



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa

IN POLONIA

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PARISH CLERGY

DUCHOWIEŃSTWO PARAFIALNE

Father Mark Miller • Pastor.....fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com
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 You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non-emergency situations by calling the parish office number 715-600-6942 at any time of the day.

PARISH OFFICE

BIURO PARAFIALNA

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am–3:00pm
 Friday: 9:00am–1:00pm • Closed on Wednesdays
 • Please note that the parish office will be closed daily from 11:15-11:45am for lunch.

PARISH STAFF

PRACOWNICY PARAFII

Administrative Assistant.....Susanna Lepak ext. 100
 School PrincipalDawn Cisewski ext. 160
 Basement Kitchen.....Barb Lepak (715-600-0396)
 Coordinator of Religious Ed.....Debbie Riske (715-340-4626)
 CCD@sacredheartpolonia.com

CONFESSION

SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTA

Thursday: 7:30am–8:00am Friday: 7:30am–8:00am
 Saturday: 2:45pm–3:45pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

ADORATION

ADORACJA EUCHARYSTYCZNA

Thursday: 7:00am–8:00am
 Friday: 7:00am–8:00am at Saint Mary's in Custer
 First Friday: 8:45am–3:00pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CHRZEST

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism class and request a date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

MAŁŻEŃSTWO

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MSZE ŚWIĘTE

Monday, May 12 – Sts. Nereus & Achilleus; St. Pancras

Tuesday, May 13 – Our Lady of Fatima

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart Basement
 †Richard Konkol by Florence Laska & Family

Wednesday, May 14 – St. Matthias

8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Gusty & Janet Peplinski by Russell & Diane Wysocki

Thursday, May 15 – St. Isidore

7:00–8:00am Adoration—Sacred Heart Basement
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—Sacred Heart Basement
 8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart Basement
 †Sophie Kozickowski by Marie & Family

Friday, May 16 – Feria

7:00–8:00am Adoration—St. Mary's
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—St. Mary's
 8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Bette Maslowski by Randy & Mary Kay Maslowski

Saturday, May 17 – Feria

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart Basement (Collective Intention)
 †Richard Orlikowski by Orlikowski Family
 †Jerome Smith by Barb Wiza & Dennis Gagas
 †Stanley & Adeline Zaidel by Fred & Barb Lepak
 †Alice Wierzba by Jason Kozickowski & Family
 †Frank & Alvina Marchel; Chester Sobish by Lori Shroda
 2:45–3:45pm Confession—Sacred Heart Basement
 4:00pm Anticipatory Mass—Sacred Heart Basement
 †Frank & Gen Jelinski by Family

Sunday, May 18 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass—Sacred Heart Basement
 Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parish Families
 10:00am Mass—St. Mary's
 For the Living & Deceased Members of the Joseph & Mary Raschka Family by Chet



"Mary is called golden because her graces, her virtues, are of dazzling perfection, so exquisite that the Angels, cannot, so to say, keep their eyes off of her any more than we could help gazing on any great work of gold. She is the house and the palace of the Great King, of God himself. Our Lord, the Co-equal Son of God, once dwelt in her."

— St. John Newman

Dear Parishioners:

I hope you are doing well, and that you are resting in the mystery of the Lord's resurrection. Remember, we are still in the Season of Easter! On May 17-18 Fr. Irudayanathan Thainase who is the pastor of St. Anthony of Padua in Cazenovia will be here for the annual mission appeal. Let's all take this to prayer and assist him and his causes as best we can.

