

# Crucifixion Church and School La Crescent

# St. Peter's Church and School Hokah



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Sunday, January 5, 2025 Scripture Readings Jan 12: Is 42:1-4, 6-7, Acts 10:34-38, Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

# Pastor's Message

Pope Francis has announced a Jubilee Year for our Universal Church in 2025, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope." The Jubilee Year began December 24th in Rome and December 29th on, the Feast of the Holy Family, within our diocese.

A Jubilee Year is a special time in the Church's tradition encouraging holiness through acts of reconciliation and communion with others. The Church celebrates an Ordinary Jubilee every twenty-five years, with the last celebration in 2000. Jubilee Year 2025 will be marked by special opportunities for grace through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, local pilgrimages and the Jubilee indulgence.

Thank you to all who enhanced our Christmas celebrations, especially our musicians, ushers, greeters, liturgical ministers, altar servers, and those who enhanced our worship space, particularly Joe & Cheri Weiss, Mariel Carlisle, and Paul Geronime.

Thank you for your prayers, Christmas cards, and gifts during this holy season.

For Evans

#### Prayer for the Blessing of Homes on the Feast of Epiphany

Bless, O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfillment of Thy law, the thanksgiving to God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. And may this blessing remain upon this home and upon all who dwell herein. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then with chalk, inscribe on the outside door 20 + C + M + B + 25 (The year 2025 with the names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar).

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon Jan 6 10:00 am Springbrook

+Joseph & Mary Wieser

Tues Jan 7 4:30 – 5:20 pm Adoration

5:30 pm Crucifixion

+Debbie Neuman

Wed Jan 8 8:05 am Crucifixion

Cronin & Roles Families

Thur Jan 9 8:25 am St. Peter's

+Living & Deceased members

of William & Rose Hoskins family

Fri Jan 10 8:05 am Crucifixion

+Denise Peterson

Sat Jan 11 5:00 pm Crucifixion

+Deceased members Rusin family

Sun Jan 12 8:00 am St. Peter's

+Donna Sloan

10:00 am Crucifixion

+For the Intentions of the Parishioners

**CONFESSIONS** Tues: 5:00 – 5:20 pm Crucifixion

**Sat:** 4:00-4:20 pm **Crucifixion Sun:** 7:30-7:50 am **St. Peter's** 



# Crucifixion School Christmas Tree Pickup

Saturday January 11

Will pick up trees starting at 9

am on Saturday, Jan 11.

Sign up is available on the Crucifixion School website under the Sign Up, or by calling the Crucifixion School Office at 895-4402 between January 2-9.

Within LaCrescent City Limits only.

Free will donations benefit the Crucifixion School

Library.

#### Saint of the Week: St. Andre Bessette



Sickness and weakness were a part of **André Bessette's** life from birth. Due to his health, he failed at many different attempts at various trades, even being refused entrance into the Congregation of the Holy Cross. Fortunately, André received an extension and, at the urging of Bishop Bourget, he was finally received. He was given the job of

doorkeeper at Notre Dame College in Montreal, with additional duties as sacristan, laundry worker and messenger. "When I joined this community, the superiors showed me the door, and I remained 40 years," he said. André Bessette is quoted as saying, "My only ambition is to serve God in the most obscure tasks," reminding us that we can live out our mission as disciples in our every day lives.

Winona-Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Winter Quarterly Meeting will be on January 11, 2025 at the Holy Trinity Church; 9946 SE 24th Ave; Litomysl, MN (near Owatonna, MN). Every woman in the Diocese is invited including high school students. There is a poster in the church entry and registration forms on the table. If you have questions call Linda Thesing (895-2146) or Rosanne Buehler (895-2403).

#### **Nursing Home Rosary**

Wed Jan 15 3pm: Springbrook

Tuesday Jan 21: La Crescent Health Services

All are welcome to join us!

"Thanks everyone for the Christmas cards and gifts given to me over Christmas!" Deacon Gerry

## Crucifixion

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

## <u>Liturgical</u> <u>Schedule</u>

Sat Jan 11: 5:00 pm

**EuchMinisters**: Carol Banse, Need 1 **Lectors**: Anita Harris, Judy Farnen **Servers**: Alayna, Bobby, Need 2

Sun Jan 12: 10:00 am

EuchMinister: Jim Wally, Need 1

**Lectors:** Need 2

Servers: Marshall, Benson, Ryland

cccw cookie Project: Our parish had an overwhelming response to the collection of cookies/treats for our elderly, homebound and nursing home parishioners. All recipients were over-joyed to receive the decorated treats in the decorated boxes. A special thank you for all who donated cookies, packed the cookies and delivered the treats. A thank you to the Crucifixion students who created art for the cookie containers. We delivered 125 boxes to our fellow parishioners. This small token is a reminder to them that they are not forgotten.

