

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 27 & 28, 2024

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for April 29 – May 5, 2024

04/29/24	Monday	NO MASS
04/30/24	Tuesday	8:30 AM † Evie Furlano
05/01/24	Wednesday	NO MASS
05/02/24	Thursday	8:00 AM † Janie Cina
05/03/24	Friday	8:00 AM † John Cina
05/04/24	Saturday	4:00 PM People of St. Charles
05/05/24	Sunday	9:30 AM † Evie Furlano

Ministry Volunteers

Lectors

Sat. May 04: Tom Jeffers
Sun. May 05: Jayne Ballwahn

Servers

Sat. May 04: Nalani & Keilana Rodgers
Sun. May 05: Easton Eckes; William Mitchell;
Emma Kendhammer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. May 05: 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. May 04: 4:00 PM: Volunteer
Sun. May 05: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Apr. 29: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle
Mon. May. 06: Tom & Pam Jeffers; Carolyn Umberger

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 13 & 14, 2024

<u>Estimated Weekly Need</u>	\$7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$3,497.00
Plate Offering	\$ 204.25
Total:	\$3,701.25

From the Pastor's Desk

The Answer: Jesus in the Eucharist

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! By the time you are reading this, I will be back from my retreat. Thank you for all your prayers for me and the other priests of our diocese who spent this week seeking to connect more deeply with God. I have been keeping you all in my prayers. Let us also remember to continue to pray for Bishop Battersby, who will become our bishop in a few weeks. Spiritual retreats help us to be rejuvenated by means of God's grace. If we are generous in giving time and space to God, He responds with great generosity.

Please keep in your prayers our First Communicants at our parish. We have 7 children this year preparing to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time on Sunday, May 5th at the 9:30 AM Mass. We will also have May Crowning that day!

There is an amazing set of events coming soon to our country and our diocese. The Eucharistic Revival has been going on for about a year and a half and will continue for just over another year. This July 17–21, there will be a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Organizers are expecting something like 30,000 people at this five-day event. It is the 10th such Congress in the USA, and the first one in 83 years! Leading up to this event there will be a four-route Eucharistic Procession across our country, all ending in Indianapolis on July 17th for the Eucharistic Congress. One starts in New Haven Connecticut, another in San Francisco, the third in Brownsville, Texas, and the 4th route at Lake Itasca, MN (the headwaters of the Mississippi). The routes make a cross over our country. Jesus in the Holy Eucharist will be carried from these places across our country.

The northern route, called the Marian Route, will be coming through our Diocese in June 7-12, 2024. Please see the bulletin insert for the events and the route of the pilgrimage. On June 7th, the pilgrimage will enter our diocese at La Crosse. We will hold a "Eucharistic Rally" at the La Crosse Center called "*the Answer*," because the Eucharist is the answer to the problems and darkness of our times, because the Eucharist is Jesus. It will be an amazing event, with anticipated attendance of 2,500-5,000 people.

The schedule is below, and includes being a part of the procession (as much as you are able), Mass with Bishop Barron preaching, speakers, music, opportunities for Confession, and vendors. The amazing speakers include Chris Stefanick, a nationally known Catholic speaker who used to work for the Diocese of La Crosse, Immaculee Ilibigiza, a survivor of the Rwandan genocide whose testimony is a powerful witness of God's mercy and forgiveness, Father Justin Kizewski, a priest of our diocese who is an amazing preacher and teacher, and others.

SCHEDULE for "the Answer" - Friday, June 7th, 2024

10:00 AM: Pilgrimage from Cameron Street Bridge to the La Crosse Center (1.5-mile walk)

11:00 AM: Mass

12:30 PM: *Free Time to go to Confession, visit the Adoration Chapel, visit booths, eat, etc.*

1:00 PM: Emcee Opening/Bishop's Welcome

1:25 PM: Chris Stefanick

2:25 PM: *Free Time to go to Confession, visit the Adoration Chapel, visit booths, eat, etc.*

3:00 PM: Immaculée Ilibagiza

4:15 PM: *Free Time to go to Confession, visit the Adoration Chapel, visit booths, eat, etc.*

4:45 PM: Luke Spehar Concert

5:30 PM: Josh Rosa

6:20 PM: *Free Time to go to Confession, visit the Adoration Chapel, visit booths, eat, etc.*

7:00 PM: Fr. Justin Kizewski

7:30 PM: Holy Hour of Adoration in the Arena

8:30 PM: Final Word and Dismissal

More information about the "the Answer" Rally can be found here. <https://diolc.org/answer-info/#PILGRIMAGE>. Since parking in downtown La Crosse will likely be difficult that day, there will be a carpool organized from our church parking lot on June 7th for those who want to come to "the Answer."

To sign up and reserve your \$15 discounted ticket to "the Answer", and to let us know if you want to be part of the carpool from St. Charles parking lot, please sign up with this link or call the parish office.

<https://stcharlesgenoa.flocknote.com/signup/158002>

Please also look at the bulletin insert which includes other events taking place in the Diocese in connection to the Eucharistic Pilgrimage. If you can't attend on Friday, perhaps one of the other events will be possible.

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

St. Charles Parish News

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.

Homecoming Update (Stacy Penchi): The St. Charles Homecoming festival will be held on Sunday, July 7. If you know anyone who would like to make a donation and be included on the raffle ticket, please see Father Sedlacek. We ask that parishioners keep an eye out for game prizes that could be donated. Everyone is welcome to attend our next planning meeting at 6:30 PM Monday, May 6 in the school cafeteria/gym.

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/ZuN3DafHqECCDKwk8>

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. **I 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.**

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

Thank you! Spring Carnival (Jessie Cina): We are sending a huge **Thank you to Everyone!** Whether you baked, sold/bought tickets, came Sunday, played and laughed, told your family, spread the poster, volunteered etc., it wouldn't be possible without you and St. Charles School greatly appreciates you! As you are **shopping or rummaging**, look for new items on sale for the jar game prizes – our goal is 350 prizes every year! If you have your own rummage sale, consider donating left over items as new items for the Carnival or Thrifty Pickens in West Salem (St. Charles PTO receives a percentage back from donations & purchases). We have Santa sale in December for kids to buy gifts for family or friends – donations are appreciated! **Trivia is Friday the 26th!** Serving food starts at 5:30 PM and Trivia starts at 6:30 PM. If you haven't registered your team yet you can still show up and register!

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@thriftypickins.com and/or thriftypickins.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

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>.

Calling All Artists: You are invited to show and sell your art on Saturday, August 24 from 9 AM to 3 PM at Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. A designated 8X6 ft space (\$30); 11X10 ft. space (\$50); an added half space for \$25; and, a double space for \$90. **All sales will remain your profit.** The event is to benefit the Priests and Seminarians Education Fund. More information: 608-787-6482 or sandyborreson@gmail.com

Aquinas Catholic Schools Job Opening: Tuition & Enrollment Coordinator

Aquinas Catholic Schools is looking to fill the full-time, year-round position of *Tuition and Enrollment Coordinator*. The individual in this position confidentially carries out the tuition billing, receivables, and collection processes of the school system. The person also manages the enrollment processes, and provides support to the school offices and families, in addition to serving as the designee for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

"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

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

Sun. July 07: St. Charles Homecoming Picnic