

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

October 5, 2025

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." Lk 17:5-6

October Month of the Holy Rosary

"There is no problem, I tell you,
no matter how difficult it is,
that we cannot solve
by the prayer of
the Holy Rosary."

Sister Lucia, Visionary of Fatima



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-Friday: **8:00 am

**** Ways to watch a "Live-Streamed Mass"**

- www.stmatthewausau.org - near top of page
"Click to Watch the Mass" on YouTube then
scroll down to watch the Mass you want.
- Our YouTube Channel: "St. Matthew Wausau"
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before every Mass
Saturday: 3:00 pm - 4:20 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

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

First Fridays

Mass in Spanish at 5 pm, followed by
Flame of Love Holy Hour, followed by all
night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament,
ending with Mass in Spanish at
6 am on Saturday morning.

Parish Office - Oficina

227 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148

Office Hours - Oficina Horas

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday: closed

Website: www.StMatthewWausau.org
YouTube: [St. Matthew Wausau](https://www.youtube.com/StMatthewWausau)

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
Diocese of La Crosse: www.dioclc.org



A Brief History of the Rosary Ever Ancient, Ever New

What is the Rosary? And where did the Rosary come from?

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/rosary/history-of-the-rosary>

The Rosary is an incredibly rich practice of prayer that developed slowly, evolving over the centuries. The first recorded use of the word “rosary” did not appear until 1597. But the roots of the Rosary are found far earlier. While this ancient spiritual practice is unappreciated by many Catholics today, the Rosary is one of the most powerful prayers you may ever pray.

The History of the Rosary

The Third Century AD: The Rosary has roots in several early Christian prayer traditions. They share similar formats to the Rosary with repetitive structures and prayers.

- * Third-century Christian hermits and monks in Egypt (known as Desert Fathers) used stones and later prayer ropes to keep track when praying the 150 Psalms.
- * Various forms of “the Jesus Prayer” (such as “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me.”) became popular. The short prayer was said over and over again in a type of mantra while counting beads.

The Our Father was also prayed 150 times, using a string of beads with five decades referred to as a Paternoster (Latin for “Our Father”)

Early 1100s AD: Following the ancient tradition of repetitive prayer, Saint Alvery would recite 150 Hail Mary prayers every day, but that’s not all! He would also genuflect (kneeling with your right knee to the ground) for one hundred of them and lay prostrate (lying flat on your chest) for the last fifty. If you think the modern day Rosary is a lot to handle, consider that it’s only 50 Hail Marys—and you don’t have to genuflect or lie down for any of them!

1214 AD: Saint Dominic, the founder of the Dominican Order, had a vision of Mary, who told him about the Rosary (and even showed him a pair of rosary beads!). Saint Dominic made it his mission to spread the Rosary wherever he went. He encouraged lay Catholics to gather in small groups to pray an early version of the Rosary together.

Early 1400s AD: Dominic of Prussia developed the Joyful, Glorious, and Sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary. By centering each decade on an event in the lives of Jesus and Mary, the prayer unleashed the spiritual imagination to contemplate these important moments in the Gospels.

Ever have a hard time focusing on the mystery while you pray? Dominic also developed the practice of the Scriptural Rosary, which many people still use today! The Scriptural Rosary invites you to read a line of the Gospels before each Hail Mary, helping you focus on the mystery more deeply.

Mid-Late 1400s AD: When Alan de Rupe of Brittany discovered the Rosary, he instantly saw it as a powerful tool for spiritual growth...and one that was meant for everyone! Rupe set out to massively increase the popularity of the Rosary throughout Europe and he succeeded. He established Rosary confraternities, where members would pledge to pray fifteen decades of the Rosary each week and to pray for each other.

1571 AD: During the pontificate of Pope Pius V, the Ottoman Turks became a serious threat to Christian countries. In 1571, an enormous fleet of 120,000 Ottoman soldiers approached the Greek coast, ready to attack. On that same day, the Rosary Confraternity of Rome met to pray for the victory of the Christian forces...and against all odds, the Christian army won the battle! In commemoration, Pope Pius V established a feast day in honor of Our Lady of Victory on October 7th.

