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August 2, 2009

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am
Monday – Saturday 7:30 am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday after 7:30 am Mass & 3:30-4:00
Confessions heard in church; other times by appointment

EVENING PRAYER DAILY WITH BENEDICTION ON WEDNESDAYS

5:15 *in the Adoration Chapel*

Contact the Parish Office to join the parish, to arrange for a wedding (6 months in advance), and for Baptism class information.
Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick or have been ill for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion. Call the parish office to make arrangements.
If you are home-bound because of illness and would like to be visited, please call.

August 2, 2009 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thought you'd be interested in what all the activity was over at school this last week. About 40 young people from our parish and surrounding parishes were having a grand time learning about the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and virtues. That's right, there were smiling faces all around, along with a good dose of theology. Four college-age presenters, Joe, Gus, Sarah, and Rachel led the kids in prayer, singing, activities, and good old fashion fun. These men and women really LIVE their faith, starting each day with Mass and praying the Rosary together. Their solid example of joyful Catholic living bubbles over onto the children. It's contagious and a joy to see! The TOTUS TUUS experience is one to which kids come back year after year, eager to jump into our Catholic Faith in an action-packed way. This comes with a bit of a cost to us, but well worth it. Last year's TOTUS TUUS spawned our parish's new Youth Group which gives students in 7th through 12th grades the opportunity to further deepen their understanding of our Catholic Faith through study, out-reach projects, prayer, fellowship and fun.

In today's bulletin there's a flyer outlining the LEAVEN2HEAVEN youth rally which will be held at our Diocesan Center on August 22 from noon to 9:30 pm. It is again an action-packed event for students in grades 7 and up. Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Listecky, and the presenters include Rob Wills who went from an invalid with a broken back suffered in a car crash to an outstanding athlete to the director of the teen center at Sharing and Caring Hands, a homeless shelter in downtown Minneapolis. What an inspiring story! Of course, music and food are included. I'd surely encourage all young folks to attend. Call the Parish Office to register.

I feel certain that the experiences offered by TOTUS TUUS, our Parish Youth Group, and rallies like LEAVEN2HEAVEN can energize, enrich, and deepen the faith that we planted in baptism and nurtured in our children's younger years. Let us continue to pray for one another, and especially for our young people who are the Church of the future.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Aug 3 - 9, 2009

Reader: Luna Chou

Extr. Minister of Body of Christ: Karen Perry

Mon, Aug 3 Weekday

7:30 **Intention of Helen & Kevin Roop
24th Wedding Anniversary**

Server: Dick Meyer

MASS INTENTIONS CONTINUED

Tues, Aug 4 John Mary Vianney

7:30 **+ Elizabeth Gerke (Anniv.)**

Server: Pete Fiorini

Wed, Aug 5 Weekday, Dedication of the Basilica of

St. Mary Major in Rome

7:30 **Intention of Mary Lou & Jack Smalley
50th Wedding Anniversary**

Server: Jason Hutzler

5:15 Evening Prayer and Benediction

Server: Sam Steingraeber

Thurs, Aug 6 Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30 **+Beverly Kirby (Anniv.)**

Servers: Emilie Steingraeber, Danielle Dolan

Fri, Aug 7 Weekday, Sixtus II & companions,

Cajetan

7:30 **Intention of Joan & Bill Binder
27th Wedding Anniversary**

Servers: Kellan Doberstein, Kris Sauer

Sat, Aug 8 Dominic

7:30 **+Joseph Robertson, Jr.**

Servers: Courtney Frick, Ryan Scheidt

2:00 Nuptials Colleen Sullivan & Gavin Dunn

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, Aug 8

4:30 +Verna Quillin

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Grace & Kate Riley, Courtney Frick, Emilie Steingraeber

Readers: Steve & Marian Pavela

Petitions: Emily Walker

Eucharist: Mary Ann Bradley, Loretta Clarkin, Susan Fukuda, Chris Papke, Luci Johnson

Ushers: Wayne Levi, Walt Susdorf, Allan Fukuda, Dave Sweeney

Offering family: Kay Nicks & James Nagle

Sun, Aug 9

8:00 For the People of the Parish

MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Riley & Pat Campbell, Sam Scheidt, Matt Brannon

Readers: Bob Skemp, Ruth Vanderploeg

Petitions: Stephanie Koehne

Eucharist: Mike Vanderploeg, Florence Koenig, Dave & Marie Allen, Gaylord Perry

Ushers: Bob Peshak, Joe Sweeney, Lloyd Koenig, John Gallagher

Offering family: Joe & Barb Durst

Sun, Aug 2

10:00 +Mary Kimmet

MC:

Servers: Gus & Fritz Wiggert, Eric Clements, Peter Coppola

Readers: Scott Doberstein, Mark Steingraeber

Petitions: Lydia Skemp

Eucharist: Betty Roth, David Coriden, Kathy Curti, Caryl Doberstein, Carol Steingraeber

Ushers: John Sullivan, Jim Kroner, Syl Schaub, Tom Richert

Offering family: The Merkitch family

AROUND THE PARISH

Petition Readers at Weekend Masses guys and gals in Grades 7-12

Call the office at 782-2953, ext 2, to volunteer and let us know which Mass time you prefer.

YOUTH GROUP

Students going into 7th grade and up, you are all welcome to be part of our Parish's Youth Group. We will be meeting weekly on Thursdays, 7:30-9:00, through August, in the large Conference Room. Come – bring along a friend – meet new friends – have a good time!
Questions? Call Jennifer Kulzer, 385-3459.

SHARE THE HARVEST

You may bring your excess veggies, etc. from your garden to church on the weekend. We'll have a table for them. Anyone who'd like to take some home, just put a donation in the jar (for an area food pantry) and take what you can use. Left-overs will go to Place of Grace.

