



ONE FAMILY

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

AUGUST 16, 2026 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



20th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"She said, 'Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.' Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.'" Matthew 15:27-28

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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One Family Catholic Community Mission Statement

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



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

513 State Rd, Rib Lake, WI 54470

Mass Schedule

Tuesday-----6:00pm

Saturday-----6:30pm

Sunday-----9:45am

Confession

Tuesday-----5:00-5:45pm

Saturday-----5:45-6:15pm

Adoration

3:00-6:00pm



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

215 S. Washington Ave, Medford, WI 54451

Mass Schedule

Monday-----12:15pm

Tuesday-----5:15pm

Wednesday--8:30am

Thursday----8:30am

Saturday----4:00pm

Sunday-----9:00am & 10:45am

Confession

Tuesday-----6:00-6:45pm

Saturday-----2:45-3:45pm

Adoration

6:00-7:00pm

4:00-7:00pm



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH

W5409 Whittlesey Ave, Medford, WI 54451

Mass Schedule

Friday-----8:30am

Sunday-----7:45am

Adoration & Confession

Friday-----9:00-10:00am



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

322 W. Cty. Rd. A, Stetsonville, WI 54408

Mass Schedule

Wednesday----8:30am

Sunday-----7:15am

Confession

Wednesday-----9:00-9:30am

Adoration

Wednesday-----9:30am-5:00pm

A NOTE FROM DEACON CARL

As I come to the end of my blessed summer as a deacon in our 4-parishes, I finish my time here watching my brother seminarian, Andrew, declare candidacy for Holy Orders during the Saint Andrew Dinner. Candidacy is the formal step in a seminarian's journey in which he declares, in front of his bishop, that he fully intends to complete his formation to become a priest. Externally, this milestone might not seem like much. There are still four years of formation left. He has no additional faculties for sacramental work, no extra authority over ministerial functions, and nothing but a new clerical collar to show for it. However, this step is a chance for both the man himself and representatives of Holy Mother Church to express publicly their belief that he is called to the priesthood. A common analogy is that candidacy is like being engaged to the Church. There is not yet a binding covenant holding them together, but the intention is to go forward.

This public proclamation can be scary. What a man has been praying with in relative privacy for years now requires a public declaration.

I remember a few short years ago when I approached candidacy. I felt as if the walls were closing in around me. The other paths I could take in life were beginning to fade away. The security of having many options for what to do with my life was eroding. That security was a false security. If I were to spend my life waiting to have everything, while choosing nothing, I would miss out on everything.

The simple ceremony came and went. I did not feel any different. I cannot say I acted much differently, but the reality of both the gift and responsibility coming for me at ordination started to take a deeper hold. The greatest benefit of candidacy was the chance for greater certainty in my call to the priesthood. Without this milestone, I would have been tempted to let discernment stay abstract, to act as though ordination was not fast approaching, to shrug off the crosses presenting themselves along the way. I was still not 100% confident I was called to be a priest, but I didn't feel the Lord calling me away from the path either. It was exactly this step forward in faith that allowed me to find greater confidence in the call. Looking back now, this step was one of many that helped me exercise the ability to "grow into" God's call for my life.

With any big decision, it can be tempting to only analyze and avoid action. However, proper discernment of God's will in our lives requires putting our faith and reason into action. We can only think and pray about whether the Lord is leading us somewhere for so long before we must simply go and find out.

I want to leave this encouragement: If the Lord seems to be leading you somewhere, stay close to Him in prayer and the sacraments, then take a step toward Him and find out.

In Christ,
Deacon Carl



Saturday, August 15, 2026

9:00am	† Dave Feddick by Scott & Anne Butkus	HR
4:00pm	For all the Families of our One Family Catholic Community	HR
6:30pm	† Peter Matyka by Allen & Melissa Thums	GS

Sunday, August 16, 2026

7:15am	Tyler Freas by Karen Sulko & Family	SH
7:45am	† Pat Schmeiser by Jeff & Laura Schmeiser & Family	OLPH
9:00am	† Buster Jochimsen by Roy & Kathy	HR
9:45am	† Susan Thums by Historic St. Ann's	GS
10:45am	† Mary Holmes by Sabina Strama & Family	HR

Monday, August 17, 2026

12:15pm	† Augustine Helming by Mary Rhyner	HR
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Tuesday, August 18, 2026

5:15pm	† Dennis Mertens by Tony & Laurie Stuttgen	HR
6:00 pm	† Eva Fliehs by Ted & Cheryl Eisner	GS

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

8:30am	† Fritz & Helen Heier by the Family	HR
8:30am	The Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women	SH

