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Events

As of May 10

Friday, May 13

Walk for Virtues - Wild About Jesus - Eau Claire

LFI/Deacon Formation - La Crosse - May 13-14

Saturday, May 14

Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Menomonie

Tuesday, May 17

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Tuesday, May 24

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Sunday, May 29

Solemnity of the Ascension

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day - Curia Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 31

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Tuesday, June 7

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Friday, June 10

Crosswoods Family Camp - Mason - June 10-12

Monday, June 13

12:30pm 2nd Annual Vocations Golf Outing and Dinner - La Crosse

Tuesday, June 14

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Sunday, June 19

National Eucharistic Revival - June 19, 2022 - July 21, 2024

Tuesday, June 21

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Thursday, June 23

Priest Unity Days - La Crosse - June 23-24

Saturday, June 25

10:00am Ordination to the Priesthood - La Crosse

Sunday, June 26

Adventure Camp June 26-July 1, 2022

Tuesday, June 28

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Tuesday, July 5

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

Tuesday, July 12

11:00am Tune In Tuesday Recurring Zoom Meeting for all DREs, CREs & Youth Ministers

To get your parish events listed on the diocesan calendar, diolc.org/calendar, and in *Catholic Life* magazine, please send an email to 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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Office for Catechesis & Evangelization

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For your parish bulletin:

Hallow - The #1 Catholic prayer, meditation and sleep app in the world

Are you looking for some quiet and prayerful time with God? Do you need 5-minutes of prayer during the day with a Scripture passage read to you in a calm voice? Do you need something peaceful to help you fall asleep? There are choices, so find what works best for you. Hallow is simple, of high quality, intentionally designed and free. Visit hallow.com

For your parish bulletin:

Free Theology of the Body Institute Conference

Join the 2022 free online experience offered by the Theology of the Body Institute called **Revealed: Become What You Are** to be held May 13-15. Lineup of keynote speakers includes: Fr. Mike Schmitz, Dr. Christopher West, Jeff Cavins, Matt Fradd, Jason Evert, Jackie and Bobby Angel, Damon Owens, Bill Donaghy, etc.

Join in as several prominent Catholic voices share the good news of Pope St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body teachings as it applies to the most pressing issues in today's culture. Experience this live online event for free from May 13-15. Visit revealedexperience.com to register and learn more.

For your parish bulletin:

The month of May is dedicated to Our Blessed Mother Mary

It's common for parishes to have a daily recitation of the rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May - a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives.

Honoring Mary in your Home

May altars and crowning Mary are for each Catholic home. If you do not have a prayer corner in your home, consider setting up one, no matter how simple it is. The main point is that it's a place designated for God, and more specifically, for spending time with Him. Just as we need a proper atmosphere to sleep, we also need a proper atmosphere to pray.

Give Mary a special spot in your prayer corner in May. It can be a statue or picture or some representation of our Blessed Mother. Make it appealing and a real tribute to her beauty and virtue. Then, crown Mary with a crown made of flowers. We do this because Mary is our Mother – everyone's mother – and because she cares for all of us day-in-and-day-out without fail, interceding for us in even the tiniest matters. Gather your family and take 5 minutes to pray a decade of the rosary, (one Our Father and 10 Hail Mary's). Visit diolc.org/deeper to download a simple prayer card.

Catechetical Leader Information

Retreat for DREs, CREs, Youth Ministers, Catechists and Spouses - June 18

Take time after a busy year to “Be Still and Know” the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. (Psalm 46:10) Join us June 18, 2022, for a relaxing day to be with the Lord and rest in His presence, hear inspiring meditations, visit with fellow “workers in the vineyard” and enjoy the beauty of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Click here for more information and to register: diolc.org/catechesis/be-still-and-know-retreat

Ministry for Persons with Special Needs

For parishes and schools who are serving children, young people and adults with special needs, and specific resources would be helpful but funds are needed, please contact Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org. A simple grant can be submitted for limited funds that are available.

