

The Catholic Community 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

September 21, 2025 ~ The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon.” - Lk 16:8b, 13

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4-Parish Office

Phone: 715-748-3336 ext. 1
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Holy Rosary Parish

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Good Shepherd Parish

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Website: www.goodshepherdriblake.org

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

Fr. Julian

I hope you are all having a wonderful week! I wanted to offer a reflection on one of my favorite devotions: The Sacred Heart of Jesus. This image has become a prominent part of my vocation and has drawn me closer to Christ in so many ways.

The beauty of the image of the Sacred Heart is that it not only communicates the very center and origin of Jesus' love, but the heart is also not being consumed by the flame. Like the burning bush before Moses, the divine love of God shines bright, produces heat, and flickers with life that cannot be extinguished. It does not destroy, it does not break down, it does not consume or grow dim. It is ever faithfully burning to reveal its light for us as a source of goodness and never destruction. The heart of Jesus gains nothing for itself in this burning flame, but is lit for others to be captured in its light and warmth to bring them new life.

The sacred heart of Jesus also reveals to us the center of Christ bleeding from the crown that is rapt around Him and draining from its wounds. Love when given with depth and true care for others is painful. It's sacrificial, it requires one's whole self to be poured out for the other. This is the greatest level of love one can give. As the Lord tells us from John's gospel: "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

How often do we truly recognize this? How often do we open our minds and hearts to realize the depth of this great sacrifice? To willingly accept the abundant love that pours out upon us that conquered sin by embracing death and His great victory that he won for us, by pouring out His life for us. We should not shy away from the Lord in holding onto the heaviness of this love and the immensity of His sacrifice, but rather cast ourselves in the rays of light that pour out from His heart.

I pray that you will all have a blessed week and that you will encounter the Heart of Christ in a new way today!

Fr. Julian Druffner

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 20, 2025

4:00 pm	† Marcella Hrabý by SHCCW	SH
5:00 pm	† Jim Hessefort (Anniversary of Death) by Mary Hessefort	HR
6:30 pm	† Allen Lang by Gerald & Joan Matyka	GS

Sunday, September 21, 2025

7:15 am	Justin Horacek by Dave, Tammy Kohler & Family	SH
8:00 am	For all the families of our 4-Parish Community	OLPH
8:45 am	† Frank Gasek by Audrey & Family	HR
9:30 am	† Joseph Zondlo by Dan & Mary Fliehs	GS
10:30 am	† Ben Seidel by Donna & Family	HR

Monday, September 22, 2025

12:15 pm	† Cheryl Brandner by the Knights of Columbus	HR
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Tuesday, September 23, 2025

5:15 pm	† Patrica Brehm by the Randy VonLoh Family	HR
6:00 pm	† Bob Melaski (1st Anniv. of Death) by Bruce & Angela Daniels	GS

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

8:30 am	† Ray & Janet Deml by Larry & Liz Emmerich	HR
8:30 am	† Katherine Boehlen by Karen Sulko	SH

Thursday, September 25, 2025

8:30 am	† Delbert Brandner by Mike & Peggy Czerniak	HR
10:00 am	† Hubert Ford by Carole Ford	NHR

Friday, September 26, 2025

8:30 am	† Betty Reichert by Friends	OLPH
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Saturday, September 27, 2025

4:00 pm	† Agnes Robida by Gail Damm	SH
5:00 pm	Brent & Juleen Hallgren (40th Wedding Anniv.)	HR
6:30 pm	† Gayle Long Murphy by Bernice Matyka	GS

Sunday, September 28, 2025

7:15 am	For all the families of our 4-Parish Community	SH
8:00 am	† Bob Heier by John & Annette Tlustý	OLPH
8:45 am	† Duane Draeger by Bernie & Mary Wahl	HR
9:30 am	† Living & Deceased of the Lawrence Weinzatl & Joseph Acker Families by Weinzatl Children	GS
10:30 am	† Mary Salzman by Dan & Karen Firnstahl	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:**

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

Mass Intentions

There are Mass intentions available for several upcoming dates at Holy Rosary and OLPH. To purchase a Mass intention, contact the parish office. The cost is \$20 for each intention.

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

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Marsha Smith from LPI, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.

