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

<u>Mass Schedule</u> 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

<u>Mass Schedule</u> 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

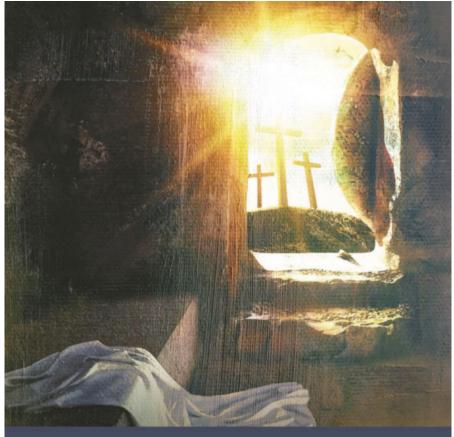
Wednesday — 8:30 am Saturday — 4:00 pm Sunday — 7:15 am

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 March 31, 2024 ~ Easter Sunday



EASTER SUNDAY

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He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

xcerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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

What do "I" need?

This question is one we ask ourselves often in many circumstances and events in our lives. For instance, when I get ready to go on a trip, I ask myself, "What do I need to pack for the journey?" This is something I wrestle with no matter if it is a weekend getaway or a longer vacation destination. Inevitably, I way overpack and end up carrying all I have through airports and crowds, fighting for more space in the car, and then typically end up unpacking mostly unworn items upon my return, vowing to remember next time to be more **prudent** in my preparation.

Brothers and sisters, we have been on a journey these last thirty plus days. When we started our journey, if you are anything like me, you had great expectations of doing this or that...getting some clear insight or conquering some mountain and with this you gathered a whole lot of stuff to help you achieve your goals. Let me first commend you for your effort! That effort to grow in the Lord. Every effort you put forth is and will be multiplied by the Lord.

"I will bless you greatly, and I will multiply your seed greatly like the stars of the heavens, and like the sand which is on the seashore. (Gen. 22:17) If you find yourself unpacking things you only hoped to use or things you wanted to get to and did not, take heart...It's in our nature!

The beauty and wisdom of the Church again continues to shine forth like the dawn in that we now enter the most solemn week of the church year and **<u>a</u>** journey within <u>a</u> journey. As we enter Holy Week, remember what you have learned! Reflect on what you have accomplished these days of Lent and prudently begin to unpack the baggage of "Excessiveness". This week is a time of "SIMPLICITY". A time to reflect on our past, measure our growth, and finally, time to prudently assess what is truly important. Jesus sent the twelve out with these words "Take nothing for your journey, no staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor money; and do not have two tunics." (Lk. 9:3) As important as these items were to any 1st century traveler, and as important as things were for you and I as we began our Lenten journey, Jesus calls us as He called His first disciples to be without even the basic essentials in order to experience what it means to be truly free to experience this hero's journey. Holy Week is an entry into the great mystery of the "CROSS." For in the end we should reflect the master who emptied himself out, taking the form of a slave and ultimately sharing in complete union with the Father by way of the "CROSS". The "RESURRECTION" has to pass by this WAY!

One way to meditate on this "Hero's journey" is by way of the "Seven Last Words of Christ". Seven short phrases that begin with FORGIVENESS and end with COMMENDING OUR SPIRITS TO THE FATHER.

As we enter this Holy Week in prayer with and for all of you, know that Fr. Patrick, Fr. Julian and myself wish all of you "PACE IN ITINERE" (peace on the journey) No matter where you are, what burdens you carry or the complexity of your situation, know that each day we will ask the Father, through the Son and with the Holy Spirit to Bless you and keep you.

