

# The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 29 & 30, 2023

## **St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish**

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### **Mass Schedule & Intentions for July 31 – August 6, 2023**

<b>07/31/23</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
08/01/23	Tuesday	8:00 AM † Barbara Blum
08/02/23	Wednesday	8:00 AM † Francis "Frex" Furlano
08/03/23	Thursday	8:00 AM † Joe & Ernabelle Cina
08/04/23	Friday	8:00 AM † Janie Cina
08/05/23	Saturday	4:00 PM People of St. Charles
08/06/23	Sunday	9:30 AM † Harold & Ernabelle Pitzner

### **Ministry Volunteers**

#### **Lectors**

Sat. Aug. 05: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay  
Sun. Aug. 06: 9:30 AM: Jayne Ballwahn

#### **Servers**

Sat. Aug. 05: 4:00 PM: Grady & Reid Nicklay  
Sun. Aug. 06: 9:30 AM: Kanoa & Nalani Rodgers;  
Salvatori Trussoni

#### **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

Sun. Aug. 06: 9:30 AM: Jayne Ballwahn

*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. Aug. 05: 4:00 PM: Volunteer  
Sun. Aug. 06: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

#### **Sacrificial Giving Tabulation**

Mon. July 31: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle  
Mon. Aug. 07: Tom & Pam Jeffers; Carolyn Umberger

#### **Ushers (August, 2023)**

Saturday: John Nicklay & Tim Woodhouse  
Sunday: Conrad Kirby & Tom Urbanek

### **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  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

#### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> 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 22 & 23, 2023

Estimated Weekly Need	\$7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$2,005.00
Plate	\$ 145.50
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,150.50</b>

## From the Pastor's Desk Milestones

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you! This Sunday (July 30) marks the beginning of my 4<sup>th</sup> year at St. Charles. Anniversaries and other “milestones” are natural times for me to stop and reflect. So much has happened since I first arrived at our parish. As you may know, this is my first assignment as pastor/leader of a parish. I have grown a lot as a human being and priest during the past three years. And, our parish has changed quite a bit, especially since Covid (a topic and time period which many of us don't really want to reflect about).

I would argue that our parish has grown a lot since then, though not in numbers. The number of registered families, Mass attendance, and number of people volunteering is less than in years past. However, I think that the faith and dedication of those who have remained has grown stronger. And we are now starting to reach out to others. Jesus Christ wants to draw people to Himself and to His Church (the Body of Christ). I think of our 8 OCIA participants from this past year, and many others who have “come back to church.” I have been praying and thinking a lot about what God wants for our parish this coming year. Please pray for each other and for those God is calling to come to our parish. And let's remember that this is God's work, not ours. It is our “job” to cooperate with God's grace and to remain faithful.

The past three years have been a great blessing to me. I am grateful to be a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ *with* all of you, and to be *for* you a priest and your pastor.

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

## St. Charles Parish News

### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) to Begin in September

Formerly known as RCIA (they changed it from “Rite” to “Order”, our parish will again be offering this opportunity for adults who either 1) Are Catholic, but have not received all the Sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist); 2) Are Christian but not Catholic and want to learn more about Catholicism; 3) Are not baptized and want to learn more about Catholicism. 4) Grew up Catholic and “fell away” and want to come back to living their Catholic Faith. Our gatherings are opportunities to learn more, find answers to your questions, and grow in faith without needing to commit to becoming Catholic. We had 8 participants this past year at our parish. If you are interested in joining, know someone who may be interested in participating, or want to help be on our OCIA team, please contact Fr. Sedlacek or Kelly Hutchinson so that they can invite people to participate. More details coming soon!

### Help Needed

Sister Mary, our parishioner, needs some help with mowing her lawn and weed whacking this summer at St. Mary's Hermitage. Please contact her if you can help in this regard or another way. (608) 386-5143.

### Parish Needs

God is doing so many good things in our parish community! *The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few.* We are in need of several volunteers to help bring the love of Jesus Christ to others. Please pray about where God is calling you to serve and contact Fr. Sedlacek if you want to learn more about these volunteer needs for our parish. Fr. Sedlacek will provide training and ongoing support for all of these positions.

**Coordinator of Religious Education** – Help organize our CCD and Religious education programs

**Middle School Religious Education Team** (2+ people) - Assist Fr. Sedlacek in helping our 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners grow closer to God and in knowledge and practice of the Faith.

**High School Religious Education Team** (2+ people) - Assist Fr. Sedlacek in helping our 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners grow closer to God and in knowledge and practice of the Faith, and to prepare for Confirmation.

**OCIA Team** (1-2 people) – Walk with adults on their Faith journey. Meets 2 times each month.

**Visiting Homebound parishioners** (2+ people) – Visit our homebound parishioners, pray with them, and bring them Holy Communion. An extremely rewarding ministry which is very flexible.

