



A Testament to Christ

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Celebration of Eucharist

Saturdays: 5:00 pm
Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 am

Penance

Saturdays: 4:15 – 4:45 PM or by
appointment with Pastor.

APRIL 23, 2023

*We live and proclaim the Gospel through prayer, liturgy
and action.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" - Lk 24:33-34

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the Catholic family of St. Olaf, believe ours is the mission of Jesus Christ.

We live and proclaim the Gospel through prayer, liturgy and action.

We accept the challenge to live in the Gospel, to love others as Christ loves us, and to be models of Christian stewardship.

Empowered by our Baptism, we give witness to the values of Christian unity, service, compassion and justice.

Questions about St. Olaf

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Thursday: 9 am to 5 pm

Parish Mailing Address:
St. Olaf, PO Box 1203, Eau Claire WI 54702-1203

TO BECOME MEMBERS OF ST. OLAF

We would like to meet with you personally. Call and make an appointment to register with Michelle Zanoni or Robin Johengen. Their schedules are flexible so you can meet at your convenience.

PENANCE

Saturdays 4:15–4:45 PM or by appointment with Pastor. Penance services and individual Reconciliation are held during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

ST. OLAF PRAYER CHAIN

Prayers can be for spiritual, physical, or emotional needs. Examples include prayers for the sick, for guidance in decision-making, for marital difficulties, for mental health problems, for safe journey, in thanksgiving for. Use first names only. To start a prayer call:

- Dianne Froze 715-834-3626 (mornings)
- Rose O'Donnell 708-525-3130 (afternoons)
- Carolyn Charais 480-226-2024 (evenings—5pm to 9pm)
- E-mail prayer requests to bddroesler@gmail.com

REGIS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Central Office—715-830-2273

Parish Stewardship

Offerings received to support our Faith Community

Adult Envelope/Holy Days Giving

April 9, 2023 \$7,613.00
April Direct Payment \$11,143.58

Offertory

April 9, 2023 \$2,278.25

Debt Retirement Giving

April 9, 2023 \$120.00
April Direct Payment \$2,002.09

Year to Date February 2023

Adult Envelope/Holy Days \$346,628.04
Amount budgeted \$336,000.00

Offertory \$14,447.50
Amount budgeted \$9,820.00



To everyone who is continuing to send in their weekly and monthly contributions a big thank you! Your commitment to St. Olaf is greatly appreciated. You are all in our prayers.

MAKE A PLANNED GIFT

We hope that you will consider including the St. Olaf Parish in your estate or financial plans for the future.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, April 24 — St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
NO MASS

Tuesday, April 25 - St. Mark, Evangelist
1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20
NO MASS

Wednesday, April 26— Administrative Professionals' Day
Acts 8:1b-8/jn 6:35-40
NO MASS

Thursday, April 27 – Weekday
Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
NO MASS

Friday, April 28 – St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest; Arbor Day
Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
NO MASS

Saturday, April 29 – St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
5:00 PM †Jim McNally

Sunday, April 30 – 4th Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
8:30 AM Our Parishioners & Guests
10:30 AM † Don & Elaine Sydejko

To schedule a Mass Intention, please call the Parish Office at 715-832-2504 x100. Suggested stipend is \$10/Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass offered, please call the parish office at 715-832-2504 x100 or solaf@saintolafparish.org
The suggested offering for an intention is \$10.

Diocese of La Crosse Masses can be viewed on Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m. Sundays or online at diolc.org/live

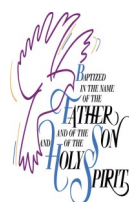
\$CRIP NOTES & NEWS

CURRENT SALES—MARCH 27, 2023.... \$5,095.00..... 18 ORDERS

SALES FISCAL Y-T-D (7/1/22-6/30/2023) \$124,055.00

FISCAL YTD RETURN TO PARISH: \$5,321.53

Scrip is available for purchase on the weekends after Mass and Monday-Thursday. 8:30am—4:30pm in the Parish Office.



WELCOMED TO THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

Congratulations to:

Jesse Kremer

Son of Adam & Kayla Kremer

Who was Baptized on April 16, 2023.
It is with great joy that we welcome you to God's family!