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS GROUP

Supper at Maggie's on Main in Onalaska
Tues, Aug 11, 6 pm
Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667, or Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917

Please RSVP to Barb Swieciak if you will be attending her 25th anniversary celebration Sept 12. The committee handling the meal needs to know how many to plan for.
Thanks!

NOPTIALS

**Vicki Connell and Robert Alland
August 2**

RCIA CORNER

A new session of RCIA will be starting soon. RCIA is for anyone wishing to become Catholic or just learning more about the Catholic Faith. Contact Jennifer Kulzer at 385-3459.

PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010
Received, July 26 \$7,867.00

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I love the sun in the sky so blue,
Because when it's out my kids are, too.

COMING UP

Aug 3-9 Our week for Mobile Meals
Aug 11 Widows & Widowers Group, 6 pm, Maggie's in Onalaska
Aug 11 Baptism Preparation Class, 6:30
Aug 8/9 & 15/16 Collection for Shoe Drive
Aug 22 Leaven to Heaven, noon-9:30 pm
Aug 30 Parish Golf Outing and Fall Social

MUSIC NEWS AND NOTES

CHILDREN'S CHOIR will sing at 10:00 Mass next Sun and will practice Sat, 9:30-10:15.
TEEN CHOIR will sing at 10:00 Mass on Aug 16 and will practice at 9:30 before Mass. All teens are invited to join us. Contact Michelle Skemp if you have questions, 397-6251.

\$crip News

\$crip phone: 782-2953, ext. 6
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NEW \$CRIP VENDORS THIS SUMMER

Bittersweet Floral	Farm & Fleet
Fayze's	Java Detour
Noodles & Co.	Kroner Hardware, the store with lots of neat stuff
Supercuts	
Ship Shape Carwash	

Do you have an arm-load of beautiful blossoms you'd like to share with the parish?

Please call Eenie at 782-2953, ext. 2. Altar flowers need to be dropped off in the SACRISTY on Sat at 9:00 am. If you bring in bouquets already arranged, mark your vases with your name and phone number.

PARISH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CLUBS

Every registered adult is automatically a member of the Clubs. Use the envelope in your monthly packet, or if you do not receive envelopes for weekly giving, you may send your \$5 membership to us in your own envelope. Mark it for the Club and include your name. Thanks!

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

**John & MaryLou Smalley
August 5**

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Collection will be the weekends of Aug 8/9 & 15/16. Shop the back-to-school sales (use Scrip, of course) now to help keep our Aquinas Catholic Schools and Catholic Charities stocked for the year! Suggested items: expandable folders, loose-leaf paper (wide- and college-ruled), sharpies, highlighters, pencils, pens, crayons, glue-sticks, colored pencils.

We are also having a "Stepping Back to School" drive for the Salvation Army during the same weekends. We will have a drop box for donations to purchase shoes for needy families. Anyone making a donation may put their name in a for a door prize drawing. Questions? Call Helen Roop, 796-2644.

SAINTS AMONG US On Aug 2 Pierluigi Molla, son of St. Gianna Molla, will be visiting the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, as part of a weekend Conference. Archbishop Burke will also be present. For more information go to: www.guadalupeshrine.org, or call 782-5440.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Aug 10-14, 8:30-11:30, Holy Trinity Parish, for grades 1-5. Call Jeannie at 782-2028 for more information or to register.

RETROUVAILLE, a world-wide non-profit volunteer-run program for couples experiencing a troubled marriage (even couples who are separated or divorced), will offer a weekend Aug 14-16 at St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon. For more information call 877-922-HOPE or go to www.retrouvaille.org.

***St. Pat's Summerfest**, Sparta Sat, Aug 8, 9 am live auction; Sun, Aug 9, 10:30 polka Mass, chicken dinner at 11 am, games, Bingo, crafts, music, refreshments.

***Sts, Peter & Paul Festival**, Independence Aug 8, 4-8 pm; Aug 9, dinner 11 am, auction at 1 pm. Games, rides, cake walk, fun, etc.

***St. Eliz-fest**, Holmen. Aug 8, Mass 5 pm, live music, 6-10 pm. Food, refreshments, fun!

***Senior Fun Day** Tues, Aug 10, 10-3 pm, Pettibone Lagoon. Fishing, boat ride, lunch provided, Bingo, music. To register call 785-9710.

CITYPRAYZ live worship Fri, Aug 7, 7:30 pm, La Crosse Center. Free admission. McPherson band.

LA CROSSE DCCW meeting Fri & Sat, Aug 7 & 8, St. Bernard/St. Hedwig Parish, Thorp. To register contact Bonnie Langreck at 715-238-7246, or email at blangreck@tds.net.

GOLF OUTING TO BENEFIT AQUINAS WRESTLING PROGRAM Sat, Aug 8, Forest Hills, 9 holes, cart, lunch, beer, \$40. Call Eric Smith, 788-8268, or Deke Stanek, 507-208-3084 for more information, and call Forest Hills, 779-4653, for tee time.

ORGAN RECITAL at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Sun, Aug 9, 3 pm., by Bruce Bengtson, Dir of Music and Organist at Luther Memorial Church, Madison. Free-will offering will be taken.

LEAVEN TO HEAVEN Youth Rally

August 22, noon - 9:30 pm

Diocesan Center, La Crosse

This event includes great bands, inspirational speakers, a great dinner, and opportunities for prayer and confession. We hope to get a big group of young people from our parish attending this year. Any questions about this or any other youth group event can be directed to Jennifer at 385-3459. Adults interested in chaperoning or being involved with the youth group, please give Jennifer a call.