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Holy Rosary Parish

Monday, September 22, 2025

6:00 pm Parent Gatherings in FPL

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

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

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Religious Education Classes

Thursday, September 25, 2025

4:00 pm Silent Adoration until 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 27, 2025

3:45 pm Confession until 4:45 pm

Holy Rosary Finances

August 26—September 8, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$10,626.00
Loose \$1,593.02
Diocesan Paper \$101.00
Fuel Collection \$25.00
School Collection \$101.00
Candles/Votive Lights \$190.82
Religious Ed Tuition ... \$1,890.00
Church Gen. Act. \$150.00
Rel. Ed. Gen. Act. \$65.00
Total \$14,741.84

Maintenance Fund

August 25, 2025

New Cash Contrib. \$1,124.00

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: \$2,302,537

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

Funeral Dishes

Following recent funeral luncheons, several dishes were left behind. If you are missing a dish, please check the Social Hall to see if it is among them.

Bars Needed for Fall Festival

Attention all bakers, bars and desserts are welcome donations for the fall festival meal. If you are able to help out with this, please drop them off at the kitchen. Thank you!

Parent/Family Activities

There is interest in gathering a group to plan parent/family activities for all 4 parishes. If you are interested in being a part of this planning, please contact the parish office.

How to Schedule a Parish Activity

If you have an activity that is happening within the parish building, you must contact the parish office at 715-748-3336 so we can put it on our calendar. If you are using space in the building for a non-parish event we ask for a free will donation. A contract will also need to be signed prior to the event.

Wedding Banns

David Nelson &
Aubrey Haenel III

Josh Thiede &
Sophia Pernsteiner II

Kevin Rothmeyer &
Jessica Rothmeyer I

Dylan Kaae &
Sierra Johnson I

Baptisms

September 13, 2025

**Gloria Monserrat
Gomez**

Daughter of
Maryori Maribeth Gomez
Cabrera

Sponsor:

Carlos Omar Ixmayer Cabrera

September 14, 2025

**Paisley Christine
Rudolph**

Daughter of
Cole & Cassie Rudolph

Sponsors:

Mason Rudolph, Kamryn
Annala, Aaron & Jamie
Schaetzl

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.

Would You Like the Blessed Mother to Visit Your Home?

The Pilgrim Image or Shrine from the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary is now available to come visit our homes.

What do families experience when the Pilgrim Mother visits them? The presence of the Virgin Mary of God! And what she inspires. Rich or poor, wise or not, open to receive Her. The image brings graces. 1. Feeling at Home 2. Inner Transformation 3. Apostolic Zeal.

She wants your home to be a Shrine. Take this pilgrim image of Mary Mother of God and give her a special place of Honor in your Home. In this way your home will become a little shrine in which the Pilgrim Mother mediates grace, creates a Holy Family Land and forms holy family members.

“This Apostolate has to be a worldwide explosion of Faith, Hope & Charity. Mary has to reach all corners of the earth.”

Would you like to help the Blessed Mother of God to have holy families for a holy world? Interested? Call Paul Mathias at 715-560-1580 or Jackie Mathias at 715-965-9196 or Brad Balek at 715-560-0166 for more information.

abiding Care Prayer Requests

Please pray for our clients who are struggling. Pray for those working with them for wisdom and for our clients hearts to be receptive to guidance.

Religious Education “News You Need to Know”

Sunday preschool program

On Sunday, Sept 21st, the preschool program will resume at the 8:45 am Mass. The program is open to all children who wish to learn more about Jesus. The children will be called up to the altar by the priest doing the Mass. The Children will then leave for a 20 minute lesson. The children will return to the Mass during the offertory. The program is free. Your children may join in the lesson each week you attend the 8:45 am Mass.

Note: We will not be able to have the preschool lesson on Sunday, Oct 5th. The Fireplace Lounge will be used for the Fall Festival. Class will be held on Sept 21st & 28th. Then one week off. Class will then resume on Sunday, Oct 12th.

I received this letter in an email from Real Life Catholic. It is about when our children leave the faith from Chris Stefanick

I've met so many parents who blame themselves for their children wandering from God and leaving the Church. Can I say this to everyone reading who bears that burden? *Please stop doing that to yourself.* God is a *pretty good* parent, and his first two children rejected him! It's not failed parenting. It's that annoying thing called “free will.”

So, what do you do if your adult child wanders from the faith?

Pray and fast. It worked for St. Monica. it's said that she gave birth to her son, Saint Augustine, twice. The first time was physical. The second was spiritual, and through her tears, her prayers, and her fasting. Prayer and fasting are a *powerful* one-two punch. It changes lives. Maybe you're being called to go into a new kind of “labor” for your adult child!

