



FEBRUARY 11, 2024

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

A Testament to Christ

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Sites for up-to-date info:

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<https://twitter.com/SaintOlaf3220>

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

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

PCCW Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100091654986282>

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.


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.



**6th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

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

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Mass Times: 8:30am

12pm

6:30pm

**3220 MONROE ST., EAU CLAIRE, WI 54703
PO BOX 1203, EAU CLAIRE, WI 54702-1203**

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 & make an appointment to register with Michelle Zaroni. 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

January 28, 2024..... \$4,119.00

Offertory

January 28, 2024.....\$600.00

Debt Retirement Giving

January 28, 2024.....\$757.00

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, February 12— Weekday

Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, February 13— Weekday

Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

8:30 AM † Rosemary & Donald Lavering

Wednesday, February 14— Ash Wednesday; Valentine's Day

Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

8:30 AM † Arnie Pichler

Thursday, February 15—Weekday

Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

8:30 AM † Walter Olson

Friday, February 16—Weekday

Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

8:30 AM †

Saturday, February 17—The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

5:00 PM † Terumi Wanserski

Sunday, February 18—1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

8:30 AM †

10:30 AM Parishioners and Guests

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—JANUARY 22, 2024... \$6,685.00.....^{ORDERS}29

SALES FISCAL Y-T-D (7/1/23-12/11/2023) **\$111,671.00**

FISCAL YTD RETURN TO PARISH: **\$4,562.20**

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



TO BENEFIT ST. OLAF WITH MORE SCRIP OPTIONS

Instantly use eGift cards and reloadable Gift cards, and see the latest sales through the app!

Download the Raise Right app for free on Google Play or the App Store.

Questions? Call Michelle Zaroni at 715-832-2504 x101



Uber Eats

BARNES & NOBLE

Walmart



Explore 400+ brands that offer eGift cards in the RaiseRight™ app and at RaiseRight.com.

Family Formation & Religious Education

K-6: March 3, after 8:30 am Mass
7-10th Grade: February 21

Confirmation Theme for February: Solidarity



Do you want to receive the bulletin in your email?
Do you want to be apart of funeral masses?
Are you interested in helping plan Fun Fest 2024?

Please call or email Amy in the parish office!
Solaf@saintolafparish.org
715-832-2504 x 100

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



KNIGHTS CORNER



Brother Knights:

Our next Council meeting will be held Tuesday February 13, at 7p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Center, 2708 Thomas Dr., Eau Claire

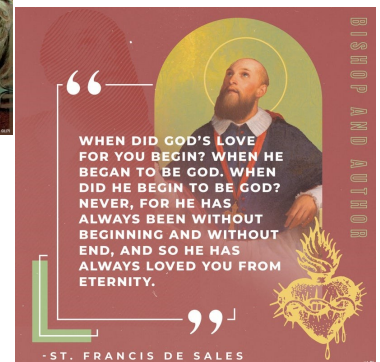
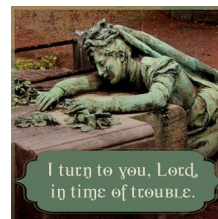
If you are a Catholic man 18 years or older, the Knights of Columbus would like you to join us in our journey. We are a fraternity of like minded Catholic men serving our church and community the way Jesus has asked of all of us. This is also a great way to grow in your Catholic faith.

Grand Knight Kyle Johnson: 715-379-2819
Deputy Grand Knight John Delestry: 715-590-2123

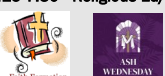



DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE.

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies & procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate & compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish & on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse & the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.



Meetings & Gatherings

Monday - 2/12	Tuesday 2/13	Wednesday - 2/14	Thursday - 2/15	Friday - 2/16	Saturday - 2/17	Sunday - 2/18
NO Daily Mass	8:30am— Mass 3pm—Arts and Environment 6:30pm—RCIA (MR 2)	8:30am— Mass 12pm—Mass 6:30pm—Mass 6:15-7:30 - Religious Ed/Mass	8:30am— Mass 5:30pm—Bible Study (GS)	Parish Offices Closed 8:30am— Mass 4-7pm—Fish Fry	5pm— Mass	8:30am— Mass 10:30am— Mass
						

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS - FEBRUARY 17 & 18

5:00 pm Saturday

Lector: Bonnie Wanderer

Servers: Bonnie Gibson & Carter Atkinson

8:30 am Sunday

Lector: Kristen Cheuvront

Servers: Allie & Gabe Liedl

10:30 am Sunday

Lector: Kathy Edwards

Servers: Catherine Lemanski-Trujillo & Addison Polzer

Are you a morning person? Do you like to volunteer? Sojourner House needs help in the mornings, in two possible shifts: 5-9 am, help with coffee and breakfast, checking out, bin room; or 8-10 am, help with cleaning. Come every day, once a week, once a month, whatever time frame you prefer - they really need the help anytime! Contact the Sojourner House Coordinator Clare at ceinum@cclse.org if you are interested or have questions.

