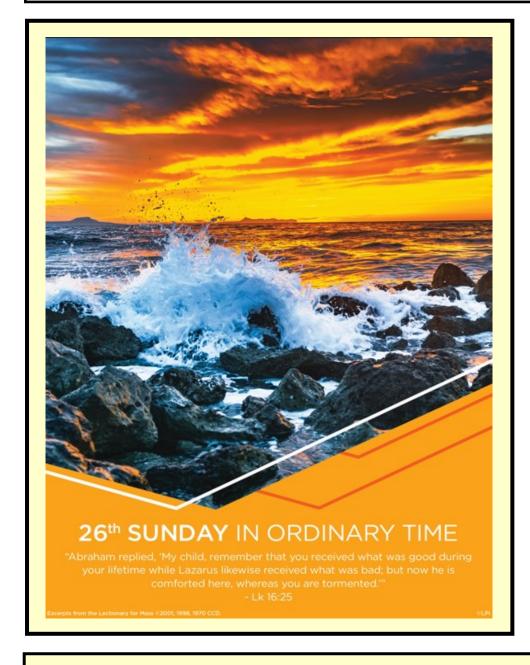
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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 28, 2025

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday NO Mass
Tuesday 8:00 am St. Therese
Wednesday 8:00 am St. Therese
Thursday 8:10 am St. Mark
Friday 8:10 am St. Mark

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm St. Mark
Saturday 5:30 pm St. Therese
Sunday 8:00 am St. Mark
Sunday 10:00 am St. Therese

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday 3:30 pm St. Mark
Saturday 10:00 am St. Therese
Sunday 7:30 am St. Mark
Sunday 9:30 am St. Therese

Liturgical Ministry

Saint Mark

Saint Therese

October – December SignUp Genius is now available on the

St. Mark Website

Saturday, October 4, 4:00 pm

Servers: Ken H. Lectors: Al R. Ushers: Don B.

Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy D., Linda S., Phyllis B.

Musicians: Dean/Ashley

Sunday, October 5, 8:00 am

Servers: Larry M., Dennis P.

Lectors: Bill S.
Ushers: Margaret K.

Extraordinary Ministers: Betty K., Ronald D., Lee R.

Musicians: Mikki/Adeline

Marian Shrine Candle

Week of September 28

Terry Charles



Saturday, October 4, 5:30 pm

Servers:

Lectors: Karen

Ushers:

Extraordinary Ministers: Karen, Shelley, Jim

Sunday, October 5, 10:00 am

Servers:

Lectors: Cathy

Ushers:

Extraordinary Ministers: Jamie & John, Steve W.

Sanctuary Lamp

Week of September 28-October 4

Evelyn Staszak



Mass Intentions

Thursday, October 2 8:10 am
Friday, October 3 8:10 am

Saturday, October 4 4:00 pm Chester & Bernice Jablonski

Sunday, October 5 8:00 am Joseph Buska Jr.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 30 8:00 am Souls in Purgatory Wednesday, October 1 8:00 am +Daniel Van Eyck

Saturday, October 4 5:30 pm +Joe & Lucy Writz Sunday, October 5 10:00 am + Art Koepke III

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 9:00 am—Noon, followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday—Thursday 8:45 am—8:00 pm

Readings for the week of September 28, 2025

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

From the Diocese

Evening of Hope | Oct 12, 2025 | Church of the Resurrection in Wausau: You are invited to make a pilgrimage to the Church of the Resurrection Catholic Church in Wausau and participate in an Evening of Hope on Sunday, Oct. 12, 2025. For the jubilee year, the Church of the Resurrection has been designated as a pilgrimage site. Father James Kurzynski will offer a jubilee reflection beginning at 2 p.m., with confessions being heard from 2-4 p.m. and benediction at 4 p.m. This event coincides with the Jubilee of Marian Devotion, which will be celebrated in Rome.

Respect Life Month: October

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

How to Build a Culture of Life Read the full version at respectlife.org/culture-of-life.

Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. How do we respond? Changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with Him, we become more aware of our own immeasurable worth and that of others. His unchanging love is the source of our God-given dignity, which, therefore, cannot be taken away. When someone is facing great trials, we need to walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ's love however He directs. We simply need to follow where He leads.