Cordially,
Fr. Miller



The Missionary Sisters of the Divine Image have been attending Mass with us for the past few weeks. Officially, they are now in Polonia. Be sure to extend a warm welcome to Sr. Mary Justina, Sr. Mary Philomena, Sr. Rosemary, and Mother Vivian whenever you see them in the church or community.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

POSŁUGI LITURGICZNE

Altar Server

May 17:	4:00 pm	Wyatt, Gavin M. & Grant
May 18:	8:00 am	Ben, T.J. & Christopher

Hospitality

May 17:	4:00 pm	Volunteer Ushers
May 18:	8:00 am	Volunteer Ushers

Readers

May 17:	4:00 pm	Deb Riske
May 18:	8:00 am	Gary Ross

Wellington

May 15:	Arleen Gross
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PRAYER REQUESTS

PROŚBY MODLITEWNE

Let us remember the following in our daily prayers:

Austin James, Brittany Olivia, JD Wysocki, Dave Grawey, Megan Rose, Jennifer Lepak, Agnes Milanowski, Ernie Kurszewski, Jerry Lepak, Theresa Pliska, Vanessa Lawson, Randy Schulist, Dorothy Gagas, Frank Kurszewski, Newton Family, Gail Tepp, Rhody Bushman, Leonard Schulist, Bruce & Patt Roberts, Taylor Groshek, Betty Kowalski, Karen Liebe, Kenny Rozek, Ruth Printz, Debbie Repinski, Dale Gagas

If you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.

Adults: \$4,746
Youth: \$7
Loose: \$160
Total: \$4,913
May Budget: \$23,200
May to Date: \$4,913
Vigil Lights: \$54
Boiler Fund: \$7
Renovation Fund: \$107

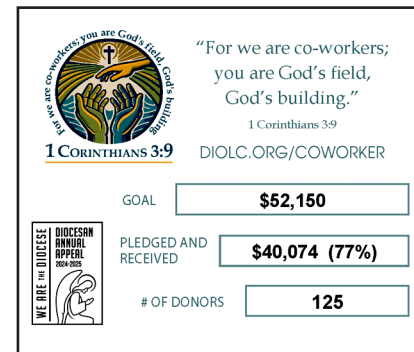
May Budget: \$23,200
May to Date: \$ 4,913

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." -Hebrews 13:16



Scrip: \$4,210 | \$204

Automated Giving Program: Parishioners have the option to enroll in Direct Payments (ACH debits) as a means of sharing your financial gifts. Additional details are on the Authorization Agreement form available on our website: www.sacredheartpolonia.com.



SACRED HEART NEWS • OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE

Thank you. As another year comes to a close, I would like to thank all of our Religious Education volunteers who have committed many hours in preparation and teaching time each week in order to pass on the Catholic faith to our parish youth. The time, energy, and love you exhibit are a powerful sign of your love for our Catholic Church and our parish family. Thank you again for your dedication to our children, families, and parish. ~ Fr. Miller

Deb Riske
Jessica Dombrowski
Dan Konz
Dawn Cisewski
Rachel Sankey
Sarah Zaborowski

Aimee Rozek
Michelle Printz
Kent Lepak
John Kurszewski
Tracy Firkus
James Dombrowski

Lenten Mite Boxes. Please turn in your mite boxes to the parish office by Friday, May 16th. You can place your mite boxes in the collection baskets during the weekend Masses. Thank you!

PARISH MEETINGS

SPOTKANIA PARAFIALNE



PCCW. Monday, May 12th @ 1:00pm —Sacred Heart Parish Hall. *The rosary will be prayed at 12:30pm.*



Our thoughts and prayers are with Theresa Prondzinski's entire family and friends. Theresa died on Saturday, May 3rd, and was buried on Friday, May 9th. Let's continue to pray for her family's comfort at this difficult time and for her soul to rest in peace.

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



Thank you to a very generous donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, for their heartfelt Divine Mercy donation of \$5,000. Their request is that the donation be used for the ongoing support of Divine Mercy and to offset expenses related to this beautiful event held at Sacred Heart. The donor wanted to ensure that we are able to continue to offer to everyone this great Feast of Divine Mercy with all its graces! May God bless this generous donor! Jesus I Trust in You!

