



St. Joseph Catholic Parish

May 9-10, 2026



6th Sunday of Easter



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“And whoever loves me
will be loved by my Father,
and I will love him and
reveal myself to him.”
- Jn 14:20-21

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:15 AM,
6:00 PM

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 8:00 AM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM
Thursday: 2:00 PM
at the Neighbors
Friday: 9:00 AM

Adoration in Church

Tuesdays: 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Private Confession in Church

Saturday: 3:00 PM

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday-Friday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
715-232-4922

OUR LOCATION

Church:

921 Wilson Avenue

Parish Center:

910 Wilson Avenue
Menomonie, WI 54751

Pastor:

John S. Muthu Vijayan
(Fr. Mano)

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, May 9 (Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21)

3:00 PM - Private Confession (Church)

3:30 PM - Pray the Rosary

4:00 PM Mass - Frank Keeler Jr. by Angie Prince

Sunday, May 10

(Acts 8:5-8,14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21)

8:00 AM - Pray the Rosary

8:30 AM Mass - Marshall & Helen Gallman
by their Children

10:15 AM Mass - St. Joseph Parish Family

*Baptism of Aubrey Marie Zoern -
daughter of Alec & Jade*

5:00 PM - StoutCatholic Choir Practice

5:15 PM - Private Confession

6:00 PM Mass - StoutCatholic

Monday, May 11 (Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a)

NO SERVICES

Tuesday, May 12 (Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11)

8:00 AM Mass - Carrie Larson by PCCW

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM - Adoration (Church)

3:00 PM Mass at Comforts of Home -
Fran & Jim Knopps by Angie Prince

5:00-6:00 PM - Tuesday's Table Meal
(Charles Hall)

Wednesday, May 13

(Acts 17:15,22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15)

8:00 AM Mass - Robb Reisinger by Tracy Spoerl

6:00 PM - Guitar Choir Practice (Parish Center)

Thursday, May 14 (Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Jn 15:9-17)

9:00 AM-6:00 PM - PCCW Thrift Sale (Charles Hall)

2:00 PM Mass at the Neighbors (Blue/East Bldg) -
Dorothy & Lyell Gleason by Joe & Karen Adams

Friday, May 15 (Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23)

9:00 AM Mass - Gloria Welch Ziehl by PCCW

9:00 AM-5:00 PM - PCCW Thrift Sale (Charles Hall)

Saturday, May 16 (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28)

3:00 PM - Private Confession (Church)

3:30 PM - Pray the Rosary

4:00 PM Mass - Lorelee Binkowski by Dale

Sunday, May 17

(Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20)

8:00 AM - Pray the Rosary

8:30 AM Mass - Deceased Members of the
Fred & Cecelia Langreck Family
by Frank & Mary Trunkel

10:15 AM Baccalaureate Mass -
St. Joseph Parish Family

*Baptism of Kate Rose Cutler -
daughter of Brian & Emily*

11:15 AM - Parish Potluck

SACRAMENTS

Congratulations on your Baptism

Aubrey Marie Zoern

daughter of Alec & Jade

You have put on Christ, you have been baptized,

Alleluia, Alleluia!

STEWARDSHIP

FINANCE REPORT July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

OFFERTORY for May 3 —Week 44

Adult Envelope	\$ 12,671.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 12,154.00
Over Weekly Goal	\$ 517.00
Plate	\$ 1,259.46
Year-to-Date Total	\$ 558,938.53
Year-to-Date Goal	\$ 534,776.00
Over Yearly Goal	\$ 24,162.53

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

April Income	\$ 94,444.56
April Expenses	\$ 151,482.76



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2025-2026
Goal: \$75,450.00

Pledged/Received as of 5/5/2026:
\$69,285.00 — 91.83% of target!

Representing @ 16.3% of the
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DAY!

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THE MOTHER
WHO WATCHES
OVER US,
HER CHILDREN,
ON OUR
JOURNEY
THROUGH LIFE,
OFTEN WEARY
AND IN NEED,
ANXIOUS THAT
THE LIGHT OF
HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48



MESSAGE FROM FR. MANO

The Church places the Blessed Mother at the center of this month because no one leads more surely, more quickly, and more faithfully to Jesus than Mary, Mother of Jesus. At the foot of the Cross, Jesus Christ did not leave us orphans. He entrusted Mary to us: “Behold your Mother.” This was not symbolic. It was a divine act of adoption. Mary is not optional in the Christian life—she is given.

