

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

January 21, 2024

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Mk 1:17



Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

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

Weekdays: Monday: **6:00 pm
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.
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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www.parishesonline.com

Diocese of La Crosse: www.dioc.org



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**Wisconsin Catholic Conference
Celebrates New
Safe Haven Baby Box Law**

The Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC), the public policy voice of Wisconsin's bishops, celebrates the enactment of Senate Bill 369 as 2023 Wisconsin Act 79 on December 6, 2023, authorizing newborn infant safety devices (also called baby boxes) under the state's safe haven law. The WCC thanks Governor Tony Evers, bill authors Senator Joan Ballweg and Representative Ellen Schutt, and all legislators who supported this bipartisan legislation.

We know that there are women in complex circumstances who will decide to relinquish their child after giving birth. Act 79 authorizes the installation of newborn infant safety devices in hospitals, fire stations, and law enforcement agency buildings where a parent can anonymously relinquish an infant under the age of 72 hours.

This law embraces both mother and child, providing women with a last resort that protects their own safety and that of their child. It gives birth mothers the security of knowing that their children will find love and stability.

Even as the WCC celebrates this new law, we will continue to work with all legislators to ensure that, whenever possible, mothers and children remain united and have every opportunity to thrive. There are many proposals that get us closer to this goal: expanding postpartum care, reducing costs for birth, eliminating racial disparities in maternal and infant mortality, supporting birth mothers after adoption, removing sales tax on feminine hygiene products and baby supplies, increasing the tax exemption for dependents, funding pregnancy resource centers, adoption tax credits, and more.

The Catholic Church stands ready and willing to walk alongside women experiencing challenges during pregnancy and parenthood. The Church's initiative, *Walking with Moms in Need*, seeks to ensure that no woman is alone when faced with such challenges. If you or someone you know is in need, please reach out to a local parish or Catholic Charities. Pregnancy resource centers are also an invaluable source of support and can be found across Wisconsin.

Together, we must build an economy and society where all women and children can flourish.



**The Truth, Beauty And Goodness
Of Our Faith On Flickr**

Our Faith is beautiful and one of the many ways we witness this is through photographs. The Diocese of La Crosse shares photos from across the diocese on its Flickr page. You can locate the page by going to the following link:
www.flickr.com/photos/diolc/albums

We travel about the diocese helping parishes by taking pictures, video, live streaming and gathering video clips of parish events and then providing them with the media to use at their parish as desired. Email Erik at **earcher@diolc.org** if you would like us to attend one of your events, take pictures or videos and produce/process them and share them with you.



Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery

**There are 2 cemetery plots available at Restlawn.
Call Cindy at 1-815-861-0841
if you are interested.**



50th Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to all couples who are celebrating their 50th Jubilee Wedding Anniversary in 2024. The Diocese of La Crosse would like to invite you to a special Mass and social/dinner as an opportunity to celebrate your marriage and bless your covenant love.

Please contact the Diocese at: **crogers@diolc.org** or your Parish Office.



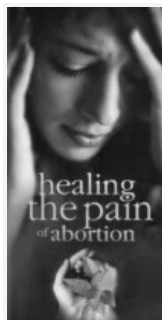
**January Pro-Life Events,
Prayers and Intentions**

Though the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision declaring a right to abortion was overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court on June 24, 2022, many states' laws are hostile to preborn children. And so our pro-life prayers and efforts are just as important as ever. Learn more, find resources, and see how you can make a difference at the diocesan website (**diolc.org/respect-life**) and the U.S. Bishop's website (**respectlife.org**).



**Post-Abortion
Healing Ministry in the
Diocese of La Crosse**

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608.860.6698 or email **projectrachel@diolc.org**



**Post-Abortion Healing Retreats
Rachel's Vineyard Encounter God's Mercy**

Rachel's Vineyard is a weekend retreat to help anyone who has struggled with the aftermath of abortion to begin healing through a supportive, trauma-sensitive approach. Each weekend is run by a team of trained volunteers (counselor, priest, and lay people), who care deeply for your needs. Many team members have suffered the same loss. It is understood that your loss may be something you have never shared with another person, even those who are closest to you. All interactions are completely confidential.

