



Saint Matthew Catholic Church

October 13, 2019

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

229 South 28th Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401
715-842-3148
www.stmatthewausau.org

October 16th Feast Day
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque 1647 - 1690



"Unite yourself with Him...in all that you do. ...Set up your abode in this loving Heart of Jesus and you will there find lasting peace and strength both to bring to fruition all the good desires He inspires in you, and to avoid every deliberate fault."

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

Mass & Healing Service Today

- h Confessions: 2:00 - 3:15 pm
- h Sunday Mass: 3:30 pm
- h Healing Service to Follow Mass

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 noon (Español-Spanish)

Weekdays

Monday: 8:00 am

Tuesday: 12:05 pm

Weds thru Sat: 8:00 am

Confessions

Saturday: 11 am - 12 noon or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Wednesdays - after 8 am Mass until 5 pm
(Benediction at 4:50 pm)

1st Fridays - Benediction after 8 am Mass

Rosary

Daily before Mass & Wednesdays at 4:30 pm

Mon, Weds, Friday - with Prayer for Priests

Vespers - Evening Prayer: Wednesdays - 5 pm

Baptism

The parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling the Parish Center at 715-842-3148.

Next Baptism Class: Monday, November 11th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center Patio Room.

Bautismo

Para Bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase de preparación. Generalmente las clases son el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el centro parroquial.

Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy al 715-842-3148.

Parish Center Office (Oficina): 715-842-3148

221 S 28th Avenue

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)

Hours/Horas: Monday-Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm

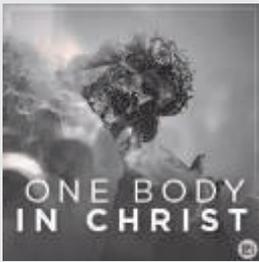
Friday: 8 am - 12 noon



28th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" - Lk 17:17-18



To Whom Do You Belong?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

At the conclusion of the 1961 romantic comedy, "Breakfast at Tiffany's", the exchange between the two characters played by Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard proposes an interesting question: Do people belong to each other?

Hepburn's character states, "People don't belong to people." Peppard's character

passionately responds, "You know what's wrong with you, Miss Whoever-You-Are? You're chicken. You've got no guts. You're afraid to stick out your chin and say, 'Okay, life's a fact. People do fall in love. People do belong to each other, because that's the only chance anybody's got for real happiness.' You call yourself a free spirit, a wild thing, and you're terrified somebody's going to stick you in a cage. Well, baby, you're already in that cage. You built it yourself. And it's not bounded in the west by Tulip, Texas, or in the east by Somaliland. It's wherever you go. Because no matter where you run, you just end up running into yourself." Of course, moments later, they embrace. Happy ending!

In St. Paul's second letter to Timothy, he writes, "If we have died with Him, we shall also live with Him; if we persevere, we shall also reign with Him. But if we deny Him, He will deny us. If we are unfaithful, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself." St. Paul teaches that as the Body of Christ, we are one with Jesus and that even if we are unfaithful to Him, He remains faithful to us because we belong to each other. The thing is that just like Holly Golightly, played by Hepburn in the movie, we are afraid of losing ourselves in surrendering to Jesus. We want to die with Him in Baptism, but when we arise, we would like some autonomy. We want to forge our own path. We want our freedom.

It is not hard to look at our current society and see countless examples of this fear in action. Athletes, politicians, and artists demonstrate this fear of losing themselves in something or someone else. These struggles don't even have to do with belonging to God. It is easy to imagine that if you can't let yourself belong to a team, a band, or another entity on earth, it is tough letting go to some heavenly being, especially if you have never met them or developed an authentic relationship with them.

What Peppard's character is stating in the movie is that working hard to avoid losing your freedom accomplishes the opposite. When we try to stay free on our own terms, we constantly find ourselves at dead ends. We move nowhere and accomplish nothing. In the end, we create our own cage and destroy our freedom, which is the last thing we wanted to do.

For us as Christians, this is where there is Good News. Jesus does not offer rules and regulations that confine us and crush our spirit. He offers us true freedom. We are no longer in the shackles of our own sin but instead are liberated by grace and are free to love in an authentic way. This is all made possible by belonging to Him. As humans, this is not always easy because our pride and selfishness get in the way. That is why we have the Body of Christ. By belonging to one another, we become instruments of grace for each other. We share testimony to the truth of the value of a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Amid all that is wrong in our world, you belong to me and me to you. We belong to our God as well. There is no need to fear. Those who seek to protect their liberty by shutting others out and remaining autonomous may never understand, but perhaps through our witness, we can be examples of the truth. In the words of the great St. Ignatius of Loyola in his Suspice prayer, "Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me."



