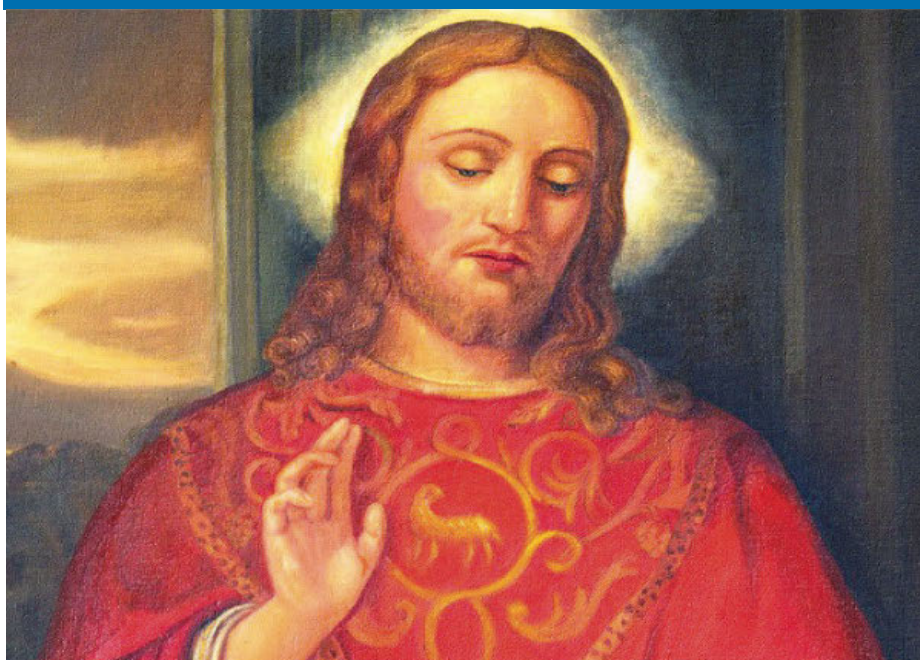


June 11, 2023



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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

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

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.

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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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday

New Office Assistant

We welcome Steve Young to our parish staff. He is originally from Kansas. After joining the military at the age of 20, he traveled the world and eventually met his wife Anne (Tierney) of La Crosse while stationed in California. Steve and Anne moved to the La



Crosse area in 2017. They have two children, John (JP) (completed Gr. 1) and Reagan (completed 4K) who attend Aquinas Catholic Schools at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral School. They are members of MMOC and attend the 8 AM Mass. Steve will be joining the parish staff on June 26 after working for Trempealeau County for the last 4 years in the Veterans Service Office. Anne works in military child and youth services at Ft. McCoy. The Youngs enjoy spending time together outdoors the most, but cherish every moment they have together with friends and family alike. We are blessed to welcome him!

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.

Parish Keys/FOBs

The church security system has been installed as well as FOB sensors at 6 doors. Security has become a more prominent issue in our world in the last few years. To ensure security, MMOC has a Key/FOB Policy. When necessary, MMOC will issue keys or FOBs to those who need it for a specific ministry at MMOC. Keys or FOBs will be issued under the following conditions:

- To be issued only for specific tasks related to ministry such as unlocking/locking for scheduled meetings.
- Not for personal use.
- At the end of a ministry assignment, keys will be returned to the parish office.
- For those needing keys throughout the year, keys will be issued on an annual basis so they will need to be re-issued on an annual basis.

The Parish Office will keep track of the keys/FOBs through a Facility Key Agreement form and recognizes this will be an inconvenience, but security is a priority. Everyone with a key or FOB is asked to visit the office before July 31 to renew the agreement or return the key(s)/FOB that are no longer needed.

Congratulations, Sr. Kathy Stuttgen, FSPA

We have been blessed with spiritual gold. Sr. Kathy celebrates 50 years of professed religious life. We are blessed with her ministry and advocacy of the elderly and sick. She reaches those who tend to be out of sight and makes connections. Aim for 75, Sr. Kathy (...or more)!



Congratulations, Sr. Sue Ernster, FSPA



Sr. Sue is a registered member of MMOC who regularly attends 4 PM Mass and participates as a lector and altar server. She celebrates 25 years of professed religious life and we are blessed to know her goodness.

