

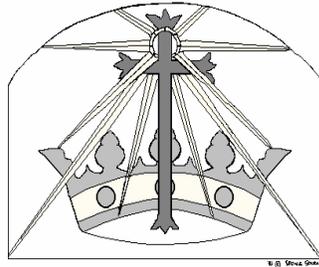
CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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The Feast of The
Transfiguration of the Lord
August 6, 2017



The heavens proclaim
his justice, and all
peoples see his glory



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Mass Schedule / Scripture Readings / Intentions / Ministry Participants

Monday - August 7, 2017 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Nm 11:4-15 * Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday - August 8, 2017 * Mass @ 8:30 am * Nm 12:1-13 * Mt 14:22-36 * Mass Intention: Special Intention (FSM)

Wednesday - August 9, 2017 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1,26-29, 34-35 * Mt 15:21-28

Thursday - August 10, 2017 * Mass @ 8:30 am * 2 Cor 9:6-10 * Jn 12:24-26 * Mass Intention: + Rhea Ward

Friday - August 11, 2017 * Please take note: "No" Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Dt 4:32-40 * Mt 16:24-38

Saturday - August 12, 2017 * 4 p.m. Mass

Readings: Dt 6: 4-13 * Mt 17:14-20

Mass Intention: + Val and Mark Bychinski

Lector: Laurie Weber

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Laurie Weber * Volunteer Needed * Volunteer needed

Servers: Needed and Alex Wolf

Crucifix Bearer: Needed

Ministers of Welcome: 2 Needed

Sunday - August 13, 2017 * 8 a.m. Mass

Readings: 1 Kgs 19: 9,11-13 * Rom 9:1-5 * Mt 14:22-33

Mass Intention: + John and Helwig Krupka

Lector: Dan McNeely

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Kent Johnson * Deb Mlsna * Volunteer Needed

Servers: Kyle Johnson and Alexis Mlsna

Crucifix Bearer: Needed

Minister of Welcome: Al Becker and Kurt Feind

Sunday - August 13, 2017 * 10 a.m. Mass

Readings: 1 Kgs 19: 9,11-13 * Rom 9:1-5 * Mt 14:22-33

Mass Intention: Christ the King and St. John's Parish Families

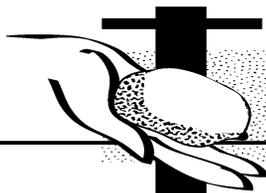
Lector: Rita Austin

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Barb Ward * Rita Austin * Volunteer Needed

Servers: Shane Bauer and Needed

Crucifix Bearer: Needed

Ministers of Welcome: Nancy Kautza and Steven Fleischmann



The HAND of the LORD
feeds us

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[From the Desk of : Father Samuel Martin]

Praised be Jesus Christ! I read an article recently that spoke of the importance of a good hobby. One of the points mentioned that having a hobby is helpful for all of us, but especially for priests is this true because we often struggle to make the transition from work to retirement. Do you have any hobbies? My Dad loved baseball so as a kid I grew up playing a lot of our national pastime. I enjoyed the game but really found football and basketball to be a lot more exhilarating. Only now that I'm in my 40s (have I mentioned recently that my birthday is August 9th?) have I grown to truly appreciate the sport that meant so much to my Dad. Every now and again I think of James Earl Jones' famous quote from the movie "Field of Dreams": *"The one constant through all the years, Ray, has been baseball. America has rolled by like an army of steamrollers. It has been erased like a blackboard, rebuilt and erased again. But baseball has marked the time. This field, this game: it's a part of our past, Ray. It reminds us of what was once good and it could be again."* In the event that you have not already intuited it, baseball has become one of my hobbies, albeit a somewhat seasonal one. I've made it my goal to see a new stadium from time to time and two summers ago it was Fenway in Boston. That was a magical night that I'll never forget – you could feel the history in a building like that and the fans were as kind and personable as any crowd I've ever experienced. Last summer I made it to Detroit and took in a game at Comerica Park. By the way, next door is Ford Field, home of the Detroit Lions and the venue where Father Solanus Casey will be beatified on November 16th. Back to baseball now, and my recent trip on the 4th of July to Baltimore where I intended to watch a game at Camden Yards – sadly the friend who set the trip up had the schedule mixed up, so we ended up in Nationals' Stadium in Washington D.C. It was a hot, sultry night but the game was well played and the home town pulled it out in dramatic fashion in the 9th inning. For the record, this summer will be exceptional because I'll visit not one but three stadiums that I've never seen before: Father Sedlacek and I are going to Target Field in Minneapolis in late August for a Twins game (the Diocese wants me to spend more time with Father and they even gave me a modest stipend to do so . . . I'm kidding). And because I have a good friend who is a Poor Clare nun in Kokomo, Indiana, I thought I might as well make a little road trip to Cincinnati and take in a game there (Brewers vs. Reds on September 4th) and then visit the Sisters on the way home. Oh yes, hobbies are a good thing because they remind us that *"All work and no play makes us dull boys."* One of the goals of our life is to learn to balance our work with some time for leisure; some tend to work too much while others tend to be lethargic, listless, and just plain lazy. One insight that comes from the 20th century author Josef Pieper is that true worship is the perfect blend of work and leisure. And for those who attend Mass regularly, we do sense the beautiful blend of our sacrifice of time meriting the joy that can only come when we praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Yes, it's good for us to have some hobby so as to better enjoy life. But the greatest source of happiness is still the Mass: *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever,"* (Hebrews 13:8).

