

June 11, 2017
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

An Only Child

In our country of abundance it's hard to understand the pressures an overpopulated, under-resourced country faces. Imagine a life where everything was controlled, including how many children you were "allowed". Limiting any couple's right to children is a horrifying thought. How precious that single child would be. And consider the terror involved when something threatened that child! What wouldn't a parent do to protect the only child they were to ever have?

Consider then, the only Son of God. Torn from the loving home of His Father, He was raised in a hate-filled, war-torn world. And even as He took that first, tiny breath, His Father knew that this precious, only child would be sacrificed. Imagine the pain as Our Father watched as the one child He would ever have was scourged, mocked and crucified. And yet, He bore this great sorrow for His adopted children, we, who so often ignore and deny the blood-bought adoption He has provided. Truly it can be said that God *so loved* the world that He gave His only Son. What more could a parent give?

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 12

Tuesday, June 13

Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church

7:00 am: Mass: Michael V. Joseph

Wednesday, June 14

8:00 am: Mass: Clarence & Rosalie Becker

3:00 pm: Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Thursday, June 15

8:00 am: Mass: LaVerne Schmitt

Friday, June 16

8:00 am: Mass: John & Delores Hammond

10:00 am: Neillsville Retirement Community Mass

6:00 pm: Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 17

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1:00 pm: Wedding – Joseph Deppe & Alleah Voigt

4:00 pm: Confessions

5:00 pm: Mass: John Hammond

Sunday, June 18

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

7:00 am to 7:30 am: Confessions

8:00 am: Mass: Dave Hoppa

10:30 am: Mass: Parishioners

General Parish Information

Father Varkey Emergency Cell Phone: 715-937-3664

New parishioners: You are most welcome to join the family of St. Mary's. Please contact the parish office.

Prayer Chain: Contact Jean Kuhn 937-1161

Meal Ministry: Please contact Mary Sladich 743-4466

Bereavement Ministry: Contact Annie Augustine 937-1432

Elizabeth Ministry: Contact Renee Schoen 743-4059

Marriage: Contact with the parish is required six months to a year before marriage. Preparation begins with the first contact.

Natural Family Planning: Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms: Baptisms are celebrated during the 10:30 am Mass on the fourth Sunday of each month. Baptisms following Mass can also be scheduled. Preparation classes are necessary. Please contact the office for further info.

Interfaith Caregivers Contact: 743-2885

Weekly Collection

June 4, 2017

Tithe	\$3,140.17
Ascension	66.00
Offertory	315.85
Student	9.60
Total	\$3,531.62

Weekly Budget

\$ 4,414.73

Uganda Student Sponsorship

\$100.00

Trinity Dome Collection

\$25.00

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday–Sunday, June 18

Lectors

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(B)

Sat. 5:00 pm	Rogene Matuszak	Jeanne Strey
Sun. 8:00 am	Dr. Greg Foster	Annie Augustine
Sun. 10:30 am	Janet Dolle	Phyllis Carney

Extraordinary Ministers

Sat 5:00 pm	Jeanne Strey/Bev Lavey/Greta Ross
Sun. 8:00 am	Dr. Greg Foster/Donna Opelt/Scott Swita
Sun. 10:30 am	Gary Veltus

Cantors

Sat: 5:00 pm	JoAnn Blum/Lorraine Spencer
Sun. 8:00 am	Mike Hart/Mary Ann Ingold
Sun. 10:30 am	Rita Kuchenbecker/Renee Schoen

Accompanists: 5 pm Barb / 8 & 10:30 am Vincente

Servers

Sat. 5:00 pm	Charlie Schoen	Krista Krultz
Sun 8:00 am	Easton Swita	Wesley Swita
Sun 10:30 am	Emily Hanson	Addison Moen

Ushers for June

Sat 5:00 pm.	Byrne Family/Eugene Walter, Jr.
Sun. 8:00 am	Walter Domaszak/Ritch Kohnhofer/Jeff McNeely/Rick Opelt
Sun. 10:30 am	Allen & Anne Durst/Bridget & Rich Reil/Joe Cullen

Rosary Leaders

Sat. 5:00 pm	Mary Hartung
Sun 8:00 am	Jack & Theresa Hammond
Sun 10:30 am	Phyllis Carney

