

The Second Sunday of Lent March 4 & 5, 2023

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for March 6 - 12, 2023

03/06/23	Monday	NO MASS
03/07/23	Tuesday	8:30 AM † Pauline Berra
03/08/23	Wednesday	NO MASS
03/09/23	Thursday	8:00 AM † Tom Venner
03/10/23	Friday	NO MASS
03/11/23	Saturday	4:00 PM † William "Bill" Pedretti
03/12/23	Sunday	9:30 AM People of St. Charles

Ministry Volunteers

Lectors

Sat. Mar. 11: 4:00 PM: Tom Jeffers

Sun. Mar. 12: 9:30 AM: Chris Magnuson

Servers

Sat. Mar. 11: 4:00 PM: Volunteers

Sun. Mar. 12: 9:30 AM: Salvatori & Arianna
Trussoni; Easton Eckes

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. Mar. 12: 9:30 AM: Dorothy Stokke

*If you would like to participate as Lector, Server, or
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion please
call Tom Jeffers at (608) 689-2683*

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Mar. 06: Tom & Pam Jeffers; Carolyn
Umberger

Mon. Mar. 13: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle

Ushers (March 2023)

Saturday: Steve Woodhouse & Larry Kelsey

Sunday: Keith Magnuson & Arnie Trussoni

Sacraments and Prayers

Church Hours

The church is open every day from 7 AM - 7 PM.

Confession:

Saturdays: 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

1st Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

1st Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass

Baptism: Contact parish at least 2 months prior:
608-689-2642

Marriage: Contact parish at least 6 months prior to
the wedding to schedule a date and preparation
meetings with the parish priest.

Anointing of the Sick and Homebound

Inform the parish office at (608) 689-2642 if
someone is seriously ill and needs the Sacrament
of the Anointing of the Sick.

Prayer Requests - Call 608-689-2642 - requests
will be passed to Father Sedlacek & the prayer
chain.

Sacrificial Giving February 25 & 26, 2023

Adult Envelopes \$1,762.00

Plate Offering \$ 80.05

Catholic Times \$ 20.00

Religious Education \$ 20.00

Total: \$1,882.05

From the Pastor's Desk The Eucharist and Lent

Peace to you! February flew by (as it always seems to do). March came in like a lamb... so I am looking forward to perhaps have one or two more times to get out cross-country skiing. There are lots of amazing things happening here at St. Charles. We have three high school students preparing for Confirmation in April, ten people in our RCIA group at various stages of their faith journey, and at least six youngsters preparing for their First Holy Communion in May, and at least a couple baby baptisms in the future.

The season of Lent is connected to the Sacraments, especially those of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist) and of healing and repentance (Reconciliation/Confession). As we began asking St. Monica at the end of our Masses to pray for those sons and daughters who have wandered from God and participation in the Eucharist, we are filled with trust that He is the one who is the answer to every human problem, suffering, and difficulty.

Please find below Bishop Callahan's message for this Lenten season.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!
-Fr. Sedlacek

Lent is a time when the Church invites us into authentic repentance and renewal. We are given 40 days to remind ourselves of how Jesus entered into His public ministry, the care He had for His people, the cruelty He endured and the promise He made at the Last Supper to be with us always. We can only marvel at the unfolding of the historical events and find consolation in the fulfillment of the ancient prophecies.

This year, pay particular attention to the actions carried out by Jesus on the night before he was crucified: He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Likewise, He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is the blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins."

These actions, so simple yet so profound, shape our entire Catholic Faith. It is the Eucharist that gives life, it is the Eucharist that gives hope and it is the Eucharist that is pivotal to your spiritual journey. I encourage you to make your Lenten journey in the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist. Open your heart and let Him speak to you.

Brothers and Sisters, my prayer for you this Lenten season is that you may come to a deeper love of Christ in the Eucharist. He is really present and wants to feed your soul with His very body. May you be transformed by His grace and keep alive in your desire for heaven.

Blessed Lent to you.
-Bishop William Callahan

St. Charles Parish News

Condolences

Of behalf of St. Charles Parish, I offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Barbara Blum, age 64, one of our parishioners, who passed away on February 21. Her funeral and burial were celebrated in her home town of Ridgeway, WI this past Wednesday, March 1st. "Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her! May she rest in peace. Amen."

Lenten Regulations

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday. 2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics age 18-59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller snacks are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

St. Charles Lent Devotions and Confession Schedule

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 2:30 PM on school days; Wednesdays at 7 PM.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday March 2nd 6:00-7:00 PM, Wednesday, March 29th 5:30-7 PM (Guest priest), Monday, April 3rd from 9 AM-5 PM at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse; and after the Good Friday Service on Friday, April 7th.

Schedule Changes for 1st-5th grade CCD

Sunday, March 12th - NO CCD

Sunday, March 19th - CCD 8:15-9:15 AM

Sunday, March 26th - NO CCD

Wednesday, March 29th - Stations of the Cross 7 PM

Cancer Benefit for Jordan Gilman Sat. March 11th

At the Retreat Sportsman's Club. 1 PM. Food, Chinese Raffle, Live Auction at 3 PM. Jordan is an alumna of St. Charles School. She is 23 years old and was diagnosed with Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma in December. For Donations/Questions contact Margie 608-632-9130.

St. Charles Borromeo PTO Scholarship 2022-2023

St. Charles PTO will be awarding two \$250 scholarships to two (2) deserving students: one a former St. Charles School student and one to any member of St. Charles Parish that are graduating high school intending to pursue post-high school course of study at either college/university or other post-secondary educational institution. Deadline for the application is April 1, 2023. If you have any questions about the application, please call Danielle Trussoni (608) 648-2507. Application forms are available in the vestibule of the church or the parish office.

