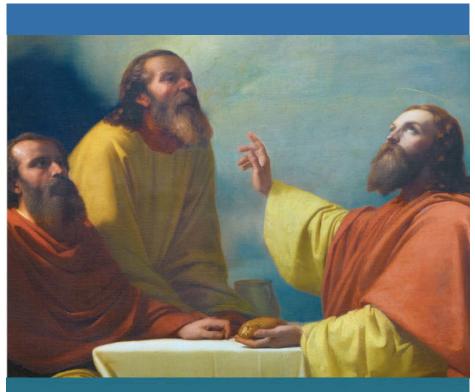
## May 14, 2023





# **6TH 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.



#### **Front Office Platoon**

For four months the parish has been reading about the open position of Parish Office Assistant. Rose Wegner submitted her resignation in January and was willing to stay until April 30. Because there has been no replacement, she extended her time at the front desk, wrote detailed instructions, and trained two volunteers who are willing to dedicate many hours each week. We thank Rose for her dedication and for working two extra -extra weeks...through May 12 -- all of Chicken-Que week! May God bless Rose for her kindness. She will be missed.

Kimberly Krejchik (KRAY-check) and Linda Schwartz will take on the main responsibilities, and a group of volunteers will supply the hours when Kimberly and Linda are unavailable. We are grateful to Kimberly and Linda and the rest of the platoon who will serve us. Please pray for a new hire!

#### **NEEDED: Office Assistant**

The parish has an opening for an Office Assistant managing the front desk. The 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. The job description is found on our website. To apply, please send a resume with references to Fr. Konopa: frkonopa@mmoclacrosse.org.

#### **NEEDED: Parish Bookkeeper**

The parish has an opening for a bookkeeper. This position includes maintaining contribution software records, data entry, processing accounts payable, and working with our Finance Assistant (Mike Juran) on various finance-related activities. The job descriptions is found on our website. 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.

#### **Book Study on the Rosary**

Two groups will meet 3 times to discuss the book "The Secret of the Rosary" by St. Louis De Montfort: Mondays from 6:00-7:30 pm on May 15, May 22 and May 29 at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, or Thursdays from 9:15-10:45 am on May 18, May 25, June 1 at St. Patrick Church, Onalaska. Books are available for \$4.00. For books and information, please contact Amy Capelli at 608-783-0847 or amy\_capelli@charter.net.

#### **Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer**

MMOC parishioners are invited to participate in an 8 session program this summer entitled, Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer. This program features Fr. Mark Toups who through recorded video, will guide you through an easy-to-understand teaching on prayer. After each presentation, you will engage in a small-group discussion of the truths you just heard.

Here's the best part: In between sessions, you will be invited to pray using specific Scripture passages in your workbook. Father Toups will provide a Scripture passage every day for the eight weeks. It's like making an eight-week retreat in the midst of your busy life! You will also be invited to keep track of your thoughts and progress through short journal entries that you will be making in your workbook. These weeks are designed to help guide you step-by-step to draw close to God and to listen for his voice speaking to you."

We will meet on Thursday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall, from June 8 through July 27. There is no charge for participants and the Oremus workbook will be provided. Please bring your own Catholic Bible.

If you would like to participate so that we can order the needed materials, please email Kellie Schmitz kschmitz@mmoclacrosse.org.

#### 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. The program will be presented by a representative from Green Circle Recycling on Recycle or Not, That is the Question.

#### **Mobile Meals Volunteers Needed**

MMOC delivers meals May 15 thru May 21. It takes about 1 hour to deliver about 14 meals. We can go over everything with you, if you have any questions. Call Sue at 608-787-0076. Thank you.

#### Man and Woman of the Year Nominations

If there is a man or woman that you would like to see acknowledged for their contribution to the parish, please send nominations to the parish office by May 21 to be recognized on the Patronal Feast Day of Mary, Mother of the Church on Monday, May 29 at 5:30 PM Mass. Please include a brief description of the positive efforts the nominee has made on behalf of MMOC.