**“I Am Not Afraid — I Was Born to Do This.
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi**

Have you ever felt like you weren't doing the work you should be doing?

We have all had jobs that leave us feeling unfulfilled. Bored. Dreading the next day. We may even experience a sensation of unfamiliarity, of being unable to recognize ourselves.

Most of us have also been lucky enough to have a job that we love — a vocation, a calling that makes us look in the mirror and think, This. This is who I'm supposed to be. I recognize this person.

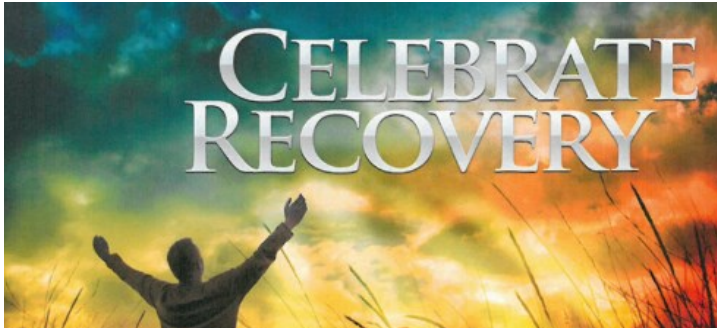
For me, that work is the work of marriage and motherhood. The hours are terrible, the pay is even worse, and my coworkers are frequently disappointed in me — but it doesn't matter. When I look in the mirror every morning and see my tired, wrinkled face gazing back, choruses of “I said I don't want the BLUE SHIRT, MOMMY, ugh!” and “Honey, I've got an early meeting, I'm so sorry but I have to run,” ringing in the background, I think to myself: I recognize this girl. She was born to do this.

Christ's own disciples did not recognize him on the road to Emmaus. It wasn't until he took the bread and broke it that their eyes were opened, and they realized they had known it all along — “Were not our hearts burning within us?”

In that moment, Christ was doing the very work he was born to do, making the sacrifice.

I don't know what kind of vocation you are called to. I don't know what kind of work reveals your true self. But I hope that whatever work you are doing, you can look in the mirror and feel your heart burning within you.

“He was made known to them in the breaking of bread.” — Luke 24:35



What is Celebrate Recovery? It is a Christ based recovery program.

Did you know? Only 1 in 3 people in Celebrate Recovery are struggling with addiction. The other 2/3 are struggling with other common issues, such as:

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| Depression | Anxiety | Divorce |
| Grief | Stress | Perfectionism |
| Over-working | Worry | Family Conflict |

What does “recovery” mean? We all face issues in life, and they can leave us hurt or stuck in a habit we just can't beat. Recovery simply means to return to a healthy state of being.

If you are looking for a way to live a more peaceful life and find freedom from your hurts, habits, and hangups, please join us for a Bible based program to discover how to cope with life's struggles.

Don't let your struggles become your identity.

New group starting May 2, 2023, at 6:30 pm.
Chippewa Valley Seventh Day Adventist Church
919 West 10th Street, Altoona

Upcoming Changes to the PCCW

As the PCCW is trying to get more women of the parish to be more active participants, certain changes are being looked into. All the women of the parish are automatically members of the PCCW. You aren't asked to attend all the meetings or help with all of the events that the PCCW sponsors BUT the PCCW would like to hear from more of you to get fresh input on how you would the PCCW to do things. The yearly calendar of events is usually the same as what we have done year after year. I have to admit that as president (and a person who has no imagination) this makes my life easier by following the format that has been done for YEARS. We have had some input newer member and are looking at making some changes.

#1 It has been suggested that the Pot Luck be moved to October from January. We wouldn't need to worry about the weather and hopefully get more ladies to come.

#2 One of our members has suggested making the cards that we send out to the senior members of St Olaf at Christmas. We would just have to assemble that and this would be planned for the November meeting.

These are just of the items that have been discussed and we would like to get your input.

The PCCW now has a facebook page: St Olaf PCCW. Items will be posted on this page of upcoming events and to express your opinions on what you like and don't like. Please be kind. We still would like all of you to join us at our meetings.

