The Catholic Communities of

Holy Rosary, Medford, Good Shepherd, Rib Lake, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Whittlesey and Sacred Heart, Stetsonville

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

215 S. Washington Ave., Medford, WI 54451

Mass Schedule

Monday — 12:15 pm

Tuesday — 5:15 pm

Wednesday — 8:30 am

Thursday — 8:30 am

Saturday — 5:00 pm

Sunday — 8:45 am and 10:30 am

Adoration

Tuesday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Thursday from 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Confession

Tuesday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm Saturday from 3:45 - 4:45 pm

GOOD SHEPHERD

513 State Rd., Rib Lake, WI 54470

Mass Schedule

Tuesday — 6:00 pm

Saturday — 6:30 pm

Sunday — 9:30 am

Adoration

Tuesday from 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Confession

Tuesday from 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Saturday from 5:45 - 6:15 pm

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

W5409 Whittlesey Ave., Medford, WI 54451

Mass Schedule

Friday — 8:30 am

Sunday — 8:00 am

Adoration & Confession

Friday from 9:00 - 10:00 am

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

322 W. Cty. Rd. A., Stetsonville, WI 54480

Mass Schedule

Wednesday — 8:30 am

Saturday — 4:00 pm

Sunday — 7:15 am

Adoration

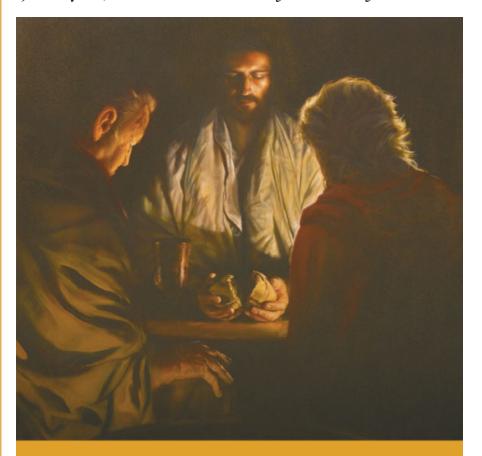
Tuesday from 6:00 am - 4:00 pm

Confession

Wednesday from 9:00 - 9:30 am

Saturday from 2:45 - 3:45 pm

Very Reverend Patrick McConnell, Pastor Reverend Julian Druffner, Associate Pastor Deacon Patrick Gierl January 14, 2024 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher— "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." - Jn 1:38-39a

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Holy Rosary Parish

Phone: 715-748-3336 ext. 1

Fax: 715-748-4185

Email: bulletin@hrmedford.org Website: www.hrmedford.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Holy Rosary School

Phone: 715-748-3336 ext. 2

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Office Phone: 715-748-3336 ext. 1 Onsite Phone: 715-748-6644 Website: www.hrmedford.org

Good Shepherd Parish

Phone: 715-427-5259

Email: goodshepherd@newnorth.net Website: www.goodshepherdriblake.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Wednesday 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sacred Heart Parish

Phone: 715-678-2395

Email: sacredheartchuchstetsonville@

gmail.com

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday & Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Deacon Patrick Gierl

Brothers and sisters, it was a great joy to celebrate the Christmas season with so many of you. I am always overjoyed at seeing so many at Mass during this MOST BLESSED time of year and grateful for receiving so many cards and well wishes! Jeanette and I are truly blessed to be a part of this beautiful family!

As is typical of the time, we moved quickly from Advent to Christmas and now find ourselves, as you read this article, beginning what the Church calls Ordinary Time.

As ordinary as "ordinary" sounds, and in some instances in life "ordinary" may fit the bill, our Liturgical season of "Ordinary Time" is anything but ordinary.

Thirty-four weeks within the calendar year where we focus not on the expansive seasons of Advent - Christmas and Lent - Easter, but on the every seven-day mystery of the Lord's day and its critical importance in our everyday lives. The whole of the Christian life and all that it means to be "Church" begins and ends with the gift of "Eucharist"... The source and the summit of the Christian life.

Recall for a moment this past Christmas season and all the wonderful meals and family moments that are sure to resonate in your memories long into the future. These gatherings have great meaning and serve to bring loved ones together where a bond is formed and family is celebrated. This principle movement around a meal and family is the quintessential element in the Eucharist. The great meal of fellowship where the "Body of Christ" gathers us together to share in the single source of our existence; Jesus Christ, present BODY BLOOD SOUL and DIVINITY.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass makes present the one true and definitive sacrifice offered on Calvary and recalls for us the price of our "FREEDOM". In light of this memorial sacrifice we celebrate weekly in "Ordinary Time", we can hardly call it "ordinary". It brings us together, fills us with GRACE, and sends us forth with the command to bring the gift of God's life to a starving world.

