The fifth thru eighth graders collectively wrote this Gratitude Acrostic.

God's grace and forgiveness
 Reliable friends that are always there for me
 Amazing teachers who help us grow closer to God
 The sacrifice Jesus made on the cross for us
 Imagination to express our creativity
 Thoughtful friends and neighbors
 Unconditional love shown to us by our families
 Delicious food prepared for us
 Eucharist

As teachers we are grateful for our inquisitive students and their supportive families here at SHS. We wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving!

Art with Mrs. Leis

This week the students continued to work on their yarn art projects from 2 weeks ago. Several students finished their project this week with the rest prepared to finish next week. It has been a fun and messy project everyone seems to enjoy.

1st & 2nd with Mrs. Balk

The first and second graders are very thankful this year! Some of the things that they are particularly thankful for this year are:

- their homes and clothing
- cats
- dogs
- sheep
- cows
- goats
- brothers and sisters
- mom and dad
- cousins
- our school
- Jesus
- their friends
- bees
- beehives
- and fun games to play.

3rd & 4th with Ms. Santas

In third and fourth grade we had a discussion about things that we are thankful for. Here are some things that we are thankful for:

- I am thankful for my family!
- I am thankful for my house!
- I am thankful for everything!
- I am thankful for having so many pets!
- I am thankful for my home, parents, brothers and sisters!
- I am thankful for my family!

We also decided that we are all thankful for our classroom pets, the fish and our bunny Ellie Mae!

