

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 20 & 21, 2024

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for April 22-28, 2024

04/22/24	Monday	NO MASS	
04/23/24	Tuesday	NO MASS	
04/24/24	Wednesday	NO MASS	
04/25/24	Thursday	NO MASS	
04/26/24	Friday	NO MASS	
04/27/24	Saturday	4:00 PM	† Mike & Linda Stowe
04/28/24	Sunday	9:30 AM	People of St. Charles

Ministry Volunteers

Lectors

Sat. Apr. 27: Tom Jeffers
Sun. Apr. 28: Kelly Hutchison

Servers

Sat. Apr. 27: Volunteers
Sun. Apr. 28: Salvatori, Arianna & Lorenzo
Trussoni

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. Apr. 28: 9:30 AM: Kelly Hutchison

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. Apr. 27: 4:00 PM: Volunteer
Sun. Apr. 28: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Apr. 22: Arnie & Diane Pedretti; Dorothy Stokke
Mon. Apr. 29: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle

Ushers (May 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 Requests

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

Sacrificial Giving: April 6 & 7, 2024

Estimated Weekly Need	\$7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$1,747.00
Plate Offering	\$ 202.00
Easter	\$ 200.00
Total:	\$2,149.00

From the Pastor's Desk Updates on Our Parish and School

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! I will be gone this week Monday-Friday to go on my annual retreat. Priests are required to make a spiritual retreat every year, but you don't have to tell me twice! I am looking forward to it very much, since it will be on the topic of Healing Ministry, which is something that God has been drawing me into the last year and a half. Of course, please pray for me. If you have any special intentions you would like me to pray for during my retreat, please send those my way via email.

I have a couple of updates with regards to parish finances. It has been almost a year since we kicked off our 5-year *Inspired by the Spirit* Capital Campaign. Thank you again to all who contributed to that and are continuing to fulfill your pledges! Our parish goal was \$215,000. The total we have currently pledged to the campaign is \$241,366.25 (112% of goal). Less than one year into our 5-year campaign, as of April 18, 2024, the total amount collected is \$118,652.05 (55% of goal). Of that amount collected, \$69,288.96 is designated for St. Charles parish projects and is in our parish bank account at St. Ambrose Financial Services.

Repairs of the bell tower should start sometime in the next month, weather permitting. They already trimmed the big maple trees this winter in preparation for that project. We will be doing some preliminary work in the church basement this spring to prep it for repairs, which we hope can take place potentially as soon as next summer.

As for our annual parish operational budget, I have some GREAT news to share with you. As you may recall, we started out the fiscal year with a significant anticipated budget deficit, due to increasing costs. Due to our parishioners' response, that deficit was cut by 65% by December 31, 2023. Looking over our financials for the January-March 2024 quarter, we are now looking at a surplus in our yearly operational costs! This is amazing news. And so, I thank all of you for your generosity that is keeping our parish, not only afloat, but now working toward financial vitality. Please keep up the good work. Our parish and school have a bright future!

I know that many of you, when I shared the financial situation this past Fall, were immediately concerned about our Parish 4K-6th Grade Elementary School. The School is doing very well! All of our classroom and specials teachers are returning to teach next school year. The students are happy and growing by leaps and bounds in their reading, writing, and math, but most importantly in faith and character/virtue. Our only wish and goal is that MORE STUDENTS may come to our school to receive the highest quality education and faith formation that this area of God's world can offer. And so, I ask you to spread the word that we are doing great things at St. Charles School and that we invite anyone, parishioner or non-parishioner, to come visit us! We will be hosting a Shadow Day on Monday, April 29th, but any family can schedule a day that works for them to visit.

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

St. Charles Parish News

Trivia Night – Friday April 26th

Trivia Night is coming soon! St. Charles School will hold another fun trivia night on FRIDAY, April 26! Come and show what you know - and you DO know a lot! Teams can be as small as 2 players or as big as 10. The cost to play is \$10/player. A simple supper, snacks and drinks can be purchased throughout the evening starting at 5:30. Trivia begins at 6:30. New this time: lifelines can be purchased for \$5 or \$10. Come prepared! Call Mariette Donovan at 608-381-0220 or email her at mdonovan@stcharlesgenoa.org with your team's name, number of players on your team, and contact person's name and phone number. **It would help us with planning if you could let us know by Friday, April 19.** Thanks! Hope to see you there for a night filled with laughs and fun!

Hibiscus Plant Sale to Benefit St. Charles School – Sign up by May 5th

For sale perennial Hibiscus plants this spring. Photos of each of the 6 colors as well as the Sign-up sheet will be posted in the church vestibule. Reserve your plants before the deadline of May 5th (first come first serve). The pick-up and payment dates are yet to be determined. They are available on a "first come first serve" basis. The six colors are deep red (44 available), layered dark pink (20), white (30), lavender (49), white with shaded pink edges (5), and fuchsia (6). All money collected will profit our Catholic school.

