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Officials

No officials this week.



Events

As of March 6

Friday, March 9

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Friday night thru Sunday

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

Saturday, March 10

National Marriage Encounter Weekend - Two Day Event

8:00am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Marathon - March 9-10

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 --CLOSED-- Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Thorp (One Day) --CLOSED--

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

10:30am Chrism Mass - La Crosse

Saturday, March 31

Easter Vigil

Monday, April 2

Easter Monday - Curia Offices Closed

Friday, April 6

Sesquicentennial - Bishop's Regional Visit - Tomah and Wisconsin Rapids Deaneries - April 6-8

9:00am Sesquicentennial - Mass with the school children - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, St Mary's Ridge

1:30pm Sesquicentennial - Dedication of Grotto - Rudolph

Saturday, April 7

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

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Bishop William Patrick Callahan extends his appreciation to Deacon Bryan Hilts for his ministry as Director of St. Anthony Retreat Center. He will be retiring from this position this Spring. If you, or someone you know, is interested in this ministry please visit their website for more information: <http://sarcenter.com/employment-opportunities/center-director/>

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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SAVE THE DATE! August 10-11

The annual “Witnesses for Christ Conference” will be held Friday, August 10 and Saturday, August 11 at Blessed Sacrament Parish in La Crosse. The focus of the Conference will be how we can, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, mentor children, young people and adults out of indifference, so that they experience the Sacraments as a genuine encounter with God. This Conference will be most practical for catechetical leaders, catechists, deacons, RCIA coordinators and teams, and any adult in a leadership role. Bishop Callahan will be celebrating Mass with us for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese. Further details to follow.

Corrected address for St. Patrick Church:

Reminder: 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, 322 Fulton St., Eau Claire. Free will offering.

Best Practices for First Reconciliation

When second grade children make their First Confession, it is timely to provide confessions also for parents. Invite a second priest if needed. Some parishes have the children light a candle after they pray their penance and/or write a thank you note to Jesus. A booklet on the transformative effects of Confession can be given to parents to read while they are waiting.

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Office for Communications

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Reminder: Parish Round Table Meetings

The Office for Communications is hosting Parish Information Round Table discussions this spring. Pre-registration is preferred; all meetings are 2 hours. To register please contact Margot Lorraine at mlorraine@diolc.org or 608-791-2695.

Date	Parish	City	Time	Details
April 11	St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral	La Crosse	9 - 11am	Meet in the undercroft
April 11	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Richland Center	2 - 4pm	Meet in the old convent, 789 N Central Ave

April 12	St. Joseph	Menomonie	9:30 – 11:30 am	School conference room
April 12	Holy Family	Arcadia	2 – 4 pm	Meet in the church basement
April 18	St. Patrick	Mauston	9:30 – 11:30am	
April 18	St. John the Baptist	Marshfield	1:30 – 3:30pm	Meet downstairs
April 19	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Marathon	9 - 11am	
April 19	Our Lady Queen of Heaven	Wisconsin Rapids	1 – 3pm	Meet in the cafeteria

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

1. Review of the parish census software selection process and outcome.
2. Standard Operating Procedures for recording census data (SOP)
3. Transition schedule and change management for parish census software upgrade
 - Orientation – benefits and challenges. What stays the same, what changes and how you'll know the difference.
 - Data Conversion – how to prepare your data for transition.
 - Training – what is available online, in your deanery, from the vendor and from curia.
 - Scheduling your go-live date- what to expect and what to watch out for and who to contact for support.
4. Chancery Bulletin feedback and local SPAM checking
5. Safe Environment forms and procedures
6. Social Media for your parish
7. 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@dioc.org or 608-791-2695.

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Office for Consecrated Life

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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50th Jubilee Celebrations – Request for Names – Due March 13th

Each year, we ask for your help in securing the names, addresses and phone numbers of those couples in your parish who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during this calendar year of 2018. As you work to gather this information please ask for the assistance of your parish staff.

Click [here](#) for more information and to download the form used to submit names.

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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 diolc.org/diaconate.

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Hymn for the Diocesan 150th

A special hymn for use during the Diocesan Sesquicentennial is available on the 150th website under the “Parish Resources” tab: <http://diolc.org/150/parish-resources/>. Mary Ellen Hauptert, Professor of Music at Viterbo University and Director of Music at Roncalli Newman Parish in La Crosse, has

adapted the hymn, “Lead, Kindly Light,” and Joseph O’Brien, author of the forthcoming history of the Diocese, *The Canoe, the Crosier, and the Cross: A History of the Diocese of La Crosse—1868-2018*, has composed the hymn’s lyrics. At the link you will find downloadable copies of the melody and parts for four voices; piano accompaniment; and audio recordings.

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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 Catholic Schools

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Office for Social Concerns

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Pro-Life Alert: Advocate for the Conscience Protection Act

Health care providers and trainees, churches, and others are being forced to participate in abortions or provide abortion coverage in their health care plans. Federal conscience laws prohibit such coercion, but these laws continue to be violated. The Conscience Protection Act would address loopholes in current laws and provide victims with the right to sue in court. Congress will decide soon (most likely during the week of March 12) whether to include the Conscience Protection Act in “must-

pass” government funding legislation. Make your voice heard by visiting www.humanlifeaction.org/take-action and following the instructions for advocating for the Conscience Protection Act.

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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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.

That young men and women will listen to the Holy Spirit in their hearts and respond to the cry from deep within to vocations of marriage, priesthood and religious life.

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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