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Officials

No officials this week.



Events

As of Aug. 29

Monday, September 4
12:00am Labor Day - Curia Offices Closed
Saturday, September 9
9:00am LifeTeen "Empower" Event - La Crosse
Thursday, September 14
Rural Life Day
10:00am Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 20
7:00pm Mass in honor of Saint Padre Pio celebrated by the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan
Friday, September 22
Helping the Digital Natives Communicate Kindly
Sunday, September 24
7:00am Annual Appeal Kickoff Weekend 1 - Sept 23-24
10:00am Day at the Diocese for Youth
Monday, September 25
Helping the Digital Natives Communicate Kindly
Friday, September 29
Science and Faith Conference
Sunday, October 1
Respect Life Sunday
Wednesday, October 4
Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi, secondary patron of the Diocese
Friday, October 6
6:00pm Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Independence - Oct 6-7

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BULLETIN INSERT for the weekend of Sept. 10. [Click here](#)

The Fifth Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima provides the conversation between Lucia and Our Blessed Mother that took place on September 13, 1917.

Bible Studies and Small Group Resources [click here](#)

Joining with other Catholics for study, reflection and prayer are exceedingly helpful for participants' spiritual journeys. Please check out the list of excellent resources by clicking on the link. Many of the materials are available for free rental.

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Bulletin Announcement:

Connect with your Parish like never before!

Get parish and diocesan messages, daily readings, Catholic news and more by downloading the free myParish app today! Text “app” to “88202” to download the myParish App on your mobile device. You can also find it on iTunes or Google Play stores by searching for myParishApp.

Communications Workshop Oct. 24 or 26

Join us and Diocesan Publications for a hands-on workshop providing practical ways to improve communication and inspire your parishioners. We will discuss the specific roles that a bulletin, social media, messaging, and a website play and how you can easily improve them right away. [Click here](#) or click below to register for the St. Paul Parish workshop in Mosinee or the Sts. Peter and Paul Parish workshop in Independence!

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Teaching the Way of Love (TWL) Newsletter for September

Click [here](#) to download a PDF file of the TWL newsletter. This year's TWL series will focus on the Ten Commandments and practical ways to live them within the family.

Thank you for widely distributing the newsletter to parents through your schools, RE program and your parish bulletin/website. The newsletters are published from September through June. For past copies, click [here](#).

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Office for Pontifical Ceremonies

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Fall Confirmations will begin in September. Pastors of parishes hosting Confirmations are kindly asked to watch their email inbox for detailed information beginning in August. Any questions in regards to the liturgical celebration can be directed to the Diocesan Office of Pontifical Ceremonies. Questions about the Confirmation *schedule* should be directed to Debbie Brannon in the Office of the Diocesan Bishop – dbrannon@diolc.org.

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons with Disabilities

The USCCB recently revised its *Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons with Disabilities*. The document is a revision of an earlier version, last updated in 1995. These new *Guidelines* take into account medical and technological innovations of recent years, and emphasize the importance of the inclusion of all members of parishes. While not legislative in nature, the *Guidelines* will be a helpful resource for dioceses and parishes. Full text is available [here](#).

Liturgical Calendar Dates

September 27 (Wednesday): Parish celebrations of Rural Life Day, day of thanksgiving for blessings received. Prayer texts from *The Mass for Various Needs and Occasions: After the Harvest* (n.28) can be used with Preface V of the Sundays in Ordinary Time. The readings may be taken from *After the Harvest* in the Lectionary (n.20), numbers 917-921. The *Gloria* also ought to be said.

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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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FOR YOUR BULLETIN – Sept. 3

Help people devastated by the flooding of Hurricane Harvey. Donate through Catholic Charities online or by mail. Visit: <http://cclse.org/donatecc/> for instructions.

FOR YOUR BULLETIN – Sept. 3, 10

Rural Life Day - Thursday, Sept. 14: The Diocese of La Crosse will hold the 37th annual Rural Life Day hosted by St. Florian Parish in Hatley of the Wausau Deanery. This event will be held on the farm of Mike & Sue Fischer. The day begins with 10:00am Mass celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop William Patrick Callahan, and is followed by awards, recognitions, a blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by the women of the parish. The Fischer farm is at 1731 Esker Rd, Hatley, WI 54440. For more information, contact Dan Kitzhaber, Rural Life Committee Liaison, yministry@frontier.com, or via phone: 715-384-3252x6.

REMINDER: FOR YOUR BULLETIN from Sept. 3 - Oct. 8

Oct. 12, 2017 – “What If We’ve Been Wrong?” – The untold story of America’s ‘abortion king,’ Dr. Bernard Nathanson, and one woman’s mission to share his pro-life conversion. Terry Beatley, founder and president of the Hosea Initiative and author of “What If We’ve Been Wrong?”, was sent on a powerful mission by Dr. Nathanson as he lay dying of cancer. Terry will speak at the annual diocesan Gospel of Life Celebration on Thursday, Oct. 12 at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Callahan at 6:00 pm, with the talk at 7:00 pm. Location: 712 Market Street, Marathon. Free and open to the public.

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Reminder – Bishop’s Annual Reports are coming due

Just a reminder of the due date that is approaching for the Bishop’s Annual Reports. All annual reports are due by this Thursday August 31, 2017.

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Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Upcoming Event dates:

Fall Clergy Conference October 9-10, 2017
Priest Retreat April 9-13, 2018
Priest Unity Days June 28-30, 2018
Deacon’s Afternoon with the Bishop August 11, 2018

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Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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LifeTeen Empower Event for Youth Ministers

This will be held Saturday, September 9 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center in La Crosse. Visit this webpage to register: <http://lifeteen.com/events/empower/>

Day at the Diocese for Youth

This will be a great way to kick off the new school year, and reunite with friends made at the various summer events. This is for youth in grades 8-12 and the cost is just \$10. We are excited that DJ Bill Lage and other special guests will be with us!

NET Team

There are still dates open for the NET Team: September 23, 28, and 29.

“Catholic Young Adults of Central Wisconsin – You Are invited!”

September 6th Portage County Catholic Young Adults “Franciscan Moment” presentation at Sky Club, 2202 Post Rd, Plover WI. The social starts at 6:30.

“Why is this a ‘Franciscan Moment’? Sister Louise Hembrecht, OSF and Father Placid Stroik, OFM will reflect on *your* questions from a Franciscan perspective.

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