

July 30, 2023



# MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH



## 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 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.

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Fall Chicken Que

Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 14. Many volunteers will be needed. Volunteer sign up sheets will be available in the back of church starting August 12-13.

### Silver Circle

The next Silver Circle pot-luck will be on Thursday, August 17. Take the day off & come share a noon meal followed by BINGO! You won't be disappointed!

### New Parishioners

MMOC is delighted to welcome Ann Lorenz, and Ann Lounsborough to the parish!

## Family Life

### Welcomed to the Waters of Baptism

Congratulations to Gareth Graham Keogh who was baptized on July 27, 2023. We welcome him to God's family with great joy!

### Requiescant in Pace

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



### Healing Your Marriage – Retrouvaille

This is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. The next program in Central Wisconsin begins with a weekend stay, Aug. 25-27, 2023 in the Wausau area. For more information or to register, call 1.877.922.HOPE (4673) or visit website: [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org). *Fully Confidential and affordable.* Space is limited. Register early.

## Faith Formation

### 2023 Pope Francis Prayer Intention

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



### Sacramental Preparation Programs

All families with children going into 2nd grade or 10th grade should have received information (via email) regarding applications for the prep. programs for the Sacraments of first Communion/first Confession (2nd graders) and Confirmation (10th graders). If you haven't received anything and would like your child to receive these Sacraments, contact Kristin Johnson: [kjohnson@newmanlc.org](mailto:kjohnson@newmanlc.org) or Samuel Obert: [sobert@mmoclacrosse.org](mailto:sobert@mmoclacrosse.org). Applications are

due by July 31th for the 2nd grade programs and August 20th for the 10th grade program!



### Youth Faith Formation 23-24

The new school year is upon us, which means it's time to register your child/ren for their Faith Formation program. All families with youth in 1st grade through 12th grade should have received a letter and registration form in the mail. If you haven't, contact Kristin Johnson: [kjohnson@newmanlc.org](mailto:kjohnson@newmanlc.org) or Samuel Obert: [sobert@mmoclacrosse.org](mailto:sobert@mmoclacrosse.org). **OR** register using the QR code below. Early-bird registration ends August 31st; price will increase thereafter.

### Verso l'Alto Hike

Saturday August 19th, Devil's Lake State Park. All middle and high school-aged youth are invited to participate in this day of hiking, friendship, and prayer. We will learn about the life of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, which was full of prayer and the outdoors, about each he proclaimed, "verso l'alto" or "to the heights!" Chaperones will be needed to help with carpooling. If interested please contact Samuel Obert: [sobert@mmoclacrosse.org](mailto:sobert@mmoclacrosse.org).

### Don't miss Mass during a vacation!

Find Mass times by city, state or zip. Then check that church's bulletin for any updates.



## FORMED

Want to see a movie about the life of a Saint? Or listen to inspiring teachers of the faith?

Get the Catholic video service from The Augustine Institute, **free** for MMOC parishioners!

Visit: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), Click Sign up and search for "Mary Mother of the Church LaCrosse," and provide your email address. Mobile apps are also available!

### Special Morning Event Aug. 19 - Catholic Medical Association, La Crosse Guild

The La Crosse Guild of the Catholic Medical Association (CMA) is sponsoring an event at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe open to all persons on Saturday, August 19.

8:30 - Holy Mass

9:30 - Buffet breakfast in the Culina Mariana (Shrine restaurant).

10:00 - Presentation by Rev. Randal Kasel, pastor of St. Michael's Parish, Pine Island, on:

"Spiritual Armor for Everyday Life: Prayer, Humility, and Hope."

Cost - \$15/person. Register by Aug. 14 - Make check payable to "La Crosse Guild of the CMA" and mail to: Charlie Peters, MD, La Crosse Guild, N8536 County Road TT, Holmen, WI 54636. Questions? Contact Dr. Stephen Pavela at: [slpavela@gmail.com](mailto:slpavela@gmail.com)

# Mary, Mother of the Church

## Two Minutes with Jesus for Eucharistic Revival

### 1. "God is love."

It's so important to remember that God is not just loving but He is LOVE itself. Our Heavenly Father reveals (shows us, helps us to understand) that He is love and that He desires to share His love by creating us. He created each one of us out of love. Our Heavenly Father only wants to love us.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Heavenly Father, thank you for Your love for me.