25th—Silver Jubilee of Priesthood

Father Konopa was ordained a priest on June 27, 1998 and has planned a celebration for Sunday, June 25 with a special 3 PM Mass (which also counts for one's Sunday obligation). It will be followed by a social (4 - 8 PM) with dinner (4:30 - 6:30 PM) in the parish hall. We are in need of desserts, bartenders and table bussers for the celebration. Please contact the office if you are able to help. No reservations needed. No gifts, please. Let's celebrate!

Coffee and Kids: Summer

Calling all parents, please join us on the third Friday of each month for coffee and conversation as our children play! This summer we will meet at the South Library Park from 8:30-10:30. Snacks will be provided. Rain location will be lower level of the parish hall Room E. If you have any questions please call BrieAnn McKenna 319-230-0895. We're looking forward to seeing you Friday June 16th!



Webmaster Needs Help

Google is reporting problems with crawling our phone-friendly website, mmoc.mobi. Our webmaster, Joseph van Oss, is asking for tech help. If you can assist, please contact Joseph. You reach him at 608-738-9087 or webmaster@mmoclacrosse.org. Thank you!

Family Life

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Stilp. Our prayers and sincere sympathy are extended to the families and friends who mourn her loss. *Eternal rest grant onto her, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her.*



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Faith Formation

Vacation Bible School is BACK!!!

You heard right! Vacation Bible School for all the Catholic parishes in La Crosse is back! Save the date August 7-11 from 9:00am-12:00pm for children entering Kindergarten-5th Grade hosted at Holy Trinity Parish. We will be taking a Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure this year at Vacation Bible School. A week of prayer, songs, stories, crafts, and diving deeper into the power and mystery of God! Register using the QR code!



Summer Volunteer Opportunity for middle and high school youth!



Are you a middle or high school student who likes children and wants to serve the parishes in the city of La Crosse? Why not help out at Vacation Bible School August 7th-11th from 9:00am-12:00pm at Holy Trinity. Fill out the volunteer interest form using the QR code below if interested. Contact Kristin Johnson, Director of Faith Formation for the City of La Crosse Catholic Parishes at kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org if you have questions.

Attention Middle and High School Students

You are invited! Samuel Obert, Director of Youth Faith Formation, is hosting an evening of food, games, fire, and friends!

Youth Faith Formation
Presents

Summer Bash
Friday, June 16
7:00-10:00 PM

East Lawn of MMOC

All middle and high school aged youth are invited to come and enjoy! Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Teaching the Way of Love



Please visit twl4parents.com/ or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the left. This website is full of encouragement and tips for parents to continue to be the primary educators of their children.

Join the Lay Formation Institute for an Amazing Adventure in Faith!

Discover the beauty and excitement of a deeper dive into your Faith and your relationship with Christ, together with other joyful learners – join the Lay Formation Institute! Registration is now open for the next two-year cycle that begins in the fall of 2023. See complete information and application form at diolc.org/lay-formation or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the left. Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call 608.791.0161.



Dare to Follow Days

On Friday, July 7, the Diocese of La Crosse is hosting events for young men considering the priesthood at the Diocese of La Crosse, Mater Redemptoris, 3730 East Ave, La Crosse

Young men **ages 12-16** who are interested in learning about the vocation of the priesthood will learn more about their Catholic faith while considering God's Call in their life. Join us for prayer and FUN! This age group meets 9:30am-4:30pm.

Men **age 17** and above—join us for prayer and reflection while we hear from seminarians and priests about vocational discernment. This age group meets 5:00-8:30pm.

There is no charge to attend any of these events and you may attend at any location. Lunch or Dinner will be provided. Please email abrueggen@diolc.org or rorth@diolc.org or call 608-791-2667 to register.

Community Events

March for Life!

June 24 marks one year since the historic *Dobbs* decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*. Join us as we press onward for life and ensure abortion never returns to Wisconsin. With 11 statewide bus pickup locations (including La Crosse), we've made it easy for you to be there. Join us, and invite your friends and family! Learn more here: ProLifeWI.org/marchforlife

WHEN: Saturday, June 24, 2023 1:30-3:30 PM

WHERE: Wisconsin State Capitol

Mass and Healing Service

Sacred Heart Church, 1205 Front St. Cashton, WI

Monday, June 12, 2023

Do you have a need for healing - spiritual, physical, psychological, emotional?

