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Events

As of Jan. 30

Friday, February 1

Deacon and Lay Formation - Marathon - Feb. 1 - 2

Diaconate Discernment Retreat - Marathon - Feb. 1 - 2

Saturday, February 2

World Day for Consecrated Life - All Parishes - Feb. 2 - 3

Monday, February 4

7:00pm Webinar - Raise Them Well - Intellectual Maturity

Friday, February 8

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Chippewa Falls - Feb. 8 - 9

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - La Crosse - Feb. 8 - 9

Retrouvaille Weekend - Feb 8-10

Hispanic Knights of Columbus Men's Retreat - Abbotsford - Feb 8 - 9

Hearts Open Wide High School Retreat - La Crosse - Feb. 8 - 10

Saturday, February 16

8:00am CLOSED Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Marshfield

Wednesday, February 20

10:00am Catholic School Presidents' Meeting - Stevens Point

Saturday, February 23

8:30am Given Marriage Retreat - La Crosse

9:00am Men of the Cross Retreat - Marshfield

Wednesday, February 27

Advisory Council Meeting - Tomah

Friday, March 1

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Arcadia - March 1 - 2

Deacon and Lay Formation - Marathon - March 1 - 2

Saturday, March 2

Rite of Election Retreats - Location TBD

9:00am Hispanic Lay Formation Institute - Alma Center

Monday, March 4

7:00pm Webinar - Raise Them Well - Physical Maturity

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Lenten Resources [click here](#)

This [webpage](#) contains various downloadable and for purchase resources for Lent, such as Station of the Cross for children and teens, DVD's, the Best Lent Ever and more.

“Going Deeper in Prayer” during Lent <http://diolc.org/catechesis/prayer/>

Lent is a most appropriate time to go deeper with one specific prayer. The “Going Deeper in Prayer” initiative was in response to young people, through surveys and interviews, expressing their desire to deepen their friendship with Jesus Christ through prayer, going beyond simply saying words that possibly have no meaning for them. Rather, they truly want to pray the words of these prayers from their heart, speaking with and listening to Jesus Christ as they do so. They would also like to know how God guides them in daily life. A Prayer Card for each age level, along with resources and activities are available for free download. 8 sessions on How God offers us guidance is also available by [clicking here](#).

Lenten Reading

Please consider giving your parishioners one of the following books on Ash Wednesday to read during Lent:

From Dynamic Catholic (\$3 per book for under 500 books/ \$2 a book for 500) [click here](#)

- The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity; How Modern Culture is Robbing Billions of People of Happiness
- Thirsting for God; daily meditations by Mother Teresa
- (nudging) Conversions; a Practical Guide to Bringing Those You Love Back to Church
- Catholic and Christian; An Explanation of Commonly Misunderstood Catholic Beliefs (20th Anniversary Edition)
- Rediscover Jesus
- Into the Deep; Finding Peace through Prayer

From Sophia Institute Press - 20 copies at \$4 each and free shipping [click here](#)

- Devotional Journey into the Mass; How Mass Can Become a Time of Grace, Nourishment and Devotion by **Christopher Carstens**, Director for Sacred Worship

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Office for Consecrated Life

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For Your Parish Bulletin – February 3, 10, 17

Men's Renewal Retreat – Marshfield - Feb. 23, 9am-3pm

It is great to be a man! It's also a great challenge and at times even a battle. Plan to attend a **one-day retreat** that will focus on practical ways to become the man, father, husband, son that God intended. Because you were made for more!

The retreat leader, Fr. Guiseppe, who some call **“Chuck Norris in a habit”** will challenge men to be who they were made to be!

Retreat held at St. John the Baptist, 201 W Blodgett St, Marshfield, WI. Cost: \$20/person in advance (Includes morning snack and lunch) - \$25 at the door. Register at <https://menofthecross.org/>

Please promote this retreat at your parish with this flyer available [here](#).

For Your Parish Bulletin – February 3

Is Your Marriage Hurting? - Do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help married couples uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **February 8-10, 2018**, call 877-922-HOPE (4673), or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Retrouvaille Flier to Distribute

Click [here](#) for the flier. Please make this available in your church this weekend.