#### Congratulations to all our Graduates

We would like to extend a special congratulations to all who will be graduating this year. To all of our middle school, high school, and college graduates, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide you on your journey of life. There will be a special blessing at the 10am Mass, Sunday, May 21 for all the High School graduates, please RSVP to kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org or 608-788-5483 ext. 4.

#### **Patronal Feast**

On Monday, May 29, we will celebrate our patronal feast on the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of the Church with 5:30 pm Mass followed by a potluck dinner in the parish hall. The parish will supply the main entree. This feast day has been assigned to the Monday following Pentecost because Mary was present when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and the Church was born. So, Mary is the Mother of God and Mother of the Church. At this celebration the Man and Woman of the Year will be recognized. All are welcome!

#### **Liturgical Ministers Needed: Patronal Feast**

Many liturgical positions need to be filled patronal feast on the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of the Church Monday, May 29 including Sacristan, Ministers of Holy Communion, Greeters, Gift Bearers, and Servers. Please consider filling in if you are available. Go to www.mmoclacrosse.org and click on the Ministry Scheduler link at the top of the page, or call 788-5483, ext. 2.

## Faith Formation

#### **Families Forming Disciples**

Thank you to all the families and volunteers who helped to make our first year of the city-wide parish collaboration a success! We are excited to welcome Samuel Obert on May 15 as our additional Director of Youth Faith Formation and see what fresh and new ideas he has to bring for our middle and high school students. Watch your mailbox and stay tuned for future programming information!

#### **Families with High School Graduates**

If you did not receive an email or postcard from Kristin about RSVPing for the 10:00 am Mass on May 21 where all high school graduates from Mary, Mother of the Church will be recognized please contact her at kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org or 608-788-5483 ext. 4.

Do you or someone you know have a high school senior headed to college? Connect your high school senior with their future college or university's campus ministry program by scanning the QR code below!

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## Family Life

#### **New Parishioners**

MMOC is delighted to welcome Christine Nelson; and Kyle & Bridget Servais and child, Callum to the parish.

#### Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Norm Suhr, Paul Gasch, Anna Johnson and Carol Thompson. Our prayers and sincere sympathy are extended to the families and friends who mourn their loss. Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

#### Novena in Honor of the Holy Spirit



The word "novena" comes from the Latin word which means "nine." The novena in honor of the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas since it was first made at the direction of Our Lord Himself before ascending into heaven

forty days after the resurrection. On the tenth day, the feast of Pentecost, they were filled with the Holy Spirit. This daily prayer is recommended to begin on Friday, May 19, in order to have nine days before Pentecost on May 28.

O Holy Spirit, Divine Consoler!
I adore you as my True God.
I bless You by uniting myself to the praises
You receive from the angels and saints.
I offer You my whole heart,
and I render You heartfelt thanks
for all the benefits You have bestowed
and do unceasingly bestow upon the world.
You are the author of all supernatural gifts
and you enriched with immense favors the soul
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.
I beseech you to visit me by Your grace and Your
love,

and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

(State your request here...)
O Holy Spirit, spirit of truth,
come into our hearts:
shed the brightness of your light on all nations,
that they may be of one faith and pleasing to You.
Amen.

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Amen.

## Community Events

#### Chicken-Que

There will be a chicken-que at St. Patrick Parish, 1031 Main Street, Onalaska on Monday, May 22. Serving from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm or until sold out. Pre-Sale tickets: Cost \$13, Day of Que tickets: Cost \$15. Meal Catered by Rooster Andy's. Tickets are available at the Church and School offices during the week. Group or Business Lunch Orders Delivered: Call Mike Carney at 608-385-8380 or email at carney8mc@gmail.com.