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Father Janusz

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2025

Who do we listen to, whose commands do we follow, and what is truly most important to us? What must happen for me to believe the words spoken to me? What does it all depend on? In today's Gospel, we find the stories of two people: both unhappy and both happy, separated only by time and place. Let's take a closer look at these people. Who was the rich man really? He was one who abounded in wealth, focused on enriching himself, and did not share the wealth he acquired. He had more than he needed for daily life. He placed everything he had and who he was in wealth. He needed no one, neither man nor God, as it turned out at the end of the parable. Was he truly happy? I believe not, because wealth has the characteristic of being quickly lost, so there is anxiety and fear; my possessions are at risk. The happiness of a rich man is superficial. What can be said about a beggar? Who he was? His name was Lazarus. The rich man had no name, but he did have a house and a gate, indicating his high social status. Jesus gives us very specific information about his clothing: purple and fine linen. These were the most expensive fabrics in Jesus' time. Giving a name in the Bible meant giving dignity and identity to a person, as well as indicating a place and role assigned by God. The beggar's name, Lazarus, derives from the biblical name Eleazar, which in Hebrew means "he whom God helps." He sees this man. The beggar lives in uncertainty, without hope, because he has no one to trust. This man is of no use to anyone, and his death serves no purpose either. The rich man has wealth and a purpose, guarding his possessions. The image of the rich and the beggar is a limited one. One is not necessarily needed, or not needed at all, while the other becomes a slave to wealth. Another image we can see here is the division between earthly life and the afterlife! The second part of the parable is the time after death and the prospect of life, of eternal reward. The situation changes very quickly; now the beggar is feasting with Abraham, and the rich man is suffering the torments of fire. Does Jesus condemn wealth in this parable? No. Jesus reminds us to use the goods of this world and share them with others, but he also says that you will always have the poor, the needy, and the beggars, and you must acknowledge them, and thus offer help. Support for this group of people can come through prayer, good deeds, and real help. Finally, he adds, we must listen to the prophets, we must listen to God, if we want to find ourselves in that place we call and long for—the Kingdom of God.

Parish Announcements

Saint Mark

Saint Therese

Pastoral Musician Mary Martin:

Upcoming Calendar: Parish Choir

October 9 Rehearsal at 6:00 p.m.

Handbell Choir

September 30 Rehearsal at 3:50 p.m.

The 2026 Lector Workbooks are available for pick up in the sacristy.

Peace Church Blood Drive: Monday, September 29, 2025, 12:00-5:00 pm. Call 715-359-2136 to set your appointment.

BLESSING OF YOUR ANIMALS: Sunday, October 5 at 3:00 PM in the St. Mark Church parking lot. Bring your pets—big and small—to the Church parking lot. Father Balraj will offer a blessing along with a sprinkling of holy water. What a beautiful way to thank God for allowing us to share the earth with all creatures and acknowledge the part they play in our lives.

Please have your pets on a leash or in a carrier for their safety during the blessing. In case of inclement weather we will be in Schumacher Hall.

Marshfield Medical Center-Weston (formerly St. Clare's Hospital)

is looking to recruit new volunteers!

We have many opportunities for new volunteers! At this time, we are in need of volunteers in our Gift Shop, Surgical Waiting and Escorts. We are flexible with your schedule and just ask for 4 hours of your time per week. We would love to chat and find an area of volunteering that would be a good match for you!

For more information: Call Volunteer Services 715-393-2605 or email us at Thompson.emma@marshfieldclinic.org



The family of St. Mark extends sympathies to the family of: Terrance Charles who was laid to rest on Thursday, September 18, 2025. God grant Terry the fullness of Eternal Life.

Sunday morning Breakfast Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month after the 10:00am Mass. Join us for great food and fellowship. Free will offerings will be accepted.

Church Decorator Needed! St. Therese is looking for someone (or a couple of people!) to keep our parish decorated and looking beautiful. Do you like to make things beautiful? Do you have the desire to share your decorating talents with the parish? Please contact the Parish Office at 715-359-2421

AugustFest Picnic Wrap-Up

We recently held our wrap-up meeting for this year's AugustFest Picnic, and I want to begin by sincerely thanking everyone who helped make it such a success for St. Therese. From the committee chairs and dedicated volunteers, to those who donated and everyone who came out to enjoy the weekend - Thank you!

Fr. Albert often reminded us that the heart of the picnic is about coming together as a parish family, growing in fellowship, and sharing the message of Christ with one another and with our neighbors. Fr. Janusz has echoed that same vision. Of course, with all the effort that goes into this event, it is also a blessing that it raises funds for our parish. Despite challenging weather and a less-thanideal forecast, we were still blessed with strong attendance both Saturday and Sunday, and we are happy to share that the picnic raised nearly \$30,000.

