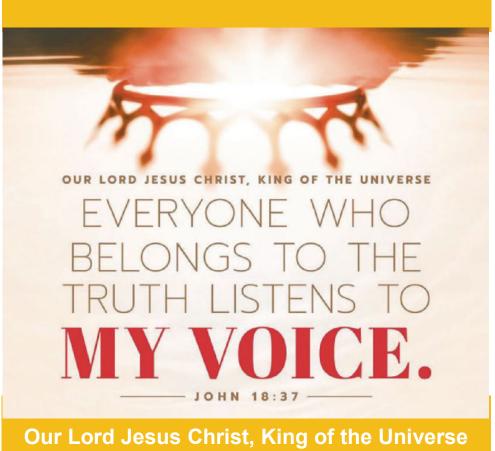
November 24, 2024





MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 4 PM Sunday 8 AM & 10 AM Tuesday—Friday 7:30 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM or by appointment.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing devices are available. See s for additional information, especially for hearing aids paired with Bluetooth.

THE ROSARY

Prayed before each weekday Mass Tuesday - Friday beginning at 7:05 AM.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday—Friday 8 AM - 3 PM 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 8 AM - 3 PM.

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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Thanksgiving Day

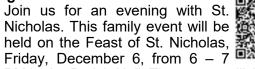
Mass will be offered on Thursday, November 28 at 9:00 AM. Let us come together to give thanks to God! Liturgical ministries are needed for this Mass. Please visit www.mmoclacrosse.org and click on the Ministry Scheduler link, or call the office at 788-5483, ext. 1. There will be no Mass on Friday, November 29 and the parish office will be closed.

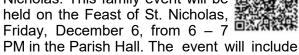
Christmas Mass Times

Now is a good time to mark your calendars and to share with family and friends the Mass times for Christmas. December 24 at 4:00 PM and 6:30 PM

December 25 at 9:00 AM

An Evening with St. Nicholas

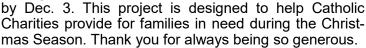




singing, crafts, games and treats along with a visit from St. Nicholas himself! All children ages 3 to 7 are welcome to attend with their families. Older siblings are welcome too! There is no cost to this event but to help us better plan, please let us know how many children are coming by registering using the QR code. Contact Kristin with any questions. (788-5483, ext. 4 or kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org).

Angel Tree 2024

The tree is up and decorated with angels. As in the past, each angel has a dollar amount attached. You have the opportunity to donate cash or check or purchase scrip of your choice in that amount and place it in the box. Angel Iree All angels and donations need to be turned in



Portraits

There are still a number of portraits ready to be picked up in the office. You can drop by and retrieve yours Tuesdays through Fridays from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Italy Pilgrimage

2025 is a Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope – and we will head to Italy! We will tour many holy sites and historic locations while visiting Rome, Assisi, and other cities. In addition to our pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy, pilgrims should consider signing up for the pre-trip to Florence and Venice. Those attending the pre-trip will travel to Venice on September 25. Those partaking in the main portion of the trip will depart for Rome on September 30 and then travel by bus to Assisi, where they will meet up with the pre-trip travelers. On October 8, after an early breakfast, we will depart for the airport and return home. The pilgrimage costs \$5194/person, and the pre-trip costs \$1978/person. These costs include round trip airfare from La Crosse, 8 nights of hotel accommodations (+4 nights of accommodations for the pre-trip), breakfast and dinner daily, wine and mineral water with dinners, motor coach transportation while on pilgrimage, luggage handling, tips for hotel and restaurant staff, sightseeing and admission fees for all sights on the itinerary, and professional, local Catholic guides. Costs not included are lunches and beverages not mentioned, as well as tips for the guide and bus driver. To register for the pilgrimage and pay your deposit of \$500, visit www.206tours.com/frkonopa. The trip balance is due 90 days before departure: July 1, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Schwartz lschwartz@mmoclacrosse.org.

Nixie Oldenburg 90th Birthday

The parish is invited to join Nixie's family for a birthday celebration on Saturday, November 30 from 11:00 AM -2:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Happy Birthday, Nixie!