Thursday, August 20, 2026

8:30am	† Leon Brandner by Lucille	HR
10:00am	† Bernice Tlusty by Gene Kalmon & Family	NHM

Friday, August 21, 2026

8:30am	† June & Delbert Brandner by Michele Armbrust	OLPH
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Saturday, August 22, 2026

4:00pm	† Everett Hale (A.O.D) by Pearl Hale & Family	HR
6:30pm	† Stanley & Dorothy Hebda by the Family	GS

Sunday, August 23, 2026

7:15am	† Glenn & Dorothy Wesle by the Family	SH
7:45am	For all the Families of our One Family Catholic Community	OLPH
9:00am	† Kenneth Fechhelm by Mary	HR
9:45am	† Richard Weinatzl by Andy & Karen Dums	GS
10:45am	† Lori Knepper by Mary Anderson	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

• CG Country Gardens Medford • OH Our House Medford

Prayer for Conversion in Our Communities

Dear God, Move in our community: Bring Your light to the darkness, Your justice to the oppressed, Your hope to those in despair, Your healing to those in pain. Work in us, Lord, and change our hearts, making us more loving, more merciful, and more compassionate.

Amen.

3 | ONE FAMILY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Wedding Banns

Riley Ellenbecker &
Katherine Rezutek II

Oscar Moncada &
Luz Garcia-Maranda II

Max Scheller &
Erin Probst I

Emergency Priest Line

For urgent pastoral emergencies, please call 715-748-3336, option 4. We ask you to please call, not text a priest for emergencies to make sure they are answered timely.

Weddings

For anyone interested in getting married in the Catholic church, please contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

Baptisms

Contact the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Funerals

If using a funeral home, please work with the funeral home to coordinate the funeral with the church. If not using a funeral home, please contact the parish office to coordinate the funeral.

Observances for the week of August 16, 2026

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday:

Tuesday:

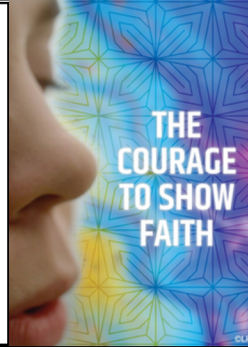
Wednesday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Thursday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Pius X, Pope

Saturday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



DAILY READINGS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2026

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Kitchen Donations

Please reach out to the Parish Office at 715-748-3336 ext. 247 to discuss & set up a drop-off time.

Save the date for the 2026 Diocese of Superior *Music Ministry Retreat & Workshop*

Taking place October 16 & 17 at Holy Family Church in Woodruff.

Online Registration at <https://catholicdos.org/diocesanworkshop-1>



♡ **No one should walk alone.** ♡

One on one grief support is available to help process loss and find renewed purpose and hope. For more information, and to register please contact Mary Anderson at 715-748-2615

Mark Your Calendars:

Pre-Marriage Retreat at Holy Rosary on Saturday, October 10. Registration due Oct. 1.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
7:15am Mass SH followed by Donuts & Coffee 7:45am Mass OLPH 9:00am Mass HR 9:45am Mass GS 10:45am Mass HR	12:15pm Mass HR 7:00pm Prayer Hour OLPH	3:00-6:00pm Adoration GS 5:00-5:45pm Confessions GS 6:00pm Mass GS 5:15pm Mass HR 6:00-7:00pm Adoration & Confessions HR	8:30am Mass HR 8:30am Mass SH 9:00-9:30am Confessions SH 9:30am-5:00pm Adoration SH	8:30am Mass HR 10:00am Our House Mass 4:00-7:00pm Silent Adoration HR 5:30-7:00pm Finance Council Mtg. HR	8:30am Mass OLPH 9:00-10:00am Adoration & Confessions OLPH 6:00-8:00pm Family Adoration & Fun Night HR	2:45-3:45pm Confessions HR 4:00pm Mass HR 5:45-6:15pm Confessions GS 6:00pm Rosary GS 6:30pm Mass GS

HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL NEWS

"EACH STUDENT MATTERS, EVERY MOMENT COUNTS,
CHRIST IN THE CENTER"

FROM THE DESK OF
MRS. ANA TURINO

Holy Rosary School is looking for volunteers to help with recess duties, working with children, and aftercare. This position is when school is in session and the hours are anywhere between 10:00am- 5:30pm. You would need to be willing to go outside when the weather permits and help care for the children in the aftercare program. Please reach out to Mrs. Turino if you are interested at aturino@hrmedford.org or 715-748-3336 x222.

