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Officials

No officials this week.



Events

All events have been canceled until further notice. Please promote the [TV Mass](#) as you can using your parish website and social media.

The Cathedral Live Stream Schedule is available at diolc.org/live

Live Palm Sunday with Bishop Callahan – 9:30 a.m.
Live Holy Thursday with Bishop Callahan – 5:00 p.m.
Live Good Friday with Bishop Callahan – Noon
Live Holy Saturday with Bishop Callahan – 7:00 p.m.
Live Easter Sunday with Bishop Callahan – 9:30 a.m.

Live Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday) from the Cathedral
Mass in English – 8 a.m.
Mass in Spanish – 8:30 a.m.

Please note that live and prerecorded Sunday Mass is available via diolc.org, the diocesan [YouTube channel](#), [Facebook](#), and televised on the following channels:

***Please note that the prerecorded Mass for this week was recorded before the present COVID-19 guidelines.**

Eau Claire, Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.
La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.
Marshfield (Public Access), Channel 989, at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Sunday.
Stevens Point (Public Access), Channel 984 at Noon and 5:30 p.m. Saturday.
Wausau, (Cable and Satellite), Channel 12 at 6:30 a.m. Sunday.
Wausau (Public Access), Channel 980, at 6:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday.
Wisconsin Rapids (Public Access), Channel 985 and Channel 3 at 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 pm. Sunday.

diolc.org/tvmass

We have a Spiritual Communion prayer available for posting and sharing. It can be found at diolc.org/spiritual-communion

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Bulletin insert for your parish bulletin [click here](#)

One Step at a Time is the second in a series of bulletin inserts regarding “How God Guides Us.” Go to diolc.org/insert for two, modern-day true stories on how God guides us.

Announcement for your electronic Parish Bulletin

One Step at a Time is the second in a series of bulletin inserts regarding “How God Guides Us.” Go to diolc.org/insert to download this one-page sheet.

For your parish bulletin

All of us have been facing an abrupt change of lifestyle due to the COVID-19 outbreak. This unprecedented situation has caused a tremendous amount of anxiety. Of course we must take care of ourselves, our families and others we are called to serve with proper food, hydration and sleep. In addition, and just as important, we need to turn to God in prayer. To download a simple Prayer Card for parents and children, go to diolc.org/prayer. For individuals or empty nesters, go to diolc.org/deeper.

Preparation for Confirmation diolc.org/catechesis/sacramental-prep/confirmation/

Confirmations and First Communions have been postponed until the health crisis has passed. At that time instructions will be provided for scheduling of your particular group. In the meantime,

please invite your students to watch a teaching on the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit presented online by Msgr. Joseph Hirsch. It is an hour and ten minutes, so it can be divided into parts. A ZOOM video conferencing session could be arranged for discussion.

[ZOOM](#) is a video conferencing service that allows you to conduct an online meeting with your students or parents, There are several plans ranging from free for meetings up to 40 minutes, or \$15 per month for unlimited use. Go to [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us), to learn more.

Another option is an online free series on the Holy Spirit, presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka. Click here: <https://thewildgooseisloose.com/series-segments>. Fr. Pivonka has led Steubenville Youth Conferences for many years. Assign a 30-minute segment for Confirmation preparation and follow it up with an online ZOOM discussion.

Seal the Doorposts [click here](#)

The Marian Fathers at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy are encouraging families to seal their Doorposts with the Divine Mercy Image. This image of Jesus contains the words, “Jesus, I trust in You.” A four-minute [video](#) explains this call to “Seal the Doorposts!”

Excellent Catholic Magazine available online [click here](#)

The Catechetical Review is granting free online access to anyone until April 30th. The theme of this Spring’s issue is “Rediscovering Meaningful Leisure.” This issue was planned a year ago, but how fitting for these difficult times when we are forced to stay at home. Leisure is not about “playtime.” Many of us are taking “spiritual inventory,” reprioritizing our lives, and realizing just how much of our regular “busy-ness” we can do without.

