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*Sunday March 1, 2026
 Second Sunday of Lent*

Readings March 8: Ex 17:3-7, Rom 5:1-2, 5-8, Jn 4:5-42, or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (28)

Pastor's Message **Give up candy?** Mother Angelica's tips for your Lenten sacrifice:

#1 – Attend a day of renewal. Please consider participating in our Parish Mission, March 1-3.

#2 – Offer things that will last over time. In her lifetime, she said, "I need to give up something that I know is wrong in me." It's more worthwhile to give up a defect that has a negative impact on us and the people around us.

#3 – Resolve to deepen your faith. For Mother Angelica, one of the best resolutions that Catholics can make during Lent is to go to confession and receive the Eucharist as well as to resume a devotion to the rosary and to sacramentals, such as holy water. It is penance to act like a Catholic. Defend your faith! That is a good penance.

Fr. Evans

Welcome! This weekend we formally welcome and recognize those praying and studying to join us in full communion with the Catholic Church through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). Ryan Deicher, Dan Green (Crucifixion Parish) and Jeremy Guillien (St. Peter's) will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday. Let us pray for them throughout this Lenten journey, as they take their final steps in their preparation.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION – Everyone is invited and bring a friend!

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 – Crucifixion Church: 6:30pm – Presentation: "Created in the Image of God"

MONDAY, MARCH 2 – Crucifixion Church: 6:30 pm Mass 7:15pm: Presentation: "Redeemed and Rescued"

TUESDAY, MARCH 3 – Crucifixion Church: 6:30 pm Mass, 7:15 pm: Presentation: "Holy People Have More Fun"
Confessions available following the Tuesday presentation.

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon Mar 2	10:00 La Crescent Health +James Kadlec 6:30 pm Crucifixion +Raymond and MaryAnn Happel
Tues Mar 3	4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Mass Crucifixion +Erick Abnet
Wed Mar 4	8:05 am Crucifixion +James & Rosemary Bennett 6:00 pm Stations St. Peter's
Thur Mar 5	8:25 am St. Peter's +Jaynie Sheffer 6:30 pm Stations Crucifixion
Fri Mar 6	No Mass
Sat Mar 7	5:00 pm Crucifixion +Donald, MaryLou, & Steve Heintz
Sun Mar 8	8:00 am St. Peter's +Raymond and MaryAnn Happel 10:00 am Crucifixion + For the Intentions of the Parishioners

CONFESSIONS

Tues: 8:00 pm following the Mission

Sat: 4:00-4:40 pm Crucifixion

Sun: 7:30-7:50 am St. Peter's

Sunday Scripture Preview: Tuesdays 9-10 am at the Crucifixion parish office. All are welcome

First Saturday Rosary: Saturday March 7: 10:00 am, in the Church. All are invited!



LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Crucifixion School Auditorium
Thursdays starting February 26
with Stations following at
6:30pm. Serving from 5:30-

6:15pm – Doors open at 5pm. All are welcome as we share a light soup supper meal. No charge, but free will offerings are accepted.

If you can help in any way (set up, prepare food, clean up), please sign up using Signup Genius on the Crucifixion Parish website or in the gathering space. Contact Lisa Inglett at minglett@acegroup.cc, or 608 769 9201 with questions.



Saint of the Week

Saint Katharine Drexel is an American born saint, born in 1858 in Philadelphia to a wealthy banking family. Katharine could have lived a life of luxury, but followed the example of her mother who opened their home to the poor three times a week

for meals and conversation. Katharine dedicated her life to offering education for Native Americans and African Americans who, at this time, were not allowed in the schools. Her schools were often met with racist aggression, even being targeted by the KKK. While it may not have been a perfect solution, Katharine's efforts were intended to ensure the poor and marginalized had the same opportunities in life as their more privileged peers. The majority of Katharine's inheritance was spent founding Xavier University, the first Catholic Historically Black College/University. Katharine's legacy reminds us that we are ALL God's children, worthy of dignity and respect.

The Crucifixion Rummage Sale is happening again this year!! **Next Collection Date:**

Sat March 7: 9-11am
the Crucifixion Parish Office, back door, enter through the alley. Large furniture items will be accepted at a later date.

Catholic Charities Warming Center: The CCCW hosting breakfast on March 5 for forty people at the Catholic Charity's Warming Shelter in La Crosse. We are asking for volunteers to supply the food. It will need to be delivered to Crucifixion by **5:30 AM for delivery by 6:00 AM**. Please sign up using the Parish Sign-up Genius. Questions? Jackie Pitel at 507 895 4281.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4EABA723A3F58-62427236-breakfast> or go to our website and click on Sign Up Genius.



Crucifixion

"A Welcoming Community of Spirit-filled disciples, serving others through God's love."

Parish Support: Feb 22: \$5,654.55
Direct Giving ACH Monthly Feb: \$4,663.85

The Crucifixion Choir would like to welcome those who wish to join us to sing for the Easter season. Our next practice is March 5 at 7pm. We will be practicing most Thursdays during Lent.

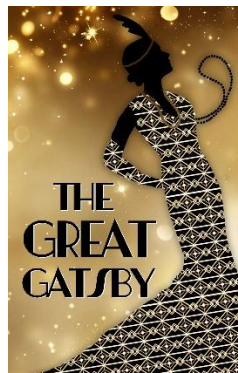


GROUNDBREAKING – The tentative date for the daycare groundbreaking is scheduled for 1:45pm Tuesday, March 10, on the site of the future daycare (the old tennis court). Watch for more and updated information in the bulletin and Flocknotes.