### 2. God created you out of love.

He will never stop loving you. Our Heavenly Father speaks these words to us in the Bible: "My steadfast (unwavering, always ongoing) love shall not depart from you" (Isaiah 54:10). God proved His love for us in this way: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him may not die but may have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Heavenly Father, help me to know how much You truly love me.

## Community Events

### Catholic Charities Food Pantry

The La Crosse Food Pantry is in desperate need of personal hygiene products and single serve food items. Currently, there is a great demand for toilet paper, shampoo, hand soap, laundry soap pods and tooth paste.



The Food Pantry is located at 508 South 5th Ave in La Crosse. Hours are on Monday-Wednesday from 9 am-12 pm. No appointment needed.

### Catholic Charities Back2School Program

If you or someone you know is in need of school supplies, please fill out an application here: <https://bit.ly/453WPNw>. Next Pick up event is at Erickson North Side BGC August 8 (1-6:00 p.m.) & 9 (7:30 a.m.- Noon) at the La Crosse Center and August 17 (5-7:30 p.m.) at the Mathy BGC. Please choose your pickup location when filling out your application.

If your family isn't in need but would like to assist those who are, please join us by donating items such as large size backpacks, heavy duty folders, washable markers, loose-leaf paper, scissors, etc. Items we are most in need of are listed below.

Thank you for helping students and families have a successful start to the new school year!!

### ACS HELP NEEDED!

St. Patrick's Elementary School

- Second Grade Teacher
- Library/Media Specialist

St. Patrick's & Blessed Sacrament, Elementary Schools

- Specialist Band and Orchestra

- After Care Workers

If you are interested in either of these positions, please submit a resume, cover letter, and three references to St. Pat's Principal, Angela Koblitz, at [angela.koblitz@aquinasschools.org](mailto:angela.koblitz@aquinasschools.org) or Blessed Sacrament's Principal, Kate Moll at [kate.moll@aquinasschools.org](mailto:kate.moll@aquinasschools.org)

### Coaches Needed!

Aquinas is looking for coaches for High School Girls Golf (fall), Middle School Volleyball (fall), and High School Boys Golf (spring). If you are interested in coaching, please contact Pam Donarski ([pam.donarski@aquinasschools.org](mailto:pam.donarski@aquinasschools.org))

### Aquinas Catholic Schools welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 School Year (3p-12!)



Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition.

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 (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour!

Current ACS families are to enroll online for the next school year.

Contact [info@aquinasschools.org](mailto:info@aquinasschools.org) with any questions or visit [www.aquinascatholicschools.org](http://www.aquinascatholicschools.org) for enrollment to get started.

### MMOC on your phone

Most visitors to MMOC websites are looking for the bulletin and calendar, and over half use their phone to open our websites. We have two: **mmocla-crosse.org** was designed for big screens like computers and tablets. It's very thorough, but not designed for small screens like phones. **mmoc.mobi** is designed for your phone. You can get the latest bulletin, calendar, and more. While you're there download the **myParish** app to stay connected with news and prayer!



### Artwork Show and Sell

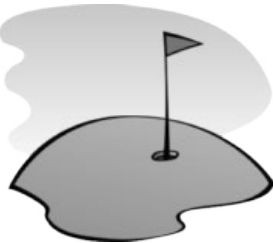
Hosted by The Catholic Daughters of America, you are invited to a "Show and Sell" art show on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. All sales remain your profit! There will also be a bake sale, silent auction, ice cream social, and food and drinks. All proceeds will go to our Priests and Seminarians Education Fund. For more information contact Sandra at (608)787-6482 or [sandyborreson@gmail.com](mailto:sandyborreson@gmail.com).



