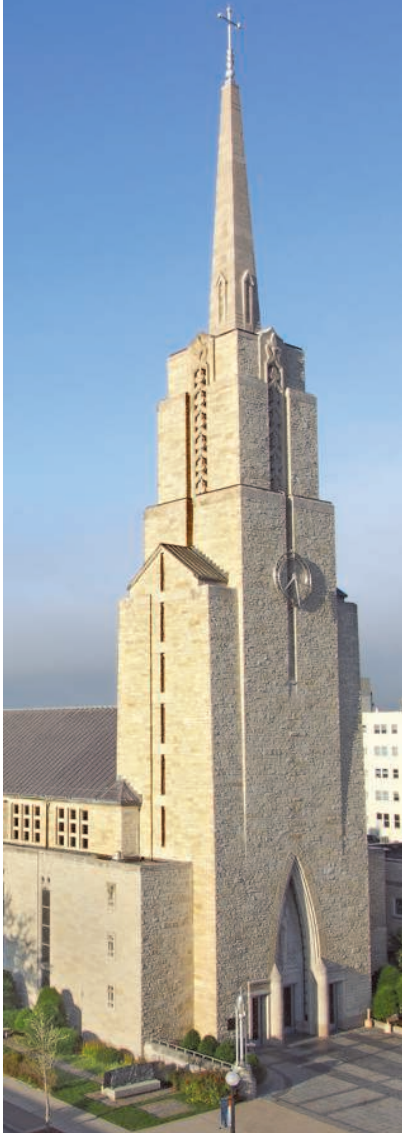


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Liturgy

Sunday Masses

Sunday: 7:00, 10:30 am, 4:30 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am, 12:10 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Day: 6:30 am, 12:10 pm and 5:10 pm

See special bulletin insert, website or call Rectory for
Christmas, Holy Week, Easter Schedules

Sacrament of Penance

Weekdays: 11:30-11:55 am

Saturdays: 7:15-7:50 am, 4:00-5:00 pm

Holy Days: 11:30-11:55 am

First Friday Devotions

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each
First Friday after the 12:10 pm Mass until devotions
and benediction after the 5:10 pm Latin Mass

SAINT JAMES^{THE} LESS

Liturgy

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Saturday: 6:00 pm *Spanish Language*

Sunday: 8:45 am

Weekday Masses

8:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Vigil: 5:20 pm; Day: 8:00 am

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 pm

Adoration & Benediction

Friday Adoration: 8:30 am

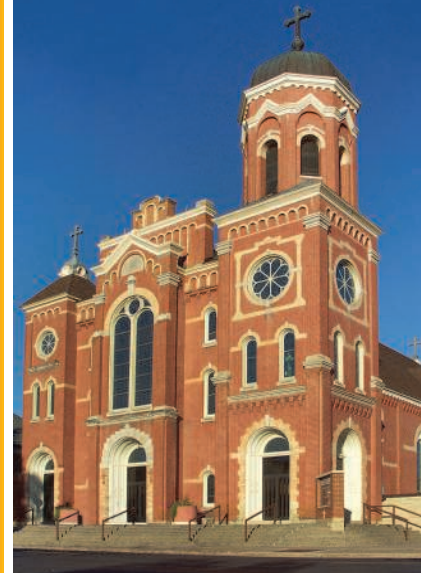
Friday Benediction: 2:40 pm

CCD Instruction

Sunday: 10:00 am

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RIDING THE RAILS OF LIFE



Dear parishioners and visitors,

The Season of Lent will begin this Wednesday. Please check the bulletin for times of Masses, confessions, Stations of the Cross and benediction. All these forms of pray are most helpful in our spiritual lives. We want to take every advantage the Church offers to help us repent from our sins and turn back to God.

This year we have the Jubilee Year of Mercy which began on December 8th. I hope that we all recognize the need to come back humbly to the Lord to experience his enduring mercy. This year might have begun well. There were over 650 people who went to confession during the all-day confessions held at the Cathedral on December 21st. There will be another day in this season when priests from the deanery will assist in hearing confessions throughout a given day. Please watch the bulletin for that day and all the other times confessions will be heard.

I hope we will all strive to make this Lent a holy season. We want to become more holy as God desires each and every one of us to be.

Thank you and God bless you.

