

# SACRED HEART - SAINT LUKE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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### Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (9/8).....NO MASS  
Tuesday (9/9).....6:30 PM Mass at Spring Valley  
+Joanne and Jennifer Parker (Una Kannel-Jenny)  
Wednesday (9-10)...7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood  
+Clarence, Alice and John Koch (Anna Crownhart)  
Thursday (9-11).....8:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley  
+ Leo and Frances Huebel (Julie Ducklow)  
Friday (9-12).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley  
1:30 PM Mass at Heritage of Elmwood NH  
+Noreen Waters (Jeff & Susan Pitman)

### Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday (9-13).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood  
+Abbot David Geraets (Henry Geraets)  
Sunday (9-14).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville  
+David Hill (Judy Knops)  
10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley  
*Missa pro populo*

## BRIEFLY NOTED

**Elmwood Altar and Rosary Society:** The Elmwood Altar and Rosary will meet on **Sept. 11 at 7pm** in Church basement. St. Rita's group will host (Mary Baier & Carol Lecheler). We will review the past events and discuss upcoming events. All ladies in the parish are automatically members of the Altar and Rosary Society, and are encouraged to attend. ~Kathy Geraets, President

**Spring Valley CCD Snack Coordinator Needed:** We are in need of a snack coordinator during the Wednesday afternoon CCD sessions. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Schlegel at 715-684-3324 or Anne Helmer at 715-778-4883.

**Spring Valley CCD Teacher Needed:** We are in need of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade and 5<sup>th</sup> grade afternoon CCD Teacher in Spring Valley. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Schlegel at 715-684-3324 or Anne Helmer at 715-778-4883.

**Elmwood Altar and Rosary Society: Altar & Rosary 2014 dues are due by Nov. 1st.** Dues are \$10.00 and can be paid by mail to: P.O. Box 54, Elmwood, or put in the A & R box in the church basement. If you do not remember if you paid your dues, you may call Sharon Weber or your group leader. St. Ann: Dana Hince, St. Elizabeth: Lynette Bates, St. Joseph: Kitty McCardle, St. Rita: Mary Baier. If you are a member of Sacred Heart, you are a member of Altar & Rosary.

## CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:00-6:30 PM  
Spring Valley  
Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM  
Elmwood  
Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM  
Boyceville

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Boyceville  
Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM  
Spring Valley

**St. Luke's Altar Society:** will meet on **Wednesday, September 24 at 9:30 a.m.** in the church dining hall. St. Jessica Circle will meet immediately following the Altar Society meeting.

**Fall Deanery Meeting:** is **Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 7pm** at St. Francis in Ellsworth. All women of the parish and guests are invited to attend.

**St. Luke's Fall Dinner News:** This is the last week that the sign-up sheets will be out. Dinner slips with the job assignments will be made out and mailed next week. To donate items for baskets contact Lois Johnson 715-643-7242 or Sue Anderson 715-455-1404

## Elmwood/Spring Valley

**Confirmation Retreat:** will be held on **Sunday, September 14 from 11:30-5:30pm** at the Spring Valley CCD Center. **Confirmation students are required to attend.** Students, please contact your teacher if you are unable to attend.

## St. Joe's Fall Festival:

St. Joseph's in Menomonie will be hosting their annual fall festival from September 20-21. All are invited to come for the fun!

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**“STRENGTHEN YOUR BRETHERN” (Luke 22:32)**

This weekend we are happy to **welcome to our parishes Father Charlie Hiebl**, a senior priest of our Diocese of La Crosse. He currently resides in the rectory in Abbotsford and continues to serve the faithful by providing coverage of Masses of the Lord’s Day in the absence of parish priests in our Diocese and the Superior Diocese. We are most grateful for Father Hiebl’s continuing generous priestly service in his retirement! Welcome Father Hiebl!

**It has been a very active summer in our parishes and for your Pastor!** The weekend of July 13-14 I was in my home parish of Sacred Heart in Marshfield for a celebration with family and friends of 25 years of priestly ministry. July 19-20 I only celebrated Masses at Elmwood as the parish observed its centennial with a special Mass and festivities. I celebrated all the Masses in our parishes July 26-27 and then took the next three weekends for vacation with my seminary classmate, Msgr. Bert Diaz, of the Diocese of Brownsville, Texas. My first weekend back in Wisconsin (August 23-24) found me resuming my duties as Director of Spiritual Formation in the Permanent Deacon Formation Program leading a five-day retreat in Marathon City for the men to be ordained Deacons for our Diocese in October. I celebrated all Masses in our parishes August 30-31 and now this weekend my responsibilities as Director of Spiritual Formation take me back to Saint Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon City to lead the annual retreat for the men who aspire to be Permanent Deacons along with their wives. **Please pray for these men and their families as they continue to discern God’s will in their lives!**

**Summer vacation has ended for the children of our parishes and for our seminarians.** Our own Levi Schmitt has returned to Saint John Vianney Seminary on the campus of the University of Saint Thomas in Saint Paul for his senior year. This past Tuesday Deacon Billy Dodge moved out of the Elmwood rectory after having ministered in our parishes throughout the summer. He has entered his final year of priestly formation at the Saint Paul Seminary looking ahead, God willing, to being ordained a priest next summer. **Pray for them and all our seminarians that they may know God’s will and do it with joy!**

We have joined our fellow Catholics throughout the Diocese of La Crosse in the **2014-2015 Diocesan Annual Appeal**. The Appeal is the major source of funding for the ministries, programs, and services of our Diocese. Some people grumble about the Diocesan Appeal and refuse to take part: “The Diocese is not getting any of my money! Why should I give my hard-earned money to the Diocese anyway?!” Why indeed!!!! Think about it this way. Do you want priests to take care of your spiritual needs? **How do you think Deacon Billy Dodge and Elmwood’s own Levi Schmitt are paying for years of study for the priesthood?** Wishful thinking? IOUs? Not hardly. It costs cold hard cash to educate a priest. And lots of it. **Guess who is helping Deacon Dodge and Levi pay for their seminary training? That’s right, those who give money to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Funding of the education of the young men studying to be priests for our Diocese comes chiefly from monies raised through the Diocesan Annual Appeal.** Have you assisted at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass this week? Has a priest absolved you of your sins recently? Have you received the Anointing of the Sick at the hands of a priest? Do you wish to continue to have access to these and all the Sacraments in the future, access that only comes through the ministry of the priest? Well, then, **justice demands that you do your part to pay for the training of the priests who so generously serve you now and will serve you in the future!**

**Pray for Bishop Callahan and for the success of this year’s Appeal. Also, I encourage you to give prayerful consideration to your own financial gift. Please return your pledge card at your earliest convenience.** I have already made the first payment on my total gift of \$600.00. So I am not asking you to do anything that I myself am not prepared to do! Besides payment by check, note that you do have the option to have an automatic withdrawal made from your checking account or you may use your credit card. With your generosity, we can meet and even surpass our target. **As always, one hundred percent of any funds beyond our goal are returned to us at our parishes for our own needs right here!**

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us! *Very Rev. Kevin C. Louis, STL*

<b>Stewardship for August 30-31</b>				
<i>“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)</i>				
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Candles	Roof Fund
Spring Valley	\$290	\$84.38		\$100
Elmwood	\$765	\$89.00	\$47.15	
Boyceville	\$515	\$83		\$100

