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Officials

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

The Reverend **Thomas Nirappel**, MSFS, with the permission of the Reverend George Panthanmackel, MSFS, Provincial of the Northeast India Province of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales, is appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Adalbert Parish in Rosholt and St. Mary Parish in Torun, with residence at the St. Adalbert Parish rectory in Rosholt, effective July 2, 2019.

The Reverend **Murali Anand Rayappan**, with the permission of the Most Reverend Antony Pappusamy, Archbishop of Madurai, is appointed Parochial Administrator of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Auburndale, St. Kilian Parish in Blenker and St. Michael Parish in Hewitt, with residence at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish rectory in Auburndale, effective July 2, 2019.



Events

As of June 11

Friday, June 14

Dare to Follow - La Crosse - June 14 - 16

Monday, June 17

11:00am Vocations Golf Outing - Onalaska

Wednesday, June 19

7:00pm Living, Dying and the Power of Presence - Onalaska

Saturday, June 22

Religious Freedom Week - June 22 - 29

10:00am Ordination to the Priesthood - Live Stream

10:00am Ordination to the Priesthood - La Crosse

Sunday, June 23

Adventure Camp Week 1 - Mason - June 23 - 28

Friday, June 28

Leader of Prayer Training Session 1 - Marathon - June 28 - 29

Thursday, July 4

4th of July - Curia Offices Closed

Friday, July 12

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Eau Claire - July 12 - 13

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - La Crosse - July 12 - 13

Threshold Retreat - La Crosse - July 12 - 14

Sunday, July 14

2:00pm 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Callahan as Celebrant - La Crosse

Friday, July 19

Leader of Prayer Training Session 2 - Marathon - July 19 - 20

Friday, July 26

4:30pm Priests for Tomorrow - La Crosse

Friday, August 2

Wisconsin Seminarian Gathering - Aug. 2 - 4

Sunday, August 4

Adventure Camp Week 3 - Mason - Aug. 4 - 9

To get your parish events listed on the diocesan calendar, diolc.org/calendar, please send an email to datebook@diolc.org. Make sure you include the following details; date, beginning/ending times, event location, description, menu and cost, etc. If you have any questions, please call Pam Willer at 608.788.1524 for more information.

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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Treat yourself with Ongoing Personal Formation

Would it work for you to spend one hour a week for four weeks to complete one of the following workshops:

- Personality and Profile of the Successful Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)
- Prayer: Introduction to the Spiritual Life of the Catechist
- Teaching Catechesis for Conversion

These workshops in the Parish Catechetical Leader Track (PCL) are part of the online learning system through the Catechetical Institute. The format includes ten-minute videos followed by a simple task that takes the learning process beyond just hearing information. Cost is \$5 for a month. Go to <https://franciscanathome.com/> and “sign up” with Enrichment. Contact Ann with questions.

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Office for Communications

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For your parish bulletin:

The USCCB has launched a new website highlighting the importance of prevention, protection and accountability in response to the ongoing effort to eradicate clergy sexual abuse. This new site serves as a resource detailing the steps the American bishops are taking to confront this crisis.

On the site, readers can browse through the layers of the Holy Father’s Motu Proprio, the 2002 Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and its progress, as well as numerous resources to address any instance of clergy sexual abuse.

Explore the website by visiting: usccbprevention.org

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Office for Missions

Director: Fr. Woodrow Pace – 608-791-2676 | wpace@diolc.org

Reminder: Mission Co-op Program, Summer 2019: Some of the appeals have begun. Msgr. Hirsch and Sarah Sceery are out spreading the good news about Fr. Joe Walijewski and the families at Casa Hogar. A Franciscan Capuchin Provincial from southern India shared the experience of his friars and seminarians in the aftermath of the recent bombings in Sri Lanka. These are the personal connections that make this program a rich experience and a vital part of parish life. If you are in need of any assistance during your parish's final preparation, please let us know. Thank you for making this program possible.

Reminder: The 2019 Lenten Mite Box Program has now concluded. Please send donations payable to Society for the Propagation of the Faith with "mite boxes" in the memo, and mail to Mission Office-Diocese of La Crosse. We will forward the funds to the Missionary Childhood Association, who provides assistance to many Missions. For example, check out our website for activity supported by [MCA in Tanzania, Papua New Guinea, or Kenya](#).

Baptized and Sent - [Song Contest 2019](#): Pope Francis has proclaimed October 2019 as Extraordinary Missionary Month. The Missionary Childhood Association and Missio invite young Catholics, Grades 1-12, to celebrate by composing an original song based on the theme of the event: Baptized and Sent. Inspire others with your love of Christ and His creation through the musical talents God has given you. [Rules and Submission forms](#) can be found at the [Missio website](#). The deadline submission is August 1, 2019.

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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 (clergy, employees, religious, vendors or volunteers). 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: 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.

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Office for Catholic Schools

Superintendent: Thomas Reichenbacher – 608-788-7707 | treichenbacher@diolc.org

Thank you to everyone for helping our nearly 7,000 students have a wonderful school year. Your prayers and support are so important to the joy the students experience.