May God give us the peace that comes from order in our lives of worship, work, and play!

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



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Ministry to the Homebound...

- First Sunday... Joan Meyer
- Second Sunday... Barb Ward
- 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)
- Sue Strebe (substitute)



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Christ the King Parish

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

Holy Day of Obligation * The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary * Vigil Mass on Monday * **August 14th @ 7 p.m.** and Holy Day mass on **August 15th @ 8:30 a.m.** @ Christ the King parish. **Ministry participants are needed and a sign up sheets** can be located on back table . If you are attending any of these masses your help in the ministries is greatly appreciated.

Masses at St John the Baptist in Mfld are: August 14th @ 6 pm. and August 15th @ 7 a.m. * 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

“Thank You” to the ladies of St. Ann and St. Theresa Circles for their time and talent in making the Annual “Pie in the Park” a success again this year. We wish to thank those of you who came to have pie / pie and ice cream or have a Bar-B-Q lunch. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Attention Servers: An invitation has been extended for you to attend **“Server Appreciation Trip”** with Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Marshfield. Destination: Mt. Olympus in Wis. Dells on **Mon. August 21st.** * seats are available * Your fee is being paid , so this is **FREE for our servers,** who are able to go. Individual in charge is Deacon Ray Draeger. **Additional guests, family members and friends may go but must pay the fee of \$14.00 each** / this includes all day pass plus soda / water/snacks on the bus and a hot dog/chips @ the park. You will be leaving from the **Sacred Heart parking lot at 8:30 am ! sharp** and arrive at Mt. Olympus when it opens at 10 am and **will return to Mfld at approximately 4:30 pm.** Please call Judy at the parish office @ 715-659-4480 Ext. 0 and **reserve your spot no later than August 17th.** You will be asked to come to parish office to pick up a **required “General Child Consent and Release Form “and than return it to parish office completed / signed in order to participate in trip.**

Mission Team News Our mission team has returned from Tanzania, and they brought back many yards of colorful fabric. We are looking for ladies who would like to assist in creating items from this fabric such as: placemats, napkins, table runners, tote bags, etc. These items will then be sold to parishioners, and the proceeds will be used to benefit the Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa. If you are interested in helping to make items, please call Susan Youngwith at 715-384-4343.

Last weekend at the masses to talk about Cross Catholic Outreach to the parishioners of Christ the King, was Rev. Patrick Collins. Rev. Collins made a favorable impression with his strong faith in the Cross Catholic Outreach and his appealing homily and his singing voice. If you wish to contribute to this appeal, Rev. Collins left in the gathering room by the bulletin board self-addressed envelopes to place your contribution into and mail out. Keep Rev. Collins in your prayers, as he travels throughout the United States to spread the good work that Cross Catholic Outreach is doing overseas.

