

# Pentecost Sunday June 7 & 8, 2025

## **St. Charles Borromeo Parish**

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## **Mass Schedule & Intentions for June 9-15, 2025**

<b>06/09/25</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
06/10/25	Tuesday	8:00 AM † Joe & Ernabelle Cina
06/11/25	Wednesday	8:00 AM † Don Curti
06/12/25	Thursday	8:00 AM † Harold & Myrabelle Pitzner
06/13/25	Friday	8:00 AM † Joe & Ernabelle Cina
06/14/25	Saturday	4:00 PM People of St. Charles
06/15/25	Sunday	9:30 AM † Brian Haydysch

## **Ministry Volunteers**

### **Lector**

Sat. June 14: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay

Sun. June 15: 9:30 AM: Travis Klinkner

### **Servers**

Sat. June 14: 4:00 PM: Grady & Reid Nicklay

Sun. June 15: 9:30 AM: Henry & Oscar  
Levendoski; Abigail Mitchell

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

Sun. June 15: 9:30 AM: Dorothy Stokke

### **Sacrificial Giving Tabulation**

Mon. June 09: Priscilla Martin, Marian Naegle  
& Linda Pedretti

Tue. June 17: Conrad & Nancy Kirby & Keith  
Magnuson

### **Ushers (June 2025)**

Saturday: John Nicklay & Tim Woodhouse

Sunday: Conrad Kirby, Tom Urbanek & Chris  
Stokke

### **Prayer Requests**

Call 608-689-2642 - requests will be passed to  
Father Sedlacek & over 20 "prayer warriors" on the  
prayer chain.

## **Sacraments and Prayer**

### **Church Hours**

The church is open every day from 7 AM - 7 PM.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays: 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Sundays: 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass

2<sup>nd</sup> 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  
meeting 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.

### **Sacrificial Giving; March 31 & June 1, 2025**

<b>Estimated Weekly Need</b>	<b>\$7,032.69</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$3,780.20
Plate Offering	\$ 128.00
Support Our School	\$ 55.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,963.20</b>

## **From the Pastor's Desk**

### **Pentecost and God the Holy Spirit**

Peace to you! Happy Pentecost! This is the last day of the Easter Season and the first day of time after Pentecost. The next three Sundays will be celebrating some big feast days, the Holy Trinity, the Body and Blood of the Lord ("Corpus Christi"), and the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Please note the special events after the Sunday Mass on Sunday, June 22, namely, the Eucharistic Procession after Mass and the farewell reception for me. I intend to write more about the Corpus Christi Procession in next week's bulletin.

Today I want to look at the Person of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is, as we profess in the Nicene Creed every Sunday, "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets." The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Holy Trinity. He is God. Within the relationships of the Holy Trinity, the Holy Spirit is the love of the Father and the Son. He is revealed to us in Scriptures. There are many "hints" of Him in the Old Testament, especially in the prophets. The fuller revelation of the Holy Spirit happened at the Baptism of Jesus, when He descended from heaven in the form of a dove and rested on Jesus. Jesus plainly taught His disciples many times about the Holy Spirit and that they would receive Him after He ascended to the Father.

These lines from St. Cyril of Alexandria really struck me this week: "After Christ had completed his mission on earth, it still remained necessary for us to become sharers in the divine nature of the Word. We had to give up our own life and be transformed that we would begin to live an entirely new kind of life that would be pleasing to God. This was something we could do only by sharing in the Holy Spirit." The work of the Holy Spirit is to share himself with us, and by that sharing He transforms us so that we begin to live a new kind of life, a life that comes from sharing in the divine nature. That means, that we begin to partake in the type of life that God possesses, not merely the type of life that human beings possess. For example, human beings are mortal. God is eternal and immortal. The Holy Spirit unites us to Jesus and the Father, and by that union, we are made immortal. However, we have to give up our life and be transformed. This is a process. But we pray that the Holy Spirit, Whom we received at our baptism, will enkindle in us the fire of His Love and bring about this transformation in us. I pray that He will renew our parish community in a no lesser way than He transformed the Apostles on the first Pentecost Sunday.

There are two difficulties that I see in myself and others with regard to the Holy Spirit and the transformation of our hearts that He was sent by the Father to do: 1) Lack of openness on our part to Him and His work. 2) Lack of understanding of how He is already working. Once I became a little more open to His "nudges" and began to trust that the Holy Spirit is real and that He can work in me and through me and in and through others, I notice more and more positive change in my life, my prayer, and my struggle with temptations and sin. I also started to perceive His work more. What prompts you to pray today? The Holy Spirit is partly to blame. Why did you come to Mass this Sunday, but have struggled to come in the past? It is because you said, "yes" to the invitation of the Holy Spirit. He is always at work. Let's be more open to Him and begin to say yes to Him.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!

