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Sunday, August 30, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings Sept 7: Wis 9:13-18b, Phlm 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33 (129)

How long will the capital campaign last?

Ecclesiastes 3:1 For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.



A parish education process is underway and will continue throughout the next few months. Our plan is to distribute commitment materials in November with a three-year pledge period. This commitment is above and beyond households' regular giving for church operations.

We ask that you pray for God's guidance throughout this process, as well as the campaign volunteers and entire parish community. This is an important moment in Crucifixion's history and we thank you for your interest! For more information, visit our campaign page by going to Crucifixion's website or directly using the QR code.



We remember today, O God, the innocent victims of the violence at Annunciation Catholic Parish and School in Minneapolis. We pray for all children who die young, that God will gather them into His loving arms. We pray for all parents who have lost children, that God will bring them comfort and peace. We pray for the children who witnessed their friends being hurt, that God will bring them strength and ease their fears. We pray for those with hatred in their hearts, those that see violence as a solution, that God will touch their hearts and fill them with love. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tues Sept 2 4:30 – 5:20 pm Adoration
5:30 pm Mass
+Greg Schild

Wed Sept 3 8:05 am Crucifixion
+Maria Carmen Morra

Thu Sept 4 8:25 am St. Peters
+Bernice Onsgard

Fri Sept 5 10:00 am St. Peters
+Leonard Wieser

Sat Sept 6 5:00 pm Crucifixion
+Pat Stotesbery

Sun Sept 7 8:00 am St. Peters
+ For the Intentions of the Parishioners
10:00 am Crucifixion
+ Irene Krutza

CONFESSIONS Tues: 4:00 -4:20 pm Crucifixion
Sat: 4:15-4:40 pm Crucifixion
Sun: 7:30-7:50 am St. Peter's

Sunday Scripture Preview: These sessions have resumed! Tuesdays 9-10 am at the Crucifixion parish office. All are welcome!

Second Collection to support relief efforts in Gaza

Our Church community is united in prayer and concern for the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent people caught in the violence in Gaza and surrounding areas. The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that "Gaza is starving." To support this critical need, we will hold a second collection the weekend of September 13-14. Your contributions will go to two organizations with a proven track record of providing swift and effective relief: the **Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA)** and **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**. Both CNEWA and CRS are on the ground, delivering essential aid such as food, shelter, medical care, and emotional support.

A second collection will be taken the weekend of **September 13-14** to support CNEWA and CRS in their relief efforts. To learn more about their vital work, you can visit their websites at www.cnewa.org and www.crs.org.

Pastor's Message

Congratulations to all who have begun another school year!!!

· The new 8' Crucifix in the school gym at Crucifixion was donated to us from St. Anthony's Church, Altura, Minnesota.

· There were 30 proposals from the recent Diocesan Synod that Georgia Von Arx, Aaron Franta, Bob and Jenny Heth, and myself attended this past week in Mankato. One of the proposals addressed: "Ensure that all parish entryways and gathering spaces are welcoming and intentionally designed for fellowship." I was told by one of the diocesan officials that, "since you have such a healthy church community, you will use and benefit from a gathering space, more than you can ever imagine."

Fr. Evans

Note: TV Mass on Sept. 7 will be Mass with Fr. Evans!

Saint of the Week Mother Theresa



"Find your own Calcutta."

This is probably one of my favorite quotes from one of my favorite saints. When a religious sister from New York travelled to India to work side by side with Mother Teresa, she wanted to remain there and continue helping the poorest of the poor on the streets of Calcutta. Mother Teresa told her, "No, I want you to go back to your neighborhood, find the poor, find your own Calcutta. Look at the people, look into their eyes and find Jesus." We do not need to travel around the world to seek people who are in need, in need of food or shelter, medical care or emotional care, family or friendship, people in need of love and mercy. Mother Teresa reminds us that we are called to be disciples serving others with love right here in our own communities and in our own homes.



Crucifixion

"A Welcoming Community of Spirit-filled disciples, serving others through God's love.

Liturgical Schedule

Sat Sept 6: 5:00 pm

EuchMinisters: Bill Petersen, Michael Trnka, Jane Michalke

Cup – Mandy Moburg, Nick Nicklaus

Lectors: Judy Farnen, Need 1

Servers: Gavin, Alayna

Sun Sept 7: 10:00 am

EuchMinister: Roger Johnson, James Wally, Tom Dyrhaug

Cup – Ruth Berns, Ami Riggert

Lectors: Michelle Dyrhaug, Jerry Berns

Servers: Benson, Ryland, Eddy

Parish Support: Aug 23/24: \$ 5,183.00

In memory of Raymond Happel: \$365.00

Through the waters of baptism, we welcome **Benedict Richard Withrow**, son of Grant and Camille Withrow!

Faith Formation

Faith Formation is starting soon!!! ALL students in Grades 1-10 who DO NOT attend Crucifixion School or St. Peter's School should be participating in our Faith Formation programming!! Contact Rebecca for registration information. We are still looking for a couple helpers in our middle school EDGE Ministry. Here is our calendar of upcoming events:
Wed. Sept. 3 - Catechist in-service - 6:30pm (church)
Wed. Sept. 10 - ALL Faith Formation Kick Off Mass - 6:30pm (church) - Turn in registration forms and receive program calendars.

