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A Testament to Christ

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<https://www.facebook.com/saintolafmensclub/>

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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

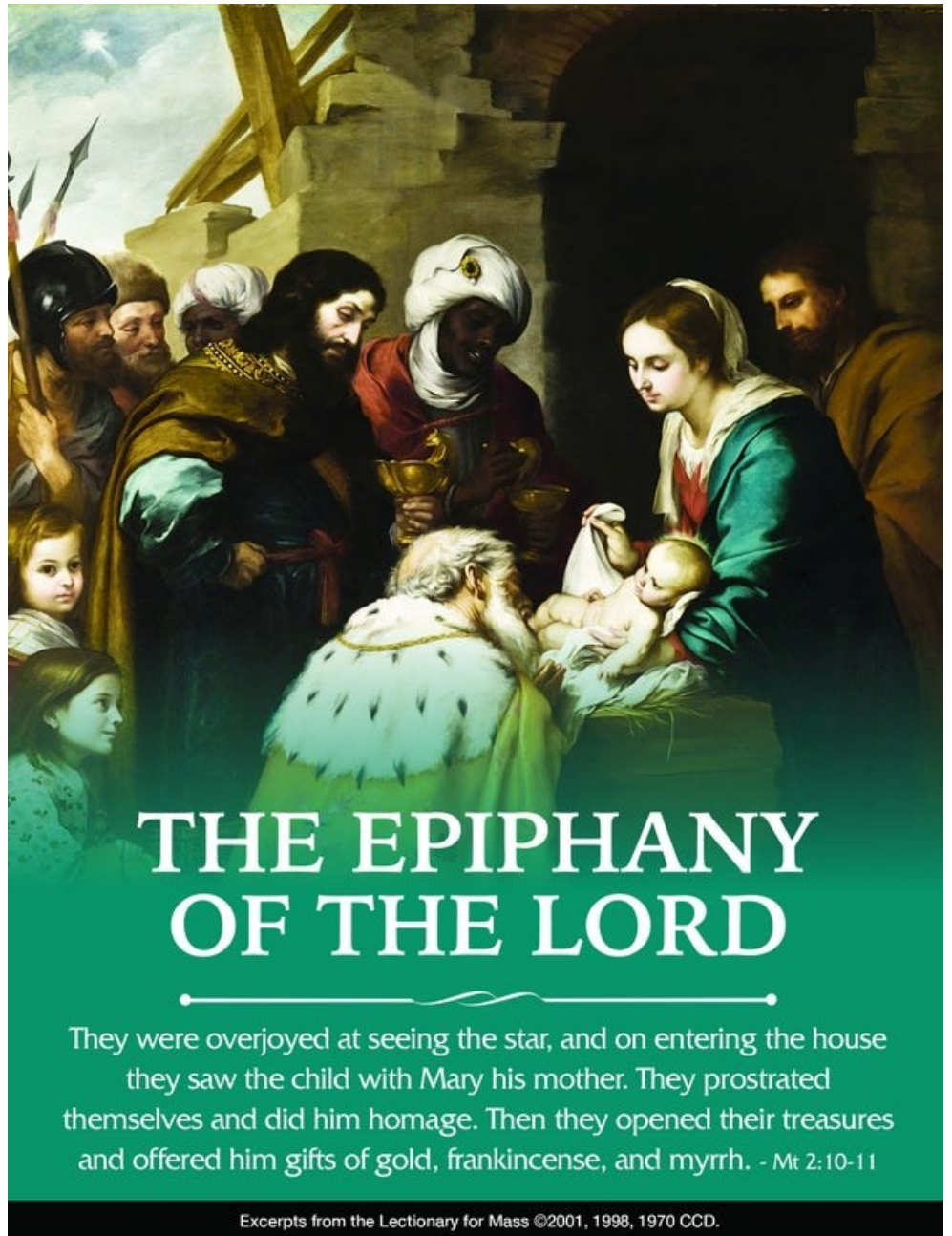
Parish Mission Statement

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

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

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

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



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Questions about St. Olaf

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

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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 & make an appointment to register with Michelle Zanon. Her schedule is flexible so you can meet at your convenience.

