

July 18, 2021



MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 4pm
Sunday 8am & 10am
Tuesday–Friday 7:30am

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday 4pm-5pm or
by appointment.

Contact the parish office to register,
schedule a baptism, schedule a wedding
(six months notice required), and to
request the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday–Friday 8am-3pm

FINANCE OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday–Thursday 8am-Noon

SCRIP

Scrip is sold before and after all week-
end Masses and in the parish office on
Fridays from 8am-3pm.

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OUR MISSION

Mary, Mother of the Church
parishioners are called to be the
People of God, formed by the
Holy Word and nourished by
the Holy Eucharist. We joyfully
share our faith and gifts of time,
talent, and treasure. We are
committed to serve all God's
people in the building of the
Kingdom.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to Bishop Flock— We are grateful for the visit of Bishop Flock of the Diocese of San Ignacio in Bolivia as part of the Mission Cooperative Appeal. Our generous contributions will aid a better human society in this part of the world. With the Mission Cooperation Appeal money, the Diocese will reach out to the poor in the rural Chiquito Jesuit Missions. If you wish to add to the collection please use the special envelopes and place them in the regular collection in the coming weeks.

NEEDED: Parish Office Assistant Applications are being accepted to the open position of Parish Office Assistant. Please visit the parish website for details. This position is 28 hours per week (Tues.-Fri.; 8AM-3PM) and pay range will be commensurate with experience. The position is available September 1 or earlier. To apply, please submit a resume with references from previous employers to Father Konopa at the parish office (2006 Weston Street) or frkonopa@mmoclacrosse.org.

Time for a New Ministry Schedule We will soon begin working on a new Ministry Schedule that will run from August through October for Minister of Holy Communion, Lectors, Cantors, Musicians, Servers, Sacristans, and Greeters. Please submit any "Can't Serve Dates" through the online scheduling tab on the parish website, www.mmoclacrosse.org or by calling the parish office, 788-5483, ext. 2 by July 20 at the latest. If you are new to the parish or have been here for a while and are interested in participating in a Liturgical Ministry, please contact the parish office to find out more.

NEEDED: Weekend Sacristans Volunteers are needed to prepare the sacred vessels before Mass, tend to them afterward, and give attention to a variety of other items. Generosity of time and the ability to manage the sanctuary steps are requirements. Sacristans arrive for Mass about 20+ minutes beforehand and remain an additional 15 minutes afterward. As with all liturgical ministries, training is offered until there is a level of comfort. Scheduling needs are respected; for example, volunteers choose their Mass preference, can "block off" weekends they are unavailable, and can request substitutes when less timely events arise. All three Masses need volunteers. Please contact the parish secretary at 788-5483 x 2.

NEEDED: Greeters Our new ministry is transitioning as the COVID virus is better understood, i.e. contaminated surfaces are not the main source of transmission and the vaccines are very effective. Because this is a ministry of hospitality, we will continue to welcome and assist those coming to church. We will always need 8 Greeters per Mass at our entrances, to serve as ushers, and to hand out bulletins. (When our pews return, so will the

hymnals again!) Generosity of time and warmth of personality are needed. Greeters are asked to arrive 25-30 minutes before Mass and remain approximately 5-10 minutes after Mass. For scheduling, you select your Mass time preference, block of weekends when unavailable, and request substitutes when conflicts arise. Training will be held on Thursday, August 12 at 6 PM in church. If this time is inconvenient, please contact the parish office 788-5483 x2 and share your email. A time will be scheduled to shadow a Greeter until comfortable and confident in this role

Livestream Volunteers: The parish is looking for more people to volunteer to help livestream weekend Masses and other select church events. Full training with church equipment will be provided. If you are interested please contact Joseph van Oss at webmaster@mmoclacrosse.org

TV/Online Masses

TV Mass: Saturday 4pm Mass is broadcast live on KQEG and rebroadcast on Sunday at 10am.

Online Mass Saturday 4pm Mass is live streamed on our website. The 7:30am weekday Mass will not be live streamed during our church renovations.

