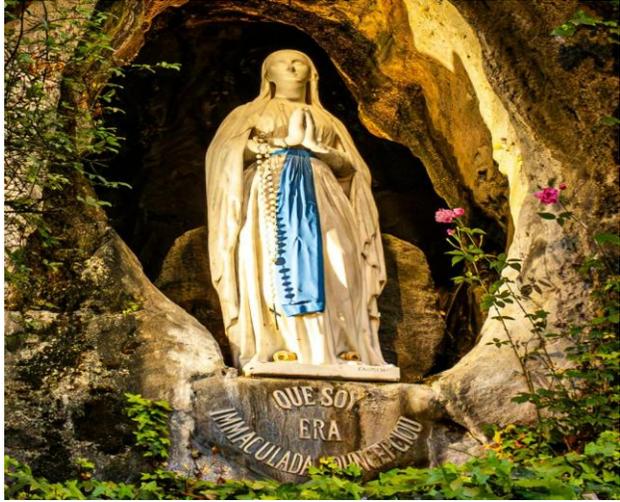




**SAINT WENCESLAUS
PARISH**
 FATHER CHINNAPPAN PELAVENDRAN
 57975 BAER COURT
 EASTMAN, WI 54626
 SATURDAY MASS 4PM
 SUNDAY MASS 10AM

February 8, 2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



We Welcome New Parishioners!

Parish Office: 608-874-4151
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Pastor Chinnappan Pelavendran
www.sacredheart-stwenceslaus.org

Mass Schedule

<u>St. Wenceslaus</u>	<u>Sacred Heart</u>
Saturday 4 pm	Sunday 8 am
Sunday 10 am	Friday 9 am
Mon.-Fri. 8 am	First Friday 9:30 am
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Rosary

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

Confessions

Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm Sunday 7:30 am
 1st Sunday 9:30-9:50am
 Tuesday-Friday by appointment

First Friday Adoration 8:30am, Benediction @ 4:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Father Chinna for preparation classes for parents; also recommended for new Godparents.

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

Anointing of the Sick, Communion, Home

Visits: To schedule a Tuesday visit, or at other times, please call the office at 608-874-4151.

Upcoming Events:

Sat. Feb. 7, Soup & Sandwich after 4pm Mass

Feb. 18, Ash Wednesday † Lent Begins
Mass 8am @ St. Wenceslaus, 6pm @ Sacred Heart

Fri. 20, 5pm Stations of the Cross followed by Mass

From the Pastor's Desk

This February 11th, we are going to celebrate the beautiful Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This special day takes us back to 1858, to a small, humble cave in France where the Blessed Mother appeared to a young girl named Bernadette, in France. Mary revealed herself as the Immaculate Conception, reminding us all of God's pure love and the victory of grace over sin. This feast is a powerful reminder that God often chooses the lowly and the simple to share His most important messages with the world.

The core message of Our Lady at Lourdes is a call to prayer and penance for the conversion of hearts. Mary asked Bernadette to pray for sinners, teaching us that our spiritual health is just as vital as our physical health. She showed us that through humble acts of faith, like washing in the spring, we can be made new again. This message reminds every believer that no matter how far we wander, God's mercy is a fountain that never runs dry for those who seek Him.

As we observe the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, let us bring our own burdens to the feet of Our Mother. We pray especially for those in our parish who are suffering in mind, body, or spirit, asking for the "Lourdes grace" of hope. May we follow the example of St. Bernadette by trusting in God's plan even when we do not fully understand it. Let us open our hearts to the healing light of Christ, who shines through Mary to lead us all safely back to His loving heart.

Join us during Lent for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 5pm, followed by Mass.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Feb. 7	4 pm	Thanks to parishioners of St W & SH for continued prayers (L&P)
Sunday, Feb. 8	8 am @ Sacred Heart	for Intentions of the parish
	10am @ St. Wenceslaus	for Health of Dan K. (L&J)
Monday, Feb. 9	8 am	for Doug S. (S.K.)
Tuesday, Feb. 10	8 am	for †Repose of Soul of Roger B. (L&P)
Wednesday, Feb. 11	8 am	for †Repose of Souls of Alvin & Virginia K. (L&P)
Thursday, Feb. 12	8 am	for the †Repose of Soul of Steve D. (S.K.)
Friday, Feb. 13	8 am	for †Repose of Soul of Wilma W. (S.S.)
	9 am @ Sacred Heart	for Deceased of the parish
Saturday, 14	4 pm	for †Repose of Soul of Dale S.(R.K.)
Sunday, Feb. 15	8 am @ Sacred Heart	for the Ray & Evelyn S. family (M.W.)
	10 am @ St. Wenceslaus	for a Votive Mass for Peace

Mass Intentions are needed.



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. February 7, 4pm **Lector:** Rita **Ushers:** Art & Derek

Sun. February 8, 10am **Lector:** Jane **Usher:** Curtis

Sat. February 14, 4pm **Lector:** Roger **Ushers:** Ron & Tom

Sun. February 15, 10am **Lector:** Greg **Ushers:** Dennis & Paul

Parish Support

St. Wenceslaus- February 2, Adult \$1180.00, Plate \$213.00, Votives 40.00, Catholic Life \$105.00, Catholic Campaign for Human Development \$519.00

Sacred Heart-February 2, Adult \$390.00, Youth \$12.00, Basket \$17.00, Catholic Campaign for Human Dev. \$127.00

Contribution statements have been printed for contributions of \$250.00 or more and are located in the back of the church. Statements of less than \$250.00 are available, please call the office @ 608-874-4151.

