

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

September 10, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses." Mt 18:15-16



Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends: Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: **8:00 am, 10:00 am
Español-Spanish: 12:00 noon

Weekdays: Monday: **NO MASS this week**
Tuesday: **12:05 pm
Wednesday-Saturday: **8:00 am

****This Mass will be "Live-Streamed" on YouTube**

Go to our website: www.StMatthewWausau.org, click on icon "Today's Mass" for direct link. For other Masses click on icon "YouTube-Recorded Masses". Or go directly to YouTube: "St. Matthew Wausau"

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before every Mass
Saturday: 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
(Wednesday 4:30 pm: Evening Prayer,
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction)

TV Sunday Mass

- Channel 7.4 WSAW - Sunday 9 am
- Cable TV
- Channel 12 - Sunday 6:30 am
- Ch 980 Public Access - Sat 6 pm & Sun 9 am

Parish Center Office - Oficina

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)
221 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148

Office Hours - Oficina Horas

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday: 8:00 am - 12 noon

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September 10th
Happy Grandparents' Day!
Prayer for Grandparents
 by Pope Benedict XVI



Lord Jesus, You were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.

Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them!

They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them!

As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love.

Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which You give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

The Feast of
Our Lady of Sorrows

by Fr William Saunders
 Edited from catholiceducation.org



The title, *Our Lady of Sorrows*, given to our Blessed Mother focuses on her intense suffering

and grief during the passion and death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the *seven dolors* or *seven sorrows of Mary*, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary, *"This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare."* (Luke 2:34-35)

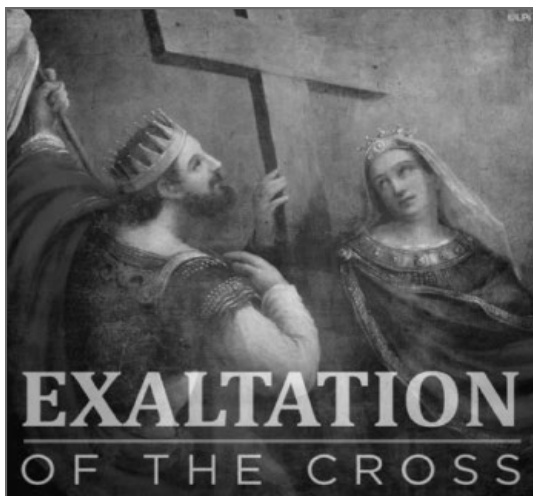
These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary's standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord's burial. In all, the prophecy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother's heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her fiat, *"let it be done unto me according to Thy word"*, first uttered at the Annunciation. ...

In 1482, the feast was officially placed in the Roman Missal under the title of *Our Lady of Compassion*, highlighting the great love our Blessed Mother displayed in suffering with her Son. The word *compassion* derives from the Latin roots *cum* and *pator* which means *to suffer with*. Our Blessed Mother's sorrow exceeded anyone else's since she was the mother of Jesus, Who was not only her Son but also her Lord and Savior; she truly suffered with her Son....

In 1668 the feast in honor of the *Seven Dolors* was set for the Sunday after September 14, the Feast of the *Holy Cross*. The feast was inserted into the Roman calendar in 1814, and Pope Pius X fixed the permanent date of September 15 for the Feast of the *Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary* (now called the Feast of *Our Lady of Sorrows*). ...The Gospel of St John recorded, *"Seeing His mother there with the disciple whom He loved, Jesus said to His mother, 'Woman, there is your son'. In turn He said to the disciple, 'There is your mother.'"* (John 19:26-27) The Second Vatican Council wrote, *"She stood in keeping with the divine plan, suffering grievously with her only-begotten Son. There she united herself, with a maternal heart, to His sacrifice, and lovingly consented to the immolation of this Victim which she herself had brought forth."*

