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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Fri. 12:00 noon, 1 week prior bulletin@holynamewausau.com

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 27, 2015 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 4:00pm

Sunday - 8:00am and 10:30am

Monday 8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday - Friday 8:00am

Confessions

Saturday 3:00pm-3:45pm

Parish Center and Chapel Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00a.m. - 4:30p.m.

Fridays 8:00a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Fr. Bob for preparation classes. These are required for parents and recommended for godparents.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact Fr. Bob 6 months in advance.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Contact Fr. Bob for Information

Anointing of the Sick:

If you would like the Anointing of the Sick before entering the hospital for a scheduled surgery, or if you're at home or nursing facility, please contact Judy. If you would like Fr. Bob or Fr. Dan to visit you during your hospital stay, make sure to leave our church name upon registration.

MASS INTENTIONS

December 28th - January 3rd

28	Monday	8:00am		Communion Service
29	Tuesday	8:00 am	†	Mary Jane Frieders
				Health Intention for Jarod Seibert
30	Wednesday	8:00 am	†	Carmen Gress
			†	Wally Detert
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31 Thursday 6:00 pm † Ed and Clara Wirkus 1 Friday 9:00 am † Lucille Stachoviak

The Epiphany of the Lord

2 Saturday 4:00pm † Ray and Celeste Weichman

† Living and deceased members of Holy

Name of Jesus Parish

Sunday 8:00am St. Catherine's Council

Wayne Thompson

10:30am † Rudy and Margie Rader

The Church Blessed Sacrament Candle:

Dedicated to: Ronnie Cichon

Dedicated from: Chuck and Gin Schultz

The Chapel Blessed Sacrament Candle:

Dedicated to: Bill Mantewfel
Dedicated from: Carol Mroczenski



The Feast of the Holy Family

God's presence is found in living out the theological virtues of faith, hope and love within our families by Rebecca Vitz Cherico

As the oldest of six children, I spent a good deal of my youth taking care of my brothers and sisters, but nothing prepared me for the depths of love I would feel when each of my own five children were born. In the days following my first baby's birth, though, I was beset by horrible fears. Deeply disturbed, I called a friend, who wisely pointed out that my fears stemmed from my love. I was afraid precisely because I knew I had received a tremendous gift.

Something new and beautiful - a precious life - was now part of my world. Recognizing that our primary task as parents is to introduce our child to the reality of God's love, it was clear that faith, too, was an invaluable gift to be received, before it was something to be passed on.

The first step in instilling faith is to recover our sense of wonder at this gift, which in turn reveals that our lives are about a relationship. We are here to know, love and serve God - to love and be loved - which is why we must teach our children to pray.

Our children are given to us so that we can love them and help them to love God. But they are also given to us so that we can be loved by them and learn to love God through them. Most parents know they have a responsibility to educate their children, but it's more difficult to remember that our children are also here to educate us and to help us get to heaven. How true this must have been for the Holy Family. Just as God entrusted Jesus to a human mother and father - and Jesus (God himself!) was obedient to them - Mary and Joseph learned much about God's love and tenderness for them by watching over Jesus.

Through our children, we gain an intuition of unconditional love, as well as a path to help us become closer to God's perfection and to learn to love as he does. When our children look at us with devotion, they show God's love and mercy for us. And when they won't sleep as infants, or have tantrums as toddlers, or disobey us or get embarrassed by us when they're older, they're helping us learn to enter the heart of God, who loves perfectly and unconditionally.

To find Christ in the flesh today, we can introduce our children to Christians who joyfully live their faith, to the poor and needy, and to the fullness of the Church's sacramental life in confession, Mass and eucharistic adoration.

We are also called to help our children to receive the gift of hope. The French poet Charles Péguy wrote that hope "loves what has not yet been and what will be in the future and in eternity." Our hope is grounded in a great certainty: Nothing we might do can ever prevent God from seeking a relationship with us and with our children. As Pope Francis has explained, even our sins can become occasions of encounter with God's mercy, and our awareness of this mercy is the basis of our hope.

Before becoming parents, we have many ideas about how to do things. But once children arrive, we may feel overwhelmed or discouraged. The task is just too big for us on our own. God wants us to be aware of this and to know he is there.