MAY CROWNING on Tuesday, May 13th at 6:30pm at Sacred Heart. This is the anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. Please join us in honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary during the month of May. The event will include Marian songs, crowning Our Lady, and praying the rosary during a Marian procession outside (weather permitting). If your First Holy Communicant would like to come dressed in their suit or dress, they will be given the option to crown Mary and lead the procession if they wish. We seek Mary's intercession and pray for her protection and guidance, as she has a unique role in salvation history.



BINGO Senior Bingo will be on Thursday, May 15th following the morning Mass. If you plan on staying for lunch, please contact Barb Lepak at 715-600-0396.



St. Isidore Blessings: The feast day of St. Isidore, the patron saint of farmers, is on Wednesday, May 15th. Father Miller plans to do the blessings of seeds, plants, machinery, etc. by the elevator entrance of the church after the 8:15am Mass on Thursday, May 15th. If you have farm machinery, please drive up to the westside. Holy cards of St. Isidore are available at the elevator entrance of the church.



Sacred Heart School Spring Concert "The Easter Story" will be held on Thursday, May 15th at 6:00pm in the church basement. Everyone is welcome!

Mother's Day Prayer

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you give life and care for your Church. Bless these women, as we celebrate this day in their honor. May they be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor and appreciate them with a spirit of profound respect. May the example of Mary, mother of Jesus, inspire them to live their vocation as Christian mothers and call their children to faith. Guide and protect them in challenging times and help them to continue to trust in you all the days of their life. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Happy Mother's Day



Attention Graduating Class of 2025! It is with great joy that Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges its registered members who are graduating from high school, college, or other professional programs. We want to create a bulletin edition featuring our grads. Kindly submit your photo and a brief biography by Friday, May 30th. It can be sent by email to bulletin@sacredheartpolonia.com or left in the drop box at the parish office. *Thank you*

SANCTUARY LAMP

WIECZNA LAMPKA



The Church prescribes that the sanctuary lamp should shine permanently near the tabernacle in the church. By it, the faithful are reminded of the presence of Christ and the light itself is a profession of their love and affection. This week, the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of:

Earl & Margaret Jansen

SCHOOL NEWS

WIADOMOŚCI SZKOLNE



We do have the Tanner Simonis Memorial Scholarship available for tuition assistance. Ask us more about it. We look forward to seeing you on May 13th from 9:00-11:00am.

JOIN US !

Our doors are open and we'd love to show you around!

OPEN HOUSE

Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Time: 9:00am-11:00am

Sacred Heart School
7379 Church Street in Polonia
Please RSVP by Thursday, May 8th
(715) 600-6942

www.sacredheartpolonia.com/school

If this day or time does not fit your schedule, please call and we will gladly make other arrangements for you!

Parish Council Nominations. If you haven't already, you still have time to suggest one or two parishioners to be on the parish council! During the week, nomination forms can be found by the elevator entrance of the church. Once you have made your choice, kindly submit your form inside the "nomination forms" box. Nominations for the Parish Council will be accepted through Friday, May 16th. Remember that these parishioners' names will be on the ballot for the May 31st/June 1st Parish Council election only if they accept the nomination.

Flame of Love Holy Hour. We meet to pray a special Rosary and prayers the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm, in the church at Sacred Heart. The **Flame of Love** is a powerful Movement of Grace that Our Lord requested to be spread throughout the world. Please join us and discover the powerful promises of the **Flame of Love**! Everyone is welcome. Please use the handicap entrance.

—“Each time you fast on bread and water on Monday, you will free a priest's soul from purgatory” (Jesus)



PCCW NEWS. The ladies of the PCCW are selling their cookbooks for \$10 and get one free. This is a good opportunity to get them for gifts or pass them down to daughters, sons, nieces, and nephews. Some of the recipes in the cookbook are from their grandmas, aunts, and moms. We will not do another one given how the internet is the go-to cookbook. If you are interested call Arleen at 715-341-3645.