Eucharistic Adoration in the Area

St Matthew: Wednesday - after 8 am Mass until 5 pm
Benediction at 4:50 pm

1st Friday - Benediction after 8 am Mass

Pax Christi Adoration Chapel Marathon:

Sunday: 12 noon - 11 pm, Tuesday: 9 am - 11 pm,

Wednesday: 9 am through 8 pm Thursday, Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

St Therese Rothschild: Tuesday after the 8 am Mass until 8 am Friday

After 6 pm, ring main entrance doorbell to enter. To volunteer: 715-359-8352.

That Man is You! October 16 - Week 4 - "The Battle of Gideon"

- God Choosing from the Least of the Tribes
- A Call from God
- Courage, Obedience & Loyalty
- Outnumbered in Battle
- Torches & Trumpets-Weapons of God
- God is King



"Treatise of Purgatory" Retreat

Sunday, October 20 - Blessed Sacrament Chapel
3500 County Road J North, Custer

The Divine Fire which Catherine of Genoa experienced in herself made her comprehend the state of souls in purgatory, and that they are contented there although in torment. The 1st Conference: *The State of Souls in Purgatory*, and the 2nd conference: *How God Makes Use of Purgatory to Complete the Purification of the Soul*. The retreat begins with Holy Mass at 10:00 am and will conclude around 4:30 pm. Lunch will be provided.

For more information or to register, call Debbie at 715-345-1257, Father Genovesi at 715-592-4954, or www.OLBSHermitage.com
Please register by Thursday, October 17, for the meal.

Chris Stefanick and "Reboot"

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Merrill High School Auditorium: 7 - 9:30 pm

This life-changing event is for all ages 12 & up (teens to grandparents).

God didn't create us to just get by: He created us to live life to the full.

Are you ready to take your life to a new level, practically and spiritually? If you want that "something more" for your life, and who doesn't?, then do not miss *Reboot Live*. Tickets available by contacting Mike Bub at Holy Rosary Parish, 715-748-3336 ext. 248 or google "Real Life Catholic REBOOT".



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 any diocesan agent (clergy, employee, religious, vendors or volunteers). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, Bishop of La Crosse, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry, 608.519.8002 or kbecker@cclse.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org. 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 La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or tbrown@diolc.org.



Sponsored by

Newman Catholic Schools

Sunday, October 27 ~ 3:00-5:00pm

Newman Catholic Middle/High School
Parking Lot

Trick-or-Treating Fun open to all system and parish families!
Participants decorate their trunks and hand out candy; creating
a safe environment for families to enjoy.

~ RAIN OR SHINE - location moves inside ~

Learn more at newmancatholicschools.com/domain/53

Fundraisers in the Angelorum

To assist with SCRIP sales and the Calendar Raffle, until the end of the calendar year, after the 4:30 Saturday, 8 & 10 am Sunday Masses, the only fundraisers in the Angelorum will be those that raise funds for the parish. There are some openings, however, after the Spanish Masses during that time. If you'd like to sell something after that Mass, please contact Fr. Peter.



World Mission Sunday, October 19-20
NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's

most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in the envelope collection held October 19-20 for the *Society for the Propagation of the Faith*. May God receive your gift, multiply the good it may accomplish and reward your sacrifice of faith.



2020 Calendar Raffle

Calendar Raffle tickets are available for sale after weekend Masses. Calendar Raffle Tickets are \$20. When buying a ticket, you need to complete your contact information on the stub and give it to the ticket seller immediately or put it in the collection basket or give to the ticket sellers the following weekend in order to be entered into the raffle.

Buy as many tickets as you would like. A total of \$8,000 will be awarded.

The prize each week is \$150 cash.

The week of Mother's Day & Father's Day, the prize is \$200 cash.

The week of St Matthew's Feast Day, the prize is \$250 cash.

We need a few people to help sell tickets each weekend until they are gone. Please contact Sheila at 715-848-1106 or by email: sheilay@charter.net

"Letters to Abby": High School Pro-Life Letter/Video Contest

The Diocese of La Crosse is sponsoring a High School Pro-Life Contest. Students who wish to participate are asked to first watch the pro-life movie *Unplanned* about Abby Johnson, the former Planned Parenthood clinic director whose conversion is told in the movie (parental discretion advised). Then they are to imagine they are either (a) writing a letter, or (b) speaking to Abby Johnson. Either by written letters or video recordings they are to tell Abby:

- What affected them most powerfully from the movie.
- How they think *Unplanned* gives hope to the pro-life movement.
- What they would share with a friend who isn't sure what to think about abortion
- Some specific way they are committed to being a pro-life witness in the world.