Meetings and Gatherings

Monday - 4/24	Tuesday 4/25	Wednesday - 4/26	Thursday - 4/27	Friday - 4/28	Saturday - 4/29	Sunday - 4/30
	NO DAILY MASS 6:30 PM RCIA (MR 2)	NO DAILY MASS 6:15-7:30 PM CCD	NO DAILY MASS 3:00 Fish Fry Set-up 7 PM Choir Rehearsal	NO DAILY MASS Parish Offices Closed 4-7 PM Fish Fry	4:15-4:45 PM Confessions 5 PM Mass	8:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Men's Club Breakfast (PC) 10:30 AM Mass

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS - APRIL 29-30

5:00 pm Saturday

Lector: Sue Schamberger

Servers: Chris McAnarney ~ Janet McAnarney

8:30 am Sunday

Lector: Cathy McCann

Servers: Allie Liedl ~ Gabriel Liedl

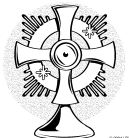
10:30 am Sunday

Lector: Gina Ostrowski

Servers: Charles Gibson ~ Camden Sedlacek

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Olaf's will hold our 1st Wednesday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Reservation Chapel from 9 am to Noon on Wednesday, May 3. We need to have two individuals present at all times during Exposition. To help with our planning, we ask you to sign up in advance on the sheet on the podium at the front church entrance. **Everyone is welcome to come and pray even if you are unable to sign up in advance.**



ST OLAF MEN'S CLUB FISH FRY FOR 2023

The St. Olaf Men's Club invites you to our *All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry*—next one is **April 28th**. Serving hours are the usual 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Menu includes: beer-battered fried or baked fish, French fries or baked potato, vegetables, coleslaw, and salad bar. Cost is \$14 for all adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12, kids 4 and under are free. Carry-outs will also be available. St. Olaf Catholic Church, 2407 North Lane, Eau Claire, WI.



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

IN MEMORY OF:

Terumi Wanserski
 Raymond & Catherine Peterson
 David R. Smith
 Russ & Coletta Smith
 Harold & Carole Cook
 Vince & Rita Wagener
 Sr. Judie Wagener
 Audrey, August & Paul Levandowski
 Don & Dolores Jensen
 Walter & Rose Schwartz
 Bert & Jeanette Seibel & Paul Barb Dunham
 Mary Frances Berchtold
 The Johnson Family Relatives
 The Miller Family Relatives
 Bernie Hartung & Tom Hamm
 Ruth & Lawrence Losinski
 Marvin & Katherine Pivoni
 Louie & Josephine Walta
 Beal Family
 Linda Marie Kolo
 James Ewer
 Lyna & Archie Derousseau
 Ron Wingad
 Roger Chartier
 Kevin Chartier
 Members of our family
 Bill Wolf
 Schulner & Wolf Families
 Jim Gottfredsen
 Kyle Gottfredsen
 Leona & Anton Romanowski
 Sophie & Andy Nawrocki
 Cheryl Gathman
 Victor & Julia Lang
 LeRoy & Agnes Heil
 Walter & Bernice Olson
 Anton & Rosalind Sundblad
 Tom Sundblad
 Barney Family
 Edwin & Lorraine Wander
 Donald & Elaine Sydejko
 Conrad & June Bjelland
 Arthur Berg
 Evelyn Berg
 Kae Marie Sperber
 Walter & Doris Karker
 Marlin (Pete) & Michael Anderson

FROM:

