

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

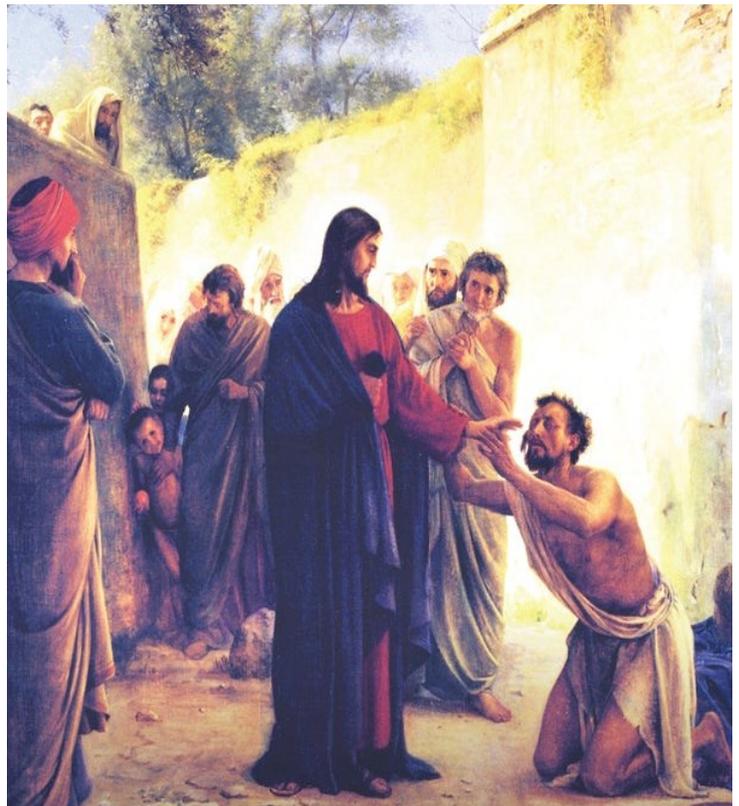
Sacrament of Reconciliation

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 15, 2026



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Mark your Calendars!



March:

Wed. 18 - **Mass 8:30 am**
**** No CCD ****

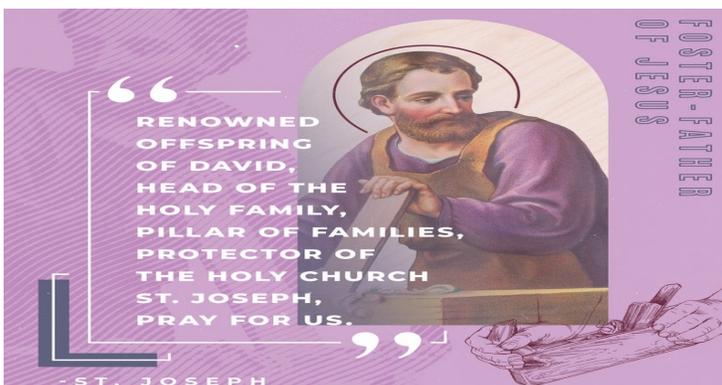
Thur. 19 - **Feast of St Joseph Mass 6pm w/
Dinner to Follow**

Sun. 22 - **Mass 8:30 am**

Wed. 25 - **Mass 8:30 am**
CCD 6:15 pm

Thur. 26 - **Confessions 6-7 pm**

Fri. 27 - **Mass 8:30 am**
Confessions 9-10 am



Liturgies of the Week

Wed. Mar 18 - Lenten Weekday

8:30 am- Marvin Wierzba *by Dennis & Anna Mlodik*

Thur. Mar 19 - St Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00 pm- Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Men's Society

Sun. Mar 22 - 5th Sunday of Lent

8:30 am- Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - Mar 22

Lector: **Renee Groshek**
 Eucharist: **Deacon Tim**
 Blood of Christ: **Dick Golomski**
 Donna Golomski
 Altar Servers: **Henry Knitter**
 Oliver Knitter
 Ushers: **Jaxton Bushman**
 Brennen Bushman
 Joe Bushman Jr
 TV Monitors: **Kiya Kersten**
 Rosary (Sorrowful): **Dick & Donna Golomski**

Gifts to Our Lord: Mar 2, 2026 - Mar 8, 2026

Adult Envelopes	\$2012.50
Youth Envelopes	\$21.00
Catholic Life.....	\$31.00
Energy Needs.....	\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$65.00
Religious Retirement	\$50.00
Christmas Envelopes.....	\$237.00
Building & Grounds.....	\$60.00
<u>Offertory</u>	<u>\$236.00</u>
Total	\$2722.50



The Parish Office will be closed until March 23. Emails and phone messages will be checked weekly but not on a regular basis. If your need is urgent while Father Gus is away, please contact Sister Mary Ellen at St Ladislaus in Bevent at 715-446-3060.

Contact Sister with any requests to visit the sick at home or in the hospital. If it is an emergency requiring an anointing, please contact Father Dias at St. Adalbert's 715-677-4517. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.



We welcome Father Gus back this weekend. While we understand that it was a difficult time away with grieving and sadness, we hope that you were able to find peace. We are overjoyed to have you with us again and see your smile. Your presence is truly a blessing. We are here to support you in any way we can. God bless you!



Feast of St Joseph
Thursday, March 19
Mass @ 6:00 pm

Parish fellowship with a catered dinner following Mass. Please sign up in the foyer today in order for us to give a headcount to the caterer.

