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The Roman Catholic Community at UW-L & WTC

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Saturday: 5:00 PM, Sunday: 9:00 & 11:15 AM, and 7:00 PM when UWL is in session.

Daily Liturgy

Monday-Friday, 12:00 NN

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Parish NEWS

Next Sunday, a presentation on immigration in America

As of late we have been using the non-PSF Sunday

each month to host an educational event for the larger parish. For example, last month Tom Schlesinger's presentation on the Health Care Issue in America was well received. This month, on Sunday, October 25th, Newman parishioner Violeta Abitia will address immigration in the United States. The magnitude of the migration of peasants leaving their places of origin for new work north of the border has been a long-term reality for both the United States and Mexico. NAFTA's promises of progress and relief have brought the livelihoods of many into a marginal situation. So join us downstairs (about 10:10 am) on Sunday morning for a cup of coffee, a doughnut, as Violeta shares some of the realities behind these immigration issues.

The Ministry of Prayer welcomes your requests

There is a network of seventy parish households who would add your prayer needs to their daily petitioning. Call Sue Chattington (784-0826) or Fr. Mark (784-4994) to get your concern included. Those who made a request in the past and want to keep that prayer need "on the agenda" will also need to call and give us an update. The next edition of the newsletter to our pray-ers will go out at the end of the month.

Thank you for your Mission Sunday Gifts

When our Catholic ancestors made their way to the Wisconsin territory, all of their energy was poured into building homes and making a living from the land. But the Church traveled with them, thanks to the generosity in this area of German "mission societies" of laypeople who bankrolled missionaries to travel through the region and call Catholics together for worship. Now that we are settled, perhaps it is our time for us to assist places where folks have not yet heard the Good News of faith? Thank you to those who have already made a gift to the Mission Sunday collection. Envelopes and brochures can still be found at both entrances. Whatever you can contribute here will bear good fruit.

Do you have winter wear to recycle?

Once again, we would welcome good used winter coats, hats, and gloves of any size as part of Salvation Army's "Coats for Kids" campaign. Place your outgrown items in the gray tubs at the doors and, after having them cleaned, the SA folks will share them with local children and adults who could stand to use, but can not afford, newer items for the upcoming winter.

Consider a gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal

Fr. Mark sent out oodles of invitations to our members to make a contribution to the 2009-2010 Annual Appeal—the way that we find the work of the church beyond the local parish. We have received over 140 gifts and pledges so far, and are nearing our \$44,000 share of the overall need in the Diocese. Remember, given the peculiar rules of the Annual Appeal every dollar that we raise over our assigned target returns to the parish free of all other assessments ... so it is like the Bishop contributing \$.40 to every dollar we contribute at this point. Come, help "pick up the tab" for the work of the Church beyond ourselves.

Make a gift to those you leave behind; make some end of life decisions

The parish has developed a tool to help individuals and families make some basic decisions about how they want matters to be handled on the occasion of their death. Such forethought isn't meant to be the ultimate aide to the control freak, but to enable us to do our part in relieving some of the burden that our passing will create for those we leave behind. As we get closer to the Church's seasonal time to consider the mortality of all things (All Souls and the month of November) we will be offering several options after the Masses for folks to get together to learn about this booklet and the helpful steps we can take to prepare for our own passing.

Experience prayer with the movements of Nia.

Nia incorporates movement from nine different art forms including: Tai Chi, Tae Kwon Do, Aikido, dance, Yoga and much more! Through these gentle movements along with simple prayer and reflection we hope to allow one to unplug from the outside world and reflect internally on the voice of your body and spirit. Interested? Come on **Fridays from 3:15-4:15 pm** and experience it for yourself. Nia will meet in the Conference Room in lower level of Newman and is open to both stationary and student members. Got questions? Contact Maggie at 857-3119 or maggieljorkquist@gmail.com

Place of Grace needs your help

Roncalli Newman is planning a meal at Place of Grace on Sunday, October 25th. If you would like to volunteer for meal preparation, serving, or clean up, please give Joe Leuck a call at 788-0990.