Planning for Next Year

If you are desiring to involve parents more in the formation of their children, check out the series “A Family of Faith” by Sophia Institute. It’s user-friendly and practical. A starting point could be for the catechetical leader to use ideas from the series for simple ways that parents can interact with their children in handing on the Faith. Visit sophiainstituteforteachers.org
A video on how three catechetical leaders are using this series in completely different ways, click here: diolc.org/catechesis/catechist-training-resources-for-teaching/certification (second video)

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This past Saturday, eleven men were ordained to the diaconate. Complete details are found at <https://catholiclife.diolc.org/2022/05/09/diaconate-ordination-2022>.

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Reminder: NFP Support Groups

In conjunction with Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, the Office for Family Life, through the NFP coordinator, would like to pilot a few NFP support meetings throughout the diocese. Please contact Christy Kitzhaber at ckitzhaber@diolc.org if you would like more information on this blossoming idea.

Reminder: Crosswoods Family Camp - June 10-12, 2022

This camp is for families wanting to deepen their faith in the great outdoors, together! Participants will experience Family in Faith Speakers, Adventures, Bonfires, Praise & Worship, Crafts, etc. The cost is \$280/family of 4, \$30 more/person to max of 6 (\$340). For more information, visit crosswoods.camp and select the "Family Camp" webpage for more information and how to register.

Reminder: Diocesan Website for Clergy and Marriage Ministers Regarding Marriage Preparation

Use this link: diolc.org/marriage/marriage-preparation/marriagepreparationfor-ministers/ to go directly to the section of our website containing resources for clergy and marriage ministers. There are step-by-step instructions, downloadable guidelines, downloadable forms and much more! Please let us know if we can assist you in this ministry.

Reminder: Process for Training FOCCUS Facilitators

The process for training FOCCUS Facilitators is as follows: each parish needs to contact FOCCUS directly to set up an account for your parish, if one has not already been set up, and then train your couples directly through FOCCUS. The contact person at FOCCUS is Max Allen. He is happy to work directly with your parish priest or contact person. His contact information is: email: mrallen@foccusinc.com or phone 402-827-3735 ext. 1317.

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Father Joseph Walijewski
Legacy Guild
Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II

Casa Hogar is looking for long-term volunteers to start in July 2022.

Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II orphanage in Lurin, Peru, a mission of the Diocese of La Crosse, is looking for volunteers 20 years of age and older for 3 to 12 month periods. Specifically, for volunteers who can start in July or August 2022.

Volunteers take on a variety of tasks which vary according to the duration of stay and the volunteer's interests and capabilities. Needs range from education or tutoring, psychology/counseling assistance, nurse assistance, administrative tasks or manual labor (painting, gardening, cleaning, etc.). Duties may vary but all volunteers will work directly with the children and families.

To ensure this is the right fit for volunteers and Casa Hogar, all long-term volunteers are chosen following an application process. Additional information is available at www.homeajpm.org/volunteer with the link to the online application or email Noel Furger at nfurger@frjoesguild.org.

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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 (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. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown 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](http://diolc.org). 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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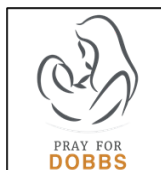
Office for Social Concerns

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For Your Parish Bulletin:

After the leak of the *Dobbs* Supreme Court draft opinion, Archbishop William Lori, Chairman of the US Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, issued the following statement:

“The leak related to the U.S. Supreme Court case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* reminds us of the urgent need for prayer and action at this pivotal moment in our country. As Catholics, we care about every unborn child and every mother. As the bishops shared in our statement *Standing with Moms in Need*: we pledge ‘to redouble our efforts to accompany women and couples who are facing unexpected or difficult pregnancies, and during the early years of parenthood, offering them loving and compassionate care through initiatives such as Walking with Moms in Need and countless others.’