**These retreats will be offered in the Diocese of Madison
on March 15-17, 2024, and Nov. 8-10 2024.**

For more information, visit: **www.madisondiocese.org/rachel**

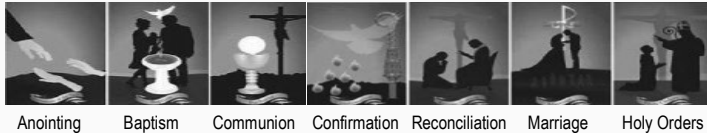


**"the ANSWER" Eucharistic
Rally Tickets are now on sale!**

The time has come to say "Yes!" to this life-changing event held on June 7, 2024, at the La Crosse Center. Discounted tickets are now available for purchase. However, you may also want to check with your parish office as there are some parishes that have already begun purchasing group tickets and reserving buses for this event. Please check out the official website for all the detailed information, including the link to purchase online tickets **<https://diolc.org/the-answer>**

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Celebration of the Sacraments

Confession

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

Baptism

Baptism Preparation Class: Wednesday, March 20th 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 lunes de cada mes a las 6:00 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.



Prayer Group

Bonnie Jelinek will be unavailable from December 12 to mid January to take calls requesting prayers. For that month, people should leave prayer requests at the parish office.

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Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus

Why Does Jesus Want To Stay With Us Always?

You know that Jesus wants to stay with you always because He loves you unconditionally. Why? Because He wants to be with the person He loves. How do you (we) know He loves you so much? Jesus gave His life for you by dying on the Cross so that your sins can be forgiven.

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

"Thank You Jesus that You want to be with me all the time."

This week, read Psalm 139:13-16 which speaks of how well God knows me and how close He is to me.



"Behold: God is With Us" Young Adult Retreat January 27, 2024

The world needs Jesus. Our souls need Jesus. Out of God's abundant love for us, He became man: the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14). Jesus is the answer to the longings of our heart, and He is our way to eternal life.

Knowing He would ascend into heaven, Jesus leaves us Himself - body, blood, soul, and divinity - under the guise of simple bread and simple wine. Why? So that our intimate love and union with Him (flesh to flesh) may continue in this life as we await the perfection of His love and union in the next. "Behold: God is With Us" or "Behold", for short, is an opportunity for you to retreat from the busyness and stresses of this world and find rest and consolation in Jesus and other young adults like you.

All 18-35-year-olds are welcome to join us for a day of enriching talks, silent prayer/reflection, small group discussion, adoration, confession, and Mass. Most importantly, learn how to remain connected post-retreat to a lively community of young adults striving for Sainthood.

This day-long retreat is at *Blessed Sacrament Parish in La Crosse, WI*. Check-ins will begin at 8:30 am and the retreat will conclude after the 4:30 pm vigil Mass. An optional after party will follow! Breastfeeding babies are welcome! Lunch will be provided! All of this and more for the low cost of \$20. Let us behold the Lord together! Register here:

<https://argentasoftware.com/interfaces/49870/frmEventTicketSalesForm.aspx?EventID=4042>



Catholic Daughters Court St Rose #1062 Salad Luncheon on Saturday February 11th 11 am to 1 pm

St Michaels Parish Krasowski Hall
611 Stark St. Wausau

Cost is \$10/adult, \$5/children under 12. Also raffle and bake sale.
Raffle drawing March 7th at St Therese church hall, Rothschild.
Proceeds used for scholarships and charitable projects.



It's Time to "Undecorate from Christmas"

Saturday, February 3rd
at 9 am in Church



This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Wednesday, January 24

Men's Morning Group: Bible Timeline - Emily's Room: 6 am

Thursday, January 25

Bible Timeline - Emily's Room: 9 am

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

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

Men's Club Meeting - Cafeteria: 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 27

Scrip Sold after 4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, January 28 - Catholic Schools Week

Scrip Sold after 8:00 am & 10 am Masses



Buying Scrip Supports St Matthew Parish

One new special order item is a new place in town, Forward Beverage Company at 304 N 3rd St,

a non-alcoholic beverage bar. Enjoy a mocktail using Scrip. Cards are \$25 with a 20% rebate.

Next Scrip Sale in the Angelorum: January 27th & 28th

Before and after Mass on:

Saturday: 4:30 pm and Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

You can always buy Scrip at the Parish Center.

**Catholic Daughters Court St. Rose #1062
will meet February 1st at 1 pm at St Therese, Rothschild.**



Business meeting with focus on Salad luncheon on February 11th at St Michaels to finalize plans. Bring your raffle tickets. Remember dues of \$30 are due. Refreshments and fellowship to follow so bring a friend to see what we are all about.

Sharing God's Blessings



Thank you for your support!