While it's important to challenge them, don't let your relationship become all about that challenge. When you evangelize family members, remember that it's a marathon, not a sprint. Keep loving them. Keep the doors of communication and friendship open. It's okay to speak when the opportunity seems right, but don't make every conversation about *that*.

Never lose hope. Even if you don't get to see your child come back to the faith while you're on earth, never lose hope in Jesus' mercy and in *his* ability to win them back. God loves your children more than you. And he'll never stop working harder than you to bring them home.

This message is true not only for our children. This works for family members and friends. Pray for them. Invite them to come to Mass with you. Be kind and friendly. A little bit of kindness can go a long way.

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

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

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.

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



Summer Reading Challenge—These students completed Mrs. Easterly's summer reading challenge and turned their completed sheets in on the first day of school. Way to go kiddos!



Mrs. Beyer and her fabulous 4th graders! This is the first year that students begin switching classrooms and teachers for science, writing & grammar, as well as social studies. They are enjoying some time outside learning through movement with The Walking Classroom. This is a program where kids listen to standards-aligned educational podcasts while walking—they walk, listen, and learn.

Music is a Gift from God!

Meet Mrs. Jablonsky

I am excited to teach and praise God through music at Holy Rosary School. I have been playing for Mass since I was 7 years old. I hope to bring more music to our school Masses through singing and playing instruments.



Catholic Services Appeal

The CSA will take place in all parishes across the Superior Diocese on September 20 & 21. It's important to remember that we are united with other churches in northern Wisconsin and with our Diocese as a whole. The appeal serves as a way for us to collaborate in love and support for the Church by sharing the gifts that God has bestowed upon us. Your participation is crucial, not only for the success of the CSA, but also for our parish. We invite all Catholics from the 16 counties of the Diocese to support this vital initiative. No Catholic parish within the Diocese can thrive independently without the CSA.

Daily Bible Readings for the Week of September 21

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/
Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/
Lk 16:19-31



OCT 4 HOLY HARVEST NIGHT
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

- LIVE MUSIC BY MEAGHAN OWENS | STARTING AT 6:30 PM
 - BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS
- KIWANIS BINGO | STARTING AT 7:00 PM
- KC FOOD STAND & DRINK STAND | STARTING AT 6:00 PM

OCT 5 ABUNDANT JOY SUNDAY
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

- INDOOR & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES | FOR ALL AGES
 - CARNIVAL GAMES & PRIZES
 - PETTING ZOO
 - COUNTRY STORE
 - BUCKET RAFFLES & SILENT AUCTION
- FOOD & DRINK OPTIONS AVAILABLE - SEE EVENT FLYER

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OR
3 FOR \$25

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASS OR
AT HOLY ROSARY PARISH OR SCHOOL OFFICES
37 PRIZES TOTAL | GRAND PRIZE OF \$5,000
DRAWING OCT. 5TH @ 3:30 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Monday, September 22, 2025

7:00 pm Prayer Hour

Thursday, September 25, 2025

5:45 pm Finance Council Mtg.

7:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg.

Friday, September 26, 2025

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

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Finances

June 1-30, 2025

August 26—September 8, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$2,360.00
Loose \$591.00
Votives \$15.00
Fall Festival Raffle \$1,431.00
Gaza \$226.00
Total \$4,623.00

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

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%

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.

Catholic Herald Free Issues

There are free copies of the Catholic Herald available at all the parishes within our 4-Parish Community. Feel free to take one home with you.

Eucharistic Consecration Diocese of Superior

October 22—November 23

Sign up here or in the church office
by October 1st.



Good Shepherd Parish

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

9:30 am Servants of the Shepherds Word Day
3:00 pm Adoration until 5:45 pm
5:00 pm Confessions until 5:45 pm

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Religious Education Classes

Saturday, September 27, 2025

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

Good Shepherd Finances

September 7, 2025

Adult \$4,263.00
Loose \$244.00
Candles \$44.00
Energy & Bldg Fund..... \$715.00
Faith Formation \$130.00
Gaza Collection..... \$50.00
Food Pantry \$100.00
Donations \$399.15
Total..... \$5,945.15

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

Food Pantry

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

Thank you!

Thank you to Derek Thieme for donating his 50/50 raffle winnings from the Fall Festival back to Good Shepherd in Memory of Pearl Kauer.