Focusing on the compassion of our Blessed Mother, Pope John Paul II, reminded the faithful, *"Mary Most Holy goes on being the loving consoler of those touched by the many physical and moral sorrows which afflict and torment humanity. She knows our sorrows and our pains, because she too suffered, from Bethlehem to Calvary. 'And thy soul too a sword shall pierce.' Mary is our Spiritual Mother, and the mother always understands her children and consoles them in their troubles. Then, she has that specific mission to love us, received from Jesus on the Cross, to love us only and always, so as to save us!"*

Therefore, as we honor our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Sorrows, we honor her as the faithful disciple and exemplar of faith. Let us pray as we do in the opening prayer of the Mass for this feast day: *"Father, as Your Son was raised on the cross, His Mother Mary stood by Him, sharing His sufferings. May Your Church be united with Christ in His suffering and death and so come to share in His rising to new life. Looking to the example of Mary, may we too unite our sufferings to our Lord, facing them with courage, love, and trust."*



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Feast Day - September 14th

*"Everything is a reminder of the Cross.
 We ourselves are made in the shape of a cross."*

*"You must accept your cross.
 If you bear it courageously,
 it will carry you to heaven."*

St John Vianney

*"This is the 'folly' of the cross: a folly capable of changing
 our sufferings into a declaration of love for God
 and mercy for our neighbor."*

Pope Benedict XVI

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Anointing Baptism Communion Confirmation Reconciliation Marriage Holy Orders

Celebration of the Sacraments

Confession

30 minutes before every Mass and Saturday: 9:00 am - 10:00 am.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation Class: September 13, 2023 at 6:30 pm

The Baptism Class must be attended by parents - Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling the Parish Center: 715-842-3148.

Bautismo

Para Bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase de preparación. Generalmente las clases son el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el centro parroquial. Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy al: 715-842-3148.

Marriage - Contact Fr Sebastian 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Home Communion Visits

Call Dorothy: 715-432-5519 or the Parish Center: 715-842-3148 for:

- * **Anointing of the Sick** - for those seriously ill and before a scheduled surgery.
- * **Communion Visits to the Homebound** - if you would like to receive Holy Communion at your home, rehab center, assisted living facility, or nursing home.
- * **Visits at the Hospital** - If you are anticipating a hospital stay, call and let us know as we are not always notified by the hospital.

In Need of Extra Prayer? - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you! Call Bonnie: 715-675-9876 or Parish Center: 715-842-3148.

Marriage Enrichment and Parenting Resources

For Your Marriage Websites:

- * **www.foryourmarriage.org** - This website from the USCCB helps couples at all stages of life to understand and live God's plan for happy, holy marriages.
- * **www.diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment** - This website from the diocese of La Crosse provides information on events, retreats, books, DVD's to enrich your marriage.

Parenting Website: Teaching the Way of Love

- * **www.twl4parents.com** - This website is full of encouragement and tips for parents to continue to be the primary educators of their children.



Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus

We Respond with Thanksgiving after Receiving Jesus in Holy Communion

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, and the words of Jesus repeated by the priest, a miracle happens at every Mass. The substance of the bread and wine become the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus, even though the bread and wine still look the same. When we receive Jesus, we want to thank Him for this incredible Gift. Then we can speak with Him about anything that is on our heart. We also want to listen to what He might say to us in the quiet of our heart.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

"Jesus, I believe in You. Jesus, I hope in You. Jesus, I want to love You with all my heart. Jesus, I thank You for having come to dwell in me as I receive You in Holy Communion. I welcome You into my heart and I ask You to 'crowd out' whatever might be there that is not of You. And I desire to give You full reign as my Lord, my Savior and my King. Thank You for giving Your life for me on the Cross, loving me this much and allowing me to receive You into my heart in this present moment. And now that You are so close to me, please help me love You more and more, and serve You by loving the people around me. Amen."

Visit diolc.org/deeper for a downloadable Prayer Card with this prayer. This week, read Psalm 107:1 "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!"



St Mary's Church in Marathon Annual Charcoal Chicken Dinner

Sunday, September 24th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

in St Mary's School

Chicken dinner with all the trimmings & homemade pies.
Carry-outs available.

