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### Officials

No officials this week.



### Events

As of July 30

**Sunday, August 4**

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

**Thursday, August 8**

5:00pm GIVEN Marriage Retreat - Menomonie

**Friday, August 9**

Witnesses for Christ Conference - La Crosse - Aug. 9 - 10

**Saturday, August 10**

11:00am Bishop, Deacons and Wives Afternoon Mass and Dinner - La Crosse

**Friday, August 23**

Leader of Prayer Training Session 3 - La Crosse - Aug. 23 - 24

**Saturday, August 24**

4:00pm Leader of Prayer Commissioning Mass - La Crosse

**Sunday, August 25**

3:00pm 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Callahan as celebrant - Altoona

**Friday, September 6**

Deacon and Lay Formation - Marathon - Sept. 6 - 7

**Saturday, September 7**

10:00am Diocesan Hispanic Pilgrimage - La Crosse

**Sunday, September 8**

2:00pm 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Callahan as celebrant - Plover

**Friday, September 13**

10:00am Rural Life Day - Bishop's Mass on the Farm - Pittsville

**Sunday, September 15**

Catechetical Sunday

**Friday, September 20**

Deacon Formation Couple's Retreat - Marathon - Sept. 20 - 22

**Saturday, September 21**

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

**Saturday, September 28**

12:00am Annual Appeal Kickoff Weekend 1

**Sunday, September 29**

Annual Appeal Kickoff Weekend 1

To get your parish events listed on the diocesan calendar, [diolc.org/calendar](http://diolc.org/calendar), and in *Catholic Life* magazine, please send an email to [datebook@diolc.org](mailto: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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**Conference for Cemetery Personnel.** Save the date for a Cemetery Conference on Wednesday, October 23, 2019, at Holy Cross Diocesan Center in La Crosse. More details, including registration, will be sent in the coming weeks.

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## Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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### **Bulletin insert for the Weekend of August 11<sup>th</sup>** [click here](#)

The Human Person – God’s Masterpiece addresses three questions. The answers to these questions affect the way that we think about ourselves and every person we meet.

### **Planning for the Fall**

It is highly recommended that a schedule for your parish Faith Formation Program be set up to include roughly 30 sessions during the academic year. Youth “must be ensured a catechesis attuned to them, so that they will be able to grow in faith and live by it more and more, in spite of the lack of support or even the opposition they meet in their surroundings.” (*On Catechesis in Our Time*, n. 42) 30 sessions allow time to complete the textbook, receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation possibly during Advent and Lent, pray the Stations of the Cross, and allow for a few cancelled sessions due to inclement weather.

### **Formation of Adults**

“... One of the constant concerns whose urgency is confirmed by present day experience throughout the world is the catechesis of adults. This is the principal form of catechesis because it is addressed to persons who have the greatest responsibilities and the capacity to live the Christian message in its fully developed form.” (CT 43)

**Best Practices** for parent formation includes the following: Prepare a simple meal for families, such as spaghetti and a salad. After the meal, provide a dynamic presenter for the parents about a topic that interests them, while the children receive Faith Formation. This setting allows families to eat together, strengthens the faith of parents as they receive ongoing formation and builds community among parishioners. Start with 2 or 3 sessions the first year and move to monthly sessions in the second year. The initiative needs to be required; the free meal provides another compelling reason to attend.

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## Office for Communications

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### **Co-Hosting your parish events on Facebook:**

Want to increase the exposure for your parish events? If you have not already done so, please create a public event listing on your parish Facebook. [Here are the instructions.](#) To get more exposure for your event, setup co-hosting with your neighboring parishes and the

diocesan Facebook @diolc. Co-hosting is similar to sharing your neighboring parish events in each other's bulletins. You can learn more in the [Social Media Resource](#) guide.