Mary’s entire mission is simple and powerful to lead every soul into a living, transforming union with Jesus. She commands: “Do whatever He tells you.” That is her voice even now. St. Louis de Montfort teaches the most perfect way to Jesus is through Mary. Because she forms saints the way she formed Christ.

Earthly motherhood reflects divine love but Mary perfects it. She intercedes when we are weak. She corrects when we wander. She protects us when we are under attack. She leads us when we are lost. To honor mothers rightly is to see in them a reflection of Mary and to let Mary elevate our understanding of love, sacrifice, and holiness.

I can propose some of the ways to Honor Mary in May:

1. Pray the Rosary Daily. The Rosary is not repetition, but it is contemplation of Christ with Mary. Even one decade prayed well can change your interior life (join the living Rosary group). How many of you know 15 benefits of reciting Rosary every day?
2. Consecrate Yourself to Her. You are entrusting your entire life to her guidance so she may form Jesus within you.
3. Live Her Virtues Intentionally. Each week, focus on one Marian virtue: Humility, Purity, Obedience and Charity.
4. Create a Marian Space at Home. A small altar with an image of Mary, Mother of Jesus, a candle, and flowers. Let your home visibly belong to her. I know that some families do have Marian Garden at home to honor her.
5. Invoke Her Throughout the Day. Simple prayer: Mary, lead me to Jesus.

Last Friday our school kids did May Crowning. They also placed hand-made flowers for her. You can see the flowers at our altar. They are not decorations, but they are a declaration. Do not let this month pass casually. Be devoted to Her. If you walk closely with Mary this month, you will not remain the same. She does not keep souls comfortable. She makes them holy. Last, but not least, how do you honor your own mother for this Mother’s Day? Love you moms.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

This past week we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week, and I am filled with gratitude for the dedicated staff I am blessed to serve alongside at St. Joseph School. In both the lively, busy moments and the quieter ones, they help make St. Joe’s a vibrant and faith-filled community. Their daily witness brings our mission to life, reflecting the love of Christ in all they do.

Our Spring Concert was truly a joy! More than a display of musical ability, it was a beautiful reflection of the spirit that defines our school. As I listened and took in the scene around the gym, I was struck by a deep sense of joy, unity, and faith. It is such a gift to see our students share their talents and creativity while embracing the values that are at the heart of Catholic education.

On Friday, May 1st, students participated in the beautiful tradition of Crowning Mary during Mass. This simple but meaningful act reminds us to turn to Mary for her intercession and to grow closer to her Son, Jesus, through prayer and devotion. Our students created stunning handmade flowers to present to Mary, and the fifth grade class led us in A Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Following Mass on May 1st, our school community participated in our annual Walk for Virtues, which is a diocesan wide celebration to live out the Gospel in a tangible way. To date, we have raised more than \$10,000! We are incredibly grateful for your support!

God bless your week!

Mrs. Mary Kiefer, Principal



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CHOICE PROGRAM



If you are thinking about sending your grade schooler to St. Joseph but don't think you can afford it, apply for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. It's easy to do to see if you qualify. Go to the link on St. Joseph School's website (or scan the QR code). May 1 - 20th is one of the open enrollment periods this year. Christian based education in smaller classes provide an excellent base for your child's future.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

WE ARE HIRING!

St. Joseph School is looking for a new school principal. Please contact Father Mano for more information or scan the QR code.



FAITH FORMATION

On Sunday, May 3, forty of our middle school and Confirmation students attended the Durand Deanery Youth Rally at St. Henry Parish in Eau Galle. They joined more than 90 other youth from across the deanery for a day of faith and fellowship.

Students heard from self-titled “Undercover Nun” Deb Bauer, a former Durand-area resident who now lives in Washington, D.C.,



... serving as a Consecrated Woman of Regnum Christi, as she shared her powerful story of suffering and redemption. The day also included praise and worship music, a fun round of “Lamentations or Taylor Swift lyrics,” small group discussions overlooking Lake Eau Galle, and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before celebrating Mass with Fr. Mano and Fr. Emmanuel.