Parish Directory

Please sign up in the back of Church if you can help with Greeting and Registration on the Picture Days. Also remember to sign up for a time slot to have your picture taken!

Ministries

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

Mass Intentions

Reminder, we are currently taking requests for Mass Intentions for 2026. Mass Intentions are \$20.

Servants of the Shepherd Work Day

Please come to join the Servants of the Shepherd in our parish hall Tuesday, Sept 23rd, 9:30am to join in the fun. We will be making ribbon bookmarks for our hymnals along with repairs to some of the book bindings. Supplies provided, but bring a scissors & ruler if you can.

Keep in Prayer—Fr. Oen, Ken Matyka, Shaun Bube, Mike Thums, Lisa Peche, Jerry Gilge, Red Thums, Bonnie Fuchs, Carol, Dan & Doug Pozanc, Barb Williams, Jerald Koch, Tom Grupstra, Baby Armand, Lisa Dahl, Jimmy Gehrig, Mary Warner Plamann, Dave & Laura Kalmon, Dennis Niggemann, George Gunderson, Julie Gehrig, Ryan & Audrey Metz Family, Wally Emmerich, Sue Thums, James Van de Castele, Donna (Mann) Lind, Dan Sackmann, Carol Long, Betty Brandner, Nicole Richardson, Steve Spurgeon, Richard Weinzatl, Randy Dums, Judi Hebda, Mary Salzman, Bonnie Dohm, Teri Zimmerman, Shirley Thums, Sharon Jorgensen, Lewis Deegan, Karen Dums, Isabel Olkives, Julie Frahmman, All nursing home residents, Elaine Malitz, Glenn Mathias, Sharon Gall, Lorraine Jagielski, Barb Nordness, Leona Will, June Wilcox, Carol Brookner, William Jahsman, Dale Euclide

Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

6:00 am Adoration until 4:00 pm

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

9:00 am Confessions until 9:30 am

Saturday, September 27, 2025

2:45 pm Confessions until 3:45 pm

Sacred Heart Finances

September 7, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$1,235.00
Loose \$529.00
Maintenance \$435.00
Candles \$19.00
Donation \$10.00
Total \$2,228.00

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

Remember to follow Sacred Heart online!

We have two resources to keep parish information always available to you:

- 1) Like our Facebook page, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, to receive updates on events and other timely information.
- 2) Find current and past bulletins at parishesonline.com/organization/holy-rosary-our-lady-of-perpetual-help-good-shepherd-and-sacred-heart-catholic-parishes. You can also sign up there to receive email alerts whenever a new bulletin is available.

abiding Care Presents:
FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE 2025
Saturday, November 8, 2025
at the Bailiwick in Medford

Butterfly Kisses

F2D2S

To get all the details & order your tickets, please go to InvestingCare.org, find our event on Facebook, or use the QR code below.

Like the wind, the years go by,
precious butterfly
spread your wings and fly!

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

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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

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Photography Session Sign-Up

Enter the Church Code for the location you choose

Note: Church Code & Password are lower case

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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.



What's Most Important?

I hold to the belief that you cannot have allegiances to both Duke and UNC, the Packers and the Bears, or the Yankees and the Red Sox. In Matthew 6:24, it says, "He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other." That verse isn't talking about sports! It's talking about God and money. Most of us love both of those and that can be a problem. If you were to love any of the sets of teams mentioned above, you have a huge problem as well.

Simply put, you can only have one thing that is the most important in your life. When I ask my children what is the most important thing in their lives, they know to respond, "God." But just because you know that is the right answer doesn't make it the truthful answer. Total allegiance to a sports team seems easier. You won't find a Packers fans secretly wearing a Bear's jersey. However, we can find Christians secretly hoarding their money or doing things based solely on the love of money.

Maybe the problem lies in the fact that, at times, we are merely lukewarm fans of Jesus and not disciples. If we truly have matured in our faith and strengthened our relationship with him, then real commitment comes easier. There will always be a temptation for money to take the place of Jesus, but the more committed we are, the harder it is to allow anything to come between us and our God. The question we all must continually ask ourselves is, "Is God truly the most important thing in my life?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Pre-Marriage Retreat Day

Saturday, October 11 from 8:30am—6:00pm

At Holy Rosary Parish

Cost: \$100 per couple

(includes lunch & materials needed for the day)

Register by October 1, 2025

by contacting the parish office at (715)748-3336

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