Though at times we may feel like giving up in the face of our limitations, God takes our efforts and can multiply them. In the miracle of the loaves and fishes, Jesus doesn't make a meal out of nothing; He takes the food people brought. When we say "yes" to Him in our families and give the little we have, He makes it enough. Then we get to see the miracle of His presence.

Our Catholic Faith Through the Ages

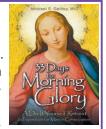
Fr Dan's lecture series on the history of the Catholic Faith this Advent.

The fifth century marks the fragmentation of the Roman Empire. Rome is attacked by barbarians and the West begins its entry into obscurity and darkness. The East remains for the most part a shining light of Christianity providing stability during the upheaval of this century; however, it too is plagued by its own problems. Come and see how the church survives this century and how the pope is able to still speak for Christ in the midst of a splintered and broken world. Class will follow the 12:05 Mass on Tuesday December 29th. Additional classes will continue January 5th and January 12th. Meet in the new Gathering Space in the Angelorum at St Matthew Parish. No cost to participate.

No need to have attended previous classes.

Want to Grow in Holiness in 33 Days?

Want to start the New Year in a way that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, and your life? Are you ready to learn the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness? In our hectic day and time, St. John Paul II and Blessed Mother Teresa knew that the quickest way to be transformed into a saint is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother, Mary. Join us on a journey to holiness as we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration on February 11, 2016. We will individually read about, and reflect on four great Marian giants: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Blessed Mother Teresa, and St. John Paul



II. They will teach us how to draw closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In our weekly meetings, **Mondays beginning January 11, 2016 at 6:30 pm at Holy Name of Jesus Parish,** we will pray, share our insights within our small group, and watch a 30-minute DVD presentation. The teaching DVD by popular author and speaker, Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, brings our individual reflections and group experience into a clear and livable focus. If you are looking for a simple, yet profound way to be spiritually renewed, develop a deeper relationship with Our Merciful Savior, and grow in holiness, join us for the 33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat. Please contact Judy Borchardt at 715.842.4543 ext. 3 for more information and to register. The cost of the program is \$25 for the book and the participant workbook. However, please do not let the cost prevent you from registering. **Deadline for registration is January 4, 2016.**

St. Anthony Spirituality Center ~Marathon, WI. Serenity Retreat for Recovering Alcoholics

Jan. 1-3; Friday 7 p.m. through Sunday 1 p.m.; Theme: My History is Not My Destiny: Our Serenity Retreats are open to all recovering alcoholics of any denomination. We gather to explore the spiritual substance of the AA program. Various presenters. Cost of \$185 includes six delicious buffet meals and overnight accommodations.



Contact: 715-443-2236, info@sarcenter.com. Go to www.sarcenter.com to register for an upcoming

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
Dec 31st and Jan 1st
MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF

January 2nd and 3rd THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

6:00 PM	9:00 AM	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
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Helen Pagenkopf	Lois Murphy	Ken Behring	Sara Lewitzke	Diane Holzschuh
Jeanne Lang	Linda Franke	Dee DeLaporte	Norma Borowicz	Jeanne Lang
Darlene Martin	Kathy Oelke	Helen Pagenkopf	Lois Murphy	Kathy Oelke
		Beth Gorski		
		Darlene Martin		
		Mary Rader		
		Deacon Anderson		
Lectors		Lectors		
Doris Martin	Jim Schroeder	Lynn Brunner	Jim Schroeder	Shirley Fritsche
Servers		Servers		
Jon Torgeson	Margaret Murphy	XXXXXXX	Alex Stumpner	Jon Torgeson
Nick Torgeson			Emily Stumpner	Nick Torgeson
Faith Torgeson				Faith Torgeson
Ushers		Ushers		
Marlene Zoromski	Tim Murphy	Marlene Zoromski	John Borowicz	Ron Hoffmann
Pat Hiatt	Dixie Cherek	Pat Hiatt	Dixie Cherek	Sue Sullivan
Jim Reel	Jim Cherek	Jim Reel	Jim Cherek	Bernie Ford
Ron Hoffmann	Scott Lau	Jody Rhyner	Tim Murphy 3	Matt Ford

MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO JANUARY 17, 2016

Bus Leaving From: La Crosse **Departure:** 7:30 AM on January 17 from Walmart Parking Lot, 3107 Market Pl. Onalaska, WI. Please arrive at 7:00 AM for prompt boarding.Return: 10:30 PM on January 17.