LISTENING SESSIONS

Listening sessions are going to be held regarding the proposal to purchase the blue and white houses located on the same block as the church.

The listening sessions are to share information, answer questions, and gather feedback on how these properties may best serve our parish in the future if purchased. Conceptual renderings and site ideas will be available at these sessions.

The listening sessions will be in Charles Hall:
 Tuesday, May 19th at 2:00 PM
 Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00 PM

If you have questions, please contact Father Mano or Pastoral Council Chair Jason Horzewski. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of St. Joseph Parish.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE

**DUNN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE
ROSE SALE**



**This Weekend
May 9-10, 2026
after all Masses
asking \$2.00 donation**

SPIRITUS IS HIRING!

Are you a young adult looking for community, service, and prayer?

**SPIRITUS
Come & See
Event**

May 20

- NO Fundraising
- Housing, Food, & Health Coverage
- Paid Monthly
- Internship Opportunities



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Council 2055



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Use this QR Code to Make an Online Donation.

The Monsignor Blecha Council would like to thank all the generous people who donated to the 2026 Tootsie Roll Campaign after last weekends Mass's. We collected \$701 dollars, plus another \$3,213 during our Wed-Sat Local Store Campaign. This money will go to support the **Red Cedar Special Olympics** and **Menomonie High School Special Ed Dept.**

Still time to donate, use the QR Code, good till 11 May 2026

Thank You For Your Generous Donation

Any questions please Contact Coordinator Vern Caturia 715 309 8278

CHOIR

Upcoming Choir Rehearsals

Traditional Choir: 5/20 - 6:00 P.M.
Guitar Choir: 5/13 - 6:00 P.M.
Parish Center Parish Center
Music Room

Full Schedule available online at:

<https://www.menomonicatholic.org/liturgical-ministry>

JOYFUL NOISE CONCERT

Joyful Noise Spring Concert



Tuesday, May 12th

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Menomonie United Methodist Church
2703 Bongey Drive

All Are Welcome!!!!

PCCW

2026 Spring Thrift Sale



Spring has arrived and it's time for another thrift sale. The date will be Thursday, May 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. & Friday, May 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We are asking for the following items:

- * **clean, usable**, clothing for men, women & children. (that means no stains or holes)
- * books (no teaching books)
- * toys
- * gently used, **clean**, household and kitchen wares
- * **clean** bedding, shoes, purses, jewelry

Note: If items have been stored in your basement or garage, please clean them before donating them.

We cannot accept exercise equipment of any kind, computers, monitors, keyboards, software or printers, etc., life jackets, bike helmets, baby car seats, high chairs, strollers, medical equipment, used make-up, paint or large furniture.

We are looking for volunteers to help set up on Wednesday, May 13th starting at 9:00 a.m. We will also need trucks, vans, or trailers to help haul away what is left over to Treasures of the Heart Thrift Store on Saturday morning May 16th at 9:00 a.m. We are usually done cleaning up by 11:00 a.m.

We are also asking for food to feed the volunteers during the set-up and sale and also bars or cakes to sell.

We ask that you do not start bringing donations until Monday, May 4th. They may be brought to Charles Hall. The church will be open for donations from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM weekdays.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Pat Preston at 715-235-0248 or Cyrilla Face at 715-235-3774 and leave a message and phone number where we can reach you. Thank you.

NOTE: Baby furniture can be donated to the Foster Closet, 421 Cedar Ave. W., Menomonie. Please call at 715-497-3561 to make sure someone is available.

Biannual Thrift Sale

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
921 WILSON AVE,
MENOMONIE

THURSDAY	MAY	FRIDAY	MAY
9:00 AM	14	9:00 AM	15
TO 6:00 PM		TO 5:00 PM	



CLOTHING, BOOKS, BEDDING, PURSES, SHOES, TOYS, JEWELRY, HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN WARES

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

(all money raised will be used for PCCW activities and church or school needs)



WE WOULD LOVE TO
SEE YOU ALL THERE!

