

# Sunday, October 22, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 23, 2023

8:00am † Judy Latham and Family

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

8:00am † George Gmeinder

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

8:00am † Peter Schoepp/Neal and Ellen Schoepp

Thursday, October 26, 2023

8:00am † Vince Ballweg/Family

Friday, October 27, 2023

8:00am † Charlie Fuchs and in Thanksgiving for the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Gary and MaryAnn Wipperfurth

Saturday, October 28, 2023

1:00pm Wedding of Taylor Maier and Kaitlin Ring

4:00pm † Kim Meinholz Thomas/Andrew and Paula Falk

8:00pm † Mary M. Breunig/Susan and Pat O'Neil

Sunday, October 29, 2023

8:00am † Roy Schoepp

## INTERNATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION

This weekend, the International Combined Collection is being conducted across the diocese. Attached to this bulletin is a brochure explaining all of the individual collections and an envelope to make your donation. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives of so many. Checks payable to St. Norbert Parish.

## LIFESAVERS FOR LIFE

Our Knights of Columbus members will be handing out "Lifesavers for Life" immediately after all the Masses the weekend of **October 21 and 22**. All proceeds will go to local pro-life advertising and local pro-life causes. Knights of Columbus members will be at the doors of the church, please give what you can (every little bit helps) and please help yourself to some lifesavers for life. The Knights thank you for your support of local pro-life causes.

## FELLOWSHIP

All are invited to join Fr. James and the Parish Council for some Fellowship in the Church Hall on Sunday, October 22 after the 8:00am Mass.

## CONGRATULATIONS

St. Norbert's Parish Family would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to Gary and MaryAnn Wipperfurth who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on **Friday, October 27**. May God continue to bless you and your family with His graces.

## BULLETIN INFO OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information and announcements for the bulletin are due on Wednesdays. Please contact our parish secretary, Juanita Wipperfurth at [thewipps412@gmail.com](mailto:thewipps412@gmail.com) or 608-643-8108. Starting in November the new bulletin deadline is Monday at 5pm to Juanita and Tuesday at noon to Maripaz at St. Aloysius.

## PLEASE SUPPORT OUR BULLETIN SPONSORS

We thank all our bulletin sponsors for their sponsorship. Without their support we would not be able to publish our bulletin.

If you are interested in supporting our Parish, please contact Taylor Hawkes of LPi at 1-800-950-9952 (x2575). Parishioners are reminded to patronize and thank our bulletin sponsors whenever possible.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Adoration. We have Adoration Thursdays following the 8:00am Mass until Benediction on Fridays at 7:45am. Please contact Julianne Brickl at 608-698-2961 or Mary Markielewski at 608-516-1335 if you would like to become a volunteer or a substitute for Adoration.

## SACRISTANS

Sat. Oct. 21 at 4:00pm - Volunteer Needed

Sat. Oct. 21 at 8:00pm - Cora Brickl

Sun. Oct. 22 at 8:00am - Reagan Breunig

Sat. Oct. 28 at 4:00pm - Teresa Weiss

Sun. Oct. 29 at 8:00am - Ana Sisul

## MASS SERVERS

Sat. Oct. 21 at 4:00pm - Noah Endres

Sat. Oct. 21 at 8:00pm - Calvin Breunig, Jack Brickl

Sun. Oct. 22 at 8:00am - Eli Breunig

Sat. Oct. 28 at 4:00pm - Carl Weiss

Sat. Oct. 28 at 8:00pm - Noah Endres

Sun. Oct. 29 at 8:00am - Logan Schoepp

## CONFESSIONS

Mondays - Fridays: Starting a half an hour before each of the daily Masses.

Thursdays: 5:00 - 7:00pm.

Saturdays and Sundays: Starting one hour before each of the Masses.

## CHOIR REHEARSAL

Everyone is invited to the choir rehearsals on Mondays, 5:45 - 7:00pm. New members are always welcome.

## MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to request a Mass, please place your request in the collection basket, labeled "Mass intentions" with your PRINTED request; phone number, email address or mailing address; and a \$10 stipend payable to St. Norbert. Or you may mail your request to the Parish attention Mass request. Or feel free to contact Juanita via email or by phone.

