

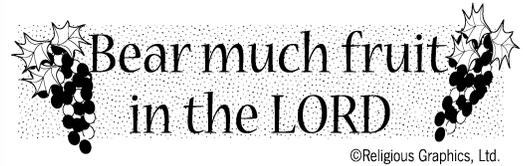
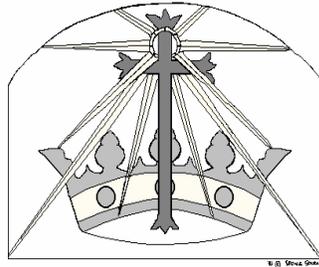
CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018



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Mass Schedule / Scripture Readings / Intentions / Ministry Participants

Monday - April 30, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Acts 14:5-18 * Jn 21-26

Tuesday - May 1, 2018 * Mass @ 8:30 am * Acts 14:19-28 * Jn 14:27-31 * **Mass Intention: Mass of Thanksgiving (DK)**

Wednesday - May 2, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Acts 15:1-6 * Jn 15:1-8

Thursday - May 3, 2018 * Mass @ 8:30 am * 1Cor 15:1-8 * Jn 14:6-14 *

Mass Intention: + Deceased members of Longtin Family

First Friday - May 4, 2018, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Acts 15:22-31 * Jn 15:12-17

12 hours adoration begins at 9 a.m. going until 9 a.m. on Sat. * take time from your busy day and come pray in the quiet of church.

Saturday - May 5, 2018 * 4 p.m. Mass

Readings: Acts 16:1-10 * Jn 15:18-21

Mass Intention: Special Intention (GN)

Lector: Anita Ruger

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Kappel * Joan Meyer * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Bradley and Darron Willcome

Crucifix Bearer: Alyssa Willcome

Ministers of Welcome: Sue Kappel and **Needed**

Sunday - May 6, 2018 * 8 a.m. Mass **Readings: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 * 1 Jn 4:7-10 * Jn 15:9-17**

Mass Intention: + Diane Brey

Lector: Dan McNeely

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Kent Johnson * Kris Franklin * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Kyle Johnson and **Needed**

Crucifix Bear: **Needed**

Ministers of Welcome: Al Becker and Jack Franklin

Sunday - May 6, 2018 * 10 a.m. Mass **Readings: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 * 1 Jn 4:7-10 * Jn 15:9-17**

Mass Intention: Priest's Intention

Lector: Pauline Frome

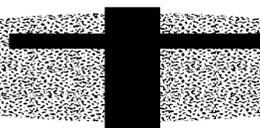
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mary Kortuem * Dennis Gonnering * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Paige and Weston Bauer