Cost: \$25 per person or \$85 family rate

Food: Participants are responsible for packing a lunch for the ride down to Chicago but no glass containers are allowed. There will be a stop on the way home to allow you to purchase dinner.

Length: The March itself is from 2pm-4pm with an anticipated crowd of 10,000.

Signs: PLW signs will be provided but feel free to create or bring your own if you'd like.

Contact Matt at 262-796-1111 ext. 15. or matt.v@prolifewi.org

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

December 27th - January 3rd

Sun-27 Communion Service at Primrose 11:00

No Children's Liturgy

Mon-28 Tue-29

Wed-30 No Religious Education

Thur-31 Parish Center Closed - New Years Eve Fri-1 Parish Center Closed - New Years Day

Sat-2

Sun-3 No Children's Liturgy

Communion Service at Primrose 11:00

Year of Mercy Idea of the Week

Send a thank you note to someone who will not expect one

Christmas Flowers

We are now accepting donations for Christmas flowers. If you would like to give a donation in memory of a loved one, please clearly write their name on your envelope or insert a piece of paper with their name on it...

Thank you!

Holiday Mass Schedule

New Years Eve New Years Day Thursday, Dec 31st Friday, Jan 1s

6:00pm 9:00am

Holy Name of Jesus Chapel

Is open during office hours for anyone who wishes to come and pray. It is located on the main floor of the Parish Center.

Parish Center ~ Holiday Hours

The Parish Center will be closed
Thursday, Dec 31st and Friday, Jan 1st.
We would like to wish all of you, a safe and blessed
Christmas Season!

CHRISTMAS CHEER THIS YEAR - 2015

WOW! Another <u>amazing</u> response from our parish members to our 6th Annual "Christmas Cheer This Year"! We had 35 parish families donate 115+ gifts for some of the precious children of our parish. The parents were overwhelmed when they saw how generous and kind you were.

Because of your generosity, we were able to help children from our parish have a <u>Christ</u>-filled Christmas. The Spirit of the Season was definitely shining at Holy Name of Jesus Parish! Thank you so much!

NOTE: Extra thank you goes out to Meganne Sann for her help in organizing the gifts

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

HOLY NAME PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection Report for December 20th NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION

Diocesan Annual Appeal as of December 18th

1.1	
Our Target	\$54,341.00
Pledged.	
Remaining	
Families Pledged	
Thank you for your generous support	

Diocesan Annual Appeal!

Announcing: Pilgrimage to Italy with St. Anthony's!
Join Fr. Bob Streveler May 23-June 3, 2016 on a
Catholic Pilgrimage during the Year of Mercy!

This 12-Day Pilgrimage features:

- Top notch visit of Rome with a Papal Audience
- Assisi, Land of St. Francis and St. Clare
- Siena with St. Catherine's relic and the ongoing Eucharistic Miracle of Siena
- La Verna where St. Francis received the Stigmata
- Padua, to pray before the tomb of St. Anthony
- Venice, beautiful and unforgettable
- Spiritual Program with daily Mass, rosary, chaplet, meditations and more!
- Fr. Bob Streveler as Chaplain. and much more!

Tour Pricing Information:

Air Inclusive Tour Package from Chicago: \$3,999 (per person in double occupancy) OR Optional Land Only Package: \$3,199 (per person in double occupancy)

\$500 Deposit required with registration by February 15, 2016.

Call Cheryl for an information packet that includes a full itinerary and registration form. 715-443-2236.

Readings For The Week of December 27, 2015

Sunday-27	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28 or Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 84:2			
	-3, 5-6, 9-10/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24			
Monday-28	1 Jn 1:52:2/Ps 124:2-5, 7-8/Mt 2:13-18			
Tuesday-29	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-3, 5-6/Lk 2:22-35			
Wednesday-30	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40			
Thursday-31	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/Jn 1:1-18			
Friday-1	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16			
·	-21			
Saturday-2	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-28			
Sunday-3	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-			
•	6/Mt 2:1-12			

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY



2015-2016

Religious Education Schedule

Classes on Wed. 6:15-7:30 (unless otherwise noted)

Dec 30 NO Rel Ed - Happy New Year!

