



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

708 E. Main St., Wauzeka, WI 53826

September 13th, 24th
Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

St. Wenceslaus **Sacred Heart**

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 desk of Father Brian Ward, Associate Pastor

Following up on last week's bulletin article about the "changes" in Church teaching surrounding the Second Vatican Council, I want to focus this week on what exactly those changes mean. Christ came to reveal Himself fully to the world, a revelation completed with the death of the last Apostle in the first century. However, while this original "deposit of faith" was complete, the Church's understanding and expression of it still needed to develop over the centuries.

Many first-century teachings required new theological and even philosophical language to be fully defined. Take the Holy Trinity as an example. Theologians often use the analogy of an acorn growing into a great oak tree. The first-century revelation was the acorn: it already contained the entire blueprint and potential of everything it would become—revealing God the Father, Jesus His Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Yet, it took the Church several centuries to fully unpack this mystery and explain it clearly. To do so, the Church had to adopt words that are not even found in the Bible—such as "Trinity," "Person," "Substance," or the "Hypostatic Union" (explaining how Jesus is fully human and fully divine). The truth never changed, but our ability to explain it grew from a seed into a tree and our ability to understand it fully had to grow as well.

This principle—known as the development of tradition, doctrine, or dogma—is not a modern invention. It has been consistently understood since the early Church, eventually being formally defined as official Church teaching at the First Vatican Council in 1870 and further illuminated at the Second Vatican Council in 1965. It is a beautiful way to understand how a teaching can go from being implicitly held to, over time, becoming explicitly defined as an unchanging, foundational truth that all faithful Catholics believe.

I will write more about how the Church ranks these different levels of teaching authority and the faithful's understanding of each as it grows in next week's bulletin.

**Seven Sisters Apostolate planning meeting is
Wednesday Sept. 16th at 6:30pm in St. Wenceslaus
church hall. Contact Jane A. to learn more.**

Happy Grandparent's Day!

Welcome to Monsignor Gorman for our Mass on Sunday September 13th.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 12 4pm For Loyde & Penny (S.K.)
Sunday, September 13 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For the Faithful of all our parishes
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For †Repose of the Soul of Mark Martin (B.M.)
Monday, September 14 8am For †Repose of the Soul of Krissy Colson (S. K.)
Wednesday, September 16 8am For †Repose of the Souls of Fred & Margaret Becwar (L&P B.)
Thursday, September 17 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For deceased of the parishes
Friday, September 18 8am For the Wagner family (S.K.)
Saturday, September 19 4pm For †Repose of the Soul of Roger Martin (family)
Sunday, September 20 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For the intentions of our parishes
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For our Religious Education children, parents and our teachers



Thank you to all who participated in the TV Masses. St. Wenceslaus Mass will air Sept. 13th. Sacred Heart Mass will air Sept. 20th on La Crosse Channel 19 at 9:30 a.m., 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

St. Wenceslaus – Sept. 06, Adult \$1010.00, Plate \$1258.00, Votives \$67.00
Sacred Heart – Sept. 06, Adult \$655.00, Basket \$18.00, Misc. \$25.00

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**

Holy Family Fall Bazaar **Sept. 20th**, St. John's, Charcoal Broiled Chicken Dinner serving 11am-1:30pm. Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup and Chicken Salad and Ham Sandwiches 4:30pm-6pm. Games and refreshments on the grounds. Raffle drawing 6:15pm, Grand prize \$1,000.00 <https://prairiecatholic.org/>

COME CELEBRATE Rural Life Day! Sept. 23, 2026 - Creamery Creek in Bangor

Join us for the 45th Annual Rural Life Day Celebration at Creamery Creek, hosted by the John and Donna Hansen family and the Justin and Louisa Peterson family. Rural Life Day is a beautiful diocesan/deanery event that brings together several hundred members of the faithful to honor rural life in our communities. Our celebration begins with Mass at 10:00 AM, celebrated by Bishop Gerard Battersby, together with many priests and deacons of the diocese. This is followed by special awards and the blessing of crops, animals, and machinery of the farm. We conclude our celebration with a delicious lunch and a freewill offering to benefit Project Milk. Creamery Creek is located at [W1250 County Road U, Bangor, WI 54614](https://www.wisconsin.gov/locations/creamery-creek).