Important information regarding the Sacred Heart and St. Martin Cemeteries. In order to secure the safety of visitors and staff, to prevent interference with the routine maintenance operations and prevent equipment damage, the Cemetery Committee will again be removing items from grave sites which are not in compliance with our cemetery guidelines. Please remove any items you wish to retain prior to June 1, 2025. Complete cemetery regulations are available at the parish office or online at sacredheartpolonia.com. The Cemetery Committee expresses their appreciation in helping to maintain a final resting place for your loved ones.



SCRIP NEWS. Another way to raise money for the school and parish is through Scrip. Please consider buying Scrip. You can always buy Scrip throughout the week through the parish office, but it will be available for purchase after some weekend Masses by the elevator entrance. We appreciate your support of our Scrip program.

PICNIC NEWS

WIADOMOŚCI PIKNIK

Picnic Prize Shopping. Every year Sacred Heart has received fabulous prizes and donations for all our events. This year is different in that prizes and donations cannot be brought to the basement because of the renovation. We are asking if you do purchase prizes to keep them at home temporarily until space can be designated for them. ~Thank you



Gazebo/Convent Gift Shop. Gazebo Gift Shop behind Polonia Convent is open dawn to dusk. Self-serve with instructions inside the gazebo. Enjoy browsing and supporting this on-going fundraiser which helps the MSDI Polonia Convent. Thank you to all who come and shop and blessings to you!!

Convent Chapel. The MSDI invites you to participate in Vespers Service (evening prayers) every Sunday at 5:00pm.

Mother-Daughter Time: Is this normal? Understanding & Supporting Tween & Teen Cycle Health on May 18, 2025 at St. Joachim Parish Hall, Pittsville, WI. This event is being hosted by the St. Joachim's Pro Life Committee. Olivia Chasteen, the director of SymptoPro Fertility Education, will be presenting on menstrual health for young ladies, what the science says is normal for this age group and how to track specific biomarkers to know when to seek help in supporting cycle health long term. Give your daughter the gift of body literacy and understanding her feminine design!

Dinner at Faith Lutheran in Rosholt on May 18th. An indoor picnic! Serving 11:00am until 1:00pm.

May 21 (Wednesday) – HOSPICE: Learn about what Hospice Is and what Hospice is NOT at St. Wenceslaus Parish (Milladore) 6:30pm in the church basement. Team members from Compassus Hospice will be sharing what services Hospice provides with a general overview. There are other hospice providers in our community, this session will help you to learn more about what hospice services can provide when you need hospice services for a loved one.

March for Life Wisconsin – Join us on June 14!

The 2025 March for Life Wisconsin will take place on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 2 PM at the Wisconsin State Capitol, hosted by the Wisconsin Catholic Conference, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Wisconsin Right to Life, and Wisconsin Family Council. Buses to the March will travel from around the state, including from Chippewa Falls, Onalaska, and Sparta. Cost is \$15/person or \$45/family and you may register at marchforlifewisconsin.org. There will be speakers at the March, and signs will be provided. Come bear witness to the sanctity of all human life!



Dear Fr. Mark Miller and parishioners of Immaculate Conception & Sacred Heart,

Cordial greetings to each one of you from Madha Catholic Television! Fr. Irudayanathan Thainase will be visiting your parish as mission preacher on May 17th and 18th. All of you know the story of “EWTN” Catholic TV channel in the US and how Mother Angelica began the media in a garage with only \$200. Today the EWTN TV Channel contributes the best level of Evangelization. In the same way “Madha TV is a Tamil language Catholic Television Channel operated in South India. The Catholic Bishops of Tamil Nadu appointed Fr Rocky as CEO for this mission. Fr. Rocky & Fathers’ team operates this TV channel for Tamil Speaking Catholics.

