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Officials

The Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, D.D., Bishop of La Crosse, makes the following announcement:

The Reverend **Donald L. Przybylski**, Pastor of St. Paul Parish in Mosinee, is granted the status of senior priest, effective July 5, 2018.



Events

As of Feb. 20

Tuesday, February 20

7:00pm Webinar - Teaching the Way of Love: Develop Virtue

Friday, February 23

Day of Prayer and Penance for Diocesan and Universal Church needs

Thursday, March 1

10:00am School Advisory Council meeting - Plover

Friday, March 2

10:00am Sesquicentennial School Mass for Prairie du Chien and Richland Center Deaneries - Richland Center

6:00pm Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Independence - March 2-3

Saturday, March 3

10:00am Sesquicentennial Opening Celebration Mass - Prairie du Chien

10:00am Live Stream - St Gabriel Church - Prairie du Chien – Sesquicentennial Opening Mass

Friday, March 9

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Friday night thru Sunday

5:30pm Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Eau Claire - March 9-10

6:00pm Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Marathon - March 9-10

Saturday, March 10

National Marriage Encounter Weekend - Two Day Event

8:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Tomah (One Day)

Tuesday, March 13

Curriculum Work Day - Stevens Point

Saturday, March 17

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

8:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Thorp (One Day)

9:00am Children's Come & See (girls ages 9-13) - La Crosse

Sunday, March 18

10:30am Live Stream - 5th Anniversary Mass of the Opening of the Cause for Father Joe - La Crosse

Tuesday, March 20

10:00am Middle School Principals' meeting

7:00pm Webinar - Teaching the Way of Love: Foster Faith

Tuesday, March 27

10:30am Live Stream - Chrism Mass

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

BULLETIN INSERT for the weekend of March 4. [Click here](#)

As the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of La Cross begins the weekend of March 3-4, a few “snapshots” of our colorful history are described in this insert.

Student Lenten Prayer Commitments for use in the Home [Click here](#)

There have been requests for student Prayer Commitments for use during Lent. Prayer Commitments have been developed and are available for Pre-Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade. The specific prayer for each grade level was decided upon after consultation with attendees at the 2017 Catechetical Conference and with Catholic School teachers.

Hosting a Confirmation Retreat / Looking for a talk on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?

[Click here](#) for the guidelines document or visit the [Confirmation webpage](#) for information on hosting a Confirmation Retreat: For a great variety of other resources, including a talk on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit by Msgr. Hirsch, [click here](#)

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Office for Communications

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Attention parish secretaries/administrative assistants:

Parish Message Lines for the April issue of *Catholic Life* are due Tuesday, February 27.

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Office for Consecrated Life

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Learn How to Support Caregivers in your Parish

[Nourish for Caregivers](#) is a Christ-Centered Ministry to support the practical, emotional & spiritual needs of family caregivers. We urge you to go to their website and learn how to create a pastoral network for those in your parish who are taking care of a loved one during an illness or at the end of their life. To watch a webinar on Nourish, click [here](#).

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Office for Ministries

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For your Parish Bulletin:

Diaconate Discernment Retreat Saturday, April 7

Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church – preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat at St. Anthony's Retreat Center on April 7, 2018. Then call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2019 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat (this spring or next) is a prerequisite. For more information, visit www.diolc.org/diaconate.

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Office for Missions

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Office for Pontifical Ceremonies

Director: Michael Haight – 608-791-2697 | ceremonies@diolc.org

Reminder - Funeral Masses of Diocesan Clerics and their Parents: To better assist in the preparations for these funerals, please respond to the email invitation sent from the Diocesan Office of Pontifical Ceremonies. Deans are kindly asked to contact the senior priests and senior deacons in their deanery to assist in their participation in attending the funeral. This helps ensure the proper number of vestments will be available and will also assist the host parish in the area of reserved seating needed for visiting clergy.