-Fr. Sedlacek

## **St. Charles Parish News**

### **Congratulations!**

Mae Helgeson was baptized last Sunday! Congratulations and welcome to the Church and to St. Charles parish!

### **Free Piano**

Father Sedlacek is giving away an upright piano. It was previously used in the School before a new electric piano was given to the School. It is used, but in good working condition. Would like it to find a new home before June 25<sup>th</sup>. If you or someone you know is interested, please email Fr. Sedlacek.

### **Homecoming Picnic – Volunteer Sign Up!**

The Homecoming Picnic Committee will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, June 23, at the school. All are welcome. Please sign up to volunteer at the event by clicking on this link: [Homecoming Committee: Homecoming Picnic 2025](#). Mary Kate Donovan will also be available after Mass this Sunday to help people sign up.

### **Info Meeting Monday, June 9 - Pilgrimage to Italy 2025**

There will be an information meeting via video conference call on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. If you would like the link to join, please email Fr. Sedlacek or pilgrimage coordinator, Vincenzo, at [vincenzo@vincenzoinrome.com](mailto:vincenzo@vincenzoinrome.com). This pilgrimage is still happening and Fr. Sedlacek is still going! There is time to join us on an unforgettable Jubilee Year pilgrimage to Italy on **September 29-October 8, 2025**. The pilgrimage includes Rome and going through the Holy Doors for the Jubilee Year, visiting Assisi, Milan, and more. In Rome and Milan we will stop at sites significant in the life of St. Charles Borromeo, our parish patron. The cost is \$6,300 per person (price includes flights, transportation, housing, and most meals).

### **Eucharistic Procession and Farewell Reception for Fr. Sedlacek – June 22**

Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord ("Corpus Christi"). After the 9:30 AM Mass, we are planning to have a Eucharistic Procession with the Blessed Sacrament through the village of Genoa. That day is the closing of the 3-year National Eucharistic Revival, and our parish wants to celebrate the gift of the Eucharist by "bringing Christ to the streets." After the Procession returns to St. Charles, there will be a Farewell Reception for Fr. Sedlacek in the School. His last day at St. Charles will be Sunday, June 29.

### **Summer Vacation Bible School – June 29 - July 4**

The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist will be returning this summer to put on a Summer Program for our children Grades K-6. They will be here the week of **June 29 – July 4**. Location will be at St. Mary's in Viroqua. The day program will be in the mornings and run about 8 AM - Noon. If you are interested, please contact Tessa Ledoux.

### **122<sup>nd</sup> Homecoming Picnic – Sunday, July 6**

The 122<sup>nd</sup> St. Charles Homecoming Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. The annual event is held on the first Sunday in July. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Each meal includes Pogy's grilled chicken and sides, as well as a serving of homemade risotto, which is a cheesy rice delicacy passed down through generations of Italian immigrants who settled in the area. Raffle drawings will begin at 3 p.m. Most events will be held outdoors, with dining options available inside the adjacent school. Entry is free and open to the public. Meals cost \$15 each, smaller hot dog plates available for younger attendees for \$6. For more information, visit St. Charles School and Parish Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesSchoolGenoa>.

### **"Still the Answer" Eucharistic Rally 2025 – August 9**

You are invited to join faithful from across the diocese on Saturday, August 9, 2025 at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire for a new opportunity to pause, reflect and renew our love of the gift of the Eucharist, as Jesus continues to give us His body and blood, strengthening us through life's joy, sorrows and challenges. The day's events will include a river walk procession, Mass, engaging speakers, live music and Eucharistic adoration. Take this time to remember how much you need Jesus - and that He is *Still the Answer* for you, for your family, for your parish and for the world. To join a group from St. Charles that is planning to attend, please contact Jessica Flansburgh by calling or emailing the parish office.

## **St. Charles School News and Events**

### **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. 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](mailto:Mjtrussoni@gmail.com) or 608-385-7815.

### **The Second-Hand Shack**

The Second-Hand Shack is located in the log cabin building at the intersection of South Avenue and 13<sup>th</sup> Street, La Crosse. Sarah Studinger is the owner/operator and is passionate about supporting the community by donating a portion of her profits to local non-profits, including St. Charles PTO. Parishioners can drop off clean, gently used items. The PTO benefits through your purchases, volunteer hours and

donations. Due to space limitations, please contact Sarah for donation times, acceptance and exclusions. Thank you to Sarah Studinger for partnering with the St. Charles PTO!