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The April issue of Catholic Life magazine will be delivered to your parishioners around April 9. The electronic version has been posted to catholiclife.diolc.org.

Easter resources can be found at diolc.org/media-resources

If you parish has a daily or Sunday live stream and would like to get it included on diolc.org/parishes, let us know. Thank you to all who are providing this valuable ministry in this time of separation.

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For Your Parish Digital Communication:

New Webpage COVID At Home Resources: A new webpage has been created to provide a wealth of resources for families during this time of quarantine: diolc.org/marriage/at-home-family-faith-building-resources/ A specific resource is being created with activities & ideas for families to celebrate Holy Week at home.

For Your Parish Digital Communication:

Free Online Couple Retreat: Together with your spouse, watch these 4 short videos about the virtues that help us keep sanity in our life: Prudence, Justice, Courage, and Temperance. These habits help you mature as persons, grow in holiness, and strengthen your marriage. To access this free program, click this link. the-virtues.net/online-free-program/

TWL Parent Newsletter for April

The TWL parent newsletter for April is ready for distribution. Go to twl4parents.com/twl-newsletter/ to access this month's issue which focuses on Teaching Community during the COVID-19 Pandemic with your children.

For Parish Digital Communication:

Five week free trial of Online Theology of the Body program: Spend some family time together with your teens learning how you are “Called to be More” with this [five week trial](#) of the Ruah Woods Press [Theology of the Body curriculum](#).

Reminder: For Parish Leaders:

Tell the stories in your church – Invite your families to visit and spend some time in church. Provide a “self-guided tour brochure” to help them identify saints, images and uncover the sometimes hidden meanings of the art & architecture in your parish church.

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Office for Ministries

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Lay and Deacon Formation adapting for COVID-19

St. Anthony's Spirituality Center has closed until at least mid-April, so instruction is going online. All students have been notified and instructors are preparing video lectures and emailing handouts.

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Office for Missions

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Update: Mission Co-op Program Summer 2020: A few assignments are yet to go out, but the majority have made it to the desks of pastors and missionaries. The uncertainties caused by the novel coronavirus pandemic and each nation's response may affect the mission appeals. If the suspension of the public celebration of parish Mass remains in place longer than expected, we will issue new instructions. Any federal or state guidelines limiting international or domestic travel still in effect as the summer arrives, must also be followed. In the meantime, please continue to schedule the appeals in your parishes. Most of the missionaries we welcome have priests either working in our diocese or have representatives already living and working in the United States. If missionaries traveling from abroad are unable to enter the country, we will offer further suggestions as the summer nears. Once again, thank you for all you are doing to support the faith of your parishioners and share concern for the Church's worldwide mission. I am certain that the missionaries we support are also affected by the novel coronavirus, which increases their dependence on our prayers and support.

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Office for Sacred Worship

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Celebrating Holy Week Liturgies without a Congregation

The Holy See has issued general guidelines for the celebrations of Holy Week and the Triduum amidst the COVID-19 pandemic ([March 19](#) and [March 25](#)). More specific guidelines will be sent from the Office for Sacred Worship directly to pastors to help them celebrate as fittingly as possible Palm Sunday, the Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil with no or minimal participation by the faithful.

Virtual Parish Mission for Holy Week and Easter

Most of the faithful will likely be unable to participate in the Holy Week and Triduum liturgies this year because of the restrictions resulting from the coronavirus outbreak. However, the good news is that these sacred events will still be celebrated locally and around the world. Jesus and his Paschal Mystery will be in our midst, and his saving grace will be available to us.

To help the faithful share in this grace, every day from **Monday, March 30** through **Thursday, April 2**, Christopher Carstens will offer a **Virtual Parish Mission** that uncovers Easter's powerful mysteries. We will travel with Christ from Ash Wednesday through Palm Sunday and look especially at the Triduum's Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday liturgy, and Easter Vigil. In the course of this journey through the highpoint of the Church's sacred year, we will also consider what divine life in God looks like during the Easter season to Pentecost—and beyond.