Msgr. Stoetzel

The intercession this week is to pray for all Catholics and Christians preparing for the Season of Lent.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday will begin the Lenten Season on February 10th. This will be the Mass schedule:

6:30 AM	Cathedral
8:00 AM	St. James
12:10 PM	Cathedral
5:10 PM	Cathedral
5:20 PM	St. James

To the serves, lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from the Cathedral: your assistance is needed at the 5:10 PM Mass. The sign-up sheet is the sacristy; please sign as soon as possible.

DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

The distribution of ashes will take place at all Masses on Ash Wednesday both at the Cathedral and St. James the Less Parishes. See elsewhere in the bulletin for Mass times.

TEN WAYS TO FALL IN LOVE WITH THE EUCHARIST - By Fr. Ed Broom, OMV *Continued from last week.*

Fifteen Minutes

Years ago there was published a small booklet with the title "The fifteen minutes". It is a little gem where Jesus encourages the reader to enter into simple but profound conversation with Him. Basically Jesus wants to be our Best Friend and challenges us to open up the secret mysteries of our heart to Him and only He can truly understand the inner secrets, wounds and mysteries in our heart. Read and pray through this booklet if possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament!

Holy Hour

Get into the habit of making a daily Holy Hour in front of the most Blessed Sacrament. It will transform your life if you persevere in the practice. The Great Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, who made his Holy Hour faithfully for more than fifty years, called it THE HOUR OF POWER!

Adorn and Embellish Churches & the Eucharist

The woman lavished her expensive nard on the feet of Jesus; she wept and her tears came pouring forth on the feet of Jesus; finally she wiped Jesus' feet with her hair (Lk. 7:36-50). Fulton Sheen points out that this is symbolic of the gestures of love and attention we should manifest in the way we adorn, embellish and beautify the Churches and tabernacles where Jesus abides.

Known for his spirit of penance, fasting, and sacrifice, the Cure of Ars would travel long distances and expend big sums of money to purchase the best for his little Church. Why? For the simple reason that Jesus the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords abides in the tabernacle and descends from heaven in the hands of the priest in every consecrated Host. "O come let us adore Him!"

Holy Mass and Holy Communion

Of course the greatest action in the whole universe is the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The greatest gesture any human being can accomplish is to assist at

Sacraments & Services

Baptism: Parents may request the baptism of their infants at least two months prior to the anticipated date of baptism. The baptism of infants at the Cathedral is ordinarily celebrated on Sundays at 12:00 noon. To request a baptism, please call 782-0322. Baptism of infants at St. James the Less on Sundays at 10:00 am. A class for parents is required.

Marriage: Couples who want to request the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the rector/pastor at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage. In the case of a mixed marriage, the

Mass and to receive Holy Communion with faith, devotion, reverence and awe but especially with a passionate love. Whenever possible, go to daily Mass. Arrive early to prepare yourself. Offer your own private intentions. Participate in Holy Mass fully, actively and consciously. Receive Holy Communion as if it were your first Holy Communion, last Holy Communion and only Holy Communion. Be exceedingly thankful for your faith in such a sublime and august mystery! Do not rush out of the Church after Mass, as if your pants were on fire! Rather, spend some time after Holy Mass to render abundant thanks to Jesus for such a sublime gift. Actually the word “Eucharist” means THANKSGIVING! What a sublime gift, free of charge. The only condition is lively faith and a heart overflowing with love for Jesus the greatest of all lovers!

A.C.T.S.

Remember the four principal ends or purpose of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass—A.C.T.S...

A—stands for adoration. The primary purpose of Holy Mass is to offer adoration to God the Father, by the offering of Jesus the Victim and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C—stands for contrition. Our hearts should be contrite and humble and repentant for our many sins. It is a great practice to offer our Mass and Holy Communion in reparation for our sins, the sin of our families as well as in reparation for the sins of the whole world. “For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.”

T—stands for thanksgiving. Everything that we have in this life—with the exception of our own sins—is a pure gift from God. Therefore we should be overflowing and abounding in the thanksgiving. “With the Psalmist let us pray: “Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; his love endures forever.”

S—Stands for supplication; in other words we should offer prayers of fervent intercession and petition for the many needs of the world:

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non-Catholic party must arrange to receive instructions about the Catholic faith prior to the celebration of the wedding. Weddings are not ordinarily celebrated during Lent.

Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion. Please call YOUR parish office to make arrangements.