*** *Welcome to Christ the King Parish Family* ***

Camron Schuh

Sunday - August 6 - St Philip’s Picnic * 97th Annual Church Picnic & Chicken Dinner @ the world famous Grotto Shrine and Wonder Cave * Rudolph, WI * Serving 10 am until 2 pm * Ground Level handicap access available * Mass @ 9 a.m. with Polka Music by Old Time Brass and the Choraleers

Sunday-August 13 - Annual Harvest Festival @ St. Joachim Parish in Pittsville, WI * Mass with the Polka Massters @ 10 a.m. and Baked Chicken /Buffet Style * all you can eat Chicken / Altamburg’s Sweetcorn * Serving 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Thursday-August 10-Steak Feed @ KC Hall in Mfld. with serving from 5:30 pm until 7 pm * Public is welcome !

Thursday-August 17-St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store in Mfld. Bag Sale / Food Stand fro 10 am until 4 pm * Bags \$1.00 per lb and books 5 for \$1.00

Music in the Park every Wednesday night being held at the Lion’s Shelter in the village Park @ 6:30 pm. Wednesday-August 9th, music by Art Petke.

“15th Annual Brad Bauer Memorial Tournament Weekend”
August 18 * 19 * 20, 2017 - Soft ball * 5 K & Kids Run * Cornhole & Volleyball Tourney * Family Fun in the Kids Zone * Raffles throughout the weekend. All these are happening at the Spencer ARC Park. Register today by going to: www.spencercommunityboosters.com

Coming this fall! The first bible study ever offered on DVD of the **Gospel of John** will be offered here starting the first Sunday after Labor Day! It is an 8-part series hosted by renowned apologist Edward Sri. It will be followed by another study from Ascension Press’ Great Adventure series, **The Acts of the Apostles**, which will run into May. Please register by Aug. 30th. For more information to register contact Judy at 715-305-2261.

Parish Pull report: Thank God for the most glorious evening one could hope for as St John’s hosted their 5th annual Parish Pull on July 14th. The crowd was the biggest ever (as well as the hungriest and thirstiest) and our valiant and generous volunteers were once again up to the challenge. I am so proud of all the generosity and joy I saw displayed by our volunteers in making this an event that truly draws our community closer together. Though we do not yet have the final numbers, I hope that we’ll be able to donate around \$30,000.00 to Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, and the Family Shelter. Please say a prayer in gratitude to God and His co-workers who made this yet again a wonderful event.

Please note that if you or your loved one who is a member of the parish is admitted to the hospital through the emergency room, more than likely you will not be asked which parish you are a member. Consequently, your name will not be recorded in the hospital census, and the parish will not know you have been admitted. Moreover if your loved one is in a nursing home or moved from one home to another we may lose touch with them. Knowing where they are assures them the opportunity for a visit so that they can receive Jesus in Holy Communion on a monthly basis and be anointed when necessary. Please call the parish office at 715-659-4480 with that information so that we can keep in contact with them.

Religious Education



D.R.E:

Mrs. Deb Mlsna

715-659-4480 ext. #3

ReligiousEd@frontier.com

Prayer letters have been sent home to all the students! Any student who knows their prayers by September 20 will earn a special reward which Father Martin will be part of! The prayer list is:

Grade 1: Sign of the Cross, Glory Be, Angel of God

Grade 2: Hail Mary, Our Father, Act of Contrition, 10 Commandments

Grade 3: Apostle's Creed, Before Meal Prayer, 7 Sacraments

Grade 4: Rosary Mechanics (w/Joyful Mysteries), Hail Mary, Glory Be

Grade 5: Hail Holy Queen, Our Father, 7 Sacraments

Grade 6: O My Jesus, Act of Contrition, Apostle's Creed

Grade 7: Memorare, Hail Holy Queen, 7 Sacraments

Grade 8: Recite a rosary, all prayers included, with the set of mysteries of the students' choice

August 30: In-service for our catechists in on **August 30** at 6:30pm in the Seton Center.

We do have a need for a 5th grade catechist, please contact Deb to volunteer or for more information.

September 6: Registration and first night of classes for the school year 2017-2018 is **September 6**, 2017.

