

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 8 & 9, 2023

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for July 10-16, 2023

07/10/23	Monday	NO MASS
07/11/23	Tuesday	8:00 AM † Joe & Ernabelle Cina
07/12/23	Wednesday	8:00 AM † Janie Cina
07/13/23	Thursday	8:00 AM † Terry Pitzner
07/14/23	Friday	8:00 AM † Harold & Myrabella Pitzner
07/15/23	Saturday	4:00 PM † Francis "Frex" Furlano
07/16/23	Sunday	9:30 AM People of St. Charles

Ministry Volunteers

Lectors

Sat. July 15: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay
Sun. July 16: 9:30 AM: Jayne Ballwahn

Servers

Sat. July 15: 4:00 PM: Grady Nicklay; Volunteers
Sun. July 16: 9:30 AM: The Mitchell Family

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. July 16: 9:30 AM: Priscilla Martin

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

Rosary Leaders

Sat. July 15: 4:00 PM: Volunteer
Sun. July 16: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. July 10: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle
Mon. July 17: Conrad & Nancy Kirby; Keith Magnuson

Ushers (July 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
Sundays: 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
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 June 8 & 9, 2023

Estimated Weekly Need	\$7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$3,807.00
Plate	\$ 285.75
Maintenance (Bldg. & Grounds)	\$3,320.00
Total:	\$7,412.75
Total: Homecoming Total to Date:	\$6,410.00

From the Pastor's Desk On Being Human

What a great day it was for our 120th annual Parish Homecoming Picnic last Sunday! God blessed us with His grace and with great weather! Thank you to all of you who put in hours and hours of work to organize and volunteer in order to make the Homecoming Picnic possible. As soon as we have the final financial numbers, we will update the parish on those.

Since I took a few days off this week, for this week's bulletin reflection I encourage you to read an article from our bishop, William Callahan. I encourage you to read it and think, "How does this relate to our parish?"

"So many times, when I hear the expression "I'm only human," often used to acknowledge one's fallibility or deflect criticism, I find myself drawn to wonder where things went wrong. Being human in today's society can sometimes be seen as a deficit rather than the great gift it is. We need to be reminded that we are made in the image and likeness of a loving God who only wants what's best for us.

The more we interact with digital devices and become fascinated with artificial intelligence, the more we forget what it means to be human. We learn at an early age that God made us to show forth His goodness and to share with us His everlasting happiness in heaven. He made each of us—male and female—God created us. We are unique human beings with a capacity for rational thoughts and emotions. We can appreciate beauty and creativity, all within the context of identity, purpose and morality. "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." (Jer 1:5)

Praying is an expression of our humanness—St. Therese of Lisieux called it "a conversation between two friends."

God made us in friendship. He made us to be in a relationship with Him, and He made us to be in relationship with each other. It is through our very essence that we can know God and enjoy His friendship. "In many ways, throughout history down to the present day, men have given expression to their quest for God in their religious beliefs and behavior: in their prayers, sacrifices, rituals, meditations and so forth. These forms of religious expression, despite the ambiguities they often bring with them, are so universal that one may well call man a religious being." (CCC #28)

Despite being made by God and made to know God, we seem to have difficulty understanding what it means to be human. When we attempt to define humanness outside the context of God, our efforts are frustrated and without resolution. We turn inward and maintain our own "expert advice" rather than understand our humanness through the context of creator and created. "Of all visible creatures only man is 'able to know and love his creator.' He is 'the only creature on earth that God has willed for its own sake,' and he alone is called to share, by knowledge and love, in God's own life. It was for this end that he was created, and this is the fundamental reason for his dignity." (CCC #356)

St. Catherine of Siena reflects on human dignity when she writes, "What made you establish man in so great a dignity? Certainly the incalculable love by which you have looked on your creature in yourself! You are taken with love for her; for by love indeed you created her, by love you have given her a being capable of tasting your eternal Good." (The Dialogue of St. Catherine of Siena)