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

### **Healing Service – Friday, June 13 at St. Mary's in Viroqua**

Come experience God's supernatural love! The evening begins at 4:30 PM with Adoration and the sacrament of reconciliation available, followed by 5:30 PM Mass, corporate prayer for healing, and individual healing ministry. All are welcome—come for part or all of the evening. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary church, 400 Congress Ave, Viroqua, WI.

### **March for Life Wisconsin – June 14**

The 2025 March for Life Wisconsin on Saturday, June 14, 2025 will for the first time be hosted by all four major pro-life forces in the state – the Wisconsin Catholic Conference, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Wisconsin Right to Life, and Wisconsin Family Council. Buses to the March, which will be held starting at 2:00 PM at the Capitol in Madison, will travel from around the state, including from Chippewa Falls, Onalaska, and Sparta. Cost is \$15/person or \$45/family and you may register at [marchforlifewisconsin.org](https://marchforlifewisconsin.org), or scan the QR code to the right. Come bear witness to the sanctity of human life as we march around the Capitol building and hear from inspiring speakers! Pro-life signs will be provided.

### **JohnCinaSeven 11th Annual Pumpkinball Tourney**

June 27-29th @Genoa Park. Chicken Q tickets are available. Do you want to volunteer, donate, play etc. or maybe you know of a need? Check out our website: <https://www.johncinaseven.com/> for more details and fun for the whole family! Feel free to connect with Jessie Cina at 608-780-1148.

### **La Crosse Jail Ministry Brat Barn Fundraisers**

How can you support those who visit the inmates in our La Crosse jail? Sign up for a three-hour shift to cook brats & raise money for La Crosse Jail Ministries at Festival's Brat Barn. Saturday Shifts occur at: (1) 9 am to noon (2) noon to 3:30 pm and (3) 3:30 pm - 7 pm on **June 14th, or July 19th**. If you'd like to sign up for a shift, email the President of La Crosse Jail Ministries, Chris Magnuson ([president@lacrossejailministry.org](mailto:president@lacrossejailministry.org)), or

Pastor Laura ([laura@firstcongolax.org](mailto:laura@firstcongolax.org)) with the times you can volunteer.

### **St. Patrick's Church Rummage Sale and Bake Sale – July 25-26**

127 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. N., Onalaska, WI  
Friday, July 25, 7:30 am - 4 pm  
Saturday, July 26, 7:30 am - 3 pm  
Holiday items, Collectors corner with antiques and unique items, household items, furniture, bikes, toys, bedding, jewelry, baked goods, and so much more! Donations for the [St. Patrick Rummage Sale](#) will be accepted starting June 25. Contact the parish office for drop-off times and information at 608.783.5535, ext. 2.

### **Holy Trinity Parish "All School Reunion and Parish Picnic" on Saturday, August 2.**

Anyone with any ties to the school and/or parish are welcome. Please mark your calendars and spread the word! Details are available on the Alumni Facebook page (Holy Trinity School Alumni), or email us [HTLaCrosseWI@gmail.com](mailto:HTLaCrosseWI@gmail.com)

### **Healing Your Marriage – Aug. 15-17**

Retrouvaille (French for "Rediscovery") is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. For more information, call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) or visit website: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org). Fully Confidential and affordable. The next program begins with a weekend stay in the Wausau area, August 15-17, 2025.

### **Director of Youth Faith Formation**

A full-time position is available with principal responsibilities involving middle school and high school religious education, faith formation, youth ministry opportunities, and Confirmation preparation which serves the collaboration of Mary, Mother of the Church, Blessed Sacrament, and Roncalli Newman. Please visit [mmoclacrosse.org](http://mmoclacrosse.org) for a job description. This position begins before Sept. 2, 2025.

## **Parish Events Calendar**

Mon. June 09: Italy Pilgrimage Info Meeting via Video Conference. 6:30 PM  
Sun. June 22: Corpus Christi Procession after the 9:30 AM Mass. Farewell luncheon for Fr. Sedlacek after.  
Mon. June 23: Homecoming Picnic Committee Meeting 6 PM in the School Gym  
June 30-July 4: Vacation Bible School with the Dominican Sisters at St. Mary's, Viroqua.  
Sun. July 06: 122<sup>nd</sup> Homecoming Picnic