Greeter Schedule – June

5:00 pm: Mary Kay Mills

8:00 am: Russ & Annie Augustine

10:30 am:

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Will resume in September

Parish Announcements

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2016-2017

2016-2017 Target: \$38,978

Pledges Received: \$38,582

99% of Goal

Reminder: The end of the Annual Appeal year is 6/30/17. All payments must be received and deposited in the DAA Office in LaCrosse prior to June 30th. All payments should be mailed to:

Diocese of La Crosse

Att: Annual Appeal

PO Box 4004

La Crosse, WI 54602-4004

Salad Luncheon



**Hosted by St. Mary's PCCW
Wednesday, June 21, 2017**

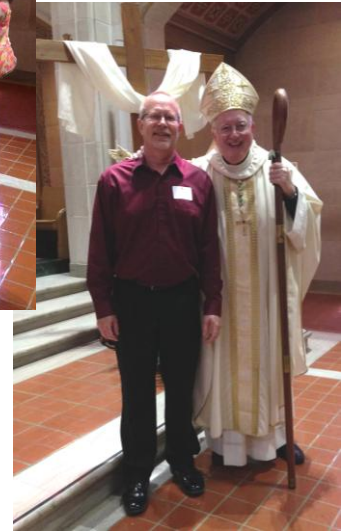
Please mark your calendar for our annual PCCW fund raising event. In the past eight years, the salad luncheon has **raised \$35,000** for parish projects. Remember to invite your friends and family to come and partake in a delicious variety of foods and goodies. A representative from your circle will be calling you asking how you would like to help with this year's salad luncheon. If you do not receive a call please let JoAnn or Lyn know. We will need workers as well as food. We are still in need of **silent auction** items. If you have a donation for the silent auction please bring it to the parish office prior to June 14th. If you have any questions or comments, please call Lyn Schoengarth at 715-743-4137 or 715-743-3336 or JoAnn Blum at 743-3987.

Diocese of La Crosse Parish History Book: A 350 page book including every parish's history and photos, and diocesan history celebrating the 150 year anniversary for the Diocese of La Crosse will be available for \$33 and arrive before Christmas 2017! If you would like to reserve a copy please contact the parish office.

Devotions for the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will continue to be prayed at 3 pm in the Prayer Garden or church on Wednesdays. Beginning July 1st First Saturdays of the month will be celebrated as follows: Confessions will be available at 7:45 am, Mass will be celebrated at 8 am, Rosary and Divine Chaplet will be prayed following Mass. If you have any questions contact Rogene Matuszak 715-743-8138.



Congratulations to Stephanie Hannasch and Gary Veltus for completing the Two Year Lay Formation Program.



Lay Formation Institute is a 2 year program sponsored by the Diocese to help lay men and women deepen their knowledge of the faith and develop their pastoral abilities so they may work in their parishes and the world to spread the Gospel in word and deed. Participants meet one weekend each month to receive training on many topics related to the faith and parish life from learning about Sacred Scripture and the documents of Vatican II, to ministries such as marriage, family life and youth ministry. There is also time to share fellowship with the other participants through the Sacraments, praying the liturgy of the hours as well as social time. A new session will begin this Fall. If this sounds intriguing to you, please contact Stephanie Hannasch.

Summer VBS!!- July 10-14

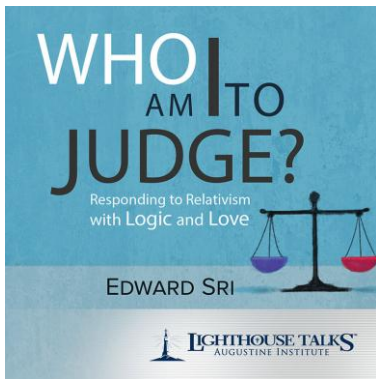
This year's theme is A Mighty Fortress. We will learn from Bible stories how God has won the victory! We are in need of adult and teen volunteers to make this year's VBS great!! **Registration is now**

open! Please find registration forms in the Narthex and return them to the parish office with fee by Friday June 16th. Please contact Stephanie Hannasch with any questions or if you are interested in helping.

