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Officials

No officials this week.



Events

As of June 12, 2018

Tuesday, June 12

Curriculum Workshop - Marathon - Religion year 2, another subject year 1

Come Follow Me Days - La Crosse - June 12-13

Wednesday, June 13

2:00pm Webinar Training - ParishSOFT IQ training, ParishSOFT custom report writing (online Webinar)

Sunday, June 17

Adventure Camp: Week 1 - June 17-22

Monday, June 18

Summer Action Retreat - Mt. Calvary, WI - June 18-21

Wednesday, June 20

Human Trafficking Conference - St. Paul, MN - June 20-22

Friday, June 22

Religious Freedom Week - June 22-29

Sunday, June 24

Adventure Camp: Week 2 - June 24-29

Thursday, June 28

12:00pm Priest Unity Days - La Crosse - June 28-30

Saturday, June 30

10:00am Priestly Ordination - La Crosse

10:00am Live Stream - Ordination to the Priesthood

Wednesday, July 4

Independence Day - Curia Offices Closed

Friday, July 6

Dare to Follow - La Crosse - July 6-8

Mission America 2 - July 6-13

Sunday, July 8

50 Jubilee celebration - La Crosse

Adventure Camp: Week 3 - July 8-13

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**Chancery Office**

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Preuptial Matters - Planning Ahead

The Chancery office often receives a rush of prenuptial matters during Priest Unity Days and the Fall Clergy Conference. We welcome handling these matters. It is helpful if these requests and their documents are mailed to us before these events to give us a little more time to respond. You may request to pick up your paperwork during these events or we can mail it and have it on your desk when you return to your parish. Anytime you need assistance we are willing to help.

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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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Office for Communications

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Recent iTunes Gift Card Scam targeting parish staff and parishioners – Stay Alert!

We have heard from a number of Catholic dioceses throughout the country that parishioners and staff in their diocese have received emails that claim to be from their parish priest asking that iTunes gift cards be 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 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.

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Office for Consecrated Life

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Retrouvaille Weekend Scheduled – August 17-19

Please share the following information with your parish family about a Retrouvaille weekend that will take place at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center in August.

Click [here](#) to download the Retrouvaille tear off flier.

Click [here](#) to download the **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SUMMER**.

Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat Scheduled – August 16-19

The next Domestic Church retreat will be held in La Crosse at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center. The retreat begins on Thursday, August 16th at 7PM and ends on the 19th at noon.

For more information and to register go to <http://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/>.

Direct questions about the retreat to 608-791-2673.

Do you have your NFP Awareness Materials Downloaded and Ordered?

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is July 22 - July 28. Materials are available for you to [download](#) or purchase. Beat the rush and organize your parish celebration today.

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Office for Ministries

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Reminder: Deacon Digest to be published by Our Sunday Visitor

Deacon Digest, published by Our Sunday Visitor, will return to print in July 2018. You can [sign up to receive OSV's new Deacon Digest monthly email newsletter](#). As a member of their digital community, you will be eligible for a special discount when *Deacon Digest* returns to print.

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Office for Missions

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Office for Pontifical Ceremonies

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Priest Unity Days – Ceremonial Items: Pastors doing “spring cleaning” in their church(es) that want to bring unused liturgical appointments to Priest Unity Days are kindly asked to contact Michael Haight [in advance](#) so proper arrangements can be made prior to the conference. A clothing rack with clergy shirts turned in since last year's conference will be present and priests are welcome to take any they can use on a first-come, first-serve basis. The newly

formed “Ceremonials Room” will be ready for inspection by any priest that desires to see what is available for re-distribution.

REMINDER - 150th Banner at Pontifical Liturgies: During the Sesquicentennial Year, parishes that will be hosting Bishop Callahan are asked to display, in their sanctuary or other proper area if the celebration is outside of Holy Mass, the Diocesan 150th banner or tri-fold display board. If your parish does not have one, please contact the Diocesan Office of Pontifical Ceremonies and one will be provided for the celebration. All parishes can order their own banner or display board at <https://diocesan.com/product/diocese-of-la-crosse-150th-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

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, Safe Environment Coordinator, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2285; or tbrown@diolc.org.

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Office for Catholic Schools

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Office for Social Concerns

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Pastors, Deacons and Bulletin Editors - "Religious Freedom Week":

This year the U.S. Bishops have transitioned the annual "Fortnight for Freedom" to "Religious Freedom Week." You can learn about this year's event focus from the USCCB. They have many resources, prayer intentions, homily helps, etc., [at their website](#). Of special note is a [Bulletin Insert for June 17](#), explaining Religious Freedom Week.

For Your Parish Bulletin:

US Bishops Proclaim Religious Freedom Week June 22-29

Serving Others in God's Love: Religious Freedom Week 2018 will take place from June 22-29. The week begins with the Feast of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More, ends with the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, and includes the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. For information and many resources, visit: <http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek>.