Capital Campaign Info

St. Charles Parish is beginning our 5-year campaign (2022-2027) to support needs at both the Diocese and at St. Charles parish. The diocesan portion of the campaign will go to fund our 2022-2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal, repairs to the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, and to fund a new Catholic Foundation. If you are interested in being involved in this effort, please let Fr. Sedlacek know.

St. Charles School News

Thank You - Culver's Fundraiser

Thank you to all who supported us whether you shared the information and/or came and ate on Fat Tuesday! It's greatly appreciated. Even with the cold, snowy weather we had, it was a great time seeing some smiling faces come out for a good cause! The Culver's staff was a great group to work with and we look forward to working with them in the future. Hopefully everyone made it home safely!

Bingo – Sunday March 12th

Mark your calendars the PTO is hosting another Bingo event with a lunch meal option (eat in and/or play bingo or take it to go) on Sunday March 12th after the 9:30 Mass.

Spring Carnival

This year we are bringing back the **in-person Spring Carnival April 23rd from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm**. With this exciting news comes a lot of work and a lot of volunteers to make it happen. If you or someone you know is willing to help with any part of it - from set up (Friday night 2pm - 8 pm and Saturday 8 am - 8 pm), clean up/take down (Sunday right after); baking goodies, donating prizes, gift baskets, big or small (jar game alone takes over 300) or volunteering (approx 75 spots) during the event in anyway please reach out to Jessie Cina via call/text 608-780-1148 or email stcharlespto@outlook.com. If anyone is looking for volunteer hours here is a great way to earn some, have fun and give back to the school!

Raffle Tickets

There is a long list of great prizes which we **THANK the donors** for! The raffle wouldn't be possible without all of you. Purchase your tickets by contacting any parent, faculty member, the school office or on the day of Spring Carnival until they are sold out!

RootinCrown Consignment Store

RootinCrown is taking donations between 10 AM and 4 PM on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Appointments are still required for gently used furniture consignment. St. Charles earns a 60% share on clean and gently used furniture valued over \$50. To qualify for this offer, make an appointment with Mary Jo at 608-519-9500. Encourage family, neighbors and friends/social contacts to support our school by shopping at the RootinCrown and liking them on Facebook. www.rootincrown.com

School Shop Scrip Program

Thanks to everyone who have been using the Scrip program. If you haven't already, it is easy to join and start earning money for our school. Either create an account on www.Raiseright.com/shop or download the RaiseRight app. You can use the app or website to immediately buy and use eGift cards. At certain times throughout the year we place an order for physical gift cards. We will let you know when those orders will happen. Please reach out to Megan Olson with any questions at 608-385-7815 or mjtrussoni@gmail.com.

Other News from the Diocese and our Community

Fish Fry at MMOC March 24

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Fish Fry on Friday, March 24, from 4:00–7:00 PM, dine-in or carry-out. The price is \$12 for 2-piece and \$14 for 3-piece dinner and includes baked or batter fried cod, baked potato or fries, coleslaw and roll. \$5 kids meal includes grilled cheese, fries, fruit and milk. Beer, wine, desserts available at dine-in for additional cost.

Wanted: Administrative Assistant

St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral seeks a 32-hour administrative assistant from 8am-4pm Monday-Thursday. Applicant will manage all daily office operations and must be proficient in computer skills including Microsoft Office programs; have telephone, reception and clerical skills and experience; excellent organizational and interpersonal skills and work independently. Full job description found on Cathedral's homepage. Benefits offered.

Requirements for application: resume, two past job references and one reference from your pastor. Please submit to Monsignor Richard Gilles, Rector, rgilles@diolclergy.org or 530 Main St., La Crosse, WI 54601 no later than March 10, 2023. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt until position is filled.

Wanted: Noelke's/Stemper's Retail Manager

T.H. Stemper Company is seeking a full-time retail manager to join our team at the Stemper/Noelke

location in La Crosse, WI. The ideal candidate will have experience in retail management and knowledge of the Catholic Faith; however, we are willing to train for the right applicant. Hours: M-F 10:00am-5:00PM Sat: 10:00AM- 1:00PM (split with one other employee). We offer a competitive salary and benefits package for the right applicant. Call Joe Stemper @ 414-581-6940 or Noah Stemper @ 414-403-1923 to schedule an interview.

La Crosse Jail Ministry

The Jail Ministry continues to serve the needs of inmates, promote their well-being and transition to a more hopeful future. Our Chaplain, Ann Wales, is a dedicated individual who prayerfully touches the lives of inmates and correctional officers in a positive fashion. If you would like to support this ministry, you can donate online through the website, lacrossejailministry.org. For more information, contact: Chaplain@lacrossejailministry.org.

Volunteers Needed at Warming Center

Catholic Charities at the La Crosse Warming Center, located at 413 3rd St S, La Crosse. Hours of operation this season (November 1, 2022 - April 31st, 2023) are from 6:30pm till 8:30am, 7 days a week. Sign up through the Assistant Coordinator Karla Hein, khein@cclse.org, or call/text at 608-668-9005.

Parish Events Calendar

Sat. March 04: Mass at St. Mary's Hermitage 9:00 AM

Sun. March 05: CCD 1st – 5th grades 8:15-9:15 AM

Wed. March 08 Stations of the Cross 7 PM

Sun. March 12: NO CCD. PTO Bingo after Mass.

Wed. March 15: Middle School Group 6:30-8:00 PM

Thur. March 30: Women's Group Meeting 6:30 PM

Sun. April 23: St. Charles PTO Spring Carnival at the School 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM