# April 2, 2023



MARY MOTHER of the church



# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

#### MASS TIMES

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

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45 or by appointment.

### HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing devices are available. See Greeters for additional information, especially for hearing aids paired with Bluetooth.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday–Friday 8am-3pm

### **FINANCE OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Wednesday 7am-2pm

#### SCRIP

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

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Requests are due to the office by Monday in written format.

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

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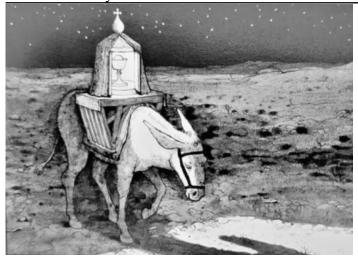
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### **OUR MISSION**

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.

### Palm Sunday the Passion of the Lord



A common Christmas card image includes Mary on a donkey with Joseph guiding the beast of burden. This Christmas image provides a spiritual insight: Mary was the first tabernacle because Jesus dwelt within her. Today's gospel reminds us that Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem among waving palm branches and joyful Hosannas! Speaking of the donkey, Jesus said, "I have need of it." Jesus has need of each one of us. May we carry Him -- wherever He wishes -- as we live our daily lives. His Life. His Mission, Our Focus.

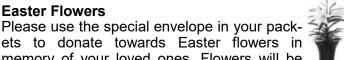
### Easter Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday, Apr. 6 at 7 PM with adoration until 10 Good Friday, April 7 at 1 PM Easter Vigil, April 8 at 8:30 PM Easter Sunday, April 9 at 8 AM & 10 AM

### **Holy Communion: Precious Blood**

On Holy Thursday we will offer the Precious Blood from Communion cups for those who wish to fulfill the Lord's invitation to "eat and drink." This Gift was offered last year on Holy Thursday and many chose to receive.

### **Easter Flowers**



ets to donate towards Easter flowers in memory of your loved ones. Flowers will be purchased throughout the Easter Season to add to our extended celebration. A list of donors and memorials will appear in a future bulletin.

### **Children's Easter Choir**

We are asking all children, 5K to 8th grade, to join with our Sunday Choir in leading the music on Easter Sunday - April 9 at the 10:00 am Mass. All music will be done from the balcony. Mrs. Marilynn Jensen-Henry, Cathedral's music teacher, and Mrs. Mary Jo Lium will be leading the music.

We will NOT have a large group rehearsal for the Children's Choir. The music will be known to the kids. We are asking everyone to be in the choir loft, ready to go at 9:40 am.

### **Holy Week Office Hours**

The parish office will be closed Good Friday, April 7 and Easter Tuesday, April 11.

### **New Life Choir**

Rehearsal is scheduled for Tues., April 4 at 9:00 am in the music room (lower level of the parish hall). This rehearsal will be in preparation to lead the singing for the 8:00 am Easter Sunday Mass. All are welcome to join!

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Patrick (Onalaska) on Sun., April 2 at 7-8 PM Cathedral on Monday, April 3 at 9 AM - 6 PM

### Lent Collection

Two important organizations will be equally supported through our generosity:

WAFER Food Pantry is moving to a new location on George & Gillette Streets and is remodeling a building to accommodate distribution of food.

Birthright of La Crosse supports women facing unplanned pregnancies, and is a wonderful way to support the pro-life effort.

### **Food Bag Collection Thank You**

The Men's Club thanks you for your generous donations to pack the Food Closet at Place of Grace and to Kirchner Custom Builders who provided a delivery truck. It's been another successful drive.

### **Time for a New Ministry Schedule**



We will soon begin working on a new Ministry Schedule that will run from May 1 through July 30 for Lectors, Cantors, Servers, Sacristan, Ministers of Holy Communion, Greeters and Scrip Sellers.

Please submit any "Can't Serve Dates" through the online scheduling tab on the parish website, www.mmoclacrosse.org under Ministry Scheduler or by calling, 788-5483, ext. 2 by April 16.

### **Primary Elections on Tuesday**

Get out and vote! Tuesday, April 4. Let's bring our Catholic Christian Faith with us, so we are providing light for the world.

### Faith Formation

### **Families Forming Disciples**

Due to the celebration of Easter and high school Confirmation, FFD will not meet April 2 or April 9 at Blessed Sacrament or at Mary, Mother of the Church April 5 or April 12. We will see you again on April 16 and 19 respectively.

### **High School Faith Formation**

High School Faith Formation does NOT meet Wednesday, April 5 or April 12 due to Easter and high school Confirmation. We will see you again on April 19.