**Fall Harvest Breakfast**  
**Sunday, November 5, 2023**  
**8:00AM - 11:00AM**

Join us for a hearty **St. Norbert's** breakfast.  
Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Sausages, Hash Browns, Biscuits & Gravy, Assorted Rolls and more!

Adults: \$10.00

Children (10 and under): \$4.00

**St. Norbert's Catholic Church, Church Hall – Roxbury**



Dear Parishioners,

I hope this message finds you well and blessed. I want to share with you the joy and gratitude that I felt last Wednesday, when we had our community night, at St. Norbert Church, with the families that are part of our Family Catechesis program.

It was a wonderful evening in which we enjoyed God's beautiful creation and learned more about our parish history.

Fr. James led us on a nature walk around the church grounds, where we admired the beauty of the fall foliage and the architecture of our church. We stopped at some interesting landmarks, where Fr. James explained some of the history and meaning behind them.

We visited the statue of the Virgin Mary to the unborn. We prayed for all the unborn children and their parents victims of abortion, and asked for Mary's intercession for the protection of life.

We also visited the statue of St. Norbert, the patron saint, who was a reformer and a peacemaker in the 12th century. We learned about his life and his miracles, and how he founded the Norbertine order of priests and nuns. We asked for his guidance and inspiration for our pastorate community.

We then walked to the grotto of Our Lady of Fatima. We learned about the apparitions of Mary to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917, and how she asked them to pray the rosary for peace and conversion. At the end of the walk we recited a decade of the rosary together and consecrated ourselves to Mary's Immaculate Heart.

Finally, we arrived at the statue of St. Dominic, the founder of the Dominican order of preachers and teachers. We learned about his devotion to the truth and his love for the scriptures. We also learned about his famous prayer, the rosary, which he received from Mary as a powerful weapon against evil.

After the nature walk, we gathered around a bonfire and enjoyed some snacks. We had a great time chatting, laughing, and praying. It was a night of faith and fun that brought us closer to God and to each other.

I want to thank all the families who participated in this community night, and especially Fr. James for leading us on the nature walk.

I hope you enjoyed this community night as much as I did, and I look forward to seeing you again at our next Family Catechesis session.

May God bless you and your families always,  
Fr. Miguel

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The next Religious Education Family Faith Meal and Catechesis Night is **Wednesday, November 8** starting at 5:30pm in the St. Aloysius gym.

## APOSTOLATE FALL RETREAT AT CAMP GRAY

On Saturday, **November 4**, the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities is hosting a retreat at Camp Gray in Reedsburg. This retreat will have two tracks, one of which will be for the Deaf Community facilitated by Fr. Christopher Klusman from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The retreat is a day for teens and adults with a variety of abilities and disabilities to grow together in faith and friendship. The day will begin at 10 am and wrap up after 4 pm Mass at Camp's St Francis Chapel. Cost is \$25 per person, with scholarships available upon request. To register, please call or email the APD (608) 821-3050.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADOPT A ST. NORBERT GARDEN?

We are looking for more volunteers to tend the perennial borders on the stair way from the parking lot, the Fatima Shrine near the handicapped parking, maintain the area around the Madonna and Child/Greiber Memorial for the Unborn on Hwy Y and maintain the landscaping around the main church with periodic weeding or pruning a couple times a season. Your planting or pruning ideas will be guided by the Landscape Committee to ensure a long range vision is maintained. We will be happy to answer questions and consider your input as we all continue to keep our parish grounds flourishing. Please contact Juanita Wipperfurth if you would like to be part of this ministry.

