

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

2024-25 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE: Target \$25,870. Pledges of \$24,279 (93% from 78 envelope holders)

APRIL 13, 2025



Hosannah! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

Mass Intentions This Week

- Mon 14 7:00 a.m. Communion Service (SL)
- Tue 15 7:00 a.m. Communion Service (SL)
- Wed 16 7:00 a.m. L/D Steve & Diane Koback's (SL)
8:45 a.m. +Jeanette Baltus by R & K Hamus
- Thu 17 **HOLY THURSDAY**
5:30 p.m. R & M Glaza by Family
7:00 p.m. +Dave Dewitt (SL)
- Fri 18 **GOOD FRIDAY**
12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m. (SL)
- Sat 19 **EASTER VIGIL**
7:00 p.m. +Bev Milkey by R & M Rybicki
8:30 p.m. +Deacon Jim Landry (SL)
- Sun 20 **RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**
8:30 a.m. +Deacon Jim Landry
By Bob & Mary Skytland
10:30 a.m. SP/SL Parishioners (SL)



LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS – April 19-20

- Lectors: 7:00 p.m. Joe Haupt & Barb Ziebell
8:30 a.m. Becky Engstrand
- Holy Thursday 5:30 p.m. Veronica Elmhurst
- Good Friday 12:30 p.m. K Wirtz – C Steinle
- Servers: 7:00 p.m. Emmercyn & Logan Breu
8:30 a.m. M Montero & E Van Asten
- Ushers: 7:00 p.m. Harry Engstrand-Jerry Rybicki
8:30 a.m. Jerry Willfahrt-David Hamus
- Eucharistic Ministers: 7:00 p.m. Kristin Rybicki
8:30 a.m. Carol Kowiesk



THE DEANERY-WIDE PENANCE SERVICE is being held today, Sunday, April 13 from 12:00-5:00 at SS Peter & Paul. Several priests will be available. Please plan to attend.

TOWELS & ADULT / INFANT ESSENTIAL ITEMS should be dropped off in back of church this week. The need is great, so please be generous.

THE HOLY LAND COLLECTION will be taken on Good Friday. Please be generous.

GOOD FRIDAY is a day of fast & abstinence. Catholics 14 and older are to abstain from meat and those 18-59 are to fast (eat only one full meal and two smaller meals if necessary to maintain strength. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.)

THE BOOK ON PRAYER by Bishop Robert Baron is available for all families in back of church. Please take your copy home with you.

RICE BOWLS AND MITE BOXES should be returned to church next weekend.



DONATIONS are still being accepted to help pay for Easter flowers. Please mark your envelope "Flowers." Thank you.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY will be observed at Sacred Heart in Nekoosa on Sunday, April 27 beginning at 1:15 with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/ Confessions; 2:45 Reflection; 3:00 Chaplet. Included with the bulletin today is a copy of Novena Prayers which begins on Good Friday.



JOIN FATHER JANUSZ on a 9-day excursion to exotic Morocco, September 29-October 7, a country located on the Mediterranean Sea. Trip includes roundtrip bus to Chicago, airfare and ground transportation, a camel ride, visits to markets, mountains, carriage ride and much more. Cost is \$3,200 with down payment of \$1,900 due May 10. E-mail Father at friktrips@gmail.com. Contact St. Lawrence office for itinerary and exciting details 421-5777.



THE FRIENDS OF ST. PHILIP YOUTH will hold their Rummage Sale again this year on April 25-26 in Wagner Hall...Friday, 9-4 and Saturday, 9-2 with a Bag Sale beginning at Noon. There will be food and bakery available. **There is a sign-up sheet in back of church...please sign up if you can help.** If you have items to donate, they can be dropped off in Wagner Hall beginning Monday, April 21. Thank you.



BINGO AT ASSUMPTION will be held on May 4. See you there.

ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN. Contact Kerry Meinel at 422-0900.

THE SCRIP OFFICE is open Monday 9-12, Tuesday 9-1, Thu 11-6, Friday 9-1. CLOSED on April 18 & 21.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT ACS:

- OLQH Elementary Teacher
- OLQH Librarian/PhyEd Teacher
- SVDP 3rd Grade Teacher
- SVDP Special Needs Interventionist
- SVDP Paraprofessional Aide
- AMS Science Teacher
- AHS Spanish Teacher
- Volunteer Volleyball Coaches
- Paid Assistant Volleyball Coach

Visit the website for more information and to apply. mobrien@assumptioncatholicschools.org

AHS ATHLETIC RAFFLE...\$13,900 in cash prizes. Only 550 tickets will be sold. Drawing is May 18 at Assumption. Call Bob Birkhauser 715-213-4387 for tickets.

