

April 23, 2023



MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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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.

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NEEDED: Parish Office Assistant

Applications are being accepted for Parish Office Assistant. Primary duties include:

- Managing the front desk
- Creating bulletins & handling parish mailings
- Maintaining parish calendar
- Assisting parish staff and organizations
- Overseeing Parish Hall usage
- Maintaining parish database
- Scheduling Mass intentions & liturgical ministries
- Facilitating sacramental prep programs, including marriage coordinator
- Handling sacramental records
- Computer/technology troubleshooting skills

The successful candidate will have an ability to operate office equipment; experience with Google and Microsoft Office, including Word, Excel, and Publisher; ability to learn in-house software ParishSoft and Ministry Scheduler Pro; clerical skills and experience; and effective interpersonal communication skills, including telephone and social media.

The Office Assistant position is 28 hours per week (Tues.-Fri.; 8AM-3PM) and pay range is \$15-18/hour commensurate with experience. The position is available immediately. To apply, please send a resume with references from previous employers to Fr. Konopa: frkonopa@mmoclacrosse.org.

NEEDED: Parish Bookkeeper

The responsibilities and hours of the Finance Assistant expanded when Deacon Sage died. Mike Juran began almost a year ago and has learned the job well. In the hopes of sharing the hours and doing some cross-training, the parish is creating the position of Bookkeeper.

Principal responsibilities for this position include maintaining contribution software records, data entry, processing accounts payable, and working with our Finance Assistant (Mike Juran) on various finance-related activities. Qualifications include experience with bookkeeping; ability to use QuickBooks and Microsoft Office, especially Excel; ability to learn in-house software, ParishSoft; good communication skills.

The position is 8-12 hours per week, preferably on Wednesdays, Thursdays and/or Fridays and pay range is \$15-\$18/hour commensurate with experience and skill set. The position is available immediately. To apply, please send a resume with references from previous employers to Fr. Konopa: frkonopa@mmoclacrosse.org.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Rolls

The Knights of Columbus Council 839 will be distributing tootsie rolls after all Masses on April 29-30 and accepting monetary donations, which will be distributed to programs assisting persons with Intellectual Disabilities within the Diocese of La Crosse.



May Crowning

On Mother's Day weekend (May 13-14) the parish will celebrate a May Crowning ceremony in honor of Mary the Mother of God (and our mother). This will occur during each of the weekend Masses. How will this work?



A statue of Mary will be in the sanctuary. After Communion, someone will crown Mary while we begin to sing a Marian hymn. After the crowning, children and adults alike will bring their flowers forward and lay them at the feet of Mary. In a special way, children are encouraged to bring flowers from home – anything will work, even dandelions! (Mary is a mom and moms understand this to be a precious gift, too.)

Silver Circle

The next Silver Circle will be on Thursday, May 18. Lunch will begin at noon, bring your favorite dish to share and the main meat will be provided. Program to follow.

MMOC Chicken Que

The spring chicken que will be held on Thursday, May 11. \$12/ticket are on sale after weekend Masses and in the parish office. Volunteer Sign-up sheets are located in the back of church. Please support this major fundraiser.



2023-2024 AHS & AMS Enrollment

Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with. Call 784-0287 to schedule a tour!

Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition. Information at info@aquinasschools.org or www.aquinascatholicschools.org/enrollment.

Farewell from the Visiting Seminarian

This year Liam Pelayic from the Diocese of Rapid City, SD was in the Journey Program at the Diocesan Center, which prepares men for the seminar and discernment of the priesthood. Part of the program is to have parish experience on the second weekend of the month. He leaves us with these words:

"Thank you for all the lovely conversations I had with you and the support you have given me over this last year. During the summer, I will work within my diocese on a traveling team which offers youth faith formation events called Duc in Altum (Into the Deep). In the fall, I plan to attend Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary on the campus of St. Mary's University of Minnesota - Winona with some of the other gentlemen from the Journey Program. Again, thank you for all the support and prayers and hope you will continue to pray for me in the future."