Being human is about living in right relationship with others and with right relationship with self. Human beings are the only part of God's creation who can exercise self-mastery. We express our humanness when we give and receive love; when we share our lives with others and live with a sense of interdependence. "Being in the image of God, the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone. He is capable of self-knowledge, of self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons. And he is called by grace to a covenant with his Creator, to offer him a response of faith and love that no other creature can give in his stead." (CCC #357)

Because we are made in the image and likeness of God, we are able to know Him and what He has done for us. Despite our attempts to "be another creator," the base reality still remains: God is God, and we are not. It is through our human weakness that God reveals His saving power. We are tempted to demand perfection from

others and from ourselves. God alone is perfect. He tells us, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (Mk 8:34)

We must remember that we are called to be a light to all nations, a people set apart. When we witness to the truth, our belief in Christ becomes visible and everyone will see goodness in our actions and give honor and glory to God. Let us live as children of God, fully human and fully free to give and receive the love of God, because God made us out of love, gives us dignity to love Him back and wants us to spend eternity with Him in heaven." -Bishop William Callahan

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

St. Charles Parish News

Thank You! Homecoming Picnic

Thank you to everyone who made our 120th annual Parish Homecoming Picnic a great success! God blessed us with glorious weather. A big thanks to the planning committee who put in countless hours to organize this day. Thank you to all who volunteered, donated, and sold raffle tickets! We sold 450 chicken dinners, which is an increase from last year. Save the date for next year's Homecoming Picnic - Sunday, July 7th, 2024!

Inspired by the Spirit Capital Campaign Update

Because of the July 4th holiday, we don't have an update about the dollar amount or new donations for the Capital Campaign. I will be providing that update at the weekend Masses and in next week's bulletin. We are within \$10,000 of reaching our goal as of last weekend. Thank you again to all who have sacrificed for this effort! The next phase to begin the work of our parish case statement, the church bell tower and the church basement. All who are willing to provide insight with these projects or want to be informed about them are invited attend our Capital Campaign committee meeting on Wed. July 26th at 6 PM.

Thank You to those who pledged and donated to the Capital Campaign!

Anonymous	Bill and Ellen Michuta	Ron & Dorothy Stokke	Sandy Trussoni
Steve & Karen	Lois Haydysch	Patricia Sanders	Peggy Sklenar
Woodhouse	Alvin Berra	Mariette Donovan	Brent & Kelly Hutchinson
Ed & Alberta Wolf	Travis & Krista Klinkner	Al & Debbie Trussoni	Kai & Michelle Rodgers
Carolyn Umberger	Fr. Daniel Sedlacek	Wayne & Ellen Umberger	Dan & Tricia
Conrad & Nancy Kirby	Paul & Sandy Pedretti	Jerry & Paula Cina	Kaczmarowski
Ed & Priscilla Martin	Mike Lemay	Gary Kozelka	Dennis & Teresa Wopat
Kevin & Beth Mitchell	Tom & Terri Urbanek	Diane Nickelatti	Marvin & Christine
Tim & Marj Gillespie	Nathaniel & Danielle	Dean & Lori Hammes	Bakalars
Arnie & Diane Pedretti	Trussoni	Tom & Mary Garavalia	Jon & Jackie Levendoski
Anne Marie & Kevin	Tom & Marian Naegle	James & Eileen Wiltinger	Phyllis Munyon
Walleser	Heather Stenslien	Larry & Louise Kelsey	Gloria Binger
Keith & Chris Magnuson	Arnie & Tama Trussoni	Don & Ruth Curti	Larry & Sharon Trussoni
Marilyn Domke	Bernetta Meer	Mike & Julie Tully	Larry & Kathy Pedretti
Sally Emerson	Alice Koeller	Barbara Nickelotti	Sandra Ju

Sign up for FORMED

Formed is sort of like a Catholic Netflix. We have purchased a subscription for our entire parish! Every parishioner of St. Charles can sign up to access quality content to support your faith: video, audiobooks, e-books, movies, kid shows, and more! **Signing up for FORMED is quick and easy.**

1. Go to formed.org/signup
2. Search for our parish by Zip Code (54632). Click on our parish "St. Charles Borromeo".
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED!

