

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

August 31, 2025 ~ Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.” - Lk 14:13-14

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4-Parish Office

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesday 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Onsite Phone: 715-748-6644

Sacred Heart Parish

Onsite Phone: 715-678-2395

Humility

“That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both.” Maximilian Maria Kolbe, born Raymund Kolbe in 1894 was just nine years old when Mary came to him in this vision. Displaying this great courage at nine, St. Maximilian would come to fulfill this two-fold call first by committing himself to the priesthood in 1918 and the second coming on August 14th, 1941 after he had taken the place of a father who was called to die at Auschwitz during world war II. The words rang out in the camp, **“TAKE ME, I’M A CATHOLIC PRIEST”**, “Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (Jn. 15:13). **The willful desire to seek the good of the other begins with the virtue of Humility** and our readings for this the Twenty-second Sunday in ordinary time boldly challenge us to live in the presence of this great call. Yes it’s true that few of us will be called to that same great act of **martyrdom** as many of the great saints have witnessed, but in the same token of a greater call to holiness, we are all called to die to ourselves. In the high pressure world of getting ahead; having it all and making a place, I wonder if a mini martyrdom (that of dying to self) isn’t in the cards for all of us. I absolutely love the opening line of St. Maximilian’s prayer when he **surrenders to the will of God** and humbly asks Mary what might become of him. Imagine if all of us, in the same spirit of humility, **FIRST SOUGHT THE WILL OF THE FATHER** in all our decisions. Yes, not my will Lord, but yours be done. What does this look like in practical terms? As you read this article a great many will be going off to or sending your children to another year of school in one sense or another. If you are like me, there are probably more questions than answers and this certainly causes added stress, greater anxiety, and even doubts. What better time to seek the will of the Father. Place yourself in the hands of our Holy Mother as St. Maximilian did and ask that all humbling question, Mary, what will become of me? Then, with great confidence in her intercession and a heart ready to surrender to the Father’s will, move forward each day ready to receive His great gifts. One of the greatest acts of humility is that simple yet profound reality we too often forget, He is God and we are not! Move with the confidence that the creator of all knows exactly what each of us needs at the exact perfect time. As a husband and a father, I have had to learn the virtue of humility over and over again and I realize the battle of the call to greater awareness of surrender, so know that Jeanette and I are praying for you and your families as we seek to grow in a greater unity with the Father, in the Son, with the power of the Holy Spirit.

May God Bless you and your families
Deacon Pat

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 30, 2025

4:00 pm	† Kevin Bray by Deb Fierke	SH
5:00 pm	† Lee Mahner by Eleanor Bednarek Family	HR
6:30 pm	† Betsy Koch by Gary & Kathy Viets	GS

Sunday, August 31, 2025

7:15 am	For all the families of our 4-Parish Community	SH
8:00 am	† Phyllis Fuchs by Godchildren	OLPH
8:45 am	† Cheryl Brandner by Bob & Ruth Blume	HR
9:30 am	† Evald & Hermina Nelson by Sandra Hare	GS
10:30 am	† Duane Sherfield by Aunt Donna	HR

Monday, September 1, 2025

12:15 pm	† Hank Deml by the Family	HR
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Tuesday, September 2, 2025

5:15 pm	Living and Deceased Members of the Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women	HR
6:00 pm	† Eugene Zondlo by Myron & Barbara Peché	GS

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

8:30 am	The Williams Family	HR
8:30 am	† Marcella Hruby by the Bednarek Family	SH

Thursday, September 4, 2025

8:30 am	† Allen Lang by Pat Mertens	HR
10:15 am	† Delbert Brandner by Jay & Karen Boxrucker	NHM

Friday, September 5, 2025

8:30 am	† Betty Reichert by Friends	OLPH
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Saturday, September 6, 2025

9:00 am	† John Johnson by Pat Mertens	HR
4:00 pm	† Agnes Robida by Karen Sulko	SH
5:00 pm	† Fr. Dennis Meulemans by Patrick & Shirley Pleus	HR
6:30 pm	† Peter & Bernice Matyka (Wedding Anniversary) by Dave & Chris Wille	GS

Sunday, September 7, 2025

7:15 am	† Jeanne Allar by Alan & Peggy Hruby	SH
8:00 am	† Ardath Dums by the Family	OLPH
8:45 am	Josephine Kohn by Joesephine, Jedrae, & Leah	HR
9:30 am	For all the families of our 4-Parish Community	GS
10:30 am	† Ed Schultz by Yvonne	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 at Holy Rosary
is lit with the following intention:**

† Duane Sherfield by Ray & Kathleen Synol

End of Life Resources

You can find End of Life resources on our website hrmedford.org. Go to the Home tab and then click on “End of Life Resources”.

