# September 3, 2023





# 22<sup>ND</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.

#### Fall Chicken-Que

The Fall Chicken-Que is on Thursday, September 14. Tickets are \$12 and are on sale after weekend Masses and in the parish office. Volunteer sign up sheets are available in the back of church.



Please support this major fundraiser. To reserve tickets contact by phone or text: 608-518-6145. Carry-outs can be delivered upon request.

# OCIA/RCIA - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (Formerly: RCIA)

Are you seeking to know Jesus Christ more deeply or understand God and His plan for us more fully? Do you want to know why Catholics believe what they believe and do what they do? To learn more about deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ, becoming part of a warm and supportive parish community, and understanding more about the Catholic Faith, we invite you to journey together with us in OCIA. OCIA is scheduled to start on September 5. For more info, please contact Deacon Terry Bell at deacon@mmoclacrosse.org.

#### **Needed: Outside Flower Volunteer**

Do you have a green thumb? Would you like to get outside a little more each day? MMOC is looking for our next volunteer to care for the outside flowers around the church. beginning Sept. 15. For more information contact the parish office at ext. 1.

#### **Needed: MMOC Coordinator for Mobile Meals**

Sue Moyle has been the parish coordinator for 20+ years and will be stepping away from this position at the end of 2023. The main responsibility of this open position is to schedule volunteers to deliver meals during our week. Mary, Mother of the Church has six weeks per year to deliver meals. We have two weeks left this year (Sept. 18 and Nov. 20). Sue is willing to answer any questions and offer support: 608-787-0076. We're grateful for Sue's commitment over the years and grateful she is still committed to being one of the drivers.

#### **Garden Sharing Ministry**

A table has been set up in the gathering space of church to share your extra garden produce. Please feel free to donate and take produce. Thank you for sharing your abundance!

#### **MMOC Sunday Choir**

Rehearsals for Sunday Choir begin on Tuesday, Sept. 19. The choir meets to rehearse every Tuesday evening from 6 - 7:30 PM in the Music Room. We are looking for new members to join — vocal or instrumental! If interested or have questions contact Mary Jo Lium at milium@mmoclacrosse.org.

#### **New Parishioners**

MMOC is delighted to welcome Elaine Berg, the Callan Family (Nicholas, Mariah, & Ellie) and the Hofacker Family (Steven, Andrea, Allison, & Nolan) to the parish.

#### **Communion Calls**

The following parishioners will receive Communion in their homes this week: Gerald Sheehan; Pam Badger; Rosemary Boland; Carol Weis; Dick Rady; Shirley White; Shirley Marson; Tom & Gloria Hundt. If you know of someone who would like to receive the Eucharist in their home, call the parish office at 788-5483 ext 7.

#### **Pastoral Council Elections 2023**

Last week's bulletin had brief biographies of the five candidates running for election. The Sept. 10 bulletin will publish them again. Please prayerfully consider which two candidates you feel will best serve our parish. Elections will begin at the start of Masses on the weekend of Sept. 16-17.

You are eligible to vote if you are a registered and sacramentally confirmed member of the church.

#### Men's Club & PCCW

#### Join The Men's Club

The Men's Club will kick off the new season with it's annual Brat Fry on Wednesday, September 6, at 6 PM in the parish hall. All men of the parish are welcome to take an active role. Please come enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship. The Men's Club meets the 1st Wednesday of the month, September – May, at 7 PM unless otherwise noted.

#### **Riverfest Clean-up Thank You!**

The Men's Club would like to thank all men and women of MMOC that assisted with Riverfest set-up and clean-up over the 4th of July weekend. The club received a check for \$4,225 which will be used for future Building and Vision Fund opportunities. It was great to see all who turned out to assist!

#### **PCCW Meeting**

Dear MMOC Ladies: Our Parish Council of Catholic Women is honored to be hosting the Fall Deanery meeting on Sept. 18, so we need all hands on deck to plan this event, as well as other upcoming events. As your new PCCW president, I certainly appreciate your support. Hope to see you on Sept. 11 at 6 PM. - Rita Sanchez

#### Rummage Sale

PCCW Rummage sale will be October 13-14. Donations can be dropped off from 8 - 4:30 PM on Oct. 12 in the Parish Hall. Please remember we are unable to take furniture, paint or chemicals, microwaves, or anything we would need to pay for disposal.

## Family Life

#### Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Ann Bornheimer and Victoria Kabat. 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.

#### Wedding Banns (I)

Tyler Deaver and Rebecca Volten on Sept. 22, 2023. Keep them in your prayers as they prepare for their wedding.

#### United in the Bond of Marriage

Congratulations to Jason Garstka and Paula Fanta who were married on August 26, 2023. May the love they share be a living witness of how much God loves the world.