Mass Intentions for the Week		
Saturday, March 30, 2024 — Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil		
	For all the families of our 4-parish communities † Peter Matyka by Allen & Melissa Thums	HR GS
Sunday, Ma	rrch 31, 2024 — Easter Sunday	
8:30 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	† Ardath Dums by Trent & Ann Harris † Florette Kohn by Jaymi & David Kohn † Ervin R. Ulrich, Sr. by Mom, Dad & Family † Ivan & Marjean Bootzin by Becky Tylka and Mi Leary	OLPH HR GS ike SH
Monday, Ap		
12:15 pm	NO Mass	HR
Tuesday, Ap		
	† Robert & Althea Krysinski by Rick & Laurie Spanbauer	HR
6:00 pm	† Karen Olson (2 nd anniversary of death) by Fami	ly GS
Wednesday	/, April 3, 2024	
	† Sharon Beilfuss by Gail Gruneberg † Neil Micke by Gail Damm	HR SH
Thursday, A	April 4, 2024	
	† Les Buehler by Mike & Kim Poncek † Dan Makovsky by the Medford KCs	HR NHM
Friday, Apri	il 5, 2024	
8:30 am	+ Ed Gelhaus (birthday) by Tim & Katie Zenner	OLPH
Saturday, A	pril 6, 2024	
	+ Norb Kaja by the Family	HR
	+ Bill Kress by the Bednarek Family	SH
	+ Pete Kostner by Sue & Ken Kraus	HR
	† Lester Mann (6 th anniversary of death) by Famil	y GS
Sunday, Ap		<u> </u>
	+ Judy Paul by Elroy & Lorna Spreen	SH
	For all the families of our 4-parish communities † Mike Schmitt by Bill & Deanna Hartman	OLPH HR
9:30 am	+ Gladys & Frank Matyka (wedding anniversary)	GS
	by Bruce & Angela Daniels † Tammy Nelson by Diana	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

abiding Care Prayer Requests

Pray for our Healthy U team as they are busy in the schools and for the new opportunities that God is bringing our way to share this very counter-cultural message. Pray that those listening will have ears to hear and soft hearts to receive it.

Please continue to pray for one of our clients who went into very early labor. The doctors were able to stop it - Praise God! But continue to pray that it doesn't happen again and that no other complications will occur.

Praise God for the nice group of young moms that are attending parenting classes right now and are receptive and growing! Praise God for their spiritual hunger and that God will continue to grow them!

Holy Rosary Parish

Monday, April 1, 2024

Parish Office Closed <u>NO</u> 12:15 pm Mass 4:45 pm 4-Parish Social Justice Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

4:00 pm HRCCW Meeting6:00 pm Adoration and Confessions until 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

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, April 4, 2024

10:15 am Nursing Home Mass4:00 pm Silent Adoration until 7:00 pm in the Fireplace Lounge

Saturday, April 6, 2024

8:00 am Confessions until 8:45 am9:00 am First Saturday Mass3:45 pm Confessions until 4:45 pm

Sunday, April 7, 2024

3:00 pm Youth Group until 5:00 pm

Holy Rosary Finances

January 1-31, 2024

March 12-18, 2024		
Adult Envelopes \$13,317.00		
Loose \$1,025.18		
Aftercare \$2,993.57		
Tuition - School \$5,800.00		
Celebration for Ed \$7,950.00		
OLPH/GS Mar. shares. \$5,623.55		
GS February Payroll \$1,949.00		
Grants—School \$2,000.00		
Other\$2,055.00		
Total \$42,713.30		

Income\$193,496.49 Expense\$175,982.32 Ending Balance\$658,478.16

Checking Balance ... \$640,963.99

Catholic Service Appeal

Total assessment	\$105,635.00
CSA paid to date .	\$48,779.90
Subtotal	\$56,855.10
Pledges due	\$3,395.00
Balance due	\$53,460.10

Total \$52,174.90

126 Families

Maintenance Fund

March 18, 2024

New Cash Contributed \$60.00

Continue the Mission Capital Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$1,951,802.00 Households Pledging to date: 356 Parishioner Participation: 89%

> Tiered Goal: \$1.5M / \$2M / \$2.4M

Goal Reached 130% / 97% / 81%

Please utilize the Campaign envelopes in the foyer or in your adult envelope packets and note "Capital Campaign" in the memo of the check.



Holy Rosary Parish is looking to have someone make 2" wooden crosses to put on the main entryway light fixtures in the church. If you are interested in this project please call Gordy Bach at 715-748-5982 for more design details.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Monday, April 1, 2024

7:00 pm Prayer Hour

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

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

Thursday, April 4, 2024

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

Friday, April 5, 2024

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

Sunday, April 7, 2024

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service until 4:00 pm with a light lunch to follow

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Finances

March 18, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$910.00
Loose	\$219.01
Votives	\$8.00
Easter	\$25.00
Total	\$1,162.01

January 1-31, 2024

Checking Balance	. \$3,732.89
Income	. \$6,550.07
Expense	. \$9,426.41
Ending Balance	\$856.55



Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$129,834.00

Households Pledging to date: 61

Parishioner Participation: 76%

Phase 1 / Phase 2 \$100,000 / \$125,000

Goal Reached 130% / 104%

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



Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service Our Lady of Perpetual Help 3:00 to 4:00pm on April 7th *A light lunch will follow*.

Catholic Herald Subscription

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.