Prayer
REQUESTS

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

Holy Rosary Parish

Sunday, August 31, 2025

3:00 pm Youth Group

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

6:00 pm Adoration and Confession until 7:30 pm

6:30 pm 4-Parish Evangelization Committee Mtg. in the FPL

Thursday, September 4, 2025

4:00 pm Silent Adoration until 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 6, 2025

8:00 am Confession until 8:45 am

9:00 am First Saturday Mass

10:00 am Altar Guild Meeting until 12:00 pm at Good Shepherd

3:45 pm Confession until 4:45 pm

Holy Rosary Finances

August 19—August 25, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$11,271.00

Loose \$584.00

Diocesan Paper \$132.00

Fuel Collection \$25.00

School Collection \$25.00

Candles/Votive Lights \$126.92

Religious Education \$2,014.00

Religious Ed Tuition ... \$3,465.00

Church Fundraising \$715.00

Rel. Ed. Fundraising ... \$3,082.00

Church Gen. Act. \$10,205.22

Rel. Ed. Gen. Act. \$135.00

Church Bequests & Mem.

..... \$570.00

Total \$32,350.14

Maintenance Fund

August 25, 2025

New Cash Contrib..... \$885.00

June 1-30, 2025

Checking Balance... \$757,955.04

Income \$111,699.62

Expense \$159,326.99

Ending Balance \$710,327.67

Catholic Service Appeal

Total assessment \$90,783.56

CSA paid to date \$90,783.56

Balance due \$0.00

Total \$90,783.56 — 134 Families

Holy Rosary Capital Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$2,302,063

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

Save the Dates...

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Fall Festival

Saturday, September 6th

Holy Rosary Fall Festival

Saturday, October 4th

& Sunday, October 5th

Livestreaming Ministry—Help Needed

Our church is looking for someone to lead our livestreaming ministry, focusing on organizing and setting up livestreams for Mass and special events. This is a vital role in connecting our community, especially those who cannot attend in person.

If you feel called to this ministry and believe you have the skills and passion to contribute to our parish community, please contact the parish office at 715-748-3336 x247.

Rest In Peace

Our sympathy to the family & friends of

Bob Heier

may he rest in peace

Baptisms

August 24, 2025

Ettason Kelly Nolechek

Daughter of Chad Nolechek & Rachel Rindt

Sponsors:

Paul Baumann & Megan Lee

Donations

A donation was given to Holy Rosary Church by Bradley & Holly Goessel & Mary & Bradley Goessel in memory of

Robert J. Goessel

A donation was given to Holy Rosary Church by Family & Friends in memory of

Fr. Dennis Meulemans

Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women

The Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women will resume their monthly meetings on Tuesday, September 2nd following the 5:15pm Mass in the Social Hall. Agenda includes review of Chairladies schedule, annual donations, and HRCCW by-laws along with discussion of the upcoming Fall Festival and other Holy Rosary events. All ladies are invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact Ann Dassow at dassowag@hotmail.com or 715-741-2714.

Discipleship Formation Gathering

All are invited

September 14th from 2:00-5:00pm in the Holy Rosary Social Hall and Church

Presentation by Isaiah Schick on Prayer & Witness by 4-Parish Member

Please RSVP by September 11th to mickeyea6145@gmail.com or 715-560-0081.

Feel free to invite others to attend with you and include them with your RSVP.

Blessed Bloom Bar

Make & Take a Flower Bouquet

\$10, \$15 & \$20 Bouquet Size Options

Thank you to those who attended on August 14, we made over 35 bouquets!

Next Event—Sunday, September 14

Holy Rosary School Commons — come anytime from 8:00am to Noon (or until flowers run out)

Family Donut Sunday in the Social Hall

All funds will go to support the Holy Rosary Environment Committee's decorating needs of Holy Rosary Church.

If anyone would like to donate flowers for this event, please call or text Kathy at 715-560-1777.

Religious Education “News You Need to Know”

Happy Labor Day

The Labor Day holiday began in the late 19th century when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to honor the many contributions workers have made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being. Labor Day is celebrated across cities and towns in the United States with parades, picnics, barbecues, firework displays, and other public gatherings. For many Americans, especially children and young adults, it marks the end of summer and the start of the back-to-school season. Enjoy the weekend. With school starting again, please be careful when driving. Many students will be driving to high school. Parents will be dropping their children off at various schools. Be alert for young children appearing almost out of nowhere.

