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### Officials

No officials this week.



### Events

As of Sept. 12

**Wednesday, September 13**

11:45am 100th Anniversary of Fatima - La Crosse

**Thursday, September 14**

Rural Life Day

10:00am Advisory Council Meeting - Bloomer

10:00am Rural Life Day - Hatley

11:00am Chicken-Que - La Crosse

**Saturday, September 16**

8:00am 15th Annual Treasure Sale - Wausau - Sept 16-17

**Sunday, September 17**

10:00am Sacred Heart Fall Festival - Mondovi

1:30pm "The Bible Timeline" Bible Study - Eau Claire

2:00pm St. Catherine of Siena Brought to Life by Sister Nancy Murray - Spencer

**Tuesday, September 19**

6:00pm "Wisdom and Works of Mercy" Group Study - Eau Claire

**Wednesday, September 20**

9:00am Veneration of the Relics of Padre Pio at the Cathedral of St Joseph the Workman - La Crosse

7:00pm Live Stream - Mass in honor of Saint Padre Pio celebrated by the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan

**Thursday, September 21**

9:00am Parish Round Table - La Crosse

2:00pm Parish Round Table - Prairie du Chien

**Friday, September 22**

Helping the Digital Natives Communicate Kindly - Altoona

6:00am St Andrew's Pancake Breakfast - Warrens - Sept. 22-24

**Saturday, September 23**

5:00pm St Mary's Fall Festival - Altoona - Sept 23-24

**Sunday, September 24**

7:00am Annual Appeal Kickoff Weekend 1 - Sept 23-24

10:00am St Mary's Assumption Fall Festival - Durand

10:00am Day at the Diocese for Youth - La Crosse

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**Office for Catechesis & Evangelization**

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## **Parish Religion Assessments cancelled for this year!**

Due to flooding in the Office for Catechesis and Evangelization, Religion Assessments are cancelled this year for the Parish Programs. This includes the Faith Knowledge Assessments and the Attitudes and Practices Surveys for Grades 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.

### **BULLETIN INSERT for Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> [click here](#)**

“What does the Church teach about the Perpetual Virginity of Mary” provides readers with greater understanding of Mary’s role in God’s plan to save us. This is in light of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, from May through October 1917.

### **BULLETIN INSERT for Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> Courage and EnCourage Information [click here](#)**

In response to requests, the bulletin insert provides information about the Courage group and the EnCourage group in the Diocese of La Crosse. Courage is a ministry dedicated to the spiritual needs of persons with same-sex attraction. EnCourage is a ministry dedicated to the spiritual needs of parents, siblings, children and other relatives and friends of persons who deal with same-sex attraction.

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT: A Great Way to go deeper in Your Relationship with Christ!**

Reading the Catechism with a modest schedule of 15 paragraphs per day, 5 days a week over 38 weeks is a great way to do this. You will receive an email every two weeks, beginning September 18 and the reading will take 10-15 minutes per night. Here is one reason to consider this opportunity: You will have an ever-growing attitude of gratitude toward God for all that He has done for you! Send an email to Ann Lankford at [alankford@diolc.org](mailto:alankford@diolc.org) with “Reading the Catechism in the subject line.”

### **Fatima’s Worldwide Children’s Eucharistic Holy Hour**

Parishes may join in the week of prayer for peace beginning on Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> and culminating on Friday October 13<sup>th</sup>, the date of the final apparition of our Lady of Fatima culminating with the Miracle of the Sun, witnessed by 70,000 people. During the week of October 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, clergy and teachers are encouraged to gather students and parents before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. This is a wonderful opportunity to thank God for allowing Mary to appear to the three shepherd children with the “Peace Plan from Heaven.” Details here: <http://childrenoftheeucharist.org/100th-anniversary-celebration/>  
[Click here](#) for prior bulletin inserts with details for each apparition of Our Lady of Fatima.

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## **Office for Communications**

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### **REMINDER: Fall Parish Round Table Meetings**

The Office for Communications is hosting Parish Information Round Table discussions this fall. Pre-registration is preferred; all meetings are two hours. To register please contact Margot Lorraine at [mlorraine@diolc.org](mailto:mlorraine@diolc.org) or [608-791-2695](tel:608-791-2695).