1597 AD: The first recorded use of the term “Rosary” was published.

Early 1700s AD: Saint Louis de Montfort was a Catholic priest who so loved Mary and the Rosary that he encouraged Catholics to consecrate themselves to Jesus through Mary. He wrote multiple spiritual classics including *True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin*, *The Secret of the Rosary*, and *The Secret of Mary*. These masterpieces were some of the Church’s earliest works that combined the study of Mary (Mariology) with the study of God (Theology). Saint Louis de Montfort’s works have inspired men and women to know and love Mary and Jesus for centuries.

1917 AD: Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, giving them many messages, including a call to pray the Rosary every single day for world peace. She invited them to add on a short prayer to every decade: “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and bring all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Your mercy.” This new update to the Rosary is called “The Fatima Prayer.”

2002 AD: Saint Pope John Paul II instituted the Luminous Mysteries, which focused on epic moments in the life of Jesus when His divinity exploded into ordinary human activities. He also named October 2002–October 2003 “The Year of the Rosary” to spread devotion across the world.

The History of the Hail Mary

590 AD: Believe it or not, the Hail Mary used to only be one line from Luke’s Gospel: “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.” In 590 AD, Saint Pope Gregory the Great invited Catholics to pray the Hail Mary during the Mass on the Fourth Sunday of Advent. This was the beginning of the prayer’s popularity.

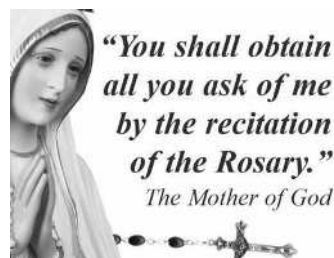
1050 AD: Later, the words of Elizabeth to Mary were added to the Hail Mary prayer: “Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.” (Luke 1:39-44) At this point, more people started praying the Hail Mary repetitively, using beads to keep track.

1261 AD: Pope Urban IV added the name of Jesus to the end of Elizabeth’s words: “Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.”

1555 AD: Saint Peter Canisius published the Hail Mary in his catechism with almost the entire final petition. His version read: “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners.”

1566 AD: Eleven years later, the Catechism of the Council of Trent included, for the first time, the entire petition, concluding with the words “now and at the hour of our death. Amen.”

1568 AD: The Hail Mary was officially approved as the current version we say today: “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.”



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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Call the Parish Office (715-842-3148) to make arrangements for:

✠ **Confession** - by appointment outside of scheduled Confession times.

✠ **Baptism** - Baptisms take place the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Baptism Preparation Class:

Wednesday, November 12th at 6:30 pm

The Baptism Class must be attended by parents. Godparents are encouraged to attend. **You must register at least one week before the class by calling the Parish Office.**

✠ **Bautismo** - Los bautismos se llevan a cabo el segundo domingo de mes. Para los bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase y no faltar a misa los domingos. Los padrinos deben presentar comprobante de que recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación y no pueden estar viviendo juntos. 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**

- * **Anointing of the Sick** - for those seriously ill and before a scheduled surgery.
- * **Holy Communion Visits to the Homebound** - for those at home, a rehab center, assisted living facility, or nursing home.
- * **Hospital Visits** - If you are anticipating a hospital stay, call and let us know. The hospital doesn't always inform us.
- * **In Need of Extra Prayer?** - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you! **Call Bonnie: 715-675-9876.**

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

Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus



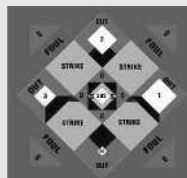
The Vital Connection Between The Eucharist And Confession

Part of the greatest preparation we can make to receive Jesus' Body and Blood is to experience His forgiveness and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If there is sin in our heart, there is no room for Christ. Jesus forgives us of our sins in Confession and this frees us, opens our heart to fulfill the deepest desire of our heart – to receive Him. Receiving Jesus brings about a strengthening of faith, hope and charity – a desire to love Him, ourselves, and others.

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

"Jesus, please give me the desire to make a good confession, as soon as possible."

This week, read how St John describes the importance of Confession in 1 John 1:9.



St Matthew Inter-Church "Baseball Darts League"

Our dart team is looking for players
(male & female). We have a lot of fun!
No experience required!

We compete against other church teams.

Monday nights, starting at 6:30 pm - September 22nd - March
(you can begin after September 22nd)

50% of games are at St Matthew Church in McGarty Hall
and the other 50% at other churches in the Wausau area.

If you would like to join our team or for more information call:

Marty Bever: 715-297-9598 - Mike Bever: 715-544-8089

Ed Hack: 715-907-1195



Men's Club Members and Ushers

All are urged to attend!

