



St. Wenceslaus Catholic Parish **57975 Baer Court, Eastman, WI 54626**

September 13, 2026
24th Sunday Ordinary Time

***We Welcome New
Parishioners!***

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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

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

Confessions

Sat. 3:00-3:45pm Sunday 7:30am
First Sunday 9:30am-9:50am

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 at (608) 326-6511

Father Ward would like to thank everyone for the success of this year's Annual Picnic & Homecoming. Thanks be to God for the beautiful weather and for the goodness of the community.

Thank you to all our volunteers and all who contributed so generously. We appreciate your time, donations and hospitality you shared with our guests.



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

**We welcome Monsignor Gorman this weekend for our Masses at
St. Wenceslaus and Sacred Heart.**

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

**Sun. Sept. 13, St. Patrick's
Fall bazaar serving 11-2pm**

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 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.



Thank you to all who participated in taping the TV Masses which will air 9:30am on La Crosse Channel 19. St. Wenceslaus Mass, Sunday, Sept. 13th, and Sacred Heart Mass Sunday, Sept. 20th. You can also find the Masses online @ <https://diolc.org/live>

Liturgical Roles

Sat. Sept. 12, 4pm Lector: Roger Ushers: Art & Ron

Sun. Sept. 13, 10am Lector: Bryan Usher: Bryan

Sat. Sept. 19, 4pm Lector: Chris Ushers: Art & Derek

Sun. Sept. 20, 10am Lector: Tom Ushers: Lonnie

Parish Support

St. Wenceslaus – Sept. 13, Adult \$1010.00, Plate \$1258.00, Votives \$67.00

Sacred Heart – Sept. 13, Adult \$655.00, Basket \$18.00, Misc. \$25.00

Thank you for your support!

Welcome

Religious Education classes begin Sunday Sept. 20th @ 9am. All children are welcome to attend, if you would enjoy teaching, please reach out to Jane A. and Father Ward.

Come join our classes

St. Patrick's fall bazaar **Sept. 13th**, Smoked pork chop dinner \$12, hot dog dinner \$7, Child \$5, Carry-outs same price. 11am-2pm. Games, pie auction at noon, at 1pm and following Raffle drawing 2:30pm

<https://www.catholicchurchesofncc.com>

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/>

Pastoral and Finance Council Meeting Tuesday, September 22nd, in the hall.

Pastoral council will meet at 6:45 pm

Finance council will meet at 6 pm

St. Wenceslaus Finance and Pastoral Councils serve as advisors to the pastor for the good of the parish's mission.

The Pastoral Council provides essential input and feedback on our parish's ministries and activities, while the Finance Council attends to concerns of our parish budgets, buildings and grounds.

If you have something to bring to a council's attention, please contact any of its members:

Pastoral Council Members

Curtis P.

Ashley P.

Gloria W.

Irene H.

Mike B.

Tom O.

Finance Council Members

Audrie S.

Bill S.

Bob M.

Brian S.

Cheryl K.

Rita K.

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday 4pm

For Hall Use, contact Father Guenther

Hall & Church Are Open 7am-5pm