

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9 & 10, 2026

St. Charles Borromeo Parish

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for May 11 - May 17, 2026

05/11/26	Monday	NO MASS	
05/12/26	Tuesday	NO MASS	
05/13/26	Wednesday	NO MASS	
05/14/26	Thursday	NO MASS	
05/15/26	Friday	NO MASS	
05/16/26	Saturday	4:00 PM	† John Cina
05/17/26	Sunday	9:30 AM	People of St. Charles

Lector Ministry Volunteers

Sat. May 16: Stephanie Nicklay

Sun. May 17: Crystal Lavey

Servers

Sat. May 16: Grady & Reid Nicklay

Sun. May 17: Lorenzo & Giovanni Trussoni & Ezio Olson

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. May 17: 9:30 AM: Priscilla Martin

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. May 11: Priscilla Martin, Marian Naegle & Linda Pedretti

Mon. May 18: Conrad & Nancy Kirby & Keith Magnuson

Ushers May 2026

Saturday: Larry Kelsey & volunteers

Sunday: Keith Magnuson, Arnie Trussoni & Tim Gianoli

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: May 2 & 3

Estimated Weekly Need	\$ 7,032.69
Adult Envelopes	\$ 6,822.00
Plate	\$ 308.76
Endowment Trust	\$ 100.00
Cemetery Upkeep	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 7,330.76

From the Desk of Father Reither

Happy 6th Sunday in the Easter Season! This upcoming week, I (along with many priests of our Diocese) will be going on our annual Canonical Retreat in Oconomowoc, WI. By Canon Law, every priest is required to make a retreat every year to Spiritually refocus and encounter the Lord in more intentional times of prayer. The days are usually made up of Mass, Adoration, Spiritual Conferences and personal prayer. During that time, there will not be any daily Masses here at St. Charles, but the Church will still be open for prayer throughout the day. Please keep me and the other priests in our Diocese in your prayers this week!

This week the Church celebrates St. Isidore the Farmer on Friday May 15th. St. Isidore is an important patron especially for our Diocese and Parish as many of our parishioners are farmers or descendants of farmers. The Church has a rich spiritual tradition of sacramentals when it comes to farming the earth. For any who would like to take part, next weekend you can bring a sample of seeds that you will plant in your garden or fields and we will bless them after our weekend Masses. There is also a tradition of blessing little wooden crosses that can be erected on the edges of fields that we will bless at that time if you have any. It is a great way to bring our faith into all aspects of our lives.

Also, this week marks 40 days since Easter and it was 40 days after Easter that Jesus ascended into heaven. After Jesus ascended into heaven, his Apostles and other disciples gathered in the upper room and prayed for the gift of the Father to be given them. After praying for nine days the Holy Spirit came upon them in what we now celebrate as Pentecost. For us today, we can enter into the same spirituality of the Apostles by praying the Pentecost Novena which will begin this Friday. The Novena to the Holy Spirit is a nine day prayer in which we ask that our hearts might be more open to receive a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we initially received in our Baptism and were strengthened in Confirmation. We will be praying it as a parish community after all our Masses leading up to the feast of Pentecost.

Today in America we also celebrate Mother's Day! Don't forget to thank and pray for your Mom who helped give you the greatest gift of life, YOUR life and you should probably do all the dishes today as well. And take out the garbage and cook supper...

God bless, Fr. Reither

Prayer to St. Isidore:

Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray you, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread and wine, are brought and offered to God by the priest. Then, in the consecration, Christ Himself, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread and wine. And in what was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value and beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can.

Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, and offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The oftener we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good Saint Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may some day reap the reward of good works with you in heaven. Amen.

Prayer Source: Rural Life Prayerbook by Alban J. Dachauer, S.J., National Catholic Rural Life Conference, 4625 Beaver Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50310 ncrlic.com, 1956

ST. CHARLES PARISH NEWS

Congratulations to all those that recently received the Church's sacraments!

**April 15, 2026
Confirmed in Christ**

Elijah Brosinski
Perpetual Mitchell
Kanoa Rodgers

**May 3, 2026
First Holy Communion**

Mariposa AlCantar
Colibri AlCantar
Raegen Eckes
Shawn Krause
Rosemary Lavey
Hazel Trussoni

**May 2, 2026
Baptised in Christ**

Sophia McDonald
(*Fr. Reither's niece*)

Men's Lectio Divina

Sunday, May 10 at 6:30 PM in the school gym. All men are invited to attend.

Homecoming Picnic Planning Meeting

Monday, May 11th @ 6:30pm in the school gymnasium. This is an open invitation to participate in planning St Charles Parish's main fundraiser for the year. All are welcome and encouraged to come to help with the planning and contribute ideas!

