



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

April 19, 2026 Third Sunday of Easter



Jesus drew near and walked with them.

From the Pastor's Desk

“With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God’s grace was so powerfully at work in them all.” — Acts 4:33

After the Resurrection, the Apostles were transformed from fearful men into bold witnesses. They no longer hid behind locked doors but stepped out with great courage and joy. The Holy Spirit gave them the strength to share the Good News with everyone they met. Their lives show us that meeting the risen Lord changes everything about how we live. They proved that faith can overcome even the deepest fears and most difficult challenges.

The early Church grew quickly because the Apostles lived in total unity and love. They spent their days praying together and breaking bread in their small, vibrant communities. Every miracle they performed was done in the name of Jesus to show His power. They taught us that being a follower of Christ means serving others with a humble heart. By sharing what they had, they made sure that no one in their circle was in need.

We are called to carry on this same mission in our world today. Like the Apostles, we must be light in the darkness and hope for the hopeless. Our lives should reflect the peace that only the Risen Christ can truly provide. Let us be brave in sharing our faith through both our words and our actions. When we live for others, we continue the work that began two thousand years ago.

We Welcome New Parishioners!
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Mass Schedule

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

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

Confessions

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

First Friday Adoration 8:30am with
 Benediction @ 4pm

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 Father Chinna 608-304-6516
 or cmchinnuraj@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

Thurs. April 23, Council meeting; Pastoral
 @5pm, Finance @ 6pm
Wed. April 29, Confirmation 6:30 pm at St.
 John’s
Sun. May 3, First Communion 10am

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 18 4pm for †Repose of Souls of Gary & Candy Sprosty & Mary Sprosty (L&R K.)
Sunday, April 19 3rd **Sunday of Easter 8am @ Sacred Heart** for Deceased of the parish
10am @ **St. Wenceslaus** for †Repose of Soul of Ruth Martin (by family)
Monday, April 20 8am for a Special Intention (I.H.)
Tuesday, April 21 8am for †Repose of Souls of Rita & Aelred Wagner (S.K.)
Wednesday, April 22 8am for Father Chinna (S.K.)
Thursday, April 23 8am for Repose of the Soul of Steve DuCharme (by friends)
Friday, April 24 8am for Loyde & Penny B.
9am @ Sacred Heart for Intentions of the parish
Saturday, April 25 4pm for †Repose of Souls of Art & Ruth Martin
Sunday, April 26 4th **Sunday of Easter, 8am @ Sacred Heart** for Peace in our hearts, our families and in the world
10am @ **St. Wenceslaus** for Father Chinna intention by the parish

Mass intentions are needed. Thank you.

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. April 18, 4pm	Lectors: Rita	Ushers: Loyde & Mike
Sun. April 19, 10am	Lector: Donnie	Ushers: Dennis & Paul
Sat. April 25, 4pm	Lector: Roger	Ushers: Art & Ron
Sun. April 26, 10am	Lector: Bryan	Ushers: Lonnie

Parish Support

St. Wenceslaus- April 12, Adult \$1332, Plate \$245.90, Votives \$66.00, Good Friday \$30.00, Property Insurance \$160.00, MCA Mite boxes \$64.51

Sacred Heart- April 12, Adult \$505.00, Youth \$10.00, Basket \$42.00, PCCW Collection \$85.00

Thank you for your support!

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

We are about 90 days away from the end of this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal.

Thank you for your generous donations, **\$10,090.00** has been received from **33** donors.

Percent of goal received **70%**. All money over 100% is returned to the parish. <https://diolc.org/donate-online>



Check for updates at www.sacredheart-stwenceslaus.org



Holy Trinity Council will have tootsie rolls after Saturday 4pm Mass and after Sunday 10am Mass, as part of their annual fund drive.



First Holy Communion will be Sunday, May 3rd. Four 2nd grade students are preparing for First Holy Communion by learning the basic Catholic prayers. They have been taught the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, through Scripture, the Last Supper story and lessons on the Mass. They learn to distinguish ordinary bread from the Eucharist, receive instruction on how to receive Communion reverently and have been preparing for their first Reconciliation on May 2nd.