My prayer for everyone is that we spend these thirty-four weeks of Ordinary Time growing in an intimate relationship with Christ through the Sacrifice of the Mass. Spending time learning more about this great mystery and seeking a path of conversion that leads to greater awareness of just how much you are loved and at what price that love comes to us.

Jesus asked the question in today's gospel, "What are you looking for?" (Jn. 1-38), and I can hardly believe anyone would answer, "Oh, not much, just the same old ordinary"!

NO, with the GIFT of Mass and the REAL PRESENCE of Christ truly and substantially present let us enter this great season with eyes fixed on the Lord and hearts ready to receive!

May God Continue to bless your journey.

Sr. Shirley Wagner's New Address

Sr. Shirley Wagner's new address is St. Rose Convent 701 Franciscan Way La Crosse, WI 54601

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 13, 2024		
4:00 pm	† Mark & Loreen Boncher by Kathy Trimner	SH
5:00 pm	† Marjean Bootzin by Sam & Rita Way	HR

GS

6:30 pm † Eleanor Carroll by Joan & Gerald Matyka

Sunday, January 14, 2024

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	7:15 am	† Wayne Dahl and Family by Charlie & Mary Lav	/in SH
	8:00 am	For all the families of our 4-parish communities	OLPH
	8:45 am	† Art & Lenora Mayer by the John Mayer Family	HR
	9:30 am	† Shirley Hebert (wedding anniversary) by John	GS
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	10:30 am	† Mat Olson (birthday) by the Family	HR

Monday, January 15, 2024

12:15 pm	† Gene Gebert by Joann Armbrust	HR
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Tuesday, January 16, 2024

5:15 pm	NO Mass	HR
6:00 pm	† Lavern Probst by Glenn & Mary Harder	GS

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

8:30 am	NO Mass	HR
8:30 am	† Hayden Family by Kathy Trimner	SH

Thursday, January 18, 2024

8:30 am	† Dave Armbrust by Joann Armbrust	HR
10:15 am	† Hank Deml by the Medford KCs	NHM

Friday, January 19, 2024

8:30 am	† Norbert Kaja	(birthday) by t	the Kaja Family	OLPH
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Saturday, January 20, 2024

4:00 pm	† Helen Marshall by Guy & Penny Olson	SH
5:00 pm	† LaNae Werner by Mike & Kim Poncek	HR
6:30 pm	† Arlene Fallos by Ted & Cheryl Eisner	GS

Sunday, January 21, 2024

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7:15 am	For all the families of our 4-parish communities	SH	
8:00 am	† Archie McDonnell by the Family	OLPH	
8:45 am	† Helen Gelhaus by Dave & Jayne Haenel	HR	
9:30 am	† Lillian Thums (10 th anniversary of death)	GS	
	by Greg & Sue Thums		
10:30 am	† Elaine Dowden by Linda & Rusty Dake	HR	

HR Holy Rosary • GS Good Shepherd • OLPH Our Lady of Perpetual Help
SH Sacred Heart • NHM Nursing Home Medford • NHR Nursing Home Rib Lake

This Week the Sanctuary Light is lit with the following intention:

Safety & well being for Major Kyle Krug and all military personnel

Blessings to All,

As another Christmas comes to a close I am profoundly grateful for all that God gives. I am especially grateful for the generous cards, words of love and encouragement, gifts, and sweats



that so many gave Fr. Julian and I. Your generosity is truly humbling and so appreciated. Please know of our prayers for you all in this new year. May God bless you with a deepening relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Rosary Parish

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Donut Sunday after both Masses

11:45 am OCIA Class

Monday, January 15, 2024

12:15 pm Mass

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

NO 5:15 pm Mass, Confessions or Adoration

6:30 pm Walking with Mom's Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

NO 8:30 am Mass

4:00 pm Grades 1-4 RE Classes 6:00 pm Grades 5-8 RE Classes 7:15 pm Grades 9-11 RE Class

Thursday, January 18, 2024

8:30 am Holy Rosary School Mass 9:30 am Grief Support Group 10:15 am Nursing Home Mass

