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Officials

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

The Reverend **John Peter Anthonisamy**, Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Kendall, St. Patrick Parish in Elroy, and St. John the Baptist Parish in Wilton, will be returning to the Diocese of Vellore, at the request of his Bishop, effective July 2, 2019.



Events

As of March 5

Friday, March 8

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Eau Claire - March 8 - 9

WCRIS Annual Leadership Conference - Pewaukee

Saturday, March 9

8:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Wausau

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

Sunday, March 10

Safe Haven Sunday - All parishes

2:00pm Rite of Election - La Crosse

Monday, March 11

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

Saturday, March 16

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

8:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Prairie du Chien

9:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Wisconsin Rapids

Sunday, March 17

10:30am Father Joseph Walijewski Anniversary Mass - Live Stream

10:30am Father Joseph Walijewski Anniversary Mass - La Crosse

Friday, March 22

Deacon Formation Lenten Retreat - Marathon - March 22 - 24

9:00am Prayer Teacher In-Service - Marshfield

Saturday, March 23

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

Thursday, March 28

Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat - Marathon - March 28 - 31

Friday, March 29

9:00am Prayer Teacher In-Service - La Crosse

Saturday, March 30

Lenten Youth Rally - Bilingual - Abbotsford

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

Bulletin Insert for the weekend of March 17 click here

A little boy asked a question that is important for all of us. Why is the sanctuary a holy place? Jesus desires to remain with us always through the incredible miracle of the Holy Eucharist.

Training for the Online Learning System on April 26th: Click here for Registration Form Renewal is Needed! The Catechetical Institute at Franciscan University has built an amazing online learning system and a dozen new workshops have recently been added. Parish and School leaders are invited to training for the following tracks: Catechist, Youth Ministry, RCIA, Parish Catechetical Leader and Catholic School.

Bill Keimig from the Catechetical Institute will train on **April 26th** at the **Holy Cross Diocesan Center from 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. <u>Click here</u> for Registration Form**. Click on this link to view a sample workshop: https://franciscanathome.com/

Note: The Leadership in Christ Conference will follow this training. See details under Office for Ministries.

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Office for Communications

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Recent iTune Gift Card Scam targeting our parishioners – Stay Alert!

Once again we have heard from two parishes of our diocese that their parishioners have received emails that claim to be from their pastor asking that iTunes gift cards be purchased and sent to an address of a person in need. We want you to be aware of this particular scam and this general type of scam called spear phishing. These are targeted attacks that collect information from parish websites, bulletins, compromised e-mail address books and other public information.

Using this information, an email is crafted that appears to be legitimate. Often the forged sender will request that the recipient wire money, send a gift card, or send money in some other form. If you ever receive a request to send money, please verify in person or by calling a previously known phone number for that person. Please do not use a phone number in the email itself to verify the sender's identity. There are phone scams similar to this as well. If you ever receive a phone call asking for personal information, ask for the person's name and/or extension and then call back the company they represent (look up the number) and ask for that person. Make sure you find the phone number directly from the company's website or another legitimate source such as a phone book. Simply Googling the company may give results with fake phone numbers.

Bishop Callahan's Lenten Message

Bishop Callahan's Lenten video greeting is available <u>here</u>. Please share his message on your parish Facebook and your parish website. We will also be using Facebook video cross posting for the Lenten Message from Bishop Callahan

Lenten website and Facebook banners are available for your use at the diocesan <u>media</u> resources page.

Reminder: Parish Divine Mercy Sunday events – special section for April Catholic Life
If your parish is planning a Divine Mercy Sunday event, please send the information to

datebook@diolc.org. In addition to adding it to the diocesan calendar, your parish event will
also be featured in a special section of the April issue of Catholic Life magazine. All events
received by March 13th will be published in the April Catholic Life magazine.

Attention Parish Administrative Assistants and Secretaries: Parish Message Lines for the back cover of the April issue of Catholic Life magazine are due by Wednesday, March 13. Please direct any questions to Sr. Donna: dkrzmarzick@diolc.org.

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Safe Haven Sunday Updates

March 10th is Safe Haven Sunday throughout the diocese. All pastors were sent a letter on March 1st with the final preparation details. If you have any questions about SHS, please contact familylife@diolc.org or call 608-791-2673. Our office does have a limited amount of booklets if your parish needs to increase your order. We also have plenty of prayer cards if you would like to order more. Additional orders can be placed with Mary Lou at mberg@diolc.org.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event. https://www.facebook.com/events/2400322316679442/
Please share this on your parish Facebook.