AED and CPR training

Wednesday, October 8 from 7-9 pm

At Wausau Fire Station (around the corner from church).



Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines for Reporting Instances of Child Abuse

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.



This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Wednesday, October 8

Men's Morning Bible Study - McGarty Hall: 6:00 am

Family Formation: Grades 7-10

Thursday, October 9

Bible Study - McGarty Hall: 9:00 am

Peacemakers Quilters - Our Lady of Guadalupe Room: 1:00 pm

Saturday, October 11

Public Square Rosary Rally - Meet in Angelorum at 11:45 am



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Needed per Budget:
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Envelopes (September 28).....to be announced



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Next Scrip Sale: October 11th & 12th

In the Angelorum after weekend Masses
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Join us for fellowship and a free light lunch after the noon Mass, ~12:40 pm in McGarty Hall, followed by presentation at 1 pm.

Please pre-register: 1-800-441-9949

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Speakers



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Mass Intentions October 6 - 12, 2025

Pray for Us

Mon, Oct 6 - 6:00 pm - †Jim Neuens

Tue, Oct 7 - 12:05 pm - †Donald Hanson

Wed, Oct 8 - 8:00 am - †Jim Low

Thu, Oct 9 - 8:00 am - Helping Hands Supporters and Volunteers

Fri, Oct 10 - 8:00 am - Living & †Deceased Bourguignon & Schauer Families

Sat, Oct 11 - 4:30 pm - Living & †Deceased Tanck & Krautkramer Families

Sun, Oct 12 - 8:00 am - Living & †Deceased Albrecht Family

10:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners

Spanish - 12 noon - †Omar Joaquin Rodriguez Soto

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, October 6 - St Bruno, Priest; Bl Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3-5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 8

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86/Lk 11:1-4

**Thursday, October 9 - St Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs
St John Leonardi, Priest**

Mal 3:13-20/Ps 1/Lk 11:5-13

Friday, October 10

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 11 - Saint John XXIII, Pope

Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97/Lk 11:27-28

Sunday, October 12 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 11 4:30 pm	Sunday, October 12 8:00 am	Sunday, October 12 10:00 am
Lectors		
Mary Holm	Aiden Losh	Joel Stroup
Musicians		
Nancy Losinski	Carla MacDonald Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard
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Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion		
Judy Koy	Al Seubert	Kim Sliwicki
Children's Liturgy of the Word		
Kim		
SCRIP: Judy Koy	Dottie Baxter	Jeannie Henaman

Welcome Deacon John McDonnell to St Matthew Parish

Welcome to St Matthew Parish,
Deacon John McDonnell and your lovely wife Tracy!

We are grateful that you will be a part of our parish and welcome you
and your family with open hearts and arms!
You are sure to be a special blessing to every life you touch.

Join Us After This Weekend's Masses in McGarty Hall
To Welcome Deacon John McDonnell

Refreshments Served

Saturday, October 4th: Lemonade & Cookies

Sunday, October 5th: Coffee & Donuts



Ray's Breakfast Club

All men are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday, October 15th at 9 am

at Eagle's Nest Restaurant

Join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month at various restaurants
for good food and good fellowship!



Marlene's Breakfast Club

All ladies are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday, October 15th at 9 am at
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guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times
of public tragedy and suffering."

"The Secret of the Rosary", Saint Louis de Montfort

ST MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

NOON - 1:00 PM

Meet inside in the Angelorum at 11:45 am

For more information, contact: Nancy at 715-675-6796

October 7th - Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary



"Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the
Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can!

Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying,
it is what is essential. Prayer shakes the Heart of
God, it obtains necessary graces!"

Saint Padre Pio

St Matthew Men's Club Fall Steak Feed



WHO

Members and Male Guests

WHEN

Thursday, October 23rd
McGarty Hall

Social: 5:00 pm Dinner: 6:00 pm

MENU

Steak or Chicken Breast, Baked Potato, Salad
Ice Cream and Refreshments

COST

\$20.00 per Person
(includes \$1 for 50/50 Raffle)

RSVP

Please RSVP by Sunday, October 19th

Include Number Attending and
if you would like Steak or Chicken Breast

RSVP TO

Glen Yeager: sheilay@charter.net, 715-573-1109

Don Gallenberg: dgallenberg@live.com

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All men of St Matthew Parish are invited
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