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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday-Wednesday (11/3-11/5)....NO MASS

Thursday (11-6).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley

10:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley Healthcare Center

Friday (11-7).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley

Saturday (11-8).....2:00 PM Nuptial Mass at Elmwood

(Jeremy Hofacker & Amanda Lecheler)

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Saturday (11-8).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood

Missa pro populo

Sunday (11-9).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville

+Andy Adams (Joe and Karen Adams)

10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Bernard Demuth (Una Kannel-Jenny)

BRIEFLY NOTED

Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines for Reporting Instances of Child Abuse: The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by a priest or deacon. Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Bishop William P. Callahan at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. The form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse, Office for Clergy; or on the diocesan website at: dioceseoflacrosse.com. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or dkunz@diolc.org

Elmwood Altar and Rosary Society: Altar & Rosary meeting will be Nov. 13 with the Rosary starting at 7:00pm. St Joseph's group will be the host. Final plans will be made for the Nov. 15 Soup & Sandwich supper after a 4:00pm. Mass Altar & Rosary news. We will be looking for new group chairs and a treasurer and Vice- President. Please contact the group chairman or an officer and volunteer. Thank You, Kathy Geraets.

Elmwood Save the Date: To further celebrate our Centennial Altar & Rosary will be hosting a Soup & Sandwich supper on **Saturday, November 15 from 5:00-7:30pm**. It will be a free will offering. Mass will be celebrated at 4:00pm and again at 8:00pm as that will be the Youth mass.

CONFESSIONS

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: The Mitten Tree will be place at the back of church for hat and mitten donations. All items will be donated to Tiffany Creek Elementary School.

St. Luke's: We are again collecting donations for Operation Christmas Child. Information about what can be donated in on the back table. ***Donations will be accepted until November 14.***

Catholic Relief Services: Help Catholic Relief Services contain the spread of Ebola and assist afflicted communities in West Africa. To donate, visit www.crs.org or the diocesan website at www.diolc.org.

Pro-Life Minute - Fact: ***"Persistent vegetative state" is misdiagnosed 15 percent of the time.*** These diagnoses lead families to believe their loved ones will never recover. New technology is showing that many of these patients are conscious!

Pro-Life Minute is sponsored by Pro-Life Wisconsin. For more information visit ProLifeWisconsin.org

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Today is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed or, as it is more commonly called, All Souls Day. Indeed, the entire month of November is dedicated to praying for those who at their death were not yet ready to be ushered into the presence of Love Himself. “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of Heaven . . . The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1030-1031). Remember to pray for all our beloved dead, that God “forgive whatever sins they may have committed through human weakness and . . . grant them everlasting peace” (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 175). May they rest in peace.

We continue with part six of the answer to the question posed by a parishioner: “**Who is a person to call if somebody needs the last rites before death if the Pastor is gone?** Last week we noted that although it is laudable to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during Mass, it is most commonly administered outside of Mass at the home of the sick person or in a healthcare facility. In order to more clearly manifest the Church who accompanies the sick, it is desirable that family and friends of the sick person actively participate in the celebration of the sacrament. How is the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick celebrated in such circumstances? After the **Sign of the Cross and Greeting** similar to that which begins the Mass, the Priest sprinkles **Holy Water** on the sick person saying: “Let this water call to mind our Baptism into Christ, who by His Death and Resurrection has redeemed us.” **In order to be properly disposed for this sacrament, it “should, if possible, be preceded by individual Confession on the part of the sick person”** (*Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 318). Any family or friends present are asked to leave the room until the sick person has completed his or her Confession with the Priest. Additionally, if death is imminent, the Priest may give the person the **Apostolic Blessing or Pardon**. Having just received **forgiveness of their sins** through the Sacrament of Penance, the dying person is in the state of grace and so disposed to receive this blessing by which **all temporal punishment due to sin is remitted**. In other words, through the Apostolic Pardon the dying person gains the complete pardon of all temporal punishment (or purgation) due for those sins that have already been sacramentally forgiven by the reception of absolution and the doing of the penance. Having repented of sin, family and friends return as all listen to the proclamation of one of the Gospel passages about Jesus’ ministry of physical and spiritual healing. Indeed, “word and sacrament form an indivisible whole. The **Liturgy of the Word** . . . awakens the faith of the sick person and of the community to ask the Lord for the strength of His Spirit” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1518).

The celebration of the sacrament proper follows. First “the ‘Priests of the Church’ (James 5:14) – in silence – **lay hands on the sick; they pray over them in the faith of the Church**” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 1519). This is the **epiclesis** or prayer asking for the sanctifying power of God’s Holy Spirit proper to this sacrament (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1519). The Priest then leads the faithful in a **prayer of thanksgiving** over the blessed oil that will be used to anoint the sick person. This oil – called the **Oil of the Infirm or Oil of the Sick** – is blessed by the Bishop at the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral during Holy Week and then distributed to each parish for use locally. In case of urgency when no Oil of the Infirm is available, the Priest himself may bless oil for this sacramental use. With his thumb the Priest first **anoints the forehead** of the person saying: “**Through this holy anointing may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit.**” Then he **anoints the palms of each hand** of the sick person saying: “**May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up.**” It is interesting to note that when the sick person is a Priest, it is the *top* of his hands that are anointed, not the palms. The reason for this is that the palms of his hands have already been anointed with the oil of the Sacred Chrism during his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood. Following the anointing the Priest offers a **prayer** appropriate to the circumstances of the sick person. All pray together the **Lord’s Prayer**. If the sick person is able, he or she receives **Holy Communion** along with anyone else who is properly disposed. Just like at Mass, the **Prayer after Communion** follows and a **Final Blessing** concludes this sacramental encounter with Jesus Christ. Next week we will explore the grace that this sacrament confers upon the sick.

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

Stewardship for October 25-26				
“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)				
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	World Mission Sunday	Roof Fund
Spring Valley	\$1573	\$103.51	\$55	
Elmwood	\$515	\$206		
Boyceville	\$546	\$149.33	\$80	\$100

BRIEFLY NOTED

Elmwood CCD Retreat: We have students interested in attending the 2014 Immersion Retreat held at the Wisconsin Dells November 7, 8, and 9. These students are looking for sponsors to help pay the remainder fee of the retreat. Contact Marilyn Bowell: 715- 664-8975.

Thank you: A very special thank you to Barb Schneider for the amazing job she does for our confirmation class in preparing them to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation and helping them become knowledgeable young adults in the faith. A very sincere and appreciative thank you from Marilyn Bowell, CRE.