### Men's Club

### Men's Club Meeting

Men's Club Meeting is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, April 5 at 7:00 PM. All are welcome.

### April 2, 2023

#### The Divine Mercy Novena

<u>First Day (Good Friday)</u>: "Today bring to Me all mankind, especially all sinners, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. In this way you will console Me in the bitter grief into which the loss of souls plunges Me."

Most Merciful Jesus, whose very nature it is to have compassion on us and to forgive us, do not look upon our sins but upon our trust which we place in Your infinite goodness. Receive us all into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart, and never let us escape from It. We beg this of You by Your love which unites You to the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon all mankind and especially upon poor sinners, all enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion show us Your mercy, that we may praise the omnipotence of Your mercy for ever and ever. Amen.

<u>Second Day</u>: "Today bring to Me the Souls of Priests and Religious, and immerse them in My unfathomable mercy. It was they who gave me strength to endure My bitter Passion. Through them as through channels My mercy flows out upon mankind."

Most Merciful Jesus, from whom comes all that is good, increase Your grace in men and women consecrated to Your service, that they may perform worthy works of mercy; and that all who see them may glorify the Father of Mercy who is in heaven.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon the company of chosen ones in Your vineyard — upon the souls of priests and religious; and endow them with the strength of Your blessing. For the love of the Heart of Your Son in which they are enfolded, impart to them Your power and light, that they may be able to guide others in the way of salvation and with one voice sing praise to Your boundless mercy for ages without end. Amen.

<u>Third Day</u>: "Today bring to Me all Devout and Faithful Souls, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. These souls brought me consolation on the Way of the Cross. They were a drop of consolation in the midst of an ocean of bitterness."

Most Merciful Jesus, from the treasury of Your mercy, You impart Your graces in great abundance to each and all. Receive us into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart and never let us escape from It. We beg this grace of You by that most wondrous love for the heavenly Father with which Your Heart burns so fiercely.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon faithful souls, as upon the inheritance of Your Son. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, grant them Your blessing and surround them with Your constant protection. Thus may they never fail in love or lose the treasure of the holy faith, but rather, with all the hosts of Angels and Saints, may they glorify Your boundless mercy for endless ages. Amen.

Fourth Day: "Today bring to Me those who do not believe in God and those who do not know Me, I was thinking also of them during My bitter Passion, and their future zeal comforted My Heart. Immerse them in the ocean of My mercy."

Most compassionate Jesus, You are the Light of the whole world. Receive into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart the souls of those who do not believe in God and of those who as yet do not know You. Let the rays of Your grace enlighten them that they, too, together with us, may extol Your wonderful mercy; and do not let them escape from the abode which is Your Most Compassionate Heart.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon the souls of those who do not believe in You, and of those who as yet do not know You, but who are enclosed in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. Draw them to the light of the Gospel. These souls do not know what great happiness it is to love You. Grant that they, too, may extol the generosity of Your mercy for endless ages. Amen.

Fifth Day: "Today bring to Me the Souls of those who have separated themselves from My Church, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. During My bitter Passion they tore at My Body and Heart, that is, My Church. As they return to unity with the Church My wounds heal and in this way they alleviate My Passion."

Most Merciful Jesus, Goodness Itself, You do not refuse light to those who seek it of You. Receive into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart the souls of those who have separated themselves from Your Church. Draw them by Your light into the unity of the Church, and do not let them escape from the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart; but bring it about that they, too, come to glorify the generosity of Your mercy.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon the souls of those who have separated themselves from Your Son's Church, who have squandered Your blessings and misused Your graces by obstinately persisting in their errors. Do not look upon their errors, but upon the love of Your own Son and upon His bitter Passion, which He underwent for their sake, since they, too, are enclosed in His Most Compassionate Heart. Bring it about that they also may glorify Your great mercy for endless ages. Amen. <u>Sixth Day</u>: "Today bring to Me the Meek and Humble Souls and the Souls of Little Children, and immerse them in My mercy. These souls most closely resemble My Heart. They strengthened Me during My bitter agony. I saw them as earthly Angels, who will keep vigil at My altars. I pour out upon them whole torrents of grace. I favor humble souls with My confidence."