## GO MAKE DISCIPLES TIP OF THE MONTH

Fall is a great time to take a car ride to check out nature's colors. How about taking a car ride on the Sabbath to a local shrine or outdoor Stations of the Cross? Here are a few ideas:

1. Durward's Glen - located in Baraboo. It has a number of creations and statues that can help you spend some time reflecting on your faith.
  2. National Shrine of St. Philomena - located in Briggsville next to St. Mary's Catholic Church. It has a small structure next to the church with beautiful stained glass windows, statues, and candles.
  3. Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe -located in La Crosse. This shrine is well worth the drive as this shrine is located in the hills of La Crosse and offers outdoor exercise on a safe walking trail. The trail will lead you to a beautiful Votive Candle chapel, devotional statues, an amazing church, outdoor Stations of the Cross, and a Rosary walk. This Shrine is a must see.
- Thus, enjoy the wonderful colors of nature that God gives to us by taking a Sunday car ride to one of the many shrines in Wisconsin.

Our Go Make Disciples group are planning some extra times to meet and pray and learn together.

## PARISH PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

As part of the Go Make Disciples initiative, members of St. Norbert's parish group have provided a Parish Prayer Intention Book. This book will reside in the back of the church. Please feel welcome to write down your own intentions; as general or detailed as you'd like. Also take a moment to page through the book and pray for other parishioners' intentions, maybe before or after Mass, or during Adoration. We can all benefit from more prayer in our lives and more care for each other. Please reach out to any member of the Go Make Disciples group with questions.

## FALL 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

Sadly, abortions are once again being performed in Wisconsin, and innocent human lives are being taken. Join this Fall's 40 Days For Life campaign, by signing up for one or more hour-long prayer slots outside the nearby Planned Parenthood abortion facility, Madison from 6:00am to 9:00pm, 7 days a week, **through November 5**. It's a small sacrifice, but it's safe, easy, and fruitful – and no special skills are required! To sign up / more info: go to [vigilforlife.org](http://vigilforlife.org) or contact John Bohn, (608) 836-6323.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Oct. 21 and 22 Knights of Columbus handing out Lifesavers for Life after all Masses.**

**Oct. 22 Fellowship in the Church Hall after the 8:00am Mass.**

**Oct. 24 Suicide Loss Session** at Holy Name Heights, Madison. Optional supper from 5:00 - 6:00pm. Series from 6:00 - 8:00pm. Contact the APD office at [APD@madisondiocese.org](mailto:APD@madisondiocese.org) or 608-821-3050.

**Oct. 24 Sauk Vicariate CCW Fall Meeting** at Holy Angels Parish, La Valle. 8:30 - 9:00am Registration - 1:00pm Closing Prayer. More information on the back register. Anyone interested in going should contact Jeanne at 608-393-9175 by October 22.

**Oct. 27 Come & Be Loved High School Ladies Discernment evening** at Holy Name Heights, Madison from 6:30 - 9:00pm.

**Nov. 2 Parish Council Meeting** at 7:00pm in the Church Hall.

**Nov. 4 Apostolate Fall Retreat at Camp Grey.** The day will begin at 10 am and wrap up after 4 pm Mass at Camp's St Francis Chapel. Cost is \$25 per person, with scholarships available upon request. To register, please call or email the APD (608) 821-3050.

**Nov. 5 CCW Annual Fall Harvest Breakfast** in the Church Hall, 8:00am - 11:00am.

**Nov. 8 RE Family Faith Meal and Catechesis Night** at 5:30pm in St. Aloysius gym.

**Nov. 10 Friday Fish Fry** at St. Peter Parish, Ashton serving from 4:30 - 7:30pm in the school hall. Carry outs available.

CCW MEETING MINUTES  
October 8, 2023

Michelle, Savannah, Carmen and Nadia Ziegler stopped by before the meeting and thanked the CCW for their donation to the St. Aloysius School Walk for Goodness Sakes. The walk raised \$29,781.

CCW President, Heidi Breunig, called the meeting to order. All members present introduced themselves. Heidi then invited all in attendance to begin the meeting with a prayer.

CCW Secretary, Juanita Wipperfurth, read the April 2, 2023 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved after adding one word to the information about the Connecting Catholic Women newsletter.

CCW Treasurer, Jeanne Walsh, shared the September CCW Financial Report and the 2022-2023 CCW Fiscal Year Report. The income for September was from Vigil Lights and vanilla sold. The expenses were for Altar flowers (River's Edge Floral) and cleaning supplies (Piggly Wiggly).