SPRING CONCERTS...OLQH – Tuesday, April 28, 6:30 – St. Vincent – May 1, 6:30 – AHS, AMS, SVDP combined Band Concert May 5 in the gym – AHS/AMS Spring Choir Concert – May 12, 6:30 in the gym.



ST. MARY, AUBURNDALE Fish Fry... shrimp and beer battered fish. Dine In or Carryout: April 18, serving 3:30-7:00.

BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. PHILIP – Wednesday, May 7, 12-6 in Wagner Hall. Call 877-232-4376 to make an appointment.

TENEBRAE – a Prayer Service of Sacred Music and Readings – Featuring the choirs and musicians from Sacred Heart, Polonia, Ss Peter & Paul, St. Peter, Stevens Point – **Holy Wednesday, April 16, 7:00 p.m. at Ss Peter & Paul, Wisconsin Rapids.**

BEEF DINNER – Trinity Lutheran, Vesper – Sunday, April 27, 11:30-2:00. Adults \$12, 6-12 \$5.00, 5 & under free. Dessert \$3.00.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Dianne Marquard, Jean Knuteson, Ron Peters, Geri Laska, Sylvia Weiler, Evelyn Dobbs, Rich Hamus, Viola Joosten



CHURCH SUPPORT – APRIL 7

Adult Envelopes	\$4510.00
Offertory	\$ 386.00
Flowers	\$ 165.00
E-Giving	\$ 538.00

Online giving is available for St. Philip Parishioners through the Diocese of LaCrosse website. Anyone wishing to make their contributions to St. Philip electronically can visit the secure website and set up their personal online giving.

<https://diolc.org/st-philip-the-apostle-parish-rudolph/>

Please remember St. Philip Church when making out a will or estate planning.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. PHILIP. CURRENT PARISHIONERS SHOULD CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH ANY ADDRESS OR PHONE CHANGES. 435-3286.

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Join us for a Pro-Life Rosary on Monday, April 14, 4:00 p.m. at the corner of 8th Street & Expressway. Come pray for life!!!



Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration & Novena Closing, April 27th

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 711 Prospect Avenue, Nekoosa, WI 54457

*Celebration includes: Exposition / Confession 1:15 pm; Reflection on Divine Mercy 2:45 pm;
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 pm; Benediction / Reposition 3:20 pm.*

(Novena prayers below begin on Good Friday, April 18th)

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET PRAYERS: Jesus said “This prayer will serve to appease My wrath. You will recite it on the beads of the rosary in the following manner: First of all, you will say one Our Father and Hail Mary and the I Believe in God. Then on the Our Father beads you will say the following words: “Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.” On the Hail Mary beads you will say the following words: “For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.” In conclusion, three times you will recite these words: “Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.” (Quoted from Sister Faustina’s Diary, Entry No. 476)

The Lord asked that the above Chaplet be prayed at 3:00 pm each day, and especially at the hour of ones’ death (Diary, 687) or in the presence of the dying. Jesus said, “I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a judge but as the merciful Savior. (Diary, 1541) Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite the chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite Mercy. (Diary, 687) ...Through the Chaplet, you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My Will. (Diary, 1731)

The above Chaplet should be prayed year around, but the Lord specifically asked that it be combined with the following nine day prayers as a NOVENA and prayed beginning on Good Friday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday, the first Sunday after Easter.

NOVENA PRAYERS (Each daily prayer is to be said along with the above Chaplet for 9 days, beginning on Good Friday)

Day 1 Today bring to Me **all mankind**, especially all sinners, and immerse them in the ocean of My Mercy. In this way you console Me, in the bitter grief into which the loss of souls plunges Me.

Day 2 Today bring to Me **the souls of priests and religious** and immerse them in My unfathomable Mercy. It was they who gave Me strength to endure My bitter Passion. Through them, as through channels, My Mercy flows out upon mankind.

Day 3 Today bring to Me **all devout and faithful souls** and immerse them in the ocean of My Mercy. These souls brought Me consolation on the Way of the Cross. They were that drop of consolation in the midst of an ocean of bitterness.

Day 4 Today bring to Me the **pagans and those who do not yet know Me**. I was thinking of them also during My bitter Passion, and their future zeal comforted My Heart. Immerse them in the ocean of My Mercy.

Day 5 Today bring to me the souls of **those who have separated themselves from My Church** and immerse them in the ocean of My Mercy. During My bitter Passion they tore at My Body and Heart, that is, My Church. As they turn to unity with the Church, My Wounds heal, since they too are enclosed in My Most Compassionate Heart.