Crucifix Bearer: **Needed**

Ministers of Welcome: Nancy Kautza and Steven Fleischmann

REMAIN IN ME



AS I REMAIN IN YOU

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Praised be Jesus Christ! This weekend our 2nd graders at Christ the King receive Jesus' Body and Blood for the very first time (next weekend is 1st Communion at Saint John's), and we are supporting them with our prayers and our love. I read an article recently that was titled, "Remembering First Communion." It had some great stories, including the following: *"I remember my first Communion very well. In those days we had to fast from midnight. And the sisters used to cover the water fountains in school so the kids wouldn't take a drink by mistake before Mass – they did this to remind you, in case Sister wasn't looking and you wandered down the hall. Things like that seem funny now, though they were so very, very important to us. You really wanted to do it right."* Our kids still have a beautiful sense of the awe and wonder of receiving Jesus for the first time – something we can all learn from and please God, cultivate in our own reception of Holy Communion. We offer a "Real Presence" talk every year to the parents of our First Communicants in the hope that their faith will be deepened by the mysterious truth of Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Each year we reflect a bit on the Gospel of John, chapter 6 – the famous "Bread of Life" discourse that is the foundation for our belief in Jesus' Real Presence in Holy Communion. And while it is true that many Catholics struggle to believe they are truly receiving Jesus in Holy Communion, there are remarkable reasons behind this teaching. Jesus Himself established the doctrine and instituted it by offering the first Mass at the Last Supper the night before He died. Many miracles of Hosts bleeding have occurred through the centuries, pointing to the reality that this is truly, mysteriously Jesus' Body and Blood. A miracle in Lanciano, Italy that occurred in the middle of the 8th century was studied under a microscope in the 1970s. Scientists found that the remains of the consecrated Host were actually striated muscle tissue of a human heart. A miracle in Siena in 1730 is still in existence today; the Hosts were stolen from a Tabernacle, then returned, and are now in a glass ciborium (i.e. container). Miraculously, the Hosts have not decomposed in the slightest – Pope Saint John Paul II consumed one in 1980 and claimed that it was truly Christ's Body. Convincing skeptics about what we believe is generally not possible: *"For those with faith, no proof is necessary; for those without faith, no proof is convincing"* is the famous line from The Song of Bernadette. Just the same, it's our duty to give reasons for our hope (1 Peter 3:15) so that people understand that our faith cannot be dismantled by argument. As Saint Thomas Aquinas pointed out centuries ago, we may not be able to convincingly prove what we believe about Jesus in the Eucharist, but nor can it be disproven because it is protected by sound reasons. All of this is merely straw if we fail to get down on our knees and worship Our Lord. Theological claims and counter claims are legion in human history; but saints like Mother Teresa of Calcutta and Saint Peter Damian demonstrate the power of love that one receives when receiving Holy Communion with true faith. People who claim they get nothing out of it are usually not open to the graces being given. Many have unconfessed sins or are still living in sin and are not repentant. A proud person cannot receive God's grace, not because God is a mean cop, but because the person's heart is hard and resistant to God. Thankfully, our 2nd graders are generally very open to the love God is offering them. Our prayer is that the graces they receive at 1st Communion are cultivated by the ongoing love and practice of the faith that will help them grow closer to God. We pray that the time between our little ones' first and second Communion is no longer than a week!

May God grant us a true love for His Son, which is shown in how we receive Him in Holy Communion!
Your friend in Christ, Father Martin

Mission Statement

As members of God's family, Christ the King Parish will always be a welcoming community that comforts, shares its Catholic faith, and inspires others.

Sacraments

Baptism.. Expectant parents are to participate in the Baptism preparation program offered in February, June and October. The Baptisms are then scheduled for the second and fourth Sundays of the month, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Marriage.. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance by contacting the parish pastor.

Anointing of the Sick.. (which was known as Extreme Unction or Last Rites) has taken a different connotation since The Second Vatican Council. The sacrament is celebrated not only for those who are dying, but to those preparing for major surgery, the aged, and the sick. It is time for the Church to pray for and with those who are ill and anoint them with oil. The proper celebrant of this sacrament is a priest. Those who desire to receive this sacrament are to contact Fr. Martin, in advance.

Penance . . Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoon 3:15 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Let us LOVE
not in word and speech
but in deed and truth

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Ministry to the Homebound...

First Sunday... Joan Meyer
Second Sunday... **Needed**
Third Sunday... Sue Mews
Fourth Sunday... Deacon Jeff and Rita Austin
Fifth Sunday... Shelly Schultz
Sue Kappel (substitute)
Rosie Frank (substitute)
Jack and Kris Franklin (substitute)



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Christ the King Parish

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Church Building address: 208 South LaSalle St.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The parish office will be "closed" on Wed.- May 2nd .
Judy is attending a diocesan meeting.