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EASTER FLOWERS

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Charlotte Forer	Deceased Family Members	Henry & Katherine Klos	Deceased Family Members
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Martin & Jo Beth Gaul	Deceased Family Members	Marian Korn	Joseph Korn
Thomas & Mary Genz	Deceased Family Members	Jennifer Kreibich	Henry & Frances Kreibich
James & Darlene Gerke	Patricia Heer		

More names will be in published in future bulletins

Mary, Mother of the Church

Faith Formation

Families Forming Disciples

Families Forming Disciples meets this Sunday, April 23 at Blessed Sacrament from 10:10-11:10 am and Wednesday, April 26 at Mary, Mother of the Church from 5:45-6:45pm. We will begin our final lesson for the year Ascension and Pentecost. At Home Missions for this lesson will be completed April 30 and May 3 so we will not meet in person. Our final celebratory sessions will be May 7 and 10 respectively.

High School Faith Formation

Our final high school Faith Formation session will be this Wednesday, April 26 from 7:00-8:30pm at Blessed Sacrament.

Family Life

New Parishioners

MMOC is delighted to welcome Therese Dick to the parish.

Welcomed to the Waters of Baptism

Congratulations to Abraham James Goyette and August Jeffrey Komay who were baptized on April 15, 2023 and Ellie Mae Callan who was baptized on April 16, 2023. We welcome them to God's family with great joy!

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Richard Berendes. Our prayers and sincere sympathy are extended to the families and friends who mourn their loss. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him.*

Men's Club

Men's Club Meeting

The next Men's Club meeting is Wednesday, May 3 at 6 pm in the Parish Hall. It will be followed by dinner in appreciation for all the accomplishments in the past year. All the men of the parish are invited.

Congratulations Hoops Mania Winners

We had 27 winners in our HoopsMania fundraiser. One person won twice. Winners include: Shelley Shaker, Jimmy Sherry, Carol Berra, MMOC Building Fund, Scott Hegenbarth, Fr. Konopa, Elisabeth Juen, Michael Marthaler, Mike Vogel, Aaron Zoroufy, Jim Pangier, Jocelyn Buxton, Bryanah Quevi, Kathy Wilhelm, Kelly Holger, Bev Kadrmas, Larry Trussoni, Chuck Kulas, Sarah LaValliere, Kyle Servais, David Brandau, Chris Geary, Pat Hogan, Maia Houlihan, Jean Myhre, Tom Wuensch, Bob Jansky. Thanks to everyone who participated in this fundraiser.



Pope Francis Prayer Intention

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Liturgical Roles April 29-30

Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. John Klouda, Mark Outzen, Rita Sanchez
8:00 a.m. Gloria Biesen (Deacon), Erica Stanek, Sue Moyle
10:00 a.m. Linda Schwartz (Deacon), Mary Olson, John Conzemius, Kimberly Krejchik

Lector

4:00 p.m. Sue Ernster, Linda Gillette
8:00 a.m. Charles Heiderscheid, Bob Mahr
10:00 a.m. Matt Binsfeld, Sarah Scarlet

Server

4:00 p.m. Jude Schramm, Keegan Gerling
8:00 a.m. Kaitlin Porter Stanek, Lincoln Stanek
10:00 a.m. Christopher Hughey, Ella Krejchik

Cantor

4:00 p.m. Therese van Oss
8:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf
10:00 a.m. Sunday Choir

Musician

4:00 p.m. Mary Jo Lium
8:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen
10:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

Sacristan

4:00 p.m. Mike Wuensch
8:00 a.m. Sue Groetsch, Kerry Groetsch
10:00 a.m. Linda Schwartz

Gift Bearer

4:00 p.m. OPEN, OPEN
8:00 a.m. Ken Morrison, Michelle Morrison
10:00 a.m. Casey Horman, Sam Horman, Lisa Doering

Greeter

4:00 p.m. Kevin Moyle, Olivia Rudie, Charlene Krockner, Joe Riemer, Emily Allen, Arian Arens, Phil Watson, Lead-Jon Mason
8:00 a.m. Cindy Klar, Dave Lawrence, Mary Lawrence, Alyssa Gray, Donna Burns, Pat Burns, Isabel Harden, Lead-Bob Klar
10:00 a.m. Trisha Stratman, Gabriella Stratman, Gavin Stratman, Andrew Egan, Nathan Wintheiser, Mike Wintheiser, Brenda Wintheiser, Lead-Robb Pretasky

Hospitality

8:00 a.m. LuAnn Miller, OPEN
10:00 a.m. David Zoroufy, Tammy Zoroufy

Scrup Seller

4:00 p.m. Sue Olson, Dee Sauer
8:00 a.m. Karen Perry, Mary Genz
10:00 a.m. Sheri Skelton, Sue Pretasky