Participants can join the mission live stream beginning at 2 p.m. Central Standard Time on each of these days (March 30—April 2) at [facebook.com/AdoremusSociety](https://www.facebook.com/AdoremusSociety), or watch on-demand. See the same link for more complete information.

[Novena to St. Roch – from Catholic Life](#)

[Spiritual Communion](#)

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UDIOCESE 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 (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. **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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For Your Parish Bulletin:

COVID-19 Prayer and Action – News & Ideas

How can we grow in love of God and neighbor during this pandemic? How can we stay united at this time of social distancing? Visit diolc.org/social-concerns for continually updated news and practical suggestions on how you can make a difference. Among other things, you will be inspired to read what [Catholic Charities](#) is doing and how you can help them.

For Your Parish Bulletin:

Make Your Voices Heard: Abortion is NOT “Essential Health Care”

Governor Tony Evers and several other governors around the U.S. have deemed abortion to be part of “essential health care” that should remain open while other elective procedures are shut down to allow the medical community to focus on COVID-19. The U.S. Bishops’ Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities is circulating a statement signed by 30,000 pro-life physicians calling for an end to this tragic absurdity. To sign a petition calling for Governor Tony Evers to shut down abortion during the COVID-19 pandemic, visit diolc.org/social-concerns.

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

We are in an election year, making it that much more important to form our consciences in light of Catholic teaching and principles. For initial resources on this topic, visit wisconsinatholic.org/faithful-citizenship.

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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Relationships are hard work! Communicating and staying connected is vital; balancing the spiritual, physical, and mental well-being of all aspects of the Church. Thanks to all who are communicating relatable content to your parishioners. This content does not need to be original, though wherever possible, that is better, it just needs to connect. If you are unsure how to begin, contact the staff in the Curial offices who are happy to help you use the many channels of communications available today.

If we do not stay connected, they – we will be lost. To assist you in your communications, we are gathering and centralizing a repository of strategies, tips, and sources for your parish communications. This page is to aid you, the parish, and parishioner to connect and deepen your relationship with each other in the end bring each of closer to the Lord.

You can find this repository at diolc.org/media-resources. Check back frequently as we will continuously be updating. If you can't find something you were looking for or if you have an idea that you saw, please share it with us.

Update: Electronic Giving at diolc.org/parishes: We have implemented the electronic offertory processing for parishes. People are using it. Any parish that did not have an e-giving option was provided a link to the online form so that they could share it with whomever and however they liked. Only about 20% of our parishes had electronic giving processing on their websites. Within three days of coordinated effort, team members from the Offices of Temporalities, Stewardship, and Development, and Communications were able to generate forms and web pages to facilitate online-giving.

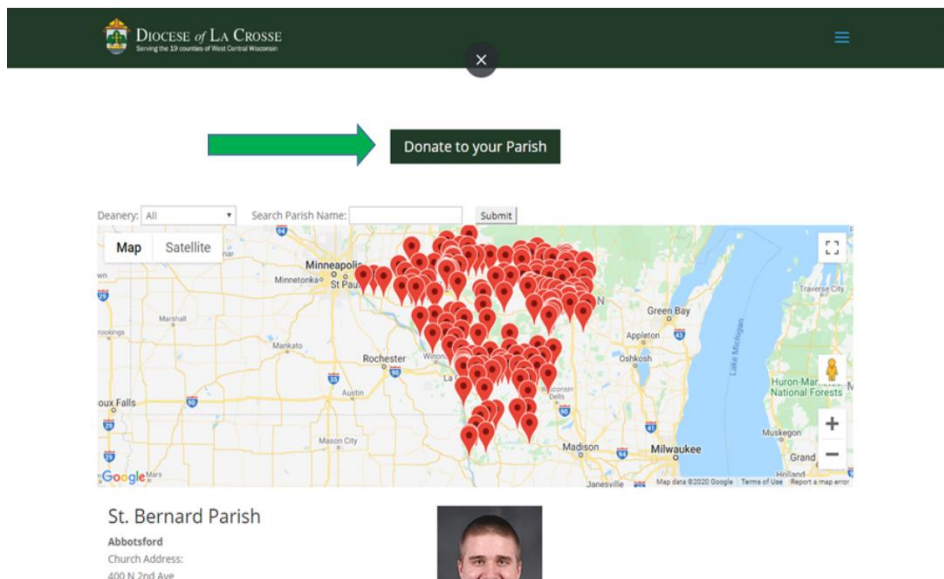
I have received a handful of questions regarding these forms