Reminder - Disposal of Old or Unused Liturgical Appointments: The Diocesan Office of Pontifical Ceremonies would be happy to receive statues, vestments, ritual books, altar cloths, candlesticks, or other forms of stationary that are no longer used, but in usable condition. Likewise, if you're looking for religious appointments feel free to contact us on availability. This program is working very well and many diocesan institutions are grateful for this effort.

TV Mass Recordings during the Sesquicentennial Year: If your parish has been invited to participate in the Diocesan TV Mass Ministry during the Sesquicentennial year it is kindly asked to have the Sesquicentennial banner displayed somewhere in or near the sanctuary so it can be captured during the filming. If your parish does not have a banner, please contact

Michael Haight so one can be brought. Special intercessions have been added to help those at home pray for the anniversary.

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Office for Safe Environment

Director: Msgr. David Kunz – 608-791-2689 | tbrown@diolc.org

Reminder: Yearly reports are due March 1, 2018 – please contact this Office if you need an extension.

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 Catholic Schools

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Office for Social Concerns

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For your Parish Bulletin:

Immaculée - March 7, Eau Claire - Powerful Story of Faith and Forgiveness

Immaculée Illibagiza is coming March 7 to St. Patrick Church in Eau Claire. Internationally acclaimed speaker and survivor of the Rwanda genocide in 1994, Immaculée will share her incredible story. She and 7 other women hid in a tiny bathroom for 91 days as machete-wielding killers hunted for them. An amazing story of faith and the power of prayer and forgiveness. This is a rare opportunity – come early. 6:30 pm, St. Patrick Church, 311 Fulton St., Eau Claire. Free will offering.

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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Office for Temporalities

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Property Tax Exemption

Property Tax Exemption reports are due to your city, township, or village every two years on even numbered years. Many parishes may have already received these forms. If you have not received a form you will need to contact the Clerk of your city, township, or village to get one completed. These forms need to be completed or the parish will be become taxable property and will need to pay taxes. The forms are due by March 31.

Save the Date – Parish Finance Seminar

Please mark your calendars for the 2018 Parish Finance Seminar. It will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at Three Bears Lodge in Warrens, Wisconsin.

Updates from St. Ambrose Financial Services

1095C Form

These IRS forms are required as part of the Affordable Care Act (a/k/a Obama Care) and are scheduled to be sent out over the next two weeks. The deadline for supplying these forms to employees is March 2, 2018.

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Office for Vocations

Director: Fr. Alan Wierzba – 608-791-2667 | awierzba@diolc.org

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

That those who feel a call to and desire for marriage, for priesthood and for religious life may find the courage to say yes to what God asks of them.

Reminder: Bulletin Announcement:

Arise! A Come and See Day with the Sisters!

Who: Girls ages 9 - 13, who are interested spending some time with the Sisters and others who enjoy spiritual things, while finding out more about religious life.

When: Saturday, March 17, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Mater Redemptoris House of Formation; [3730 East Avenue South; La Crosse, WI 54601](#)

Cost: Donations accepted

Register: Online registration at www.materredemptoris.org

Questions: Please contact Sister M. Consolata at materredemptoris@gmail.com or [608-788-4530](tel:608-788-4530)

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

Director: Msgr. David Kunz – 608-791-2689 | tbrown@diolc.org

Reminder: Upcoming Dates and Events for 2018:

International Priest Meeting and Luncheon - Holy Cross Diocesan Center, March 7 @ 11:30
rsvp by February 28, 2018 to Teresa Brown 608-791-2679 or tbrown@diolc.org

Priest Retreat at St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon, WI, April 9-13, 2018

Priest Unity Days at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, June 28-30, 2018

Deacon and Wives afternoon with the Bishop - Holy Cross Diocesan Center, August 11, 2018

Fall Clergy Conference at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center October 8-9, 2018

2019 Dates and Events:

Priest Retreat April 29-30 and May 1-3, 2019

Priest Unity Days June 20-22, 2019

Deacon and Wives afternoon with the Bishop at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, August 10, 2019

Fall Clergy Conference October 14-15, 2019.

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Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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