### **National Eucharistic Congress Pilgrimage**

In July 2024, the National Eucharistic Congress will be held in Indianapolis, IN. This 5-day experience, "Eyes Opened, Hearts on Fire," will be held July 17-24, 2024. Speakers such as Bishop Robert Barron, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. John Burns, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and many more will inspire and invite people to return to the source and summit of our Faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. Our Diocese is exploring the possibility of taking a group from the Diocese of La Crosse to attend the Eucharistic Congress. To prepare for such a pilgrimage, we need to know the number of pilgrims interested. If you are interested in being part of this special pilgrimage, please email Fr. Sedlacek so he can pass on that number from our parish to the Diocese. Once they know the number of people wishing to participate, they will provide further information related to costs, travel, and registration.

### **Inspired by the Spirit Capital Campaign Update**

Some members of the Capital Campaign committee met on Wednesday to hear updates from Fr. Sedlacek and to discuss the projects moving forward. The bell tower fixes will happen by sometime next summer. Before then, Fr. Sedlacek is hoping to do a big project ourselves, which is to clean out the church basement and take out the finished walls. The committee suggested September for this project, and it will require some significant manual labor. Just to remember, we have \$228,667 pledged, which is 106% of our goal. Thank you again to all who have sacrificed for this effort!

### **Would you like to deepen your understanding of the Eucharist in Scripture?**

Join Mark Hart, the renowned "Bible Geek," on Monday, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-8 p.m. for this virtual Conference. Mark presents in a compelling way, making the Scriptures come alive. Register: [diolc.org/witness](https://diolc.org/witness) or by using your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right. Cost is \$10 per person and includes Mark's book entitled "The Divine Encounter." Join with others at the parish. – Don't miss it!



### **Marriage Enrichment and Parenting Resources.**

For Your Marriage Website: [foryourmarriage.org/](https://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.

Teaching the Way of Love: Please visit [twl4parents.com/](https://twl4parents.com/) This website is full of encouragement and tips for parents to continue to be the primary educators of their children.

### **This Week on FORMED**

*Ignatius of Loyola* – This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances," St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a passionate soldier-saint.

*Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori* – The Augustine Institute presents a beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori, narrated by Dr. Christopher Blum. This prayerful reflection is accompanied by the Schola Cantorum, chanting the traditional Catholic hymn Stabat Mater to aid your prayer.

*Saint John Vianney | Catholic Saints* – Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they discuss St. John Vianney, the Cure d'Arns and patron saint of parish priests.

### **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](https://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**

### **Enrollment for Fall 2023 is Open!**

St. Charles School is open for enrolling students 4K-6<sup>th</sup> grade. We are exploring the possibility of after-school care for those families who need it. For more information, please contact Carrol at the office. Check us out on our website, [stcharlesgenoa.org](https://stcharlesgenoa.org) or on Facebook.

### **\*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 [raiserright.com](https://raiserright.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](mailto:mjtrussoni@gmail.com). Thanks!

## **Other News from the Diocese and our Community**

### **De Soto Lutheran Church**

Annual pie and ice cream social **Sunday, July 30 from 3:30–6:30 PM** (BBQ, Hotdogs, Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Pie & Ice Cream).

### **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. Cost of this two-day motor coach trip is \$239 which includes lodging. We will need 40 or more signed up to take the trip. Pat Slattery. Phone: (608) 452-4605 Email: [pjsslattery9@protonmail.com](mailto:pjsslattery9@protonmail.com)

### **International Pilgrim Mary Statue will be at Shrine of OL of Guadalupe Sat. Aug 26<sup>th</sup>**

The Blue Army/World Apostolate of Fatima will be hosting the world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue, which has been traveling since 1947, in the Diocese of La Crosse this year from August 16 to August 27 at several parishes. The Pilgrimage will also feature 2nd class relics of St. Jacinta and St. Francisco. The statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 5250 Justin Road, La Crosse, WI on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 10:25AM-4:30PM.

### **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](mailto:sandyborreson@gmail.com)

### **Women's Group at Cathedral**

All women are cordially invited to attend Walking with Women, Praying with Scripture. We gather to be present to one another, leaving the world and the busyness of life behind. Our community strives "to love our neighbor as our self", while fostering a deeper relationship with God through meditation on His living word. At times, the busyness of life makes prayer a struggle. The struggle is worth it! Meditating on God's Living Word is life-changing and transformative - bringing Jesus deeper into our hearts. The first meeting will be Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> (6 pm - 7:30 pm) in the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman Undercroft. Materials will be provided at the first meeting (\$15.00). Meetings take place every other Thursday (altered around holidays) from September through May. Consistent attendance is not required, as each gathering does not build on the other. Please contact Mari Erickson or Amy Mulhern at [walking9praying8@gmail.com](mailto:walking9praying8@gmail.com) with questions. Come and enjoy encountering the Love of Christ! You may also invite women of other Christian faiths to attend.

### **Retrouvaille**

Healing Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (French for "Rediscovery") is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. The next program in Central Wisconsin begins with a weekend stay, Aug. 25-27, 2023 in the Wausau area. For more information or to register, call 1.877.922.HOPE (4673) or visit website: [HelpOurMarriage.org](https://HelpOurMarriage.org) for more information. *Fully Confidential and affordable*. Space is limited. Register early.

## **Parish Events Calendar**

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

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

Tues. Aug 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation. Mass at 7 PM