4:00 pm5:30 pmFinance Council Meeting7:00 pmPastoral Council Meeting

Friday, January 19, 2024

NO School — Teacher Inservice

Saturday, January 20, 2024

3:45 pm Confessions until 4:45 pm

Holy Rosary Finances

Dec. 26, 2023 - Jan. 8, 2024

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Adult Envelopes	.\$33,078.03
Loose	\$3,848.35
Christmas	.\$14,577.75
School Support	\$1,391.00
Votives	\$298.81
Aftercare	\$2,406.11
Tuition - School	\$5,025.00
Luminaries	\$720.00
Sacred Heart Shares	\$1,838.07
School Donation	\$7,000.00
Other	\$3,097.60
Total	.\$73,280.72

Maintenance Fund

Dec. 26, 2023 - Jan. 8, 2024

New Cash Contributed ... \$373.00

October 1-31, 2023

Checking Balance.	\$648,008.56
Income	\$184,009.72
Expense	\$213,039.05
Ending Balance	\$618,979.23

O Catholic Service Appeal

Total assessment	\$105,635.00
CSA paid to date	\$42,657.90
Subtotal	\$62,977.10
Pledges due	\$4,545.00
Balance due	\$58,432
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Total pledged \$47,202.90 122 Families

CONTINUE THE MISSION

Capital Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$1,932,913.00 Households Pledging to date: 356 Parishioner Participation: 89%

Tiered Goal: \$1.5M / \$2M / \$2.4M Goal Reached 129% / 97% / 81%

Thank you for continuing to use the Campaign envelopes. If you have any questions regarding your pledge contact the parish office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Monday, January 15, 2024

7:00 pm Prayer Hour

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

6:00 pm Grades K-5 RE Classes 7:15 pm Grades 6-11 RE Classes

Friday, January 19, 2024

9:00 am Confessions and Adoration until 10:00 am

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Finances

Dec. 26, 2023 - Jan. 8, 2024

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Adult Envelopes	\$2,059.00
Loose	\$1,640.00
Christmas	\$1,163.00
Fuel Collection	\$375.00
Initial Offering	\$75.00
Votives	\$22.50
Gifts	\$300.00
Miscellaneous	\$322.75
Total	\$5,957.25

October 1-31, 2023

Checking Balanc	e \$19,056.38
Income	\$8,878.77
Expense	\$24,440.89
Ending Balance.	\$3,494.26

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment	.\$9,089.00
CSA Paid to date	.\$5,501.04
Subtotal	.\$3,587.96
Pledges due	\$495.00
Balance due	.\$3,092.96

Total pledged \$5,996.04 27 Families



Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$129,189.00 Households Pledging to date: 60 Parishioner Participation: 75% Phase 1 / Phase 2 \$100,000 / \$125,000

Goal Reached 129% / 103%

You may utilize "Campaign" envelopes in your envelope packet. Write "Capital Campaign" in the memo of your check.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ladies Sodality recently sponsored a parish wide collection of items for the Medford Homeless Shelter. Below, presenting food ingredients for a Christmas Meal, are members, Mary Fliehs, Sarah Werner & Janet Haenel, along with a Taylor House staff member. Other items donated included non-perishable food items, toiletries, cleaning supplies, etc. Thank you to everyone who contributed!



If you have a prayer you would like passed on, please contact Jane Schiszik at 715-748-5240.

Good Shepherd Parish

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

3:00 pm Adoration until 6:00 pm 5:00 pm Confessions until 5:45 pm 6:45 pm Buildings & Grounds Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

5:30 pm RE for Grades 1-5 (First Reconciliation for Gr. 2) 7:00 pm RE for Grades 6-11 (Priest Vocation Talk)

Saturday, January 20, 2024

5:45 pm Confessions until 6:15 pm

6:00 pm Rosary

Good Shepherd Finances Catholic Services Appeal

December 31, 2023	
Adult	\$2,278.00
Loose	\$702.00
Christmas Env	\$210.00
Candles	\$31.00
Initial Offering	\$50.00
Holy Day Collection	\$576.00
Total	\$3,847.00

Total assessment\$26,396.00 CSA Paid to date\$18,530.76 Subtotal\$7,865.24 Pledges due\$2,696.68 Balance due\$5,168.56

Total pledged \$21,227.44 84 Families

Thank Yous

A huge "thank you" to the Knitter's group for the beautiful snowflake prayer shawl! It is very warm and comforting. Also a huge thank you to all who have been praying for me. Your prayers are working! — Barb Matyka

Thank you for the beautiful blanket, and for all the thoughts and prayers that went into it. — Tracy & Rhonda Sackmann

Thank you to everyone who donated baby items or monetary gifts on Epiphany for Abiding Care Center.