Homecoming Raffle Tickets are available! They are located in the back of the church. Please stop by and grab some. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Women's Lectio Divina

Tuesday, May 12 at 6:00 PM in the school gym. All women are invited to attend.

We will not be having a parish rummage sale or a Service Saturday event this month.

ST. CHARLES SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

Help celebrate the patron saint of farmers, St. Isidore at Mass on **May 16 & 17**. Bring your seeds and crosses for a blessing.

Tuesday, May 19 @ 8:30 AM-School celebration of the Feast of St. Isadore the Farmer. Our students have been creating some very special items in honor of Saint Isadore and will be bringing them for a blessing.

Spring Concert/Art Show: "Let's All Go To The Movies" is the theme for our Spring Concert. We hope our songs are some of your favorites! Everyone is welcome to attend on Tuesday, **May 19th, at 7 PM** at St. Charles School. Come and join our young people as they share their talents and gifts. Take some time to walk through our Art Gallery before the show too. Hope to see you there!

Friday, May 22 @ 11:30 AM-

Volunteer Appreciation Lunch- Have you volunteered in our parish or school? We want to thank you! We appreciate all that you do and would like to say thank you with an appreciation lunch. Reservation sheets are in back of the church. Please sign up by Monday, May 18. Reservation sheets can be left at the school so we can get a count to know how many to prepare for.

Friday, May 29th @ 10:00 AM our 6th grade students will be graduating! Come help them celebrate this milestone.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE & OUR COMMUNITY

A Catholic Phrase to Understand Better: The "Good News"

The "Good News" is that God has come to us in the Person of His Son. Jesus came to save us from sin and, by the power of the Holy Spirit acting through the Church, to re-unite us with Himself as His adopted sons and daughters called to live with Him forever in Heaven.

Feast of St. Isidore May 15 - Patron of Rural Life

St. Isidore, patron saint of farmers, was himself a farm boy born in the city of Madrid, Spain, about the year 1110. He appeals especially to those who work the land as he did. But the good qualities that characterized him and his wife Maria – whole-hearted trust in God, enthusiasm and vigor in working, and a deep spirit of prayer – should be admired and imitated by all. For prayers and blessings associated with the Feast of St. Isidore on May 15, scan the QR code on the right.



Diocese of La Crosse Summer Discernment Camps:

Dare to Follow Retreats: June 9–10 & August 10–11

For boys entering grades 6-8, interested in learning about priesthood. Join us for activities, discernment and time with Bishop Battersby and priests from our area.

Threshold Retreat: July 10–12

For high school men entering grades 9-12, interested in learning about priesthood. Join us for a retreat filled with prayer, recreation and reflections on the priesthood.

To learn more about these discernment retreats and to register visit: thepriesthood.org/events

We Need the Holy Spirit to Renew Our Hearts, Our Families, and the Church!

At this critical time we need God the Holy Spirit to come powerfully upon us for a new Pentecost. Let’s try to participate in this first Novena that Jesus gave to the Apostles, Mary and the women to pray for the infant Church. The 9-day Novena begins Friday, May 15th.

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The Rosary is important because it focuses on the pivotal moments in the lives of Jesus and Mary, known as the “mysteries.” In reflecting on these major events of Jesus’ life, you will come to recognize more how much Jesus loves you personally. You will also be guided by the Holy Spirit to make connections between each mystery of Jesus’ life and your own life. And you may ask the Holy Spirit to help you see how this mystery gives

guidance to your life right now. Praying the Rosary, with the repetition of the Hail Marys, creates a quiet, contemplative space in a noisy world, allowing the mind and heart to focus on God. Take five minutes to pray a decade of the Rosary (one Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and Glory Be) with your family.

Open Farm and Potluck

at the Merciful Heart of Jesus Farm
E3161 State Highway 56, Genoa, WI 54632
Saturday, May 30th, 2026
Starting at 10:30am
Potluck meal at 12 noon,
Please bring a dish to share! Ending at 2pm

All are welcome to come and see the progress on our facilities, learn about our community and mission, and share fellowship with us and others. Feel free to ask the Sisters any questions you may have about their community!

Franciscan Congregation of Divine Mercy
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Parish Events Calendar

May 9:	5:00 PM Women’s Group selling Roses for Mother’s Day
May 10:	10:30 AM Women’s Group selling Roses for Mother’s Day 6:30 PM Men’s Lectio Divina
May 11:	6:30 PM Homecoming Planning
May 12:	6:00 PM Women’s Lectio Divina
May 19:	7:00 PM School Spring Concert & Art Show
May 22:	11:30 AM Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
May 29:	10:00 AM Graduation Mass