Looking ahead, I want to encourage and welcome anyone who feels called to get more involved. Whether you have new ideas to share, or simply want to give some of your time and energy, we would love to have you join us. Our parish is strengthened when more people, especially young families, help carry on these traditions. Personally, I have made lasting friendships and truly meaningful connections through being part of the picnic, and I invite you to consider whether this might be something for you as well. If you are interested, please call the parish office and let them know and I would be glad to connect with you.

Finally, please mark your calendars for next year's picnic: August 8 & 9, 2026. We look forward to seeing you there!

God bless,

Nick Leair

AugustFest Co-Chair

Saint Mark and Saint Therese

**Father Janusz Kowalski will be on vacation from September 29 through October 7. Our Associate Pastor Father Balraj will be covering Masses and any pastoral needs you may have. Please call the Parish Offices to speak to Father Balraj if needed.

Starting the first weekend in October St. Mark and St. Therese will no longer have combined bulletins.

- To submit articles to St. Mark bulletin please email Lynette at secretary@smproths.org.
- To submit articles to the St. Therese bulletin please email JoAnne at bulletin@sttheresecc.org

Parish Support

Saint Mark

September 21, 2025

\$3,880.00 Adult \$89,963.00 \$895.00 \$4,660.81 Offering Mission \$1,273.00 \$232.54 Restricted **Debt Reduction** \$1,103.00 \$9,461.54 Tithe Budgeted per Week Received this Week \$3,880.00 \$-5,581.54 Received Weeks \$89,963.00 **Budgeted YTD** \$113,538.48

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$735,000.00 Amount Received: \$596,716.07

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$86,400.00 Amount Received: \$37,705.00

Saint Therese

September 21, 2025

Tithing		\$	2,823.50
Offertory		\$	633.10
Children Envelopes		\$	0.00
Votives		\$	0.00
Music		\$	610.00
Church Upkeep		\$	20.00
Fuel		\$	20.00
Credit Card Tithing		\$	269.85
Mailed Tithing		\$	1,360.00
ACH Tithing		\$	645.00
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Capital Improvement Expenditure (CAPEX)

Current total to date is \$ 57,607.50



Inspired By The Spirit Campaign
Campaign Goal: \$ 0.00
Amount Received: \$ 451,912.19
We are at 0.00% of our Goal

| Diocesan Annual Appeal | Target Goal | \$ TBD | Amounted Collected | 0 TOTAL Under Goal | 0



Campaign totals are being re-set by the Diocese

Faith Formation

Saint Mark

\$-23,575.48

Religious Education Director: Mary Hart

The Faith Formation year is off to a great start! How wonderful it is to have the children, youth and catechists back in the building growing together as Disciples of Jesus Christ!

Sunday School Begins October 5– The program is offered for children ages 3, 4 and 5 years old, two Sundays a month, during the 8:00 am Mass, in the school building. If you are interested in having your child attend and have not registered yet, contact me or feel free to check it out on and see if it is a good fit for your family.

Thank you, Confirmation Candidates for your help at Fall Fest. From setting up tables and taking them down to selling raffle tickets and bakery items and even carrying items to people's cars you did it all and with smiles on your faces – you were a huge help and we are thankful for you!



This week in Faith Formation...

- October 1: 6:00; Taco & Trivia Night Grades 6-9
 6:15; sessions for grades 1-5
- October 5: Sunday School in the school building during the 8:00 Liturgy
- October 8: 6:15; sessions for grades 1-9

Saint Therese

Religious Education Director: Steve Martin

Confirmation Rehearsal

Confirmation rehearsal is next Sunday, October 5th at 6:30pm in church. Candidates and sponsors should be present for the rehearsal. If a sponsor cannot attend, please have a parent attend in their place.

CCD/Faith Formation Time and Location Change for 6th – 9th GradeThis Wednesday, October 1st, our 6th – 9th grade classes will meet at St.
Mark from 6pm – 7:30pm for a combined Taco & Trivia youth night.
We'll start with Tacos at 6pm.

**Library will begin opening each and every Wednesday night that CCD/ Faith Formation has classes. Expect us to be there by 6:30 PM and we'll stay a little after class time has ended. For those not wishing to drop off their children and drive home only to have to drive back, please feel free to come into the Library and sit, read, or chat with us. It's great to make new friends and to grow closer to others. See ya' soon!