Day 6 Today bring to Me the meek and humble souls of little children, and immerse them in My Mercy. These souls most closely resemble My Heart. They strengthened Me during My bitter agony. I saw them as earthly angels, who will keep vigils at My altars. I pour out upon them whole torrents of Grace, which only the humble soul is able to receive. I favor humble souls with My confidence.

Day 7 Today bring to Me the souls who especially venerate and glorify My Mercy and immerse them in My Mercy. These souls sorrowed most over My passion and entered most deeply into My spirit. They are living images of My compassionate Heart. These souls will shine with a special brightness in the next life. Not one of them will go into the fire of hell. I shall particularly defend each one of them at the hour of death.

Day 8 Today bring to Me those souls who are detained in the prison of Purgatory and immerse them in the abyss of My Mercy. Let the torrents of My Blood cool down their scorching flames. They are making retribution to My Justice. It is in your power to bring them relief. Draw all the indulgences from the treasury of My Church and offer them on their behalf. Oh, if you only knew the torments they suffer, you would continually offer for them the alms of the Spirit and pay off their debt to My Justice.

Day 9 Today bring to Me souls who have become lukewarm and immerse them in the abyss of My Mercy. These souls wound My Heart most painfully. My Soul suffered the most dreadful loathing in the Garden of Olives, because of lukewarm souls. They were the reason I cried out: Father take this cup away from Me if it be Your Will. For lukewarm souls, the last hope of salvation is to flee to My Mercy.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

On February 22, 1931 Our Lord Jesus appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Our Lady of Mercy, Crakow, Poland. In Sister Faustina's diary under this date she wrote: ... I became aware of the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in blessing; the other was touching the garment at the breast. From the opening in the garment at the breast came forth two large rays, one red, and the other pale. I gazed intently at the Lord; my soul was overwhelmed with fear, but also with great joy. Jesus said to me: "**Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in You.**" Jesus called for a Feast of the Divine Mercy to be celebrated in the whole Church. He said to Sister Faustina, "**I want this image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter. On that day the depths of My Mercy will be open to all. Whoever will go to Confession and Holy Communion on that day will receive complete forgiveness of sin and punishment. Mankind will not enjoy peace until it turns with confidence to My Mercy.**" Sister Faustina (Helen Kowalska) died Oct. 5, 1938 at age 33. On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 30, 2000, she was canonized Saint Faustina by Pope John Paul II. At the same time, he also declared the first Sunday after Easter to be **Divine Mercy Sunday**.

To earn a Plenary Indulgence on this day, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. "Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!").

To earn a Partial Indulgence on this day, granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

St. Philips Parish Council 4/1/25 6 pm. Wagner Hall

Members present: Fr. Janusz, Al Hoffman, Joan Kelnhofer, Al Polum, Rich Larsen, Carrie Mancl, Emma Joosten, Carol Haupt, Mary Skytland . Absent: Andy Hartjes

Fr. Opened with prayer and these items:

- Project outside will be finished as soon as we have good weather.
- Mass for firefighters on the Feast of St. Florian: May 4 / Family Life Committee gave an update along with Fr. Janusz input. . . FL will line up readers, ushers, etc. from firefighter community. Time for Mass that day will be 10:30 (replacing the 8:30 Mass)
- 5th Sunday of Lent: crosses will be covered
- Communal Penance at SSPP coming up. Fr. Janusz stated that an examination of conscience will be provided to prepare for confession.
- Corpus Christi on June 22: Fr. Janusz would like one Mass that Sunday at St. Lawrence to include a procession in the parking lot across the street and ending with Benediction. Council members will gather input from St. Philip's parishioners and we will further discuss at our next meeting. (There would be no Mass that day at St. Philips)
- 1st Holy Communion will be Sunday April 27.

Social Justice Committee: Parish Blood Drive will be Wednesday May 7 from noon – 6 pm. in Wagner Hall.

Sacred Worship Committee:

- *Will investigate larger print booklets for following the Mass for those with poorer eyesight.
- * Will begin giving ushers instructions to find families, couples, friends, to bring up the gifts each Sunday. Those present already wishing to do so because the Mass is for their family or friend, will let the ushers know before Mass so that others don't need to be asked.
- * Fr. Janusz was asked if he could give a short explanation of Divine Mercy on that Sunday coming up. He will consider.

Family Life and Education Committees:

- Will continue to investigate having CCD here at St. Philips.

- Will provide coloring pages for children to do for distribution at Nursing Homes and shut ins.
- Will continue to work on Children's Masses to include singing with the choir.

Finance Committee: Offertory envelope giving about the same as last year when comparing variables.

Next meeting date: Tues. May 6 at 6 pm.

Fr. Janusz led us in our closing prayer.