Safe Haven Sunday March 10 - update

The Safe Haven Sunday booklets and prayer cards will be shipped to La Crosse next week. It will take a week for our office to fill each parish's order and prepare them for delivery. An email will be sent to all pastors by Friday, February 1, explaining the delivery options for their resources. In addition, each pastor will be provided a sample homily, homily helps, and general intercessions. Website for more information and resources is diolc.org/shs.

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Office for Ministries

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Leadership in Christ Conference – *Save the Date* – April 26-27, 2019

“Transformation is Possible” – Keynote presenter Bill Keimig, assistant director of the Catechetical Institute at Franciscan University of Steubenville, will speak Friday evening and Saturday morning. Breakouts Saturday afternoon. Watch for more details and a brochure. Contact – Chris Ruff, Office for Ministries and Social Concerns: ministries@diolc.org or 608-791-0161.

For Your Parish Bulletin:

Schedule a “guest visit” to sit in on a Lay Formation Institute (LFI) class this spring to see what it’s like! Registration is now underway for the next two-year cycle that begins in fall of 2019. Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! View brochures and application forms at diolc.org/lay-formation. Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call (608) 791-0161 for more information.

Reminder: New Leader of Prayer Class Begins in June 2019

Applications are now open for a new class of men and women who wish to serve as Leaders of Prayer for the Diocese of La Crosse. This is a three-part course of study by which lay persons are prepared and commissioned to serve their parishes by bringing Holy Communion to the sick; conducting a Liturgy of the Word on weekdays when a priest is unavailable (or on Sunday in care facilities or jails); and by leading parishioners in prayer at other times. Applicants must have completed the Lay Formation Institute and be sponsored by their pastor. For more information and to apply, visit www.diolc.org/ministries and click on “Leader of Prayer.”

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Rite of Election Retreat, March 2

In preparation for the Rite of Election and of the Call to Continuing Conversion (March 10), many parishes (or groups of parishes) offer retreats for their catechumens and candidates. For those parishes that do not offer a retreat in the parish, there will be three retreats open to catechumens and candidates on the morning of Saturday, March 2: at St. Peter Parish in Stevens Point, St. Mary Parish in Altoona, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse. Although schedules may vary slightly at each retreat site, the day will include Mass, three spiritual talks, time for reflection, and lunch. A site-specific schedule will be sent upon registration or upon request. The registration form is available [here](#); deadline is February 22. Please encourage those in your RCIA process to reserve this date.

Clarification Concerning Sacred Vessels at Mass

From the Holy See's 2004 Instruction "On certain matters to be observed or to be avoided regarding the Most Holy Eucharist" (*Redemptionis Sacramentum*): "It is strictly required [that the material from which sacred vessels are made] be truly noble in the common estimation within a given region, so that honor will be given to the Lord by their use, and all risk of diminishing the doctrine of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharistic species in the eyes of the faithful will be avoided. Reprobated, therefore, is any practice of using for the celebration of Mass common vessels, or others lacking in quality, or devoid of all artistic merit or which are mere containers, as also other vessels made from glass, earthenware, clay, or other materials that break easily. This norm is to be applied even as regards metals and other materials that easily rust or deteriorate." (117)

Low-Gluten Hosts and Gluten-Free Hosts

In the estimation of the Church, gluten is an essential element in wheat bread. Consequently, "Hosts that are *completely* gluten-free are invalid matter for the celebration of the Eucharist. Low-gluten hosts (*partially* gluten-free) are valid matter, provided they contain a sufficient amount of gluten to obtain the confection of bread..." This 2003 clarification from the Holy See does not indicate how many parts per million represent "a sufficient amount of gluten." Inconsistent terminology confuses the matter further: the Food and Drug Administration allows foods with less than 20 parts per million to be labeled "gluten free," while the Celiac Support Association requires fewer than 5 parts per million to be called "gluten free." In the end, breads used for the celebration of the Eucharist must have some gluten for validity (i.e., to confection the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ). The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [recommends](#) a number of approved low-gluten manufacturers, including the [Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration](#), who make breads at 10 parts per million. The Precious Blood should be made available for recipients unable to receive any gluten at all. This chalice ought not have any particles of the host in it (*fermentum*). Also, the celiac sufferer ought to receive from the chalice prior to anyone who has received a host.

