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Officials

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

The Reverend **Robert W. Nelson**, Pastor of St. Joachim Parish in Pittsville, Holy Rosary Parish in Sigel and St. James Parish in Vesper, has submitted his resignation as Pastor and requested to be granted the status of senior priest. Both have been accepted effective July 1, 2017.

Deacon **Thomas M. Kinnick**, Deacon at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Chippewa Falls and St. Peter Parish in Tilden, is released from his responsibilities at the parishes, effective July 13, 2017.



Events

As of July 11

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - La Crosse Deanery - July 14-15

Threshold Retreat - La Crosse - July 14-16

7:00pm Leader of Prayer - Marathon - July 14-15

Sunday, July 16

Totus Tuus - Stanley, WI - July 16-22

Tuesday, July 18

Come, Follow Days for Girls 9-13 - La Crosse - July 18-19

Sunday, July 23

50th Jubilee Celebration - Altoona, WI

Totus Tuus - Marshfield - July 23-29

Friday, July 28

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Eau Claire - July 28-29

Sunday, July 30

3:00pm Priests for Tomorrow - La Crosse - July 30

Sunday, August 6

50th Jubilee Celebration - Plover, WI

Peace Day

Monday, August 7

New Administrators' Orientation 7 am-6 pm - La Crosse

Tuesday, August 8

New Teacher Formation - Teaching as a Ministry - La Crosse

Friday, August 11

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Marathon - August 11-12

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BASIC CATHOLIC PRINCIPLES for HEALING THE CULTURE – reduced price with early registration is due by July 21st!

We need to think clearly about fundamental principles in a relativistic culture that's always talking about what's "true for me" or "true for you," rather than what is simply *true*. Our young people in particular have been fed a steady diet of this kind of thinking. Great

confusion has resulted – about marriage, pre-marital sex, abortion, assisted suicide, and so many other issues.

Along comes Camille Pauley with a winning approach to “Healing the Culture” that engages *head* and *heart*, using vivid examples and stories that hit home. Her starting point is something everybody can relate to – the desire for happiness. But the genius of her approach is in distinguishing four levels of happiness, each higher and more fulfilling than the last. [Click here](#) for brochure, registration form, poster and further information.

Reminder: BULLETIN INSERT for the weekend of July 16 was in the Chancery Bulletin on June 27th due to the 4th of July falling on a Tuesday. [Click here](#) for that insert.



“What does the Church Teach about Mary as the Immaculate Conception” is the third in a series of six bulletin inserts to help readers recognize Mary’s important role in God’s plan for salvation. This series is in conjunction with the bulletin inserts regarding the 100th anniversary of Our Lady’s apparitions at Fatima, Portugal

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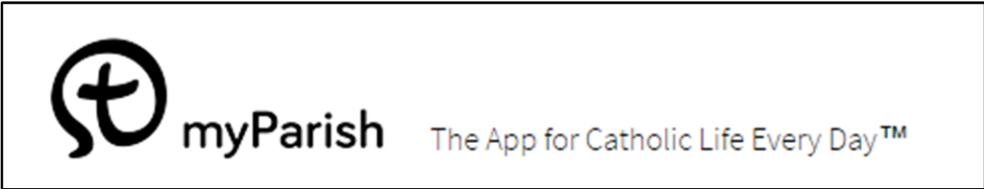
Diocesan 150th Anniversary Parish Resources

As the Diocesan Sesquicentennial approaches, we hope you will take the opportunity to share the diocesan history with your parishioners. The Communications Office has created a website to distribute information about news and events, as well as parish resources.

<http://diolc.org/150/parish-resources/> Here you will find bulletin inserts, graphics for web and social and fun facts to be used throughout 2018. [Click here](#) to explore the 150th Anniversary resource page.

Are you an Admin for the myParish app or want to learn more? Join the Webinar Series!

Maybe you want to learn more or you’ve just launched the myParish App. Maybe your parish launched a while ago and needs new ideas. myParish App has announced a series of free webinars for App Admins. Spots are already filling up fast so [click here](#) to learn more and sign up. HYPERLINK "http://myparishapp.com/free-myparish-app-webinar-series/"



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Office for Consecrated Life

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REMINDER: RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS - CAMPAIGN MATERIALS

If your parish should receive a different quantity of campaign materials (collection envelopes and bulletin inserts) for the 2018 RFR collection, please contact Sr. Donna Krzmarzick at dkrzmarzick@diolc.org by **July 28, 2017**. Your collaboration minimizes printing and shipping expenses, thus directing more donations to the support of elderly religious. *Please keep in mind that quantity changes will first take effect for the December 2018 campaign and not for the next collection in December 2017.* God reward you!

