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Events

As of June 22

Wednesday, June 22

Religious Freedom Week - June 22-29

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 - Registration closed

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

Saturday, July 16

7:40am Married Love: Two Becoming One Retreat - Onalaska

Tuesday, July 19

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

Thursday, July 21

8:30am Parish Finance Summer Webinar

Sunday, July 24

Mission Trip 2022 - Schriever, La. - July 24-31

Tuesday, July 26

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

Wednesday, July 27

1:00pm Endowment update, Summer, Diocese of La Crosse

Friday, July 29

Priests for Tomorrow - La Crosse

Saturday, July 30

Domestic Church Retreat (July 30-31, 2022)

Tuesday, August 2

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

Sunday, August 7

Peace Day, Diocese of La Crosse

Tuesday, August 9

Welcome Back Retreat - School Administrators - La Crosse

Monday, August 15

Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. NOT a Holy Day of Obligation in 2022

Tuesday, August 16

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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Catechetical Leader Information

Job Description for Catechetical Leaders

All Directors and Coordinators of Religious Education (DREs, CREs) and Youth Ministers are to have a job description. The people serving in these positions have a specific role at the parish, based upon the needs of the local area. Contact Ann Lankford if you would like sample job descriptions emailed to you.

Evaluation of the Parish Catechetical Leader(s)

All DREs, CREs, and Youth Ministers are to be evaluated by the pastor, based upon their job description. If an evaluation is needed, contact Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org.

Children developing an authentic, faithful relationship with Jesus

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Please consider taking time, over the next year, to visit one of the 14 parishes in the diocese to observe children involved in a session of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The method of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd began with Maria Montessori, and was continued by Sofia Cavalletti, a Hebrew and Scripture scholar, and her colleague Gianna Gobbi, both Roman Catholics. They discovered that children need the sensitive guidance of the adult and the inner guidance of the Holy Spirit to nurture their relationship with God. The adult prepares the sacred space for children, called the Atrium, which allows them a quiet, prayerful place to learn to listen and respond to a relationship with God through Jesus the Good Shepherd.

Everything in the Atrium looks either to Sacred Scripture or to Liturgy. In the Atrium, Christ is the teacher; the catechist is an instrument. Contact Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org for a list of the parishes or schools with an Atrium in your area.

New Textbook Series

If your parish and/or school is looking for a different textbook series, consider Word of Life. This Pre-K to 8 Religious Education contains Four Golden Catechetical Threads:

- Salvation History - Revealing God's presence and plan throughout history and our place in that plan
- Christian Anthropology - The true human story that answers the questions about our real identity, why we are here, and who we are called to be.
- Heroic Virtue and Christian Formation - By cooperating with God's grace and the supernatural virtues, we find our true dignity and purpose and are able to live with heroic virtue and character.

- Learning through Discipleship - Catechesis that shows why the faith matters and nurtures a deepening integration of the faith in daily life through Christian discipleship.

Visit wordoflifefseries.org for further details. The series was developed by the Augustine Institute.

Parish Faith Formation Programs and Catholic Schools

Students with Special Needs: Assisting Parents and Catechists/Teachers

If you are serving students with special needs, and you, catechists, teachers and/or parents would like assistance and/or resources, please contact Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org. Diane Hietpas, our long-term consultant for the Ministry for Persons with Special Needs, is available to provide this in-person assistance. Funds are available to cover the costs incurred for this help and guidance as well as to help pay for resources. Contact Ann Lankford by June 24th for upcoming plans.

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Reminder: Priestly Ordination of Deacons Matthew Bowe and Steven Weller

Saturday, June 25, 2022, 10 a.m. at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral.

Ordination Mass will be livestreamed at diolc.org/live

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://fb.me/e/ewliomMAb>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

Listing your parish events in the Sep./Oct. *Catholic Life*

If your parish has events for inclusion in the September/October issue of *Catholic Life*, please submit them by July 8. 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 to 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.

Graphics for Religious Freedom Week - June 22 to June 29

Please find graphics to help promote Religious Freedom Week at diolc.org/media-resources.

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Office for Marriage & Family Life

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Domestic Church Retreat - July 30-31, 2022

This Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat begins on Saturday, July 30 at 8 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. the following day. During the retreat, couples are invited to delve more deeply into the graces of their shared spiritual journey. The goal of the retreat is to strengthen the couple's spousal union and lead them to experience complete harmony and joy in their marriage through simple formation and meaningful dialogue that intentionally places Christ in the center.

Below is a list of promotional resources:

- [Flier](#)
- [Brochure](#)
- [Packing List and Lodging Document](#)

Here is the diocesan Facebook link to this event.