Date	Parish	City	Time	Details
Sep 21	Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman	La Crosse	9:00 am	Meeting will be in the church undercroft – 530 Main St.
Sep 21	Holy Family	Prairie du Chien	2:00 pm	Meeting will be at St. John's fellowship hall – 710 S. Wacouta Ave.
Oct 4	Queen of the Apostles	Tomah	9:00 am	Meeting will be at St. Mary's School Conference Room – 303 W. Monroe St.
Oct 4	All Saints	Boyd	2:00 pm	<b>NEW LOCATION: Meeting will be at St. Joseph's church basement – 719 E Patten St. Boyd WI</b>
Oct 5	St. Paul	Mosinee	9:00 am	Meeting will be in the church hall – 603 4 <sup>th</sup> St.
Oct 5	St. Joseph	Stevens Point	2:00 pm	Meeting will be in the St. Joseph Family Center – Use Jefferson street parking lot and entrance
Oct 19	St. Mary	Galesville	9:30 am	Meeting will be in the church basement – 20344 W. Ridge Ave
Oct 19	St. Henry	Eau Galle	2:00 pm	Meeting will be in the rectory – N460 County Road D

Below is the meeting agenda. However, we will gladly address any concerns or questions you wish to bring to our attention. Diocese of La Crosse PIMS website <http://www.diolc.org/pims>

1. Data Quality – updating NCOA and Life Events
  - a. Guide for registration of a family; active vs. inactive and duplicate families
2. Parish personalized lines on Catholic Life address block
3. Data Integrity with our census databases: Raisers Edge and Giving Trend Reporting, ParishSOFT Synchronization and Backup
4. Chancery Bulletin Feedback
5. Long-range Parish and Diocesan Census Data Planning – future of ParishSOFT
6. Advent prayer request <http://diolc.org/pray/>
  - a. Make sure phone numbers are accurate and complete in ParishSOFT Family Directory
7. Sesquicentennial Activities <http://www.diolc.org/150>
8. My Parish App <http://myparishapp.com/>
9. Google Apps for non-profits <https://www.google.com/nonprofits/products/>
10. Questions

These meetings are open to administrative assistants, pastors, and other parish staff who work with parish data. We hope to see you at one of these meetings. To register please contact Margot Lorraine at [mlorraine@diolc.org](mailto:mlorraine@diolc.org) or [608-791-2695](tel:608-791-2695).

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**Office for Consecrated Life**

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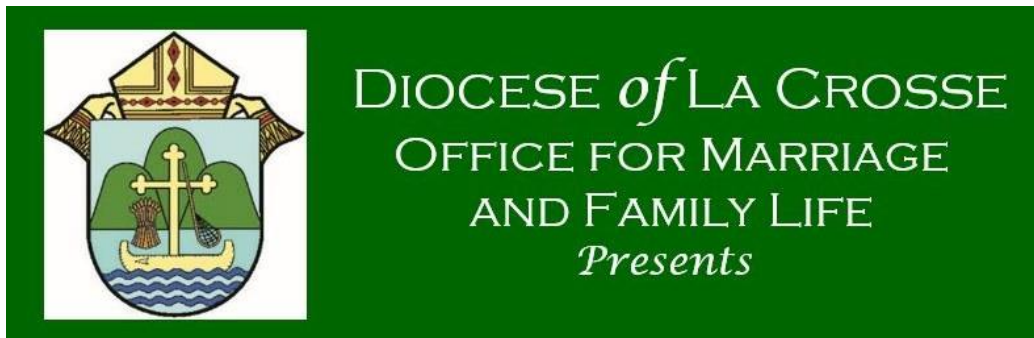


## Office for Marriage & Family Life

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### Confessors Needed for Men of the Cross Conference

Confessors are needed for the Men of the Cross Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, October 28. at McDonell High School in Chippewa Falls, 1316 Bel Air Blvd, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729. Ideally confessions would run 9am-4pm. Confessors are most needed 12:15-2:45. Please email your available times to Fr. Justin Kizewski at [frjustinkizewski@gmail.com](mailto:frjustinkizewski@gmail.com) if you are able to assist by October 1, 2017.



**A webinar series that can be accessed  
from the comfort of your home or parish.**

The Office for Marriage and Family Life is pleased to present a series of informative webinars that will feature unique topics impacting marriage and/or family life. National and local presenters will be featured in each session.