Holy Rosary Catholic School is seeking substitute teachers to join our call list. Qualified candidates must hold a bachelor's degree and successfully complete a background check. We are looking for dependable, caring individuals who can maintain a positive and respectful classroom environment. At Holy Rosary, Christ is at the center of all we do. Our substitute teachers are expected to support our Catholic identity by incorporating prayer, modeling respect for others, and helping students feel safe, valued, and ready to learn.

We invite you to join our school community and make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students.

Resumes can be sent to:

Holy Rosary Parish, Attn: Ana Turino, PO Box 503, Medford, WI 54451

or via email to aturino@hrmedford.org.

If you have any questions, you may also call **715-748-3336 ext. 222**.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION "NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW"

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

4-Parish Picnic Wrap-Up

The 4-Parish picnic was a huge success. It was great to see so many people from all 4- Parishes together, saying hi to each other, relaxing, and enjoying the time to visit. The Lord blessed us with an afternoon and evening of great weather.

Thank you, again, to the volunteers who helped move tables, set up, cook, serve food & ice cream, etc.

Thanks to Timeless Tunes for the music in the pool. Here is a bit of a recap of the food served; 160 hot dogs, 255 brats, 230 bags of chips, 7 watermelons, & 317 ice cream cones, in addition to numerous cases of soda, water, and beer.

We hope everyone had a great time. A special *thank you* to Knights of Columbus for donating \$1,000 for the picnic.

Attention Attention!! All Religious Education Volunteers.

Wednesday, August 26, at 6:00 pm, we will have a meeting with snacks and beverages to review the calendars, changes, & plans for the 2026-2027 Rel Ed. year. Please attend if at all possible. Fr. Patrick has new ideas for the coming year. I'd like to discuss some options and get your feedback on how to move forward in the coming year. This meeting is for all Rel. Ed. Volunteers that help on Wednesday classes and Sunday preschool from both Holy Rosary & Good Shepherd.

Religious Education Start and Registration

Classes will start on Wednesday, Sept 9. The first night will be a Welcome Back Mass at Holy Rosary. Bus transportation will be provided for students attending Rel. Ed at Good Shepherd. The Welcome Back Mass will be at 6:30 pm.

Good Shepherd students in grades 1 – 5 will have class at Good Shepherd instead of attending the Welcome Back Mass.

Registration forms for all Religious Education classes were sent out this past week. Please be sure to list your "home parish"; as the Diocese tracks this information. If you are not registered at a parish, contact the 4-Parish office to get registered.

Golf Outing: We need some volunteer help

Confirmation students, this is a great way to earn service hours while having fun! You can help with the putting contest, help the guest putter on hole 5 with the beat-the-guest contest. I also need adults to help with registration, prepare lunch, and run the raffles. Please call the parish office at 715-748-3336 to volunteer. **We still need two more teams!**

The Golf Outing is on Saturday, Aug 2. Please sign up your team and help support our Religious Education programs.

HELP US STOCK THE COUNTRY STORE!

We're excited to once again feature our beloved Country Store at this year's Holy Rosary Fall Festival on **September 20!** If you are blessed with extra produce from your garden this summer, please consider donating some of your harvest.

We also welcome homemade items such as canned goods, baked treats, jams, jellies, and frozen specialties, as well as garden-related donations including flower bulbs, fresh-cut flowers, and potted plants.

Your homegrown and homemade donations help make the Fall Festival a success. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!



Holy Rosary Finances

August 10, 2026

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4,687.00
Loose.....	\$873.00
School Support.....	\$553.00
Candles/Votives.....	86.11
Religious Education.....	\$21.00
CSA Non-Pledged.....	\$88.00
Other/Misc.....	\$25.00
Total.....	\$6,245.11

Maintenance Fund

August 10, 2026

New Cash Contrib.....	\$510.00
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August 10, 2026

Checking Balance.....	\$610,953.29
Income.....	\$13,875.50
Expense.....	\$8,301.19
Ending Balance.....	\$616,527.60

Catholic Service Appeal

Total assessment.....	\$113,501.00
CSA paid to date.....	\$62,409.30
Subtotal.....	\$51,091.70
Pledges Due.....	\$700.00
Balance due.....	\$50,391.70

~Total \$63,109.30 — 120 Families



HOLY ROSARY FALL FESTIVAL

LIVE MUSIC Night

Saturday, September 19 | School Parking Lot

5:30 pm | **7:30 pm**
Meaghan Owens | **Jerry Teclaw**

Food and Beverages available for purchase. Bring your own chairs.