4:30 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:30 PM - Holy Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available throughout the evening starting at 5:30 pm. After Mass - Adoration continues with Prayers of Healing and Deliverance. Our clergy and prayer teams will pray over those who desire it. Exorcised and blessed Oil, Salt, and Water are used.

Eucharistic Miracles Series

June is the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Beginning on June 14, we will be running a 2-part series on Eucharistic Miracles. Each session will have a video presentation followed by a time for your questions to be answered by Msgr. Steve Kachel. Videos of the miracle of Buenos Aires, Bolsena, and others will be shown. All are welcome to join us for this time to better understand the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Wednesdays, June 14 and 21 from 6:30-8:00 pm
at St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Mary, Mother of the Church

G.R.A.C.E. (Giving Recourses and Community Engagement) Community Bags

Catholic Charities is hosting "Drop Off" event during the month of June to support families in need. They are requesting diapers, wipes, baby clothes, feminine products, hygiene products, monetary donations, and gift cards. You may drop your donation off at Catholic Charities, located at 3710 East Ave, La Crosse, Monday-Thursday between 9am-3pm.

Summer Choral Camps

The Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe invites families to participate in two, youth focused musical workshops.

June 19-23 Choir Camp (Ages 7-18)

August 14-18 Chant Camp (Ages 14-18)

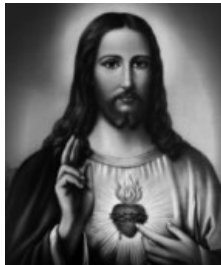
More information can be found online at GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-music or contact Scott Turkington sturkington@guadalupeshrine.org

Aquinas Golf Scramble

Registration for the Aquinas Golf Scramble is now open! The event will take place on July 5, 2023, at Cedar Creek Golf Club. For more information visit: www.aquinaschools.org/golf-scramble

Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Church celebrates The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday after the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This year, we will celebrate the Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday, June 16 at the 7:30 am Mass.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

7:30 AM † Ron Weise
by Virginia Horstman

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

7:30 AM † Leo & Evelyn Mertens
by Pat Mertens

Thursday, June 15, 2023

7:30 AM † Deacon Richard Sage
by Friends

Friday, June 16, 2023

7:30 AM † Bob and Greta Bjorkman
by Anonymous

Saturday, June 17, 2023

4:00 PM † Phyllis Tschumper
by John and Cindy Dronenbury

Sunday, June 18, 2023

8:00 AM Pro Populo
10:00 AM † Living and Deceased Members of
the Peter & Anna Spaeth Family
by Wilma Spaeth

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

Liturgical Roles June 17-18

Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. **Hosts:** Deacon Bell, Gary Heilman, Linda Heilman

8:00 a.m. **Hosts:** Deacon Bell, Erica Stanek, Mary Lawrence

10:00 a.m. **Hosts:** Deacon Bell, Barbara Stetzer, Lindsey Hammes

Lector

4:00 p.m. Mark Outzen, Barbara Stetzer

8:00 a.m. Charles Heiderscheidt, LuAnn Miller

10:00 a.m. Mary Olson, Mary Jo Swartout

Server

4:00 p.m. Keegan Gerling, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Lincoln Stanek, Porter Stanek

10:00 a.m. Adelyn Neubauer, Izzy Schelfhout

Cantor

4:00 p.m. Therese van Oss

8:00 a.m. Dawn Mazzola

10:00 a.m. Men's Choir

Musician

4:00 p.m. Mary Jo Lium

8:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

10:00 a.m. Mary Jo Lium

Sacristan

4:00 p.m. Mike Wuensch

8:00 a.m. Jane Vogel

10:00 a.m. Linda Schwartz

Gift Bearer

4:00 p.m. Ben Gerling, OPEN

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

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

Greeter

4:00 p.m. Arian Arens, Olivia Rudie, Jim Spielbauer, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, Lead- Phil Watson

8:00 a.m. Donna Burns, Pat Burns, Jack Branson, Dave Lawrence, Rosie Pennebecker, Deke Stanek, Jonathan Baumler, Lead-Allan Baumler

