

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time October 29 & 30, 2022

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish

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Mass Schedule & Intentions for October 31 – November 6, 2022

1031/22	Monday	NO MASS
11/01/22	Tuesday (All Saints Day)	8:30 AM † Charles Papach 7:00 PM People of St. Charles
11/02/22	Wednesday (All Souls Day)	8:00 AM † Kathryn Papach 7:00 PM † All the Faithful Departed
11/03/22	Thursday	8:00 AM † Emaline Garavalia
11/04/22	Friday	8:00 AM † Monsignor Joseph Slepicka
11/05/22	Saturday	4:00 PM † Tom Venner
11/06/22	Sunday	9:30 AM Phil & Sue Scheckel

Volunteers

Lectors

Tue. Nov. 01: 7:00 PM: Chris Magnuson
Sat. Nov. 05: 4:00 PM: Stephanie Nicklay
Sun. Nov. 06: 9:30 AM: Kelly Hutchison

Servers

Tue. Nov. 01: 7:00 PM: Felicity, Perpetua & Abigail Mitchell
Sat. Nov. 05: 4:00 PM: Grady & Reid Nicklay
Sun. Nov. 06: 9:30 AM: Kanoa & Nalini Rodgers; Felicity Mitchell

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Sun. Nov 06: 9:30 AM: Dorothy Stokke

If you would like to participate as Lector, Server, or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion please call Tom Jeffers at (608) 689-2683

Rosary Leaders

Sat. Nov. 05: 4:00 PM: Volunteer
Sun. Nov. 06: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

Sacrificial Giving Tabulation

Mon. Oct. 31: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom Naegle
Mon. Nov. 07: Tom & Pam Jeffers; Carolyn Umberger

Ushers (Month of November)

Saturday: Steve Woodhouse & Larry Kelsey
Sunday: Keith Magnuson & Arnie Trussoni

Sacraments and Prayers

Church Hours

The church is open every day from 7 AM - 7 PM.

Confession:

Saturdays: 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM
1st Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
1st Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass

Baptism: Contact parish at least 2 months prior: 608-689-2642

Marriage: Contact parish at least 6 months prior to the wedding to schedule a date and preparation meetings with the parish priest.

Anointing of the Sick and Homebound

Inform the parish office at (608) 689-2642 if someone is seriously ill and needs the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Prayer Requests - Call 608-689-2642 - requests will be passed to Father Sedlacek & the prayer chain.

Sacrificial Giving October 22 & 23, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$3,495.00
Plate Offering	\$ 98.00
Mission Sunday	\$ 153.00
Total:	\$3,746.00

From the Pastor's Desk
Saints, Souls, and St. Charles

Peace to you! This coming week is one of my favorites during the year. We will be celebrating All Saints Day on Tuesday, All Souls Day on Wednesday, and St. Charles Borromeo's feast day on Friday! These days are special as we enter into the last 4 weeks of the liturgical year. Remember that the liturgical year (how the Catholic Church keeps track of time for the purpose of worshipping God) begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent, which is the earliest it can be this year, November 27th. These final weeks of Ordinary Time begin to focus on the Last Things and the Final Times. These days help us to bring to mind some important questions: "Where am I going? What is my purpose? What is going to happen at the end of my life and at the end of time?"

All Saints Day on November 1st reminds us of our purpose, to be in union with God in eternity (this is what we mean by "heaven"). This is why, in His divine charity, He created each of us; to be with Him forever in a state of perfect fulfillment. Eternity is not simply time going on into infinity. Eternity is the simultaneous and perfect possession of endless life. Eternity is not measured by time, but rather is outside of time. This is why God, by definition, does not learn. He "sees" all things and all time in a single "glance." On All Saints Day we commemorate everyone who is in heaven, all those we know and all those we don't know. We are reminded that the whole purpose of this life is win the struggle between choosing either our will or God's will, obeying God and trusting Him or disobeying and distrusting Him, loving God and our neighbor or failing to do so. We are meant to be with God and all the Saints forever. But how often we forget our goal!

