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*Sunday February 1, 2026
 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings Feb 8: Is 58:7-10, 1 Cor 2:1-5, Mt 5:13-16 (73)

Pastor's Message: Fr. Timothy Backous, OSB, writes "Our world hasn't only recently become bizarre and temporary, it has been so ever since its inception, and it will continue to be such until its end – mystifying and forever in a state of flux. That may or may not be comforting, but it is indisputable. It was once estimated that in all recorded human history, there are less than fifty years when there was not a war somewhere on the planet."
 American historian Howard Zinn sums this up well when he says, "What we choose to emphasize in this complex history will determine our lives. If we see only the worst, it destroys our capacity to do something. If we remember those times and places – and there are so many – where people have behaved magnificently, this gives us the energy to act, and at least the possibility of sending this spinning top of a world in a different direction."
 Sr. Constance Veit, Isp, suggests that we make a list of 15 or so extraordinary moments in our lives and that we read through them on a regular basis to bring to mind the presence of God on our journey.

Fr. Evans

Mass of Anointing will be 5:30pm Tuesday, February 3, at Crucifixion.

Who may consider anointing at these Masses? Anyone living with aging issues, pressing medical conditions, upcoming major doctor appointments. Also, those who are living with mental, physical, spiritual, or emotional stress or addictions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon Feb 2	10:00 am La Crescent Health For the Residents of La Crescent Health
Tues Feb 3	8:25 am St. Peters St. Blaise Blessing of Throats +Raymond & Mary Ann Happel 4:30-5:20 pm Adoration 5:30 pm Crucifixion Mass of Anointing +James Kadlec
Wed Feb 4	8:05 am Crucifixion +Erick Abnet
Thur Feb 5	8:25 am St. Peters +Jaynie Sheffer
Fri Feb 6	No Mass
Sat Feb 7	5:00 pm Crucifixion +Cathy Johnson
Sun Feb 8	8:00 am St. Peter's +Rosemary Bennett 10:00 am Crucifixion + For the Intentions of the Parishioners

CONFESSIONS

Tues: 5:00 – 5:20pm Crucifixion

Sat: 4:00-4:40 pm Crucifixion

Sun: 7:30-7:50 am St. Peter's

First Saturday Rosary is Saturday February 7th at 10:00, Crucifixion Church. All are invited.

Sunday Scripture Preview: Tuesdays 9-10 am at the Crucifixion parish office. All are welcome!

Faith Formation

Sun. Feb 1 - Grade 9/10 Confirmation Retreat - 10am-4pm

Sun. Feb 1 - Generations of Faith - 5-7pm

Wed. Feb 4 - EDGE Ministry

Wed. Feb 11 - EDGE Ministry

Wed. Feb 18 - NO EDGE Ministry - Ash Wednesday

Wed. Feb 25 - EDGE Ministry

Youth Ministry

Youth Night of Worship - Sunday, Feb 8 - We will be celebrating the Super Bowl early (NOON), so you can be home to watch the big game! Join us at Noon at La Crescent United Methodist for Worship and fun!!



Saint of the Week: Saint Agatha dedicated her life to Jesus Christ at an early age, vowing to love only Christ and take no earthly spouse. This did not stop men from making unwanted advances toward her. One of them attempted to force her to change her mind by many means of torture, being beaten, whipped, burned and even having her breasts cut off. She remained steadfast and faithful. When her injuries were miraculously healed, she was sent to prison where she prayed that the Lord would take her soul to heaven. She died peacefully. St. Agatha is considered a powerful intercessor for victims of sexual assault and fires, and those living through breast cancer.

Community Conversations with "Light for the World" This is an ecumenical group sponsored through Prince of Peace, Crucifixion, United Methodist and the La Crescent Public Library. We invite you to come learn and grow with us through monthly conversations. **The focus for 2026 will be on Immigration.**

For more information, contact Kathy Passe at 608 406 0716. To further educate, we will be featuring a question and answer each week in the bulletin:

Question: What are some of the reasons one might have undocumented status?

1. Entered with legal status, but overstayed the limit
2. Entered the US without inspection
3. DACA recipient (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)
4. Are in the process of legalizing
5. Vulnerable immigrants (fleeing persecution, unsafe conditions at home)



Crucifixion

"A Welcoming Community of Spirit-filled disciples, serving others through God's love."

Parish Support: Jan 24/25: \$ 3,639.50



St. Peter's

Parish Support: Jan 24: \$989.00

(Are you or your loved-one in the hospital? Crucifixion and St. Peter parishes do not automatically know of a parishioner's hospitalization. Since 1996 HIPPA (privacy law on health information), your church asks if you would please share information to better serve your loved-one's spiritual needs. Contact your Parish Office, either by phone or email.)