St. Charles School News

***Change!* RootinCrown**

The RootinCrown is now called Thrifty Pickins' & Buckies. It is located in the Thrift Culture Market on 980 Hwy 16 in West Salem. Yes, they are currently accepting donations. Contact numbers have not changed. 608-519-9500 and 608-790-7700 for consignments.

School Shop Scrip Program

Gift cards are a great gift idea. You can turn in the order form in the school office, in the black box by the front door of the school, or directly through raiseright.com or the Raise Right app. Don't forget, you can use the Raise Right app for electronic gift cards and earn money for the school all year round. Feel free to share with family and friends. **Reach out to Megan Olson with any questions** mjtrussoni@gmail.com. Thanks!

Other News from the Diocese and our Community

St. Patrick Parish Rummage Sale – July 21

Friday, July 21 7:30 AM – 4 PM

Saturday, July 22 7:30 AM – 3 PM

St. Patrick's School Gym, 127 11th Ave. N., Onalaska. Clothing \$6.00 a bag, unless otherwise marked. Also: Furniture, Collectors Corner, Appliances, Baby, Kids and Holiday Items, Sporting Goods, and so much more. Questions—Call 608.783.5535

Pilgrimage to Gower, MO July 31-Aug 1

God has given America's Heartland a supernatural sign to aid us in seeing and believing in His presence. The presumed incorrupt remains of Sister Wilhelmina Lancaster were discovered in May at the Benedictine Sisters of Mary, Queen of Apostles convent she founded in rural Gower, Missouri. Here are the details on the planned journey to go and see the miraculous for ourselves. Monday, July 31 - Depart at 8 a.m. from the parking lot of St. Peter's Parish parking lot Middle Ridge (20 miles east of La Crosse along Hwy 33) Mid-morning: Spam Museum in Austin. Complimentary Spam and champagne luncheon to follow. Late afternoon: Arrive in the Kansas City area. Our priest chaplain, Father Joe Redfern to celebrate Mass. Motel overnight accommodations. Expedition to a KC ribs restaurant for those so inclined. Tuesday, Aug. 1 - Up early to go to Gower. Bring a lawn chair since lines can be long to see Sister Wilhelmina. Dress to bear Missouri high summer heat. Mass 11 am. We anticipate being in the pews. The Sisters are renowned for singing like angels. Departing early afternoon, we should get back home by 10 p.m. Being Wisconsinites, we intend to send a dairy delegation to the convent barn and talk cows with a Sister Dairy Maid. Cost of this two-day motor coach trip is \$239 which

includes lodging and spam. We will need 40 or more signed up to take the trip. Pat Slattery. Phone: (608) 452-4605 Email: pjslattery9@protonmail.com

Artwork Show and Sell

Saturday, August 26, 2023 • 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Blessed Sacrament Parish Center, 130 S. Losey Blvd., La Crosse. Hosted by The Catholic Daughters of America, you are invited to a "Show and Sell" art show. All sales remain your profit! There will also be a bake sale, silent auction, ice cream social, and food and drinks. All proceeds will go to our Priests and Seminarians Education Fund. For more information call (608) 787-6482 or sandyborreson@gmail.com

Coaches Needed!

Aquinas is looking for coaches for High School Girls Golf (fall), Middle School Volleyball (fall), and High School Boys Golf (spring). If you are interested in coaching, please contact Pam Donarski (pam.donarski@aquinasschools.org)

Catholic Charities GRACE Drive

Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support Program is looking for baby item donations for our GRACE Community Bags! These bags help us to support parents in our communities. During the month of June, donate baby items to our La Crosse office for your chance to win a gift card. Items can be dropped off at 3710 East Avenue South in La Crosse or mailed directly to us! Drop off is between 9am-3pm on Monday-Thursday in the month of June. We are looking for anything baby related, new or used, including clothes, diapers, wipes, bath and hygiene items, feminine products, and monetary/gift card donations.

Parish Events Calendar

Wed. July 12: Finance Council meeting 6:30 PM

Wed. July 26: Capital Campaign Meeting 6 PM

Thurs. Aug 3: Parish Eucharistic Adoration and Confession 6:00-7:00 PM

Sat. Aug 5: 1st Saturday Mass at St. Mary's Hermitage 9:00 AM