US Bishops Urge Legislative Support for Religious Freedom

- **The First Amendment Defense Act** (S. 2525) would bar the federal government from discriminating against individuals and organizations based upon their religious beliefs or moral convictions that marriage is the union of one man and one woman.
- **The Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act** (CWPIA) protects the religious liberties of child welfare service providers regarding the placement of children, including adoption and foster care agencies.

To make your voice heard in support of these bills, click on the "Action Alert" link at www.diolc.org/social-concerns.

Fascinating WCC Summary of 2017-18 Wisconsin Legislative Session

[Click here for a complete summary of bills of interest](#) to the Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) during the 2017-18 legislative session, where the WCC either took a position and/or the bills were signed into law. Legislation is listed by general topic: life issues, children and families, education, health care, social concerns, criminal justice, stewardship, institutional concerns, and miscellaneous.

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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Annual Appeal:

Goal: \$5,563,760
Received: \$5,872,553.93 - 105.55% percent of goal received with 21,129 donors

Please remind all parishioners that the Annual Appeal deadline is 6/30/18.
All donations must be **postmarked** by 6/30/18 in order to be credited to the 2017-18 Appeal.

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Office for Temporalities

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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 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.

REMINDER

ORDINATION

Please [click here](#) for the invitation to the Ordination of Kyle Laylan and Barry Saylor on June 30, 2018

Dare to Follow Retreat

Who: Boys going into 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grades

When: July 6-8, 2018

Where: Holy Cross Diocesan Center, [3710 East Avenue S., La Crosse, WI 54601](#)

What: Dare to Follow... When Jesus saw the fishermen at the Sea of Gallilee, he asked them to leave everything and follow him to a new way of life. Jesus is calling, will you dare to follow him?

Spend a couple of days with young men your own age...

- Learning more about your Catholic Faith
- Talking about the vocation of priesthood
- Having fun

[Dare to Follow Brochure – PDF](#)

Contact Vocations Office – 608-791-2667 | rorth@diolc.org

THRESHOLD RETREAT

Who: For young men entering junior or senior year of high school, or any year of college, who have considered the priesthood

When: July 13 – 15, 2018

Where: Holy Cross Diocesan Center [3710 East Ave. S. | La Crosse, WI 54601](#)

Cost: No Cost – Limited to 25 registrants

What: Three days of prayer and conversation and reflections on the priesthood as well as plenty of recreation

Jesus spent three years forming a group of Apostles whose lives would change the course of human history. At the last supper Jesus reminded them, “It was not you who chose me, it was I who chose you to go forth and bear fruit. (John 15:16)

We spend so much time trying to figure out what we will do for college and career and yet how much time do we spend trying to understand what Jesus meant by this passage and what He has chosen for you? How much time have you invested in discovering God’s plan for your life? We invite you to take a couple of days this summer to listen, to pray, to ask, to seek, and to discover how the Lord is calling you. Please join us as you come to this next threshold in your life.

[Threshold Brochure – PDF](#)

Contact Vocations Office – 608-791-2667 | rorth@diolc.org

For Your Bulletin

Come, Follow Days - June 12-13, 2018

Young girls ages 9-13 are invited to Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse! Come spend time with the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George learning more about your faith. You will enjoy prayer, food, fun activities and more!

For more information and registration, please visit www.materredemptoris.org or contact Sister M. Consolata at materredemptoris@gmail.com or call 608-788-4530. Registration is open until filled with 30 girls.

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Reminder: Upcoming Dates and Events for 2018:

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

- Registration deadline June 14
- Photo booth is available so you can update your photo
- Bring alb and red stole for concelebration and group photo

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

Fall Clergy Conference - 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

Deacons and Wives afternoon with the Bishop - Holy Cross Diocesan Center, August 10, 2019

Fall Clergy Conference October 14-15, 2019.



Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Director: Christopher Rogers – 608-791-2652 | crogers@diolc.org

Save the Date!

Sunday, October 21, 2018, the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry along with The 177 Project will be sponsoring a Sesquicentennial Celebration for all high school youth. The location will be Pacelli Catholic High School in Stevens Point. More details are coming soon!

Burning Hearts Disciples

This is for all adults to learn more about Theology of the Body and how to communicate its message. Attending one of these dates also counts as credit toward your Diocesan Catechetical Certification. The dates are:

- December 1, 2018 at St. Bronislava Catholic Church in Plover
- December 8, 2018 at Regis Catholic High School in Eau Claire
- January 12, 2019 at Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church in Tomah
- January 26, 2019 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Wausau

More information will be available soon on our website.

Immersion Retreat

The Immersion Retreat will be held at the Chula Vista Resort November 9-11, 2018. The theme is "150," in honor of our Diocesan Sesquicentennial, as well as, a reference to Psalm 150. This will be for all high school age students. More information is coming soon.

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