Religious Education

Summer Edge This event is for all youth of Blessed Sacrament, Cathedral, Holy Trinity, Mary Mother of the Church & Roncalli Newman entering grades 7th-9th. A time for IN PERSON fun, fellowship and faith sharing. Join us August 17th-19th from 6:30pm-8:30pm at Holy Trinity Parish. Please complete the following Google Form to Register <https://forms.gle/LuoQr5dGyhiQWUoS8>

Do you have a heart for young people? For the past several years our MMOC Parish, in collaboration with four other parishes in La Crosse, has utilized Edge and Life Teen as the faith formation programs for middle and high school youth. These programs are unique in their approach to accomplish the goal of leading teens closer to Christ through relational ministry. We need people with a heart for young people to accompany these teens on their faith journey and serve as small group leaders on our Edge and Life Teen CORE teams. No formal teaching is required in this role. You just have to love Jesus and desire to share that love with the young Catholic teens in our parish. The weekend of July 31/Aug.1 Current MMOC CORE team members will speak at all our Masses to share their experience with you. Please contact Kristin Johnson from Roncalli Newman at 784-4994 if this is you!

Religious Education We plan to resume "in person" MMOC Parish Religious Education Classes Fall 2021. We will continue to follow the CDC and La Crosse School District guidelines. GORiteway Bus Co. is also ready to assist us with our Pre-Pandemic Bus Schedule after school on Wednesdays. Grades K-5 begin Wed., Sept. 15, 3:45-5pm. Grades 6-8/Edge begin Wed., Sept. 8, 6:45-8:15pm at MMOC Parish Hall. Grades 9-10/Life Teen begin Wed., Sept. 8, 7- 8:30 pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall. Registration packets will be sent via mail, so please watch your mailbox. If you have any questions or if you have a new student to sign up for Religious Education, please contact the Director of Religious Education Therese van Oss at 788-5483, ext. 4 to have a packet sent to you. The Registration Form and Religious Education Calendar 2021-2022 will also be made available on our parish website.

SCRIP

Scrip Sales— SCRIP is sold before and after Masses in the Mother's Room and is available in the office on Fridays.

PCCW and Men's Club

Golf Scramble The MMOC Men's Club cordially invites you to the inaugural "Pedey" Golf Scramble held on Friday, August 27. Registration begins at 11:00 am and the event starts at noon. The cost for a four person team is \$400 which includes 18 holes, a golf cart and boxed lunch. Please deliver checks no later than August 16 to 2006 Weston St. and make all checks payable to MMOC Men's Club. We hope you can join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship, golf, prizes, and games of chance!

Ongoing Formation

How Rooted Are You? 4 Keys to Remaining Faithful to Jesus Christ and His Church You are a link in an unbroken chain of people that have passed on Jesus Christ from generation to generation. You have been chosen by God to be a person in this current link, in this current era, at this current moment in time, for a particular reason. You have been chosen to serve, to love and, through the Blessed Trinity, to help guide those the Lord has given you to a deeper friendship with Christ. As a witness, you need to know and be grounded in four keys that will help you remain faithful to Jesus Christ and His Church. Be part of the Virtual Witnesses for Christ Conference on Saturday, August 7, featuring Dr. Petroc Willey, an engaging and humorous presenter. Cost is \$10. For further info and to register, visit diolc.org/witness

Dare to Follow Day For young men grades 6-12 who are interested in learning about the vocation of priesthood. Learn more about your Catholic faith while considering God's Call in your life. Join us for prayer and fun on Wednesday, July 21 at St. John the Baptist Parish, Edgar WI.

9:30 Registration/Sign Up

10:00 Welcome

11:15 Mass

Noon Lunch

1:00 Group Activities

4:00 Adoration

4:30 Closing Prayers

There is no charge to attend this event. Lunch will be provided. Please email rorth@diolc.org or call 608-791-2667 to sign up.