Last call for missing membership renewals

Well, the deadline was three weeks ago, Fr. Mark has completed his calls, and we still have 51 stationary members who haven't gotten their materials back. Sigh!

More “Blah, blah, blah” from the pastor:

A couple weeks back I received a delightful note from a former student of ours: Nicole Wanta Sayre. Just out of the blue, she wanted to send us a little gift and emailed me to find out “if it would be all right.” My answer was, “Why of course!” In the card that accompanied the check she wrote:

“I hope that all is going well in La Crosse. I miss your ministry so much and am so thankful for all that you have done to help ‘raise’ me to who I am today. I know and trust that you are continuing to nurture other students and helping to guide them with the love of the Lord. Here is a check in thanks for everything, realizing that what you have given me is ‘priceless.’”

I joked with Nicole that for a gift of \$250,000 we would rename our place the “Sayre Center” ... but she balked, so the Newman Center we will remain! While I got the card, she was of course writing to us all. It’s quite a privilege to open your mail.

By the way, over the last nine months the members of the Renovation Committee have continued to meet about twice a month working up “the look” that our Chapel will receive in the upcoming Phase II of the *Building on Good Faith* effort. Because it is more a matter of experts and engineering, the ventilation and air conditioning, lighting, and sound work has been moving along right well. The devilishly challenging part (if you allow the ironic metaphor) has been the general “look” of the Chapel itself. When our place was constructed, “less is more” was certainly the reigning philosophy, but comments from many of you—and especially our students—have encouraged us to work hard to give the space a warmer, more finished look. Sometime in November we will be hosting a series of meetings for stationary members and students to give you an update on the more complete plan and to invite your (we trust, mainly supportive) feedback. Alas, we have yet to find the spot for the pastor’s Jacuzzi.

AMOS celebrates its 2nd Anniversary

AMOS will celebrate its 2nd Anniversary with a Harvest of Justice Advocacy Dinner on Saturday, November 7, 2009 at our Savior’s Lutheran Church, 612 Division Street. The evening begins at 6:30 pm and will feature a harvest theme dinner, skits, music by Celtic Cross and the ELCA Bishop Jim Arends will be the featured speaker. Please join us as we celebrate justice advocacy in the coulee region. Tickets are \$20 per person and are available from from Bob Schneyer (785-0645) or Roger LeGrand (788-4901) or the AMOS office at 1707 Main Street #122, 608-782-1394.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

**A Student Supper of Substance
Wednesday, Oct. 28, 5:30-6:30**

UW-L’s George Arimond joins us for supper as our fall Last Lecture Series lecturer. Come and hear George respond to the Last Lecture question, **What did you continue to learn about life, God and relationships that really matters?** Sign up on the table in the State St. entrance.



**Christianity a la C.S.
Lewis - faith by common
sense and reason. Thurs-
day, October 22 6-7 pm**

in the Newman Center’s Bartl Fireplace Lounge, with UW-L professor Dr. Dean Stroud as facilitator. An informal discussion of ideas about Christianity in the manner of C. S. Lewis using common sense and reason.



Tuesday night with the rosary

We now have student leadership who will resume the evening rosary. Gather **in the student chapel at 8:30 pm every Tuesday** this beautiful prayer of reflection on the life of Jesus.



**The quarterly food drive for WAFER coming
November 8th**

Ever Sunday we welcome contributions of non-perishable food items for the WAFER food pantry, but it is usually families with young children who respond on a week-to-week basis. So, once a season we challenge the whole parish to get involved in a bigger way. Our next “all-parish” drive for WAFER is next weekend. “Reminder bags” with an attached list of the “most welcome” items are at the doors. Obviously, if you won’t be in town that weekend, early returns can be dropped off at parish office anytime. For those who find the shopping, hauling, re-hauling thing just too much work, there will also be a basket available that weekend to receive cash and checks.