Memories and “Thank You” Comments for Bishop Callahan

We want to gather comments to share with Bishop Callahan as he transitions to our Emeritus Bishop. These memories, moments and sentiments will serve as the foundation for a project that provides him with a lasting and tangible record of the lives he’s touched, the moments he created and the well-wishes of the faithful across our diocese and during his time as our bishop. Please visit the link to offer a brief comment and share the link with others. <https://forms.gle/ZuN3DafHgECCDKwk8>

Flocknote

Thank you to all of you who signed up for Flocknote! Father Sedlacek was able to add everyone who was on our email list to receive the bulletin on the “Weekly Bulletin” Flocknote group. You can opt in or out of groups at any time so as to receive only the communications from the parish which you want to receive. Some groups included: Prayer Chain, School Alumni, Women’s Group, Ushers, CCD, and more. **ask all parishioners to join the “Parishioners” group.** You can do this by connecting online at: stcharlesgenoa.flocknote.com. If you have not done so already, sign up today for Flocknote. **Text the word SCBGENOA to the number 84576.**

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

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

If you are able to **volunteer** and help us run the event we'd greatly appreciate it!! We have a few spots to fill. Let Jessie know what spot you can help fill via text/call 608-780-1148. We are also taking **donations** for prizes, raffle baskets, desserts in the kitchen, cakes/cupcakes for the cake walk etc. Everything we will be put to great use! Please bring items asap (desserts by 9 am Sunday).

We will also be setting up the event on Friday after school/evening and Saturday morning starting at 8 am until it's ready - if you want to help please show up! THANK YOU! Reminder there are some raffle tickets available if you haven't bought yours!

Shadow Day at St. Charles School – Monday, April 29th

All kids entering 4K to 6th grades are welcome to come and spend a day at St. Charles School! The day begins at 8:00 AM and can extend through part of the day or the whole day (until 3 PM). Decisions about our children’s education are big decisions. Come and have your questions answered so that you can make the best decision possible. If you have a student turning 4 years old by September 1st, this day is a great opportunity for your kiddo to get ready for attending school.

RootinCrown Consignment Store

There have been many changes with RootinCrown Consignment store. They are now called Thrifty Pickins' & Buckies and are located at 980 WI-Hwy 16 in West Salem. For more information go to: info@thrifypickins.com and/or thrifypickins.com.

Can Tabs Collection

Our school is collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charity. This worthy cause provides a place for parents to spend the night at a reasonable price while their children are receiving treatment in a hospital. At a Ronald McDonald House, families can stay together, rest and recharge to remain strong for their child, interact with families going through similar experiences, enjoy home-cooked meals and receive compassionate hospitality from staff and volunteers - all just minutes from the hospital where their child is receiving care. If you would like to save can tabs for us, we would surely appreciate it! They can be placed in the jars in school and at the back of the church. Thank you!

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

Culver's Fundraiser for LaX Jail Ministry – Apr. 23

Culver's at the Mormon Coulee Road location is helping to support La Crosse Jail Ministry by donating 10% of all sales at their location between 5 and 7 pm on Tuesday, April 23rd. Eating at this location during those times will help to support the effort! As Culver's says, "There's no limit to how much heart you can put into the community - and we're always looking for ways to help our friends and neighbors."

Aquinas Booster Club Chicken-Q – Apr. 24

The annual Chicken Q will be held in the Cass Street parking lot at Aquinas High School on Wednesday, April 24! Food will be served from 11 am until gone. Delicious chicken and fixings for \$12 per plate. Yum!

Rummage Sale – Apr. 26-27

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Spring Rummage Sale on Friday, April 26, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, April 27, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

St. Mary's Spring Luncheon – April 27th

Bring your family and friends together for lunch at St. Mary Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, for lunch on April 27th from 11 AM to 1 PM. Cost is only \$10. We will have guest speakers Joyce and Roger Humfeld discussing their beekeeping and honey business starting at 11:30 a.m. (honey will also be available for purchase). Offering door prizes throughout the event. All are welcome to attend!

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 Sat., 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 information can be found at roncallinewmancenter.regfox.com/making-saints

Choral Concert – April 28th

Visit the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe on April 28, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm to hear a magnificent

performance of Maurice Duruflé's Messe "Cum Jubilo" by a men's choir. This choral masterpiece blends traditional Gregorian chant with modern harmonies. This concert is free and open to the public. More information at guadalupeshrine.org/events.

Eucharistic Miracles Display – May 16-19

In the entire history of the Catholic Church, there have been numerous Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church as truly worthy of belief. The Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Photographic Exhibition faithfully recounts many well-documented miraculous occurrences for us. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. The Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15-year-old from Milan, Italy, who was beatified on October 10, 2020. The Exhibit will be available for viewing at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Cashton, WI on May 16th-19th, 2024. We highly encourage you to schedule a time to view the exhibit during this Year of the Eucharistic Revival.

This is EPIC! "the Answer" Eucharistic Rally | June 7 | La Crosse Center

Chris Stefanick is an internationally acclaimed author, speaker and television host who has devoted his life to inspiring people to live a bold, contagious faith. Chris, a father of six children, speaks in a lively, honest, and uplifting manner about the intersection of faith and everyday life. "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 everyone. 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

- Sun. Apr. 21: Spring Carnival at St. Charles School 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM
- Wed. Apr. 24: Religious Education for HS and MS Groups. 6:30-8:00 PM.
- Fri. Apr. 26: Trivia Night at St. Charles School 5:30 PM food available. 6:30 PM Trivia begins.
- Mon. Apr. 29: Shadow Day at St. Charles School. All kids going into 4K-6th grade welcome!
- Thu. May 09: Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation. 6:00-7:00 PM.
- Sat. May 11: Mass at St. Mary Hermitage. 9:00 AM