Priests for Tomorrow Support the education and formation of seminarians. This fundraiser will be held Sunday, August 1 at the Waterfront Restaurant in La Crosse. Tickets were \$125 each, \$225 per couple, or \$1000 for a table of 8. Spend the evening with Bishop Callahan, the newly ordained and the seminarians. Contact vocations@diolc.org or call Renee at 608-791-2667 for tickets and more information.

Lay Formation Institute Take the plunge; join LFI! Spend one weekend a month (Friday evening-Saturday afternoon) as part of an enthusiastic, faith-filled class that prays and learns together. See why a recent graduate said: "I am amazed how my understanding of my faith has deepened and how many times I've been able to answer questions that come up." And why a pastor said: "Our RCIA team is filled with LFI graduates, not to mention all of the parish ministries and committees. The spiritual fruits are abundant and lasting!" Visit diolc.org/lay-formation for full details and speak to your pastor about enrolling. Class size is limited, so don't delay!

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week (July 25-31) To have, To hold, To honor. Learning how to live in harmony with God's design for love and life in marriage is the mission of NFP education. The Diocese of La Crosse offers NFP classes virtually and face to face in 3 different methods. To find a class or learn more go to diolc.org/nfp

Family Life

Bulletin Mailings We have been happy to keep in touch with all of you via the bulletin as we lived through the COVID year. Since many of you have returned to Mass, we will be stopping the bulk mailing so the last bulletin will be July 25 bulletin. I am aware of some of you that are not able to come to church. I will continue to send the bulletin to you.

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If you no longer receive it and would like it mailed to you please call the parish office and we will add you to the list. 608-788-5483 ex 2 or ex 5

Requiescant in Pace Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ralph Amundsen. Our prayers and sincere sympathy are extended to the family and friends who mourn their loss. *Eternal rest grant onto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him.*

New Parish

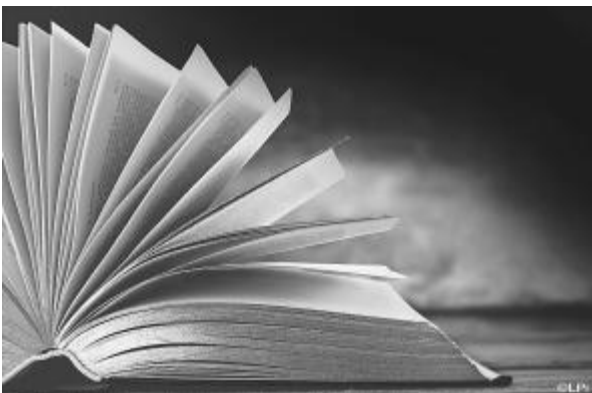
St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish On July 1, 2021 two parishes in our deanery were merged into one: St. Leo the Great, West Salem and St. Mary's, Bangor. May God bless this new parish under the patronage of Mother Teresa!

Parish Council Elections

Are you interested in serving your parish in a more active way? The Parish Pastoral Council meets about 4 times a year (usually 3rd Thursdays at 6 PM) to advise the pastor on a variety of topics concerning pastoral planning. Terms last for three years. If you are interested or if you want to learn more about this opportunity to serve your parish please call a member on the Election Committee:

Chuck Berendes	608-433-3042
Dave Wagner	608-452-4516
Father Konopa	608-788-5483 ext. 7

You may nominate yourself or recommend someone else: anyone who is a practicing Catholic, registered at Mary Mother of the Church, has received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and is at least 18 years old. Simply call the Parish Office (608-788-5483 ext.2) with your nominations or self-nomination by July 27 at Noon. Someone from the Election Committee will contact the nominees to check on their level of interest and invite them to an informational meeting on August 6 at 6 PM. Elections will be September 18-19. Please give this some prayerful consideration.