PARISH POTLUCK

MAY 17 | 11:15-12:30

ON THE LAWN BEHIND CHURCH



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CONTACT INFORMATION

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Join Our Parish Community:
 Contact Nicki Welsch, or click on
 "I'M NEW" at :
MenomonieCatholic.org.

St. Joseph Grade School:
 Serving children 4K through 5th
 grade. We are a 4K
 program site and a Wisconsin
 Parental Choice Program school.
 Registration for the school year
 is ongoing.
 Contact Principal Mary Kiefer
 with questions or to set up a
 tour.

Baptisms:
 Contact Nicki Welsch for
 information and to schedule a
 baptism.

Weddings:
 Contact the Parish Center at
 least 6 months before your
 wedding to set up a meeting
 with Fr. Mano and begin
 preparation.

The **Parish Finance Council**
 consists of appointed members
 who work with the pastor and
 act justly and prudently in
 formation and administration of
 the parish's financial policies,
 budget and long range planning.

Finance Council Members

Fr. Mano
 Tiffany Clark
 Larry Feiler
 Priscilla Fuhrman
 John Heike
 Jeff Krumenauer, Chairperson
 Shirley Riedmann

The **Parish Pastoral
 Council** is a consultative body
 to the pastor with elected and
 appointed members to help
 define, plan, prioritize, and
 carry out the mission of our
 parish.

Pastoral Council Members

Katie Baier
 Anna Beckman
 Debra Berends
 Karen Brunner
 John Heike
 Jason Horzewski, Chairperson
 Katie Mrdutt
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 Duane Zweber

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 older are invited to join
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 code with a smartphone/
 tablet. Enter your info and
 you will be contacted by a
 local member. Or contact
 Bob Brahmstadt
 Grand Knight at
KC2055GK@gmail.com.



The **Parish Council for Catholic Women (PCCW)** is an organization all women of the Parish belong to whether they pay dues or not. It is part of the Durand Deanery of the La Crosse Diocese Council for Catholic Women (LDCCW). You may find more information on the website at <https://www.menomoniecatholic.org/pccw>. Current president is Colleen Berg. Contact information is stjosephpccw24@gmail.com.

PARISH PRAYER REQUEST

Remembering Our Faithful Departed:

As a parish family we remember in our prayers those who have died most recently, their families, and loved ones. May those who have died in Christ now share in His Resurrection (**bolded** indicates a parishioner):

Shirley Faber
 Kevin Finigin (uncle of Patti Blount)
Ann Krisik (mother of Lynn Schwartz)
 Bill Blount (uncle of Patti Blount)
Karen Kundy
 Joseph (son of Mary)
 Kathy Timm (sister-in-law of Linda Kostuch)
 David Kosloski (uncle of Linda Kostuch)
Constance "Connie" Holden
 Chloe Lindsay (granddaughter of Mike & Ruth Kasten)
Gloria Welch Ziehl
Carrie J. Larson
 Steve Schaefer (nephew of Roger & Mary Schaefer)

Contact the Parish Center to have someone from outside the parish remembered on this list.

Parish Prayer Requests:

We pray for all in our community and in the world who are in need of comfort.

THE MOST RECENT REQUESTS ARE LISTED BELOW.

Visit MenomonieCatholic.org/prayer-list FOR THE COMPLETE LIST. NAMES WILL REMAIN ON THE WEBSITE PRAYER LIST FOR TWELVE MONTHS. UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUESTED..

<p>Donald Clark Patrick Weber Chrissie Weber John Rapacke (friend of Ralph & Maria Varsho) Lynn Boos Ed & Lynn LaVenture Liz Lubke (friend of Shirley Riedmann) Rick Heinzen (brother of Jeff Heinzen) Doug Weber Katie Lorentz (wife of Tom Leventhal)</p>	<p>Stevie Georgia Blanchard Vi Traxler Rosalie Sowatzke (friend of Denny & Cindy Marach) Bev Rogers Monica Scott Mary Baier Diana Piontek Pat Pizzi Marge Zeilinger Shirley Faber Ashly (daughter-in-law of Robert & Rene Brahmstadt)</p>
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If you would like us to pray for you or someone you love, contact the Parish Center at 715-232-4922 or email to contact@menomoniecatholic.org.



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