Live Streamer

4:00 p.m. Dave Imhoff

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

7:30 AM † Harriet Karrib
by Family & Friends

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

7:30 AM † Jim Sauer
by Dee Sauer

Thursday, April 27, 2023

7:30 AM † Jim & Arlene Thornton
by Barbara Romanko

Friday, April 28, 2023

7:30 AM † Andrew Coleman
by Family

Saturday, April 29, 2023

4:00 PM † Jack Lucey
by Charles & Sandra Schmidt

Sunday, April 30, 2023

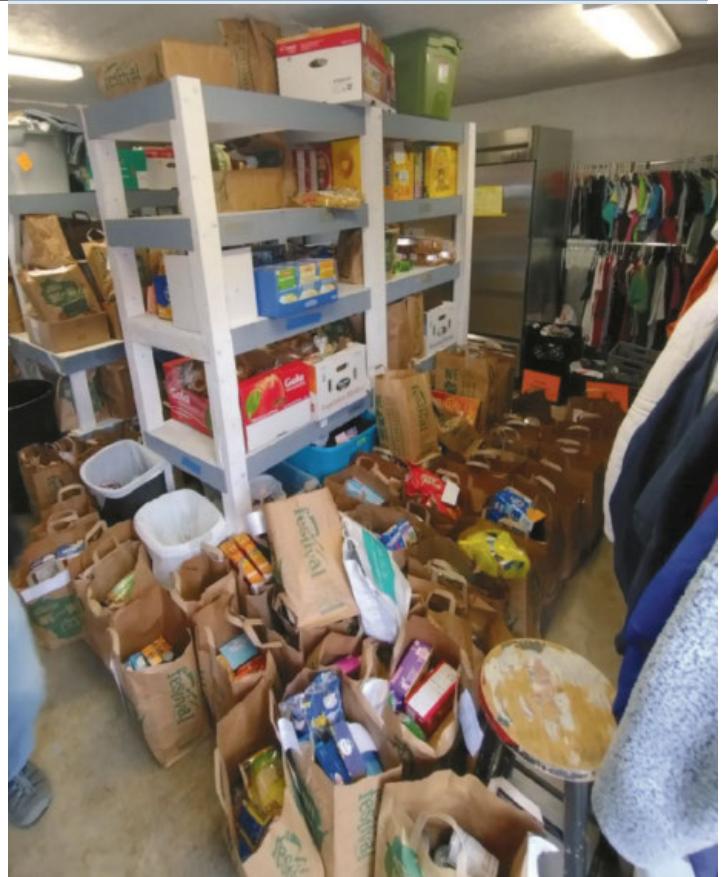
8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:00 AM † William & Dolores Rachubinski
by Karen Rachubinski

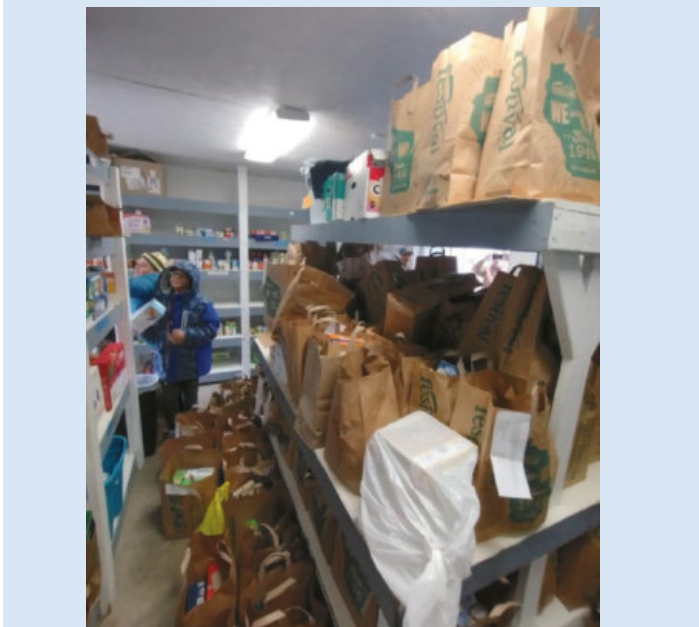
The Rosary is prayed before each weekday Mass Tuesday through Friday beginning at 7:05 am.

“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. More information will be presented at weekend Masses on May 6-7. Please begin to pray about your commitment.



The Men’s Club would like to thank the MMOC parish family for their generosity during our annual food bag drive. An estimated 250 bags were collected and delivered to the Place of Grace Catholic Worker House in La Crosse.



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