#### Faith Formation

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a program for the religious formation of children rooted in the Bible and



the liturgy of the Church. In this program, the 3-6 year old child will encounter Jesus as the Good Shepherd; who loves them, cares for them, and knows them by name. This is accomplished through prayer, listening to Scripture, and giving the child time to work with hands-on materials. Each of the materials presented are linked to either a specific part of the Mass or the Bible, which help to make the mystery of God concrete for the child. To participate, children must be at least three years old by November 1, 2023. Space is limited to 10 children per session. Registration is \$50 per child. If this is a burden, please reach out!

Choose the session that best fits your schedule:

Fridays: 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

starting November 3, 2023 - May 17, 2024.

**Saturdays:** 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

starting November 4, 2023 - May 18, 2024.

(Sessions will not meet for major holiday breaks: Nov. 24/25, Dec. 29/30, and March 29/30.)

If you have a love for sharing the faith with the younger members of our parish family, please consider volunteering as an aide during sessions. Training will be provided.

Registration is available online at our parish website (under the Education-Preschool tab), via the QR code, or you may contact catechist Sarah Scarlet at 608-406-7686 or sscarlet@mmoclaccrosse.org.

#### **CCO Small Faith-Sharing Groups**

Catholic Christian Outreach is a dynamic and lifechanging faith study series which offers an opportunity to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and fellow Christians. Over 36 weeks, you and 4-7 other group members will explore, discuss, and deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. You will discover the joy and freedom of letting Jesus be your primary relationship – your center.

Several opportunities are available starting in September. Identify your preference, and then contact the group leader with your name, contact information, and any questions you may have.

Monday: <u>6:00-7:30 PM</u> Peter Schmitz (men only) <u>Schmitz.peter13@gmail.com</u> or (608) 780-4181.

**Tuesday:** <u>8:15-9:45 AM</u> - Sue Halter (men & women) <u>skhalter@gmail.com</u> or (608) 769-4029.

**Thursday:** <u>6:00-7:30 PM</u> - Tammy Byington (women only) <u>tammybyby@gmail.com</u> or (608) 498-0175.

**Open:** Want to participate in a CCO group this Fall but are challenged with what fits your schedule? Contact Pattie Nimocks <u>pattie.nimocks@gmail.com</u> or (608) 385-0865 to discuss what works for you. She is flexible in regard to day/meeting times!

#### **Family Faith Formation in Need of Volunteers**

Our collaborative Family Faith Formation program serving families with children in grades K-5 from Blessed Sacrament, Holy Trinity, Cathedral, Mary Mother of the Church and Roncalli Newman needs your help!

- We are looking for assistants for most grades on Wednesdays from 5:30 PM-6:45 PM at Mary Mother of the Church.
- We are also in need of lead teachers and assistants for our 2nd grade Sacramental Preparation program for over 60 second graders! This is a once a month commitment on Wednesdays from 5:30 PM-6:30 PM at Mary Mother of the Church.

Please consider this most important work of helping children learn about their faith and grow closer to Jesus. Contact Kristin Johnson at 608-788-5483 Ext. 4 or kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org if interested.

#### **Called & Gifted**

Did you know God gave you spiritual gifts to be a more effective witness to your faith? If you wonder how you are called to be a channel of His love and provision at work or in your community, come and begin to discern your unique mission in life. We are excited to offer this opportunity at MMOC, and everyone is invited to start this journey to discover the unique call God has for you and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life.

Our team, trained by the Catherine of Sienna Institute, will offer the Called & Gifted workshops and discernment groups from September 5 to December 5. Nine meetings will be held on Tuesdays from 6:00 -8:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Call Linda Schwartz at 608-792-0351 or emailher at <a href="mailto:alrzschwartz@gmail.com">alrzschwartz@gmail.com</a> for info and to register.

#### Two Minutes with Jesus for Eucharistic Revival

1. Wise men came to worship Jesus

Wise men from far away saw an incredibly bright star moving across the sky. They followed the star to see where it would take them. It led them to the Infant Jesus. The wise men gave precious gifts to the Savior, gifts for a king: gold, frankincense and myrrh. They knew that Jesus was a great king, even though He looked like a small Child. Jesus gives us

the greatest Gift – the Gift of Himself in the Eucharist again and again in a life-giving encounter. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, the wise man brought You precious gifts. But, thank You for giving us the most precious Gift of Yourself in the Eucharist. This week, read how the wise men came to worship Jesus and bring Him gifts in Matthew 2:1-

#### Jesus' name means "God saves"

The angel told Joseph in a dream that this Child was to be called "Jesus, for He will save His people from their sin" (Matthew 1:21). Jesus saves us from our sin by dying on the Cross and then giving us His Resurrected Body in the Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is the Church's most precious treasure. What a Gift, that we may have a life-giving encounter with Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, thank You for coming into the world to give us the greatest Gift - Yourself in the Holy Eucharist. This week, read the account of the angel appearing to Joseph in Matthew 1:18-25.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mary, Mother of the Church will schedule a monthly Holy Hour — typically on the first Thursdays of the month — beginning September 7. The Holy Hour will begin at 4:45 PM to accommodate work schedules and adult faith formation opportunities.

