



April 14, 2024
Third Sunday of Easter
St. Norbert's Parish
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Administrator ~ Fr. Anil Polumari
Weekly Mass ~ Sunday 10:30 am



Mass Intentions

April 14th, 2024 ~ John Halada April 21st, 2024 ~ For the People

Parish Support on Apr 7th, 2024 - \$132.00

Announcements

Confessions ~ After Mass

Bishops Appeal ~ \$1,735.00 13 Families have contributed \$1,785.00

Thank you to all who helped us reach our goal!!

Trustees & Parish Council Members

John Touchett 715-674-5339

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Servers, Lectors, Cantor, Greeters

Rick Roberts, John Rodaer, Francie Gilligan, Maline Enders & Mary Counard

Additional Area Masses

St. Leonard's Church (Laona) Mass Schedule

Sun 9:00am, Tues - Fri 7:30am, Sat 4:00pm

St. Hubert (Newald) Saturday 4:00pm

*****Mass Stipends as set by the Diocese of Green Bay*****

Wedding - \$75.00 Funeral - \$50.00 Mass - \$10.00 Baptism - \$10.00

(Payable to St. Norbert's Church - Contact Parish Bookkeeper)

Baptism - By Appointment/Confessions - Last Sunday of the month following mass

Mass Hymns April 14th

Entrance Hymn:

#176 - Verses 1,2,8,9

Ye Sons & Daughters

Final Hymn:

#187 - All Verses

Christ, The Lord, Is Risen Today

Spiritual bucket list: What is the wildest, craziest thing you would like to do or achieve before you pass away from this life? Or, if you are not the hype-type, what is the sanest thing you would like to accomplish before you kick the bucket? It has to be something outlandish, perhaps what you imagine is almost impossible given your means and expertise. That is, not the ordinary goals you are expected to have, but a strong desire to do what is different, maybe out of character, but if achieved it would bring you the thrills, and make you feel it was worth your life and living. Why not at least give it a thought, sow a wish in your mind? Who knows, it may bear fruit some day in the weirdest way – exceeding your expectations, rationalizations and imagination. Point is, most people are too scared to dream big, beyond their petty run-of-the-mill existence. They lead dull, mediocre lives, and do not feel comfortable getting out of or seeing over the rut they are in. And then there are those who believe in bucket lists! And one of their listings takes wings, and they are transported to the world of their dreams. The challenge for the dull hearted is to decide on giving a Bucket List a try... and experience a miracle! The internet is crammed with a zillion ideas for a ‘bucket list’, but practically all of them focus on the stereotype items, like travel to exotic locations, adventures and explorations that are demanding, creating a supplementary career like some home industry or writing articles and books... Things that may appear beyond your means, and leave you content with fantasizing them and hoping to be able to fulfil them in your lifetime. Jay Payleitner, author of “What If God Wrote Your Bucket List?” (2015), notes that God’s list would include “fewer things to do and more things to embrace. Things to appreciate. To choose. And sometimes let go.” Generally, though we know ‘by heart’ that we are children of God and called to spread the Kingdom of God in small or big ways, according to our talents, our minds are often centred on building our own kingdom. We go our separate ways when, in fact, both the spiritual and the human can be integrated. For Grace builds on Nature. Why not take it from here? Instead of thinking of a New Year’s Resolution, why not think of a Spiritual Bucket List. Following are some doable suggestions. - Reach out to one needy person just one time this year. Jesus said: “whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” (Mt 25:40). These are powerful words that may have stirred you deeply every now and then to take some action and so some good to a poor or needy person in your neighborhood. Nothing heroic, but significant enough to show that you really care. Maybe provide a poor family with a meal at Easter or Christmas, or any time of the year. Give away the clothes or utensils you have discarded but do not want to let go off. These are not extraordinary acts of charity, but most people neglect them... unless they feel compelled to put them on their spiritual Bucket List. You cannot imagine the joy it will bring to you and to them. - Spend Quality Time with those you love. Put the focus on them. Generally, we take people for granted, or are satisfied to give them gifts on special occasions to show that we love and care –in the midst of other distractions. But our time is the most precious gift we can give, especially when someone we love needs it most. Pick out such people and decide to make time and space for them, when you can listen deeply and respond compassionately and constructively. - On a personal note, make time to check your equations with God. His is a very challenging one but worth it. Rather than do it alone, join a parish retreat for lay people. These are popular today and offer with multi-media activities, refreshing spiritual inputs, and time for quiet reflection. If that is unfeasible, you may want to spend an hour over the weekend to do some spiritual reading, introspection, or prayer... if possible, at home, or staying after Mass at the church. You may take the time to reassess or revive habitual devotions, like night prayers, prayers before and after meals, prayers before starting off for the day, leaving home.... Have these become mere routine or intentional? May your Spiritual Bucket be filled with the blessings from God’s Bucket List for YOU, and you alone. God’s love for you is unconditional, constant. Thank God for His Presence and Providence. *By Hedwig Lewis, SJ*

April 22 is Earth Day! As Catholics, we are called to: uphold life and the dignity of each human person -- support families and future generations -- love the poor and vulnerable - advocate for basic rights and a just economy -- be in solidarity with all, as one human family -- care for all of God’s creation. Grounded in our Catholic Tradition, now is the time to protect the earth for our children and grandchildren.

Bishop’s Appeal: So far 46 families from our parish have donated \$10,090. The total assessment for our parish is \$12,171. If you have not sent in your donation yet, please pray about what God is calling you to give to help support the Church. Please know that whatever you are able to give we are very grateful for. (Please note that whatever amount we fall short in reaching our goal our parish does get billed for.) So far 8 families contributed \$600 St. Hubert Mission Station goal is \$1,465. So far 13 families contributed \$1,785 St. Norbert’s goal is \$1,735.

Update on Construction Finances: To move forward with the project in the Spring of 2024 with the Phase-1, the parish has reached the required goal. The remaining amount to collect after construction starts to complete the entire addition this year is an additional amount of \$273,000. If that grand total is collected/pledged in donations, then the church will have no long-term loan to service and the construction project will be completely funded by the parish members. If you have any questions, please contact our Finance Committee Chairman, Chad Albrecht at 715-889-1472.

Announcements:

We have the Entrust Retreat at St. Leonard Church, on Friday, May 17 at 6pm to 9pm & on Saturday, May 18 at 8am to 4pm. We need 35 people to conduct this retreat. So far 9 people have registered. Kindly register at www.gbdioc.org/Entrustlaona. Or call the parish office: 715- 674-3241.

Bulletin Insert for Updated Stipend & Stole Fee Structure

The Diocese of Green Bay and our parishes are grateful to all those who have generously provided a donation for Masses, funerals, weddings, and Quinceaneras in the past. The donation for these sacraments and services has remained the same for over thirty years throughout the Dioceses of Wisconsin. Recently, when the Bishops of the State of Wisconsin gathered, they decreed that stipends should be adjusted to reflect the current time. The new stipend structure is as follows:

Mass Stipend	\$20
Funeral Stole Fee	\$75
Wedding & Quinceanera Stole Fee	\$100

This new fee structure will become effective July 1, 2024. It will **not** be applied retroactively to those who have already paid the appropriate amount from the former fee scale. The new fee structure will be applied to all new requests received as of July 1, 2024. As always, if someone is not able to offer the stipend, the parish is always happy to provide the sacrament or service with no fee. Please know, too, that any stipend money collected goes to the parish in support of its ministry and services provided to the parish community; it does not go personally to the priest.