



St. Joseph Catholic Parish

April 6 & 7, 2024

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2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, April 6(Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15)

Hospitality After Mass

Anniversary Blessing

12:00 PM—Kinnally Wedding

12:30 PM—2nd Grade Retreat (Parish Center)

3:00 PM—Private Confession

3:30 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

4:00 PM Mass—Holy Souls in Purgatory by Vicki Ruby

Sunday, April 7(Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31)

Hospitality After both Masses

Anniversary Blessing both Masses

8:00 AM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:30 AM Mass—Living & Deceased Members of the Kettner Family
by Joe & Joyce Kettner

9:30 AM—Religious Education Confirmation (Parish Center)

9:45 AM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

10:15 AM Mass—St. Joseph Parish Family

Baptism Lainey James Ruth Anderson daughter of James & Jacquelyn

2:00-3:00 PM—Durand Deanery Divine Mercy Sunday

5:15 PM—Private Confession

5:40 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 PM Mass—StoutCatholic

Monday, April 8(Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Lk 1:26-38)

No Services

8:00 AM-9:00 AM—Adoration (The Ministry)

6:00 PM— Bible Study (Parish Center CR)

Tuesday, April 9(Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15)

7:00 AM-3:00 PM—Adoration (Church)

8:00 AM Mass—Bernard Lehmann by Erik & Rebecca Rueter

10:00 AM— Bible Study (Parish Center CR)

3:30 PM Mass—Comforts of Home

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

6:00 PM—RCIA (Parish Center CR)

Wednesday, April 10(Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21)

8:00 AM Mass—Charles & Juanita Bates by Jeanne Bates

5:30 PM—Traditional Choir Rehearsal (Parish Center CR)

6:00-7:00 PM—Adoration (The Ministry)

6:30-7:30 PM—Religious Education Middle School (Parish Center)

6:00 PM—First Communion Rehearsal (Church)

Thursday, April 11(Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36)

2:00 PM Mass at The Neighbors—Margaret Walsh by the PCCW

5:30 Mass—The Ministry

6:00 PM—Dinner & Trivia (The Ministry)

Friday, April 12(Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15)

No School

9:00 AM Mass—Sharon Register by Dennis & Julie Stratton

Saturday, April 13(Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21)

3:00 PM—Private Confession

3:30 PM—Pray the Rosary

4:00 PM Mass—Marjorie Dasaro by Roger & Mary Schaefer

Sunday, April 14(Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48)

8:00 AM—Pray the Rosary

8:30 AM Mass—Stanley Baszuro by Obradovich Family

10:15 AM Mass—Lawrence & Maxine Ryder by the Family

Baptism Nicholas John Nigon son of Tyler & Leanna

12:30 PM First Communion Mass—St. Joseph Parish Family

5:15 PM—Private Confession

5:40 PM—Pray the Rosary

6:00 PM Mass—StoutCatholic

SACRAMENTS

Just Married

Congratulations

James Kinnally & Mary Kay Krupa



*May the years ahead be filled with
lasting joy & blessings!*

Congratulations on your Baptism

Lainey James Ruth Anderson

Daughter of James & Jacquelyn

You have put on Christ, you have been baptized,

Alleluia, Alleluia!

EMPLOYMENT

WE ARE HIRING 2 NEW POSITIONS!

Parish Administrative Secretary

and

School Administrative Secretary

Both are onsite positions

Please visit our website for more details.
www.menomoniecatholic.org/employment

EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Flower Correction

Flowers in memory of Doris & Verlon Wold by Jean, Steve, and Mike Herrem, and Michele, Joe, Madi, and Sophie Dickhausen

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Christ is Risen!

On behalf of our students and staff, I would like to wish you a blessed Easter Season! Every day, at morning announcements, our students join together to sing a song based on the time of year, or liturgical season. During the Easter Season, we sing, "We are an Easter People, and Alleluia is our song, we are an Easter People, and Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia is our song". These words are from St. Pope John Paul II who was paraphrasing St. Augustine. The beauty of this phrase is that the Holy Father spoke these words, not during Easter, but in November! We are to be an Easter people, always! As our students raise their voices in joyful song and praises to God, they are truly an Easter people!

Our 2nd grade students continue to prepare for their First Communion which is on Sunday, April 14th. Please keep them in your prayers, along with the 2nd grade Religious Education students.