Help support VBS Please pray for our leaders, youth helpers and attendees! In the Narthex there is a donation bin for VBS and a list of needs with suggested donation amounts for each item. You can select a tag and either supply the item listed or the donation suggested. Place the purchased item in the bin or the donation in the provided envelope or any envelope marked "VBS" and put in the collection. Donations may also be brought to the office during open hours. Thank you for your prayers for the success of our VBS program and thank you for your generous support of the children of our parish!



Lighthouse Kiosk is Restocked!
Please stop by the Kiosk in the Narthex and
check out the new titles!



Discussing moral issues with family and friends can be a challenge in a culture that strongly promotes the idea that there is no objective truth. Speaking from a wealth of personal experience, renowned author and theologian Dr. Edward Sri provides 5 “keys” to enable Christians to oppose with logic and

love what Pope Benedict XVI called the “dictatorship of relativism.” He also clarifies the proper understanding of what it means to judge, and the importance of making good judgments.

Vocation Office News

June 16-18 Dare To Follow weekend - This is for boys going into 6th - 10th grades to learn more about their Catholic faith, talk about the vocation of priesthood, and HAVE FUN!

July 14-16 THRESHOLD RETREAT - Three days of prayer, conversation, and reflections on the priesthood, as well as plenty of recreation. This is geared toward young men age 17-20.

Witnesses for Christ Conference

“Basic Catholic Principles for Healing the Culture Starting with Yourself”
August 11-12, 2017

Camille Pauley, the President and CEO (co-founder with Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J.) of Healing the Culture, will be the keynote speaker on Saturday. Camille will unfold the four levels of happiness and basic Catholic principles that help us to experience the deepest happiness. These principles and insights will provide us with a steady compass for navigating the mainstream culture when we encounter bad ideas and values. Camille’s presentation will include engaging, interactive exercises for small group break-outs. Every Catholic is in need of these principles that give a solid underpinning to debates about marriage, pre-marital sex, abortion, assisted suicide, and so many other issues. *Hosted by: Office for Catechesis and Evangelization and Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry*

4 Person Knights of Columbus Charity 9 Hole Scramble Sunday, August 20th at 3 pm. Portion of proceeds go to our local Seminarians and Sisters.

Area Events

Neillsville Area Chamber of Commerce Dairy Breakfast Sunday, June 11th 7 am to Noon at C Dairy W4445 County Road C, Neillsville: Adults \$7, K-5th Grade \$3, Preschool Free.

6th Annual Feast of Corpus Christi Mass, Procession & Potluck Supper – Sunday, June 18th
Mass: 2 pm at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Marshfield
Eucharistic Procession: Immediately following Mass at 3:15 pm. We will proceed north on Central Avenue to 5th Street, left on 5th Street to Our Lady of Peace Church, Marshfield
Benediction: 4:15 pm at Our Lady of Peace Church
Pot Luck Supper: 4:30 pm in the Father Dillenburg Hall, Our Lady of Peace Church. Please bring a dish to pass to Our Lady of Peace Church Hall between 1 pm to 2 pm.
Shuttle Service: Available from 1 pm to 2 pm from Our Lady of Peace Church to Sacred Heart Church & during the Procession.

*****All Are Welcome*****

For more information: Jean Kaiser at 715-387-0571

Sowing Seeds of Mercy “Hope for the Homeless” Fund Raiser, Saturday, July 22, 2017: The event will be held at the Allan & Connie Walter Farm, W4077 Heintown Rd, Loyal, WI beginning at 10 am. Join clergy, county leaders, and concerned community members as hands and hearts are joined together in the work of ending homelessness in Clark County. All proceeds will benefit the House of Mercy; a homeless facility serving women and children in Clark County.

Mark Your Calendar.....

Sharing
The Light of Faith
A Deanery Convocation
Sponsored by the Thorp Deanery
Wednesday, September 6, 2017
6:00 - 9:00 PM
St. Anthony’s Parish
Loyal, WI

You are cordially invited to attend our third annual Thorp Deanery convocation. All who attend this evening of speakers and workshops will have their own faith deepened and be given tools to take back to strengthen their parishes. Join us in making the Thorp Deanery shine with the light of faith.