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Officials

No officials this week.



Events

As of Dec. 19

Monday, December 25

Christmas Day-- Curia Offices closed

Tuesday, December 26

Curia Offices Closed

Monday, January 1, 2018

New Year's Day-- Curia Offices closed

Wednesday, January 3, 2018

Pilgrimage for Life "Early Bird" Registration Deadline

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

School Administrators' Winter Meeting - La Crosse

7:00pm Before you Leave your Marriage - Join Us

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

10:00am School Administrators' Wisconsin Parental Choice Meeting - La Crosse

Saturday, January 13, 2018

7:30am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Stevens Point (One Day)

8:30am Catholic Scout Retreat 2017: Spiritual High Adventure - Sparta

Sunday, January 14, 2018

March for Life - Chicago

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

National Religious Freedom Day

7:00pm Webinar - Teaching the Way of Love: Expect Correct Behavior

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Pilgrimage for Life - Washington, DC - Jan 17-21

Saturday, January 27, 2018

Brains and Brawn Middle School Competition - La Crosse

8:30am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Richland Center (One Day)

Monday, January 29, 2018

Catholic Schools Week - Jan 29-Feb 2

Thursday, February 8, 2018

7:00pm Webinar - Surviving Valentine's Day

Friday, February 9, 2018

Deacon Retreat - Marathon - Feb. 9-11

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Chancery Bulletin Distribution Schedule. Due to the Christmas holiday next week, we will not be distributing a Chancery Bulletin on Tuesday, December 26. The following week,

distribution will be delayed until Wednesday, January 3, due to the New Year's holiday on Monday.

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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[Bulletin Insert for the weekend of January 7 click here](#)

With our offices closed for Christmas, the bullet insert for the weekend of January 7th is being included early. “Epiphany, a Feast of Light” draws attention to the radiant beauty of the Light of Christ.

To all the Catechetical Leaders and Catechists, my wishes for a very Blessed Christmas! Thank you for all that you do to serve the people of your parish(es). With gratitude and prayer, Ann

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Office for Communications

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Sesquicentennial Coffee Table Book – All books have shipped

If you didn't receive your order of the *Feed my Lambs* coffee table books, please let us know. If you have questions on payment, please [click here to learn more](#).

If you ordered the illustrated New Testament from Editions du Signe, please note that they have not yet shipped as expected. We have been in contact with the publisher and will let you know when we have shipping details.

Jan/Feb Catholic Life Magazine

The January/February Issue of Catholic Life Magazine will be arriving at your parish around December 28, 2017. The magazine is expected to arrive in homes the first week of January.

Join our Facebook group

The Office for Communications has established a Facebook group to help facilitate your sharing of diocesan Facebook posts. [Please use this link to join the group](#). Being a member of this group will ensure you get notice of all diocesan Facebook posts. You can then share the posts on your parish Facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/363387170779492/>

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Office for Ministries

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For Your Bulletin:

New *Faith Alive* Book on the Beatitudes

Christopher Ruff has written a new book for small groups, titled “Blessed Are You” and centered on the Beatitudes (available Feb. 7). Like the previous books in the Discipleship Series, it includes Scripture, prayer and stories of people who exemplify each theme. It also incorporates discussion questions and a modest service component to put faith in action. To order (\$10 each), call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161 or email ministries@diolc.org. Visit www.diolc.org/faith-alive for more information and a preview.

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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 Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or dkunz@diolc.org.

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Office for Social Concerns

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For Your Bulletin:

Chalice of Mercy Ukrainian Christmas Dinner - Jan. 13 - Chippewa Falls

12 Ukrainian dishes and classic Ukrainian garb and music make this annual Christmas dinner a festive delight. Valentyna Pavsyukova and guests will speak about the recent Medical Mission to Ukraine. Come enjoy an amazing evening and benefit the loving work of Chalice of Mercy.

6:00-8:30 pm. Adults \$30, Children under 10 free, Table of 8 - \$200. KC Hall, 236 Pumphouse Rd, Chippewa Falls, 54729. See the flyer at www.dioc.org/chalice-of-mercy.

Parish Respect Life and Social Concerns Representatives:

Help end exploitation of aborted fetal tissue in Wisconsin

Two bills that would end the trade of aborted fetal tissue (Senate Bill 423) and promote ethical fetal tissue research (Senate Bill 424) have received a public hearing, but continue to languish in the Wisconsin Senate Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety chaired by Senator Van Wanggaard (R-Racine). To learn what you can do to help move these forward, [click here](#), or visit www.hearwithoutharm.org.

National Migration Week Jan. 7-14

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated [National Migration Week](#), an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting immigrants, refugees, children, and human trafficking survivors. This year, from January 7-14, the theme, "Many Journeys, One Family," will draw attention to the fact that all of our families have a migration story: some recent and others in the distant past. Regardless of where we are and where we came from, we are called to live in solidarity with one another. **Webinar:** On January 12 at 2:00 pm EST, USCCB/MRS is cosponsoring a [webinar](#) with Catholic Charities USA that will provide education on the [Share the Journey Campaign](#) on migration. The webinar will highlight efforts to promote Church teaching on migration. Archbishop Joseph Kurtz of Louisville, KY, and Bishop John Dolan of San Diego will headline the event.

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Year-End Giving

The last collection for the 2017 calendar year will be the weekend of December 30-31. Contributions are to be applied in the year received. If contributions are mailed, the envelope must be postmarked before the end of the year in order to be applied to this year.

Holiday Gift Giving

Tis the season to give employees gifts. Please remember that gifts of Scrip, gift cards, or money are considered to be taxable income by the IRS and would need to be applied to the employee's W-2.

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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.

December 24 – 4th Sunday in Advent Year B

That our parish communities will nurture marriage and religious vocations through their lives of prayer and service, giving witness to God's loving action in the world.

Reminder: Winter Admissions Boards are coming up on December 20. We have 1 young man applying to seminary and one seminarian applying for Theology. Please keep them in your prayers.

REMINDER: All clergy are welcome to attend the Seminarian Christmas Dinner on December 29th.

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Reminder: Event Dates for 2018

February 9 - 11, 2018 Deacon Retreat – St. Anthony Spirituality Center – Marathon, WI
April 9 - 13, 2018 Spring Priest Retreat – St. Anthony Spirituality Center – Marathon, WI
June 28 - 30, 2018 Priest Unity Days – Holy Cross Diocesan Center – La Crosse, WI
June 30, 2018 Ordination – St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral - La Crosse, WI
August 11, 2018 Deacon afternoon with the Bishop - Holy Cross Diocesan Center – La Crosse
October 8-9, 2018 Fall Clergy Conference- Holy Cross Diocesan Center – La Crosse

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