

St. Joseph Parish

Galloway



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Mission Statement

Baptized in Christ Jesus and nourished by his Word and Sacrament we strive to live our daily lives in love and service to God and neighbor.

Pastor:

Augustine K. Bentil

Staff:

Sister Mary Ellen Diermeier

Deacon Timothy Betker

Crystal Bushman, DRE

Valerie Wierzba, Parish Administrator

Mass Times

St. Joseph, Galloway

Sunday 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 10:10 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 8:00-8:20 am

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Rectory to schedule a date and time. 9 months preparation is required. One or both persons should be registered with the parish for at least 1 full year.

MARCH 30, 2025



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'
- Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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Mark your Calendars!



April:

Wed. 2- CCD 6:15 w/ **Stations of the Cross**
7:10 pm

Fri. 4- **Mass** 8:30 am

Sun. 6- **Mass** 8:30 am

Wed. 9- **Mass** 8:30 am

CCD 6:15 w/ **Stations of the Cross**
7:10 pm

Fri. 11- **Confessions** 9-9:45am & 6-6:45pm

THE WAYWARD JOURNEY



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Liturgies of the Week

Fri. Apr 4 - Lenten Weekday

8:30 am- Homebound, Departed, & Deceased

Sun. Apr 6 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 am- Parishioners of St Joseph & St Ladislaus

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

Sunday, Mass 8:30 am- April 6

Lector: **Renee Groshek**
 Eucharist: **Joe Bushman**
 Blood of Christ: **Donna Kezeske**
Pat Kulas
 Altar Servers: **Henry Knitter**
Oliver Knitter
 Ushers: **Colton Kaminski**
Drayden Kersten
Nick Westover
 TV Monitors: **Harper Rogowski**
 Rosary (Sorrowful) & Litany: **Renee Groshek**

Gifts to Our Lord: Mar 17 - Mar 23, 2025

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1625.00
Youth Envelopes	\$1.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$215.00
Offertory	\$122.00
Total	\$1963.00



Baptism dates: Apr 5 & 6, 26 & 27. Please call the rectory to schedule. If this is your first child being baptized, please also call Sister Mary Ellen (715.446.3060) to schedule a baptism class.



Diocesan Annual Appeal

Our Goal - \$23,660.00
 Pledged - \$9,665.00
 Under Our Goal - \$14,520.00
 Goal at 41% with 31 Donors

If we do not meet our goal, the parish has to pay the Diocese the remaining balance. Extra pledge cards are available in the foyer. Thank you for helping us in any way that you can.

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations in the back of Church on April 13th to assist seminarians in the Diocese of La Crosse. Please be generous to our seminarians as they journey to the Priesthood. Thank you.

PCCW ~ \$PRING INTO CA\$H RAFFLE

April 27, 2025 ~ 9:30 am

Only 200 Tickets Sold

1st \$750	2nd \$500
3rd \$250	4th \$100
5th \$100	6th \$100
7th \$50	8th \$50
9th \$50	10th \$50

Tickets are \$20 each. Need not be present to win.

PURCHASE TICKETS AFTER MASS OR CONTACT DONNA
 715-570-0076.



Lenten Adult Devotions & Confessions

Wed, Apr 2: Stations of the Cross with the CCD students 7:10 pm ~All are welcome to attend~

Wed, Apr 9: Stations of the Cross with the CCD students 7:10 pm ~All are welcome to attend~

Fri, Apr 11: No morning Mass- Confessions will be heard from 9-9:45 am and again from 6-6:45 pm

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 17 - Mass at 5 pm
 Adoration after Mass until 8:30 pm

Good Friday, April 18 - Service at 2 pm

Easter Vigil, April 19 - Mass in Bevent only, 7 pm
 All are encouraged to attend

Easter Sunday, April 20 - Mass at 8:30 am
 With Liturgies of Easter Light and Holy Water



The Gerald Wanta Sr family would like to thank everyone for their support, kindness and thoughtfulness during this difficult time. We especially would like to thank Fr. Gus for his spiritual guidance for our dad as he made his heavenly journey. May God bless each of you abundantly.

"God, may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace. Amen."

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – THE APOLOGY

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

I like to imagine the Prodigal Son practicing his apology in the mirror.