Deadline: Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019 Prizes in each category will be a free trip on the diocesan *Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C.*, January 22-26, 2020 (1st prize), or a free trip to *Chicago March for Life* on Jan 11, 2020 (2nd prize).

For complete guidelines & to enter the contest, visit www.dioc.org/respect-life

Found Samsung Battery in Pew in Back of Church, Call Parish Center if you are missing a battery (appears to be from cell phone). 715-842-3148



"The Father's Way"

Men of the Cross Conference in La Crosse, WI on Saturday, October 26th

This year's keynote speaker will be Steve Ray, a dynamic convert sure to engage men of all ages. Steve Ray
For more details and to register, go to menofthecross.org

A special rate is being offered for Father-Son attendees.



Love and Mercy October 28 at 7 pm
Cedar Creek Cinemas, Rothschild
"Love and Mercy - Faustina", a docudrama on Divine Mercy and the mission of Sr. Faustina Kowalska, will play on October 28 in Wausau & La Crosse, but demand and attendance can expand this. To watch the trailer:

<http://loveandmercymovie.com/> To purchase tickets:
www.fathomevents.com/events/faustina-love-and-mercy

Buy SCRIP in the Angelorum this Weekend!

SCRIP Gift Cards make great gifts and help the parish at the same time! Buy gift cards at "face value" & use them to shop at many businesses such as: Walmart, Best Buy, Gas Stations, Grocery Stores, Restaurants, etc.



During the week many additional gift cards can be bought & ordered from St Matthew Parish Center (715-842-3148) or the SCRIP Office, if not available in the Angelorum. Orders are received within a few days at the Parish Center! Lists of businesses for which SCRIP gift cards are available can be found in the



bookrack by the cry room in church or the Parish Center. If you can help sell SCRIP after weekend Masses, call Dottie at 715-432-0891
Thank you for buying SCRIP!



SCRIP Travel Specials: If traveling this winter, we can order Delta Airlines (4% rebate) in \$250 or \$1,000 denominations; Princess Cruise Lines (6% rebate) in \$100's & \$500's; Royal Caribbean (13% rebate) in \$100's & \$500's; and Avis Car Rental (8% rebate) in \$50's.

SCRIP News:

Fleet Farm Toyland is opening soon and snow throwers are in stock. Please purchase/order your SCRIP after Mass or during the week at the Parish Center. Menards and Home Depot are also available.

Marlene's Breakfast Club



We are beginning a Ladies Breakfast Group called "Marlene's Breakfast Club". We will meet the 3rd Wednesday each month. This month, October 16th, we will meet at the Hilton at 9:00 am.
Please join us for good food and good fellowship.



Thank You from the Circle of Joy!

The donations you made during this Share Sunday weekend are used to help those that are in need and are greatly appreciated.
May God bless you for your generosity!



Women of Christ Conference Come & See: He delights in you!

Saturday, November 9th: 9 am - 5 pm
Washington County Fair Park, West Bend, WI

Speakers include Kimberly Hahn, Steve Ray, and more. Archbishop Listeck and Bishop Hying will also help celebrate and bring to light the authenticity and truth of God's gifts just for women.

Registration is now open at: womenofchrist.net or 262-384-8414

Parenting Webinar:

Necessary Conversations About Sexuality & Chastity

October 14, 8 pm, join this one-hour webinar for a solid overview of God's awesome plan for human sexuality and gain insights on identifying the right time and place, dynamic and approach to discuss God's plan for sexuality and chastity with your children.

Register at: twl4parents.com/necessary-conversations-webinar/
Join Jeff Arrowood and Alice Heinzen for this necessary conversation.



Shop AmazonSmile & Help St Matthew Parish
AmazonSmile has the same products as Amazon but, when you shop at AmazonSmile you can choose St Matthew Parish as your charitable organization and every time you shop, St Matthew Parish will get a "donation gift" from AmazonSmile at no extra cost to you! To sign up: on the internet go to: www.smile.amazon.com In the search bar for choosing your charitable organization type: St Matthew Parish Wausau

Thank You for supporting St Matthew Parish when you shop!!!

United in the Sacrament of Matrimony



Saturday, October 5, 2019

Prayers & Congratulations to

Trevor Ostrowski & Stephanie Thomson



Today is "Coffee & Donuts Sunday"

After the 8 & 10 am Masses, join us in the Angelorum for fellowship, coffee, and delicious donuts!