Most Merciful Jesus, You yourself have said, "Learn from Me for I am meek and humble of heart." Receive into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart all meek and humble souls and the souls of little children. These souls send all heaven into ecstasy and they are the heavenly Father's favorites. They are a sweet-smelling bouquet before the throne of God; God Himself takes delight in their fragrance. These souls have a permanent abode in Your Most Compassionate Heart, O Jesus, and they unceasingly sing out a hymn of love and mercy.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon meek souls, upon humble souls, and upon little children who are enfolded in the abode which is the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. These souls bear the closest resemblance to Your Son. Their fragrance rises from the earth and reaches Your very throne. Father of mercy and of all goodness, I beg You by the love You bear these souls and by the delight You take in them: Bless the whole world, that all souls together may sing out the praises of Your mercy for endless ages. Amen.

<u>Seventh Day</u>: "Today bring to Me the Souls who especially venerate and glorify My Mercy, and immerse them in My mercy. These souls sorrowed most over my Passion and entered most deeply into My spirit. They are living images of My Compassionate Heart. These souls will shine with a special brightness in the next life. Not one of them will go into the fire of hell. I shall particularly defend each one of them at the hour of death."

Most Merciful Jesus, whose Heart is Love Itself, receive into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart the souls of those who particularly extol and venerate the greatness of Your mercy. These souls are mighty with the very power of God Himself. In the midst of all afflictions and adversities they go forward, confident of Your mercy; and united to You, O Jesus, they carry all mankind on their shoulders. These souls will not be judged severely, but Your mercy will embrace them as they depart from this life.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon the souls who glorify and venerate Your greatest attribute, that of Your fathomless mercy, and who are enclosed in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. These souls are a living Gospel; their hands are full of deeds of mercy, and their hearts, overflowing with joy, sing a canticle of mercy to You, O Most High! I beg You O God: Show them Your mercy according to the hope and trust they have placed in You. Let there be accomplished in them the promise of Jesus, who said to them that during their life, but especially at the hour of death, the souls who will venerate this fathomless mercy of His, He, Himself, will defend as His glory. Amen.

### Mary, Mother of the Church

Eighth Day: "Today bring to Me the Souls who are in the prison of Purgatory, and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy. Let the torrents of My Blood cool down their scorching flames. All these souls are greatly loved by Me. They are making retribution to My justice. It is in your power to bring them relief. Draw all the indulgences from the treasury of My Church and offer them on their behalf. Oh, if you only knew the torments they suffer, you would continually offer for them the alms of the spirit and pay off their debt to My justice."

Most Merciful Jesus, You Yourself have said that You desire mercy; so I bring into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart the souls in Purgatory, souls who are very dear to You, and yet, who must make retribution to Your justice. May the streams of Blood and Water which gushed forth from Your Heart put out the flames of Purgatory, that there, too, the power of Your mercy may be celebrated.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon the souls suffering in Purgatory, who are enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. I beg You, by the sorrowful Passion of Jesus Your Son, and by all the bitterness with which His most sacred Soul was flooded: Manifest Your mercy to the souls who are under Your just scrutiny. Look upon them in no other way but only through the Wounds of Jesus, Your dearly beloved Son; for we firmly believe that there is no limit to Your goodness and compassion. Amen.

Ninth Day: "Today bring to Me the Souls who have become Lukewarm, and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy. These souls wound My Heart most painfully. My soul suffered the most dreadful loathing in the Garden of Olives because of lukewarm souls. They were the reason I cried out: 'Father, take this cup away from Me, if it be Your will.' For them, the last hope of salvation is to run to My mercy."

Most compassionate Jesus, You are Compassion Itself. I bring lukewarm souls into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart. In this fire of Your pure love, let these tepid souls who, like corpses, filled You with such deep loathing, be once again set aflame. O Most Compassionate Jesus, exercise the omnipotence of Your mercy and draw them into the very ardor of Your love, and bestow upon them the gift of holy love, for nothing is beyond Your power.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon lukewarm souls who are nonetheless enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. Father of Mercy, I beg You by the bitter Passion of Your Son and by His three-hour agony on the Cross: Let them, too, glorify the abyss of Your mercy. Amen.

### Social Justice

**Warming Center Volunteers on Tuesday, Apr. 4** <u>Food & Milk</u>: (to be delivered to 413 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. by 6:30pm) Mike Marco, Jane Vogel, Bethany Poellinger, Linda Gillette, Linda Schwartz <u>Intake</u>: (6:30pm-9pm) Mary Olson, Linda Gillette, Sarah Kopski, Kellie Schmitz, Janice Stoffel, Dale &

Ella Strittmater Night Shift: (9pm-11pm) OPEN, OPEN

<u>Morning Volunteer</u>: (6-8:30am Wed.) Sandy Roellich, OPEN

Cleaning Volunteer: (8-9am Wed.) OPEN

If you can fill an open spot or have any questions, contact Mary Olson at molson@mmoclacrosse.org.





