



Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, October 2	8:15 AM
<i>(The Holy Guardian Angels)</i>	
† Donald Losch	
Tuesday, October 3	8:15 AM
Bishop Robert Morlino	
5:15 PM	
† Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Wednesday, October 4	8:15 AM
<i>(Saint Francis of Assisi)</i>	
† Deceased Members of Tony & Cecelia Bausch	
Thursday, October 5	8:15 AM
<i>(Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest)</i>	
Bishop Robert Morlino	
5:15 PM	
† Karl & Caroline Kuenster & Karolyn Huinker	
Friday, October 6	8:15 AM
<i>(Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin)</i>	
† Jim Crosby & His Deceased Family Members	
Saturday, October 7	8:15 AM
<i>(Our Lady of the Rosary)</i>	
Special Intention	
5:00 PM	
† Virginia Williams	
Sunday, October 8	7:30 AM
† Don & Florence Pluemer and Leonard & Virginia Schmitz	
9:30 AM	
People of Our Parish	

RECONCILIATION

(in the confessional closest to the rectory)

Mon. thru Sat. Before Mass

Saturday at 4:00 PM

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 23, 24, & 25

Church Support Envelopes . . .	\$4,180.00
Offertory Cash	\$551.00
Children's Offertory	\$24.00
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$978.00
Total	\$5,733.00
Budgeted Offertory for Sept . . .	\$34,569
Offertory Received in Sept.	\$29,973
Budgeted Amount Not Met	\$4,596

Monthly Offertory Comparison

August 2016	\$34,365.00
August 2017	\$30,764.00
Sept. 2016	\$24,670.00
Sept. 2017	\$29,973.00

From Our Pastor:

Some of the most important words in the Gospel passage this Sunday are easy to overlook: “afterwards,” indicating an afterthought, and “changed his mind,” indicating also a change of heart (Matthew 21:28-32). The use of the original Greek word, *metanoia*, to signify a *change of mind*, occurs only one other time in the Gospel of Saint Matthew: in the description of Judas’ regret at betraying Jesus (Matthew 27:3). At the heart of Jesus’ teaching in the Gospel today is His call for us to *change our minds* to conform to God’s way of thinking, for our conversion. As Christian disciples, this means that we are looking to *do the will of God the Father*, something that *we decide to do*, to believe in Him – which requires us to repent, to turn away from selfishness, stubbornness and pride, and to be humble.

What is the Father’s will? For starters, we realize His will is spelled out in the Ten Commandments. These are summed up in the Two Great Commandments: to love God with all our being and to love our neighbors as ourselves (again, we remember the word “joy,” as in Jesus, Others, Yourself).

Why is the Father’s will so important? Because Jesus makes it important – from the first moment of His teaching, Jesus emphasizes the primacy of doing the Father’s will (Matthew 6:10). He tells us that fulfilling the Father’s will is a prerequisite for entrance into Heaven (Matthew 7:21). Our devotion to the will of the Father makes us brothers and sisters of Jesus (Matthew 12:50). God the Father’s will pervades every instant of life and His will is for even the littlest ones of the Kingdom (Matthew 18:14). God’s will is what carries us through the darkest, most unbearable moments – as it did for Jesus (Matthew 26:42) – enabling us to accomplish the seemingly impossible. It is essential for Christians to maintain an unwavering zeal about the Father’s will at every moment, for doing His will leads us to true and everlasting joy.

Doing God’s will means that we *go out to work* in the Lord’s vineyard (Matthew 9:37; 10:10; 20:1,2,8), mindful that God Himself goes out again and again in search of those willing to do His work (Matthew 20:4,7,14). In His infinite mercy and love for us, God calls us to do His will as He opens our hearts and minds to His grace and guidance, especially through our prayer and through His Church, Word and Sacraments. As the first son in the Gospel today *changes his mind* in favor of his father’s will, so we Christians are to hunger and thirst for God’s will (Matthew 5:6), willing to be persecuted for its sake (Matthew 5:10), surpassing the scribes and Pharisees in their authenticity of life (Matthew 5:20), and seeking the Father’s kingship before all else (Matthew 6:33).

By God’s grace, may we always decide to seek and do the will of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in love of God and love of neighbor, following the Way of Our Lord Jesus Christ to the Kingdom of Heaven.