HOLY ROSARY FALL FESTIVAL

BINGO Night

- **Friday, September 20**
- **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**
- **Social Hall**
- **BIG TICKET BINGO**
- **Light concessions and drinks available for purchase**

Hosted by: Medford, WI Kiwanis Club

HOLY ROSARY FALL FESTIVAL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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& Religious Education
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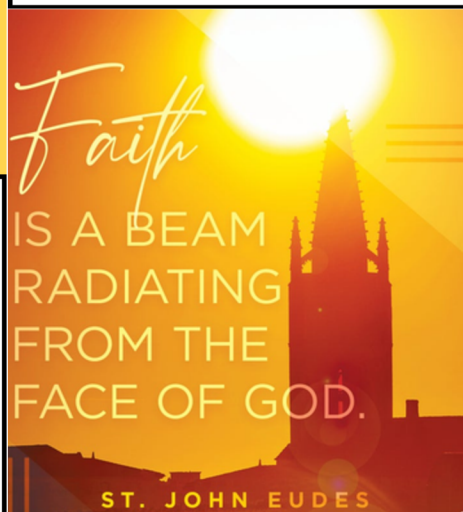
Thank you

Holy Rosary Capital Campaign Update

Pledges to date: \$2,320,076.23

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

Thank you for continuing to use
the Campaign envelopes.



6 | OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

OLPH Finances

August 10, 2026

Adult Envelopes.....	\$530.00
Loose.....	\$207.00
Social Hall Rental.....	\$37.50
Raffle.....	\$25.00
Votive Candles.....	\$10.00
Venezuela Earthquake.....	\$20.00
Fall Festival.....	\$360.00
Other/Misc.....	\$30.00
Total.....	\$1,189.50

August 10, 2026

Checking Balance.....	\$22,143.00
Income.....	\$1,464.50
Expense.....	\$537.05
Ending Balance.....	\$23,070.45

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment.....	\$9,719.00
CSA paid to date.....	\$9,719.00
Subtotal.....	\$9,719.00
Pledges due.....	\$0.00
Balance due.....	\$0.00

~ Total \$9,719.00- 30 Families



One Family Catholic Community- Mark your calendars:



OLPH will host their annual **Fall Festival** on Saturday, September 12, 2026. The day's activities kick off at 3:00pm, and this year will be returning to the Church!

(There will not be Adoration the day of the OLPH Fall Festival)

Interested in participating in the OLPH Fall Festival Bean Bag Tournament? Assemble your team and sign up on the bulletin board in the entryway of OLPH. Limit of six teams, \$10 entry per team with a 50% payout for the winning team. The tournament will begin at 3:30pm.

This year the OLPH Fall Festival is proud to have chicken dinners available during our celebration on Saturday, September 12. Jim Novinska and his crew will be cooking up a limited amount of 75 chickens; \$10 for a quarter chicken plate, \$14 for a half chicken plate. We extend a huge thank you to Jim and his helpers for donating their time and hard work to support our parish.

Don't miss out on the wonderful food and fun - see you there!

We are collecting Basket Raffle items August 2 through September 6. Please place any donations on the marked tables in the side hall of the Church after Sunday Masses or contact Wendy Sackmann (715-965-0028) or April Schmeiser (715-965-2164) to make other arrangements for drop offs. You may place monetary donations in the weekly collection basket marked "OLPH Fall Festival Basket Raffles"

OLPH Fall Festival Raffle Tickets are available for purchase at the Holy Rosary Parish Office or from OLPH Members. Tickets are \$4.00 each or 3 for \$10.00.

The top prize is \$500.00

A volunteer sign-up sheet will be available after all Sunday Masses starting August 2. Please consider helping out. We need lots of help to make this event a success.

Thank you! ~OLPH Fall Festival Committee

SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Finances

August 5, 2026

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2,455.00
Loose.....	\$245.00
Maintenance.....	\$640.00
Venezuela Relief.....	\$468.00
Candles.....	\$44.00
Total.....	\$3,852.00

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment.....	\$14,870.00
CSA Paid to date.....	\$14,870.00
Subtotal.....	\$14,870.00
Pledges due.....	\$0.00
Balance due.....	\$0.00

~Total \$14,870.00 - 35 families

Reminder: Follow Our Entire One Family Catholic Community

Our 4-parish community is increasingly working together to complete initiatives and offer activities. Be sure to read the entire bulletin each week - either in print or online. You'll find an amazing number of opportunities available for faith development, socializing, and volunteering to better both our faith community and our area of Taylor County.