Annual Appeal 2025-2026 Fueling Missions of Hope, Goal \$14,460.00

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John 20:21

Thank you for your generous donations, \$8,705.00 has been received from 27 donors. Percent of goal received 60%

[https://diolc.org/donate-online.](https://diolc.org/donate-online)



Confirmation is @ 6:30 PM, April 29 at St. John's, the entire St Wenceslaus family is invited to attend.

At St. Wenceslaus, February 18th Ash Wednesday Mass @ 8am

Stations of the Cross on Fridays @ 5:00 p.m. followed by Mass

Friday February 20th and 27th Stations of the Cross @ 5pm, followed by Mass

First Friday March 6th, Adoration @ 8:30 am, Benediction @ 4:00pm, followed by Stations of the Cross and Mass

March 13th, 20th and 27th, Stations of the Cross @ 5pm, followed by Mass

Ash Wednesday Mass @ St. Patrick's in Seneca, 8:30am and 7:00 pm

Daylight savings time Sunday March 8th

February 15: Preparing for Lent

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Each one of us needs cleansing and healing in our lives and so the 40 days of Lent are a call to enter this time of "purification and enlightenment."

From the Office of Catechesis and Evangelization, Director: Ann Lankford

Two Lenten Regulations:

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Lenten regulations are as follows:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent and Good Friday
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Liturgical Calendar:

February 27 (Friday): Day of Prayer and Penance for Diocesan and Universal Church needs. (Note: this observance is the Friday of the first week of Lent, not Friday after Ash Wednesday.) See more information at <https://diolc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Day-of-Prayer-and-Penance-What-is-it.pdf>

Easter Vigil Start Time:

Sunset in La Crosse on Saturday, April 4 is to be at 7:36 p.m. So that the Vigil may begin in darkness, 8:30 should be the earliest beginning time for the vigil.

From the Office for Sacred Worship, Director Christopher Carstens

It's that time! Check out the parish fish fry schedule.



Check <https://diolc.org/fishfrynder/> for updates on local parish Fish Frys during Lent.

**Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council 12183 Fish Fry
Friday, March 13, 5pm-9pm in Fr. Baer hall**

<https://www.sacredheart-stwenceslaus.org/news---announcements>

Holy Family Fish Fry will be March 6th @ St. John's Hall



Blessed Brother James Miller Day, to celebrate and honor Blessed Brother James Miller.

Friday, February 13, 2026 at Sacred Heart Church, 7379 Church St., Custer

11:00 AM Mass celebrated by Bishop Gerard Battersby with 12:30 PM – Luncheon

1:30 – Expert panel: "Remembering Blessed Br. James Miller, Model of Missionary Love"

Send your prayer request to: <https://diolc.org/brother-miller-prayer-request/>

Lenten Retreat: Leading Ourselves through the Stations of the Cross

March 6–7 at the Franciscan Spirituality Center, La Crosse.

Friday 6:30–9 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Led by Dr. Mike Durnin

Register at: https://fsc.retreatportal.com/events/?p=101:2:7266212146674:::PROGRAM_ID:10357



Registration Open! Our first Evangelization Summit will be this Lent during the day on Tuesday, March 10, at Mary Mother of the Church in La Crosse. This will be an opportunity for those excited about being on mission to gather together, support each other, learn and grow in forming disciples who make disciples. **Optional Mass at 8:15am. Light refreshments at 8:30. Lunch provided**



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CONSIDERING THE PRIESTHOOD?

Young men (14 and older) who want to learn more about the Catholic priesthood are invited to attend Vespers (Evening Prayer) and dinner with Bishop Gerard Battersby and local priests **March 22 - Holy Cross Diocesan Center, La Crosse**
 4:00 pm Vespers [Evening Prayer] with homily 5:00 pm Meal
 6:00 pm Closing reflection and closing remarks by Bishop Battersby 7:00 pm Dismissal

St. Andrew Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgSetaag9R_2czoYx_69MisOvWVN-E63g6mqsl1CDu2XX3-g/viewform

Dare to Follow Retreat June 2nd: Please email our vocation director: Fr. Steven Weller: sweller@diolc.org



Invite One Person Back to the Parish: Isn't it time to invite people to return home?

The goal of this initiative is to provide occasions for people to feel welcomed and to encounter Jesus Christ and His Church, allowing them to experience God's love, mercy, and goodness. To do that, we all need to invite back everyone who has left. Let us pray earnestly for the Holy Spirit's guidance and fortitude to carry out this sacred mission.

Men of the Cross: Forged for Mission, March 21, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Mass Celebrant: Fr. Sam Martin Featured Speaker: Bart Schuchts

This is your invitation to step away from the noise of daily life and be renewed in faith, brotherhood, and purpose.

Cost: \$45 (includes breakfast & lunch) High School Men: Attend FREE with a parent/guardian

Come be strengthened, challenged & inspired to live boldly for Christ & bring His mission into your home, parish & community. [Register today](https://menofthecross.org/) & invite a friend! We encourage the men in your parish to join us. <https://menofthecross.org/>



Masses and Prayers for Peace in this Time of Upheaval:

In light especially of the tragic violence and chaos that has unfolded recently in Minneapolis with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the protests, Bishop Battersby has requested that the parishes of the diocese have one or more of the following in the course of the next two weeks:

A Votive Mass for Peace

Holy Hour for Peace

Rosary for Peace

Holy Family Parish in Prairie du Chien is in the early stages of discerning a **Catholic, classical high school to open in the fall of 2027**. They hope to offer families in our region an authentically Catholic and academically excellent option for their children's high school years.

This new school represents a timely opportunity to deepen the formation of young people in truth, goodness and beauty. They are seeking input from parents and families to help understand local interest. This link is a brief interest survey for parents who want to learn more about the school. Click the link or scan the QR code to



give your input on the survey. <https://form.jotform.com/253506695282161> *Thank you!*