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### Golf Scramble

The MMOC Men's Club cordially invites anyone interested in becoming a hole sponsor for the annual "Pedey" Golf Scramble being held on Friday, August 25. Cost is \$150 per hole sponsorship. Contact Andy Foley at 608-799-4077 for details or to register.



### Weekly Mass Intentions (July 25-30, 2023)

#### Tuesday, July 25, 2023

7:30 AM † Servais & Werner Families  
by Linda Werner

#### Wednesday, July 26, 2023

7:30 AM † Deacon Sage  
by Friends

#### Thursday, July 27, 2023

7:30 AM † Lorraine Millich  
by Virginia Horstman

#### Friday, July 28, 2023

7:30 AM † Joseph Kessler  
by Mark & Susan Halter

#### Saturday, July 29, 2023

4:00 PM † Bob Herlitzka  
by Jim & Mary Lou Marhas

#### Sunday, July 30, 2023

8:00 AM † Marie Meyers  
by Carol Breidal

10:00 AM Pro Populo

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



### Weekly Mass Intentions (August 1-6, 2023)

#### Tuesday, August 1, 2023

7:30 AM † Jack Lucey  
by Mary Dunn

#### Wednesday, August 2, 2023

7:30 AM † Queto & Caroline Weber  
by Jean Weber

#### Thursday, August 3, 2023

7:30 AM † Ron Weise  
by Jule & Mary Zander

#### Friday, August 4, 2023

7:30 AM † Phyllis Tschumper  
by John & Cindy Dronenburg

#### Saturday, August 5, 2023

4:00 PM † Clarence Kirchner  
by James & Patricia Kirchner

#### Sunday, August 6, 2023

8:00 AM † Jim Volden  
by Shelley Klos Vogel

10:00 AM Pro Populo

## Liturgical Roles August 5-6

### Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 p.m. Nancy Imhoff, Dave Imhoff, Kelly Jakes

8:00 a.m. Deacon Terry Bell, Steve Klar, Erin Klar

10:00 a.m. Deacon Terry Bell, Chuck Berendes, Kimberly Krejchick

### Lector

4:00 p.m. OPEN, OPEN

8:00 a.m. OPEN, Barbara Stetzer

10:00 a.m. Terri Pedace, Mary Jo Swartout

### Server

4:00 p.m. Aubrey Jakes, Ellie Jakes

8:00 a.m. Ryann Klar, Matthew Klar

10:00 a.m. Izzy Shelfhout, Ella Krejchick

### Cantor

4:00 p.m. Mary Kulas

8:00 a.m. Haylee Pagenkopf

10:00 a.m. Kristine Gasch

### Musician

4:00 p.m. Jenny Nielsen

8:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

10:00 a.m. Jenny Nielsen

### Sacristan

4:00 p.m. OPEN

8:00 a.m. Mike Keogh

10:00 a.m. Anne Kernan

### Gift Bearer

4:00 p.m. Tony Kath, OPEN

8:00 a.m. Sandy Pitsch, Anita Olson

10:00 a.m. Keith Krejchik, Kimberly Krejchik

### Greeter

4:00 p.m. Ryan Riebel, Joe Riemer, Mary Schaub,  
OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN-Lead

8:00 a.m. Cindy Klar, Pat Burns, Jack Branson, Isabel Harden, Sandy Pitsch, Karen Perry,  
OPEN, Bob Klar-lead

10:00 a.m. Nathan Wintheiser, Mike Wintheiser, Brett Ziokowski, Charlene Krockner, Gabriella Stratman, Gavin Stratman, Matt Binsfield, Lisa Doering-Lead