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

Envelopes (January 14th).....To Be Announced
Envelopes (January 7th).....To Be Announced

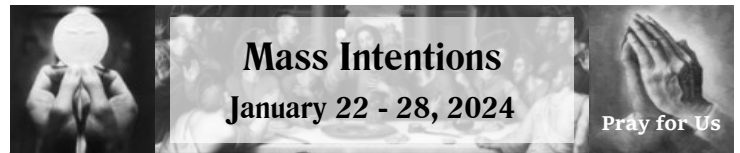


Prayer

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 January 22 - 28, 2024

Pray for Us

Mon, Jan 22 - 6:00 pm - †Lloyd Krautkramer

Tue, Jan 23 - 12:05 pm - †Mary Lindow

Wed, Jan 24 - 8:00 am - †Jim Low

Thu, Jan 25 - 8:00 am - †Jim Low

Fri, Jan 26 - 8:00 am - Fr Isaac Pecha

Sat, Jan 27 - 8:00 am - Election in Argentina

4:30 pm - †Joan Callahan

Sun, Jan 28 - 8:00 am - Sarah Roeder

10:00 am - †James Burish

Spanish - 12 noon - St Matthew Parishioners

*Two Mass Intentions are available when 2 priests concelebrate a Mass.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, January 22

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89/Mk 3:22-30

Tues, Jan 23 - St Vincent, Deacon/Martyr; St Marianne Cope, Virgin

2 Sm 6:12-15, 17-19/Ps 24/Mk 3:31-35

Weds, January 24 - St Francis de Sales, Bishop/Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25 - The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117/Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26 - Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops

Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27 - Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

2 Sm 12:1-7, 10-17/Ps 51/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



Liturgical Ministers

| Saturday January 27 4:30 pm | Sunday January 28 8:00 am | Sunday January 28 10:00 am |
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| Lectors | | |
| Lynn Meyer | Theresa Stubbe | Pat Loy |
| Musicians | | |
| Cindy Blair Nancy Losinski | Jim Washebek Annette Southworth | Phillip Wyman Dorothy Giallombardo |
| Ushers and Greeters | | |
| Mike Lawrence John Bocke Dave Mayer | Kathie Stencil Ted Stencil Jody Babl | Tom Line Randy Krueger Jack Reeves |
| Altar Servers | | |
| Yonathan Ramirez Mike Bourguignon | TJ Sondelski Joey Huebsch | Anthony Hanneman Sam Hanneman |
| Children's Liturgy of the Word | | Kim |
| SCRIP: Dottie Baxter | Kitty Jilek | Ann Line |




St Matthew's Pizza Night!
Saturday, January 20th at 5:30 pm (after 4:30 pm Mass)
in the School Cafeteria

Come enjoy delicious homemade Pizza
 and get to know other members of the parish family.

Enjoy the Live Music provided by
Jim Washebek and Friends

Have fun!! Bring the whole family!

If you would like to help or have questions contact
Deacon Tom at: ttierney@diolclergy.org

Thank you for Freewill Offerings made to support this event.




You're invited to learn more about
Newman Catholic Schools

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year
 begins February 1!
www.newmancatholicschools.com/enrollment

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| <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 NC Early Childhood Center: St. Therese Open House 8am-4pm Informational Mtg. at 6pm (715) 355-5254</p> | <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 NC Elementary School: St. Mark Open House 9am-2:30pm Informational Mtg. at 6pm (715) 359-9662</p> |
| <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 NC Middle & High School Tours available from 5:15-6:30pm 6th Grade Mtg. at 6:30pm (715) 845-8274</p> | <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 29 NC Elementary School: St. Anne Open House 8am-2:30pm Informational Mtg. at 6pm (715) 845-5754</p> |

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St. Francis de Sales
 1567-1622
 Doctor of the Church
 Memorial - 24 January

"Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow. The same Eternal Father who cares for you today will take good care of you tomorrow and every day of your life. Either He will shield you from suffering or He will give you the unfailing strength to bear it."

"We shall steer safely through every storm so long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed on God."

St Francis de Sales



Men's Club Meeting
Thursday, January 25th at 7:00 pm
in the school cafeteria.



Pro-Life Signature Ad Notice
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To appear in the City Pages
January 25, 2024

Join thousands of others in our community to say unborn lives are precious and should continue to be protected in Wisconsin.

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1-877-922-HOPE (4673) - All calls are confidential.

Space is limited. Register early!
No couple is turned away for lack of finances.

The next weekend program begins on February 16th-18th in the Wausau area.

Holy Name Fundraiser for Newman Catholic Classical School
Raffle for Italy Pilgrimage - August 2025
\$20 a ticket or 3 for \$50

Grand Prize: Italy Pilgrimage for 2 with Fr Martin
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To purchase a raffle ticket or for more information call the Parish Center: 715-842-3148 - Drawing Saturday, February 10th

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