PENANCE

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

December 24, 2023..... \$6,735.00
December 25, 2023..... \$78.00

Offertory

December 24, 2023.....\$472.00
December 25, 2023..... \$2,955.00

Debt Retirement Giving

December 24, 2023.....\$360.00

Year to Date June 2023

Adult Envelope/Holy Days**\$463,420.28**
Amount budgeted.....**\$475,000.00**

Offertory**\$23,970.26**
Amount budgeted.....**\$13,840.00**

Thank You



To everyone who is continuing to send in their weekly & 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, January 8 – The Baptism of the Lord
Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, January 9— Weekday
1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
8:30 AM †

Wednesday, January 10— Weekday
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
8:30 AM Elderly of the Parish

Thursday, January 11—Weekday
1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
8:30 AM † Tom Pichler

Friday, January 12—Weekday
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
8:30 AM † Bill Dresden and family

Saturday, January 13— St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; BVM
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17
5:00 PM † Rosemary and Donald Lavering

Sunday, January 14—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
8:30 AM † John Dolezel
10:30 AM

To schedule a Mass Intention, please call the Parish Office at 715-832-2504 x100. Suggested stipend is \$10/Mass
[@saintolafparish.org](mailto:saintolafparish.org)

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—DECEMBER 18, 2023 **\$7,330.00**^{ORDERS}**29**

SALES FISCAL Y-T-D (7/1/23-12/11/2023) **\$96,381.00**
FISCAL YTD RETURN TO PARISH: **\$3,931.79**

We NEED Scrip Sellers for Weekends after Mass! Please contact Michelle in the business office to sign up!
(715-832-2504 x101)



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Family Formation & Religious Education

K-6: February 4 after 8:30 am

Mass

7-10th Grade: January 10, 2024!

Confirmation Theme for January: Option for the Poor & Vulnerable



THANK YOU!

The Outreach Committee would like to thank the parish for their continued support for the Sharing Tree. Thank you again & have a wonderful holiday season.



2023 Spirit of Christmas Wrap Up *pun intended*

On behalf of Spirit of Christmas of Chippewa County, we are so thankful and blessed to have such giving parishioners. We were able to assist in serving 515 families (1,389 children) throughout Chippewa County. **Thank you all so much!!!**

Eau Claire Deanery Positions Available

The Eau Claire Deanery of Catholic Women currently have positions available on the executive board. If you are interested in getting involved with the Deanery (one level above your parish PCCW) now is your chance. They currently have the following positions available: PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, & SECRETARY. If this is something that you are interested in pursuing you can contact Julie Brindle, the past president of the Deanery. Her contact information is julianna.brindle@gmail.com.

General questions can be answered by Deb Sundblad, as she is the

St. Olaf Parish is currently looking for:

- ♦ **3 Members for the Parish Pastoral Council**
- ♦ **Scrip sellers before & after Mass**
- ♦ **Cup & Gift Bearers for mass-sign up on the ministry clipboard**

What Is Happening in RCIA?

On the First Sunday of Advent we celebrated the Rite of Welcoming at the 5:00 Mass. Danielle Havenor was accepted as a candidate & declared her intention to enter into the full Communion of the Catholic Church.

In RCIA we have been discussing Divine Revelation, Original Sin, the Trinity & the Pascal Mystery.

Please pray for Danielle as she continues her journey of faith. Welcome Danielle!



Thank you for helping us fill the sanctuary with White Poinsettias for the Christmas season!! If you were able to donate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please take one to put in your home. We will have these available in the gathering space after mass on January 7th and the following week.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Terry Doughty** who have recently died. Our prayers & sincere sympathy are extended to their family. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, & may perpetual light shine upon them.*



ST. OLAF'S MEN'S CLUB



ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FISH FRY

St. Olaf Parish
2407 North Lane, Eau Claire, WI
(on the North side near the Airport)

2024 DATES:

JANUARY 5TH & 19TH

FEBRUARY 2ND & 16TH

MARCH 1ST, 15TH & 22ND

APRIL 5TH

The Menu for the Sit-Down Meal:

BATTER-FRIED or BAKED FISH

FRENCH FRIES or BAKED POTATO

VEGETABLES, SALAD BAR & COLESLAW

PRICES: \$14 Adults, \$5 Children (5 to 12)


Younger ones eat free

(Walk-Up Carry-Outs Available)

CARRY-OUT 3-PIECE DINNER \$14

Serving from 4:00-7:00 PM

Meetings & Gatherings

Monday - 1/8	Tuesday 1/9	Wednesday - 1/10	Thursday - 1/11	Friday - 1/12	Saturday - 1/13	Sunday - 1/14
NO Daily Mass 6:30pm- Women's Bible Study	NO Daily Mass 6:30pm-RCIA (MR 2)	6:15pm-7:30pm Religious Education	6:00am-Men's Faith Group 5:30pm-Bible Study (GS)	Parish Offices Closed	5pm- Mass	8:30am- Mass 10:30am- Mass
						