Introduced Julianne Brickl as the new CCW Vice President.

A special thank you to Melissa Schmitt for organizing and to everyone who volunteered to help July and August. The Good Friday Bake Sale made a profit of \$1,106.50. Thank you to everyone who donated items and who purchased items. A special thank you to the co-chairs, Connie Frey and Laura Shadewald.

Thank you to all the ladies and their families who helped clean the Church in May. A special thank you to the co-chairs, Julie Coquard and Karen Merline. A suggestion was made to put up bat houses on the Church property to maybe keep them out of the Church. Julianne will check with the 4H first.

The Annual CCW Brat Stand in June made a profit of \$1,836.05. Thank you to everyone who worked and or purchased an item from the Brat Stand. A very special thank you to Ashley Ballweg and Edie Radl for volunteering to co-chair this year. A suggestion was made to get some smaller grills, which would be more manageable for the ladies working.

A special thank you to everyone who helped work at the Food Pantry in May. Thank you to Roxi Maier for delivering the food donations.

The Annual Mother's Day Rose sale netted \$593 which was sent to Dane County Roses for Life. Thank you to Jackey and Pat Drone for picking up the roses and preparing them for sale. Thank you to everyone who helped sell or who purchased one.

No one from the St. Norbert's CCW was able to attend the Sauk Spring Vicariate meeting in Plain on May 16.

The Annual Spring Banquet on May 3 was well attended. New this year we invited ladies from Divine Mercy and they were very appreciative. Thank you to the Dorf Haus for the wonderful meal.

The MDCCW Convention was June 27, 2023 at St. Clement Parish in Lancaster. The Theme was "Quilted Together in the Eucharist." A few ladies from St. Norbert's CCW did attend. They had a good time and it was a very good convention.

The Religious Education Center was cleaned the end of August. Thank you to everyone who helped and a very special thank you to the chair, Mary Markielewski.

The Church Hall and the aisles in Church were cleaned by Mike Neumaier of Carnation ChemDry on September 12. He did a great job and gave us a very generous discount. A vote was taken to send him a gift certificate in appreciation with the invoice. Next year we will ask him to clean the sanctuary area too.

It was decided to keep the CCW Group List the same this year.

Fr. James shared some Pastorate 8 updates. He shared that under the directive of Fr. Miguel Galvez the Pastorate has started a new Family Faith Catechism in October. Once a month families will meet as a family, share a meal and then the students will attend class and the parents will meet with a speaker. Also once a month there will be a Community Event for the families. Fr. James shared that the goal of the Diocese is that all finance for Pastorate 8 will be combined. It is not known how that will work with the current banks. The Parish will get a new name. Each Church will keep their current name. There will be one combined bulletin for the Pastorate.

The September and October Connecting Catholic Women from Linda Ripp, President of the Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Copies are available on a table by the choir loft.

The Fall Sauk Vicariate will be at Holy Angels Parish, LaValle October 24, 8:30am - 1:00pm. The Theme is "Walk with Faith". St. Norbert's CCW will pay for any lady that would like to attend. Please contact Jeanne Walsh by October 22.

A motion was made to donated a total of \$4000 to the combined Religious Education Program Family Faith Catechism. \$2000 in December and \$2000 in April. The amount is subject to change in the future. Motion seconded and approved.

The Annual CCW Fall Harvest Breakfast is Sunday, November 5, 2023, 8:00 - 11:00am in the Church Hall. Tickets are available.

The CCW Wreath Sale has started. Letters were sent to the members of the Group.

The next Mass for the Living and Deceased of the St. Norbert's CCW will be Sunday, October 6, 2024.

Heidi shared some thank you cards received from the Ziegler and Brickl Families for the St. Aloysius Walk for Goodness Sake donation in May.

Future CCW meetings will be: November 12, 2023; December 10, 2023; January 14, 2024; February 11, 2024; March 10, 2024; April 14, 2024; and May banquet to be determined.