All Souls Day is on November 2nd and it reminds us to pray for all those who have died. Yes, even our extremely good grandmother who we think is probably in heaven. We should pray for them all for a couple of reasons: 1) We don't know the state of anyone's soul with certainty. As far as whether someone is in heaven, purgatory, or hell, the Church only knows one thing for certain: If they are a canonized saint, they are in heaven. Everything else we don't know with certainty. 2) Praying for the dead is what Christians have always done from the beginning. 3) It is an act of love and a profession of belief in the communion of saints, a group that includes everyone who is united to Christ, whether they are in heaven, purgatory, or still on earth. Death does not "separate us from the love of Christ" (Romans 8:38). And all those who are united to Christ are united to each other (communion).

The Feast of St. Charles Borromeo on November 4th is a solemn feast, since he is the patron of our parish. We will celebrate this solemnity at the weekend Masses on November 5th and November 6th. I have written about St. Charles (the saint) several times before. It has been a great joy to "get to know him" the past couple of years and to ask for his intercession for us and our parish. Please join me in praying a novena (9 days in a row of praying certain prayers) asking him to pray for all the needs of each of our parishioners. If you start on Saturday Oct 29th (Day 1) your will end on Sunday Nov 6th.

Novena Prayer to St. Charles

(Oct. 27 – Nov. 4)

Almighty God, we thank You for giving us St. Charles Borromeo as an example of holiness.

Help us to imitate his love for You which he showed by persevering in his work for the Church, especially in educating young people in the Catholic Faith and providing for the poor.

St. Charles, you were eager to work for reform within the Church, which angered some people so much that they became your enemies. Even when an attempt was made on your life, you did not become discouraged. Pray for me, that I may never allow opposition or obstacles to discourage me as I strive to grow in holiness.

Pray that I may persevere each day to love God and my neighbor. Please also pray for our parish, for our fellow parishioners' intentions, and for *(mention your personal intentions)*.

St. Charles Borromeo, please bring our petitions before God!

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!

Pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory Be

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!

-Fr. Daniel Sedlacek

St. Charles Parish News

World Mission Sunday collection

Last Sunday was World Mission Sunday. Please return any contributions to this collection for the Pope's missions in the envelope provided. Please return them this weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

RCIA Sunday, October 30th after Mass

Curious about the Catholic Faith and want to learn more? Thinking about becoming Catholic? Never have been Confirmed? Consider joining RCIA. Our next meeting will be after Mass this Sunday, **October 30th**. The next meeting will be Wed. November 30th 6:30-8 PM. For more information about RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or to sign up, contact Fr. Sedlacek.

New Parish Directories

Our new parish directories have arrived! Everyone who sat for a photo session gets a free copy. You can pick up your copy at the parish office during office hours (Monday-Friday, 7 am – 2 pm).

Women's Group Wreath, Apple Pie, and Maple Syrup fundraisers

St. Charles Women's Group will be selling Christmas Wreaths, "Take and Bake" homemade Apple Pies, and Maple Syrup. Order forms are in the vestibule. **Orders are due Oct 31st**. \$20 for a 24-inch wreath. \$15 for an Apple Pie. These are the best apple pies Fr. Sedlacek has ever tasted, so order soon! Pick up for Apple Pies will be Nov. 12 & 13 after Mass in the school. Christmas Wreaths and Maple Syrup will be available for pick up Nov. 19 & 20 and Nov. 26 & 27 after Mass at the parish garage.

November 1st All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation

St. Charles will have Holy Day Masses at 8:30 AM and 7 PM. Here are some other Mass times at local parishes.

Mon., Oct. 31: 5:30 PM Vigil Mass at Blessed Sacrament, La Crosse

6:30 PM Vigil Mass at St. Mary's, Viroqua

Tuesday, November 1:

6:30 AM Cathedral

8:00 AM Blessed Sacrament

8:30 AM St. Joseph, New Albin, Iowa

Noon Mary, Mother of the Church

Noon Roncalli Newman

12:10 PM Cathedral

12:10 PM St. Mary's, Viroqua

5:10 PM Cathedral

5:15 PM Roncalli Newman

5:15 PM St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Holmen

5:30 PM Mary, Mother of the Church

5:30 PM St. Joseph Parish - St. Joseph Ridge

6:30 PM St. Mary's, Coon Valley

6:30 PM St. Teresa of Kolkata, West Salem

6:30 PM St. Ann-St. Joseph, Harpers Ferry

Parish Holy "Hour of Power" on 1st Thursdays of Each Month

Please join us in prayer and Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00-7:00 PM on Thursday, **November 3rd**. Come for an hour or however much time you can spare (even 5 minutes!). Confession will be available during this time.