All are welcome.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

If you are like me, it's easy to fixate on our shadows: failures, guilt, shame. Especially when we suffer, it is easy to want to blame ourselves or others. In this week's Gospel, Jesus' disciples ask about the blind man, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents?" (John 9:2) They, like us, focus on blame. But Jesus sees the entire situation differently: "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." He does not deny sin, but he sees deeper — through the light of mercy, not the lens of judgment. The scene hinges on Jesus' strange claim: "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). He sees things differently than everyone. They see shadows and light. He is the light. Thought experiment: imagine you are the sun looking at everything on the earth. What do you see? Everything. What do you not see? Shadows. Everything is illuminated. If you see it, it is illuminated. For the light, nothing is dark. Because he is the light, Jesus sees us in the glow of his redemptive love. Even our sin becomes a place where his glory can shine. The man's healing is not just about sight — it is about seeing as Christ sees. Lent is not a season of staring into darkness. It is a time to step into the light — to let Christ's gaze reframe how we see ourselves and one another. Lenten challenge: Spend 10 quiet minutes this week asking Jesus to show you how he sees you. Not through shame or fear, but through the light of his mercy.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Keep First Things First: God's Unconditional Love for each Person

Personal sin is a part of our lives through selfishness; all of us miss the mark. We are reticent to go to confession as it is difficult and humbling to look at our failures and faults. However, the first thing to do is realize and recognize all the good things God has given us. Spend a few minutes to look back, or notice what happened even today, and write down the special blessings that you received from God. It becomes easier to take our sins to Christ in the Sacrament of Confession when we examine our conscience in light of how much He loves us. Remember, even the small choices we make in our daily life matter. We are invited to align ourselves with the kingdom of God through prayer, reflection, and cooperation with His grace received in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is an appropriate time to make a good confession.

Catholic Infertility Conference | April 10-11, 2026 | Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse

This event will provide a safe space to engage with faith, hope, and community. Attendees will hear from experts in reproductive health, clergy, and fellow Catholics who share their personal experiences and insights. The conference will cover a variety of topics, including the spiritual aspects of infertility, medical and ethical considerations in fertility treatments, and practical advice for coping with the emotional challenges of this journey. With opportunities for prayer, reflection, and healing, this conference aims to help attendees with knowledge and support, reinforcing the belief that they are not alone in their experience. Join us to explore the intersection of faith and fertility, and find encouragement, guidance, and hope as you navigate this path.

For more information and registration, please visit the <https://catholiclife.org/>

VOTE in the April 7 Election - Know the Candidates

Two candidates are running for an open seat on the State Supreme Court in the Wisconsin spring election that will take place on April 7, 2026. They are Maria Lazar and Chris Taylor. The outcome will significantly affect the ideological makeup of the court, so it is vital that the Catholic faithful learn about the backgrounds and judicial philosophy of these two candidates. For an excellent resource, visit [Ballotpedia.org/Wisconsin Supreme Court elections, 2026](http://Ballotpedia.org/Wisconsin_Supreme_Court_elections_2026) A debate between Lazar and Taylor will be aired by ABC affiliates in the state on Wednesday, March 25, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Various nonpartisan local and judicial offices will also be up for election, with many candidates running unopposed.



Area Events

- ◆ **Lenten Soup Supper**, St Ladislaus Parish, Bevent, **Mar 18 & 25, 5:30-6:30 pm**, Weekly Prize Drawing
- ◆ **Forged For Mission**, Blessed Sacrament Church, La Crosse, **Mar 21, 9:30 am-5pm**, Formation for Men, Mass, Speakers, Cost \$45
- ◆ **Lenten/ Centennial Retreat**, St Wenceslaus Parish, Milladore, **Mar 21, 2-6 pm**, Speakers, Confessions, Mass
- ◆ **Drive Thru Grilled Pork Chop Dinner**, St Michael's Church, Junction City, **Mar 29, 10:30am-12:30pm**, 2 Chops, Baked Potato, Side Dishes \$14/ meal
- ◆ **St. Andrew Dinner**, Holy Name Parish, Wausau, **Apr 12, 4 pm**, Young Men Discerning the Priesthood, Mass w/ Bishop Battersby
- ◆ **Purified and Gender Youth Rally**, St Bronislava Parish, Plover, **Apr 22, 6-9:15pm**, Adoration, Reconciliation, Speaker, Tickets \$25

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)

Looking for a close by Fish Fry?

Go to: <http://diolc.org/fishfrynder/> where you can find where and when a fish fry, or other parish Lenten meal is taking place in our diocese.



- ♥ **St Adalbert Church, Rosholt**
Every Friday Feb 13 through Mar 27
Serving 4 -7:30 pm
Take-out orders call 715-677-4518
Fish or Shrimp or Combo - \$15.00
Children's Fish or Shrimp - \$12.00
Includes choice of potato, coleslaw, bread
Large & weekly raffle, cash bar, pull tabs
- ♥ **St Patrick Parish, Halder**
Every Friday Feb 20 through Apr 3
Serving 4-7:30 pm
Take-out orders call 715-693-2765
Many options to choose from, including family pack. All meals include choice of potato, coleslaw, bread, & desserts

We pray for the health and healing of...

Leonard Schulist
Cliff Groshek
Klint Kranski
Lorraine Flees

Fred Groshek
Cheryl Doede
Ken Kranski, Jr
Charles Kurszewski



To have your request added, please contact the office.