Topics scheduled to date include a variety of parenting sessions, marriage enrichment, caregiving, support for veterans, surviving divorce, financial freedom and making happiness a habit. And this is just the beginning of what we have to offer. More webinars will be scheduled in the coming months.

Anyone can attend a webinar using a computer, tablet or smartphone. All you have to do is choose the webinar that interests you, register for it and then log in on the scheduled day and time. It's that easy.

To view a full listing of the topics and to see who we have presenting click [here](#). Registration links are also found in the same spot.

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## Office for Ministries

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## Office for Missions

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### **World Mission Sunday October 22, 2017:**

Materials (envelopes and posters) have been shipped to each parish for World Mission Sunday 2017 from the national office of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The letter for 2017 from Bishop Callahan and the annual financial disclosure from the Mission Office were printed in the most recent issue of *Catholic Life* magazine. Further information will be sent to you in the upcoming weeks, closer to October 21-22, 2017, the recommended weekend of WMS as it is celebrated in every parish around the world. Please remember that this is a mandatory collection in the parish and not included in the Diocesan Annual Appeal. If you need more supplies or if you need to change an order for next year please contact the Mission Office.

### **2018 Missionary Childhood Association (MCA) /Student Lenten Mite Boxes:**

This year we are inaugurating changes in the program as it is held in our diocese. Some of those changes were explained during a brief presentation given to School Administrators and to DRE's/catechists attending conferences in August. An explanation and sample MCA materials as well as a MCA order form for 2018 mite boxes were distributed. If you missed these events, please notify the Mission Office for materials to be sent to you. Thank you.

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## Office for Pontifical Ceremonies

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## Office for Sacred Worship

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### **Liturgical Calendar Dates**

September 27 (Wednesday): Rural Life Day, day of thanksgiving for blessings received. Prayer texts from *The Mass for Various Needs and Occasions: After the Harvest* (n.28) can be used

with Preface V of the Sundays in Ordinary Time. The readings may be taken from *After the Harvest* in the Lectionary (n.20), numbers 917-921. The *Gloria* also ought to be said.

### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent this year falls on December 24. Masses during the day will celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, while Masses on Sunday evening will observe the Vigil for Christmas. Catholics are to attend Mass twice for these two occasions.

One week later, Sunday, December 31, will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family during the morning, while Sunday evening Masses can observe either the Feast of the Holy Family or the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God; either Mass will fulfill the faithful's Sunday obligation. Monday, January 1, is not a Holy Day of obligation in 2018.

### **Bread and Wine**

At Pope Francis's direction, Cardinal Robert Sarah has sent a letter to bishops "to remind them that it falls to them above all to duly provide for all that is required for the celebration of the Lord's Supper" and, in turn, to "remind priests, especially parish priests and rectors of churches, of their responsibility to verify those who provide the bread and wine for the celebration and the worthiness of the material." Part of the need for the letter, Cardinal Sarah writes, comes from the possibility of online purchases from unfamiliar sources, as well as the frequent use of low-gluten hosts. Full letter available [here](#).

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### **Office for Safe Environment**

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### **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 (employee, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). 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](mailto:kbecker@cclse.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of the Vicar for Clergy or on the diocesan website at:

[www.diolc.org](http://www.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 Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or [dkunz@diolc.org](mailto:dkunz@diolc.org).

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## Office for Social Concerns

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**Rural Life Day - Thursday, Sept. 14:** The Diocese of La Crosse will hold the 37th annual Rural Life Day hosted by St. Florian Parish in Hatley of the Wausau Deanery. This event will be held on the farm of Mike & Sue Fischer. The day begins with 10:00am Mass celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop William Patrick Callahan, and is followed by awards, recognitions, a blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by the women of the parish. The Fischer farm is at 1731 Esker Rd, Hatley, WI 54440. For more information, contact Dan Kitzhaber, Rural Life Committee Liaison, [yministry@frontier.com](mailto:yministry@frontier.com), or via phone: 715-384-3252x6.

**For reaction of the U.S. Bishops to President Trump's decision to end DACA** (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals), potentially affecting hundreds of thousands of young immigrants, visit the website at [www.diolc.org/social-concerns](http://www.diolc.org/social-concerns).