On Friday, April 12th, we will travel to La Crosse to join all the educators from the Diocese of La Crosse for a Professional Development Day. There will be approximately 675 people gathered to celebrate Mass at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral, followed by a gathering at the La Crosse Center for faith and fellowship.

It is such a blessing to be part of this school community! Thank you for all the ways you support St. Joseph School!

Mrs. Mary Kiefer, Principal



Choice Program

What is the CHOICE program at St. Joseph Grade School you may ask? We strongly believe in offering spiritual, academic, physical, and social excellence within the framework of God, family, and community. The CHOICE program empowers parents, who could not otherwise afford private school, to make the best educational decisions for their children. Open enrollment in the CHOICE program is only open until April 18. Please check it out to see if you qualify for free tuition at St. Joseph Grade School at dpi.wi.gov/choice. If you have any questions contact Maribeth.hartung@menomoniecatholic.org.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL CONT'D

WALK for Virtues

FRIDAY, May 3, 2024

WHAT IS WFV?

Walk for Virtues is a fundraiser for our school. Students will walk on the Red Cedar Trail in Menomonie on Friday, May 3. Parents are welcome to join! The walk represents our school community's pledge to practice the virtues of Faith, Hope, Charity, Prudence, Justice, Fortitude and Temperance, which students learn about throughout the school year.

HOW DO WE RAISE MONEY?

- 1) St. Joseph School families will collect pledges for our walk from family and friends in the coming weeks.
- 2) A Walk for Virtues Sponsor Bulletin Board will be in the main entrance of the church. This is an opportunity for parishioners or others who may not be asked to pledge a student to walk, to support our school and the Walk for Virtues fundraiser. Look for more information in next week's bulletin.

ANY AMOUNT PLEDGED OR DONATED IS APPRECIATED!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us.
John Vianney

Please keep our 2nd graders in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion next weekend!

UPCOMING DATES:

ELEMENTARY

- Apr 10:** 1st Communion Rehearsal 6:00 / **CHURCH**
Apr 14: 1st Communion Mass 12:30 / **CHURCH**
Apr 17: Faith Formation 5:30 – 6:30 / **PARISH CENTER**

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Apr 10:** Faith Formation 6:00 – 7:30 / **PARISH CENTER**
Apr 24: Faith Formation 6:00 – 7:30 / **PARISH CENTER**

CONFIRMATION

- Apr 24:** Small Group meeting space available 5:00 – 8:00 / **PARISH CENTER**

PARISH AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Space is Limited. Sign up today.

FREE DINNER &

TRIVIA NIGHT

6PM ON THURSDAY
APRIL 11

@ THE MINISTRY, 710 2ND ST E

BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO PASS!

HOSTED BY STOUTCATHOLIC | PARISHIONERS WELCOME!

RSVP NICKI.WELSCH@MENOMONIECATHOLIC.ORG
OR CALL THE PARISH CENTER 715-232-4920



Divine Mercy Sunday

**The Durand Deanery
will be hosting
Divine Mercy Sunday
at
St. Joseph Church,
Menomonie, Sunday,
April 7th
2:00-3:00 pm**

Adoration

An opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

Confession

A beautiful opportunity that allows all of us to renounce the sins we have committed and seek absolution.

Indulgence

Removes the consequences of sin to be paid either on earth or in Purgatory.

***This is not a Mass**

BOOK ...CLUB...

Come and join the upcoming St. Joseph's Church Book Club
Who: All Men and Women of the parish are invited to participate. This particular book does have some graphic details that might not be the right choice for everyone.

What: Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust by Immaculee Ilibagiza

The triumphant story of this remarkable young woman's journey through the darkness of genocide will inspire anyone whose life has been touched by fear, suffering, and loss.

Immaculee will be a speaker at the Eucharistic Revival on June 7, 2024. What better way to prepare for the event than to read her book.

When: Orientation Meeting, April 17
Book Discussion (first half of the book) May 8
Book Discussion (second half of the book) May 29

All meetings will be 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Friendship House

Participants are responsible for obtaining a copy of the book. Books can be ordered at Dragon Tail Books in downtown Menomonie (allow about a week), Amazon, check out the library, the Libby app or borrow from someone who has it.

Why: Because in addition to this being an inspiring book, the Book Club is a fun group of people. Don't worry if you can't get the book read, it's a judgement free zone.

