

SAINT WENCESLAUS PARISH
57975 BAER COURT
EASTMAN, WI. 54626

V. REVEREND BRANDON GUENTHER

FATHER BRIAN WARD, ASSOC. PASTOR

SATURDAY 4PM MASS
SUNDAY 10AM MASS

We Welcome New Parishioners!

Parish Office: 608-874-4151
stwenceslaus@centurytel.net
www.sacredheart-stwenceslaus.org/

V. Rev. Brandon A. Guenther, Pastor
frguenther@prairiecatholic.org
608-326-6511
Rev. Brian Ward, Associate Pastor
frward@prairiecatholic.org
Deacon Mark Grunwald
dcnmark@prairiecatholic.org

Mass Schedule

St. Wenceslaus	Sacred Heart
Saturday 4 pm	Sunday 8 am
Sunday 10 am	

Weekly Masses listed on page 2

Rosary

Saturday 3:40pm Sunday 7:40 am
Sunday 9:40am

Confessions

Saturday 3:00pm Sunday 7:30am
Wednesday-Friday by appt.
First Sunday Confessions 9:30-9:50am

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Father for preparation classes for parents.

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact Father not less than 6 months in advance of the wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick, Communion, Home Visits: Please call Father at 608-326-6511

Upcoming Events:
Oct. 25 Pancake breakfast in the hall
Oct 31 Blest Art in the hall
Nov. 1 Sacred Heart pancake breakfast
Nov. 1 Holy Family Fest and Dinner

October 25, 2026 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the desk of Father Brandon Guenther, Pastor
Please know this bulletin article contains mature topics and may not be suitable for children.

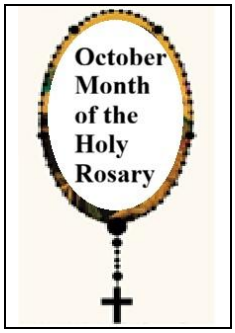
As we approach the end of October, Respect Life Month, we can reflect this week on the issues that concern us at the end of life. These issues are arising more frequently and are of great concern. Overall, we believe that suffering can be redemptive and dignified. This is most present as we look upon the cross and see that Our Lord's suffering was for the salvation of the whole world.

The Church, however, doesn't ask us to take absolutely every measure possible to prolong human life. We are asked to consider if particular care is "ordinary" or "extraordinary" care. Ordinary care is what is required and extraordinary care is optional. This is very hard to define as it will be different for every person and every situation. Ordinary care can become extraordinary because of cost, chance of success, pain, etc. For example, a terminally ill cancer patient can legitimately choose to not continue chemo or radiation treatments because of the burden they impose and the lack of real improvement in their prognosis. Another example would be someone in a persistent vegetative state. Providing water and nutrition is, in principle, required ordinary care. Decisions concerning care for our loved ones can be very difficult. Talking over these issues ahead of time and having a written plan can help. The two most useful documents are a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care (naming someone to make decisions if you cannot) and an Advance Medical Directive that reflects Catholic teaching. The National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) offers helpful guidance and sample forms consistent with Church teaching.

Another issue that has arisen in our time is that of euthanasia, also known as medically assisted suicide. In Canada over 5% of total deaths are now through medically assisted suicide. In our own nation, our neighboring state, Illinois, has just allowed doctors to prescribe life-ending medications. Very often medically assisted suicide is labeled as compassionate or caring, but it is not. It denies the dignity of the human person made in God's image, it denies the dignity and redemptive nature of suffering, it obliges doctors to violate their Hippocratic oath, and opens the door for persons or even the state to mandate the murder of people it no longer finds useful. That may seem a wild claim, but in Canada and Europe there are many documented cases raising serious concerns about consent and the protection of the vulnerable.

As in the other articles, this only covers a very small part of the issues surrounding the end of life. For a more comprehensive look at any of these issues and many more, the NCBC has many articles written regarding these issues. They have a hotline for bioethical questions and issues. And please feel free to reach out to me or Fr. Ward if you or someone you love needs help answering questions about care and end of life. In all of this we recognize the incredible dignity of the human person made in the image of God, even at the end of our time on Earth. We recognize the dignity that is possible even in suffering because through suffering our salvation was won.

Mass Intentions



Sat. Oct. 24 4pm Blessings for Calvin & Janice Kramer on 55 years of marriage
Sun. Oct. 25 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For Rich Picha (S.R.)
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For Intentions of our parishes
Mon. Oct 26 8am For J.A. Wagner (S.K.)
Wed. Oct. 28 8am For ✝Repose of the Soul of Kathi Swatek (J.B.)
Thurs. Oct. 29 **8am @ Sacred Heart** for the Intentions of the parishes
Fri. Oct. 30 8am For ✝Repose of the Soul of Daniel Kramer (T.L.)
Sat. Oct. 31 4pm For Loyde & Penny (Sue K.)
Sun. Nov. 1 **8am @ Sacred Heart** For Intentions of the parishes **All Saints Day**
10am @ St. Wenceslaus For all the Poor souls in Purgatory (P.K.)

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.

Liturgical Roles

Sat. Oct. 24, 4pm **Lector:** Chris **Ushers:** Ron & Tom
Sun. Oct. 25, 10am **Lector:** Tom **Ushers:** Curtis

Sat. Oct. 31, 4pm **Lector:** Gloria **Ushers:** Loyde & Mike
Sun. Nov. 1, 10am **Lector:** Jane **Usher:** Dennis & Paul



2nd Soup supper on Saturday Nov. 7th. 4:30pm-6pm, PCCW groups 2 & 4 are in charge.
Please join us

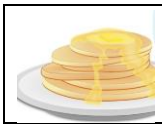
Parish Support

St. Wenceslaus–Oct. 18, Adult $1382.00, Plate $391.00,Votives $35.00, World Mission Sunday $255.00
Sacred Heart–Oct. 18, Adult $175.00, Youth $10.00, Basket $24.00, Votive $9.50, Smorgasbord $800.00**,** Mission Sunday $60.00, Donation $20.00
Thank you for your support!

2026-2027 Diocesan Annual Appeal, our goal is $14,705.00



In Sympathy: We offer our condolences to the family of Jim Martin, whos service was Wednesday October 21. May God grant eternal life to Jim and comfort to his family.



Sun. Oct. 25th, Eastman First Responders Pancake Breakfast & Raffle, 6am-noon in Fr. Baer hall. Dine in or take out. Pancakes, French toast, ham, applesauce, coffee, milk. Adults $7, Kids 6-10 $3, under 6 free. Raffle drawing. Need not be present to win.

Thurs. Oct 29th PCCW meeting 6:00pm in Fr. Baer hall. We will discuss the basket list, fall collection and Christmas program. All parish ladies are welcome.

Oct. 31-Nov. 1 Blest Art in Fr. Baer hall, Olive Wood carvings, purchases will support families in the Holy Land

Sun. Nov. 1st Sacred Heart CCD student pancake breakfast, basket raffle 7:30-10:00am. See poster in entry.

Sun. Nov. 1st St. Gabriel's Fall Festival Cafeteria style dinner Chicken & Ham 10:35am-1pm, Adults $14, child 10 and under $6, Carry outs available. Cafeteria supper 4:30pm, Raffle drawing 6:30pm



Nov. 15th Welcome Potluck for Father Ward, after 10am Mass in Fr. Baer hall. All are welcome, please plan to join us, bring a dish to pass.

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday 4pm **For Hall Use, contact the Office** **The Hall & Church Are Open 7am-5pm daily**