He wouldn't have, of course. Mirrors weren't exactly a dime a dozen back then. But I imagine him anyway, rehearsing the words as he contemplates his own gaunt reflection: "Father, I have sinned against God and against you. Treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."

In other words, I have done wrong. I deserve nothing from you. But please, don't let me starve. Save me. The apology wasn't necessary to move the heart of the father. We know that because before they meet, before anything is said, the father is overcome with compassion — not because he got his satisfaction, that long-awaited "I'm sorry, I was wrong." No, he's simply overjoyed to see his son alive. Even without apology, we know the father will beg his son to stay. So why does the son apologize?

The father doesn't need the "I'm sorry." He isn't starving and lost. He knew all along it was a bad idea. He doesn't need to learn any lessons.

But what a tragedy it would have been, if the son had never said he was sorry. Undoubtedly, his father would have let him stay as a hired worker, and he would have had food to eat. He would have survived. But he wouldn't have been what he was born to be. I often think of the son's apology as I am kneeling in the confessional, awkwardly reciting sins God already knows and is eager to forgive. Why are you doing this? some people would ask. God doesn't need this. It's the apology, you see. The apology means everything. The Prodigal Son was dead. The apology brought him back to life.

God doesn't need our repentance. We need our repentance. ©LPi

Maundy Thursday Foot Washing Volunteers Needed:

6 volunteers are needed to have their feet washed at the 5 pm Mass on Thursday, April 17.

The washing of the feet imitates Jesus' act of love for his disciples on the night before he died but it is not a re-enactment of that moment of Jesus' life. It is a ritual that signifies our participation in Christ's mission of love and service to one another and to those in need in our world today.

If you would like to participate, please talk to Father Gus or call the parish office M-W 8-noon to volunteer.



Area Events

- ◆ **Repent & Believe in the Gospel Lenten Mission**, St Stephen Church, Stevens Point, **Mar 30, 31 & Apr 1, 6:30 pm**, Fr Derek Sakowski will speak
- ◆ **Lenten Soup Suppers**, St. Ladislaus Parish, Bevent, **Apr 2 & 9, 5:30-6:30 pm**, Free will donation
- ◆ **Strings for Kids**, Rosholt Fairgrounds, Supporting St Adalbert Catholic School, **Apr 5, Doors Open at 7 pm**, Featuring The Jerry Schmidt Band, Potato Bar, Cash Bar, Raffles, \$40 in advance
- ◆ **Women's Silent Retreat**, St Anthony Spirituality Center, **Apr 11-13**, The Glory of God is the Human Person Fully Alive Cost \$230
- ◆ **Spaghetti Night**, St Ladislaus Parish, Bevent, **Apr 12, 4:45-7pm**, Adults \$12, 5-12 yrs \$7, 4 & under free, Basket Raffles
- ◆ **Crafting Compassion**, St Bronislava Parish, Plover, **Apr 12, 9am-2pm**, Classes, Chili Lunch, Childcare Available
- ◆ **Polonia Park Easter Egg Hunt**, **Apr 19, 12 pm**, Children 10 yrs or younger, Food Available for Sale, Basket Raffles, Hunt Begins at 1 pm

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)

Looking for a close by Fish Fry?

Go to: <http://diolc.org/fishfrynder/> to find where and when in our diocese.



- * **St Adalbert, Rosholt**
Every Friday Feb 28 through April 11
Serving 4 -7:30 pm.
3 Fish or 6 Shrimp or Combo \$15
2 Fish or 3 Shrimp \$12

The Important Season of Lent

During the season of Lent, the major focus is on three pillars: *prayer, fasting and almsgiving*. Regarding prayer, a transformative way of praying is incorporating a daily examination of conscience. This simple process takes about five minutes. Before climbing into bed, think back over the day in a broad sweep and give thanks to God for two things. Also, think back on how personal selfishness was manifested in your dealings with others and ask the Lord to forgive you. Fast from one thing that you particularly like, such as some type of social media, a type of food or a tv program, etc. Offer up this sacrifice for a member of your family who is struggling. Almsgiving is about sharing what we have with the poor - not only money but also ourselves - by serving someone in need.