Miss Silvana Navarro has stepped down as the DRE of the Religious Education Program. Sharon Schoepp is the new DRE for the Pastorate. A motion was made to get Silvana a gift certificate in appreciation. Jeanne will take care of getting the gift certificate.

Lucy Kippley will have the Confirmation Students with the Pastorate fill Boxes of Joy again. The CCW will pay the postage to ship them. Lucy will get the boxes.

Fr. James' Anniversary of Ordination is December 8. We will discuss the plans at the November meeting.

It was discussed if we should host another wine event. Juanita will contact Roxi Maier to see if that is feasible.

Decided to table the discussion about how to get others involved in with the CCW until the next meeting.

Next meeting will be Sunday, November 12, 2023 after the 8:00am Mass in the Church Hall.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Juanita Wipperfurth, St. Norbert CCW Secretary

St. Norbert Parish Council Minutes  
September 28, 2023, 7:00 pm

Attendees: Fr. James Kotch, Brad Walsh, Parish Council President, Doug Haselwander, Mary Markielewski, Megan Lewis, Sharon Schoepp, Chris Schmitt, Julianne Brickl, Mary Briggs, Secretary. Absent Members: Brian Breunig

Additional Guests: Juanita Wipperfurth, Ben O'Brien, Parish Custodian  
Gathering

A. Fr. James led the welcome and prayer.

B. Mary Briggs read minutes from May 18, 2023. Council approved the minutes.

Committee Reports

C. Finance Update by Fr. James.

1. St. Norbert Finance Committee report

a. Status of Capital Campaign donation: Received to date: \$1,211,615.54.

Pledges remaining: \$44,675.00

b. Next meeting to be determined

c. Fr Lavern Meier's Estate - Fr. James and Juanita shared that a portion of the estate has already been received and further distribution pending. Out of respect to the family, the amount remains confidential. It is simply stated that the donation was, "very generous". Council decided an appropriate expression of gratitude is to mark his death date, August 7, 2012, with a Mass intention for August 7, 2023. Thereafter, an annual Mass intention will be offered on the anniversary of his death.

D. Building and Grounds - Fr. James introduced Ben O'Brien, Custodian.

1. Ben reported he checked the AED and put a different unit in its place and is now functioning well. Furnace tune up is complete and operation explained to Ben by the furnace professional. Furnace will be turned on in mid-October, when temperatures fall into the 40's at night. He reported on training videos for Grounds and Safety, focusing on diminishing slips, trips and falls around the church proper. He pointed out sidewalk and step patching needs, better signage for "step up" or "uneven steps" will be provided by Doug Haselwander. Area of potential ice and water build up discussed. Engaging a roofer for evaluation will be determined soon. He reported removing a dead tree by playground for safety and discussed several other dead or dying trees in other areas. Juanita stated Chris Goodwin will be contacted as well as the Power Company for future pruning.

2. Maintenance Committee - Brad Walsh reported repairs to parking lot and driveways have been completed. Sink hole, which was caused by an old stump rotting, has been fixed. Portion of lot has been removed to prevent blockage by cars parking in lower lot, thus ensuring access to the main drive. Repair of ramp and stairway in process as materials are on order and when begin when contractor's availability opens, weather permitting. Handicap ramp will be concrete and will be completed before the stairs are put up. When project begins, there will be handicap access issues for about six weeks for those parishioners who depend on the north-side ramp. Previous Ramp Donors will be contacted by Fr. James to inform them of the pending repairs and to express gratitude for their gift in the past. Rectory kitchen repair and updating is 98% complete, with only a few finish items remaining.

3. Landscape Committee - Mary Briggs and Juanita: Successful first year membership and completion of assessment and task assignment reported. Bulletin announcement inviting others to adopt an area for gardening maintenance has been placed but no response as of yet. Committee will discuss with Ben what work he is able to accomplish in his role as custodian.

Old Business

A. Safety Committee – Fr. James informed the Council that this committee is required by the diocese in response to incidents of violence in other churches. Ongoing recruitment of members continues. Anyone wanting to join the committee can contact Fr. James, especially if you have emergency, police, military, fire or rescue experience.