During the "Month of May " the rosary only will be recited 20 minutes before Mass * Needed:

Parishioners of the parish to lead the congregation in reciting the rosary. **A sign-up sheet** can be found on back table in gathering room. Your help in being a prayer leader (Ladies, men or young adults) in reciting the rosary would be greatly appreciated. **Parishioners * Please show respect for the rosary being prayed and enter church quietly. Thank you.**

During the Month of May, the Social Justice Committee members of the parish will be collecting "Baby Shower Gifts" for the **Hannah Center**, a "Wish List" will be provided by the Play'n'Pack, that will be placed in the gathering room of church. And again this year the parishioners, if they wish can pick up a "Baby Bottle" to take home and place their loose change into during the month to be returned back to the church at the end of May. **Please help to support these two worthwhile activities.**

Evening of Recollection * Led by Fr. Martin * Eucharistic Adoration and Reflection * The evenings will alternate between St. John and Christ the King parishes. Time: 6:30 pm-8 pm **Thursday- May 3, 2018**
Theme: Saint Rafael Arnaiz Baron @ St. John's in Mfld.

REMINDER to Parishioners * 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration for 2017 - First Friday – May 4 through May 5** Starting at 9 am on Friday an ending at 9 am on Saturday) Note: There will be a prayer petition book placed out the week prior to our First Friday Eucharistic Adoration. Anyone wishing to have petitions offered during Adoration may enter their petition into the book and they will be prayed for. **Attention: Church doors are locked @ 9 p.m. until 6 a.m. if you are coming to pray during this time please knock on door (under carport) 5 minutes before the start of each hour and you will be let in by person already inside of church.**

Ladies mark your calendars: Annual Mother / Daughter Breakfast will be hosted by the Holy Name Society on Sunday, May 20th, 2018 after the 8 a.m. mass.

Grandmothers, mothers, daughters, godmothers, and ladies who have given guidance to our families are extended an invitation to come to the dining hall of church and enjoy a good meal, on this special day! Men, teenage boys, and boys of the parish: your help is needed to set-up, prepare, serve, clean/up, etc. for this event. Please contact Todd Rueth @ 715-659-5213 to offer your time and talent to make this a memorable time for the ladies. Thank you.

Pastoral Council members * Pastoral Council Meeting on **Tuesday - May 1, 2018 @ 7 pm. Please stop @ back table in gathering room your agenda for this meeting.**

Pastoral Council Members 2017 - 2018

Fr. Martin, Fr. Sadlacek, Deacon Jeff Austin, Rita Austin, Dawn Allar, Dennis Gonnering, Joan Meyer, Dan McNeely, Greg Pinter, and Todd Rueth . If you have any questions or concerns of parish life that the council addresses, please contact one of them.

Knights of Columbus Council 1799 extends a "**thank you**" to those who gave to the last weekend's tootsie roll drive.

Ministry Participants: May * June * July * August * of 2018 schedule has been completed. Please stop to pick your copy up at the back table in the gathering room of church. Your time and talent in helping with these ministries is greatly appreciated.

Enjoy a Spring evening listening to Shri Sarazin's **Sacred Harp and Song Ministry Program** at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Mfld. on **Thursday-May 3, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be served and a free will offering will be taken.

To those subscribing to "THIS DAY" * daily catholic prayer booklet * **and those who would like to subscribe.** A single year is \$39.95 but if a group subscriptions are acquired it can be at a lower cost. A sign-up sheet has been placed on back table in the gathering room , of church. Detailed information can be obtained by looking at sign up sheet. **Deadline for signing up is May 10th.**

There will be a Spring Trivia Night on Friday-May 18th at Sacred Heart in Toeller Hall, Mfld. **\$10.00 per person to play; teams of up to 8 members will tackle trivia questions** and compete to win prizes. This fundraiser is for Youth Ministry events. Soda will be provided; please bring bars and snacks to share. **All ages are invited to participate!** Please email alcottd@gmail.com or call 715-387-1317 to register. Please indicate your team name/caption and the names of your team members. If you need a team we can place you with one. There is limited space and registration fills up fast, so register soon! Please join us and spread the word!

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Religious Education

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Congratulations to our Religious Education students and their families who celebrated First Communion today!