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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. 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. **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. 2018-19 Safe Environment reports are due March 1, 2019. If you have any questions or need another form, contact Teresa Brown at (608) 791-2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.

Reminder: All paid employees and coaches and Janitors regardless if they are paid or not, need to be fingerprinted - there are no exceptions and nobody is grandfathered in anymore. Your report will not be complete until print cards are submitted for those that need to be printed.

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Office for Catholic Schools

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I hope everyone is having a fun Catholic Schools Week! #CSWDIOLC19

The Office for Catholic Schools supports the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). All seven Catholic School systems and four parish schools in the Diocese of La Crosse participate in WPCP. Parents who meet financial eligibility requirements and struggle to send their children to a Catholic School can utilize WPCP to make sure their children receive an education immersed in the Catholic Faith. On March 5, 2013, the Wisconsin Archbishop and bishops stated, "Choice in education is a tool through which parents may ensure the proper formation of their children."

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Office for Social Concerns

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Reminder:

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Collection

Please recall that Bishop Callahan has asked parishes to take up the CCHD collection the last weekend of January or the beginning of February. Your parish should have received envelopes and promotional materials from the national CCHD office ([see online here](#)). The week before the collection, the following Bulletin Announcement should be run:

Bulletin Announcement for Weekend before Parish CCHD Collection:

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development.

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Office for Temporalities

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Priests filing Taxes in 2018

Just a reminder to priests that tax laws have changed from 2018, especially for priests. Some deductions are eliminated and there is an additional new deduction called Qualified Business Income deduction. This is in addition to six new Schedules. To help you through these changes the 32nd Annual Edition of *Income Tax for Priests Only* is available through www.ShepherdsAdvisor.org

3 Year AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act) Inspections

3-Year school asbestos inspections have begun in parish schools and school systems. The asbestos inspector is Rick Stickler from Coulee Region Environmental. Please allow Mr. Stickler access to your school so that he can check on any asbestos changes that may have occurred in the last 3 years. If you need to reach him directly, you can call 608-792-8672. If you have any other questions or concerns regarding these inspections, feel free to contact Kathy Haverland at 608-791-2692 or khaverland@diolc.org.

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Office for Vocations

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Please include the following intercession for vocations for your Sunday prayers of the faithful.

We pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit, that God fill those called to vocations of marriage, priesthood and religious life with the courage and faith to respond to a life of service.

Save the Date: 1st Annual Golf Outing to support vocations will be held at Cedar Creek Golf Course in Onalaska on Monday, June 17, 2019. 18-hole 4-person team. More information to follow.

**Reminder: For your parish bulletin until the weekend of March 13th
Children's Come and See Day at Mater Redemptoris House of Formation**

Come and See is an opportunity to visit with the Sisters, pray, play and learn more about the Sister's life.

When: March 23, 2019

Who: Girls ages 9-12

Where: Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse

Registration and Information: Register by March 13 (or until filled) at

www.materredemptoris.org

Questions: Contact Sister M. Consolata at 608-788-4530 or materredemptoris@gmail.com

Reminder: The new seminarian prayer books are completed. Please contact Renee at rorth@diolc.org or 608-791-2667 if you would like some.

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Reminder: The 2019 mileage rate is .58 cents per mile and Mass help-out is \$40 per Mass

Upcoming Dates and Events for 2019 & 2020:

Priest Retreat April 29-30 and May 1-3, 2019 at St. Anthony Spirituality Center - Marathon, WI. Call Susan Hubbard at 715-443-2236 ext. 139 to reserve your spot. The Speaker is Fr. Sammie Maletta from the Diocese of Gary, Indiana.

Priest Unity Days June 20-22, 2019 at Holy Crosse Diocesan Center – La Crosse, WI. The Presenter is Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, Most Reverend Andrew H. Cozzens.

Deacons and Wives afternoon with the Bishop - Holy Cross Diocesan Center, August 10, 2019

Fall Clergy Conference October 14-15, 2019 at Holy Cross Diocesan Center, Presenter is Fr. Sean Kilcawley.

Fall Clergy Conference October 12-13, 2020.



Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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