

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 16 & 17, 2024

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for March 18 - 24, 2024

03/18/24	Monday	NO MASS
03/19/24	Tuesday	8:30 AM Darby
03/20/24	Wednesday	NO MASS
03/21/24	Thursday	8:00 AM † Shelly Haydysch
03/22/24	Friday	8:00 AM † Harold & Myrabelle Pitzner
03/23/24	Saturday	4:00 PM People of St. Charles
03/24/24	Sunday	9:30 AM † Evie Furlano

Ministry Volunteers

Lectors

Sat. Mar. 23: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay;
Kathy Pedretti

Sun. Mar. 24: 9:30 AM: Jayne Ballwahn
Tim Gillespie

Servers

Sat. Mar. 23: 4:00 PM: Grady & Reid Nicklay
Sun. Mar. 24: 9:30 AM: Felicity, Perpetua, Abigail
& William Mitchell

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. Mar. 24: 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*

Gift Bearers

Please sign up your family on the sign-up sheet in
the back of church or contact Kelly Hutchinson.

Rosary Leaders/Volunteer

Sat. Mar. 23: 4:00 PM: Volunteer
Sun. Mar. 24: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Mar. 18: Conrad & Nancy Kirby; Keith
Magnuson
Mon. Mar. 25: Arnie & Diane Pedretti; Dorothy
Stokke

Ushers (March 2024)

Saturday: Steve Woodhouse & Larry Kelsey
Sunday: Keith Magnuson & Arnie Trussoni

Sacraments and Prayer

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
2nd Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

1st Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass
2nd Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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 Chain Requests

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

Sacrificial Giving: March 2& 3, 2024

<u>Estimated Weekly Need</u>	<u>\$7,032.69</u>
Adult Envelopes	\$1,050.00
Plate Offering	\$ 213.00
Votive Candles	\$ 7.00
Total:	\$1,270.00

From the Pastor's Desk

Triduum and Movies

Peace to you! Easter is coming soon! I hope that you are able to join us for some or all of the Triduum Liturgies. These three days (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil) are the “apex” of the year for us as Christians. They are the most unique liturgies, following the timeline of the real events of Jesus' Last Supper, Crucifixion, and Resurrection. They are powerful times of prayer. During the Easter Vigil Mass this year, we will have some people joining the Catholic Church and receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist).

Ask the Pastor

Q: Did St. Charles church ever have a survey regarding gluten free hosts for the parishioners? If so, what was the result? I understand there are gluten-free Eucharist hosts. Would St. Charles purchase them?

A: I am not aware of our parish doing a survey regarding gluten-free hosts. If someone in the parish (or any parish, for that matter) is gluten intolerant, than all they have to do is let the pastor know and he can work it out with those parishioners (including purchasing the hosts necessary).

There is a distinction between “gluten-free” hosts and “low-gluten hosts.” The difference is that gluten-free “breads” are not valid material for the Eucharist, because it is not technically wheat bread. Only wheat bread is valid matter for the Eucharist. For example, if a priest were to try to take a brownie or a corn chip and use it for Mass, he could say the prayers, but the brownie or corn chip would not become the Body of Christ. The same would apply in the case of truly zero gluten breads. There are some breads that are called “gluten-free” but they do have small traces of gluten. But these breads are more accurately called “low-gluten” breads.

For many people, low-gluten breads (bread that has 0.01% gluten) are safe to consume, even if they have celiac's disease. I have a priest classmate who falls into this category. For a very small number of people, they do not seem to be able to tolerate even that low of an amount. I know of one person like this, and that person simply received the Precious Blood from a separate chalice. In all cases, the pastor will work with you and anyone to help them to be able to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Movie Review: Cabrini

I have seen more movies in the theater the past 10 days than I have in probably a year! I watched Dune 2, Kung Fu Panda 4, and Cabrini. Out of the 3, I would say that it is probably a tie between Dune 2 and Cabrini for my favorite. Cabrini (PG-13) is a film produced by Angel Studios, the media company that put out “The Chosen” and “Sound of Freedom” and several other films since its founding in 2021. It recounts the story of St. Frances Cabrini, the Italian Religious Sister who became the first US citizen to be canonized a Saint. I will write more about the movie next week, but suffice it to say that I give it high marks and recommend it.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!