Schedule your mass intentions now

The holidays are fast approaching. If you would like to have a mass intention said for a loved one, please call Linda soon to get it scheduled.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Website: www.roncallinewman.com/education
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Confirmation candidates for 2010

Twenty-six high school sophomores are completing the first phase of our Confirmation preparation process. These Confirmation candidates will be recognized at our 9:00 am Mass this weekend. The candidates include: Charlie Bakalars, Sarah Divney, Paul Escher, Madeline Hauptert, David Kelbel, Eli Mack, Marissa Martin, Colin McAllister, Morgan, McAllister, Quinn McCartney, Laura Nebeck, Laura Oldenburg, Mitchell Paquette, John Pedace, Zachary Peterson, Mariah Ring, Matthew Schlesinger, Jessica Shumaker, Kyle Sieck, Erin Smith, Zachary Stoflet, Kathleen Thorn, Alex Townsend, Jacob Westmore, Taylor Winger, Casey Wojtowicz. May you be blessed with the Holy Spirit.

PSF 4TH grade parent meeting

A parent meeting is planned in preparation for the 4th grade sacrament of reconciliation experience. Although two meetings are scheduled, it is necessary to attend only ONE meeting on either Sunday, November 1st during PSF or Wednesday, November 4th at 7:15 pm. At least one parent of each student is asked to attend. Both meetings will be held in the parish office area. More information is available on the parish website, under "Sacraments."

Upcoming PSF sessions: October 18; November 1, 8, 15, 22

YOUTH MINISTRY

Special Guests

On **Wednesday October 21st** from 7:00-8:30 pm members of Newman Center's Social Justice Committee will give a presentation on hunger issues in our world, our nation, and even in our local community and what we can do to help.

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish Fall Rummage Sale

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish will be holding their Fall Rummage Sale at St. Thomas More School Bldg - 2006 Weston St., on Saturday, Nov. 7th from 6:30 am until 1:00 pm. \$4.00 a bag (some items priced separately).

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 18 - 29th Ordinary Sunday

Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45

Monday, October 19 - John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

12:00 nn - Daily Mass

4:15 pm - Children's Choir

7:00 pm - Sunday Scriptures Study

Tuesday, October 20 - Weekday

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38

12:00 nn - Daily Mass

5:00 pm - Liturgical Choir

6:00 pm - Ministry of Simple Living

7:00 pm - Catholicism 101

Wednesday, October 21 - Weekday

Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

12:00 nn - Daily Mass (+Alma Meyerhofer)

7:00 pm - Confirmation Class

Thursday, October 22—Weekday

Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

12:00 nn - Daily Mass (+For the Parish)

6:00 pm - Opportunity for Individual Confession

7:00 pm - Large Renovation Committee

Friday, October 23—Weekday

Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59

12:00 nn - Daily Mass

3:00 pm - Bahr/Schultz Wedding

Saturday, October 24—Weekday

Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

5:00 pm - Weekend Mass (+Clem Bardon)

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Next Saturday and Sunday, October 24/25

Minister Coordinators

5:00 Kathy Running

9:00 Debbie Clarkin

11:15 Shar Selinger

Readers

5:00 Linda Goodman

9:00 Joyce Heil / Carl Koch

11:15 Student / Ken Horth

Greeters

5:00 Dennis and Carlene Ulrich

9:00 Jeff and Cindy Reiland

11:15 Elizabeth Mergen / Angie Jack

Gift Presenters

5:00 Mike and Ellen Johnson

9:00 Brian Burns and Son

11:15 John and Kathy Niedfeldt

Donut Pick-up Beth Bakel

Coffee Set-up Mary Tronick / Amy Winger

Wafer Pick Up Kathy Running

Altar Linen Care Wanda Wochos

Minister of Care Pat Swanson (895-5133)