With peace and prayers in Christ,

Fr. William

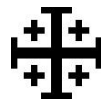
Attention Servers: Your new schedules are available in the sacristy. Please note that we need altar servers to volunteer at the Sunday Mass at 7:30 AM on some Sundays. If you attend that Mass, please come to the sacristy and see if a server is needed.

Lectors: We will be putting together the new lector schedules for the next few months in the coming weeks. If you want to lector at the Sunday, 7:30 AM Mass, let Bill Manthe know. A couple of you have come already come forward to volunteer to assist at this Mass. Thank you!

Our St. Clement Parish family gave a total sum of \$1,663.00 toward the disaster relief for victims of Hurricane Irma. \$1,463.00 was given through second collection over the weekend of Sept. 23 & 24 and \$200.00 was received in the Parish office throughout the week. Thank you for your generosity.



WEEKEND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



OCTOBER 7 & 8

5 PM Lectors: Rick Benson & Linda Ihm

5 PM Servers: Erin & Meg Walker, Hope Williams

7:30 AM Lectors: Bill Manthe

7:30 AM Servers: Ava Hermsen & Bill Manthe

9:30 AM Lectors: Josh Jensen & Carol Bass

9:30 AM Servers: Joey & Carolyn Recker, Findley Hoffman

OCTOBER 14 & 15

5 PM Lectors: Mary Seiler & Tom Hughey

5 PM Servers: Haley & Caden Timmerman, Brenin Belscamper

7:30 AM Lectors & Servers: Need Volunteers! Call Bill Manthe at the parish office

9:30 AM Lectors: Rita Schmitz & Lenny Bass

9:30 AM Servers: Lydia, Aaron & Anna Murphy

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled liturgical role, please find a substitute.

ADULT EDUCATION STUDY ON WISDOM

God desires us to grow in His wisdom and He gives us tools to do so. **Wisdom: God's Vision for Life** is an 8-part formation series that will help us understand wisdom as God defines it. Led by Jeff Cavins, **Wisdom** uses scripture, prayer, reflection, video and small-group discussion to assist participants grow in making wise choices. We began this study of **Wisdom** last week, but you can still join us at any time. We meet on Wednesday mornings after the 8:15 AM Mass in the parish office meeting room, and our sessions end by 10:30 AM. Contact Bill Manthe for more information.

IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers Marie Muller of our parish who died this past Monday, September 25, and whose funeral was held on Friday. Marie was 97 at the time of her passing from this life into life eternal. Marie beautifully exemplified a woman who lived out the call to holiness. She was a woman of worship, prayer, love and service to God, to our parish family and our community. Marie was a very faith-filled and gracious lady who was deeply devoted to her husband Cliff (who preceded her in death 5 years ago) and to her family. As we keep Marie in our prayers, may we also pray for her dear children - Tom and Jim, as well as Angie, Fred and Donna, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and all of her loved ones in this time of sorrow. May God's consolation and comfort be with them.

"Eternal rest grant unto Marie, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Since Mary's strongest message to us from Fatima is to pray the Rosary daily for peace and for reparation for sins against her Immaculate Heart, let us also remember St. John Paul II in his Apostolic Letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, from October 16, 2002:

"The Rosary of the Virgin Mary, which gradually took form... under the guidance of the Spirit of God...remains a prayer of great significance, destined to bring forth a harvest of holiness."

"The Rosary belongs among the finest and most praiseworthy traditions of Christian contemplation."

"From the divine standpoint, the Spirit is the interior teacher who leads us to the full truth of Christ. But among creatures no one knows Christ better than Mary; no one can introduce us to a profound knowledge of His mystery better than His Mother."

"This school of Mary is all the more effective if we consider that she teaches by obtaining for us in abundance the gifts of the Holy Spirit, even as she offers us the incomparable example of her own pilgrimage of faith."

Please consider keeping a Rosary with you, in your pocket or in your purse, reminding us to pray the Rosary, staying close to Jesus and His Mother, Mary.

Holy Spirit, Lover of my soul, lead me to grow in holiness and charity. Awaken in me the awesome wonder of Your gifts within, that in response to Your grace I may be a gift to my family, my friends, my parish and especially to You. Holy Spirit, my Friend and my Guide, strengthen me.

FALL FESTIVAL

Our St. Clement Fall Festival is Sunday, October 8. We need all of our parish families to be involved to make it a success! If you haven't signed up to help, it's not too late. Thank you in advance for all your hard work! Please bring in the **Silent Auction Items** to the Parish Office as soon as possible to assist with set-up. Be sure to include your name with your item. Please contact Jessica Hermsen at 563-599-3792 or email; jessicadavid@tds.net with any questions.