Save the Date! Pancake Breakfast Sunday Nov. 13th

Plain and Pumpkin Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sliced Ham, Applesauce, Coffee, juice, milk. Bake Sale also! Serving 10 am – 11:30 am on Sunday, Nov. 13th in St. Charles School. Free will donation. Put on by the St. Charles School PTO.

St. Charles School News

PTO meeting Wed. Nov. 2 at 6 PM

RootinCrown Consignment Store

RootinCrown is taking donations between 10 AM and 4 PM on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Appointments are still required for gently used furniture consignment. St. Charles earns a 60% share on clean and gently used furniture valued over \$50. To qualify for this offer, make an appointment with Mary Jo at 608-519-9500. Encourage family, neighbors and friends/social contacts to support our school by shopping at the RootinCrown and liking them on Facebook. www.rootincrown.com

School Shop Scrip Program

Thanks to everyone who have been using the Scrip program. If you haven't already, it is easy to join and start earning money for our school. Either create an account on Raiseright.com/shop or download the RaiseRight app. You can use the app or website to immediately buy and use eGift cards. More information to come when we place the next order for physical gift cards. Please reach out to Megan Olson with any questions at 608-385-7815 or mitrussoni@gmail.com. Thanks!

Other News from the Diocese and our Community

La Crosse Warming Center

Doors Open November 1st. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Past, present, and future volunteers, please join La Crosse warming center staff for a non-mandatory but highly useful question and answer session where we will help familiarize you with what's new for the 2022-23 winter season! Sessions will take place October 18th and 20th from 6 to 7pm at 413 3rd St S, La Crosse (Warming Center location).

Fr. Walijewski Guild Benefit for Casa Hogar

Please join us for the annual Father Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild Dinner benefiting Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II on Friday, **November 4** at Blessed Sacrament Church in La Crosse. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Following dinner, Msgr. Joseph Hirsch will provide an update on the last year at Casa Hogar and the legacy of Father Joseph Walijewski that lives on still today. Cost is only \$70 per person or \$525 for a table of 8. Register online at www.homeajpm.org/events or call 715.297.5139 to register or with any questions.

Save the date! Men of the Cross Catholic Men's Conference: "Sons of the Father"

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022

La Crosse Center | 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse
Cost: \$40 per person; After Oct. 24, 2022, \$45 per person. Mass attendance is down, prayer lives are mediocre at best, and men being spiritual leaders in their families has been substituted by achieving worldly success. Come to the Men of the Cross

Conference to reignite and reaffirm your identity as a son of the Father! Gather your family members, best buds, men at your parish and even acquaintances, and join your brothers from all over the Diocese of La Crosse. Go to www.menofthecross.org for more information and to register.

St. James & Providence Academy: 56th Annual Holly Berry Fair

WHEN: Saturday, November 12, 2022, 9am-4pm

WHERE: In the Providence Academy Gymnasium
716 Windsor St. across the street from St. James.

WHAT: Booths include Bakery, Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Visit Santa's Winter Wonderland for face painting & pictures with Santa! Lunch & refreshments available for dine in or take out.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Advent Christmas Fair

"From our Heart and Home to Yours"

Saturday November 19, 2022 From 8am – 2pm
130 Losey Blvd South, La Crosse

Sign Up for 40 Days for Life, La Crosse

40 Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history. This year we will stand in prayerful witness outside Planned Parenthood, 1201 Caledonia St. in La Crosse, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Sept. 28-Nov. 3. Sign up for vigil hours at www.40daysforlife.com/en/lacrosse Questions? Call Marie Allen at 608.784.5189.

Parish Events Calendar

Sun. Oct. 30: RCIA Group 10:30 AM-Noon

Tues. Nov. 1: All Saints Day. Holy Day of Obligation. Mass at 8:30 AM and 7 PM.

Wed. Nov. 2: PTO Meeting 6 PM

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Thur. Nov. 3: Women's Group meeting 6 PM Adoration, 6:30 PM meeting.

Fri. Nov. 4: Patronal Feast of St. Charles Borromeo

Sun. Nov. 13: St. Charles School Pancake Breakfast 10-11:30 AM.

Wed. Nov. 16: Middle School Group 6:30-8 PM

Thur. Nov. 17: Education Committee meeting 6 PM