

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 31 & February 1, 2026

St. Charles Borromeo Parish
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Mass Schedule & Intentions for February 2 - February 8, 2026

02/02/26	Monday	NO MASS	
02/03/26	Tuesday	8:30 AM	† Dave Donovan
02/04/26	Wednesday	NO MASS	
02/05/26	Thursday	NO MASS	
02/06/26	Friday	8:00 AM	For peace and justice in our nation
02/07/26	Saturday	4:00 PM	People of St. Charles
02/08/26	Sunday	9:30 AM	† Joan Urbanek

Ministry Volunteers Lector

Sat. Feb. 07: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay
Sun. Feb. 08: 9:30 AM: Travis Klinkner

Servers

Sat. Feb. 07: 4:00 PM: Grady & Reid Nicklay
Sun. Feb. 08: 9:30 AM: Felicity & Abigail
Mitchell, Brad Klinkner

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. Feb. 08: 9:30 AM: Dorothy Stokke

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Feb. 2: Tom & Pam Jeffers & Carolyn
Umberger
Mon. Feb 9: Priscilla Martin, Marian Naegle &
Linda Pedretti

Ushers February 2026

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

Prayer Requests

Call 608-689-2642 - requests will be passed to
Father Reither & 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

Eucharistic Adoration

1st Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass

Baptism

Contact parish at least 1 month 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; January 24 & 25

Estimated Weekly Need	\$ 7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,486.00
Plate	\$ 275.00
Catholic Life Magazine	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 2,781.00

From the Desk of Father Reither

I. The Beatitudes (*From the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

1716 The Beatitudes are at the heart of Jesus' preaching. They take up the promises made to the chosen people since Abraham. The Beatitudes fulfill the promises by ordering them no longer merely to the possession of a territory, but to the Kingdom of heaven:

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
2. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
3. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
4. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
5. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.
6. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
7. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
8. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

1717 The Beatitudes depict the countenance of Jesus Christ and portray his charity. They express the vocation of the faithful associated with the glory of his Passion and Resurrection; they shed light on the actions and attitudes characteristic of the Christian life; they are the paradoxical promises that sustain hope in the midst of tribulations; they proclaim the blessings and rewards already secured, however dimly, for Christ's disciples; they have begun in the lives of the Virgin Mary and all the saints.

Over the next few weeks, we will be given the opportunity in our weekend lectionary to hear from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. As the Catechism said, this makes up the core of Jesus' teaching. If we wish to be intentional Christians, we should be seeking to live according to these Beatitudes that Jesus has given us. A good Spiritual practice is to spend some time with these words of Jesus and see what Beatitude sticks out to you more or which one you perhaps feel weaker on. If your friends were to describe you, would they be able to use one of the Beatitudes?

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." Bishop Battersby has requested that every parish offer prayers for Peace and Justice in response to the rising violence in Minneapolis in recent days. St. Charles will offer a Mass on February 6th and we will offer prayers as part of our first Friday Holy Hour from 8:30-9am and again with the school kids from 2:30-3pm. All are invited to pray with us and privately for peace in our nation.

God bless,

Fr. Reither

ST. CHARLES SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

School:

2026-2027 School Year:

Enrollment is open for St. Charles 3K-6th grade for the 2026-2027 school year. If you are interested, OR if you know of families that may be interested, please have them call the office (608) 689-2642 for an application. You may also call or email Fr. Reither (608-689-2646; treither@diolclergy.org), OR Mrs. Hytry (608-689-2642; phytry@stcharlesgenoa.org). There are flyers in the office if you would like to give them to others that may be interested.

PTO:

Our next PTO meeting is Monday, **February 2** at 5:15 pm in the school cafeteria.

Our next **Trivia Night** will be on **Saturday, Feb. 28**. Doors will open and food will be served starting at 5:30. The games begin at 6 p.m. Hope to see you there!!!

Save the date - Spring Carnival April 26th - if you have new items to donate please drop them off at the school marked spring carnival.

Raffle tickets are in the process of being made.

2024-2025 School Years books need to be picked up! Please call the office to get yours.

ST. CHARLES PARISH NEWS

Prayers for Peace and Justice

Following Bishop Battersby's request for prayers for peace following the recent unrest and violence in Minneapolis, St. Charles will offer a Mass and Adoration for peace and justice on Friday, February 6th. Mass will be at 8am with a half hour of adoration following. We will also have a second time of Adoration that day from 2:30-3pm. All are welcome.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Please join us for a book club this year! We would love to have you! We currently meet at 6:30pm on Mondays or Tuesdays once a month. Our meeting will be on February 23rd (snow day February 24th). We are reading Mother Angelica- The Remarkable Story of a Nun, Her Nerve, and a Network of

Miracles by Raymond Arroyo. Please contact the parish office to reserve your spot!