EVENING ADORATION WITH MEDITATION MUSIC



**Tuesday,
April, 16th
6:00-6:30**

**All are welcome! Spend time
with Jesus: Pray, read, meditate.
If you have never been to
adoration now is the time!**

Children are encouraged to attend!

STEWARDSHIP

FINANCE REPORT

July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024

OFFERTORY for March 31—Week 40

Adult Envelope Donations	\$ 18,835.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 11,731.00
Over Weekly Goal	\$ 7,104.00

Plate	\$ 2,392.33
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Year-to-Date Total	\$469,034.24
Year-to-Date Goal	\$469,240.00
Under Yearly Goal	\$ (205.76)

Diocesan Annual Appeal:	
Goal	\$ 67,860.00
Pledged/Received	\$ 35,200.00

—THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING—

CASA HOGAR

Casa Hogar is a home for youth that is supported by the Diocese of La Crosse with the mission of delivering high quality care in a family environment. There are 64 children and families who live at Casa Hogar ranging in age from 5 to 17 years old.

Over the years, we have helped provide many children with a safe and caring family environment where they can gain the confidence to develop skills that empower and enable them for a promising future.

In June St. Joe's has 13 individuals going on a mission trip to Casa Hogar. As part of our trip we will be taking needed supplies with us and working on a project at Casa Hogar. A collection will take place after Mass the weekends of April 20-21 and April 27-28. If you would like to donate cash or any of the items on the list in the bulletin your help would be appreciated.



- Puzzles
- Brainteasers
- Card games (popular don't always need to read directions).
- Barrettes, headbands, fun stuff for hair
- Fun socks
- Art kits
- Anything craft – boys and girls
- Journals w/pens
- Drawing pads w/pencils
- Adult coloring books w/colored pencils
- Kids coloring books with markers or crayons
- Legos
- Barbies
- Transformers, character toys
- Cars – any kind
- Remote control anything
- Balls – any kind
- Kites
- Jump ropes
- T-shirts – sports or girly
- Doodle boards – you push a button and the picture wipes off.



PCCW



PCCW Scholarship | Due May 1st

St. Joseph Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) is offering (1) \$1000 scholarship. Any Catholic woman of St.

Joseph parish who plans to attend or is attending a Catholic or public college or university, or other institution of higher education should apply. Full or part time students are eligible to apply as well as previous recipients. Applications to a Catholic school will have priority. Scan the QR code for details and application.



Groups on call for funerals for the upcoming months are as follows:

Group 10 (Schrader-Stubbe) is for April and the caller is Mary Lechwar.

Group 11 (Styer-Wayerski) is for May and the callers are Laura Wahl and Sandy Tarter.

Group 12 (Wayne-Zydowsky) is for June and the caller is Rosalie Werner.

CHOIR

Upcoming Choir Rehearsals

Guitar Choir: Wednesday, April 17, 6:00 PM
Traditional Choir: Wednesday, April 10 & 24, 5:30 PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Knights of Columbus 2024 Scholarship

Applications for the KC Scholarship are due Monday May 1, 2024. If you are a registered member of St. Joseph Catholic Parish in Menomonie, admitted to a college or university for fall 2024 semester, and pursuing an associate, baccalaureate or advanced degree, please consider applying. Find more details and the application at MenomonieCatholic.org or scan the QR Code.

Email application and letters of recommendation
Bob Lichy at rlichty66@gmail.com.



Eucharistic Miracle of HERENTALS

BELGIUM, 1412



In the Eucharistic Miracle of Herentals, some Hosts that had been previously stolen were found after eight days perfectly intact, in spite of the rain. The Hosts were found in a field near a rabbit burrow, surrounded by a bright light and arranged in the form of a cross. Every year, two paintings of the Antoon van Ysendyck, depicting the miracle, are taken in procession to the field where a small shrine was built – *De Hegge*. Here a commemorative Mass is celebrated before numerous people. The two paintings are presently kept in the Cathedral of Sint-Waldefrudiskerk ad Herentals.