Area Events

Liturgy & Life

2025: Registration deadline is October 15, 2025

What: NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) is a powerfully unique three-day experience of prayer, community, evangelization, catechesis, service and empowerment that hosts over 20,000 teens each year.

Who: Teens entering 9th-12th grade in the fall are invited to join us for a trip to Indianapolis, IN.

When: Thursday, Nov. 20- Sunday, Nov. 23, 2025. We will take a bus to Indianapolis, IN with other local teens. Join us for an unforgettable encounter with Christ. Learn more at diolc.org/ncyc or contact Mary Hart at maryhh@smproths.org

October The Month of the Rosary:

Please join St. Agnes, St. Therese, & St. Mark Parishes in praying for our nation at the Public Square Rosary Rally

When: 12 noon, Saturday, October 11, 2025

Location: St. Agnes Catholic Church

6101 Zinser St, Weston, WI 54476

This "America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally" is one of many taking place simultaneously across America. Bring a lawn chair. In case of rain, rally will be held inside church entrance.

Pam Zell, St. Agnes Parish

Mary Wachtel and Tina VanEyk, St. Therese Parish Karen Tauferner and Margaret Kestly, St. Mark Parish

Contact Person: Pam Zell at (715) 359-7072

St. Maximillian Kolbe Catholic Church: Join us on our fall bus trip to the Polish district in Chicago, Tuesday October 28th. This is a one day trip filled with Polish culture, food and fun. Father Jerzy Rebacz and Helen Damask will be escorting the group. Transportation, 2 meals, (one meal is an authentic Polish buffet) prizes and guaranteed fun are included in the cost. The cost is \$140.00 per person with a pick-up in Schofield and Plover. Good for all ages. Minimal walking. To book or for more details please call Helen Damask @ 715-574-2654. Booking deadline is Tuesday, October 21st. Book early – seats go quickly!



Getting Ahead Benefit—Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Wausau WI

Join us on Thursday, October 2, at 5:00 PM at the Hilton Garden Inn for our Getting Ahead Benefit. Tickets are required — visit our website or scan the QR code for details."



Because of what we see on our television screen, it seems we can become immune to the poverty around us. We also get many requests for money through the mail. How do we respond to all that surrounds us? We might even pass judgment on those who are suffering, thinking that through better decisions on their part, they could find a solution to their problems themselves.

The parable we read from the community of Luke challenges us regarding our attitude. The best way to read this parable is with close attention. Jesus tells the Pharisees that the rich man is dressed in fine garments and eats all he wants each day. Meanwhile, a man named Lazarus lies at his door, covered with sores and a willingness to eat even the scraps from the rich man's table. When Lazarus dies, Jesus reveals a God who takes this poor man to Abraham enjoying a heavenly experience. The rich man also dies but experiences torment directly opposite of what Lazarus is experiencing. The rich man asks Abraham to give him water as he suffers in the flames. Abraham tells the rich man that he received many good things in his life while Lazarus had so very little. The rich man then asks Abraham to warn his brothers so that they would not experience this suffering. Abraham indicates that the brothers of the rich man should pay attention to the prophets and Moses. Then the rich man indicates that they will listen to them but Abraham indicates that even if someone would rise from the dead, they would not listen.

God is a God of mercy and love. God allows the poor man to experience this love and mercy. God also loves the rich man but because of the rich man's choices, the rich man will experience suffering.

Is it possible that we too might experience suffering when we ignore those who need our attention? Are we truly satisfied and at peace when we ignore the poor? We might find ourselves anxious. We are called by God to see the face of God in the poor and to understand that God loves them as much as God loves us. We need to learn to ignore our desires for riches and instead pay attention to the common good. We are all God's children loved beyond all telling.

Helen Ackermann, Retired Parish Minister, St. Mark Parish

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We took part in the nation-wide Rosary and will be doing the Living Rosary come October.

Employment Opportunities:

- Thank you, Mrs. Fronek, for stepping into the music teacher role until Christmas. We will be needing an angel to take over at that time. Just in time for 2026!
- We are looking to fill a long-term sub position in kindergarten from January through February.
- We are looking to fill a long-term sub position in 3rd grade from March through May.

If you are finding that your heart is calling you to apply, please contact Pam Fochs at pfochs@newman catholicschools.com or call 715/359-9662

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Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—4:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM-NOON

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