## Liturgical Roles April 8-9

### Minister of Holy Communion

- 8:30 p.m. Deacon Bell, John Klouda, Gary Heilman, Linda Heilman (Choir)
- 8:00 a.m. Deacon Bell, Mary Jo Schumacher, OPEN, Lance Miller (Choir)
- 10:00 a.m. Deacon Bell, Chuck Berendes, Linda Schwartz, Patti Sherry (Choir)

### Lector

8:30 p.m. Peter Schmitz, Sue Ernster,

8:00 a.m. Charles Heiderscheit, Barbara Stetzer

10:00 a.m. Sarah Scarlet, Mary Jo Swartout

### Server

8:30 p.m. OPEN, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Isabella Miller, Ryann Klar

10:00 a.m. OPEN, OPEN

### Cantor

8:30 p.m. Sunday Choir

8:00 a.m. New Life Choir

10:00 a.m. Sunday Choir, Children's Choir

### Musician

8:30 p.m. Jenny Nielsen

8:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

10:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

### Sacristan

8:30 p.m. Linda Gillette

8:00 a.m. OPEN

10:00 a.m. Linda Schwartz

### Gift Bearer

8:30 p.m. OPEN, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Dave Ortmeier, Francesca Ortmeier

10:00 a.m. Lindsey Hammes, Nick Hammes

#### Greeter

- 8:30 p.m. Phil Watson, Joe Reimer, Charlene Krocker, Kevin Moyle, Steve Schaub, Mary Schaub, OPEN, Lead-OPEN
- 8:00 a.m. Bob Klar ,Cindy Klar, Kathy Skiles, Daniel Skiles, Alyssa Gray, Jackson Harpenau, Kylie Ortmeier, Lead-Jon Mason
- 10:00 a.m. Phil Klar, Elie Klar, Mason Klar, Shannon Klar, Marcus Klar, Nathan Wintheiser, Mike Wintheiser, Lead-Robb Pretasky

### Hospitality

8:00 a.m. LuAnn Miller, Kathy Chapiewsky

10:00 a.m. Charlotte Berendes, Polly Berendes

### Scrip Seller

8:30 p.m. No Scrip Sales

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- 10:00 a.m. No Scrip Sales
- Live Streamer

8:30 p.m. Joseph van Oss

### Weekly Mass Intentions

•	Tuesday, April 4, 2023		
	7:30 AM <b>† Barb Herlitzka</b>		
	by Jim & Mary Lou Marhas		
	Wednesday, April 5, 2023		
	7:30 AM <b>† Howard Olson</b>		
	by Shirley Role		
	Thursday, April 6, 2023		
	7:00 PM <b>† Phyllis Tschumper</b>		
	by John & Cindy Dronenburg		
Friday, April 7, 2023			
	1:00 PM Good Friday		
-	Saturday, April 8, 2023		
	8:30 PM <b>† Marty Konop</b>		
	by Gloria Biesen		
-	Sunday, April 9, 2023		
	8:00 AM Pro Popluo		
	10:00 AM <b>† Edna Spohn</b>		
	by Family		

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

### "Inspired by the Spirit" Diocesan Campaign

This diocesan wide campaign began in parishes last spring and is being conducted in 3 waves, which finishes in the first half of 2023. Our parish is assigned to the final wave of the campaign timeline. "Inspired by the Spirit" will not only incorporate last year's Diocesan Annual Appeal but will also provide an opportunity for every parish in the Diocese to raise funds for their own parish, Holy Cross Diocesan Center, and the new Catholic Foundation of West Central Wisconsin. To learn more, please view the video at our parish website and make your reservation to one of the two receptions listed on this page.



### **Free Movie Showings**



Monday, April 3 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament – Parish Hall 130 Losey Blvd. S, La Crosse

Tuesday, April 4 9:00-11:00 a.m. – St. Patrick's – Parish Hall 1031 Main Street, Onalaska

Tuesday, April 4 6:30- 8:30 p.m. – Mary, Mother of the Church – Parish Hall 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse

Rev. Brian D. Konopa, Pastor of Mary, Mother of the Church Parish,

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### Inspired by the Spirit Capital Campaign

### PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL LOCATED AT

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish 2006 Weston Street La Crosse

on one of the following dates:

Monday, April 17 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM -or-Tuesday, April 18 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be provided at 6:00 PM.

### Please RSVP by Friday, April 14 at Noon.

Kindly email secretary@mmoclacrosse.org or call 608-788-5483 ext. 2 to let us know whether you will be joining us.





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