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment \$9,089.00

CSA Paid to date \$5,611.04

Total \$5,996.04 27 Families

Good Shepherd Parish

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

3:00 pm Adoration until 6:00 pm 5:00 pm Confessions until 5:45 pm 6:30 pm Anointing of the Sick

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

5:30 pm RE for Grades 1-5 7:00 pm RE for Grades 6-11

Friday, April 5, 2024

3:00 pm Partners in Prayer

Saturday, April 6, 2024

5:45 pm Confession until 6:15 pm 6:00 pm Rosary

Sunday, April 7, 2024

3:00 pm Ecumenical Community Choir Concert

Good Shepherd Finances Catholic Services Appeal

March 17, 2024 Total assessment \$26,396.00 CSA Paid to date \$19,644.64 Adult\$2,409.00 Subtotal\$6,751.36 Loose.....\$349.00 Pledges due\$1,837.80 Energy......\$5.00 Balance due\$4,913.56 Candles.....\$31.00 World Concerns......\$8.00 Total \$21,227.44 - 84 Families Total\$2,802.00

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!

Ecumenical Community Concert

Open to the public, we encourage you to come for an afternoon of singing by this great group next Sunday, April 7, 3pm in the church. A social will follow in the parish hall.

Thank You

Our thanks to everyone who helped in this year's liturgies during the Easter Triduum. A special thank you to those involved in music and other liturgical ministers, and also those involved with the decorating. May God bless everyone for coming and joining in worship and praise to a God that loves us even beyond our understanding.

Abiding Care Reception for Life - April 25

There are currently four openings at our parish table purchased for Abiding Care's annual Reception at the Simek Center on Thursday, April 25. This is their biggest fundraiser of the year, with a meal and speaker provided. Call the office if you are interested in joining the parish table!

Celebration for Education - April 19

If you've never gone to this, we hear it is a great evening, with food, raffles and much more. Tickets are still available at our parish office and at Holy Rosary for \$50. This is a big fundraiser for the Catholic school in our parish community.

Brunch/Bathroom Remodel

Thank you to all who helped make this year's brunch a great one, including those who helped with the meal and with the raffle, as well as everyone who came to join in the Palm Sunday celebration. A report will be coming in the near future.

Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

6:00 am Adoration until 4:00 pm

- 6:00 pm SHCCW Meeting
- 7:30 pm Father Julian Mission Presentation

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

9:00 am Confessions until 9:30 am 3:15 pm Grades 1-4 RE Classes

- 6:30 pm Grades 5-10 RE Classes

Saturday, April 6, 2024

2:45 pm Confessions until 3:45 pm Family Weekend after 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Family Weekend after 7:15 am Mass

Sacred Heart Finances

March 17, 2024 Adult Envelopes \$1,330.00 Loose.....\$595.00

Total\$3,17150

March 17, 2024	Total assessment\$17,052.00	
Adult Envelopes \$1,330.00	CSA Paid to date \$14,055.00	
Loose\$595.00	Subtotal\$2,997.00	
Maintenance\$130.00	Pledges due\$865.00	
Candles\$23.50		
Catholic Herald\$20.00	Total \$14,920.00	

Catholic Services Appeal

First Offering......\$3.00 Scrip \$1,070.00

Wednesday's Sacrament of Confession

With Lent now concluded, Wednesday's confession time will return to 9:00am, after the 8:30am Mass.

Council of Catholic Women Meeting

Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:00pm — The CCW will hold its regular meeting at 6:00pm, prior to Father Julian's presentation. All are welcome to help plan activities that continue to develop our parish, community, and personal faith!

Father Julian Mission Trip Presentation

Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:30pm — All are invited to Sacred Heart on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:30pm as Father Julian shares stories and pictures from his mission trip to Africa earlier this year. Light refreshments will be served.

Family Weekend April 6 & 7

Join us downstairs for refreshments and fellowship after both Masses next weekend.

Sacred Heart Mission Statement — The Sacred Heart Catholic Church is rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we welcome all to respond to the voice of Christ to live the commandments, practice the beatitudes, and celebrate the sacraments, which engage us to build a community of love by serving each other.

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Doors open at 5:00pm ♦ Seating at 6:00pm

Tickets are \$50 per person.

They can be purchased in the parish office or after weekend Masses in the commons area.

Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women Baby Shower

The Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women along with Walking with Moms are sponsoring a parish wide "Baby Shower" during the month of March. We welcome your involvement by donating baby items for our project and all donations are greatly appreciated throughout the month.