Adults: \$12.00, Students: \$7.00
Pre-School Children free when dining in.

Sponsored by the men of the parish.

Proceeds go to support the school.



**Do you know a couple who
has been married for 70, 75
or more years?**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter highlights and honors couples who have very long marriages. Every state in the U.S. will honor one nominated couple who is married the longest. Please nominate a couple by going to **wwme.org** and nominate them at the top of the page. Nominations should be in by September 15th.

For questions, call 641.753.6953.

Catholic Life Wants Writers of Faith Stories of Parishioners



Our diocesan magazine, Catholic Life, needs writers from across our diocese who can help tell the vibrant Faith stories of our parishioners in our parishes and communities. Catholic Life reaches 55,000 registered families and writers have a tremendous ability to help spread the Good News. Please prayerfully consider joining our pool of writers and reach out to Pam at pwiller@diolc.org if interested.



This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Monday, September 11

NO MASS TODAY

Tuesday, September 12

Consecration to Jesus through Mary - Emily's Room: after 12:05 pm Mass

Family Life Committee Meeting - Parish Center Library: 6:00 pm

Jubilee House Core Group Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:00 pm

Men's Fellowship Game Night - School Cafeteria: 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Wednesday, September 13

Confirmation Class - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:00 pm

English Baptism Class - Parish Center Library: 6:30 pm

Thursday, September 14

Peacemakers Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1:00 pm

Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Saturday, September 16

Scrip Sold after 4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, September 17

Catechetical Sunday

Scrip Sold after 8:00 am & 10 am Masses

Sharing God's Blessings



Thank you for your support!

**Weekly Minimum Amount
Needed per Budget:**
\$12,217.00

Envelopes (September 3rd).....	\$6,712.50
Offertory.....	\$916.14
Debt Reduction.....	\$135.00
Candles.....	\$85.00

Buying Scrip Supports St Matthew Parish



Next Scrip Sale: September 16th & 17th

In the Angelorum before and after Mass
(Saturday: 4:30 pm, Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am)

You can always buy Scrip at the Parish Center.

Scrip lists available in back of church by cry room
and the Parish Center.



Diocese of La Crosse Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief & sorrow of past abortions? Share with them the Good News of God's merciful love. Call Project Rachel for a confidential referral to those who can help: 608-860-6698.



Prayer

The most powerful weapon against trials.
The most effective medicine against sickness.
The most valuable gift to someone you love.

Please pray for the members of Saint Matthew Parish:

"Dear Jesus, please help and heal all parishioners who are homebound, lonely, depressed, grieving, sick, in the hospital, those who are terminally ill and those who have died. Amen



Mass Intentions September 11 - 17, 2023

Pray for Us

Mon, Sep 11 - 6:00 pm - **NO MASS today**

Tue, Sep 12 - 12:05 pm - †In Memory of Martha Stencil

Wed, Sep 13 - 8:00 am - †Tom Hynes

Thu, Sep 14 - 8:00 am - †Lillian Burish

Fri, Sep 15 - 8:00 am - †Lawrence & †Helen Mocello

Sat, Sep 16 - 8:00 am - †Roland & †Rita Broskowski

4:30 pm - †Juan Vargas Fernandez & †Travis Vargas

Sun, Sep 17 - 8:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners

10:00 am - Special Intention

Spanish - 12 noon - †Omar Rodriguez

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, September 11

Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62/Lk 6:6-11



Tuesday, September 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

Col 2:6-15/Ps 145/Lk 6:12-19

Weds, Sept 13 - Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop/Doctor of Church

Col 3:1-11/Ps 145/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 78/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday, September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16/Jn 19:25-27