George Wanserski
 Basil & Anne Hargrave-Thomas
 Lori Smith
 Lori Smith
 Lori Smith
 Thomas Wagener
 Thomas Wagener
 Joel & Jane Levandowski
 Shawn & Karen Bergeman
 Tom & Joan Schwartz
 Tom & Joan Schwartz
 Tom & Joan Schwartz
 Tom & Joan Schwartz
 Drew & Marlene Johnson
 Drew & Marlene Johnson
 Rosanne Hartung
 Karen Gloude-mans
 Marilyn Day
 Lou & Billie Walta
 Lou & Billie Walta
 Edwin & Valencia Kolo
 Edwin & Valencia Kolo
 Karen Wingad
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 Harold & Diane Froze
 Betty Wolf
 Betty Wolf
 Jeanne Gottfredsen
 Jeanne Gottfredsen
 Al & Pat Romanowski
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 Joe & Gladys Heil
 Joe & Gladys Heil
 Richard & Deb Sundblad
 Richard & Deb Sundblad
 Richard & Deb Sundblad
 Mary Barney
 Bonnie Wander
 Don & Vickie Sydejko
 Don & Vickie Sydejko
 Kris Moldenhauer
 Kris Moldenhauer
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 Pat & Debbie Karker
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Mark your calendars for MAY 1ST dinner & style show at Wild Ridge Golf.

Menu: Stuffed Chicken Breast topped with a Parmesan Roasted Garlic Sauce and Wild Rice Stuffing.

Oven Roasted Baby Reds, Broccoli, Carrots, and Cauliflower, Salad, Rolls, Coffee, Water and Dessert

Cost for the meal is \$25.00. Payable to Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club.

Mail check to: Judy St. Arnault, 3718 Gables Court, Eau Claire, WI. 54701 on or before APRIL 22nd.

Cocktails 5:00, Dinner; 6:00 Followed by Style Show.

Clothing provided by DAILY THREAD. Come have a fun evening and see some beautiful clothing. Bring a Friend.

IN NEED OF PRAYER SHAWLS

We have given out prayer shawls to those who are grieving, undergoing treatment for an illness, suffering from chronic illness, recovering from an accident and those just in need of comfort and healing in any way.



Loving hearts and hands make up the St. Olaf Prayer Shawl Ministry, sharing simple gifts with those who are in need of comfort and healing. If you or someone you know would be able to donate a prayer shawl, contact the Parish Office at 715-832-2504 x 100

UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Congratulations to:

Eric Kaiser and Kendra Pagel who were married on April 22, 2023.

May the love they share be a living witness of how much God loves the world.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

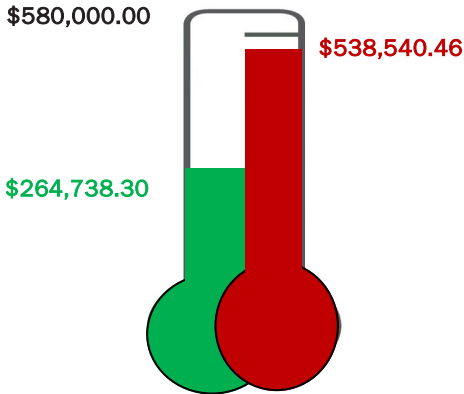
Do you know someone from our parish who is homebound and would like to receive communion? Would you like to be involved as a EMHC and bring Christ to the homebound? Please contact Sharon Stearns at 715-25-0545 or sharstearns@me.com or call the parish office, 715-832-2504 x100.





Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Disbursements as of March 28, 2023	
Total Received	\$259,826.30
Diocese of La Crosse 2022 DAA Share	\$ 73,425.00
Diocese of La Crosse Curia and Foundation	\$ 37,280.26
St. Olaf Parish Share	\$149,121.04
Maintenance Reserve Fund Projects Completed:	
Parking Lot Seal-Coating and Re-lining	\$12,562.00



**INSPIRED BY
THE SPIRIT as of
4/17/2023**

**Parish Goal:
\$580,000.00**

**Pledged to date
from 170
Families:
\$538,540.46
92.85% of Goal**

**Received to date:
\$264,738.30**

KC Smelt Feed open to the public, on Thursday April 27th, 2023 at the Chippewa KC Hall 236 Pumphouse Road in Chippewa Falls. \$12.00 at the door. Cash drawing prizes. Smelt Feed starts at 4:30P.M. until 7:30P.M. Please plan on attending this event that helps benefit the needs of our community. Questions call Tim @ 715-271-4737

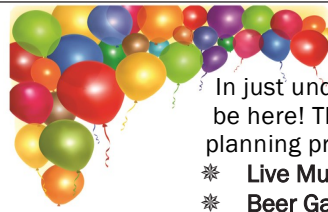
MAY 2nd PCCW APPRECIATION DINNER

The annual PCCW Appreciation Dinner will be on May 2nd at 5:30 PM. Appetizers start at 5:30 with a full course meal with refreshment to follow. Please call 715-839-0139 (Deb Sundblad) or the Parish Office @ #715-832-2504 to sign up for the dinner or sign up on the signup sheet in the Gathering Space. All parish ladies are invited & we would like to see you there. Please accept our appreciation for all that you have contributed to & for us all year. In order to accurately plan for this event please call by April 25th.