“At the same time, as we await the Court’s decision, we urge everyone to intensify their prayer and fasting that the final decision of the Court will bring about the reversal of *Roe* and *Casey*. We hope and pray for a change in our laws and stand ready to help all pregnant women in need in each of our communities. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us and guide us.”

For Your Parish Bulletin:

Pregnancy Resource Centers in the Diocese of La Crosse: Pro-Woman, Pro-Life.

Women are treated with the utmost respect, sensitivity and kindness at pregnancy resource centers. These facilities provide pregnancy tests, personal mentoring and assistance with the practical needs of women facing the challenges of pregnancy and childcare (baby clothes, diapers, etc.). They offer support for maternity care and referrals to community aid

organizations, as well as information on adoption. Some of them are equipped to perform ultrasounds. They are also a source of compassion and care for post-abortive women who are struggling emotionally. All these services are provided free and with confidentiality. For a list of the pregnancy resource centers around the diocese, visit www.diolc.org/respect-life and click on "Pregnancy Help."

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Office for Stewardship & Development

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GivingTrend Update:

This week we are upgrading the GivingTrend parish reporting. The reporting will have the *Inspired By the Spirit Capital Campaign* data included, a new look, and other enhanced features. We will schedule a training webinar after the rollout, giving users a chance to review the new enhancements and formulate questions and concerns.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update:

Reminder: We have added the final video segment, available for download, to the appeal portal. It is also available for embedding on your website. The video shares the journey of the Bahair family who, with the help of the USCCB, Gary Veltus of St. Mary's in Neillsville, and many unnamed others of our diocese, escaped the Congo civil war, survived as refugees in an Uganda camp for 11 years and is now having a future, growing and prospering in Central Wisconsin. It is a story of Mercy and Gratitude! Appeal.diolc.org

Stewardship Bulletin Reflections for Weekends:

- 05/15
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/05.15.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>
- 05/22
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/05.22.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>
- 05/29
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/05.29.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>

Stewardship Homily Reflections:

Stewardship reflections for your homily development:

For May weeks 05/15 - 05/29

- <https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Homily-Guide-05.09.22.pdf>

Planned Giving - Leaving a Legacy, Wills, Bequest, and Endowments:

We have inherited such treasures from our parents, grandparents and great-grandparents, those whose shoulders we stand on today. Now, it is our turn to make sure future generations can enjoy the reverence and beauty of a well-maintained parish. Leveraging the

Capital Campaign and providing parishioners with information on Endowments, Trusts and Bequests are just a few ways a parish can help prepare for its future.

Our Estate Planning Guide can help people save several hundred dollars in legal and financial estate planning costs. We have sent out several hundred copies per individual request, and each Parish has received a copy. If you would like additional copies, do not hesitate to contact our office.

Our Planned Giving website is diolclegacy.org. People can find calculators, additional information, sign up for a newsletter and request copies of specific estate planning guides and information.

If you would like more legacy giving information, presentations or ads for your parish bulletin, please do not hesitate to contact our office or Rick Jeric at the Catholic Foundation of West Central Wisconsin (cfwcw.org) at 608.519.9892 or email: rjeric@cfwcw.org

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Office for Vocations

Director of Vocation Recruitment: Fr. Nate Kuhn – 608.791.2666 | nkuhn@diolc.org

Please include the following intercession for vocations for your Sunday prayers of the faithful:

That families will strive to make their homes places where children can hear God call them by name.

Please consider adding a vocations paragraph to your parish bulletin. Below is an example - they will be changed each week. Feel free to use any or all of them.

How does God speak to me?

