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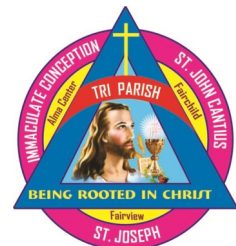
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**PASTOR**  
**Fr. Daniel Thelen**  
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**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**  
Sun. 8:30 am St Joseph/St John  
10:15 am IC  
Tue. 5:30 pm IC Spanish  
Wed 9:00 am IC  
Thu. 9:00 am IC  
Fri. 9:00 am IC  
Sat. 4:30 pm IC Spanish

**ADORATION WITH CONFESSION**  
First Friday 5:30-6:00 pm at St Jos  
First Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm at IC  
**CONFESSION**  
Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm at IC  
Sunday 8:00-8:30 am at SSJJ  
**ROSARY**  
Before every Mass  
**CCD Class**  
During the school year

Welcome to all who come to our churches! If you would like to become a registered member of Immaculate Conception, St Joseph-Fairview or St John Cantius, please talk to the priest, or leave your name and phone number in the collection basket and we will contact you.

Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception, St Joseph, and St John Cantius!

It has been a great week of parish activities! It was so wonderful to see so many people at my welcoming dinner in Alma Center last Sunday. Then on Tuesday I got to help prep the rutabagas and potatoes for the Immaculate Conception dinner. If any of the rutabaga pieces are a bit too big you can blame me. At least I kept all my fingers. The food Wednesday evening was excellent and it was so great to see everyone. I am now eagerly looking forward to the dinner at St Joseph's on October 20th.

Food is a great segue into a brief commentary on our Gospel for this weekend. We continue to read from John chapter six. During the last two weeks we have heard the powerful texts on the feeding of the five-thousand and the discourse on the bread of life. In our Gospel today Jesus makes again another startling claim. He says, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."

The text says, 'we will live forever'. We know that if we die in Jesus Christ, we will have an eternal destiny that will never change. We will be eternally embraced by God's perfect and incredible love. This is truly an awesome and indescribable gift which words can never justly describe.

When we receive the Holy Eucharist with great faith, we begin to experience a foretaste of our eternal destiny in heaven. Therefore, in your life develop a deep love for the Holy Eucharist. Contemplate its presence before Mass. Throughout Mass yearn for the moment you will receive the Lord. When you receive Communion give great thanksgiving to God for such a blessed gift. As you return back home and go about the daily activities create a deep desire within yourself to receive again the most Holy Eucharist at your next Mass.

Jesus says he is the bread of life. He says that when we receive him we shall live forever. Jesus has instituted the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper and instructed his apostles (and the priests who followed them) to do this in memory of him. Thus even in our present age wherever Holy Mass is celebrated we receive the true living bread from heaven.

Please pray for me as I continue the beautiful blessing of shepherding your parishes! I am definitely keeping you all in prayer!

Fr Dan Thelen

We still have room for more ads! If you would like to place an ad or be a sponsor, please contact Dawn Kaufman at 715-533-8344


19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS IS A REALLY DISCOURAGING JOB - I TAKE A LOT OF COFFEE BREAKS, BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM TO HELP.



COMPLAINTS

FORGET THE COFFEE BREAKS - YOU NEED TO START TAKING JESUS BREAKS!



COMPLAINTS

FORGET THE COFFEE BREAKS!  
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**DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**  
The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by a priest or deacon. Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Bishop William P. Callahan at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. The form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse, Office for Clergy; or on the diocesan website at: www.dioceseoflacrosse.com. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website.

If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or dkunz@dioceseoflacrosse.com

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the Catholic families of Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph and St. John, believe that ours is the Mission of Christ. We live and proclaim the Gospel through prayer, liturgy and action. We accept the challenge to live in the Gospel, to love others as Christ loves us, and to be model of Christian stewardship. Empowered by our Baptism, we give witness to the values of Christian unity, Service. Compassion and Justice.

Date/Day		IC	SSJJ	Birthday/Anniversary
Aug 11, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		
Aug 12, Sun	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:15 AM Mass †Doug Munz	8:30 AM Mass St John †Sharon Gayken	Char & Rocky Bowman (A)
Aug 13, Mon		No Mass		
Aug 14, Tue		5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		Victor Firkus
Aug 15, Wed	<b>Assumption of the BI Virgin Mary</b>	9:00 AM Mass †Martin & Dorothy Kalina	6:00 PM Mass †Dec. Members Kutchera Fam.	Areceli Jaime
Aug 16, Thu		9:00 AM Mass †Gladys Ryan		
Aug 17, Fri		9:00 AM Mass †Leon & Florence Hoerer		Nick Kutchera
Aug 18, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		Marilou Peterson
Aug 19, Sun	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:15 AM Mass †Rose Michels	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Bernard Scheffer <b>9:30 AM Meet &amp; Greet</b>	

**IF YOU CANNOT SERVE—PLEASE FIND A SUBSTITUTE**

**Sun. Aug. 12, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: JoAnn Kujak  
S: Justin Rowekamp, Keaton Dale, I Emerich  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Matt & Holly Dale  
MC: Laurence Anibas, Holly Dale