You can bring your items at the entrance of the school gym.

Items needed that are specific to Abiding Care:

Size 3T boy clothes, Sizes 4, 5 & 6 diapers (due to allergies, any brand besides Parents Choice), Size 7 diapers (due to allergies, Luvs, Huggies or Pampers), Size 2T-3T & 3T-4T unisex pull-ups, Unscented baby wipes, NEW children's books, Changing table pad (new or used), Laundry soap, Toilet paper, Baby gate (new or used)

<u>Clothing</u>: Newborn clothes, <u>NEW</u> toddler 2T boy underwear

Other (NEW only): Infant bathtub, Bottle brush, Individually wrapped paper towel, Size 5T neutral or boy pull -ups, Potty chair, Personal hygiene items (for women, men and children), Cleaning products, Women's lotion, Bath towels & wash cloths, Laundry baskets, Backless booster seat, Baby & toddler toys, Bath toys

<u>Specific items needed for our gift baskets (NEW only):</u>

Lotions and other baby care items, Pacifiers, Small baby books, Little toys, Burp cloths, Infant girl clothes

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please place it in an envelope labeled "Baby Shower" Attn: Betty Danen – Treasurer. Checks can be made to: HRCCW. The envelopes can be placed in the collection basket at weekend Masses or taken to the Parish Office.

Donations will be given to Aspirus Birthing Ctr. - Medford, Abiding Care Pregnancy Resource Ctr., Medford and Walking with Moms. Thank you for your participation.

~ Deanna Hartman, Char Roberts, Mary Werner - Service Commission and Emily Niggemann - Walking with Moms



Volunteer Opportunity — Hospice volunteers enable us to provide the best care possible to our patients and families. They share their time, energy, expertise, and empathy to support those who need it most. If you would like to learn more about various volunteer opportunities with Hope Hospice, please contact Missy Zuleger at 715-748-3434.

Daily Bible Readings for the Week of March 31

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Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/
	Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/
	Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, & 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/
	Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/
	In 20:19-31



Holy Rosary Easter Flowers

Many thanks to those who gave towards Easter Flowers

In memory of Don Berger by Armella Berger

In memory of Pat, Peter and Florence Doyle by Charlene & Family

In memory of Elmer Gayhart, Jan Shear and John Shear by John & Lisa Shear and Family

In memory of Gene Gebert by the Family

In memory of Corliss Jensen, Christopher and Chow Werner by Shirley Werner

In memory of Alban, Louise and Jerome Kleutsch, Ann, Charles and Cindy Mayer and Dennis Moe by Kathleen Kleutsch

In memory Judy Kraft and Vilas & Vernice Kraft by Ken Kraft

In memory of Al & Sally Koszarek, Ray & Shirley Molitor and Ben Rudolph by Gene & Helen Brushaber

In memory of William & Emily Niggemann by Ray & Kathleen Synol

SDCCW Mary Jane Morancyk Hennessy Scholarships

The Superior Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will award (4) \$1,000 scholarships to women completing their second year of post high school education or continuing their education for career advancement, or returning to the work field. Applications may be obtained by contacting the SDCCW Scholarship Committee, Mary Werner, W5490 County Rd. O, Medford WI 54451 – Phone 715-748-4709, email <u>werner@tds.net</u>. Applications are available from the SDCCW website at <u>sdccw-wisconsin.weebly.com</u>. The committee will notify the winners by phone or email. Applications accepted postmarked no later than April 15th.

Religious Education "News You Need to Know"

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed

Happy Easter to every one! Easter is the greatest feast in the Catholic calendar. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Easter Sunday comes at the end of 40 days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Through spiritual struggle and self-denial, we have prepared ourselves to die spiritually with Christ on Good Friday, the day of His Crucifixion, so that we can rise again with Him in new life on Easter.

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus now is a good time to be thinking about all the wonderful gifts we have in our lives. Our families, our homes, friends, jobs, etc. While we all have struggles and challenges in our lives. Today more than ever it is important to take time and to think about the wonderful gifts we have from received from God in our lives. Enjoy this Easter weekend as we celebrate this great day with family members and friends.

OCIA — This Saturday at the Easter Vigil Mass 3 adults joined the Catholic faith and another four completed their sacraments they started as a child. The OCIA candidates started classes back in January and completed 12 classes to receive the Sacraments this weekend. The members of this year's OCIA class were: Lorraine Ankney, Cody Dassow, Darla Gilles, Peyton Gilles, Megan Henke, Rafael Rezutek, and Elijah Strebig. Please pray for and congratulate these members of our faith.