Church of San-Waldefrudis, Herentals



A. Van Ysendyck (1801-1875). A series of paintings by "Het wonder van de Hegge" – *The Holy Miracle of the Fence*, Church of San-Waldefrudis



Painting of Van Ysendyck depicting the miracle



Interior of the Church of San-Waldefrudis



The "De Hegge" chapel built at the place where the miracle took place



In 1412, a certain Jan van Langerstede went for lodging to a hotel not far from the little city of Herentals. This professional man was stealing sacred objects from churches and selling them all over Europe. The day after his arrival at Herentals, he went to the nearby village of Poederlee. He entered the parish church and, without being noticed, stole the chalice and the ciborium containing five consecrated Hosts. As he was returning to Herentals, in the place known as "De Hegge" ("the fence"), he felt as if pulled by a mysterious force that was keeping him from continuing his journey. So he tried to get rid of the Hosts by throwing them into the river, but his every attempt to do so was useless. Jan was on the verge of despair when he saw a field not very far away with a big rabbit burrow where he straightaway hid the Hosts. The task

took place without any trouble, and the man was able to peacefully return to Herentals. In the meantime, the city judge, Gilbert De Pape, began an investigation to discover the author of the theft in the church of Porderlee. Among the suspects was also our Jan. The police searched his luggage and found the chalice and the ciborium.

Jan then confessed everything except the fact that he had thrown away the Hosts. He was to be immediately hanged, and Jan had already climbed the scaffold when, encouraged by the priest to cleanse his soul before dying, completely confessed his guilt. The judge then suspended the execution and ordered Jan to indicate the exact place where he had left the Hosts. A large crowd followed them. As soon as

they arrived at the field, they saw the Hosts all radiant, arranged in the form of a cross. Strangely, the Hosts remained intact, notwithstanding the weather, and they were at once brought back in procession, some to Herentals and some to Poederlee, where they remained until the 16th century. On January 2, 1441, the miracle was declared authentic by the magistrate of Herentals. At the place where the Hosts were found, a small chapel was built, which was visited by numerous prelates, such as Jean Malderus, Bishop of Anvers in 1620, and Pope Benedict XIV in 1749. The daughter of John of Lussembourg, Elizabeth Van Görlitz, paid for the enlargement of the chapel, which later on was transformed into a shrine.

CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Joseph Parish | 910 Wilson Ave. | Menomonie, WI

Parish Center Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Phone: 715.232.4922 | **Fax:** 715.232.4923

Mass: Sat 4:00 PM; Sun 8:30 AM, 10:15 AM, 6:00 PM; Tues & Wed 8:00 AM; Fri 9 AM | **Pastor:** John S. Muthu Vijayan (Fr. Mano)

Adoration in Church: Tuesdays 7:00 AM-3:00 PM | **Private Confession in Church:** Sat 3:00 PM

Pastor: Fr. Mano, fr.mano@menomoniecatholic.org

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Director of StoutCatholic: Becca Sheahan director@stoutcatholic.org

Choice Program: Maribeth Hartung, maribeth.hartung@menomoniecatholic.org

Join Our Parish Community:

Contact Nicki Welsch, or click on "Join Our Parish" at : MenomonieCatholic.org.

St. Joseph Grade School:

Serving children 3 years old 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
Karen Adams
Larry Feiler
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

Debra Berends
John Heike
Jason Horzewski *Chairperson*
Laura Knudsen
Dan Wengel
Linda Young
Duane Zweber

Knights of Columbus:

Catholic men age 17 ½ and older are invited to join the Knights. Scan this QR code with a smartphone/tablet. Enter your info and you will be contacted by a local member. Or contact Michael Kasten, Grand Knight at KC2055GK@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:

Betty Fraber (mother of Pat Preston)
Mary Curtin
Tom Koranski (father of Troy Koranski)
Stanley Baszuro
Nina Obradovich
Rick Halama
Alice Evenson
Agnes Stipetich
Jim Swanson
Ron Jordan
Robert Heagle
Margaret Walsh
Margaret Fuchs (mother of Anita Hendrickson)

Contact the Parish Center to have someone from outside the

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.

Sherrie Schlough
Ken Thibado Sr.
Jason Wayne
Annie Schneider
Bob Swanson
Bill Harmon
Virginia Schober
James Wenzel
Kathy Falk
Alvin Fremouw
Jennifer Berg
Takoya Weber

Margaret LaForte
Mike Reid/
(Friend of Jim Brandenburg)
Karen Dorow
Arnie Bauer Jr.
Kinleigh Richartz/
(daughter of Corbin & Becky)
Carolyn Krieger
Stevie
Ben Ramaeker/
(son of Mike & Janice)

If you would like us to pray for you or someone you love, contact the Parish Center.