Thank you to Amy Hughley

In September 2014, I received a call from Fr. Gerard asking if I would help coordinate the Religious Education program. The plan was that I would work for a few months. That plan has changed significantly over the past 11 years.

When I started in my role, I had been a Rel. Ed. volunteer for about 20 years. I knew very little about running the entire program. While many people helped me, gave me advice and support, one person was critical to my success in my new role. Amy Hughley was the parish and religious education secretary. Amy spent countless hours explaining the process, the books, and how classes are organized to help me learn my new role. I know for a fact I would not have survived in my new position without the help of Amy. Amy has decided to retire (well deserved). Our new secretary, Michelle Oates, is doing great, learning about the program and our 4 parishes. I want to publicly say THANK YOU to Amy for her help and support she gave me over the past 11 years.

OLPH Fall Festival

Saturday, Sept. 6th, is the OPLH Fall festival. The festival will be held at the Whittlesey Lions Park, N4989 Ballpark Dr. Activities start at 3 pm. The Strat Cats will be playing from 5 to 9 pm.

Come enjoy some great food, beverages, and support one of our parishes. Raffle tickets are now on sale. Tickets can be purchased at the Holy Rosary office or from OLPH members.

The final countdown is on!

If you haven't registered your student for Religious Education this year. Please do so NOW! Please mail or drop off your forms at the 4-Parish office in Medford. If you did not receive the information in the mail, please call the 4-Parish office at 715-748-3336. Michelle will help you get registered and mail you the correct forms.

Religious Education classes will begin on Wednesday, September 10th. Students in grades 5 to 12 will be attending a welcome back Mass at Holy Rosary. For our Rib Lake students, bus transportation will be provided from Good Shepherd, departing at 5:45pm. The bus will return the students after Mass to Good Shepherd.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the Religious Education program, please contact Mike via e-mail at mbub@hrmedford.org or call me at 715-748-3336 ext. 248.

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.

Welcome to a new school year!

I would like to wish all our teachers, support staff, cooks, janitors and volunteers all the best as we enter a new school year. All of them are the key to making our school the amazing place that it is. We continue to be blessed by your prayers and support. We are so excited to start our year with our new students and staff and welcome back those that are returning. Our enrollment continues to grow and we currently 148 children enrolled. Our biggest class, grade 2, has the benefit of two qualified staff members with them all morning, Ms. Amber Konop and Mrs. Melanie Erspamer. They will be able to work with the children in small group and give them the attention they need to be successful. We are happy to welcome Mrs. Filipiak as our Phy. Ed teacher, Mrs. Sue Hubing as an aide as well as Ms. Jena Cook as an aide and aftercare assistant. Mr. Mike Ackerman joins us as our lead janitor and will help us to keep our church, social hall and school clean.

The single greatest effect on student achievement is the effectiveness of the teacher. Teachers are the greatest asset of a school and of all humanity. We, at Holy Rosary, are so blessed to have these teachers and all our support staff that take their job to the next level. They give of their time and talent and LOVE the children in their care. We wouldn't be here without the help of our parish staff as well. The presence of our priests and the help of everyone else that pulls together to make a difference in the lives of God's children.

Holy Rosary School is truly blessed to have so many people that love and support the children!

Please keep the prayers coming!!

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

Holy Rosary Parent Gatherings

6 Week Parenting Series & Faith in the Family

Mondays: Sept. 15th, 22nd, 29th; Oct. 13th, 20th, 27th

Holy Rosary Fireplace Lounge 6:00-7:00pm

*Contact Cindy at schoolsecretary@hrmedford.org
for more information*

Religious Education Registration for students going into Grade 1 and NEW families registering for classes. If you're a parent of a public school student entering into Grade 1 or if you are new member of our parish community, we need your help to get your child enrolled in 2025-26 Religious Education classes. If you would like forms sent to you or for questions, call us at 715-748-3336 x247. Forms are also available online at www.hrmedford.org under the Religious Education tab.

Daily Bible Readings for the Week of August 31

Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/ Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/ Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

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Mission Statement for our 4-Parish Community of Holy Rosary, Good Shepherd, Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Sacred Heart

As a Catholic Community of disciples, guided by the Holy Spirit, nourished by the Eucharist, and formed by the Word, we are called by the Father to bring all to Jesus Christ our Savior.

Mark your
CALENDARS!

10.4.25 & 10.5.25

Holy Rosary
Fall Festival

TOO GOOD TO JUST BE ONE DAY

More details to come. STAY TUNED!