Youth Ministry News

Youth Minister:

Mr. Dan Kitzhaber

Christ the King:

715-659-4480 ext. #4

St. John the Baptist:

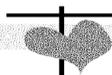
715-384-3252 ext. #6

Email:

yministry@frontier.com

Thank You “ to those who donated items for the youth of the parish’s “Garage Sale” and to those who came to look and purchase for this worthwhile youth activity. God’s blessings.

Going to College? Know someone who is? Do you know someone who is heading off to college this fall? A new website sponsored by the Serra Club can help. At www.newmanconnection.com, click “Get Connected” and your students coming to campus can sign up to receive information about campus ministry at prospective schools across the nation. Don’t miss out on the opportunities to meet great people and experience the prayer, service, and social events that campus ministry offers. If you know someone going to college, make sure they visit www.newmanconnection.com !



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

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Eucharistic Adoration that takes place here @ Christ the King Parish, the **First Friday, of each month**, is a very special day in which special prayer requests are prayed for.

There is an **urgent need** for **Eucharistic Adorers**. We are blessed to have those who already have made a commitment to 1 hour and sometimes 2 hours of prayer . Eucharistic Adoration is a vital part of this parish. **Please consider taking a vacant time slot opening** to come and pray for yourself, your family, our community, peace in the world and whatever is in your heart and talk to God, in the quiet and serenity of church. There is also a need for adorers to be placed on “Substitute List” . **We need you to keep this an active ministry !**

If you have any questions / volunteering to help by taking a time slot / having your name on substitute list please call Kay Derks @ 715-659-4046.

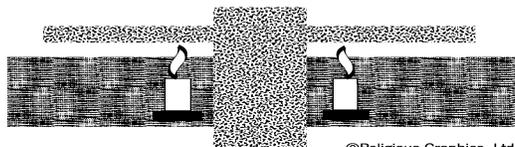
*** **Attention** *** Christ the King is **always seeking parishioners to serve in various “Ministries”** for the weekend Masses here at Christ the King . These ministries include lector / cross bearer / server / minister of Holy Communion / Minister of Welcome (usher). Consider wisely how you can serve God and your parish through these ministries. If you have questions about a particular ministry, do not hesitate to ask questions of those parishioners who already are in that ministry and can give you an insight as to what their part is in the celebration of the mass. You may also ask Father Martin, Father Sedlacek or Deacon Jeff Austin about any of the ministries.

If you would like to have a “Mass Intention” for a deceased loved one or special intention in **2018** please call the parish rectory @ 715-659-4480 and talk to Judy. There are openings for weekend masses and **numerous openings for Tuesday and Thursday morning, weekday mass @ 8:30 am..**

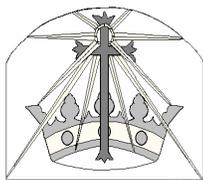
Attention Engaged Couples: Registration is now open for the *Married Love: Two Becoming One* classes in Marshfield starting this fall. The dates for 2017-2018 are: **November 4, February 17, and April 7**. Couples should first contact their priest and then plan to attend a class at least six months before their wedding. Be sure to register early because classes fill quickly. For questions or to register, contact Alanna Hart at hart_alanna@yahoo.com or 715-650-7310.

*** **Out of Town Mass times** *** When you and your family are traveling, do not stress out about missing Mass. It is easy to locate a Parish near where you are staying by visiting this website: www.masstimes.org to find mass time for out-of-town churches, with a number of options (zip code, city, etc.)

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.