Recent Deaths - May They Rest in Peace

Wayne Baumann, brother to Gloria and Gaylon Van Hecker; Allen Olkives, brother-in-law to Isabel Olkives.

Epiphany House Blessing

Copies of the blessing and blessed chalk remain in the entrance for families still looking to bless their homes.

Parish January 2024 Calendar

Please add the following notices to your January parish calendar:

- January 31 10am decorating meeting for Lent/ Easter
- January 31 3:30-6:30pm RL Blood Bank at Fire Hall

Partners in Prayer

Please add your new prayers to the prayer vessel in back of church. Next prayer gathering: February 2, 1pm.

Door Unlock for Weekend Masses

Please make sure all doors are unlocked for our *weekend* Masses. Whether it is the sacristan or ushers who arrive first to Mass, please tend to unlocking the 3 locked doors. If you are not sure how to unlock them, please wait for someone to come who can do it. (Reminder: Do not attempt to lock or unlock the *autolock* door.) Thank you!

Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

6:00 am Adoration until 4:00 pm

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

9:00 am Confessions until 9:30 am3:15 pm Grades 1-4 RE Classes6:30 pm Grades 5-10 RE Classes

Saturday, January 20, 2024

2:45 pm Confessions until 3:45 pm

Thursday, January 25, 2024

6:00 pm Finance Council Meeting 7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting

Sacred Heart Finances December 31, 2023

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Adult Envelopes	\$700.00
Loose	\$381.00
Maintenance	\$120.00
Candles	\$40.00
First Offering	\$102.00
Solemnity	\$230.00
Catholic Schools	\$20.00
Christmas	\$30.00
Scrip	\$950.00
Total	\$2,573.00

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment \$17,052.00
CSA Paid to date \$9,820.00
Subtotal \$7,232.00
Pledges due\$2,750.00
Balance due\$4,482.00
Total pledged \$12,570.00
33 Families

Rest In Peace

Our sympathy to the family & friends of

Darla D. Jochimsen

may she rest in peace

Food Pantry — December donations to the Food Pantry included 45 lbs. of food/miscellaneous items, \$40 in cash and a \$50 gift card. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Upcycled Christmas & Bake Sale Success!

The Council of Catholic Women is preparing for next year's Upcycled Christmas sale. Any gently used Christmas and holiday decorations you would like to donate can be placed in the basement library now through January 14.

Have you Supported the Catholic Services Appeal?

If you have not yet made a donation for 2023-2024, envelopes are available in the back of church. Our goal is that every family and individual will participate to the very best of their ability. Sacred Heart's assessment this year towards essential Diocesan services is just over \$17,000.

Bishop Power's Evangelization Letter

Bishop Powers mailed to each household in May his Pastoral Letter on Evangelization. The topics in this 26 page document will be an ongoing point of discussions and ministry going forward. Did you receive it? Have you read it? Have you continued to reflect on it? Do you have ideas to share? Extra copies are available in the church entry and online at catholicdos.org/blank.

Wedding Banns

Jeremy Fletcher and Hannah Mahner III

Donations

A donation was given to the OLPH Building Fund by Family & Friends in memory of

Joe Berger

Rest In Peace

Our sympathy to the family & friends of

Matt A. Jari

may he rest in peace

Come join us for "Family Donut Sunday" at Holy Rosary Parish

Join us for a cup of coffee and fellowship after all Masses at Holy Rosary Parish on Sunday, January 14th in the Social Hall. There will be a variety of sweet rolls, donuts and more!

The Youth Group Winter Tubing Event at Perkinstown on Saturday, January 20th has been CANCELLED to due lack of snow.

Special Olympics Basketball Team

We are looking for special athletes or parents of special athletes to participate on our Special Olympic Basketball Team. Practices are held on Sundays from 1:00 to 3:00pm at Holy Rosary in the gym. For more information call Ron Blackburn 715-748-2944. (There is NO practice on Jan. 14)



Announcing a Lifeline of Hope and Healing for Struggling Marriages!

When the old ways aren't working, the Retrouvaille Program helps couples restore their marriages and rebuild loving relationships. This is a three-phase program that begins with a weekend stay in the Wausau area. A series of "post sessions" provide ongoing healing and support. Presentations are given by couples who share their personal struggles in marriage and the tools they used to rediscover their love. Participants reflect and interact in privacy with their spouse. It is not group therapy. Costs are affordable and no couple is turned away because of limited finances.