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## Office for Marriage & Family Life

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**For your parish bulletin:**

### **Watch the movie *Unprotected***

Sexting pressure. The Hook-up culture. Teenage depression. How did the culture become so toxic for women? And how did one man foresee this all so clearly 50 years ago? This powerful new film reveals the devastating effects of 50 years of the sexual revolution, and the counter-cultural movement today that is rising from its ashes.

**Reminder: For your parish bulletin:**

### **Men of the Cross Conference**

This year's theme is "*The Father's Way.*" A special rate is being offered for Father-Son attendees. The conference is held in La Crosse on Saturday, October 26, and sure to engage men of all ages. For more details and to register, go to [menofthecross.org](http://menofthecross.org).

The 2019 **Men of the Cross** conference posters are now complete and can be downloaded [here](#).

**For your parish bulletin:**

### **Care for caregivers**

In partnership with Shalom World TV, Nourish for Caregivers is excited to announce the release of its new 12-episode faith-based TV series, Be Nourished! [shalomworldtv.org/benourished](http://shalomworldtv.org/benourished). Nourish is a Christ-Centered Ministry that supports the

practical, emotional and spiritual needs of family caregivers. Often caregivers feel alone and isolated; and, Be Nourished has proven effective at addressing this challenge.

**For your parish bulletin:**

**Is your marriage drifting apart?** Retrouvaille is designed to give you the tools you need to restore joy and hope to your marriage. The next program in Central Wisconsin is held August 9-11, 2019 at St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon. *"We Needed to Refresh Our Marriage ...It was wonderful."* See more comments from program participants at [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org). For more information, call **1-877-922-HOPE (4673)** Fully Confidential.

Get your bulletin announcement [here](#). The flier to distribute can be downloaded [here](#).

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/705299779903257/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

**For your parish bulletin:**

**GIVEN Couple Retreat in Menomonie – Aug. 8**

GIVEN is a short, powerful retreat for couples who are married, dating, or engaged. It is an opportunity to share, learn and celebrate marriage with other couples through engaging talks, lively music, adoration, prayer and reconciliation. This popular new format has been well received and will be held at St. Joseph Parish in Menomonie on Thursday, August 8, from 5-10pm. For more information and to register contact Pam Sirinek [pam.sirinek@menomoniecatholic.org](mailto:pam.sirinek@menomoniecatholic.org) | 715-232-4920

Access the poster [here](#) or visit: [diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/](http://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/)

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/488421125296751/>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

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## Office for Ministries

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**New Lay Formation Institute (LFI) class starts in the fall**

**Registration is underway**

Study the Faith more deeply and follow Christ more closely in an enthusiastic community of learners! Enroll in the next two-year Lay Formation Institute cycle that begins this fall. For complete information, schedule and application form, visit [diolc.org/lay-formation](http://diolc.org/lay-formation). Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [ministries@diolc.org](mailto:ministries@diolc.org) or call 608-791-0161.

**Reminder: For Your Parish Bulletin:**

**New Class of the Diocesan School of Biblical Studies to Begin This Fall**

The Diocesan School of Biblical Studies is welcoming registrations for a new four-year class to begin in fall 2019. The program joins the best of contemporary Catholic biblical learning with a desire for spiritual growth in the Church. With teaching locations in La Crosse and Wausau, the School holds classes one Saturday a month for nine months each year. Catechists, schoolteachers, permanent deacons, parish Bible study leaders, and regular bible readers looking for something “beyond the basics” will profit from the program. A description of the full course of study can be found at the school’s website [diocesanschoolofbiblicalstudies.weebly.com/](http://diocesanschoolofbiblicalstudies.weebly.com/) or by contacting Fr. Mark Pierce at St. Michael’s Parish in Wausau at (715) 842-4283 or [frmarkpierce@gmail.com](mailto:frmarkpierce@gmail.com) .

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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, employee, 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](mailto:kbecker@cclse.org). The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: [diolc.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org).