40 Cans for 40 Days — Thank you to everyone who donated food or cash to the Knights of Columbus 40 cans for 40 days program. Your willingness to help others during Lent makes a difference for people in our community that need your help. Thank You!

Upcoming Religious Education Events:

First Communion Masses will be celebrated at Good Shepherd on Saturday, April 27th, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Sunday, April 28th and at Holy Rosary on Sunday, April 28th.

Baccalaureate Mass will be held here at Holy Rosary for the seniors of Medford High School on Sunday, May 19th at the 10:30am Mass. Please mark your calendars and save the date.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the Religious Education Program, please contact me via email at <u>mbub@hrmedford.org</u> or call 715-748-3336 ext. 248.

Thank you, Michael Bub

Holy Rosary Funeral Committee

We are looking for volunteers who would like to help out with Funeral lunches at Holy Rosary. The Committees would like to add to our list of bakers and servers. Bakers are asked to donate cookies, cake or a pan of bars. Servers are asked to help prior to the start of the meal, throughout the meal with beverages and leaving the Social Hall spic-and-span for the next event. If interested call Jane Schiszik 715-748-5240 or Mary Werner 715-748-4709. This is a great opportunity for Confirmation Students to get their service hours.

Holy Rosary School News

Vision Statement — Holy Rosary Catholic School will be the school of choice for all families of Holy Rosary Parish, as well as, for other families who desire a quality Catholic education that will ensure students begin their life's journey with a strong foundation of faith and knowledge.

Living out the Mission Wishing you all a Blessed Easter!



Mrs. Alsteens has our Student Council up and running. They will be planning upcoming activities and fundraisers to help make our school a better place.

> President - Josh Vice President - Marcella Secretary - Nicole Treasurer - Morgan



Continue to fill out those reading logs so Mrs. Easterly has to kiss a pig!!



Ms. Dyer's 1st graders practicing spelling words while having fun!



School-wide pajama day to end our Read Across America week!

Our annual Celebration for Education ticketed dinner will be held on Friday, April 19 at the Simek Center. This event is the single largest annual fundraiser to reduce tuition costs for students. It is a great event that brings together parish and community members with one goal of supporting the children of Holy Rosary School.

Blessings, Mrs. Easterly

Each Student Matters, Every Moment Counts, Christ in the Center

Mass — Did you Know?

Why does the priest sing so much at Mass?

There has been different priests and Masses where some Mass parts are sung and sometimes none at all. This is to help us enter ever more fully in the solemnity (the importance) of the mystery of Christ that we celebrate.

As far as possible, eucharistic celebrations with the people, especially on Sundays, should by preference take the form of a Mass with singing, even more than once in the same day. The distinction between solemn, the high, and the low Mass, sanctioned by the 1958 Instruction (no. 3) remains in force, according to tradition and current law. But for pastoral reasons degrees of solemnity for the sung Mass are proposed here in order that it will become easier, in accord with each congregation's capability, to make the celebration of Mass more solemn through the use of singing.

These degrees must be so employed, however, that the first may always be used without the others, but the second and third never without the first. Thus, in all cases the faithful are to be brought to take part fully in the singing.

To the first degree belong:

a. in the entrance rites

-the priest's greeting and the congregation's response; -the opening prayer.

b. in the liturgy of the word

-the gospel acclamations.

[again, the Priest's greeting and congregation's response, not the Alleluia which is listed below]



Easter Prayer of Thanksgiving

Good and gracious heavenly Father, we come before you on this Easter Sunday with full and grateful hearts for the gift of the Paschal Mystery that you showed us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, our brother by adoption, Jesus Christ.

Bless us and all those who profess belief in your saving love. Bless also those who have yet to profess belief in you. You are God for all. We ask all this in Christ's name. Amen.



c. in the liturgy of the eucharist
-the prayer over the gifts;
-the preface, with the opening dialogue and the *Sanctus*;
-the Lord's Prayer, with the invitation and embolism;
-the greeting *The peace of the Lord*;
-the prayer after communion;
-the final dismissal.

To the second degree belong:

- a. Kyrie, Gloria, Agnus Dei;
- b. profession of faith; [Credo]
- c. general intercessions.

To the third degree belong:

- a. chants for the entrance procession and for communion;
- b. chants after a lesson or epistle;
- [gradual or responsorial Psalm]
- c. Alleluia before the gospel;
- d. chants for the presentation of the gifts;

e. the Scripture readings, except when it seems better not to have them sung.





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