- **Does this replace my EFT or ACH's already in place at the parish?** No! This online giving process is a complementary channel for people to support your parish.
- **Why did we choose Blackbaud Merchant Services?** Blackbaud Merchant Services (BBMS) is the processor we use for the Diocesan Annual Appeal and many of the events that are hosted or facilitated by Curial offices. We were able to set the parishes up with in-house staff, which lowered the implementation cost and increased the speed of deployment.
- **What and why are fees being netted out from our distribution?** The fees are the cost BBMS charges to process and verify the credit and debits cards, and ACH accounts have balances and are legitimate accounts. BBMS, like any other card processor, keeps their fees right off the top. These fees are the same type of fees any other organization that accepts card payments, like Wal-Mart, Amazon, Festival, or Kwik Trip. Therefore, when we get a deposit into our bank account, from BBMS, it is net of the cost of processing. We send 100% of the funds we received to the parish. One of the benefits of using BBMS is our integrations with their updater service. When a recurring payment is processed, we no longer do we have to call the cardholder when a card rejects and wait for the new information. This service will automatically update most of the debit and credit cards and other banking information. There are a few exceptions, but it eliminates most of the past missed contributions because of lost, stolen, or expired cards. So while this net loss of 3% is not ideal, 97% of something is better than 100% of nothing.
- **I have older parishioners, and they are not online, or they are going to use online giving.** That is a myth! It is by far the biggest misconception of online use. Myth #1 when it comes to using an online presence, and The 65+ and older group is one of the biggest consumers of online screen time. It is the biggest age group and still growing on Facebook. What is most sad about this commentary, it assumes older individuals to be witless, infantile, and unable to learn. Yes, there will be some who are going to be confused, but that does not mean they cannot learn or comprehend. Someone calling in for help should be viewed as an opportunity to deepen the relationship with the parish and check on their well-being. Remember, relationships are hard; they are hard because we are reluctant to have productive and meaningful conversations.

- "I manage the books for three parishes. I got a link for St. Mary's; when will I get a link to St. Joseph's. All parishes that we did not find an online giving process on their website should now have their link. If parish B did not get a link, it might be that parish already had an online giving process on their website. We defaulted to the parishes' in place process wherever possible. Also, check your SPAM; some filters may have caught the email. If you know you do not have online giving and you have not heard from us, then please contact us ASAP. We will resend the link or provide you the link we found.

Update: We have added links on the diocesan parish search page diolc.org/parishes, one of the most visited pages. We have a form that lists all 159 parishes so any diocesan page visitor can support any of our parishes or where applicable watch a Mass online.

As people scroll down to a specific parish we have added links to view the parish's Mass as available. Donation links will take the person to the parish's electronic giving page or to the new electronic giving page. You can see these new buttons in the following three images.




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St. Mary Parish
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 1812 Lynn Ave, Allouez, WI 54720
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 1812 Lynn Ave
 Allouez, WI 54720-1675
 715-855-1294
<http://www.stmarys-allouez.com>
 **Donate Online** **View Mass Online**
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 Very Rev. Derek
 Schenk
 Pastor



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 Associate Pastor

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 Serving the 10 counties of West Central Wisconsin

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 Website: <https://www.holyfam.com>
 **Donate Online** 



Physical Address: 223 Maple St, Arcadia, WI 54612
 Mailing Address: 223 Maple St Arcadia, WI 54612-1522



Eucharistic Adoration:

We must reiterate our mission every time we ask for people to invest with us, as it is the mission their funds are supporting. Remember the adage; without a mission, there is no money, and if there is no money, there is no mission.