CCD:

February 4: Grades 6-10 6:30-8 PM

February 8: K-5 CCD 8:15-9:15 AM

February 11: CCD All Families Night 6:30 PM

Our CCD Family Night is coming up! Please join us on Wednesday, February 11th at 6:30 pm for a fun and exciting evening. All families are welcome to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS

We have 2 open spots for Mass intentions in February and 9 open spots in March. To schedule a Mass for a particular intention please reach out to our parish office. The suggested offering is \$20 per Mass.

WOMEN'S LECTIO DIVINA

Our next meeting will be on February 10th 6 pm in the St. Charles School cafeteria. We plan to meet every second Tuesday at 6 pm. All women are welcome! Any questions, please contact the parish office.

MEN'S LECTIO DIVINA

All men are welcome to join St. Charles Men's Lectio every second Sunday and fourth Monday at 6:30-8 pm in the school. Opportunity to visit with other men about growing closer to God through discussion and praying with scripture. No commitment, come when you can. Any questions, please contact the parish office.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE & OUR COMMUNITY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is coming to the Diocese of La Crosse | February 13-15, 2026 | Sparrow's Nest, Sparta, WI

Looking for a way to rekindle the love and romance in your marriage? Your marriage is your most important human relationship. This powerful experience of discovery helps you renew your commitment, deepen your intimacy and reignite the passion that brought you together. Register here: <https://wwme.org/>

Do you want to be healed? Do you want freedom from unhelpful patterns of thought or sin you can't seem to break? Do you want to know yourself or others better?

Healing the Whole Person will use videos featuring Dr. Bob Schuchts & Sr. Miriam James Heidland presenting John Paul II Healing Center's Healing the Whole Person teachings, each session includes a guided prayer experience and a workbook journaling activity for private reflection and prayer. The 8-weeks also include opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and prayer with a prayer ministry team trained by the John Paul II Healing Center.

Wherever you find yourself, now is not the end of your story. God is here. God has more for you. This series is time set aside for God to guide you through.

Sessions are held on Thursday starting February 5 through March 26. Each night starts at 6:30pm and goes to approximately 8:30pm. All sessions will be held at Mary, Mother of the Church in the parish hall. There is no cost to attend but space is limited to 50 people, so registration is required. For more information or to register, email Natalie Elskamp at LaxLoveHeals@gmail.com

Men of the Cross: Forged for Mission | March 21, 2026 | Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Men of the Diocese of La Crosse! This is your invitation to step away from the noise of daily life and be renewed in faith, brotherhood, and purpose. Join other Catholic men for a powerful day of encouragement and formation as we grow stronger as disciples, husbands, fathers, and leaders forged for mission.

Featured Speaker: Bart Schuchts

Mass Celebrant: Fr. Sam Martin

Cost: \$45 (includes breakfast & lunch)

High School Men: Attend FREE with a parent/guardian

Come be strengthened, challenged, and inspired to live boldly for Christ and bring His mission into your home, parish, and community. Register at: menofthecross.org

Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat | April 25-26, 2026 | Franciscan Spirituality Center 920 Market St. La Crosse, WI 54601

Put more Joy into your Marriage: Are you a couple wanting to experience a more joy-filled marriage? Take part in the Domestic Church retreat at Franciscan Spirituality Center in La Crosse on April 25 & 26th. Couples attending the retreat will experience a renewed love as spouses and find themselves united together in Christ. Email Jeff and Alice Heinzen at LaCrosse@domesticchurchfamilies.com

Parish Events Calendar

February 2: PTO meeting 5:15 pm

February 3: Hospitality meeting 5:30 pm

February 4: Grades 6-10 CCD 6:30-8 pm

February 6: Adoration 8:30 am & 2:30 pm

February 8: K-5 CCD 8:15-9:15 am
OCIA 10:45 am
Men's Lectio Divina 6:30 pm

February 10: Women's Lectio Divina 6 pm

February 11: CCD All Families Night 6:30 pm

February 15: K-5 CCD 8:15-9:15 am

February 18: Ash Wednesday

February 23: Women's Book Club

February 27: Stations of the Cross

February 28: Trivia 5:30