Hunter Boyd
Katelynn Fitzgerald
Cooper Rueth
Dex Schiller
Lyra Van Hoof

Ellie Davel
Mya Kramp
Sierra Russell
Addison Soyk
Lauren Varsho

Ashley Fitzgerald
Riley Mateer
Emily Schesel
Kyler Stange
Savannah Wilke

Thank you to Mrs. Cheryl Willcome, Jordan Willcome, Amy Kramp, Diane Trojan, Claire Schiller, Father Martin, Father Sedlacek, and Deacon Jeff Austin for all their work in preparing our students to receive Jesus for the first time!

Youth Ministry News

Youth Rummage Sale May 17 & 18 the youth will be holding a rummage sale at St. John's in the Columbia Rm. You are invited to donate your gently used items by bringing them during office hours to St. John's rel. ed. Office on Wed afternoon, May 16 from 3-6pm or Thur., May 17 from noon - 3pm. You are also invited to come purchase items from this sale to support our youth. Sale times are Thurs., May 17, 3-6pm and Fri., May 18, 8am-5pm St. John's school Columbia Room 307 N. Walnut Ave. For more info. please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

Tanzania Mission Trip 2019 Plans are being made for an Intergenerational Parish Mission Trip of 20 people ages 16 and older to serve with the Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa, in Sumbawanga, Tanzania, Africa from June 17-28, 2019. This immersion experience will offer the chance to serve at the school, orphanage, and clinic. There will also be an opportunity for a safari and market experiences. Tentative cost is \$2500 (dictated by airfare). For more information, please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

Steubenville Youth Conference for teens presently in grades 8-12 An awesome, high energy event with 2,000 other teens. PLUS: we'll roll up our sleeves and lend a hand while serving others. It will be at St. Thomas University in St. Paul, July 27-29 The cost of \$270 includes most meals, transportation, & all housing. There will be an to sign up, please contact: please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

CATHOLIC Adventure Camp July 8-13. This is for teens currently in grades 6-12. Crosswoods Christian Adventure Camp, located south of Ashland, has been reserved for the Diocese of LaCrosse! This high adventure week will offer you the chance for rock climbing, repelling, canoeing, mountain bike riding, low ropes and high ropes, adventure trails, hiking, and time for prayer, the sacraments and reflection on God's marvelous creation. The total cost will be \$410 for youth and \$250 for adults. Signup soon. Financial help is available. If you have any other questions, please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

Youth Minister:

Mr. Dan Kitzhaber

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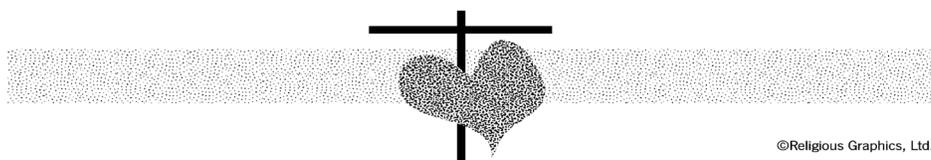
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***** Pray daily for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and sacramental marriage *****

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Veronica's Circle and all P.C.C.W. Parish Members * ATTENTION LADIES * Your help is needed to keep our organization active in the diocese and your parish. We would like to continue to have 5 P.C.C.W. Circles, in which each circle does one yearly fundraiser/function and assists in the rotation scheduling of funeral meal that occur. **St. Veronica's Circle has openings for two co-chairladies**, we ask that 2 ladies from St. Veronica's Circle **consider stepping forward to fill these openings**, in their circle. We are also asking ladies who are in other circles to also consider moving from their circle into **St. Veronica's as co-chairladies**. We are all team members, in this organization and the existing co-chairladies who volunteer are always available to answer any questions, you may have. Giving your time and talent to Christ the King Parish is a rewarding experience! 2018 updated PCCW Handbooks are available in the gathering room of church. As a reference, it lists functions that are done throughout the year and the monies earned that are given to support various parish projects. To learn more about your parish PCCW and its vital role, please contact any of the co-chairladies or PCCW officers. Thank you. Diane Witmer / PCCW President 715-659-5852

The Marathon County Transportation Program is in a critical situation with a shortage of volunteer drivers in Marathon County. The requests for drivers have hit a level of that cannot be fulfilled by our current list of volunteers. If you have some spare time and would like to help people in your area get to medical or dental appointments or grocery shopping, please email or call Jenny McKenzie @ 715-841-5101 or email @ jmckenzie@norcen.org. In addition, the mileage incurred for these trips will be reimbursed at .545 cents a mile by the Program. Your help is greatly appreciated.

