



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

708 E. Main St., Wauzeka, WI 53826

August 23rd, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

<u>St. Wenceslaus</u>	<u>Sacred Heart</u>
Saturday 4pm	Sunday 8am
Sunday 10am	

Weekday Mass times on page 2

Rosary

Sunday 7:40am

Confessions

Sunday 7:30am

Tuesday-Friday by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact
Father for preparation classes for
parents; also recommended for
new Godparents

Sacrament of Marriage:

Contact
Father not less than 6 months in
advance of the wedding date

Anointing of the Sick,

Communion, Home Visits:

**Please contact Holy Family
Parish (608) 326-6511**

From the Pastor's desk

How do we pray - ACTS

These past several weeks we have been covering some of the basics of prayer: What is prayer? And why do we pray? This week I'd like to explore: How do we pray? Certainly, we covered this a bit in the previous weeks, but an easy way to remember the different ways that God might be calling us to pray is in the acronym: ACTS. Adoration, contrition, thanksgiving, and supplication. We'll cover each of these in turn.

We covered adoration or worship most of all so far. Out of justice we owe God our time in prayer and worship. God is the only being that we would ever offer this level of praise. We honor the saints and we honor Mary most of all the saints, but we only adore and worship God. Our adoration can take many different forms, however! At Mass we can see these many forms. In our words as we proclaim God as great, powerful, loving, merciful, etc. In the way we use our bodies; we stand, sit, and kneel to show our attentiveness, receptivity, and worship. Even our good and loving deeds outside of Mass are a form of adoration.

Contrition simply means "with sadness." Contrition is the form of prayer by which we ask God's mercy for our sins. This form of prayer is seen most of all in the sacrament of confession. We are required to go to confession at least once per year under the pain of mortal sin. But each day we ought to make an examination of conscience and ask God to have mercy on us and forgive us our sins. God daily gives us the grace we need to be holy, our contrition helps us to recognize that we can't be holy without God's grace.

Thanksgiving is much more than being thankful. It's not just a disposition, but an action of giving thanks! I daily try to reflect on the good things God has done for me. The small things like good coffee or good weather, but for the big things like my friends and family. Our very existence is only by God's grace and we thank Him for all the good things and even the crosses as God can use those to help us grow in holiness just as Jesus used the cross to save the world from death.

Finally, supplication. I think it is good that this is last because it is so tempting to treat God as a divine vending machine. If we just put in the right amount of money and hit the right buttons, we ought to get what we want! But it doesn't work like that. Yes, we ought to be asking God for help and for the good things we need, but most of all we ought to ask that we might have the wisdom, strength and courage to do His will above all things.

Looking at these different forms of prayer, do any seem appealing? I'd challenge you to try a different form of prayer than maybe you are used to doing. God certainly has something in store for you in these different forms of prayer.

Mass Intentions

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Saturday August 22 4pm For †Repose of the Soul of Mark Konichek (C.W.)
Sunday, August 23 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For Repose of the Souls of all our faithful departed
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For all married couples to help each other come closer to God
Monday, August 24 **No Mass at St. Wenceslaus**
Tuesday, August 25 **No Mass at St. Wenceslaus** 2:30pm @ SG
Wednesday, August 26 8am For Irene Hagensick
Thursday, August 27 8am @ **Sacred Heart** Healing for Daniel Kramer (T.L.)
Friday, August 28 8am For Healing for Daniel Kramer (T.L.)
Saturday, August 29 4pm For †Repose of the Soul of Ron Martin (family)
Sunday, August 30 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For the Faithful of all our parishes
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For †Repose of the Souls Charles & Janice Caya (G&D C.)

Thank you to all who participated in the TV Masses. They will air on Aug. 30th Sept. 6th Sept. 13th & Sept. 20th on La Crosse Channel 19 at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays or online @ <https://diolc.org/live>

Thank you to our Mass servers. We appreciate your time & service to our Lord. We invite all children to serve.

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers.

Parish Support

Sacred Heart- Aug. 16, Adult \$295.00, Youth \$10.00, Basket \$32.00, Mission \$40.00
St. Wenceslaus- Aug. 16, Adult \$1409.00, Plate \$289.00, Votives \$50.00, Mission \$20.00

Thank you for your support!

St. Patrick's fall bazaar Sept. 13th, smoked pork chop dinner 11am-2pm <https://www.catholicchurchesofncc.com>
Holy Family Fall Bazaar Sept. 20th, St. John's, Charcoal Broiled Chicken Dinner & Chicken Noodle Soup

St. Mary's, Gays Mills, Sept 26th-27th, Apple Fest weekend, taco bar and pie stand, at the fairgrounds



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Please pray for this project and spread the word! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or comments! mcaro@prairiecatholic.org or 608-326-6511

*Save
the
Date*

St. Wenceslaus Annual Picnic and Homecoming Sunday September 6th.

Mass at 10 a.m. Ham & chicken dinner served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bingo, basket raffle & games on the grounds, fish pond, Win-A-Cake & other activities.

Raffle drawing will take place at 3 p.m. Come join us! <https://diolc.org/events/>

The picture directory is being printed. If you scheduled a family picture you will receive a *free* directory. If you would like to order, copies are \$10.00. **Please contact Mary by August 30 to reserve and prepay your directory copy or email shwauzeka@gmail.com.**