-Fr. Sedlacek

St. Charles Parish News

Triduum Schedule

The Sacred Triduum, “three holy days,” is near. This is the schedule of worship for our parish.

March 28, Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 PM

March 29, Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 1 PM

March 30, Easter Vigil, 9 PM (no 4 PM Mass that evening)

March 31, Easter Sunday Mass at 9:30 AM

To All Parishioners: Bring Your Phone to Church Next Weekend

Bring your phone to church next weekend to sign up for Flocknote. Or, you can sign up now by following the instructions below. Flocknote is a communication tool which is engineered for helping Catholic parishes better communicate with parishioners. When you sign up, you can opt in to receive communications from the parish which are relevant to you. I kindly ask all parishioners to opt in to our parish's Flocknote network. It is very easy! Text the word SCBGENOA to the number 84576. You can also connect online at: stcharlesgenoa.flocknote.com. You will be asked to put in your first name, last name, and email address. Then you will be asked which “groups” would you like to receive communications from. **I ask all parishioners to**

join the “Parishioners” group. If you want to receive the weekly parish bulletin via email, then subscribe to the “Weekly Bulletin” group. There are many other groups that might be relevant to you.

Lenten Practices

Stations of the Cross: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM and Fridays at 2:15 PM on school days.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sundays from 8:45-9:15 AM, Saturdays 3:15-3:45 PM, Monday, March 25th from 9 AM-5 PM at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse; and after the Good Friday Service, March 29th.

No Meat Fridays: All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from eating meat for all Catholics ages 14 and older. Meat includes all beast and fowl flesh (beef, pork, chicken, duck, etc...), but not fish or seafood.

Synod on Synodality – Your Feedback Wanted

Your input is requested! With the ongoing Synod on Synodality, the Church values your feedback regarding how Church structures and organization further or hinder the Church’s mission and how such structures can help all the baptized to respond to the call to proclaim the Gospel. Please take some time to offer consultation using an online questionnaire at <https://forms.office.com/r/SVPGxJChAv> Consultation must be received by March 20, 2024. Thank you for your participation.

Learn and Grow in Faith with Formed

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 your email for a link to begin!

St. Charles School News

PTO Fish Fry Fri. March 22nd

Fish Fry – 5-7 PM on March 22nd (with bingo to follow 7-9 PM). 250 Dinners first come first serve till gone. \$15.00 per dinner. Dine-in or Carry Out. Dinner Includes: 3 pieces of Cod, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Bun. Drinks & Desserts are available for purchase. Tip Boards & Cash Prizes

Spring Carnival - April 21st 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

Raffle tickets are here! Find your students, parents or staff to get yours! There will be some available in the back of the church for those who are able to take and sell/buy as in prior years. Please return to the school office. See posters and share the information with others. **Thank you** to all those who donated raffle ticket items ~ you're truly appreciated and WOW, some great prizes again this year!!!

Save the Date! Next Trivia

We're currently looking at doing another trivia night, Friday, April 26th. Final details are coming soon.

St. Charles Borromeo PTO Scholarships

For 2024 graduating high school seniors who are St. Charles parishioners or attended St. Charles School. Deadline for returning the scholarship application to the parish office is March 29, 2024. Applications are available on the parish website, in the vestibule, or in the parish office.

SCRIP Gift Cards

Earn money back for St. Charles Parish by purchasing gift cards. If you missed the deadline for ordering physical gift cards, you can still purchase cards on the RaiseRight app. Contact Megan Olson with questions: Mjtrussoni@gmail.com or 608-385-7815.

News from the Diocese and our Community

St. Patrick’s Lenten Fish Frys, Onalaska, WI

St. Patrick’s School Gymnasium. Corner of 11th and Main St., Onalaska, WI. Serving 5 to 7:30 pm on all Fridays of Lent, March 15, 22. \$15 3-piece Fish Dinner, \$12 2-piece Fish Dinner. FREE Grilled Cheese dinner to children age 5 and under. Dine-in meals include: Baked or batter-fried Cod, Baked

potato or fries, Salad bar, Dinner roll, Coffee or milk. (Beer, wine, soda, and desserts are available for an additional cost). Carryout Available.