PCCW

PCCW Vice President

The PCCW is in search of a Vice President. Come and join this wonderful group of faith filled women. Meetings are held every other month. It is a great way to get to know the people of our parish and feel a sense of belonging to the greater good of our church and community. Please pray about fulfilling this wonderful opportunity. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Jolene Goodman. 608-317-9575.

Advent Luncheon

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is hosting the Ecumenical Advent Luncheon on Saturday December 7 at 10:30 AM. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Space. Please join us in fellowship during this wonderful time of preparation for Jesus' birth.

Cookie Walk Sign-ups

Cookie walk sign-ups needing bakers, makers and crafters continue in the back of church. Please check what areas are needing help. Also, do not forget to pick up the soup/chili recipes if you are one of those makers.

Raffle ticket selling is taking place in 2 locations. Please visit the Parish Hall to view the baskets or the back of church for the descriptive reading of each one. Raffle tickets are \$1 for one ticket, 6 for \$5, or 12 for \$10.

Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation does NOT meet this Wednesday, November, 27. Families should work on at-home lessons 2-2: Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory and 2-3 Hope and/or catch up on any other home lessons. We will see you again on December 4.

Young Adult Retreat January 25, 2025 **BEHOLD: Prayer of the Saints**

All young adults (18-35) are invited to attend the BEHOLD retreat taking place at 📆 Blessed Sacrament Parish on January 25. The event will begin at 9:00 am and con-



clude around 5:00 PM. Together we will hear inspiring talks, grow in Catholic community through small groups, participate in the life of God in the Sacraments (Mass & Confession), and rest in the presence of God in Eucharistic adoration and other periods of personal prayer. The theme is "Prayer of the Saints". Join us as we explore the rich prayer of holy men and women who have gone before us. Cost is just \$25 and includes a warm meal. To register, simply scan the QR code. Registration closes on January 17.

Social Justice

Warming Center Volunteers on Tuesday, Dec. 3

Food & Milk: (to be delivered to 413 S. 3rd St. by 6:30 PM): Pattie Nimmocks, Kada Dunn, Kaarina Dunn Diane Hoffman, Mary Therese Rinzel (milk)

<u>Intake:</u> (6:30 PM - 9:00 PM) OPEN, Karen Deshler, Matt Deshler, Sue Halter, Mary Olson,

Morning Volunteer: (6:00 AM - 8:30 AM Wed.) Brad Sturm, Lynn Sturm

Free haircuts by Dave Imhoff

Helping hands are always welcome. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Mary Olson at 651-301-0989 or Molson@mmoclacrosse.org.

Meals on Wheels

Thank you to the volunteers who delivered meals the week of November 18th. Steve and Joan Clements, Bill and Sue Moyle, Ed and Patty Watson, Marc Wuensch and Dan and Jane Brodrick.

Finance

Diocesan Annual Appeal to Date



Around the Diocese

Healing Service at Sacred Heart in Cashton

There will be a healing service and Mass on Dec 2. Adoration and confession at 4:30 PM, Mass at 5:00 PM, Corporate prayer for healing at 6:00 PM and an individual healing ministry at 7:00 PM. These times are approximate and participants are welcome to come and go as they please.

Cathedral Christmas Bazaar

The Cathedral (530 Main Street, La Crosse) annual Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale will be Saturday, December 7th from 8 am - 2 pm in the church undercroft. There will be a wonderful selection of unique gift items, Christmas decor, handmade greeting cards and religious items. The bake sale will feature a fabulous selection of cookies, cakes, breads and candy.

Join the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

Sign up for the Pilgrimage for Life, Jan. 22-26, our diocesan participation in the national March for Life in our nation's Capital. This is a wonderful opportunity for adults, families, and young people to bear witness to the sanctity of human life. Visit dials organizations agree life for more information.



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Thanksgiving message from the Diocese of La Crosse

During this month when we gather with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving, it is a fitting time to stop and remember the many gifts we have been given. To take it one step further, it is appropriate to look at all we have as God's gift, undeservedly given, and express our gratitude to Him for His goodness and generosity.