**Sun. Aug. 12, 8:30 am, St. John**  
R: Rozanne Traczek  
S: Elise Theiler, Luke Kutchera  
U: Tim Mayer, Dan Kaufman  
E: R Traczek, L Bourke, P Connelly  
G: Den & Jan Elfering  
MC: S Mayer, L Bourke, C Eisberner

**Sun. Aug. 19, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: Kathy Esser  
S: Jaden Rowekamp, M Janke, Annika C.  
U: M Schroeder, B Leis, C Shramek, C Trautlien  
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower  
G: Dean & Janet Stephens  
MC: Marcel Kujak, JoAnn Kujak, Pat Gower

**Sun. Aug. 19, 8:30 am, St. Joseph**  
R: Jan Elfering  
S: Elise Theiler, Rick Dimmitt  
U: Pat Kutchera, Tom Baumann  
E: G Eisberner, D Elfering, L Bourke  
G: Tom & Anna Baumann  
MC: P Connelly, J Smith, T Baumann

**Sun. Aug. 26, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: Matt Dale  
S: D Anderson, M King, E Janicki  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Marcel & JoAnn Kujak  
MC: Marilou Peterson, Mike Esser, Joan Esser

**Sun. Aug. 26, 8:30 am, St. John**  
R: Cna Eisberner  
S: Sierra Mayer, Luke Eisberner  
U: Larry Kohn, Bob Mayer  
E: D Kaufman, G & C Eisberner  
G: Bob & Sandy Mayer  
MC: R Dimmitt, P Dimmitt, J Scheffer

**DIVINE CATHOLIC SYMBOLS**



**Seen on the paschal candle, as well as on the vestments of the priest, the symbols of Alpha and Omega stand for Christ being the beginning and end of all things. They are also the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet.**

**THANK YOU BILL & PEG CONNELLY**

Thank you to Bill & Peg Connelly, who have donated a new Nativity set in memory of their son, Dan, to St Joseph's Church. The old set was looking pretty sad, with broken legs and cracked ears, and chips all over. The new one is beautiful! Thanks Bill & Peg!

**WANTED: CCD TEACHERS**

We are looking for anyone who is interested in teaching CCD, or helping with the program in any way. Please contact Joan Esser at 715-964-1745. There will be a Religion meeting for all the teachers on Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 6:30 PM in Alma Center.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Wednesday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be Tues. Aug. 14 at IC at 5:30 PM in Spanish, and Wed. Aug. 15 9:00 AM at IC and 6:00 PM at St Joseph's. We will need volunteers to serve in all positions at these Masses!

**MEET AND GREET AT ST JOSEPH'S AUG. 19**

There will be a Meet and Greet On Sunday Aug. 19th after the 8:30 AM Mass at St Joseph's. All are invited to come have some refreshments and spend some time with fellow parishioners.

**BULLETIN ADS AND SPONSORS**

It's not too late to submit an ad or be a sponsor for the bulletin! Contact Dawn Kaufman if you are interested.



Thank you to all who came to officially welcome Fr Dan to our parishes! He got to meet a lot of people!




It takes a lot of work to put on a church dinner, but with a lot of help, we get it done! More pics next week!

WEEKLY TITHING				
8/4&5	IC SAT	IC SUN	ST. JOSEPH	ST. JOHN
ADULT	122.00	1367.00	891.00	60.00
PLATE	98.75	182.00	22.00	
FUEL	<b>325.00</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2094.75</b>	<b>913.00</b>	<b>60.00</b>	
BUDGET	1451.00	737.00	336.00	
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>643.75</b>	<b>176.00</b>	<b>(276.00)</b>	
BUDG DIFF YTD	(1002.56)	518.00	(202.00)	

**Holy Family Church  
Church Dinner and Bazaar  
Division St, Willard, WI  
Sun August 26**

Mass will be 9:30 AM Sunday  
10:30 to 1:30 Buffet Style Chicken dinner, including chicken, ham, potica and all the trimmings.  
The church and dining hall are air conditioned and handicapped accessible. There will be a Bake Sale, Bucket Raffle, and children's games.  
There will be a Rummage Sale Saturday from 8AM-noon, Sunday 8-2PM  
See the poster at the back of church for more details.

**MYPARISH APP** If you have not yet downloaded the "myParish" app, text "APP" to 88202 or go to your phone's app store and download it today! Once you are connected, you can receive messages about changes in Mass time, special events, help with prayers, and so much more!

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**HOME VISITS** If you or someone you know is homebound or in the hospital or nursing home, or not feeling well and unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive a visit or Communion, please contact Fr Dan at (715)964-5201 or (715)218-8391, or Bonnie Firkus (715)334-4501.

**Prayer Chain Requests** contact Jolene Janke 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@centurytel.net  
The power of prayer is Amazing!  
Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military: Geralyn Janke, Joseph Janke, Katie Kotschi-Nelson, Frank Ueker, Benjamin Kauer, Derek Laufenberg, Logan Meacham and Madeleine Searles.