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS - JANUARY 13 & 14

5:00 pm Saturday

Lector: Jerry Boetcher

Servers: Laura Muenich & Janet McAnarney

8:30 am Sunday

Lector: Denise Ives

Servers: Rhonda Nispel & Milen Pohlen

10:30 am Sunday

Lector: Ivy Hartman

Servers: Gabriel Gassen & Charles Gibson

Soup Supper January 13th

St. Olaf is hosting a Soup Supper Potluck Social on
Saturday, January 13th, 2024
Following the 5:00 p.m. Mass

Here's your chance to share your favorite soup—
And recipe if you wish! Or you may want to
Bring a dessert or appetizer to share.

Please indicate what you wish to bring.

All are Welcome!



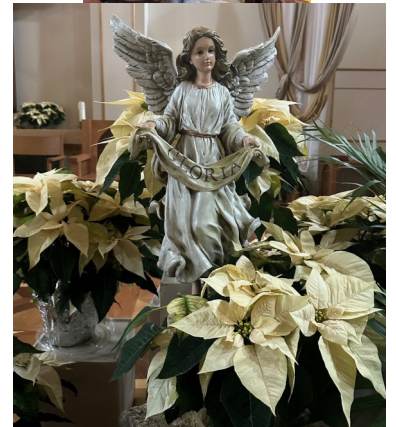
PCCW
THANK
YOU!

Thank you to all of the amazing bakers who shared their talents baking for the Christmas Bake Sale. Thank you to everyone who supported the bake sale with purchasing delicious treats and making monetary donations. This year we raised \$4220. Thank you for supporting the PCCW and parish life at St. Olaf.

Thank you Arts and Environment!

Year after year you make the church so beautiful for the seasons of the church. The quick turnover this year made it a challenge, but as always, the church looked perfect! Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to making St. Olaf a beautiful and peaceful place of worship. Special thank you to David Olson, Cindy Berg & Tom, Gene Tremblay, Geno Johnson, Jane Levandowski, David Roubal, Teri Madson, Doris Bremeless, Patti Iverson & Justin Culbert! Here are some photos of the GREAT work

**Fun Fest Kick-off Meeting is
January 22 at 6:30pm! Join the
committee to plan Fun Fest on
May 19th!**



Yes this is different than the other photo, we wanted the whole crew!





Christmas Flowers

In Memory of:

Bert & Jeanette Seibel
Walter & Rose Schwartz
Paul Seibel
Barb Dunham
Mary Frances Berthold
Roger & Donna Falkenburg
Terumi Wanserski
Vince & Rita Wagener
Elmo & Harriet Korn
Donovan & Dolores Jensen
David Russell Smith, Harold & Carole Cook,
Russell & Colletta Smith & Lewis & Myrtle Cook

Judy Sires
Linda Marie Kolo
James A Ewer
Frances Marek
Amelia Kolo
Donald & Elaine Sydejko
Conrad & June Bjelland
Deceased members of the Sazama Family
Deceased members of the Wanichek Family
Ann & Doc Kinnick
Marvin & Katherine Piwoni
Louie & Jo Walta
Deceased members of the Beal Family
Phillip O'Donnell
Bill, Fran & Lorraine Dresden
Patricia Dresden Prock
Bob Woodruff
John & Julie Guite
Deceased members of the Teslaw Family
Deceased members of the Skaw Family
Jerry Hoehl
Darin Bowe
Jim Gottfredsen
Baby Chloe Eichman
Kyle Gottfredsen
Bill Wolf
Deceased members of the Schulner & Wolf Families
Clem & Dorothy Bowe
Larry & Suzanne Bowe
Roger LaFaive
Robert & Martha Manthey
Gerald & Grace Her

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by George Wanserski
by Thomas Wagener
by William Korn
by Shawn & Karen Bergeman

by Lori Smith
by Nancy Sires
by Edwin & Valencia Kolo
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by Don & Vickie Sydejko
by Don & Vickie Sydejko
by Mary & Tom Sazama
by Mary & Tom Sazama
by Connie & Lee Bremer
by Tom & Marilyn Day
by Lou & Billie Walta
by Lou & Billie Walta
by Marie Lelivelt
by Cathy McCann
by Cathy McCann
by Mary Woodruff
by Al & Judy Guite
Dave & Barb Teslaw
Dave & Barb Teslaw
Sharon Hoehl
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Jeanne Gottfredsen
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Marty & Mary Green
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