Visitation of the Sick: If you become homebound because of illness and would like to be visited, please call the Cathedral parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Monday, February 8

6:30 am Mass (Norm Kane)
12:10 pm Mass (Claude Neumann)

Tuesday, February 9

6:30 am Mass (Intention of Joseph & Ngozi Nduka)
12:10 pm Mass (Intention of Dorothy Golomski)

Wednesday, February 10

6:30 am Mass (Mary G. & Charles Shorna)
12:10 pm Mass (Harold & Terry Martini)
5:10 pm Mass (Thomas Minter)

Thursday, February 11

6:30 am Mass (Charlotte Nesseth)
12:10 pm Mass (Albert & Eleanor Roellich)

Friday, February 12

6:30 am Mass (Roger Reichert)
12:10 pm Mass (James Felmeier)

Saturday, February 13

8:00 am Mass (George & Lillian Huebner Family)

Sunday, February 14

First Sunday of Lent

7:00 am Mass (Roger Reichert)
10:30 am Mass (Mr. & Mrs. Louis Halerz & Family)
4:30 pm Mass (Intention of the Cathedral & St. James Parish Families)

SAINT JAMES^{THE} LESS

Monday, February 8

8:00 am Mass (Intention of Sarah Hundt)

Tuesday, February 9

8:00 am Mass (Deceased Members of the Cory Cripe Family)

Wednesday, February 10

8:00 am Mass (Irene Dunham)
5:20 pm Mass (Rose Margaret Gross)

Thursday, February 11

8:00 am Mass (Intention of Deacon Jason Hutzler)

Friday, February 12

8:00 am Mass (Lorraine & Jack Sinise)
8:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm Benediction

Saturday, February 13

4:30 pm Vigil Mass (Rosemary Shuda)
6:00 pm Spanish Language Mass

Sunday, February 14

First Sunday of Lent

8:45 am Mass (Jack & Irene Dunham)

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Mark 6:53-56.
Tuesday 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Mark 7:1-13.
Wednesday Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18.
Thursday Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25.
Friday Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15.
Saturday Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32.
Sunday Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13.

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We welcome all new parishioners into our parish family.
To register, please call to make an appointment at the parish office.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

FASTING is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this law may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these minimal prescribed penitential practices.

LENTEN WEEKDAY SERVICES

The schedule of Masses and confessions during the weekdays of Lent is the same as in Ordinary Time. In addition there are Stations of the Cross on weekdays at 11:40 am. There is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the Fridays of Lent after the 12:10 pm Mass until Benediction after the Stations of the Cross at 5:10 pm.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

The Cathedral Parish will resume its Lenten Soup Suppers during the Friday's of Lent. The evening opens with Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 5:10 pm, followed by a soup supper in the Undercroft. As in other years the people of the parish are being asked to donate yeast or sweetbreads for each of the suppers. They can be dropped off in the Undercroft near the kitchen. The following guidelines can be used:

A-D February 12 E-I February 19
J-M February 26 N-R March 4
S-U March 11 V-Z March 18

The Cathedral Education Committee has adopted the mission of generating funds to purchase materials for struggling learners at Aquinas Middle and High Schools. All donations from the Lenten Soup Suppers go towards this project.

CATHEDRAL SENIOR CITIZENS

LUNCHEON

February's Cathedral Senior Citizens Luncheon will be February 18, at 11:30 am, at the Houghton's (1002 Jackson Street). All are welcome to participate. Please R.S.V.P. to Karol at 769-1270.

2017 LITURGICAL CALENDAR IS HERE

Mass intentions are now being accepted for the 2017 calendar year. Call the Rectory.

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed prior to Mass, Monday through Friday at 7:35 am.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

During the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass we present to God all our needs and the needs of the world. In a special way we pray for the needs of those from our parish who are sick.

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

During the season of Lent, confessions will be heard before the 4:30 pm Mass at St. James the Less Church on Saturdays beginning at 3:00 pm, rather than 3:30 pm.

SAINT JAMES LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPERS

During the Lenten Season, Saint James the Less Parish will hold Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 5:30 pm, beginning February 12. Stations of the Cross will be followed by a soup supper in Murphy Hall.

KNIGHTS OF ST. JOSEPH

On Friday, February 12, the Knights of St. Joseph will join parishioners of Saint James the Less for Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm. Following Stations, we will go to Murphy Hall for a soup supper. At 6:45 pm, the Knights will return to the Church to pray Evening Prayer, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and conclude with Night Prayer. Men of all parishes are welcome to join us for our evenings of prayer each second Friday of the month. Fathers, invite your sons to pray alongside you.

Starting in February and going forward each month, the Knights of St. Joseph will have prayer intentions at Evening Prayer. Men feel free to bring your prayer requests and intentions to our evening of prayer, too. The prayer intention for February is: "May fallen away Catholic men of the La Crosse area seek out the infinite mercy of God in the Sacrament of Confession this Lent."

