

SAINT WENCESLAUS PARISH

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2017

Parish Announcements:

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

This weekend, January 28-29, we have our annual 2nd collection for the CCHD, the U.S. Catholic Bishops' national anti-poverty program. 25% of the collection remains within the Diocese of La Crosse for local grants.

Baptismal Preparation

Have a newborn to be baptized or one on the way? Contact Father for baptismal prep sessions.

Blumka Scholarships

St. Wenceslaus youth who have completed their first semesters of college or technical college (and intend to continue in the spring) are invited to send their transcripts to the parish to be eligible to receive Blumka Endowment Scholarships.

Tax Statements & Youth Envelope Boxes

Your household's 2016 contribution receipt and a limited number of youth contribution envelope boxes are available in the back of church.

Life Guardians Luncheon

Our parish's pro-life group will serve a soup & sandwich luncheon on Saturday, February 11th from 12:30pm to 1:30pm in Msgr. Baer Hall. It's all you can eat for a freewill donation. The group will meet at 10:30am to develop their mission statement and to work on a project for the new free ultrasound clinic. All are welcome to attend.

Little Women & Little Flowers

These young ladies groups will be meeting again on Saturday, February 11th from 1:30pm to 2:30pm in Msgr. Baer Hall.

Free Ultrasound Screenings

Trillium Midwifery Services in PdC is offering free 1st and 2nd trimester ultrasounds between February 27th through March 3rd. For details, contact Heather Kramer at 874-4057 or 306-0147.

Golden Jubilee Mass

Celebrating a 50th wedding anniversary in 2017? Contact Father to be invited to a diocesan celebration.

Retrouvaille ("Retro-vie")

Does your marriage need help? Are you and your spouse discouraged, frustrated, and in pain? Considering separation or divorce? The Church's most effective ministry can bring healing, hope, and love to your marriage. For details about their February 10-12 event in Wausau, call 715-650-7751.

Pope Francis' Urgent Prayer Intention for January

Homeless People Affected by the Cold:

That in these days of such great cold that we think of all the people living on the streets, affected by the cold and by the indifference of others. We pray for them and ask the Lord to warm the hearts of others to help them.

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Saturday Evening Mass 4PM - Sunday Mass 10AM
Confession Available Before Every Mass

Contributions from January 21-22:

Adult Envelopes	\$1,494.00
Collection Plate	\$249.00
Youth Envelopes	\$0.50

Mass Schedule:

Mon, Jan. 30 – 8am (Weekday) for:
Mary Shedivy by Lonnie & Jane Achenbach

Tue, Jan. 31 – 8am (St. John Bosco) for:
Mike Kilburg by Florence Kilburg

Wed, Feb. 1 – 8am (Weekday) for:
John Fisher by Betty Fisher & Family

Thr, Feb. 2 – 8am (Feast of the Presentation) for:
Joseph & Elizabeth Jelinik by their Family

Fri, Feb. 3 – 8am (St. Blaise) for:
Jack & Norma Slama

Sat, Feb. 4 – 4pm (5th Sunday in Ord. Time) for:
Merrill McMillin by Robert McMillin

Sun, Feb. 5 – 10am (5th Sunday in Ord. Time) for:
Bernard Boylen by Teresa Sharp

Upcoming Liturgical Roles:

Saturday, February 4th : 4pm

Lector: Gloria Wall

Ushers: Ron Colson & Charles Linder

Servers: Any Available Servers

Sunday, February 5th : 10am

Lector: Chris Wolff

Ushers: Randy Kramer & Andrew Wall

Servers: Group F: Isaac & Ben Kramer,
Jonah & Ethan Klema

Sunday, February 5th Rosary Leaders:

The Don & Toni Lenzendorf Family

February Hospitality Activities:

Church & Hall Cleaning	Group #5
Soup & Sandwich Supper (Feb. 4)	Groups #2 & 4
Coffee & Rolls (Feb. 19)	Group #6

The Catholic Catechism on Holy Orders “In Brief”

CCC #1590-1600

- St. Paul said to his disciple Timothy: "*I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands,*" (2 Tim 1:6) and "*If any one aspires to the office of bishop, he desires a noble task.*" (1 Tim 3:1) To Titus he said: "*This is why I left you in Crete, that you amend what was defective, and appoint presbyters in every town, as I directed you.*" (Titus 1:5)
- The whole Church is a priestly people. Through Baptism all the faithful share in the priesthood of Christ. This participation is called the common priesthood of the faithful. Based on this common priesthood and ordered to its service, there exists another participation in the mission of Christ: the ministry conferred by the sacrament of Holy Orders, where the task is to serve in the name and in the person of Christ the Head in the midst of the community.
- The ministerial priesthood differs in essence from the common priesthood of the faithful because it confers a sacred power for the service of the faithful. The ordained ministers exercise their service for the People of God by teaching, divine worship, and pastoral governance.
- Since the beginning, the ordained ministry has been conferred and exercised in three degrees: that of bishops, that of presbyters [priests], and that of deacons. The ministries conferred by ordination are irreplaceable for the organic structure of the Church: without the bishop, presbyters, and deacons, one cannot speak of the Church.
- The bishop receives the fullness of the sacrament of Holy Orders, which integrates him into the episcopal college and makes him the visible head of the particular Church entrusted to him. As successors of the apostles and members of the college, the bishops share in the apostolic responsibility and mission of the whole Church under the authority of the Pope, successor of St. Peter.
- Priests are united with the bishops in sacerdotal dignity and at the same time depend on them in the exercise of their pastoral functions; they are called to be the bishops' prudent co-workers. They form around their bishop the presbyterium [order of priests] which bears responsibility with him for the particular Church. They receive from the bishop the charge of a parish community or a determinate ecclesial office.
- Deacons are ministers ordained for tasks of service of the Church; they do not receive the ministerial priesthood, but ordination confers on them important functions in the ministry of

The Popes on the Culture of Life

"The promotion of the culture of life should be the highest priority in our societies... If the right to life is not defended decisively as a condition for all other rights of the person, all other references to human rights remain deceitful and illusory."

— Pope St. John Paul the Great

"The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right—it is the very opposite. It is a deep wound in society."

— Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

"All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

— Pope Francis

"That is the dignity of America, the reason she exists, the condition of her survival, yes, the ultimate test of her greatness: to respect every human person, especially the weak and most defenseless ones, those as yet unborn."

— Pope St. John Paul the Great

the word, divine worship, pastoral governance, and the service of charity, tasks which they must carry out under the pastoral authority of their bishop.

- The sacrament of Holy Orders is conferred by the laying on of hands followed by a solemn prayer of consecration asking God to grant the ordinand [the man to be ordained] the graces of the Holy Spirit required for his ministry. Ordination imprints an indelible sacramental character.
- The Church confers the sacrament of Holy Orders only on baptized men (*viri*), whose suitability for the exercise of the ministry has been duly recognized. Church authority alone has the responsibility and right to call someone to receive the sacrament of Holy Orders.
- In the Latin Church the sacrament of Holy Orders for the presbyterate is normally conferred only on candidates who are ready to embrace celibacy freely and who publicly manifest their intention of staying celibate for the love of God's kingdom & the service of men.
- It is bishops who confer the sacrament of Holy Orders in the three degrees.