Take some quiet time to think back through your life and write down ten things that you want to specifically be grateful to God for this Thanksgiving. Since Eucharist means thanksgiving, returning to Mass on Thanksgiving Day is the best place to express your gratitude. Thank Jesus for all of the good gifts on your list, and most especially, for the gift of Himself to you in the Holy Eucharist. Happy Thanksgiving!

Scrip

Additional Scrip Purchasing Options

Are you doing any of your holiday shopping online this year? In addition to Scrip gift cards, you can now also get rebates shopping online. Accessible from RaiseRight's phone app or online, choosing "shop online" currently provides over 500 shopping sites to choose from. If you're looking for ideas this holiday season, online options for purchases include food, toys, books, apparel, technology, travel, home goods, pet and office supplies, event tickets, and more. Some exclusively online sites like Etsy, Wayfair and Etsy are also participating in the rebate program. To learn more you can visit https://www.raiseright.com/how-it-works/shop-online.

Large Scrip Orders

A friendly reminder that if you intend to purchase a large amount of scrip at one time the best thing to do is to order a week or two ahead. This way we don't run out. You can easily do this online and pick up after Mass.

Red Lobster Scrip

There are still some \$25 Scrip cards for Red Lobster available. These are the perfect solution for that hard to buy for friend or relative who lives in Rochester, MN.

A Minute with Jesus

The very best way to offer thanks to God is through the holy Eucharist. The word Eucharist, from the Greek, means "thanksgiving." When the holy Eucharist is celebrated, it is an action of thanksgiving to God for His works of creating everything out of nothing, redeeming us through the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, and sanctifying us in being cleansed, healed and strengthened through our cooperation with God's grace received in the sacraments. Let us join the people in our parish community and attend Mass on our national day of Thanksgiving. Receiving Jesus in the holy Eucharist and expressing gratitude to our heavenly Father for all of His benefits will help us to keep the proper focus amidst family relations, good food and the other enjoyable activities of Thanksgiving Day.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Thank you, Jesus, for the many blessings in my life, most especially that You give Yourself to me in the holy Eucharist.

The Season of Advent Begins December 1

Next Sunday marks the beginning of Advent. Advent is a very important time to prepare ourselves spiritually, leading to a truly meaningful celebration of the birth of the most important person in all of history: Jesus Christ.

"The season of Advent means there is something on the horizon the likes of which we have never seen before... So stay. Sit. Linger. Tarry. Ponder. Wait. Behold. Wonder. There will be time enough for running. For rushing. For worrying. For pushing. For now, stay. Wait. Something is on the horizon."

- Jan. L Richardson, Night Visions: Searching the Shadows of Advent and Christmas.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

7:30 AM † Marilyn Servais

By Gordon Nelson

Wednesday, November 27, 2024 7:30 AM † Paul Johann Gasch

By Teri and Mike Kendhammer

Thursday, November 28, 2024

9:00 AM † Sr. Laverne Ramaeker

By Kay Shriver and Family Friday, November 29, 2024

No Mass

Saturday, November 30, 2024

4:00 PM † Anna Johnson

By Virginia Horstman

Sunday, December 1, 2024

8:00 AM † Alan Bennett

By Elaine and Marlin Buchner

10:00 AM Pro Populo

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

Liturgical Roles Nov. 30 - Dec 1

Minister of Holy Communion

4:00 PM Sue Ernster, Linda Gillette, Dawn Kutt, Steve Lefever, Mark Outzen, Kellie Schmitz.