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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National NFP Awareness Week Announcements

2017 National NFP Awareness Week will be celebrated **July 23-29**. This year's slogan is: **It's time! Say "Yes" to God's plan for Marriage! Natural Family Planning.** The slogan focuses on God's gift of the nature of marriage to husband and wife. Natural Family Planning is presented as a support for married couples to honor God's plan. Check out the USCCB resources available with posters (English and Spanish), couples' stories, church teachings and many other great ideas to help you promote "God's plan for marriages" in your parish community.

NFP Bulletin Insert – July 30th

Please add this [insert](#) to your July 30th bulletin. Thanks.



NFP Education Requirement Documents

The documents for the NFP Education requirement have been updated. Please download both documents ([Requirement](#) and [Q and A document](#)) describing the NFP Education

Requirement for engaged couples. This will go into effect, Dec. 3, 2017. If you have questions or comments, contact Alice Heinzen at ahenzen@diolc.org.

URL for the hidden Marriage Ministers webpages

Have you misplaced or forgotten how to access the hidden Marriage Ministers webpages? [Click here](#) go to the site. Once you have arrived at the site please bookmark the site for your future use. And, feel free to contact the Office for Marriage and Family Life with any questions. ahenzen@diolc.org – 608.791.2673

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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 Stewardship & Development

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DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

2016-2017 Sharing the Promise of Mercy is closed.

Thank you, everyone, for your hard work in the making this past year's Diocesan Annual Appeal a success. We collected more than \$6.1 million to fund the many important ministries that our diocese supports. A majority of parishes surpassed their goal, earning over \$700,000 in rebates. Moreover, it is more than the money collected; it is the countless number of lives

that we as a community of Catholics are impacting for the better here in our diocese and around the world that is beyond measure and the real fruits of the Appeal.

2017- 2018 Stewards of Hope is now open.

Now is the time to encourage your supporters to help get an early start on the new Diocesan Annual Appeal – *Stewards of Hope*. An easy and secure way to promote giving is by informing your parishioners of the online giving portal at <https://diolc.org/donate-online/>. It is quick, safe, secure, and easy to use.

Urge your parishioners to begin supporting the Appeal through a Sustaining Gift. Sustaining Gifts provide a recurring monthly contribution through electronic ACH or EFT transfers. A Sustaining Gift will continue until the donor gives notice of their wish to stop transfers. Contact Sarah Komperud by email at skomperud@diolc.org or by phone 608.791.2653, for more information.

A registration form has been setup for selecting the Diocesan Annual Appeal Sunday that best fits your parish schedule. Please register your parish for either Sunday, September 24, 2017, or October 15, 2017, by going our Google form either by clicking the following link or copy and pasting it in your browser <https://goo.gl/forms/8vYt7yaRuCorpR612>

A registration form has been setup for your parish to register the 2017-2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal contacts. Please register your parish appeal contacts by going our Google form either by clicking the following link or copy and pasting the it in your browser <https://goo.gl/forms/my7Hh4B2lpjhfeX52>

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Office for Temporalities

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Bishops Annual Report

The link for the Bishops Annual Report **is not** yet ready. Please be patient as we work on some final adjustments to the report with our programmer. Please keep in mind that the report is not due until August 31st, 2017.

REMINDER: Construction Season

Just a reminder that all of the needed forms for your building projects are located on the Diocesan website under Offices and Ministries - [Buildings and Grounds](#). All projects over \$5,000 need a standard contract review. Do not sign contracts until properly reviewed and you have received the letter of approval from our office. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Haverland at 608-791-2692 or khaverland@diolc.org.

School Asbestos Federal Compliance Information

Asbestos federal compliance is required for all public, non-profit, charter and schools affiliated with religious institutions. Each active school is federally required to have a 3-year

inspection to identify asbestos-containing material. These schools include parish schools, unified school systems, early childhood programs, daycares, Head Start programs, or charter/academy schools. This includes parishes leasing their facility out to any of the above mentioned school programs.

With the assistance of a diocesan environmental consultant, each active school program is federally required to prepare management plans and to take action to prevent or reduce asbestos hazards. Each school is to have a Designated Asbestos Person or Designated Asbestos Coordinator as the lead contact for asbestos coordination, management plans and inspections.