<https://fb.me/e/22IKvqTOd>

Please share this on your parish Facebook.

For more information and to find online registration, please follow this link:

<https://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/>

Save the Date! Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Upcoming dates are- September 9-11 in Dubuque, IA or November 18-20 in Holstein, IA. For more information call Greg and Denise at (563) 920-9419 or drubner9419@gmail.com.

Retrouvaille Marriage Help Weekend Coming Soon!

For more than 40 years, Retrouvaille has been a lifeline of hope and healing for struggling marriages. Here in Central Wisconsin, hundreds of couples have participated in the program since 1998 with lasting success. We thank you for your vital support in sharing these announcements. We are a grass-roots volunteer-run organization by couples that have been through the program, at every level, locally and abroad. With your help we continue to “pay it forward!”

The next program begins with a weekend stay, August 19-21, 2022.. Registrations are due by August 5th to allow time for room reservations to be guaranteed. Late registrations may be accepted if space is available. Please announce this program at your earliest convenience, and as often as possible from now through the beginning of August, it will be a lifeline for a couple and family in need. You can visit our website at: <https://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-help/> to get all the information. Also below are some other quick links:

- [A new series of short bulletin announcements](#), each with a slight variation. Please pass them to your church bulletin editor!
- [A one-page flier](#) with all pertinent details. This may be provided to a couple in need or serve as a bulletin insert or as a poster for your vestibule or hallway.
- [A flier with tear-off information](#).

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: 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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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](#). 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 Stewardship & Development

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Final Reminder: The Appeal year ends June 30, 2022. Donations postmarked on 7/1/22 or later will be processed as gifts for next year's Capital Campaign.

If you do a second collection to help fulfill your Annual Appeal obligation, please conduct it in June so the funds will not be counted toward your quota calculation. Any funds collected after June 30 to pay for shortfalls are considered regular offertory and subject to 7% quota* calculations. Funds collected prior to the close of the appeal year and specifically for the Diocesan Annual Appeal do not have quota repercussions.

*Previously, the quota % was published at the wrong rate. I apologize for any confusion or inconvenience.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflections for Weekends:

- 06/26
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/06.26.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>
- 07/03
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/07.03.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>
- 07/10
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/07.10.22-stewardship-bulletin-announcements.pdf>

Stewardship Homily Reflections:

Stewardship reflections for your homily development: Due to a publishing error by the vendor there is not a reflection for 7/10/22

- For Weeks 06/26 - 07/03
<https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Homily-Guide-06.14.22.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

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

That young men and women will listen to the Holy Spirit in their hearts and respond to the cry from deep within to vocations of marriage, single blessedness, priesthood or religious life.

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.

Have you ever wondered if the Lord is calling you to be a priest? To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: 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/yva/youth-opportunities/net-retreats/.

NET Ministries Recruiting Missionaries

At NET Ministries, we are so thankful for your dedication and service to the Catholic young people in your area. It has been an honor to partner with you through YDisciple. As you may know, YDisciple has been owned by NET Ministries since 2018. Each year, NET trains around 150 missionaries and sends them across the country to over 110 dioceses to minister to young people. This is why we are asking you to please consider helping us build up our missionary teams for 2022 - 2023. We are asking you because you are closest to the young Catholics in your community - and know them well. Our missionary teams are made up of young faithful, mature, and relational Catholics between the ages of 18-28. NET is launching a new Recruiting Referral Program that is underwritten by a generous donor. As a thank you for sending an invitation to someone you know, NET wants to support you in your mission. If a young adult you recommend to NET serves as a missionary for the 2022-2023 year, NET will give you \$200 to use in one of four ways:

- To go towards your ministry
- To go towards a future NET retreat
- To go towards a YDisciple subscription
- To go towards that missionary's support funds

To participate in our Recruiting Referral Program, simply click the link below or go to netusa.org/referral to recommend a young adult to our Recruiting Department, and we will walk with them through the application process. But even more importantly, please personally invite the young adults in your life to apply to become a NET Missionary. Just as Jesus called his

disciples by name, a personal invitation makes all the difference. Our Church needs young adults who can be examples to young people of how to make the faith their own, allowing Christ to enter into their lives just as you have. You can send any potential missionaries to netusa.org/apply for more information and to begin filling out an application.

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/s/87591793038?pwd=cDdHWUROV29QMy9UenJRNfZnY0Q0dz09#success](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87591793038?pwd=cDdHWUROV29QMy9UenJRNfZnY0Q0dz09#success)

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

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