Wed. Sept. 17 - First Night of EDGE Ministry, Grades 6-8 - 6:30pm (school gym)

Thank you to CCCW: *My mom (Donnis Buchan) wished to leave the wonderful ladies at church a small token of her appreciation for all your hard work. (Donation of \$200 to CCCW) Mom knew volunteers always worked the hardest. Thanks again for the good you do!* Debi Wagner



St. Peter's

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday September 7, 2025

Greeter: Joe Horihan

Lector: Georgia Von Arx

Servers: Evan, Carson, and Jared

Gift Bearers: Dan and Pat Von Arx

Euch Min/Choir: Marlene Schultz, Theresa Von Arx -c

Ushers: Mike Ross and Tony Miller

Rosary: Georgia Von Arx

Parish Support: Aug 24: \$ 1,961.00

St. Peter's Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal is **\$8,258.00**. We have received **\$7845.00**, from 26 donors, which is **95%** of our goal! Only \$413.00 to go!! All donations, big or small, help the parish reach its goal. **Goals not met must be paid by the parish.**



CCCW Apple Pie Bake

We will be making apple pies again this year on Sept. 18. Orders will be taken before and after masses starting this weekend. You may also sign up on the parish website, www.crucifixionchurch.org. Pies are \$15.00 each. Many volunteers are needed and we have sign up sheets available. Questions- Call Rosanne Buehler (507-895-2403) or Anne Trnka (507-895-6281) for more info.



Knights of Columbus

KC Corner: The Knights have a stock of **La Crescent Seasonal paintings** for sale with the proceeds going to

support **Pro-Life activities**. One painting is \$50 while the set of 4 is \$150. You can see the pictures in the lobby of the KC building outside of the Altra entrance. Contact Tom Fuchsel at 507-313-8000 to purchase. *They make great gifts!*

Neighbors in Action: A program of the La Crescent Area Healthy Community Partnership: Helping Seniors Stay at Home. This program is available to connect older and disabled adults in Houston County to resources that improve their quality of life, help them age safely, and enable them to engage in the community. They use volunteers to provide transportation for appointments, outdoor chores, or friendly visiting. Fees are determined using a sliding scale and no service is denied due to an inability to pay. Call **507-895-8123**.

Listening Together: A Monthly Grief Support Group: Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10: 5:30-6:30 pm, Franciscan Spirituality Center, 920 Market St, La Crosse. Free, and registration not required. Attend any or all sessions.

Bulletin Submissions: Due Tuesdays by noon. Email Bonnie at Crucifixion office: cruxch@acegroup.cc

40 Days for Life is scheduled for September 24th-November 2nd. The Kickoff Rally will be held at noon on September 25th at Northside Community Church, 1300 Caledonia St. Ramona Trevino, a former Planned Parenthood facility manager in Texas, will be the keynote speaker. Watch for more information about praying outside Planned Parenthood with members of the committee during the 40 Days Campaign.

Respect Life Month Activities: October is right around the corner so our activities will again be taking place. The Diaper Drive and CRIB collection will support six of our local pregnancy resource centers. **Watch for sales on diaper, wipes, baby clothes, bottles, bibs, onesies, sleepers and any other items for infants, toddlers and young children.**

The next Respect Life Mass will be held on Tuesday, September 23rd at 5:30 with the Rosary following Mass.

Youth Night of Worship (YNOW) We continue to partner with our neighbors in Christ . ALL students in Grades 8 or higher (regardless of their faith denomination) are invited to attend this night of Praise and Worship, Witness Testimonies, Food and Fun!! Our first YNOW is scheduled for Sun, Sept 14th at 6:00pm at La Crescent United Methodist Church!

W-RDCCW Convention

The Winona-Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention will be Sat, October 11, 2025 at St. Adrian Catholic Church, 512 Main Ave, Adrian MN. There is a notice in the August issue of The Courier and a poster on the parish bulletin board with registration forms. Registration is due Oct. 1st. For more info, call Rosanne Buehler(507-895-2403). All women of St. Peter's and Crucifixion parish are invited to attend.

Hand in Hand: A Catholic Community for Women

Hand in Hand is a Catholic community for women in the La Crosse area, which meets the first and third Fridays of the month from 8:30-10:30 am at Mary Mother of the Church in the basement of the parish hall. We will be growing in our faith through a Bible study and child care will be provided. Our goal is to create a community of love and support while also growing in our faith. Those without children are welcome to attend as well. Coffee and snacks will be provided. First meeting is September 5th. To register contact BrieAnn McKenna 319-230-0895.

La Crescent Meals on Wheels – Crucifixion

Week One: Sept 1-5

Monday: No meal
Tuesday: Mike and Anne Trnka
Wednesday: Cheryl Olson
Thursday: Jenny and Bob Heth
Friday: Pat and Mike Hase

Week Two: Sept 8-12

Monday: Joe & Cherie Weiss
Tuesday: Cindy Henry, Jane Welch
Wednesday: Sandy & Jeff Jensen
Thursday: Pat & Joe Briggeman
Friday: Erv & Carol Banse