CHURCH CLEANING

February 13 - Diane Sullivan and Deb Colgan
 February 20 - Carol Patterson and Trudy Duffrin
 February 27 - Cherie Rifenberg and Marilyn Ritter

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Every priest knows himself, by divine election, to be a mediator between God and man, bringing God to man and man to God. As such, the priest continues the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, Who was both God and man." Archbishop Fulton Sheen

CALENDAR REMINDERS & BUSINESS

- Feb 8 Memorials of St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
- Feb 10 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 11 Our Lady of Lourdes
- Feb 11 World Day of the Sick
- Feb 17 Memorial of the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
- Feb 22 Feast of the Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
- Feb 23 Memorial of St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
- Mar 3 Memorial of St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
- Mar 4 Memorial of St. Casimir
- Mar 4 World Day of Prayer
- Mar 7 Memorials of Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
- Mar 8 Memorial of St. John of God, Religious
- Mar 9 Memorial of St. Frances of Rome, Religious
- Mar 17 Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop

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- Feb 7 End of the Year for Consecrated Life Mass - 10:30 am
- Feb 7 Hospitality Sunday
- Feb 8 Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 pm Undercroft
- Feb 14 Rite of Election - 2:00 pm (Celebrant: Bishop Callahan)
- Feb 15 Pastoral Council Meeting - 7:00 pm Undercroft
- Feb 21 Hmong Education Day - 7:00 am - 1:00 pm Library/Undercroft
- Feb 22 Ministry of Care Meeting - 5:00 pm Bishop's Vestry
- Mar 1 Social Concerns Meeting - 6:00 pm Bishop's Vestry
- Mar 5 First Confession - 10:30 am Church
- Mar 6 Confirmation Retreat - 11:30 am - 3:30 pm Undercroft
- Mar 6 Hospitality Sunday
- Mar 14 Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 pm Undercroft
- Mar 19 Catholic Daughters Morning of Reflection - 7:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Mar 21 All Day Confessions - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Mar 22 Chrism Mass - 10:30 am (Celebrant: Bishop Callahan)
- Apr 3 Hospitality Sunday
- Apr 4 Publicity Meeting - 7:00 pm Cathedral Rectory
- Apr 9 PCCW Rummage Sale (Times to Be Announced)
- Apr 10 Confirmation - 1:30 pm
- Apr 11 Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 pm Undercroft
- Apr 12 Catholic Daughters - 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Apr 23 First Holy Communion Practice - 10:30 am
- Apr 24 First Holy Communion - 10:30 am

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- Feb 7 Hospitality Sunday after Mass Murphy Hall
- Feb 7 CCD - 10:00 am St. James School Building
- Feb 9 PCCW Meeting - 6:30 pm Murphy Hall
- Feb 10 Matt Talbot Meeting - 7:00 pm Murphy Hall
- Feb 12 Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper in Murphy Hall
- Feb 12 Knights of St. Joseph - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper; Evening of Prayer
- Feb 14 CCD - 10:00 am St. James School Building
- Feb 17 Matt Talbot Meeting - 7:00 pm Murphy Hall
- Feb 19 Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper in Murphy Hall
- Feb 21 Sunday Potluck after the 8:45 am Mass, Murphy Hall
- Feb 21 CCD - 10:00 am St. James School Building
- Feb 21 St. James Men's Club - 6:30 pm Murphy Hall
- Feb 24 Matt Talbot Meeting - 7:00 pm Murphy Hall
- Feb 24 Mandatory Confirmation Class With Msgr. Stoetzel
- Feb 26 Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper in Murphy Hall
- Feb 28 CCD - 10:00 am St. James School Building
- Mar 2 Matt Talbot Meeting - 7:00 pm Murphy Hall
- Mar 4 Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper in Murphy Hall
- Mar 6 Hospitality Sunday after Mass Murphy Hall
- Mar 8 PCCW Meeting 6:30 pm Murphy Hall
- Mar 9 Matt Talbot Meeting - 7:00 pm Murphy Hall
- Mar 11 Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper in Murphy Hall
- Mar 11 Knights of St. Joseph - 5:30 pm; Soup Supper; Evening of Prayer
- Mar 19 PCCW Spring Bake Sale in Murphy Hall
- Mar 20 Palm Sunday Potluck after the 8:45 am Mass, Murphy Hall
- Mar 20 No CCD Classes Today
- Mar 20 Men's Club - 6:30 pm Murphy Hall