"Save the date for Mardi Gras! Monday, February 16th, 12:00-6:00 pm. This fun school celebration is also the PTO's biggest fundraiser each

year, and a highlight of the year for the students! We need LOTS of volunteers to make this event happen, so please contact Amy Lathrop if you're interested in helping, at amyllathrop@gmail.com. Sign up can be done by calling the school office as well. You can also help by donating candy, small toys, or silent auction items. Donations can be dropped off in the school office. All help is greatly appreciated!"

A Diocesan Prayer for Vocations:

Heavenly Father,

Giver of all good things, your Son told us to beg You to send workers into Your rich harvest, and so we have the confidence to ask You to raise up an abundance of priests in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Send us good and holy men to respond to your call to lay down their lives in service to Your people. We know that the Church comes from the Eucharist and that the Eucharist comes from priests. Therefore, Gracious God, send us priests to build up Your Church, through Jesus who is High Priest and Lord forever and ever. *Amen*



Building For Our Future

Capital Campaign Pledge Payments:

Please place campaign pledge payments in a separate envelope labeled "**Capital Campaign**". Indicate on your check that this is for the **Capital Campaign**, so it is applied towards your pledge.



Food shelf Sunday at Crucifixion next Weekend Feb 7 and 8



The Crucifixion Rummage Sale is happening again this year!!

Sale date is yet to be

determined.

Next Collection Date:

Sat Feb 7: 9-11

the Crucifixion Parish Office, back door, enter through the alley. Large furniture items will be accepted at a later date.

The 2026 Gala: A Night of Giving is coming up soon! April 11 at the La Crescent Event Center! We are in need of **Live and Silent Auction** items. **See you there!**



KC Council

The Knights of Columbus Council 5115 is sponsoring another **Moon Tournament on Sunday, 2/15**, from 1:00 – 4:00 to raise funds for the final window renovation at St. Peter’s Church.

The cost for the remaining window is \$8,500 and the **Knights will be matching donations** up to half of that amount! (\$4,250) “Entry fee” is a free will donation and you do not have to attend to contribute.

Men’s Conference

The Man of God Men’s Conference will take place Saturday, February 21 at the Church of the Ss. Peter and Paul in Mankato. Registration is now available! <https://www.dowr.org/event-details/3997>

Kevin Matthews Broken Mary

Kevin Matthews, a once famous Chicago radio host, had a tragic health event that led him to encounter a broken statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Hearing a voice say, “Will you deny Me? Will you deny My mother?”, Kevin embraced the statue and returned to his Catholic faith. This Broken Mary statue has become famous for miracles associated with it and Kevin now travels around the country with Broken Mary telling his story and bringing healing to our broken world.

Come with your own brokenness and hear Kevin’s story of God’s healing. FREE! All are welcome!

Sunday, Feb. 22: 1:30 pm St. Mary’s University in the Page Theatre / 700 Terrace Heights, Winona, MN, or Monday, Feb. 23, 6:00pm at Aquinas High School Auditorium / 315 11th Street S, La Crosse, WI



Teams of Our Lady Marriage Retreat

The Winona Sector of Teams of Our Lady will be sponsoring a **Marriage Retreat** on **Saturday, March 7th from 1-4:30** at the **Wieser Pavilion in La Crescent**. The retreat leaders will be Sister Sarah Hennessey and Karna Marks from the Franciscan Spirituality Center in La Crosse. The topic for the day is **“Joy.”**

This retreat is open to all married couples of Crucifixion and St. Peter’s parishes. You do not need to be involved with Teams of Our Lady to attend.

Jesus said, “I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.”
John 15:11

Joy is our natural state and can be cultivated with awareness and practices. Often it feels like daily life and other difficult emotions hide our joy from us. Through the lens of scripture, Franciscan stories, prayer, and conversation with your spouse – we’ll come home to joy in the midst of life’s complexities. This retreat is a day of rest and joy – come as you are – you are Beloved!

This event is **free** of charge. To register, please email **winonamnsector@gmail.com** or call Kristi at 608-397-5441. Please include names of each couple, email address and phone number. We hope you can join us!

Bulletin Submissions must be submitted to Bonnie at cruch@acegroup.cc **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY AT NOON for the upcoming bulletin.**

Depressed Anonymous meets every Monday, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Franciscan Spirituality Center in La Crosse. This is a 12- step group for those dealing with depression. If you are interested in participating in this free meeting, please call Gayle at 608-406-7990.