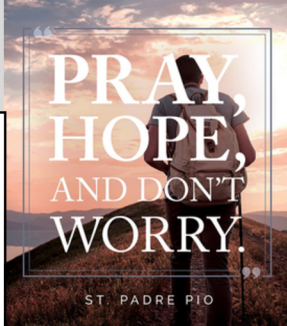
Adoration each Wednesday from 9:30am - 5:00pm

Adoration of the Exposed Blessed Sacrament is available to you seven hours each Wednesday from 9:30am to 5:00pm. Spend time with the Lord as available, or commit to a specific hour each week by contacting Peggy Hruby. Can't come during the day on Wednesdays? Reminder, the church doors are open all daytime hours seven days a week, allowing many more opportunities to sit with the Lord in the tabernacle.

Save the Date:

Living Rosary & Social- Wednesday, October 21

Sacred Heart is bringing back its Living Rosary! Like we did for many years with our Religious Education students, we'll encircle the sanctuary in candlelight as we unite our young and old voices in the praying of the Rosary. A social and meal will follow. All are welcome, especially our One Family Catholic Community youth and their families who are on break from classes this day!



Coffee & Donuts this Sunday, 8/16

Coffee and donuts will be served in Sacred Heart's entry after Mass this Sunday, August 16. All are invited to stay a few extra minutes for a treat and conversation!

Good Shepherd Finances

July 26, 2026

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1,919.00
Loose.....	\$233.00
Votives.....	\$32.00
Other.....	\$25.00
Total.....	\$2,209.00

Catholic Services Appeal

Total assessment.....	\$28,165.00
CSA paid to date.....	\$28,165.00
Subtotal.....	\$28,165.00
Pledges due.....	\$0.00
Balance due.....	\$0.00

~ Total \$28,165.00 - 77 Families

Please Join Us at Good Shepherd to **Pray the Rosary** on Saturdays at 6:00pm prior to the 6:30pm Mass.



Religious Education

We are looking for a Grade 7 Teacher and someone to help with the Confirmation Class. If interested please contact Mike Bub at Holy Rosary at 715-748-3336 ext. 248.



IT TAKES A
big heart
TO HELP SHAPE
little minds.

Our Food Pantry is looking for donations of Ketchup, Cereal, Coffee, Pastas, Tomato Sauce, Cream of Chicken Soup, Mayo, Mac & Cheese, Canned Beans, Corn, etc. Also, if anyone has excess fresh fruit or vegetables this summer, they are always welcome. We also accept monetary donations. The next Food Pantry is on Aug 19. *Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.*

Upcoming Events

Food Pantry- August 19, September 16
Fall Festival Set up- August 20, 6:00pm
GS Fall Festival- August 23
Servants of the Shepherd Mtg- Aug 25, 6:45pm
Partners in Prayer- Sept 4 & Oct 2, 3:00pm
Rel-Ed First Night- Sept 9
Buildings & Grounds Meeting- Sept 9, 3:30pm
Sunday Social- Sept 14 & Oct 11, 10:45am
Shepherd Knitters- Sept 14 & Oct 12, 1:00pm
Servants of the Shepherd Mtg- Sept 29, 6:45pm



Please plan to join us for our Fall Festival on Aug 23. We are looking for Small & Large Basket Raffle Items, & Antique Equip. for showing. Sign-up sheets are in the back of Church, please sign up if you can. All ages are welcome to help. Set up will be Thurs, Aug 20 at 6:00pm. Baskets can be dropped off at the GS Office on Tues Mornings or Wednesday Afternoons, or the night of set up. *Thank you!*



SOS Meal Preps

SOS Group is planning a meal prep day for Wednesday, Aug 19, starting at 2:00pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mary Niggemann at 715-207-9103



Keep in Prayer- Fr. Mike Hayden, Fr. Oen, Ken Matyka, Shaun Bube, Lisa Peche, Jerry Gilge, Red Thums, Bonnie Fuchs, Barb Williams, Jerald Koch, Baby Armand, Lisa Dahl, Jimmy Gehrig, Mary Warner Plamann, Dave & Laura Kalmon, Dennis Niggemann, George Gunderson, Julie Gehrig, Ryan & Audrey Metz Family, Donna (Mann) Lind, Dan Sackmann, Carol Long, Betty Brandner, Nicole Richardson, Steve Spurgeon, Randy Dums, Bonnie Dohm, Karen Dums, Isabel Olkives, Julie Frahmman, Ron & Diane Eisner, Reed Roiger, David Weinatzl, Dean Berry, Betty Feuling, Jessica Will, Addison Garcia, David Moden, Janice Bullis, All nursing home residents, Glenn Mathias, Lorraine Jagielo, Leona Will, Carol Brookner, Monica Danen



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