ParishSoft is a database that is used daily by the diocesan curia. I'm asking each parish to verify that the name of the Safe Environment Contact for their parish is in the staff listing of ParishSoft and assigned the Safe Environment Contact position. Even if the DRE/CRE or Parish Secretary does the Safe Environment work, they should have the Safe Environment Contact position label behind their name. A person can be assigned multiple positions within their Parish. I will be sending out many important and informational emails in the next few weeks to names in this database, and I'd like to ensure that every parish contact receives the information.

### **Summer training dates:**

Below are the dates that annual Summer Safe Environment training will be held. Check next week's bulletin for more Parish locations. This is open to all CRE/DRE's, Parish Secretaries, Safe Environment Coordinators and Pastors.

Agenda: The Safe Environment program and the New Green Book.

August 19- Marshfield Columbus in the am

August 19- Marshfield St. John the Baptist at 6:00 pm

August 21 –Stevens Point Pacelli at 8:30 am

August 21- Wisconsin Rapids Assumption at 3:00 pm

August 21 – Wisconsin Rapids area (parish to be determined) at 6:00 pm

August 26 – La Crosse Aquinas- at St. Patrick's Parish at 9:15 am

August 26 – La Crosse Diocesan Center at 6:00 pm

August 27- Wausau Newman in the am

August 27- Wausau St. Matthew Parish at 6:00 pm

August 28 – Eau Claire Regis at 8:00 am

August 28 – Eau Claire area (parish to be determined) at 6:00 pm

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## Office for Social Concerns

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### Reminder: Learn about the Farm Crisis

Wisconsin lost almost 700 dairy farms in 2018, an unprecedented rate of nearly two a day. Most were small operations unable to survive farm milk prices that, adjusted for inflation, were among the lowest in half a century. To learn more and to understand how you can be a support to struggling farmers, visit [diolc.org/farm-crisis](http://diolc.org/farm-crisis).

### Reminder – For Your Parish Bulletin:

#### Join Father Tom Lindner on Pilgrimage to Guatemala for the Dec. 7 Beatification of Brother James Miller

James Miller was born into a family of farmers near Stevens Point on September 21, 1944, attended Pacelli High School, and joined the De La Salle Christian Brothers in 1959. He served as a missionary in Nicaragua and then Guatemala, where he was shot and killed by 3 hooded men on Feb. 13, 1982, during Guatemala's civil war. Pope Francis decreed that he died a martyr for the Faith and has set his beatification for Dec. 7, 2019 in Huehuetenango, Guatemala. For details on this extraordinary pilgrimage with Father Tom Lindner, visit <https://www.ctscentral.net/trips/guatemala/beatification-pilgrimage-to-guatemala/>.

### US Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Combatting Racism

During their November 2018 General Assembly, the US Bishops approved a Pastoral Letter addressing the evil of racism. Entitled "Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love," it asks us to recall that we are all brothers and sisters, all equally made in the image of God. The letter and many accompanying pastoral resources are posted at [usccb.org/racism](http://usccb.org/racism). Resources include a bulletin insert, homily help, prayer materials, background information on systemic racism, and activities for primary, secondary, and higher education classroom settings.

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In order to clarify any confusion, please use this 2019-2020 Priests' Salary Schedule <https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Priests-Salary-Schedule-2019-2020.pdf>. Please keep in mind that the monthly compensation includes the additional Schedule SE



amount added last July 1. It is no longer a flat \$150.00, but includes the 2.0% cost of living adjustment. Payroll centers should not be adding Self-Employment Tax to priest salaries. Please note, that priest wages and auto and food allowances are subject only to Federal and State income taxation, not FICA contributions.

Travelers Boiler RE will do the three-year certification boiler inspection for the State of Wisconsin at no charge for our facilities. Please contact Kathy Haverland in Diocesan Buildings and Grounds for our representative contact information. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Many parishes have started to plan their festivals. [Click here](#) to review the safety and insurance guidelines which are designed to assist festival committees in the planning and management of festivals.

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## Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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### NET Retreats

It is time to start signing up for NET Retreats as dates will fill up fast. The NET Team will be in our diocese December 6-15, 2019. Please contact our office to schedule a date.

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