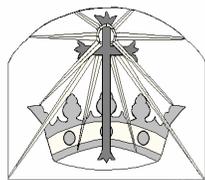
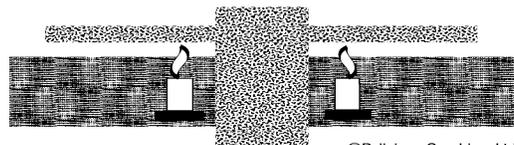
Please join us for the Mass celebrating the closing of the investigation of Father Joe's life and cause for sainthood on Sunday, May 27, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. If you are unable to attend, you can watch the Mass live online at www.dioc.org/live Please continue to keep the Cause in your prayers.

Farmers' Hotline With historically high numbers of farmers declaring bankruptcy, there is also a high amount of distress. There is HELP. We offer two helplines: The Farmers' Hotline in Madison is 800-942-2474 and Organic Valley farmer hotline number is: 888-809-9297

SPRING THRIFT SALE - Wednesday, May 9 and Thursday, May 10, 2018 from 8:00am - 6:00pm. Friday, May 11, 2018 is packing day no sales. Drop off days are Monday (May 7) and Tuesday (May 8). Please no early drop-offs. Location: N14921 Gorman Ave Quonset Hall, Thorp. **Sponsored by the St Bernard/St Hedwig PCCW**

The Family Life Committee members will again be participating in Mariann's Closet and will be **collection late Sept. thru Oct. 2018.** While going through your winter children's items that no longer fit them, these are the items needed: Children's Outerwear, **ONLY (sizes to fit Newborn to Age 12)** * Winter Coats * Winter Snowpants * Winter Mittens * Winter Hats * Winter Boots * Winter Scarves * Please NO young adult or adult winter clothing. Questions can be directed to Sue Toufar.

The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment within the Church for children and youth. We continue to have a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to victims of sexual abuse and their families. * Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines For Reporting Instances of Child Abuse posted on church bulletin boards. *



To place a prayer request on the Christ the King Prayer Chain, please call these prayer leaders:

Marcia Draeger (715-659-5182), Kay Derks (715-659-4046), Joan Meyer (715-384-2774)

Each of these has a list of people to call and inform them about your prayer requests, do not call parish office.

You may also place your requests on the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Prayer Chain by calling Shirley @ 715-384-3613 and Donna 715-384-2479 (there are 2 lists) and they will take your request.

Christ the King Staff: Fr. Samuel Martin : Pastor * Fr. Daniel Sedlacek : Associate Pastor

