



Pastor: Fr. John L. Evans, II
cruxpas@acegroup.cc
 Office: 507-895-4720
 Rectory: 507-895-2207



Deacon: Rev. Mr. Gerald Trocinski, cruxtrocinski@acegroup.cc

Crucifixion Church: www.crucifixionchurch.org
 Office: 507- 895-4720 , 423 S 2nd St. La Crescent MN 55947
Faith Formation Director: Rebecca Schumacher,
cruxffc@acegroup.cc, Office: 507-895-4720
Parish Business Manager: Bonnie Schmitz-Hrabak
cruxch@acegroup.cc
Crucifixion Cemetery: Bob Trocinske 608-790-6579

St. Peter's Parish: www.stpetershokah.org Office: 894-4375
Faith Formation Director: Rebecca Schumacher,
cruxffc@acegroup.cc, Office: 507-895-4720
Parish Admin. Assistant spreceptionist@stpetershokah.org
Calvary Cemetery: Dave Feuerhelm 507-894-4755 **St. Joseph's Cemetery:** Tom Langen 507-894-4704



Office 420 S 2nd St. La Crescent MN 55947
www.crucifixionschool.org
Phone: 507-895-4402
Principal: Doug Harpenau
dharpenu@crucifixionschool.org
Adm.Asst: Jackie Fruechte
accounting@crucifixionschool.org
Eagle Care Director: Jess Sennes director@crucifixionschool.org

Office: 34 Main Street, Hokah MN 55941
www.stpetershokah.org
Phone: 507-894-4375
Principal: Doug Harpenau:
principal@stpetershokah.org
 Adm Asst: Lori Turner
spreceptionist@stpetershokah.org



Sunday, September 28, 2025
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Scripture Readings Oct 5: Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14, Lk 17:5-10 (141)



Who will be asked to participate in the campaign?

Romans 12:4-5: *For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.*

Every parish household, as well as all school and daycare families, will be asked to participate through prayer, volunteering and giving. "Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice," is the philosophy that best describes this effort. Not everyone can make the same size financial gift, but everyone has an ability to make a meaningful commitment.

We also hope to find additional donors outside of the parish who recognize the value these projects provide the La Crescent area community. 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.



The Future Kitchen for the Gathering Space will include plenty of counter tops & an island for work areas, refrigerators, stove / oven, microwave, dishwasher, storage space, etc., for coffee & rolls after Masses, funeral lunches, soup suppers, faith formation events, potlucks, and other various events.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tues – Thur NO MASS
Fri Oct 3 8:05 am Crucifixion
+La Verne Iverson
Sat Oct 4 5:00 pm Crucifixion
+Marty Zadow
Sun Oct 5 8:00 am St. Peters
+For the Intentions of the Parishioners
10:00 am Crucifixion
+ Sr. Lauren Weinandt

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

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



Saint of the Week

When first teaching my son about **St. Michael, the archangel**, I told him the story of St. Michael leading the angels in battle against evil. He looked up at me, wide-eyed and said, "Woah!!! He's like a superhero for God!!!" I said, "That is exactly what he is! And he can be a

superhero for us, too!!"

**St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.**

**Be our defense against the wickedness and snares
of the Devil.**

**May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou,**

**O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
thrust into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

Pastor's Message One of our 6th graders asked me the question, in class, how many building projects that Crucifixion has had over the years. Just looking back to 1949, you have accomplished the following (these dates are approximate):
1949 First Portion of the Current Crucifixion School consisting of four classrooms
1955 Second story of Crucifixion School
1956 Convent
1958 School Auditorium
1963 Crucifixion Church Building
1965 Fitzgerald Center
1979 Sanctuary Remodeled
2001 Church Roof Collapses
2004 Addition to the front of the school, including elevator, offices, classrooms
2015 Remodel of the Church Entrance
2022 Church Renovation

Fr. Evans

October is Respect Life Month



40 Days for Life is Sept 24th-Nov 2nd.

Members of the Respect Life Committee will be praying outside of Planned Parenthood every Tuesday from 10-11 a.m. during the campaign. Please join us! Over 25,000 babies have been saved since 2007 through kindness, peaceful prayer, and the pro-life community providing alternative resources to women planning to have an abortion. The **Diaper Drive and CRIB collection** will support six of our local pregnancy resource centers. Watch for sales on diapers, wipes, baby clothes, bottles, bibs, onesies, sleepers and any other items for infants, toddlers and young children.

Baby Bottle Campaign Provides Help and



Creates Hope: This campaign starts next week on **Respect Life Sunday, October 5th**. Support women who choose life for

their babies by taking home a bottle, filling it with change or a check, and returning by Oct 31., or scan the QR code attached to the bottles or give online at www.ccsomn.org/donate and designate your donation to the Baby Bottle Campaign. All donations will be used for rent and utility assistance for new mothers. Or mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 379, Winona, MN 55987.