**Sunday Scripture Preview**: Join other Crucifixion and St. Peter's parishioners to preview the upcoming scripture readings. Tuesdays from 9am – 10 am in the Crucifixion Parish Office. All are Welcome!



**Christmas Flower Memorials** received in memory of Bob Hafner -from Mary Hafner



**First Saturday Rosary Group** meets in Crucifixion Church the <u>first Saturday of the month at 10am</u>. All are welcome!



Happy 62<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary to **Bob and Katy Langen**, on Sun, January 5<sup>th</sup>!

#### St. Peter's

Liturgical Schedule Sunday Jan 12, 2025

**Greeter**: Josh, Jackie & Finnick Ross

**Lector**: Theresa Von Arx

**Servers**: Jayven, Jared, and Ethan

Gift Bearers: Josh, Jackie & Finnick Ross

**Euch Min/Choir**: Theresa Von Arx,

Kelly Beckman - c

**Ushers:** Don Petersen and Dave Feuerhelm

Rosary: Barb Miller

<u>Volunteers Needed!!</u> St. Peter's parish is blessed with volunteers who keep our church and school going. We are now in need of individuals/families to clean our church. Please sign up on the scrip table in the lower lobby if you can assist. Thank you!

## **KC Belgian Waffle Breakfast**



Sun, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>: 8-11:30am Crucifixion School

The famous **Dad's All-Can-Eat Belgian waffles**, served with flavored syrups, fruit

toppings, sausage, milk, juice, and coffee. Cost is \$12, and children 5 and under eat free. Please join us!!

#### **Faith Formation Calendar**

Sun. Jan 5 - Grades 9/10 Confirmation - 10am

Grades 1-5 Generations of Faith - 5-7pm GRADE 2 Sacrament Prep Parent Meeting - 6pm

Wed. Jan 8 - EDGE Ministry

Wed Jan 15 - EDGE Ministry

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KC Corner: January 19th is the KC of Christmas party at Wieser Pavillion. All members and their families, widows of deceased members, and area

clergy are all invited. Social hour begins 3PM, with artist Buzz Balzer to speak briefly at 4PM on the prints he created, and the KC's sold, to raise \$ for Pro-Life. Many of us have these prints in our homes and businesses, so it will be a treat to hear Buzz give a little history on their creation. Dinner will be served at 4:30, where our Grand Knight will share his famous smoked pork in sandwiches. Beverages, plates, silverware are all provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to pass. Thank you!!

In need of prayers? In need of prayers? Contact the parish offices and we will forward your request to one of our prayer chains.

<u>Getting Married? Congratulations!</u> Couples requesting the celebration of the Sacrament of marriage should contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

#### Marriage Encounter:

A "perfect marriage" is simply two imperfect people who refuse to give up on each other! In the month of love, plan to attend the February 15-16 Marriage Encounter and begin to create the marriage of your dreams. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington, MN. Register at <a href="https://www.marriages.org">www.marriages.org</a>.

**Father Joe Schneider** enjoys cards and letters. You may send to: Northgate Care Center, Room #10, 960 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Waukon, IA, 52172. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

The Rosary in a Year Podcast: On January 1, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames launched *The Rosary in a Year Podcast!* You are welcome to join FREE as an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Christ and the Blessed Virgin. This is a 10 minute daily podcast. Download the prayer plan at *AscensionPress.com/RosaryinaYear*.

#### **Crucifixion Parishioners:**

Registered at Crucifixion, but often attend Mass at St. Peter's? Did you know you can make your offering easier for 2025 by giving online?

Go to our website, and set up your own account. Just click on **Online Giving**. You decide the date it is withdrawn from your account, and at the end of the year, you receive an email statement of your giving for the year. No more checks, or remembering envelopes, and if you choose to attend Mass elsewhere, your offering will always reach Crucifixion each month with no delay. Many parishioners have found it to be very user friendly.

**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, to generate positive energies, form friendships and find support. If you are interested in participating in this free meeting, please call Gayle at 608-406-7990.

Safe Environment The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at www.dowr.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Michael Gerard, at 507-361-3377, or mgerard@dowr.org.