#### Couples 500 Card Club

If you enjoy playing 500 have you considered joining the parish 500 Card Club? If you don't know how, but you'd like to learn, we'd be delighted to teach you.

Each couple plays one other couple, once a month at their convenience. Couples need not be married. For more information, contact Patty Kirchner at 608-792-1960 or PatriciaJKirchner@gmail.com.

#### **Weekly Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

7:30 AM **† William & Patricia Mertens** 

by Pat Mertens

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

† Marlin Deyo 7:30 AM

by Joan Devo

Thursday, September 7, 2023

† Barbara Starsky 7:30 AM

by Virginia Horstman

Friday, September 8, 2023

7:30 AM † Edna Spohn

by Family

Saturday, September 9, 2023

4:00 PM **† Joyce DeFlorian** 

by Family

Sunday, Sunday 10, 2023

Pro Populo 8:00 AM

10:00 AM † Dick Branson

by Family

# Liturgical Roles Sept. 9-10

#### Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 PM Mark Misch, Nancy Imhoff, Dave Imhoff 8:00 AM Deacon Terry Bell, Gloria Biesen, Lance

10:00 AM Deacon Terry Bell, Kimberly Krejchik, Fred Berneking

#### Lector

4:00 PM Chris Schlegel, Linda Gillette

Francesca Ortmeier, Charles Heider-8:00 AM

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10:00 AM Terri Pedace, Pattie Nimocks

#### Server

4:00 PM Madison Schlegel, Sue Ernster 8:00 AM Nolan Richards. Kaitlin Ortmeier Olivia Neubauer, Adelyn Neubauer 10:00 AM

#### Cantor

Peter Schmitz 4:00 PM Dawn Mazzola 8:00 AM Natalie Solverson 10:00 AM

#### Musician

4:00 PM **Bridget Baumeister** 8:00 AM Haylee Pagenkopf Haylee Pagenkopf 10:00 AM

#### Sacristan

4:00 PM Linda Gillette

8:00 AM Kathy Skiles, Daniel J Skiles

John Conzemius 10:00 AM

#### Gift Bearer

4:00 PM Tony Kath, Ben Gerling

8:00 AM David Parker, Manuokalewa Parker

10:00 AM Jessica Neubauer, Chuck Neubauer

#### Greeter

4:00 PM Joe Reimer, Jim Spielbauer, Arian Arens, Patrick Hogan, Ryan Riebel, Kel-

lie Schmitz, OPEN, Phil Watson-Lead

8:00 AM Kylie Ortmeier, Bob Klar, Cindy Klar, Karen Perry, Peggy Baumler, Jonathan

Baumler, Jack Branson, Allan Baumler-

Lead

10:00 AM Gabriella Stratman, Gavin Stratman,

Keith Krejchik, Barbara Stetzer, Jackson Massa, Cullen Pittman, Kyle White, Lisa

Doering-Lead

#### Hospitality

8:00 AM Dave Ortmeier, Francesca Ortmeier Trisha Stratman, Johanna Bell 10:00 AM

#### **Scrip Sellers**

4:00 PM Kevin Moyle, Heidi Schlegel 8:00 AM Mary Genz, Sue Moyle

Tammy Byington, Kimberly Krejchik 10:00 AM

#### **Live Streamer**

4:00 PM Dave Imhoff

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

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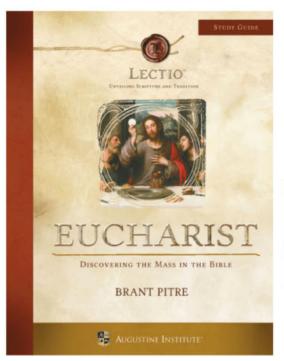
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#### Everyone is invited to join us!

In order to make this program more accessible, this class will be offered in multiple parishes.

Each week you can go to the class that best fits your schedule!

- Registration will be available after all Masses the weekends of September 2/3 & 9/10
- · Registration forms can be dropped off at any of the participating parish offices
- Online registration is available at www.stpatsonalaska.com
- Questions? Contact Amy at 608.783.0847 or email amy\_capelli@charter.net

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or register online at www.stpatsonalaska.com	☐ I will pay at the first class	☐ TUES – St. James the Less 9:00 - 10:30 am
Name:	If you do not already have the workbook,	☐ WED – Holy Trinity 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Home Parish:	your workbook will be at the first session.	☐ THUR – St. Patrick's Onalaska 9:15 - 10:45 am
	If you need your workbook at another location	☐ THUR – St. Patrick's Onalaska 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Telephone: ()	please let Amy Capelli know 608-783-0847	☐ THUR – Mary Mother of the Church 6:00 - 7:30 pm
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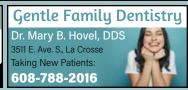
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