Crucifixion

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

Liturgical Schedule

Sat Oct 4: 5:00 pm

EuchMinisters: Lisa Inglett, Therese Przytarski, Anita Harris Cup – Need 2

Lectors: Michelle Dyrhaug, Nancy Piggush

Servers: Alayna, Bobby

Sun Oct 5: 10:00 am

EuchMinister: James Wally, Roger Johnson, Mary Ann Ekern Cup – need 2

Lectors: Confirmation Students

Servers: Benson, Ryland, Hunter

Parish Support: Sept 21: \$5229.50

Presbyterate Days – The annual gathering of all the priests of our diocese will be September 29 – October 2. No Masses will be held at Crucifixion or St. Peter's Churches. You are encouraged to attend Mass at the various churches in La Crosse. It is a time of study, prayer, rest, and various business meetings. We are fortunate that Bishop Barron will be our speaker during this time. Please pray for all our priests.



Congratulations!!

Linda Thesing Applefest Woman of the Year

Don Thesing Applefest Man of the Year!!

The Crucifixion Applefest Parade float, titled "Faith, Family and Community" drew a lot of attention last Sunday. Thanks to all who made this happen!!



CCCW Apple Pie Bake

A HUGE thank you to everyone who bought pies and to all the awesome volunteers who worked several hours to make them. Also a huge thank you to the school and parish staff for your help. We couldn't have done it without all of you. We made 403 pies and all were sold! Including donations, we made over \$5,400.00! The Apple Pie Committee: Anne Trnka, Jackie Pitel, Mary Ann Eckern, Mary Mach, Rosanne Buehler and Garry Johnson



St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule Sunday October 5, 2025

Greeter: Josh and Jackie Ross Family

Lector: Georgia Von Arx

Servers: Toby, Jayven, and Zayne

Gift Bearers: Josh and Jackie Ross Family

Euch Min/Choir: Carol Mauss

Kelly Beckman - c

Ushers: Mike Ross and Dave Feuerhelm

Rosary: Georgia Von Arx

Parish Support: Sept 21: \$ 1686.40



The St. Peter's School Marathon pledge drive is underway! This is an annual fundraiser for the school, If you haven't been approached by a student, but would like to donate, you can send a donation in, or go to our website to donate electronically. Thank you so much!!

Many thanks to the approximately 25 parishioners who appeared September 24th in Caledonia on behalf of the parish, school and Little Saints **to make the case to deny a variance to the business seeking to sell cannabis on Main Street in Hokah.** We are proud of the many people who spoke and raised legitimate child safety, health and reputational arguments. We believe this persuaded the board not to grant the variance. Absent that showing and the many emails and comments submitted it is likely the variance would have been granted. This group came together very quickly for our kids and parish.



KC Corner: When Father Michael McGivney called that first KC meeting in 1881, he asked Catholic men to join him.

More than 80 responded. Why? Because Father McGivney invited them to be part of something greater than themselves — something for which their souls were yearning. And from that first meeting, they laid the groundwork for the Knights of Columbus. Join us today in continuing his work!



Next Weekend is Food Shelf Sunday at Crucifixion Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item for the La

Crescent Food Shelf.

The Crucifixion Prayer Chain Ministry



is the Church's extension of God reaching out in His compassion, love, peace, and healing. If you need prayers or know someone who does please contact Mary Ann Ekern at mamekern@gmail with your prayer request or Call Barb Mcguire at 507-895-6597 or Rosanne Buehler at 507-895-2403.

We pray two weeks for your special intentions seeking God's help for you or your friend and loved ones. The names of those we pray for can be anonymous since God knows who your friend is. If you wish to join this ministry or no longer wish to be a part of the Ministry please contact Mary Ann Ekern so we can keep our records current.

+ Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Donald Heintz**. We extend our prayers and sincere sympathy to the family and friends who mourn his loss. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him.*

Faith Formation Calendar

- Wed. Oct. 1 - EDGE Ministry (Grades 6-8) 6:30-7:45p
- Sun. Oct. 5 - Confirmation (Grades 9-10) 10a-12:30p
- Sun. Oct. 5 - Generations of Faith (Grade 1-5 families) 5-7p
- Wed. Oct. 8 - EDGE Ministry presents the Living Rosary
- Wed. Oct. 15 - NO EDGE MINISTRY

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities!

"The Chosen" is an amazing series about the life and ministry of Jesus, bringing the Gospel to life. Join us for free viewings of each episode on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm at Crucifixion School, in the Fine Arts Room (unless we need to move to the gym due to the size of the group.) Popcorn and beverages will be served. One episode will be shown each Sunday evening, beginning on October 12. Episodes will not be shown on the first Sunday of each month, due to our elementary Faith Formation.

"A Biblical Walk Through the Mass" is a book, written by Edward Sri, that answers the questions, "Why do we say that at Mass?" "Where did this part of the Mass come from?" As part of our Generations of Faith program, the adults will be working our way through this book throughout the school year. The first session is Sunday October 5.

All adults of the parish are invited to join us. Generations of Faith meets **the first Sunday of each month, beginning on October 5th.** We begin with a pot luck dinner and a family activity at 5:00pm, and then the students go to their classrooms, and the adults will grow in faith together through the discussion of this book.

**** If you would only like to come to the book study portion of the evening, plan to arrive by 6:00pm.**

Contact Rebecca Schumacher or call the parish office if you are not a Generations of Faith parent, but would like to join in the book study, to ensure enough books are ordered.

Youth Ministry

Our next Youth Night of Worship is Sunday, October 12 at 6:00pm at La Crescent United Methodist Church. Last month was a great night of prayer, listening to Father Mike Schmitz reflect on God's love for us, pizza and Gaga ball!!! Join us for the fun, faith and friendship!!