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES
For weekend of February 13-14

SAINT JOSEPH^{THE} WORKMAN *Cathedral*

SUNDAY - 7:00 AM MASS

Taggart, Amber	Altar Server
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Jacobs, Julie	Extraordinary Minister
Jacobs, Michelle	Extraordinary Minister
Lepsch, Richard	Extraordinary Minister
Peters, Charlie	Extraordinary Minister
Skemp, Deacon Thomas	Ordinary Minister
Jacobs, Paul	Lector

SUNDAY - 10:30 AM MASS

Lee, Bryce	Altar Server
Lee, Aiden	Altar Server
Becker, Tammy	Extraordinary Minister
Miletto, Phyllis	Extraordinary Minister
Skemp, Deacon Thomas	Ordinary Minister
Stellflue, John	Extraordinary Minister
Stellflue, Patricia	Extraordinary Minister
Walsh, Colleen	Extraordinary Minister
Withrow, Cyndi	Extraordinary Minister
St. John, Ellie	Lector

SUNDAY - 4:30 PM MASS

Nduka, Ezechuwu	Altar Server
Nduka, Chukwuma	Altar Server
Briggs, Dianne	Extraordinary Minister
Callan, Charles	Extraordinary Minister
Gilbert, Sue	Extraordinary Minister
Pham, Anh	Extraordinary Minister
Roskos, Betty	Extraordinary Minister
Roskos, Rollie	Extraordinary Minister
Skemp, Deacon Thomas	Ordinary Minister
Felker, Mark	Lector

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SATURDAY - 4:30 PM MASS

Skiles, Marcus	Altar Server
Alford, Jacob	Altar Server
Hutzler, Deacon Jason	Ordinary Minister
Arlt, Anne	Extraordinary Minister
Guanello, Carol	Extraordinary Minister
Reischl, Sarah	Lector
Schwabenbauer, Joe	Usher
McArdle, Mike	Usher
Sagen, John	Usher

SUNDAY - 8:45 AM MASS

Leis, Michael	Altar Server
Ilfrey, Michael	Altar Server
Logue, Martin	Altar Server
Hutzler, Deacon Jason	Ordinary Minister
Thompson, Paula	Extraordinary Minister
Garibaldi, Tom	Lector
Garibaldi, Elizabeth	Lector
Koelbl, John	Usher
Brauer, Gary	Usher
McConaghy, Tom	Usher
Seufzer, Don	Usher

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the world at large, the Church, the conversion of sinners, the sick, the dying, our own personal family needs, the souls in purgatory, and much more....

Eucharistic Missionary

As Mary received Jesus in the Annunciation and promptly and quickly brought Jesus to her cousin Elizabeth, so should we bring Jesus to others, and others to Jesus. This can be done in a very concrete manner by encouraging Catholic lost sheep wandering in the wilderness back to the fold. The second largest religious group in the United States are non-practicing Catholics.

Find the time, manner, effort and initiative to invite some lost soul back to Church. Hopefully he or she can make a good confession and return to the reception of Holy Communion and to the loving embrace of God the Father. All this might take place if you simply trust God and take the initiative to welcome them back! God is so loving and good! Share the Good News to the entire world!

FIAT YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Looking for fellowship with other young people who share your faith? Please join FIAT, the La Crosse area's Catholic young adult group, on Tuesday, February 16. We will meet for prayer and adoration at 6:00 pm, in the adoration chapel in Blessed Sacrament Church (130 Losey Blvd S), followed by a social and refreshments at the Golden Tap (520 State St). All young adults are welcome. For questions, contact lax.fiat@gmail.com.

FRONT DOOR MINISTRY

During the calendar year 2015, 1,469 community neighbors were served through your generosity and those of our benefactors and visitors. Of those in need, 327 were homeless. However, most of the homeless were sheltered at the Salvation Army, Warming Center, New Horizons, motels, and various halfway houses. However some lived in tents, autos, parking ramps and unheated garages and porches. The largest financial disbursements were for gasoline, utilities, rent, and tokens in that order. Each month there is a standing contribution to the Jail Ministry and to WAFER. In addition to the contributions made to the Charitable Works Fund, the parish participated in the Back to School Backpack campaign, Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Mittens for the Manger, Heifer International, and the Salvation Army request for hygiene products.

On behalf of all those whom you have served, thank you and keep them all in your prayers.

Watch next week's bulletin to read more news about the Front Door Ministry.

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