Sat, Sept 16 - St Cornelius, Pope and St Cyprian, Bishop - Martyrs

1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113/Lk 6:43-49

Sunday, September 17 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

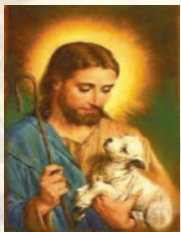
Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday September 16 4:30 pm	Sunday September 17 8:00 am	Sunday September 17 10:00 am
Lectors		
Jeanne Alexjun	Bernie Dohr	Lynn Meyer
Musicians		
Cindy Blair Anne Paul	Carla MacDonald Sara Schmitt	Phillip Wyman Annette Southworth
Ushers and Greeters		
Abigail Peek Maren Peek Lee Peek	Nic Schmitt Jody Babi Pat Ruesch	Bob Charlier Dale Evert Kevin Malovrh
Altar Servers		
Yonathan Ramirez	Adalyn Schmitt Everly Schmitt	Matthew Meyer Sam Meyer

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He will wipe every tear from their eyes,
and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain...Rev 21:4



Our Prayers & Sympathy go to
the Family & Friends of:

Patrick Kraft

He died Sunday - September 3, 2023
He is the Brother-in-Law of Brenda Kraft

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen*



**Little Flowers Girls Club
Little Women Hospitality Program**

**Monthly Girls Virtue and Etiquette Groups
for Ages 5-11 and 12-16**

Registration is now open until September 13, 2023.

Please contact Jade Nikolai for information, registration or if you would
like to volunteer. jynikolai@outlook.com or (717)307-5958



LOST & FOUND is Overflowing!

**Please check out the items
on the table in the Angelorum
for what you may be missing.**



**Saint Matthew's Feast Day
Thursday, September 21st**

**Celebrate our patron saint's feast day by
attending Mass at 8:00 am.**

**Join us after the 8:00 am Mass,
for a "Dutch Treat Breakfast" at
2510 Restaurant Deli
(2510 Stewart Avenue)**



St Matthew Ministry Fair

**September 23rd & 24th
September 30th & October 1st
after Masses
in Angelorum & Emily's Room**

We invite parishioners to participate in the Ministry Fair and
learn how we can *connect, grow, and serve* in our parish as
followers of Jesus Christ.

For questions call Ann at 715-203-3317

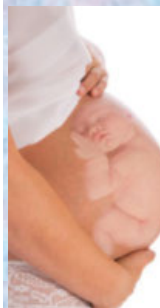


**Rural Life Mass | September 13th
11875 US Hwy. 10 in Marshfield**

The 42nd Annual Rural Life Day will be held
on September 13th hosted by Ken and
Joellen Heiman of Heiman Holsteins, at 11875
US Hwy 10 in Marshfield.

The day begins with a 10:00 AM Mass celebrated by Bishop
Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of
crops and machinery and a catered meal. There will also be
wagon rides to tour the ridge-top farm. All are welcome to this
celebration of the uniqueness of rural life, giving thanks to God
for the contribution of rural values to the life of the Church in
the Diocese of La Crosse.

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available from:



* **Catholic Charities - 360 Grand Avenue #800, Wausau**

Phone: 715.849.3311 Text: 715.600.6391
Email: info@cclse.org Website: cclse.org and
Pregnancy Support: www.cclse.org/i-think-im-pregnant

* **Hope Life Center - 605 24th Ave. S. Ste 20, Wausau**

Phone: 715.843.4673 Text: 715.843.4673
Email: info@hopewi.org Website: hopewi.org

**For additional resources and locations,
visit diolc.org/pregnancy-resources**

**There is no retirement age from the work
of proclaiming the Gospel and handing
down traditions to your grandchildren.**

— POPE FRANCIS —



**Attention
High
School
Students**



**The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) will take place
November 16-19, 2023 in Indianapolis, Indiana**

The NCYC is the premier biennial celebration for
Catholic teenagers, bringing over 25,000 people together
for this amazing four day experience.

Who can go?

Teens entering 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade in the fall of 2023.

Wausau area parishes will travel together by bus
and room together at the conference.

Estimated cost is \$700 per teen.

Additional information can be found at:

diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/ncychome

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