Have you ever wondered how God may be speaking to you? Perhaps you are waiting to hear a loud, booming voice come from the heavens to tell you what to do or which way to go. While this isn't completely out of the question, often God takes a much subtler approach. In 1 Kings, we have the account of the Prophet Elijah standing at the entrance of a cave, waiting for the Lord to appear. As he waits, he encounters a strong, violent wind, a powerful earthquake, and a consuming fire, yet God was not revealing Himself in any of those powerful examples. Finally, as Elijah waited, he heard a soft, quiet whisper. At that, he knelt to the ground and prayed. God often speaks to us, not in grand and impressive ways, but in the silence. When we can still our

hearts, that's when we begin to hear His voice, calling us into relationship and to follow Him. Sometimes that invitation is to follow the Lord as one who lovingly serves others in the priesthood. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

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Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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NET Ministries

Each year, NET Ministries sends more than 175 young adults across the country in teams of 8-14 to proclaim the Gospel to Catholic youth. The NET teams will share their love of Christ and the Church with more than 90,000 youth from September to May this year. They come from a wide variety of states and countries. The team members have been trained in the teachings of the Catholic Church and formed as brothers and sisters in Christ, a quality young people consistently notice and to which they are attracted. The experienced team members take care of most everything, including retreat content, set up and tear down. Your level of involvement is up to you; they partner with you to ensure a perfect match for your group's needs.

- When: September 27-October 9, 2022 - Please contact the NET CENTER (netusa.org/retreats) to reserve your retreat!
- Where: All around the Diocese of La Crosse
- Cost: Depends on the type of retreat.

For details about hosting a retreat including themes, costs, housing, etc., please download the [Welcome Packet](#) or see our website at diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/net-retreats/.

Reminder: Franciscan CORE June 19-25, 2022

This youth theology institute is a five-day summer service opportunity 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 meeting to process experiences. Please visit viterbo.edu/franciscan-core for more information. Or contact Emily Dykman at eadykman@viterbo.edu.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event:

fb.me/e/1H2shLpzs

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Scholarships Available for LifeTeen Catholic Youth Ministry Convention June 12-15, 2022

Once again, our diocese has been blessed to be able to offer scholarships to this amazing convention. These scholarships are for first time attendees. Contact Andrew Brueggen for more information at youthdir@stpatsonalaska.com.

So what is this convention? A core mission of Life Teen is to equip parishes to do the hard work, the ongoing day-to-day ministry within the lives of teenagers. Supporting parishes often means meeting you in your needs, questions and struggles with the hope of creating solutions, sharing inspiration and celebrating this common mission. One of the premier ways we seek to accomplish this is through the Catholic Youth Ministry Convention.

This flagship event is not only the best place to experience time-tested training, incredible community and spiritual renewal – it will be ground zero for those of us who are tired, worn or simply wondering if any of this is worth it. With God's grace, it will be a place of beginning again.

As we break open the call of Always Forward, we will be reminded of the privilege of discipleship, the importance of this mission, and the power we are given to press on through struggle. From engaging keynotes and practical breakouts to transformative prayer and sacramental experiences, we are excited to meet you, support you and join you in your battle onward. We'll see you June 12-15, 2022 in Scottsdale, AZ.

Reminder: Adventure Camp: June 26-July 1, 2022

We are excited that Adventure Camp is happening this year! This is for all students in grades 6-12. Cost:

- Early Bird Registration by May 1, 2022 is \$420 per person. (Please note that being registered means all forms are completely filled out, all money has been paid, and Adult background checks and Safe Environment Training are complete.)
- Late Registration after May 1, 2022 is \$440 per person.
- Please know \$100 per person is nonrefundable. This deposit is due ASAP to hold spots for your campers.

More information including the link to online registration can be found at diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/.

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event:

fb.me/e/2811taz4a

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Reminder: Tune-In Tuesdays

Join us as we come together to network and share how we are doing, how our ministry is going and talk about ways we can support each other. Please follow this link:

us02web.zoom.us/j/87591793038?pwd=cDdHWUROV29QMjY9UenJRNfZnY0Q0dz09#success

to join us for Tune-In Tuesdays at 11 a.m.!

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