Confirmation will be 6:30pm on Wednesday, April 29th at St. John's. The entire St Wenceslaus family is invited to attend. St. Wenceslaus students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation engage now in the last three weeks in a meaningful journey of faith, growth, and personal commitment. Through prayer, study, and reflection, they deepen their understanding of the Holy Spirit and the responsibilities that come with living as active members of the Church. Preparation included participating in service projects, attending formation retreats, and building relationships with sponsors who guide and support them along the way. As they approach Confirmation, students will be encouraged to reflect on their values, strengthen their connection to their faith community, and embrace the call to live out their beliefs with courage, compassion, and purpose.

We celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph the Workman on May 1st

In a world that prizes noise, recognition and constant motion, St. Joseph stands before us in silence. He speaks no recorded words in Scripture, and yet his life proclaims something far greater: steadfast faith, obedient trust, and a love that acts without drawing attention to itself. As the Savior's guardian and the Holy Family's protector, Joseph embraced the ordinary work of his hands as the very place where God's will unfolded.

As our diocesan patron, we ask St. Joseph for his intercession, and that we, too, may become men and women of quiet strength, faithful presence, and unwavering trust in God's providence. We ask that in the hidden places of our lives, we might reflect the same humble courage that built a home for the Savior of the world.

St. Joseph the Workman, patron of our Diocese, pray for us.



Office for Vicar for Clergy

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Prayer for Healing for Those Who Have Suffered Abuse:

Please join me in praying the prayer below this week:

I commend this prayer to you. As we pause, let us hold in our hearts all who have suffered abuse, lifting up their pain, their courage, and their healing.

Blessed George Kaszyra and Blessed Anthony Leszczewicz, Marian Martyrs of Rosica, pray for all victims of abuse at the hands of clergy or consecrated religious. Please intercede for them constantly before the throne of God, asking for their healing and all their needs from the Father of Mercies.

Pray for them that their faith may endure, in spite of the sins of those consecrated to Christ's service. Help us, by your intercession, to ensure justice and mercy abide in the Church, and that we defend the innocent and the weak against all harm. Amen.

Pastoral and Finance Council Meeting Thursday, April 23rd, in the hall.

Pastoral council will meet at 5 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.

Wisconsin March for Life is Saturday, April 25, 2026, 2-4pm at the Wisconsin State Capitol State Street Steps.

A joyful and peaceful march to protect every human life.

Buses depart from: Onalaska -BUS REGISTRATION ENDS ON APRIL 20th! --- Learn more at marchforlifewisconsin.org ---

Thank you for the eye glasses donations to Casa Hogar Optical Mission.



Rebuild My Church Update from Director: Fr. Derek Sakowski

This past fall, I facilitated 40 listening sessions, attended by 3,622 people. The content and comments from those sessions can be viewed at <https://diolc.org/rebuildmychurch/updates/>

At the end of those sessions, I introduced the multi-year process of local-level strategic and pastoral planning. The term "pastoral planning" brings the minds of many to parish clusters, mergers, or sharing of priests—but these are only a tiny fraction of what we need to discuss! Much more important is establishing a culture of discipleship and accompaniment so that all parishes can be thriving on mission. This includes an honest look at what we are currently prioritizing as we reimagine how leadership, administration, staffing and resource sharing might look.

Structural changes are only valuable if they support a vibrant mission and healthy parish culture. Some are very eager for this process to happen everywhere, but it will take multiple years. This year, I plan to pilot these conversations in at least four deaneries, including Chippewa Falls and Stevens Point. Check the "updates" page regularly to follow this process as it unfolds.

Cemetery cleanup is the first 2 weeks in April. Cemetery clean-up rules are posted as you enter the cemetery and online at <https://www.sacredheart-stwenceslaus.org/cemetery>

Bulletin Deadline Thursday 4pm

For Hall Use, contact Father Chinna

Hall & Church Are Open 7am-5pm daily