- B. Pastorate # 8 Update – Fr. James said Fr. Miguel is seeking about eight persons to represent each parish in Pastorate #8 to create a Transition Team. By September 2024, all churches in Pastorate #8 will join together as one parish entity. Names for the new Parish entity will be solicited by Fr. Miguel, Fr. James and the Transition Team. The identities of each parish will stay intact, but the governance will be combined. Town Hall meetings are being planned by Fr. Miguel to address the questions of parishioners at each currently separate parish. More information will follow. By mid-November, there will be only one combined bulletin for the previously separate parish bulletins. Sharon Schoepp reported that the newly combined Family Religious Education changes are going very smoothly, meeting with much enthusiasm. Enrollment is higher than expected. There will be ongoing evaluation each step of the way to ensure quality of mission, which is to catechize children and the entire family.
- C. Senior Mass – Megan and Juanita reported twenty six attendees appreciated the Mass and meal. Good feedback was gained.
- D. Confirmation – Mary Markielewski and Mary Briggs shared that eight St. Norbert students received Confirmation at St. Aloysius with other students. A bible was given to each of the Confirmands.
- E. Brat Stand – Chris Schmitt and Sharon Schoepp reported the brat stand was a great success. Weather benefitted the good turnout. New coolers were helpful and will be very useful for other activities as well. Generator was used one day. Past electrical issues were worked out by Piggly Wiggly.
- F. Bishop Hying’s Eucharistic Holy Hour in June – Fr. James was pleased to report that there was a good turnout for the Holy Hour and all appreciated Bishop Hying’s remarks on the Eucharist. A reception was held in the church basement and was well received by all.
- G. Last Traditional Latin Mass – On June 30, 2023, the last Latin Mass was celebrated at St. Norbert’s. Attendance was good. Choir was beautiful and priests from other parishes assisted at the Solemn High Mass. Thanks to Fr. Carlos Reinosa, who served as Deacon and Fr. Brian Dooley, who served as Sub Deacon. Fr. James was the Principle Priest. A pot luck reception was served. All express gratitude for St. Norbert’s time as TLM’s home.

#### New Business

- A. Annual Fall Clean up – Brad: With Ben O’Brien in role of Custodian, much work may be done before the designated day, November 4, 2023 with a rain date of November 11, 2023. Brian Breunig will again provide equipment as needed. Schoepp’s will be contacted for wagon to help remove leaves from property.
  - B. Fellowship Sunday to resume – Juanita: Dates and council member assignments as follows.
    - a. October 22, 2023, Mary Briggs and Julianne Brickl
    - b. January 28, 2024, Doug Haselwander and Mary Markielewski
    - c. February 25, 2024, Mary Markielewski and Mary Briggs
    - d. March 17, 2024, Sharon Schoepp
    - e. April 14, 2024, Megan Lewis and Juanita Wipperfurth
  - C. Next Senior Mass – Sharon: the next Senior Mass is scheduled for May 19, 2024
  - D. Correspondence and Thank You’s – Juanita
    - A. Special thanks to Tim Knobloch for his years of faithful service as Custodian.
    - B. Special thanks to Silvanna Navarro for her years of great work as Religious Education Coordinator.
    - C. Special thanks to the entire team who renovated the rectory kitchen, including Stephen Howard, Monte Maier and Ben Krejchek.
    - D. Special thanks to all who provided time and energy for the parking lot repair and preparations, including the Maintenance Committee members, especially Chad Brickl and Troy Breunig.
    - E. Deep gratitude to the Dorf House for their generous gift of money for the parking lot work.
    - F. The council expressed gratitude to the outgoing Parish Council Members: Julianne Brickl, Steven Howard and Steven Schoepp.
    - G. A thank you from Tommy Pethan was shared with the group.
  - E. Change of Parish Council Officers – Brad Walsh is now President. No Vice President was selected due to reorganization of Pastorate parish council. Mary Briggs is continuing as Secretary.
  - F. Next Parish Council Meeting – November 2, 2023, 7:00 pm in the church Hall. Meeting Adjourned
- Respectfully Submitted, Mary Briggs, Secretary