Job Openings:

There are two Catholic School principal positions currently open in the diocese. We need a principal at St. Joseph School in Stratford and another principal for Prairie Catholic School in

Prairie du Chien. If you know a school administrator who wants to be a part of a faith filled school, please have him or her contact Tom Reichenbacher or visit diolc.org/jobs.

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Office for Social Concerns

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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Diocesan Annual Appeal – Endurance in Hope

The Church continues to work to fulfill its mission. The Diocesan Annual Appeal is how we, as a diocesan community, fund our commitment to do our part of fulfilling the mission. The good works continue as our story is told through the appeal, connecting with those who want to invest in the many good works. Thank you to all parish leaders who continue to promote this vital ministry. Remember to keep developing this ministry, as it is the largest source of funding for our charitable works and ministries.

As of June 10, 2019:

- We have raised \$5,816,986
- 82 Parishes are receiving more than \$640,000 in rebates so far this year
- 73 Parishes have raised \$326,275 more money this year than last year at this time
- 510 new investors to the Annual Appeal so far this year; these people have never invested in the Diocesan Annual Appeal before and represent 1.3% of funding received or \$76,670
- 1,286 investors who were lapsed for at least one year are now re-engaged for \$181,261 or 3.1% of funds received
- 17,936 (80%) of our supporters from last year have reinvested this year
- 6,645 investors have invested more this year than last year at this time; the average increase is \$174
- The average pledge is \$450, compared to \$417 last year
- 55 new people are investing through recurring installments. These people give monthly all year round. People using recurring installments tend to invest more on average than their one-time gift counterparts; best of all, their summer activity can provide you with momentum when starting next year's appeal.

- Parishes who have a Stewardship Committee and went over their goal averaged 8.4% more above their goal than parishes who do not have a Stewardship Committee but still exceeded their goal.
- Parishes that have exceeded their goal and who do have a Stewardship Committee raised 42% on average more than parishes who did not have a Stewardship Committee and still have not yet exceeded their goal. Contact our office if you would like to become a Stewardship Parish!

The last Diocesan Annual Appeal mailing for the appeal year was sent to all LYBUNTS for all parishes, and SYBUNT and Never Givers for those parishes who were below target. The video messaging is “Labor of Love,” available on our website, promoted on Facebook, which examines the good works of Catholic Charities, please share the videos freely.

Planned Giving – Leaving a Legacy

Is your parish exploring the idea a Capital Campaign, Strategic Planning, interested in Planned Giving, or want to become a Stewardship Parish? If you need ideas to reinvigorate your stewardship journey or would like to share your successes and trials of stewardship, please give the Office for Stewardship and Development a call - we would love the opportunity to serve you.

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Office for Temporalities

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Mutual of America has provided the following information for 403B retirement participants.

A small increase can go a long way

Perhaps you’ve been considering increasing the amount you contribute through payroll deduction to your retirement savings plan, but believe that a small increase per pay period would be of minimal effect. This may be true if you expect to retire and draw upon these funds in only a few years, but if retirement is still many years away, you should reconsider.

The tables below display the impacts that even small increases in regular contributions may have. The first table shows the growth of \$5 contributions made twice a month over periods of 10, 20, 30 and 40 years, assuming various growth rates (3%, 5% and 7%). For example, \$5 contributions made regularly for 10 years can grow to \$1,397 if the account experiences a 3% growth rate. If the account grows at a 5% rate, the contributions grow to \$1,548. If this scenario continues for 40 years, the account grows to \$9,189 at 3% and \$14,871 at 5%. We then repeat the process for \$10 and \$20 contributions.

\$5 increase / pay period	10 Years	20 Years	30 Years	40 Years
3%	\$1,397	\$3,275	\$5,798	\$9,189

5%	1,548	4,070	8,179	14,871
7%	1,718	5,097	11,744	24,820
\$10 increase / pay period	10 Years	20 Years	30 Years	40 Years
3%	\$2,794	\$6,549	\$11,596	\$18,378
5%	3,097	8,141	16,357	29,741
7%	3,436	10,194	23,488	49,640
\$20 increase / pay period	10 Years	20 Years	30 Years	40 Years
3%	\$5,588	\$13,098	\$23,191	\$36,755
5%	6,193	16,282	32,715	59,482
7%	6,871	20,388	46,976	99,281

The above examples are for illustrative purposes only and do not reflect the experience of any actual amount. This illustration is no guarantee of results you may experience by investing in Mutual of America's Separate Accounts or allocating funds to the General Account.

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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 families will strive to make their homes places where children can hear God call them by name.

Reminder: Dare to Follow retreat June 14-16, 2019.

[Click here](#) for the flyer and registration form.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/290164331859319/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Reminder: 1st Annual Golf Outing to support vocations will be at Cedar Creek Golf Course in Onalaska on Monday, June 17, 2019. 18-hole, 4 person teams.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1000963323447219/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Reminder: Priestly Ordination of Deacon Brandon Guenther and Deacon Ethan Hokamp will be on Saturday, June 22, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/328895707985585/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Reminder: Threshold retreat July 12-14, 2019.

[Click here](#) for the flyer and registration form.

This [medical release form](#) will also need to be filled out for anyone participating in either Dare to Follow or Threshold retreats.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/323003811723628/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Save the date

Vocations Guild Dinner, St. Michael's Parish - Wausau

October 8, 2019

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