Thank You from the Family Life Committee for

St Matthew Men's Club Steak Feed

Stag Night - Members Only

Thursday, October 24th in the School Gym

5:00 pm Social - 6:00 pm Meal

Steak, Potato, Salad Bar, Dinner Rolls, Dessert, Refreshments

\$12 per person (includes 50/50 raffle)

RSVP by Sunday October 22nd to:

Mike Bourguignon 715-241-0030, Glen Yeager 715-848-1106

Joel Stubbe at joelstwob@yahoo.com

Membership dues for 2020 are \$5.

All men of St Matthew Parish are always welcome to attend!



The Annual Soup Sale is in Need of Help

To help make soup, we need about:

- 10 people the weekend of November 16 - 17
- 3 people Thursday, November 14: 10:00 am-1:00 pm
- 10 people Friday, November 15: 10:00 am-5:00 pm
- 6 people Saturday, November 16: 10:00 am-1:00 pm

To help with the Soup Sale at church, we need:

2 people before and after the 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, Nov 16 and the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses on Sunday, Nov 17.

Call Barb at the parish center (715-842-3148), if you can help by Monday, October 21st.

**IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH HELP,
THERE WILL BE NO SOUP SALE THIS YEAR.**



On November 1st, "The Book of the Dead"

will be placed near the banner with the names of our deceased parishioners and family members of parishioners.

We invite you to add the names of any friends or family members who have died, especially those who have died in this past year.



Sunday, November 3rd at 4:30 pm

On Sunday, November 3rd at 4:30 pm we will celebrate a Mass to remember in a special way all our loved ones who have died. A candle procession will begin our celebration in remembrance of parishioners who have died in the past year. We invite you to share in this beautiful liturgy with us.

This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation.

Refreshments will be served following the liturgy in the entrance of Church.

Altar Servers

There will be a training session in church from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm on October 26 for those interested in becoming altar servers. The training will be led by Kelly Huebsch and Fr. Peter.

There also will be a review session in church for all current altar servers on October 20 and October 27. All current altar servers must attend one of the two review sessions. The sessions will take place between the 8 am and 10 am Masses. The sessions will be led by Kelly Huebsch and Fr. Peter.



To register your children for the new server training session or current server review session, please contact Kelly Huebsch, coordinator of altar server training and scheduling, at 715-581-3887 or e-mail her at Kelly.huebsch@aol.com

Ray's Breakfast Club

Wednesday, October 16th at 9 am, "all Men" are invited to breakfast at the Blue Willow Restaurant. **Ray's Breakfast Club** meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at various locations. All Men are Welcome!

SCRIP is available for Blue Willow in \$10 increments!



Parish Fundraiser HOLLY HALL CRAFT-VENDOR SHOW November 2nd: 9 am - 3 pm

You may ask, how can I make this a success and support the Parish?

- ❑ Every family is asked to sell or purchase 2 sets of raffle tickets. Please pick them up in the Angelorum after Mass today. More tickets are available in the Angelorum, so please sell!
- ❑ Volunteers are the heart of any successful event, check out the sign up sheets in the Angelorum, pick a time, or shift that will work for you. Whatever time you can give us is a blessing.
- ❑ We are in need of raffle prizes. If you would like to donate any item for the raffle, put your name on the item and bring it to the Parish Center. Items should have a value of at least \$15 or more.
- ❑ Plan on coming to Holly Hall with your friends for shopping and enjoying the famous Holly Hall lunch with a piece of pie!

Please call Norma Kipp, 715-409-6207 if you have any questions or if you need to have a donated raffle prize picked up! You will find a colorful flyer on the table by the Raffle Tickets, please take one and post it where you work or where you shop. God Bless – The Holly Hall Committee



VENDOR SPACES AVAILABLE

Would you like to be a vendor at Holly Hall? If you or someone you know would like to be a vendor at Holly Hall on Saturday, November 2nd, please contact Sharon Drefcinski at sidref@charter.net or 715-842-7490 Please share this with your friends and family!!



Holly Hall Children's Only Shop Donations Needed!

Whenever you are shopping pick up that extra item for the "Children's Only Shop".

Mark the item: "For Holly Hall" and drop off in the church or take it to the Parish Center.

Please be generous! For some children, this is the only place they can shop for Christmas Gifts they want to give to their favorite people!

Gift Ideas: (please donate new & unused items)

- f For Men: wallets, sports equipment, ties, tie tacks, socks, cologne, aftershave lotions, etc.
- f For Women: hand or body lotion, shower gel, perfume, jewelry, candles, anything "pretty", etc.
- f For Boys and Girls: toys, games, puzzles, etc.

Donate gifts you would like to receive yourself!
Thank you very much for your generosity!!!