Therese van Oss

8:00 AM Deacon Terry Bell, Janice Berry, Nick Berry, Gloria Biesen, Pat Burns, Donna Burns, Mike

10:00 AM Deacon Terry Bell, Chuck Berendes, Polly Berendes, Carol Forer, Shannon Klar, Rita

Sanchez, Christine J. Nelson

Lector

4:00 PM Peter Schmitz, Joseph van Oss MA 00:8 Donna Keogh, Barbara Stetzer 10:00 AM Patricia Kirchner. Sarah Scarlet

Server

4:00 PM Keegan Gerling, Ellyana Jakes 8:00 AM Ryann Klar, Matthew Klar 10:00 AM Louie Berendes. Marcus Klar

Cantor

4:00 PM Rick Wilson

8:00 AM Haylee Pagenkopf 10:00 AM Pattie Nimocks

Musician

4:00 PM Mary Jo Lium

Christopher Carskadon 8:00 AM 10:00 AM Christopher Carskadon

Sacristan

Mike Wuensch 4:00 PM 8:00 AM Kerry Groetsch John Conzemius 10:00 AM

Gift Bearer

4:00 PM OPEN, OPEN 8:00 AM Steve Klar Erin Klar

10:00 AM

Greeter

4:00 PM Chris Schlegel (lead), OPEN, Patrick Hogan, Neil Kumm, Kevin Moyle, Phil Watson, Joan

Weissenberger, Mike Weissenberger,

8:00 AM Allan Baumler (lead), Peggy Baumler, Pat Burns, Isabel Harden, Cindy Klar, Bob Klar,

Dave Lawrence, Mary Lawrence

Linda Schwartz (lead), Matt Binsfeld, Elly 10:00 AM Binsfeld, Anna Binsfeld, Megan Binsfeld, Anne Kernan, Mason Klar, Ándrew Schwartz

Scrip Seller

4:00 PM Sue Olson, Dee Sauer Mary Genz, Sue Moyle 8:00 AM 10:00 AM Lisa Doering, Sheri Skelton

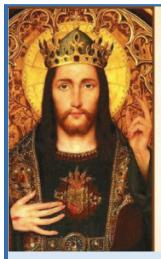
Hospitality

8:00 AM OPEN. OPEN

10:00 AM Charlotte Berendes, Polly Berendes

Live Streamer

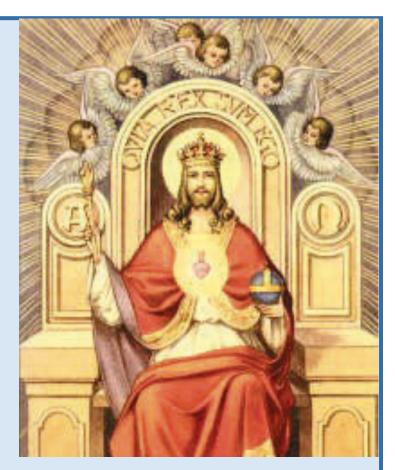
4:00 PM Joseph van Oss



SOLEMNITY OF Christ the King LAST SUNDAY OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR

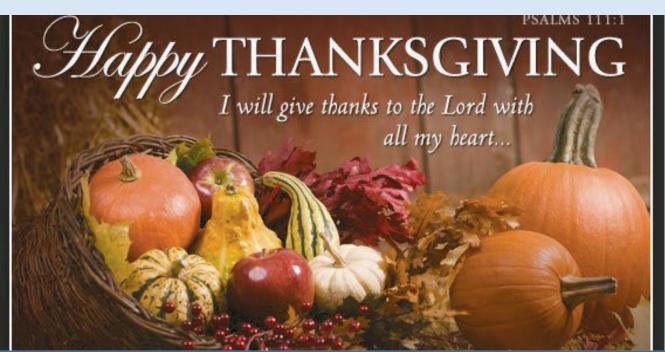
The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a devotional practice wherein an image of the Sacred Heart is enthroned in a prominent place in a home, church, school, business or other area of human activity. The enthronement is a public proclamation of the rule of the Heart of Jesus over the persons and activities of the place, as an act of reparation for the offenses committed against His Heart, and, by the prayer of consecration, is a pledge to honor the Sacred Heart in the future.



Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ King

Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us humbly prostrate before you. We are yours, and yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with you, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to your Most Sacred Heart. Many indeed have never known you; many, too, despising your precepts, have rejected you. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to your Sacred Heart. Be King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken you, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned you; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger. Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof, and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Grant, O Lord, to your Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give tranquility of order to all nations; make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: Praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to it be glory and honor for ever. Amen.





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