FR. LARRY RICHARDS WANTS YOU TO

Be A Man!

October 1 ~ 7 PM Social; 7:30 PM Presentation
Session 2: Be a Man Who Lives as a Beloved Son

RESPECT LIFE COLLECTION

October is Respect Life Month and this weekend, the Respect Life collection is being conducted across the Diocese of Madison. Envelopes can be found in your monthly packet, as well as in the entrances of church along with brochures explaining the collection. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives here in our diocese and beyond.

CCW LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA

CCW would like to remind you to check out the Lighthouse Media stands to help you continue to grow in faith using CDs, books, and pamphlets.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS FOR GRADES K TO 6

October 4: All families come to the dining hall to learn about St. Francis of Assisi.

We will start promptly at 6:00pm. and end at 7:00pm. The doors on Cherry Street will be open. You may also use the elevator, or come down the stairway next to the elevator.

Our parish needs our RE families to be full participants in parish life. Our Fall Festival is one example. The fifth and sixth graders are old enough to help somewhere. Please see the bulletin and the sign-up sheets in the church pews for you and your children.

Enjoy the meal, the games, activities in the gym, and sharing life with your fellow parishioners.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS for Grades 7 to 9

CLASS SCHEDULE: October 4

Grades 7, 8, & 9 – NO CLASS

YOUTH MINISTRY- ISAIAH 43

Check the future bulletin and Isaiah 43 Facebook page for October gatherings. Also keep checking the table by the holy water font (smaller Lighthouse Media center is on the table) for information regarding sign-up for Steubenville Youth Conference 2018 and other activities. Remember to sign up to help with our St. Clement Fall Festival on Oct. 8th. Each one of you is a vital member of the Church and it starts with our parish - St. Clement.

SPIRITUAL DAY OF RENEWAL FOR WOMEN

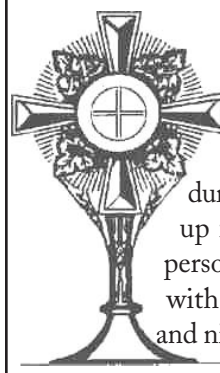
All Catholic women are invited to a Spiritual Day of Renewal, Monday, October 16, 2017, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 2947 Thinnes St., Cross Plains, WI. Liz Kelly, an inspirational speaker and spiritual director, will lead a day retreat based on her new book, *Jesus Approaches*. Doors open at 8:30 a.m., the retreat begins at 9:00 and ends at 3:00 p.m. Sponsors of the event are the Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Madison Catholic Woman's Club. To register, please send a \$25 check made payable to the Madison Catholic Woman's Club to Carol Brennan, W1533 Gladys Ct., Berlin, WI 54923. Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 11.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them for 40 Days for Life Campaign that started last Thursday evening, Sept. 28th and runs through Nov. 2nd. Rosary will be prayed from 7 to 8 pm in front of the Planned Parenthood's abortion clinic in Madison. If anyone is interested in carpooling or has questions, please contact Bill Seyer at 723-4842 or call Katie at the Parish Office (723-4990). We will leave the parish parking lot at 5:30 pm and return about 9:30 pm.

THIS WEEK AT ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, October 1 St. Clement Men's Group "Be a Man!" ~
7 pm Social; 7:30 Presentation, Dining Hall
Wednesday, October 4 All School Mass at 8:15 am
. RE classes; Grades K-6 (6-7 pm)
Friday, October 6 First Friday Adoration
(24 hours, through Saturday, 8 am)
Sunday, October 8 Our St. Clement Fall Festival



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION OCTOBER 6 & 7

Please sign up on the schedule near the Fatima Chapel. You may come at any time during the 24-hour adoration, however by signing up for just one hour, it will assure at least one person is in the Chapel at all times keeping vigil with the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day and night. Thank you for the donation of your time!

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

DRIVE 4UR SCHOOL!!!

Les Mack Ford is excited to announce their upcoming Drive 4 UR School Event benefiting Saint Clement School. Simply come out to Saint Clement next Sunday, October 8th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for our annual Fall Festival and #Fords! Thanks to our local Les Mack Dealership, Ford will be donating \$20 for every test drive taken on this day for up to \$6,000 in donations to our wonderful parish school. These donations will be used towards much needed technology upgrades in our classrooms. We thank you all in advance for your support!!!