Liturgical Roles: July 17-18

July 17-18

Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. Kellie Schmitz (**Deacon**)
Linda Gillette, John Klouda

8:00 a.m. Sue Moyle (**Deacon**)
Tom Elsen, **NOT FILLED**

10:00 a.m. Rita Sanchez (**Deacon**)
Terry Bell, **NOT FILLED**

Lector

4:00 p.m. Peter Schmitz, Sue Ernster

8:00 a.m. Patricia Kirchmer, **NOT FILLED**

10:00 a.m. Polly Berendes, Barbara Stetzer

Server

4:00 p.m. Sophia Schmitz, **NOT FILLED**

8:00 a.m. Catherine Harpenau, **NOT FILLED**

10:00 a.m. Louie Berendes, **NOT FILLED**

Cantor

4:00 p.m. Paul Lansing

8:00 a.m. Lisa Conzemius

10:00 a.m. Rick Wilson

Musician

4:00 p.m. Jenny Nielsen

8:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

10:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

Sacristan

4:00 p.m. Linda Gillette

8:00 a.m. Sue Groesch

10:00 a.m. **NOT FILLED**

Welcome

4:00 p.m. Patrick Hogan, Virginia Horstman, Mike Juran, Kevin Moyle, Steve Schaub, Jim Spielbauer

8:00 a.m. Peggy Baumler, Christine Kainz, Dave Lawrence, Mary Lawrence, Chris Chlegel, Kathy Skiles

10:00 a.m. Anne Keman, Jerry Keman, Jon Mason, Brenda Wintheiser, Mike Wintheiser, **NOT FILLED**

Seating

4:00 p.m. Neil Kumm, Joe Riemer, Mary Schaub, Kathy Stuttgen ,
Lead- Joseph van Oss

8:00 a.m. Sandy Pitsch, Dan Skiles, Mike Weissenberger, Joan Weissenberger
Lead- Allan Baumler

10:00 a.m. Charlotte Berendes, Linda Gillette, Terry Pedace, **NOT FILLED**,
Lead- Robb Pretasky

Worship Aid

4:00 p.m. Lisa Doering, Larry Weibel

8:00 a.m. Jonathan Baumler, Amelia Kainz

10:00 a.m. Tammy Byington, Lizzie Wintheiser, Nathan Wintheiser

Scrip Seller

4:00 p.m. **NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED**

8:00 a.m. Mary Genz, Sue Moyle

10:00 a.m. Kimberly Krejchik

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Weekday Masses are in the Parish Hall.
Please enter through the main entrance.

Tuesday, July 20, 2021

7:30 AM † **Bea Gilles**
by Family and Friends

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

7:30 AM † **Fr. Robert Hagenbarth**
by Marie Meyers

Thursday, July 22, 2021

7:30 AM † **Living and Deceased Kessler Family**
by Mark and Sue Halter

2:00 PM † **Ethel Bushek**
by Lu Miller
(Hillview is not open to the public)

Friday, July 23, 2021

7:30 AM † **Faye Schoen**
by Galen Price

Saturday, July 24, 2021

4:00 PM † **Peter Vick**
by Theresa Vick

Sunday, July 25, 2021

8:00 AM **Pro Populo**

10:00 AM † **Allen Nelson**
by Mary Nelson

The Rosary is prayed before each weekday Mass
Tuesday through Friday beginning at 7:05 am

Building Our Future Together

This past week WI Terrazzo (Onalaska) has been working on polishing the floors on the north side of church.



The pews from the north side of church have been finished and are being stored in a Fowler & Hammer warehouse. Once the floors are completed, we will be able to have the pews re-installed – perhaps in early August. The painting of the church ceiling is now completed. It is amazing what a fresh coat of paint can do for an area! In a few areas, where the ceiling touches the windows, will need new plaster and paint once the stained glass windows are installed. Cathedral Crafts

(Winona) has nearly all of our stained glass windows in their studio. That project is taking a little longer than originally expected. It may be into September before the stained glass window project is completed.



All the new windows in the rectory (except one) are now installed. Workers from Fowler & Hammer are now going window-by-window scraping any “bubbled” or “crumbling” plaster (due to water infiltration) and replacing with new plaster or dry-wall. In another week, the masonry worker from Fowler & Hammer will return to finish some caulking and repairs on the church steeple, brick and stone. Thank you for the generosity which is accomplishing these projects. Please keep our parish and the success of this year’s projects in your prayers as we Build Our Future Together.



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