Please contact the Office of Diocesan Buildings and Grounds if any of the following situations apply to the unified school system or parish school:

The school or childcare program is closed and needs to be removed from the asbestos inspection schedule.

If you are not sure if the school or parish operation is required to have a federal asbestos inspection.

IMPORTANT: Annual asbestos billing for the 2017-2018 fiscal year will be on the August statements. Please update the Diocesan Buildings and Grounds office with any school openings or closings that may have occurred since your last asbestos billing.

If you have any further questions regarding asbestos federal compliance for your facility, please contact Kathy Haverland at 608-791-2692.

Updates from St. Ambrose Financial Services

1095 Form - Billing Statement Item

The amount of the charge is a pass through expense that the provider assessed for the 1095 Form for the **2016** tax year. The tax form is required as part of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, to ensure compliance with the regulation. The prior charge assessed in December 2016 was for the **2015** tax year.

Check Requests

- Requests for funds from deposit accounts should be sent via email to dherricks@stambrosefinancialservices.com. Please include your pastor on the email as you and he both will receive a response.
- Unless a holiday, check requests will be processed on Wednesdays. In order to process all requests efficiently and on time, the check request is to be submitted by end of day Tuesday.

Interest Rates - Effective 3rd Quarter 2017

- **Deposits**
 - Increasing 25 basis points from 0.75% to 1.00%
- **Fixed Rate Loans**
 - Increasing 25 basis points from 1.50% to 1.75%
- **Lines of Credit**

- Increasing 25 basis points from 3.50% to 3.75%

New Rates for Priest Healthcare as of 7/1/17

There has been an increase of 5% for the healthcare insurance rates for the Priest Plan. There will be no increase on the dental rates. The new rate is \$1,357.00. Medicare rates will remain the same with no increase.

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Office for Vocations

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PRIESTS FOR TOMORROW – July 30, 2017

Bishop William Patrick Callahan requests your presence to celebrate Priests for Tomorrow -- Supporting the education of seminarians for the Diocese of La Crosse.

Keynote Speaker - Rev. Msgr. Jeffrey Burrill, Associate General Secretary of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Priest of the Diocese of La Crosse

2017 Spirit of Light Honorees Gary and Elizabeth Peckham.

SUNDAY, July 30, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. The Cargill Room at the Waterfront Restaurant 328 South Front Street | La Crosse, Wisconsin Cocktails from 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. | Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Music by Admiral String Quartet.

For ticket information, please contact Renee' Orth, Diocese of La Crosse Office of Vocations, 3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse, WI 54602 (rorth@diolc.org) 608-791-2667.

MARSHFIELD VOCATIONS GUILD DINNER – August 8, 2017

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH, 510 S. Columbus Ave, Marshfield, WI

Mass at 5:30, Social at 6:00, Dinner at 6:30, presentation by Fr. Wierzba at 7:15

Help us to thank God for the priests who have come from our community (most recently Father Chris Krall, Father Matthew Marshall and Father Aaron Becker) as well as to financially support the formation of our future priests.

Did you know that it costs over a million dollars each year to educate and form our seminarians to be our future priests? God has blessed the La Crosse Diocese with 29 seminarians. The Marshfield Deanery would like to kick off the formation of a Diocesan-wide Seminarian Support Guild with our prayers and financial support. The Catholic priests in Marshfield have set the goal of having 20 families or groups provide an annual gift of \$1,000 for five years to help our seminarians prepare for the priesthood.

The seminarians have answered the call to serve the Lord; please consider helping them, so our children and grandchildren will have priests.

Tickets are \$25 each. Please RSVP to Diocese of La Crosse Office of Vocations, 3710 East Avenue South | La Crosse, WI 54602-4004 – or contact Renee Orth (rorth@diolc.org) 608-791-2667

REMINDER: July 14-16 – THRESHOLD RETREAT. Three days of prayer, conversation, and reflections on the priesthood – as well as plenty of recreation. This is geared towards young men aged 17-20.

REMINDER: Come, Follow Days for Girls ages 9-13 at Mater Redemptoris House of Formation - July 18-19, 2017 - Are you interested in learning more about prayer and religious life, not to mention hanging out with fun Sisters and playing games? - To register and for more information go to www.materredemptoris.org. -Registration closes on July 1st or when capacity is reached.

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