Live Streaming Mass Times found at diolc.org/live

This past weekend we had more than 10,000 viewers through Facebook, and YouTube watching Bishop Callahan as he celebrated Mass live from the Cathedral on Sunday.

- Daily English Mass: 8:00 AM live from the Cathedral - diolc.org/live
- Daily Spanish Mass: 8:30 AM live from the Cathedral - diolc.org/live
- Sunday English Mass: 9:30 AM live from the Cathedral - diolc.org/live
- Sunday Spanish Mass 10:30 AM live from the Cathedral - diolc.org/live

We also have other diocesan parishes and other Catholic Mass times and sources available on our website at diolc.org/parishes.

TV Mass

Also, please be sure to list TV Mass on your parish communications. You can find the times and channels of your locality at diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/. Our TV Mass is one of our most significant and far-reaching ministries, with more than 7,900 households watching each weekend. TV Masses can also be found on our [Diocesan Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) sites as well.

If your parish does live streaming of Masses or prayer activity, e.g., the Rosary, Adoration, or Liturgy of the Hours, etc., please let us know so we can share by inviting others to participate.

Both the Live streaming and TV Mass are supported in part by the Diocesan Annual Appeal.

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Parish Education Seminar

Due to the recent developments with the COVID-19 pandemic, I will be postponing the upcoming Parish Education Seminar scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2020. When appropriate, a new date will be scheduled for the event.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance

The CARES Act passed Congress and was signed into law by President Trump late last week. One of the provisions within the Act provides “Pandemic Unemployment Assistance.”

Employees within the Catholic Schools who have been furloughed, temporarily laid-off, due to the COVID-19 may qualify for this assistance.

Please instruct your furloughed employees (due to the COVID-19 Pandemic) to apply for unemployment assistance by going to the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development webpage – the dwd.wisconsin.gov/uiben/apply/. The furloughed employee should click on the blue box “Apply for Benefits Here.”

The furloughed employee should state within the application that they are applying only for unemployment through the “Federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance legislation.” “Diocesan organizations do not participate in the State of Wisconsin Unemployment Insurance Program as it is exempt from the State's Unemployment Compensation Program because the employment is for a non-profit organization and each of its employees are an employee of a church. See Wis. Stats. §108.02(15)(h), and furthermore no unemployment benefits are provided through third party insurance nor are any employer sponsored benefits available for furloughed employees.”

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Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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Upcoming Webinars for Parish Leaders and Teams

Follow this [link](#) to see all of the upcoming webinars from various organizations that provide helpful information about effective ways of doing ministry during this time.

Resources to Minister from Home

Please see the link to the [document](#) regarding providing resources and support as you navigate your ministry through these challenging times. Please know that our office is always here to assist and support you.

Adventure Camp

Here are the dates for Adventure Camp this summer! We hope that you will bring a group and join us. This is for youth in grades 6-12. To register and get more details, please visit:

diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/

Week 1: June 21-26, 2020; **Week 2:** June 28-July 3, 2020; **Week 3:** July 19-24, 2020

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2278171182482792/> Please share this on your parish Facebook.

LifeTeen Catholic Youth Ministry Convention Scholarship

Over the last several years, through a generous grant, people from our diocese who work with young people have been able to attend this convention for free. There are a few more scholarships available for the convention that will be held June 7-10, 2020. If you have not attended this convention, or know of someone who has not attended this convention, please email Andrew Brueggen, our LifeTeen Area Coordinator at youthdir@stpatsonalaska.com.

Franciscan CORE University

Franciscan CORE is a five-day summer service camp offering education, experience, and reflection on Catholic Social Teaching themes and principles using a Franciscan lens. Each day will include prayer, intentional learning, interaction with leaders in the field, direct service, and time to process experiences. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

NET Retreats

The NET Team will be in our diocese October 29-November 10, 2020. More details are coming soon, however, if you would like to reserve a date, please contact our office ASAP as dates will fill up fast.

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