For your parish bulletin: Perfect your Marriage this Lent

Draw closer to your spouse this lent with a retreat that will help you perfect your marriage. Attend the next Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat on March 28-31st at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center. The retreat begins on a Thursday evening and ends at noon on Sunday. Register at: diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment. Scholarships are available. For more information email aheinzen@diolc.org.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

https://www.facebook.com/events/609228392923047/

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Reminder: Raise Them Well Parenting Webinar on March 11th

The focus of the Raise Them Well parenting webinar on Monday, March 11th will be physical maturity. This webinar will equip parents to talk confidently with their children about puberty. The \$5 charge includes the live webinar, access to the post webinar recording and all of the downloadable handouts to use when you share God's plan for human sexuality with your children. Register at: diolc.org/marriage/webinars/

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event. https://www.facebook.com/events/314643382497428/
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Office for Missions

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St. Joseph's Table and Father Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild: Join us in establishing a new tradition in honor of Father Joseph Walijewski. St. Joseph's Table is a long-standing tradition in Italy honoring the earthly father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, St. Joseph. On *March 19, the feast of St. Joseph the Faithful Spouse of the Virgin Mary,* the children of Casa Hogar and members of the Guild will come together for a special meal to pay tribute to St. Joseph and celebrate Padre Jose Walijewksi's life with inspirational stories and prayer.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event. https://www.facebook.com/events/2531200700226620/ Please share this on your parish Facebook.

On or around March 19th we encourage parishes, schools or families to participate or host a St. Joseph's Table. Events can vary in size and scale and will help to spread the Good News through Fr. Joe's Legacy of holiness, courage and compassion! More information and resources can be found at: frjoesguild.org/stjoestable

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Rite of Election, March 10

The Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion will be held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman on Sunday, March 10, at 2:00. It is an occasion that marks entry into the period of Purification and Enlightenment (for newly-named "elect") that coincides with Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity for candidates and catechumens to see the larger Church, meet Bishop Callahan, be introduced to their new Cathedral, and receive the grace of the Rite. Contact imickschl@diolc.org for more information.

Lenten Regulations

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6. Lenten regulations are as follows:

- 1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
- 2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Chrism Mass, April 16

The Chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights at which the Bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Anointing of the Sick, and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and the faithful pray for them. The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. Please consider attending! If you are unable to attend there will be a live stream of the event at diolc.org/live.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event. https://www.facebook.com/events/1949276835140062/
Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Easter Vigil Start Time

Sunset in La Crosse on Saturday, April 20 is to be at 7:55 p.m. So that the Vigil may begin in darkness, 8:30 should be the earliest beginning time for the vigil, while after 8:45 is ideal.

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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

Reminder: 2018-19 Safe Environment reports are now due. If you need an extension, call the Safe Environment Office at 608-791-2679.

National Child Abuse Prevention Month begins in April. Dedicate April 5th to prayer and sacrifice for the intention: "May survivors of abuse experience God's profound love for them, and receive comfort and healing." More about the Call to Prayer is available at usccb.org/pray,

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Office for Social Concerns

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Farmer Hotline for Help & Hope

There is a current crisis in farming: historic low margins and high rates of suicide. There is help and hope. The Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection's Wisconsin Farm Center offers a hotline for farmers looking for advice — everything from financial to succession planning for the future. The hotline is available weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 1-800-942-2474

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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Office for Temporalities

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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.

In thanksgiving for clergy, religious sisters and brothers, and families who inspire and strengthen us by the witness of their commitment.

Reminder: 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.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event. https://www.facebook.com/events/1000963323447219/
Please share this on your parish Facebook.

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

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

https://www.facebook.com/events/354294368682728/

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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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. There is still plenty of time to register if you have not already done so.

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. The theme is: "Remain in me...for without me you can do nothing" (Jn 15) - Human and Spiritual Growth for Fruitful Priestly Ministry.

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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Youth Retreat at St. Joachim Catholic Church

This retreat will be held Sunday, March 31, 2019. For more information please visit: https://diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/parish-rallies-and-retreats/. RSVP to Christina Pelot, St. Joachim's Youth Minister, Christinapelot@gmail.com or Irene Klevene at the central office at 715-884-6815, by Monday, March 25, 2019.

Catholic Scout Retreat

Place: St. Patrick's School – 100 South L Street – Sparta - WI

Date: May 18, 2019

Time: Registration 8:30 to 9:00AM sessions will end at 4PM

Meals: Lunch & snacks provided

*No Cost free will donations accepted

*For Information contact: Cindy Sjolander at 608-792-4911 or

catholicscoutslacrossediocese@gmail.com

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to the event.

https://www.facebook.com/events/2272978979619505/

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Adventure Camp

Week 1: June 23-28, 2019 Week 2: August 4-9, 2019

For more information, please visit https://diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-

camp/ .

Mission America 2019

When: July 6-14, 2019 Where: St. Petersburg, FL

Who: All youth going into 9th grade in the Fall and older.

More information is coming soon!

NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference)

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) will be held November 21- 24, 2019 in Indianapolis, IN. NCYC is held biennially and gathers more than 22,000 Catholic teens, parish youth ministry coordinators, bishops, pastors, parents, school campus ministers, adult chaperones, coaches, scout leaders, and diocesan leaders. Please visit our official Diocese of La Crosse NCYC page: https://diolcncyc.weebly.com/more-inforegister.html for more details and information about our pilgrimage.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

https://www.facebook.com/events/532204183968446/
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^{*}This retreat is for Boy Scouts ages 13 and older or have completed the 6th grade