## FOR THE SAKE OF A SMILE







#### **Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, May 16, 2023** 

7:30 AM † Deacon Sage

by Friends

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

7:30 AM **† Barb Herlitzka** 

by Jim & Mary Lou Marhas

Thursday, May 18, 2023

7:30 AM **† Joyce DeFlorian** 

by Family

Friday, May 19, 2023

7:30 AM † Russell & Lois Halter

by Mark & Sue Halter

**Saturday, May 20, 2023** 

4:00 PM **† Jim Venner** 

by Gary & Marleen Venner

**Sunday, May 21, 2023** 

8:00 AM **† Karen Nordstrom** 

by Shirley Role

10:00 AM Pro Populo

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

"Inspired by the Spirit" Diocesan Campaign

All parish households should have received two mailings this week: a brochure and a commitment card. This campaign incorporates last year's Diocesan Annual Appeal and provides an opportunity for every parish in the Diocese to raise funds for their own parish. To learn more, please view the video at our parish website (mmoclacrosse.org) and review the brochure. Please pray over this and make your commitment.

## Liturgical Roles May 20-21

Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. Deacon Bell, John Klouda, Therese van Oss

8:00 a.m. **Hosts:** Deacon Bell, Barbara Stetzer, Mary Lawrence, **Cup:** Lance Miller, Gloria Biesen, Mary Jo Schumacher, Charles Heiderscheit

10:00 a.m. **Hosts:** Deacon Bell, Chuck Berendes, Polly Berendes, **Cup:** Kathy McGettigan, Emily Krejchik, Kelly Jakes, Kimberly Krejchik

#### Lector

4:00 p.m. Linda Gillette, Joseph van Oss

8:00 a.m. Bob Mahr, Fred Berneking

10:00 a.m. Terri Pedace, Polly Berendes

#### Server

4:00 p.m. Sue Ernster, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Isabella Miller, Jackie Taylor

10:00 a.m. Ella Krejchik, Louie Berendes

#### Cantor

4:00 p.m. Mary Kulas

8:00 a.m. Sara Edman

10:00 a.m. Christine Nelson

#### Musician

4:00 p.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

8:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

10:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

#### Sacristan

4:00 p.m. Linda Gillette

8:00 a.m. Linda Kloet

10:00 a.m. Linda Schwartz

#### **Gift Bearer**

4:00 p.m. OPEN, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Jennifer Miller, Lance Miller

10:00 a.m. Jim McGettigan, Kathy McGettigan

#### Greeter

4:00 p.m. Mary Schaub, Joe Riemer, Jim Spielbauer, Elie Klar, Riley Klar, Steve Schaub, OPEN, Lead-Phil Watson

8:00 a.m. Donna Burns, Pat Burns, Dave Lawrence, Dan Skiles, Deke Stanek, Erica Stanek, Kathy Skiles, Lead-Allan Baumler

10:00 a.m. Brett Ziokowski, Mike Wintheiser, Nathan Wintheiser, Brenda Wintheiser, Charlene Krocker, Harper Solverson, Casey Horman, Lead-OPEN

#### Hospitality

8:00 a.m. Cindy Klar, Bob Klar

10:00 a.m. Trisha Stratman, Johanna Bell

#### **Scrip Seller**

4:00 p.m. Dee Sauer, Kevin Moyle

8:00 a.m. Bob Jansky, Charlene Jansky

10:00 a.m. Sheri Skelton, Lisa Doering

#### **Live Streamer**

4:00 p.m. Dave Imhoff

#### **Storage Shed Construction Update**

The shed addition is coming along nicely after several days of inclement weather. Last Monday, Ledegar Roofing completed shingling the roof. This past week Poellinger Electric finished the electrical rough-ins. Coulee Region Mechanical plans to finish the plumbing rough-ins this week. The plumbing includes adding hose bibs on the shed at the SE & NW corners. This upgrade terminated the free-standing spigot which restricted water flow and was in the way for snow removal. The hose bibs are essential for chicken que clean up and watering trees. As in the past, the shed plumbing will be winterized (drained) every fall. The new garage door will be framed in and installed within the next 2 weeks. Siding is scheduled to begin May 29. The interior finishes include: installing the countertop on the west wall, shelving, and the Toolcat's attachment industrial racking. Fowler & Hammer will complete the site's concrete early to mid-June with Winona Nursery adding the landscaping to the west end of the shed.











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