STILL NEED A VICE PRESIDENT

The PCCW is happy to announce that we have a PRESIDENT!! Now it would be wonderful if we could have someone step forward to be the VICE PRESIDENT. Our own Bonnie Gibson has decided to take on the mantle of President of the PCCW. Do I hear a round of applause! Bonnie will take over the position at the September 2023 meeting. Patti Lavinger, secretary and Laura Muenich, treasurer will also be aboard to help our the future president in her role. Thank you to all the 2023 officers for willing to take on or continue in their roles.

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a tootsie roll drive on April 29th and 30th. This is a fund raiser for people with intellectual disabilities and the money is distributed to several organizations including Special Olympics.



FUN FEST NEWS

In just under two months the Fun Fest will be here! The committee has begun the planning process. We are planning to have:

- * Live Music "40 Fingers"
- * Beer Garden
- * Pulled Pork Dinner
- * Car Show
- * Silent Auction
- * Raffle
- * Cake Walk

Our next meeting will be **Monday, April 24 at 6:00 PM** in Meeting Room 3, please enter building through Door 7. There will be more information as the days draw closer to **Fun Fest on Sunday, May 21, 2023.**

FUN FEST UPDATES:

- ⇒ **RAFFLE TICKETS**—Please stop by the Gathering Space to pick up your **Raffle Tickets**. They are sorted alphabetically on the tables.
- ⇒ **SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS**—It's Fun Fest time again and though we do send a mailing out to over 350 businesses to solicit gifts, we also know we have a very generous parish as well. **We are looking for Silent Auction items such as, Crafts, Gift Cards, New Merchandise, or items in good shape.** We also accept cash, as the money raised from Fun Fest goes directly to St. Olaf Church please consider donating. If you are able to contribute, fill out the Individual Sponsorship Opportunities sheet. **Thank you!**
- ⇒ We have more volunteers for captains! Thank you to Howard Ludwigson & Dale Smieja - Dice Game and Nick & Laura Cernohous - Beer Garden/Concessions.
- ⇒ Please check the Fun Fest Sign Up Board as we need workers and captains.
- ⇒ Marley Sterling – Game Captain – had added the Duck Pond, Hoopla, and the Prize Blaster for the 2023 Fun Fest. We are looking for volunteers to sign up to be a Captain for an individual games and for shift workers. We are looking for donations of bigger items for the Prize Blaster. These games are in addition to the Chalk Painting Contest, Juggler/Balloon Artists, Face Painter, Dice Games, and the Cake Walk. We will also enjoy watching the band, eating the wonderful lunch and concessions, and checking out the car show and silent auction.
- ⇒ The donations are starting to come in from individuals and businesses. A big thank you to everyone that has donated so far. Get your donations in so Jay Bouley, marketing/promotions can do the advertising!
- ⇒ We are looking for a Captain for the Chalk Painting Contest! This year participants will have the option to do the paintings on the sidewalk or use tickets to get a chalk board for their drawing and then take the drawing home.

**For questions or to volunteer,
please call or text the Fun Fest Co-Chairs:
Mary Behling – 715-577-2979 or
Tom Behling – 715-456-4504**

The Nineteenth Annual Marianna Scott Scholarship Organ Recital will be held at First Congregational Church, 310 Broadway, Eau Claire, on Sunday, April 23 at 2 pm. This scholarship provides tuition assistance to selected students for organ study. A free-will offering will be received at the recital to add to this fund. Performers include the Regis High School Choir, AGO members, and students who received scholarships last year.