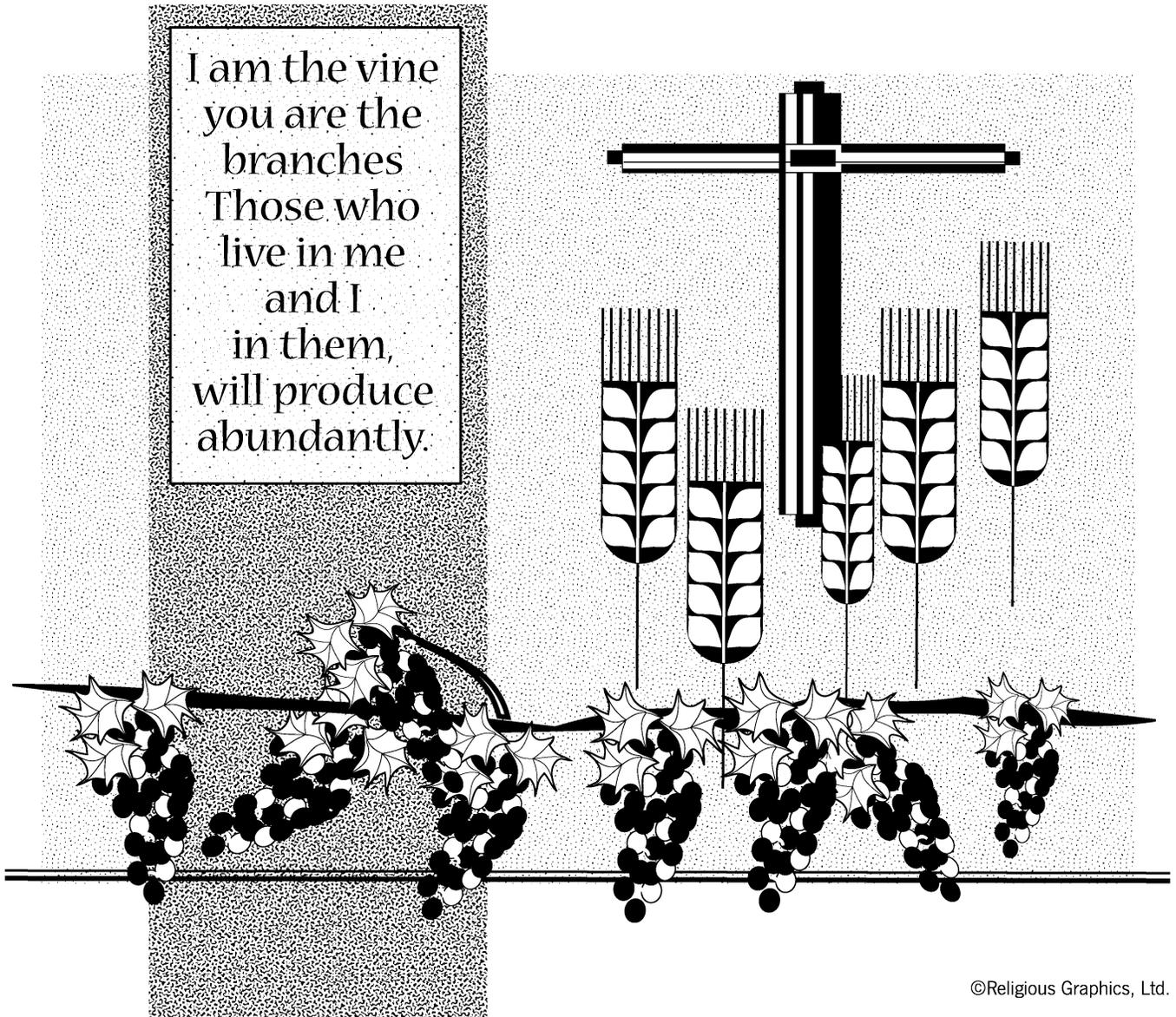
* Deacon Jeff Austin : Permanent Deacon * Judy A. Drechsler : Parish Secretary * Bonnie Jakel : Sacristan

* Gary Niziolek : Part-time Maintenance * Jim Kilty : Snow Removal

Parish office Hours Are:

Monday * Tuesday * Wednesday - 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Thursday - 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. * Friday - Office is CLOSED

I am the vine
you are the
branches
Those who
live in me
and I
in them,
will produce
abundantly.



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PLEDGE TO *Heal*

**Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines
For Reporting Instances of Child
Abuse.**

The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment within the Church for children and youth. We continue to have a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to the victims of sexual abuse and their families. * To report allegations of sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, lay employees or volunteers of the Diocese of La Crosse please fill out the report form found at: www.dioc.org/safe-environment/reporting * Alternatively, you can also contact this person: Mrs. Karen Becker / Victim Assistance Ministry @ 608-519-8002
Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance Such assistance can be received from: Deacon David Allen, Victim Assistance Coordinator @ 608-792-9684