### FOR YOUR BULLETIN – Sept. 17

**Help people devastated by the flooding of recent hurricanes.** Parishes have taken up collections to aid the victims of Harvey in Houston, and now we are also attentive to the victims of Irma in Florida. Besides giving through your parish collection, you may donate through Catholic Charities online or by mail. Visit: <http://cclse.org/donatecc/> for instructions.

### REMINDER: FOR YOUR BULLETIN from Sept. 3 - Oct. 8

**Oct. 12, 2017 – [“What If We’ve Been Wrong?”](#) – The untold story of America’s ‘abortion king,’ Dr. Bernard Nathanson, and one woman’s mission to share his pro-life conversion.** Terry Beatley, founder and president of the Hosea Initiative and author of “What If We’ve Been Wrong?”, was sent on a powerful mission by Dr. Nathanson as he lay dying of cancer. Terry will speak at the annual diocesan Gospel of Life Celebration on Thursday, Oct. 12 at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Callahan at 6:00 pm, with the talk at 7:00 pm. Location: 712 Market Street, Marathon. Free and open to the public. **See and print FLYER at [www.diolc.org/respect-life](http://www.diolc.org/respect-life).**



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## Office for Stewardship & Development

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### Diocesan Annual Appeal

As we draw closer to the first kick off weekend, we continually update the Appeal Portal site [appeal.diloc.org](http://appeal.diloc.org) and our public site [diolc.org/hope](http://diolc.org/hope) with new and various items and information to help you achieve success in your Annual Appeal efforts. Please check these sites regularly.

The Parish Packets should be arriving at the parishes this week. It will include the DVD, brochures, parish specific in-pew cards with return envelopes, posters, and prayer cards. Except for the in-pew pledge cards, all other items are available on our websites for download.

We have sent the donor mailing data set, for the parishes who have chosen the September 23-24 weekend to the printers. Our printers are running another set of checks; we expect to have a sample set of pdf and live test proofs for our review this week, as well.

In this year's Annual Appeal video, Fr. Billy Dodge said it well when he said: "The things we do today reverberates through history, reverberates through eternity." Our efforts, our works, and our prayers and sacrifices we do together for the annual appeal affects countless lives in our parishes, in our diocese, and in our global church. Because of what we do in the name of our Lord; Jesus Christ restores faith, awakens hope, and inspires joy. Thank you for all that you do to advance our mission to proclaim the good news of the gospel.

If you have any questions, concerns, or want to know more how we can serve you in your mission, please contact us.

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## Office for Temporalities

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### Reminder – Bishop's Annual Reports are due

The Bishop's Annual Reports were due in our office by August 31<sup>st</sup>. There are a number of parishes that do not have them completed. Please get these submitted to our office or contact me for an extension.

## DIOCESAN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS



### **School Asbestos Management Information**

In compliance with federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act - AHERA), all diocesan schools are required to complete a 3-year inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials.

Every six months a periodic surveillance report for asbestos is to be completed by a school buildings and grounds/maintenance employee. This six-month report is to be kept on file with the school asbestos records.

**Public Notification:** Schools are required annually to complete and post a public announcement regarding the asbestos management plan and location. If you haven't done so, please complete and post the linked form and return a copy to: Kathy Haverland, Diocesan Buildings and Grounds Office, PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54601.

[Notice of Asbestos Inspection Management Plan Location and Availability](#)

**REMINDER:** All building projects over \$5000, need standard diocesan review before they can begin. Pastors and School Administrators should not approve contracts before diocesan approval is granted.

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### **Office for Vocations**

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Our Seminarians are all back to school, getting settled in at a parish for a pastoral year, or starting the Regency Program at the Diocesan Center. Please keep all 29 of them in your prayers, and be assured they pray for you as well.

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### **Office for Vicar for Clergy**

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### **Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry**

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**Day at the Diocese for Youth!**

This will be held September 24 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center and is for youth in grades 8-12. Cost is only \$10

**Immersion Retreat**

The Immersion Retreat will be held November 10-12 at the Wintergreen Resort in the Wisconsin Dells. Please follow this link to our website for all the details on the Immersion Retreat: <http://diolc.org/yva/youth-opportunities/immersion-retreat/>

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