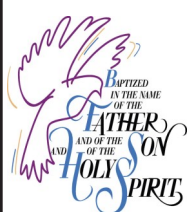


Fun Fest 2024



- *Game Chair
- *Assistant Game Chair
- *Car Show Manager
- *Head Cashier/Financial Assistant
- *Prizes for Duck Pond
- *Prizes for Hoopla
- *Prizes for Prize Blaster
- *Silent Auction Items
- *Donations for \$300 Balloon Artist
- *Volunteers in various areas-watch for the sign up sheets!

Look in the Gathering Space for our Fun Fest Balloon Tree-we are asking for items to be donated! Please take an item off the tree and return to the Parish office! Thank you so much -we look forward to seeing you May 19, 2024.



WELCOMED TO THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

Congratulations to:

Hailey Kay Kelash

Daughter of Michael & Jennifer Kelash

Jack Frederick Folstad

Son of Matt & Lauren Folstad

Baptized on February 4, 2024.

It is with great joy that we welcome you to God's family!

Witness the Difference!

Your family could qualify to attend Regis Catholic Schools tuition-free! Applications for the 2024-25 Wisconsin Parental Choice Program are now being accepted.

Family Size	Maximum Yearly Income
1	\$32,076
2	\$43,384
3	\$54,692
4	\$66,000
5	\$77,308
6	\$88,616

For each additional family member, add \$11,308.

Application Deadline | April 18 at 4 p.m.
Questions? Please call (715) 830-2273, ext. 1404.
RegisCatholicSchools.com

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

*****2024 — 40th ANNUAL*****

Immaculate Conception Parish

SINCE 1985

Dine In & Carry Out 4:30 to 6:30 PM

Save these Friday Dates !!!

January 26th , February 9th

February 23rd, March 8th, March 22nd*

*Includes famous Fish Chowder

New England Style Fish Boil includes:
Red Potatoes . Onions . Carrots . Coleslaw
Mac & Cheese . Vienna Bread . Ice Cream Cup
Beverage . Hot Dogs for Kids
*Ticket Prices & Sponsors to be announced

Immaculate Conception School Cafeteria, 1722 Highland Avenue, Eau Claire



PALM COLLECTION

We are collecting palms to be burned and the ashes will be used on Ash Wednesday. You may drop off your blessed palms in the cauldron in the gathering space before Mass on the weekend or during office hours Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 5 PM. Ash Wednesday is **February 14.**

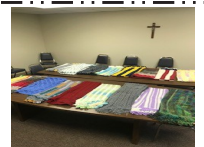
HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

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 Laura Dolezel at ledolezrn@gmail.com or call the parish office, 715-832-2504 x100.



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 & those just in need of comfort & healing in any way.



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

St. Olaf Parish is currently looking for:

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

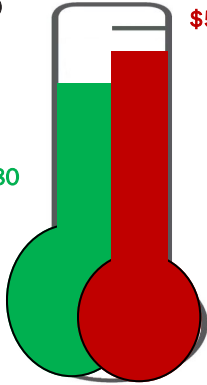


Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Disbursements as of November 1, 2023

Total Received	\$306,405.80
Diocese of La Crosse 2022 DAA Share	\$ 73,425.00
Diocese of La Crosse Curia & Foundation	\$ 46,596.16
St. Olaf Parish Share	\$186,484.64

\$580,000.00



\$306,405.80

\$550,275.46

**INSPIRED BY
THE SPIRIT as of
11/1/2023**

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

**Pledged to date
from 173
Families:
\$550,275.46
94.88% of Goal**

**Received to date:
306,405.80**

Call for Donors!

EMBRACING YOUR CALL TO HOLINESS

The Eau Claire Deanery is again hosting the Embracing Your Call To Holiness. The event will be held Saturday, March 9th, 2024 at St James the Greater Catholic Church in Eau Claire. The Eau Claire Deanery is looking for donors for the event. The event has been an annual event except during COVID. Detailed information regarding this event can be found at ldccw.org ([La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women](http://ldccw.org)). The event is attended by about 125+ women from all over the state. The Deanery will be posting those businesses who donate to this event on a placemat. Any questions please contact Deb Sundblad at red_deb1@hotmail.com. This day is a spirituality day for all women, please help to make it a success.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Eau Claire Deanery Positions Available Now

The Eau Claire Deanery of Catholic Women is in need of officer candidates for PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY. The positions will be vacated as of April 9th, 2024. The Deanery hopes that someone will step forward for these positions or the Deanery will no longer be in existence. We need your help in filling these positions. If you are interested in getting involved with the Deanery (one level above your parish PCCW) now is your chance. 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 Treasurer, red_deb1@hotmail.com.

Lent

Lenten Regulations:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, & Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS ©LPI

The Unfailing Goodness of God — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him. Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

"What is it called when a bishop eats half of a donut?"



"... A partial indulgence!"