SCRIP SPOTLIGHT: WALKER'S CLOTHING & SHOES

Our Saint Clement Parish School would like to thank all the area businesses that graciously participate in our great SCRIP program. Over the next few weeks we will be highlighting several of these businesses as a way to thank them for their support. We also highly encourage our parishioners to patronize these local businesses with SCRIP in hand.

This week we extend our thanks to Walker's Clothing and Shoes and Game Face Sports. Not only do Steve and Laurie Walker generously donate 3% of all SCRIP purchases back to our wonderful school, but they also allow us to keep an extra SCRIP basket at their store!!! That's right... if you don't have time to stop at the SCRIP table after Mass or at the school office during the week, you can simply stop by Walker's Clothing and Shoes during their regular business hours to purchase our most popular SCRIP cards. Thanks again to Steve and Laurie and to all of you for supporting our SCRIP program and our school!!!

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL/HOME & SCHOOL RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS:

September

- 25 \$25 Terry Reukauf
- 26 \$25 Brooklyn Crubel
- 27 \$25 Jayse Esser
- 28 \$25 Gene & Evie Block
- 29 \$25 Dennis & Amy Busch
- 30 \$25 Matt Graney

October

- 1 \$50 Joe & Sarah Mumm



ST. CLEMENT FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 8, 2017

Each Family is asked to bring:

- Two homemade pies or a pan of bars (*non-refrigerated please!!*)
- One large salad
- One cake for the cake walk, covered or wrapped (specify it's for the cake walk)

The Cherry St. entrance to the dining hall will be open from **8:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Saturday, Oct. 7th** for your convenience in dropping off food items for the festival.

Silent Auction Items: Can be dropped off at the Parish Office by **Noon on Friday, Oct. 6th**. Include your name with your item(s).

Donations needed for sweet rolls: eggs, butter, lard and brown sugar. Take donations to the school kitchen by **2 PM on Friday, Oct. 6th**. Call Dawn Mumm at 794-2132 with questions.

The following items can be taken to the Country Store (school gym) between **8:00 AM and Noon on Saturday, Oct. 7th:**

- **Craft Items:** woodworking, hand stitching of any kind, floral arrangements, wreaths, Christmas and holiday decorations, etc.
- **Farmers Market:** pumpkins, squash, apples, nuts, vegetables, dried flowers, money plant, Chinese lanterns, hydrangeas, etc.
- **Sweet Shop:** breads, cakes, pies, bars, rolls, cookies, homemade candy.

*The Country Store will be open on **Sunday, Oct. 8th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.***

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please remember turn in your dinner and raffle tickets to the parish office as soon as possible. All monies can be turned into the Parish Office. Any raffle tickets returned after 10:00 AM on Sunday, October 8th are not guaranteed to be put into the drawing.

Games, inflatables, and other activities will take place on Washington Street (in front of Church) on **Sunday, Oct. 8th from 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM**. Washington Street will be blocked off for these activities. See below for handicap parking. **Cake Walk** is also **Sunday, Oct. 8th starting at 10:30 AM** in the 4th grade classroom.

BBQ Chicken Dinner with salad bar and dessert will be served in the Church Dining Hall from **10:30 AM to 2:00 PM on Sunday, Oct. 8th**. **ACCESS TO THE DINING HALL** is through the School Entrance on Maple St. (across from Piggly Wiggly). Dinner tickets will be on sale at that entrance only!

CARRYOUTS will be available at the main entrance of the school (across from Piggly Wiggly) from **10:30 AM to 3:00 PM on Sunday, Oct. 8th**.

Raffle drawing will be held at **3:00 PM on Sunday, Oct. 8th** in the school gymnasium.

HANDICAP PARKING: Parking spaces will be reserved from the main School Entrance on Maple Street east to the corner, as well as the parking spots just south of the Church on Cherry Street. We ask that everyone be mindful in reserving those who need to use these parking spaces because of age or illness.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- Large crew is needed on **Sunday, Oct. 8th** for clean-up after the Festival. Contact Jeff Kasperek at 723-9990 if you haven't already signed up for this.
- We always seem to need extra volunteers for the games and bounce houses! If you or your high schooler can help with these, please contact Nikki Nemitz at 988-6365 if you haven't already signed up.

THANK YOU EVERYONE!!