Upcoming Events during Lent at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse

See full details at <https://guadalupeshrine.org/events/>

March 13-20: Shroud of Turin replica exhibit
March 17: Passion Sunday Concert

**La Crosse Area Pregnancy Resource Center
Networking Event | March 18 | Onalaska Public
Library**

Hear from representatives from Agape, New Life Resource Center, Birthright, Hope's Door, and Catholic Charities Pregnancy Resources, who will share briefly about their organizations, followed by time for questions and networking. 5:00-6:00 PM, Onalaska Public Library, 741 Oak Avenue S. in Onalaska (small snack provided). All are welcome to attend, but this will be especially appealing to anyone working with pregnant women and families in need.

Roncalli Newman Penance Service - March 19

Roncalli Newman Parish in La Crosse will be hosting a penance service Tuesday, March 19th at 7pm. The evening will include Lenten prayers, songs and the opportunity for Confession with Father Billy Dodge, Father Sam McCarty, or two other priests. Whether it's been 2 weeks or 20 years since you've been to Confession, you are welcome here! Join us in this beautiful way to prepare for Easter.

Catholic Charities Annual Lenten Luncheon

Bishop William Patrick Callahan and Catholic Charities cordially invite you to the 16th Annual La Crosse Lenten Luncheon on Wednesday, March 20, 2024! Gourmet soup, salad and bread will be served. We will be honoring our In My Name Award recipient Sr. Catherine Kaiser, FSPA and our Bill Medland Faithful Servant Award recipients Dan and Mary Mundt Reckase! Cost is \$30.00 per person or reserve a table of 4 for \$120.00. Please [RSVP](#) online at <https://cclse.org/la-crosse-lenten-luncheon/> by March 15 as seating is limited.

Passion Play – March 29 in Viroqua

St Mary's in Viroqua will be performing a production of, "The Passion and Death of Our Lord" on Friday March 29 (Good Friday) at 7pm in St. Mary's church. This is a realistic depiction of the suffering and death of our Lord so parental discretion is strongly advised for children under the age of reason.

Divine Mercy Sunday – April 7th

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe has been selected by the La Crosse Deanery parishes as the location for the official celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. Divine Mercy Devotions will be officiated by Cardinal Burke and Confessions will be available

throughout the day in both English and Spanish. It will be a day of approaching the Sacred Heart of Jesus with great faith, trust, and appreciation. 1 pm English Mass, 2:30 Devotions begin. 3:30 pm veneration of relic of St. Faustina. To see our full event schedule visit our website: www.guadalupe Shrine.org

**LDCCW Convention | April 13 | Radisson Hotel
in La Crosse**

Celebrate Life La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention featuring Abby Johnson, Former Planned Parenthood Director and Author of *Unplanned*. For further details and to register visit www.ldccw.org.

**Roncalli Newman Campus Ministry Fundraiser
Dinner | April 27th**

There is great hope for the future of the Church - we want to share our good news with you! Please join us Saturday April 27th at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall for dinner, fellowship, and inspiration as we hear from and support the Catholic college students of La Crosse, in their growth in virtue and fervor for the faith. The evening will include testimonies from alumni and current students, a raffle, and swing dance (with lessons from Fr. Dodge!). \$35/ticket or bring a friend 2/\$60! Registration and more information can be found at roncallinewmancenter.regfox.com/making-saints

“the Answer” Eucharistic Rally - June 7

“the Answer” Eucharistic Rally will be held on June 7, 2024 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, powerful speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagiza, and Josh Rosa, music from Luke Spehar, and plenty of vendors. The cost for this event is only \$15 per person. This rally is for middle and high school youth, young adults, adults, families, etc. You can find more information about the event by visiting <https://diolc.org/the-answer>.

“Hope’s Door” Pregnancy & Family Center

Hope’s Door is being planned as a state-of-the-art pregnancy resource center for the La Crosse area. It will be an interfaith, Christ-centered facility that will offer compassionate assistance to women and families, including mentoring and classes, as well as medical resources like ultrasounds and abortion pill reversal treatment. Its services will be in harmony with Catholic teaching. To see a flyer and brochure, visit www.diolc.org/respect-life

Parish Events Calendar

Wed. Mar. 20: Middle School and High School Groups 6:30-8 PM, Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM
Fri. Mar. 22: St. Charles PTO Fish Fry at St. Charles School. 5-7 PM
Thu. Mar. 28: Mass of the Lord’s Supper. 7 PM
Fri. Mar. 29: Celebration of the Lord’s Passion. 1 PM
Sat. Mar. 30: Easter Vigil Mass. 9 PM.