If you are wondering if this program is right for you or a loved one, find more information and answers to Frequently Asked Questions at www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call tollfree: 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) All calls are fully confidential.

The next program begins on February 16-18, 2024. Early registration is recommended!

Daily Bible Readings for the Week of January 14

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Monday:

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/

Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/

Mk 1:14-20

MEN'S RETREAT

January 27-28, 2024

Time: Saturday 8:00am - Sunday 12:00pm Location: Heartwood Resort, Trego Wisconsin

Join us for the annual Men's Retreat at Heartwood Resort in Trego, Wisconsin. Pete Burak is Vice President of Renewal Ministries and Director of id, the young adult outreach of Renewal Ministries. He is a graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville, and has a Master's Degree in Theology from Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, Michigan. Pete is a frequent speaker on discipleship, evangelization, and young adult topics, and he is the codirector of Pine Hills Boys Camp. Pete and his wife, Cait, have five children.

The cost of the retreat is \$75 per person plus lodging. For lodging you must call Heartwood Resort 715-319-3064. To register go to www.regpack.com/reg/templates/build/? g_id=100913403. For questions call 715-234-5044 or email jjohnson@catholicdos.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT February 10-11 or 17-18

Time: Saturday 8:00am - Sunday 12:00pm Location: Heartwood Resort, Trego Wisconsin

Bring a friend, your mom, your daughter, or come yourself and join us for the annual Women's Retreat! This year's retreat is titled, "Who Am I?" and will feature former FOCUS Missionary and founder of FIERCE Athlete Angela Schnieders. The weekend will include keynote talks, time for prayer, great food, and fellowship with women who are also on the journey to Christ.

The cost of the retreat is \$75 per person plus lodging. For lodging you must call Heartwood Resort 715-319-3064. To register go to www.regpack.com/reg/templates/build/? g_id=100913404. For questions call 715-234-5044 or email jjohnson@catholicdos.org.

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Religious Education "News You Need to Know"

OCIA Class has started. Our next class is Sunday, January 14. If you still wish to join the class you can do so if you join this week. OCIA is a program for adults that wish to join the Catholic faith or adults who never completed their Sacraments of Reconciliation, the Eucharist or Confirmation. The program meets after the 10:30am Mass in the Fireplace Lounge.

The Youth Group Tubing Event on Saturday, January 20th has been <u>CANCELLED</u> due to lack of snow.

Religious Education Movie Night will be held Wednesday, January 31. Students will be bringing a flyer home with more information. No classes will be held at Holy Rosary on January 31 as we will be at the Broadway Theatre.

Parents in grades 1-5 should pick up their children at the Broadway Theatre at 5:45pm. Most students in grades 1-5 will ride the bus to the movie. If not riding the bus parents should drop their children off by 3:45pm. The movie starts at 4:00pm.

Students coming to the 6:30pm movie need to arrive early enough to get their snacks and find their seats before the movie starts at 6:30pm. Students that need to picked up after the movie should be picked up by 8:30pm.

Steubenville and Extreme Faith — Registration for Steubenville and Extreme Faith will begin in the coming weeks. Last year our 4-parish community sent a record number of people to Extreme Faith Camp. Extreme Faith Camp is open to students in 6th, 7th & 8th grade. High school students can attend as "Pray team members". Extreme Faith Camp will be held June 23 to June 28.

Steubenville will be held in Rochester, MN the weekend of July 12th, 13th, and 14th. This year the theme for the Steubenville conference is "*Illuminate*". The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." – John 1:5

Tyler will be working to coordinator getting students from all 4 parishes to attend Extreme Faith Camp and Steubenville. Last year Extreme Faith Camp filled up very quickly. If interested in having your child or grandchild attend Faith Camp contact Tyler ASAP. For more information about either Steubenville or Extreme Faith Camp please contact Tyler in the parish office 715-748-3336 x253.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me via email at mbub@hrmedford.org or call 715-748-3336 ext. 248.

Thank you, Michael Bub

Holy Rosary School News

Holy Rosary Catholic School was established in 1890 to educate, prepare, and inspire our students to achieve their full potential as lifelong learners while developing a spiritual faith formation.

Our mission calls us to minister to Medford and the surrounding communities, by supporting the spiritual, cognitive, physical, and social development of each individual child enrolled from three-year-old preschool through sixth grade.

We challenge and encourage our students to attain the highest level of academic achievement and to live out the social justice teachings of the Catholic Church values with one another, our families, and the extended community.