Jan 6 Rel Ed & 1st Eucharist Prt Mtg # 1

Jan 13 Rel Ed & Safe Environment Mtg for Parents (Only for parents still needing to complete)

Jan 20 Rel Ed & No High School for finals week

Jan 27 Rel Ed

Feb 3 Rel Ed & 1st Eucharist Parent Mtg # 2

Feb 10 Rel Ed starts at 6pm for **Ash Wed Mass**All students are <u>required</u> to attend.

Parents are encouraged to join your student.

Feb 17 Rel Ed

Feb 24 Rel Ed, 1st Eucharist Parent Mtg # 3 &

Living Stations Practice

Religious Education Reminders

Rel Ed Off - Dec 30th - Resume - Jan 6th CLOW Off - Jan 3rd - Resumes - Jan 10th





First Eucharist Rite of Enrollment

On Jan 10th, during 10:30 mass, children from our parish that are preparing to receive First Eucharist this spring will be celebrating the Rite of Enrollment.

As part of the Rite of Enrollment, the children come before the Priest and outwardly express their wish to be continue to study and work towards their First Communion.

NEWMAN SCHOOL NEWS

NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Need registration information?

Call and come visit your Newman Catholic Schools:

Licensed Child Care

St. Michael: 615 Stark Street, Wausau, 715-848-0206 St. Therese: 112 W. Kort Street, Rothschild, 715-355-5254

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St. Mark: 602 Military Road, Rothschild, 715-359-9662 St. Michael: 615 Stark Street, Wausau, 715-848-0206

Kindergarten - Grade 5

St. Mark: 602 Military Road, Rothschild, 715-359-9662 St. Anne: 604 N. 6th Avenue, Wausau, 715-845-5754

Grades 6 – 12

Newman Catholic MS/HS: 1130 W. Bridge Street, Wausau,

715-845-8274

<u>Central Office</u> – 715-845-5735 www.newmancatholicschools.com

Christmas Break!

Newman Catholic Schools wishes your family a wonderful Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Classes for children (preschool through grade 12) will resume January 4

Child Care Centers will be closed January 1
Please see the Newman Catholic Schools Website for site-specific hours at www.newmancatholicschools.com
MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

NCHS Peppermint Winter Dance – January 9 – 4pm Grand March NCHS Gym

CALLING NEWMAN ALUMNI: Newman Alumni Night

Please join the Alumni events on Friday, January 8 – 7pm. Help cheer on Newman Girls Basketball vs. Wausau East. Alumni receive free admission and popcorn along with other fun! A special invitation goes out to all Band Alumni to bring your instrument and join the NCHS Pep Band as they liven up the gym! Please let us know to expect you by calling NCHS 715 845 8274

Youth Ministry Annual

2015 Spaghetti Dinner

When: Tuesday, Jan. 26th.

Time: 4pm-7pm

Where: Simmons Hall - Church

basement

Cost: \$7.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for 3-10

yrs, Free children 2 yrs & under

Includes: Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread,

dessert & juice, milk or coffee

Please Help Us with Donations

Keeping costs down, will help the teens going on the mission trip raise the money they need for their airfare and lodging at Casa. If you are able to donate any of the items listed below, your donation can be dropped off at the Religious Ed office or the Parish Center. *Monetary donations are always appreciated to purchase items not donated.*

Supplies with largest amount needed are:

Spaghetti Sauce (cans or jars)

Tomato Paste
Spaghetti Noodles

Ground Beef

Garlic Bread Lettuce (1#or 2 # bags)

Desserts — Anyone that likes to make "sweets for their sweets"? Your help would be appreciated. Desserts can be dropped off the day before or of the Spaghetti Dinner.

See future bulletins for a more detailed listing.

All proceeds from this fundraiser be put towards the Casa Hogar Youth Ministry Mission Trip general fund.

Thank you for your continued support of this, and all of our youth ministry programs.





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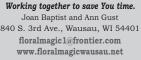


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