10:00 a.m. Charlotte Berendes, Chuck Berendes, Charlene Krockner, Mike Wintheiser, Gabriella Stratman, Gavin Stratman, Trisha Stratman, Lead-Polly Berendes

Hospitality

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

10:00 a.m. David Zoroufy, Tammy Zoroufy

Script Seller

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

8:00 a.m. Charlene Jansky, OPEN

10:00 a.m. Tammy Byington, Lisa Doering

Live Streamer

4:00 p.m. Rick Wilson



“Inspired by the Spirit” Campaign

We surpassed our goal of \$850,000! Thank you for the generous response! That amount is split 65% (MMOC) / 35% (Diocese). Additional dollars received above the \$850,000 (a.k.a. bonus dollars) will be split 80% (MMOC) / 20% (Diocese). This 5-year campaign included last year's Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA). **139 households** have committed **\$866,144** / 102% of goal! Our bonus dollars will be split evenly between the Vision Fund (e.g. youth/adult ministry) and the Endowment (i.e. future daily operations). Please take a moment this week to prayerfully consider this invitation and what giving level would be appropriate for your family. We understand each family has distinct financial obligations and circumstances. Please know that your pledge makes a difference and is truly appreciated!

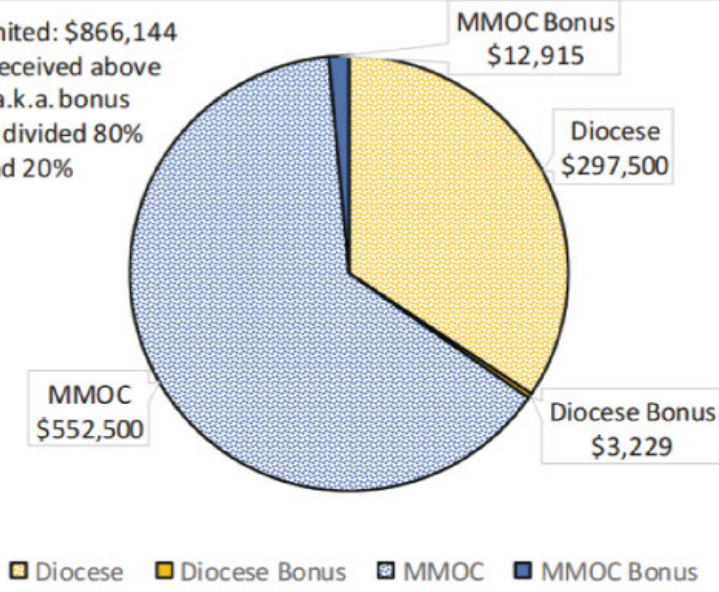
Goal	Diocese	As of 06/01/23
\$108,800	2022 DAA	ACHIEVED!!!
\$135,150	Diocesan Center	ACHIEVED!!!
\$53,550	Catholic Foundation	ACHIEVED!!!
\$297,500	Total	\$300,734
Goal	Parish	As of 06/01/23
\$64,500	Lay Retirement	ACHIEVED!!!
\$244,000	Vision Fund	\$250,458
\$244,000	Endowment	\$250,458
\$552,500	Total	\$565,416

Buildings and Grounds Update

The shed addition will be wrapping up within the next 2 weeks. Siding was installed last week by Fowler & Hammer. La Crosse Glass Company installed the 16' garage door last week. Poellinger Electric will finish the electrical this week. Along the north wall - soffit lights were installed for security eliminating the need for the security light on the wall which in the past invited birds to nest above. Coulee Region Mechanical will install/finish both hose bibs this week. Due to the lengthy duration of no precipitation this will be a nice addition to help nurse our young trees along. Next week, Fowler's carpenters will connect the new addition to the original shed (opening the existing wall). As soon as the opening is created, the countertop on the west wall will be installed. The Toolcat's attachment industrial racking will be installed. Fowler & Hammer will complete the shed's site concrete next week. AB Seamless will install the gutters upon the completion of the site concrete. Lastly, Winona Nursery will add soil and seed along with adding the landscaping to the west end of the shed.



Total Committed: \$866,144
All dollars received above \$850,000 (a.k.a. bonus dollars) are divided 80% (MMOC) and 20% (Diocese).



Pictured above & below: Fowler & Hammer carpenters work to side the shed addition.



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