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Monday, September 1, 2025

7:00 pm Prayer Hour

Friday, September 5, 2025

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

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Finances

August 25, 2025

Adult Envelopes.....	\$965.00
Loose.....	\$106.00
Votives	\$5.00
Fall Festival Raffle	\$1,000.00
Total.....	\$2,076.00

June 1-30, 2025

Checking Balance	\$2,873.60
Income	\$47,414.99
Expense	\$43,886.42
Ending Balance	\$6,402.17
Catholic Services Appeal	
Total assessment	\$9,417.72
CSA paid to date.....	\$9,417.72
Subtotal	\$0.00
Pledges due	\$0.00
Balance due.....	\$0.00

Total \$5,260.91

26 Families

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$132,987.00

Goal : \$125,000

Households Pledging to date: 62

Percent Achieved: 105%

Parishioner Participation: 78%

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for the August Basket Raffle sponsored by the Ladies Sodality. Congratulations to Maggie Hart, our lucky winner!!

OLPH Fall Festival Raffle Tickets

OLPH Fall Festival raffle tickets are available for purchase at the Holy Rosary parish office. \$4.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. Top prize is \$500.00!!

OLPH's Fall Festival - Whittlesey Lion's Park
Saturday, September 6, 2025

Activities start at 3:00pm

We are collecting Basket Raffle items August 1st through September 1st. Please place any donations on the marked tables in the side hall of the church after Sunday Masses or contact Sarah Werner (715-218-3742) or Wendy Sackmann (715-965-0028) to make other arrangements for drop offs. You may place monetary donations in the weekly collection basket marked "Fall Festival Basket Raffles".

A volunteer sign-up sheet will be available after all Sunday Masses starting August 3rd. Please consider helping out. We need lots of help to make this event a success. Thank you.
~ OLPH Fall Festival Committee

Sanctuary Light at Our Lady of Perpetual Help

OLPH offers the opportunity to light the sanctuary candle for an intention. The cost is \$5.00 per week. Stop in the parish office or drop an envelope with your intention into the collection. Please also add your name and phone number in case we need to contact you.

Good Shepherd Parish

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

3:00 pm Adoration until 5:45 pm
5:00 pm Confessions until 5:45 pm.

Saturday, September 6, 2025

10:00 am Altar Guild Training
5:45 pm Confessions until 6:15 pm
6:00 pm Rosary

Good Shepherd Finances

August 17, 2025

Adult \$1,936.00
Loose \$1,218.47
Candles \$41.00
Energy & Bldg Fund \$230.00
Food Pantry \$75.00
Holy Day ABVM \$689.00
Total \$4,189.47

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment \$27,186.80
CSA Paid to date \$29,565.00
Subtotal (\$2,378.20)
Pledges due \$80.00
Balance due (\$2,458.20)
\$29,645.00 - 82 Families

Partners in Prayer

The Partners in Prayer will be meeting to pray the Rosary for the sick this Friday Sept 5th at 3:00pm. All are welcome to join.

Thank you

Thank to Ginger Hendrickson for her donation to Servants of Shepherd.

Good Shepherd Scholarship Thank you

"This generous donation to my education is so helpful when it comes to me being able to pursue my dream job. I appreciate all you have done! My college has so many opportunities to stay close with God as I continue my education. Thank you for helping me afford this amazing opportunity! Sincerely, Addison Gumz"

Fall Festival

Thank you to all that organized and helped make the Fall Festival a success. More information will be published soon.

Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is always in need. Please place your donations in the parish hall. Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.

Religious Education

Religious Education for our Students begins on September 10th. Grades 1-5 will meet at Good Shepherd for Class at 5:30pm. Grades 6-12 will be bussed to Holy Rosary for Mass. Students are to meet in the Good Shepherd parking lot by 5:50pm. Please pick up in the back of church and turn in your permission slips to the office.

Shepherd Knitters

The Shepherd Knitters will be meeting in the hall at 1:00pm on Monday September 8th. All are welcome to join.

Ministries

Please call the office and/or leave a message if you would like to join a ministry or volunteer in anyway. Thank you!

Altar Server Training

There will be Altar Server Training for all new and current servers on September 6th at 10:00am at Good Shepherd. Any student who has received their First Holy Communion or adult is eligible. Please prayerfully consider this ministry.

Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

6:00 am Adoration until 4:00 pm

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

9:00 am Confessions until 9:30 am

Saturday, September 6, 2025

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

Sunday, September 7, 2025

Family Weekend after 7:15 am Mass

Sacred Heart Finances

August 17, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$1,725.00
Loose \$532.00
Maintenance \$110.00
Building Fund \$25.00
Candles \$44.00
Assumption \$402.00
Total \$2,838.00

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment \$17,941.91
CSA Paid to date \$11,879.00
Subtotal \$6,062.91
Pledges due \$375.00
Balance due \$5,687.91

Family Weekend: September 6-7

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

Cross Catholic Outreach Guest Priest

We were honored last week to host a guest priest from Cross Catholic Outreach, a nonprofit providing food, safe drinking water, shelter, education, medical assistance, disaster recovery, microenterprise support, and other critical items, *including hope*, to poverty stricken areas of God's kingdom. Cross Catholic Outreach continues to accept donations to support their missionary work via the donation envelopes found in the entry or pews, and their website www.crosscatholic.org. Learn more about their projects via their website, or their frequent inserts in the Diocese of Superior's Catholic Herald.

2025-2026 Religious Education

Youth Religious Education for our four-parish community will resume on Wednesday, September 10th, with classes offered at Holy Rosary and Good Shepherd. Returning students should have received information by mail. If your family did not receive the paperwork, or has new students to enroll in Grades 1-12, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Further, additional volunteers are always needed and welcome as teachers, substitute teachers, classroom assistants, or helpers at special events. Contact Mike Bub at the parish office if you can help in any way. Be sure to also follow the Religious Education News section of the bulletin for updates and opportunities throughout the year.

Sanctuary Light Intentions

A way to remember those close to your heart is via the weekly sponsorship of Sacred Heart's Sanctuary Light. Your intention will be printed in the bulletin and be effective for the subsequent week for a donation of \$5. Like Mass intentions, submit your sanctuary light intention and any date preference on the form in the church entry, or by contacting the parish office.

4-Parish Directory Sign Up is Open

We are doing a new pictorial directory for all 4-parishes. We encourage you to sign up online if able. If you are unable to sign up online, you can sign up after each Mass starting in September.

Pictures will be taken on:

Tues & Wed	October 14 & 15	@ OLPH
Thurs - Sat	October 16 - 18	@ Holy Rosary
Tues & Wed	October 21 & 22	@ Sacred Heart
Thurs - Sat	October 23 - 25	@ Holy Rosary
Tues - Sat	Oct 28 - Nov 1	@ Good Shepherd

Weekday Photo Hours: 2:00 - 8:30 | Saturday Hours: 10:00 - 4:00

You can go to any location for your portrait session
Choose the date and time that works best for your schedule

All portraits will arrive before Christmas!

Schedule your Appointment Online!

Go to: www.ucdir.com

Then, click on:

Photography Session Sign-Up

Enter the Church Code for the location you choose

Note: Church Code & Password are lower case

Holy Rosary Church Code: **wi420a**

Sacred Heart Church Code: **wi420b**

OLPH Church Code: **wi420c**

Good Shepherd Church Code: **wi420d**

Password for All: **photos**

You can sign up using the
website above, or simply scan
this QR code.

For questions, please contact the
parish office at 715-748-3336.



Give Graciously

I love the verse in Sirach where it says, "My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts." This is an interesting concept for those of us who think a stewardship way of life is all about the giving of gifts. When we start to think that all we are called to do is give for the sake of giving, we have missed the point.

We are called to be gracious givers. We are called to allow the Jesus in us to encounter the Jesus in others. Humility does not mean that we hide away after we give, but we give in a way that has less to do with us and more to do with the one in whose name we give. Our world needs philanthropy and generosity, but it needs Jesus even more. We want to be good examples to others of how to be generous, not because we want them to be like us but like Jesus.

Give all things with a gracious heart and disposition. Do not take any credit for that generosity but instead let it point to Jesus. After all, it is Jesus who calls us to a mature faith where we answer the call every day regardless of the cost. Without that maturity and answering the call, would we really be driven to be generous givers? Knowing that left to our own devices we would probably not be very successful as a giver of gifts should make us very humble anyway.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Sub Sandwich Fundraiser for Community Mission with Jesus

The 4-Parish Social Justice Representative for the Community Mission with Jesus (CMWJ) is asking for help with the SMWJ Sub Sandwich Fundraiser on Wednesday, September 10th. We are asking for cookies, a dozen or more to be dropped off either September 10th before 9:00 am at United Church of Christ on Broadway or contact Lynn Balciar at 715-965-4407. Starting at 8:00 am on September 10th, volunteers are needed for prepping and assembling sandwich meal combos and delivering to business/groups. Sandwiches are preordered from business and groups, but walk-ins are welcome before noon that day.

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