We believe that a strong faith formation supports the natural curiosity and imagination of our students and prepares them to take their place as leaders in our society.

Living out the Mission

As we near the end of the semester and get ready for Catholic Schools Week I would like to remind you of the mission of ALL Catholic Schools and share the mission statement from our diocese. We believe that the strong foundation given to each child that attends a Catholic School is important in helping our children become successful.

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Superior are a mission of the Church entrusted by Jesus Christ to instill Catholic faith and morals in our students. Within community, our schools prepare students spiritually, academically, and physically to proclaim and live out the Good News in preparation for eternal life.

The Core Values of our Catholic Schools: FAITH, KNOWLEDGE, LOVE AND SERVE

Faith - share the teachings of scripture and the Catholic tradition

Knowledge - develop a life-long learner who strives for academic excellence

Love - respect the dignity of all creation

Serve - be stewards of God's creation through service to the school, parish, community, and world

Please feel free to join us during Catholic Schools Week for a delicious Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 28. Mass on January 31 at Holy Rosary with parents and loved ones and a small social after, Bishop's Mass in Tomahawk for grades 3-6 on February 1, and tours available anytime. I will keep you updated as to times of certain events. Thanks for your love and support of Holy Rosary Catholic School.

Blessings, Mrs. Easterly

"Wherever two or three are gathered together as my followers in My Name, there I am in the midst of them." ~ Matthew 18:20

Every Moment Counts, Christ in the Center

Help Support Holy Rosary's School Pancake Breakfast

"Want to help Holy Rosary Catholic School with a little extra giving that costs you nothing? Direct your Thrivent Action Dollars to Holy Rosary Catholic School "Attn: Pancake Breakfast". If you need help please contact your Thrivent Representative to determine how to designate all choice dollars. We thank you for your generous donation to Holy Rosary Catholic School."

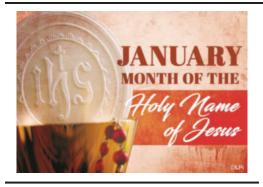


Not a Thrivent Member but still want to support the Holy Rosary Catholic School Cause. Please purchase SCRIP from the church office and designate to the "General Fund" on the designation form. Currently accepting any Kwik Trip, County Market, Sam's Club, or Walmart SCRIP cards for preparation for the **Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 28**th.

Mass — Did you Know?

Why does the Priest say certain prayers quietly?

The rubrics of the Roman Rite of the Mass states 11 times that the priest prays quietly or in a low voice. This quiet recitation is mostly reserved to the priest's personal prayers. Sometimes these prayers are called priestly apologies, which are not prayers in which the celebrant excuses himself for being a priest, but in which he recognizes his intrinsic indignity and implores help in order to worthily celebrate the great gift of the Mass. He also intercedes on behalf of the people. For example, "The Priest, standing at the altar, takes the paten with the bread and holds it slightly raised above the altar with both hands, saying in a low voice: 'Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life." Some of these prayers like the example given can be said either quietly or out loud.



If you would like to get a Catholic Herald subscription sent to your home call the parish office at 715-748-3336. Subscribers receive 26 issues per year. The suggested cost is \$20.



Join thousands of Catholics nationwide praying for the protection of human life January 16 - 24. Sign up today at <u>9daysforlife.com!</u>

Director of Development and Communication Job Opening

Holy Rosary Parish School, Medford, is accepting applications for a Director of Development & Communications. This would be a permanent, full-time position. This person should have experience and/or studies in communications, marketing, and development (advancement). The primary objective is to oversee and develop new methods of external communications and grow our parish and schools' ongoing and planned giving initiatives and furthering the mission of Christ.

Please contact Rick Spanbauer at 715-965-5568 for a full job description. Resumes and references should be sent by January 15, 2024 to Rick Spanbauer at rspanbauer@hrmedford.org.

Holy Rosary Parish Worship Locations During Construction

January 2, 2024

- Renovation of the church began
- The church will be closed for approximately 3-4 months

New Mass Location:

- Weekday Masses will be moved to the Fireplace Lounge
- Weekend Masses will be moved to the School Gym

Adoration & Confession:

- Adoration will be in the Fireplace Lounge
- Confessions will remain in the current confessional for the time being. Enter through the fover doors.

Please know you are welcome and encouraged to attend Mass at Holy Rosary or at one of the other three parishes in our 4-parish community. Thank you for your continued prayers and support! Any questions or concerns please contact the parish office.





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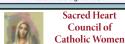
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