### Hospitality

8:00 a.m. Kim Lansing, Paul Lansing

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

### Script Seller

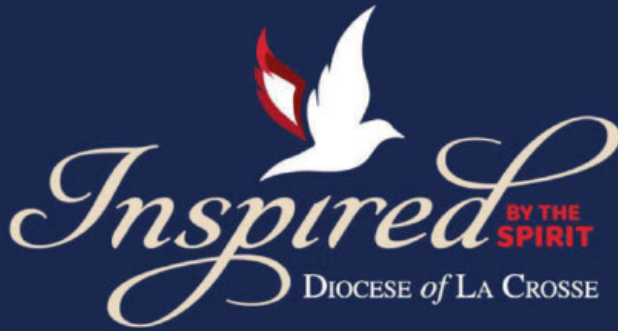
4:00 p.m. Vickie Kloss, Sue Olson

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

10:00 a.m. Kimberly Krejchik, Sue Pretasky

### Live Streamer

4:00 p.m. Dave Imhoff



Goal	Diocese	As of 7/26/23
\$108,800	2022 DAA	ACHIEVED!!!
\$135,150	Diocesan Center	ACHIEVED!!!
\$53,550	Catholic Foundation	ACHIEVED!!!
<b>\$297,500</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$373,508</b>
Goal	Parish	As of 7/26/23
\$64,500	Lay Retirement	ACHIEVED!!!
\$244,000	Vision Fund	\$396,016
\$244,000	Endowment	\$396,016
<b>\$552,500</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$856,531</b>



**“ THANK YOU!**

Thank you, dear brother priests. Thank you, my dear brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you to everyone throughout the Diocese, who together raised more than \$40 million, safeguarding the future of our beloved Diocese. This campaign would not have come this far without your shared hard work and sacrifices. I am humbled by your efforts and inspired by your success. These seeds you planted will bear fruit far beyond our time together.

Please join me in praying for the good, realized together, that is before us.

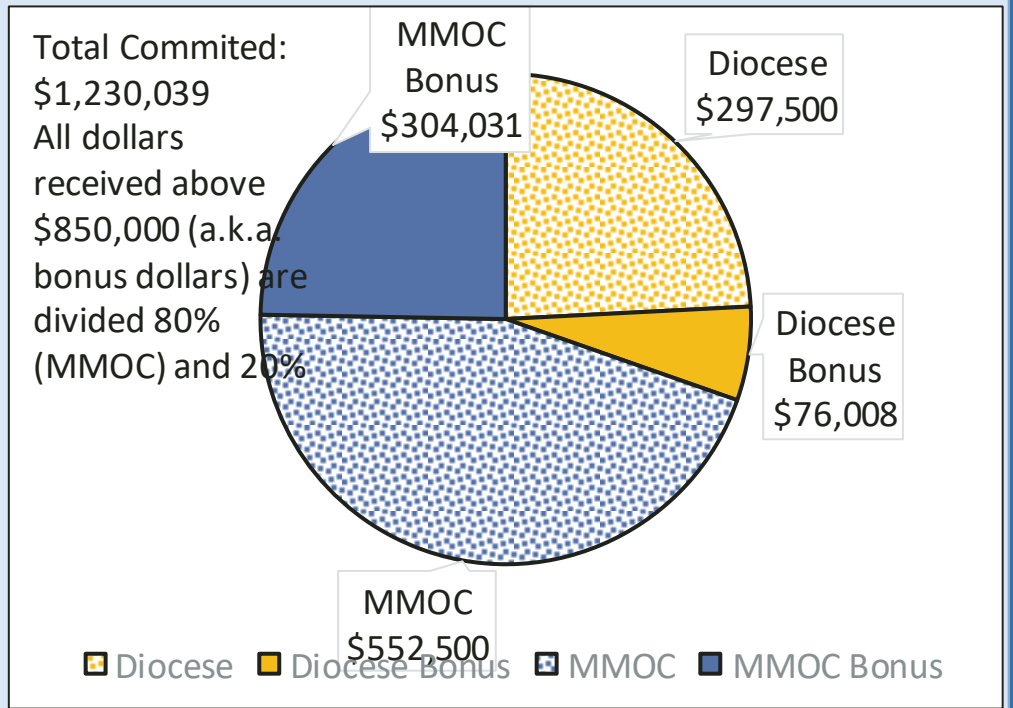
— Bishop William Patrick Callahan ”



**FINAL UPDATE!!**

We surpassed our goal of \$850,000! 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). **295 households (31%) have committed \$1,230,039 (143% 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). Thank you for the generous response!

Please note, since the February 5 bulletin, we have been reminded that the 2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal will be held this fall.



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