March 7 and 8 is Food Shelf Sunday: Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to Mass for our neighbors in need.

February donations: 203 lbs of food and \$198
Thank you for giving and caring!



Crucifixion Gala: A Night of Giving!!

The venue has changed this year!!

Saturday, April 11, at the **La Crescent Event Center!!** Join us for a Great Gatsby evening! Invitations have been mailed, and RSVPs should be returned

by March 20. We are in need of both Live and Silent Auction items! The Gala Giving Tree is up in the Church for inspiration! Pick a tag, and put together a "Gift", or join with friends and put together a large item for the Live Auction! Check out the Gala Facebook page for new & exciting information, or if you have questions regarding the Gala. Make plans to join us for this Amazing Fundraiser for Crucifixion School!



St. Peter's

Parish Support: Feb 22: \$2359.00

St. Peter's (Woodstock) Extravaganza

Please join us April 18th, at the Brownsville Community Center. Tickets are \$55 per person (\$45 for 65+). You can reserve your tickets by calling the office 507-894-4375. **Early birds who reserve their spot and pay by 3/16 will be put in a drawing to win their money back.** The fun begins at 5pm, dinner at 6pm, and Live Auction at 7pm.

We are looking for donations for the Live & Silent Auctions. Please drop off donations in the School Office **before** March 27th. Thank you for always supporting our little school family. You make a big difference!

7th/8th Grade Teacher Position St. Peter's School is seeking a full-time middle school teacher to complete our staff for the 2026-27 school year. The preferred candidate would be a practicing Catholic holding state licensure. Our mission is the formation of the whole child in a faith-based environment that focuses on each student reaching his or her fullest potential. Please forward to family and friends and ask them to email their cover letter, resume, and three references to principal@stpetershokah.org.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT
CO-SPONSORED BY THE CDA AND DCCW

**Everyday Holiness:
Finding Refreshment in Christ**

Saturday, March 7, 2026

- 8:00 am Mass & Rosary
- 8:40 am Registration begins
- 9:30 am Presentations begin
- Lunch included
- 2:00 pm Conclusion

Register Here

RETREAT REFLECTIONS BY
ANGELA SCAPERLANDA-BUJAN, MA

RSVP BY MARCH 5
NO CHARGE
FREE WILL OFFERINGS ACCEPTED

KC Corner

*Much fun was had at St. Peter's during the 2/15 Moon Tournament and \$1,300 was raised for the last **Stained-Glass Window renovation**. We have \$2,950 yet to raise to reach the **\$4,250 that the KCs will match** to pay off the last \$8,500 window. We plan to have one more tournament this spring on 3/15 from 1:00 – 4:00 as they are great parish fun! However, most people that attend have already contributed to this project (many multiple times). Please consider supporting this effort to reach our final goal even if you don't attend the tournament. Contact Ron Petersen after Mass or at 608-406-0380. (Only **\$2,950 left of an approximate \$200,000 total project cost!**) Also, **many thanks** to those that supported our schools via our **first KC Fish Fry** this past Friday!*



CCCW Desserts Requested for 3 Friday Fish Fries

Bakers: desserts are needed for the upcoming Fish Fries. Please make non-refrigerated desserts during these Parish fundraisers, and, if possible, advise what you brought and if it is safe for people with specific allergies, for example:

- **Gluten-Free** (no wheat, barley, rye, malt)
- **Dairy-Free** (no milk or milk by-products such as butter)
- **Nut-Free** (includes no almond extract, peanuts, or nuts of any kind)

Please drop off your covered and uncut dessert between 1-4 pm at the Crucifixion School Gym.

3/13/26 M Through S

3/27/26 T Through C

Interested in providing baked items for funerals and other fundraisers? contact Jenny Heth (jheth@acegroup.cc). Also, if you are on the baker's list and can no longer participate, please let Jenny know.

Bulletin Submissions must be submitted to Bonnie at cruxch@acegroup.cc **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY AT NOON for the upcoming bulletin.**

Friends of the Library Book Sale Sat March 7: 9 to 12:30 pm. Bag of Books \$5, Puzzles \$1. At the Community Center by the Fire Station. All proceeds benefit the library.

Community Conversations with "Light for the World" This is an ecumenical group sponsored through Prince of Peace, Crucifixion, United Methodist and the La Crescent Public Library. We invite you to come learn and grow with us through monthly conversations. **The focus for 2026 will be on Immigration.**

- **In 2023, how many immigrants were in the work force?**

Out of almost 52M immigrants in the US there were 33M in the work force: 23 M lawful immigrants and 10M unauthorized. Immigrants were 15% of the population, but were 19% of the work force.

Faith Formation

Sun. March 1 - Confirmation Session 10am

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Wed. March 4 - EDGE Ministry

Sun. March 8 - GRADE TWO Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat 6-7pm

Wed. March 11 - EDGE Ministry

Wed. March 18 - GRADES 6-10 Confessions and Adoration

Youth Ministry

Youth Night of Worship is Sunday, March 8 at 7pm at La Crescent United Methodist Church!!

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Lost, Found, Saved, Sent: Saturday, March 14. Join us for a one day retreat led by Dr. Susan Windley-Daoust, founder of The Mark 5:19 Project. More information available on the Mary Mother of the Church Website. This retreat invites parishioners to rediscover the Gospel as a living story that shapes our identity and our daily lives. The retreat includes a 30 day spiritual challenge to help participants deepen prayer and live the Lord's mission beyond the event. The sacrament of confession will also be available to participants in the afternoon.

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