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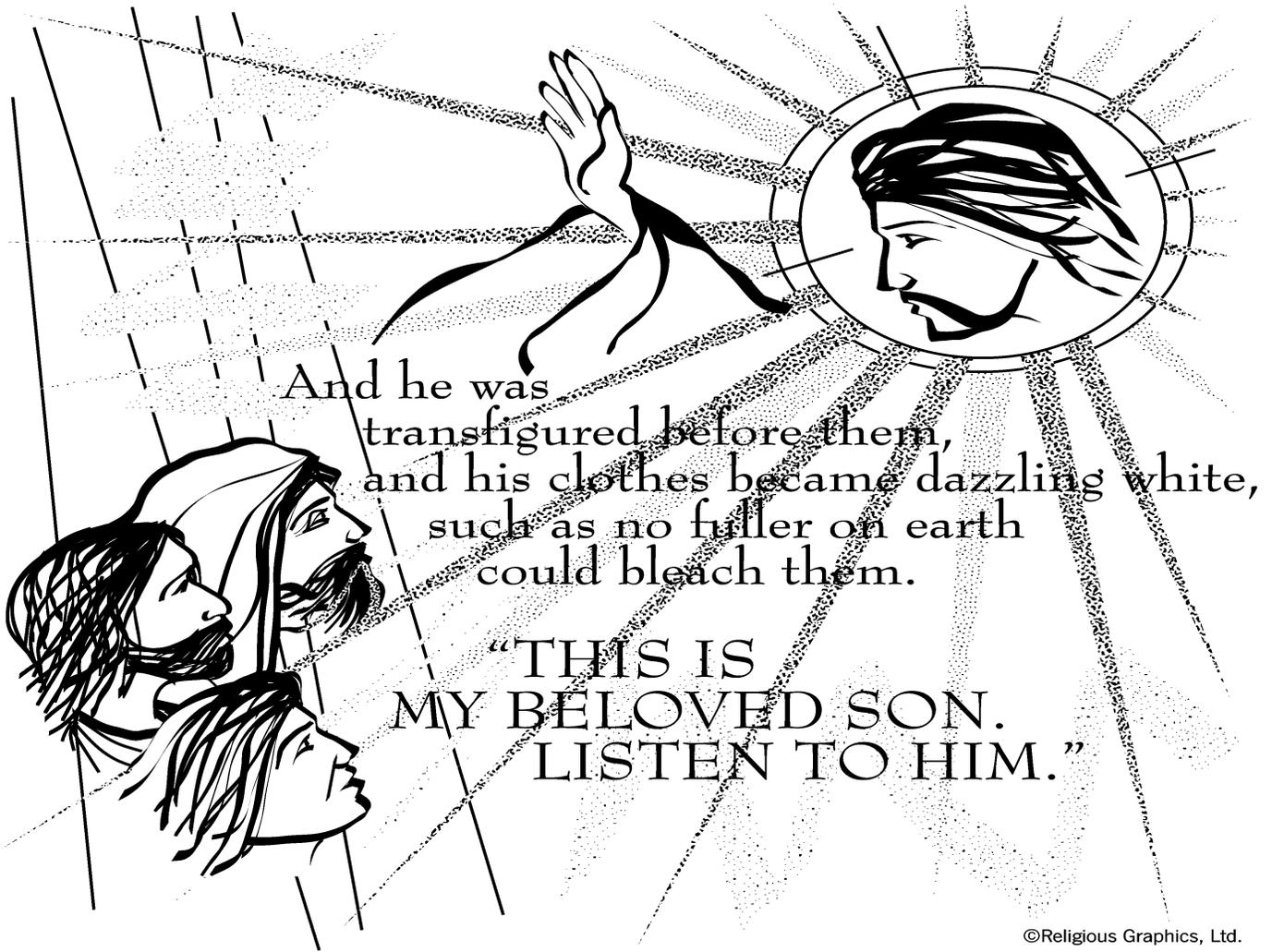


To place a prayer request on the Christ the King Prayer Chain, please call these prayer leaders:
Marcia Draeger (715-659-5182), Kay Derks (715-659-4046), Joan Meyer (715-384-2774)
Each of these has a list of people to call and inform them about your prayer requests, do not call parish office.
You may 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 * Dan Kalepp : Lawn Mowing

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

The Feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord



And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.

“THIS IS MY BELOVED SON. LISTEN TO HIM.”

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PROMISE TO  *Protect*
PLEDGE TO *Heal*

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

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by a priest or deacon. Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to: Bishop William P. Callahan at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. The form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse, Office for Clergy; or on the diocesan website at: www.dioceseoflacrosse.com **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of LaCrosse and the implementation of the “Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People”, please contact Msgr. David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004 or call 1-608-791-2689 or email dkunz@dioceseoflacrosse.com