“Madha” is a translation of Blessed Mother Mary”. As we all know it is not that much of an easy task to run a TV Channel in this competitive world. Just like Mother Angelica, Fr Rocky's team pioneered their journey with very few cameras, equipment and minimum facilities. Almost 7 million people benefited from this Catholic Channel during covid-19 crisis. Tamil speaking Catholics all over the world quenched their Spiritual thirst through this Channel. Faithful people from the US, Canada, Europe, Australia, Asia and other countries regularly watch this channel.

We are very particular in naming “Madha” TV that impresses Catholic identity and helps thousands of Catholics to sustain in Catholicism amidst Pentecostal and various denominations’ challenges. The telecasting infuses an effective impact on live Holy Mass, Eucharistic Devotion, Novena schedule for Blessed Virgin Mother, updating traditions, teaching of the catechism of the Catholic Church, and weekly updates of the Pope’s Message to our Catholics. Large number of Non-Christians benefitted through this evangelization media. Madha TV program is being distributed via satellite, cable network, dishnet, internet(www.madhatv.in), mobile apps too.

The Catholic Church in India is economically poor. This TV Channel is a non-commercial telecast media. We create professional quality programmes to upload through Satellite. Five priests are working 24/7 in the studio. 180 employers are working at different levels. The Bible productions and telecasting involves huge sacrifice, talents and finance. Mission preaching contributions and donations around the world supports a lot to this media to proclaim the Gospel. I hope this message may help you understand about Mary “Madha TV” mission preaching. I request you to contribute generously for this great effort on Evangelization. Please make use of the envelopes in your pews to bring contributions when you step-in again. **Kindly make checks payable to your parish name.** Our sincere thanks in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Fr. Patric (USA mission coordinator)
St. Agnes Church,
Weston, WI 54476



What is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee is a Holy Year, which offers a unique opportunity for profound spiritual growth and renewed faith. Jubilees are a part of the Catholic tradition and ordinarily take place every twenty-five years. 2025 marks the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an “event of great significance in the life of the Church.”

What is the theme of Jubilee 2025?

The theme of this Holy Year is “Pilgrims of Hope.” Jubilee 2025 is meant to intensify our experience of God’s grace – His divine life – at work within us. Let us cooperate with God’s grace received in the Sacraments so that we experience a spiritual renewal in our heart and ongoing revival in the Church.

How can I participate in this significant Jubilee?

This Jubilee Year of Hope is a personal invitation to:

➤ **Deepen your understanding of Christian hope.** Hope is an incredible virtue which is given to us by God at baptism that disposes us to live in relationship with the Blessed Trinity. Hope is the virtue “by which we desire the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ’s promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit” (CCC #1817). During this Jubilee Year, let us pray for an increase of the virtue of hope, which “does not disappoint because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us” (Romans 5:5).

➤ Attend an Evening of Hope!

Please join His Excellency Bishop Gerard William Battersby at one or both of these events:

• **Saturday, May 31, 2025 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Eau Claire**
Holy Hour, Confession, and Mass (Coincides with the Jubilee of Families in Rome) At this event, Fr. Dan Sedlacek will offer a reflection on the virtue of hope. diolc.org/jubilee2025

• **Sunday, Oct 12, 2025 at Church of the Resurrection in Wausau**
Holy Hour, Confession at Church of the Resurrection, Wausau (Coincides with the Jubilee of Marian Devotion in Rome) Fr. James Kurzynski will offer a reflection on the virtue of hope. diolc.org/jubilee2025

➤ Reflect on the Nicene Creed

This year is the 1,700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea, which gave us the Creed we recite to this day at Sunday Mass and is the foundation of Christian orthodoxy. The Nicene Creed is significant because it helped settle how Catholics worship one God, who is three Persons. While the Nicene Creed is meaningful as a whole, we can spend five minutes reflecting on one line over several days to help us strengthen our relationship with God and understand the importance of reciting the Nicene Creed.

➤ **Rediscover the hope and joy received from Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation** During this Jubilee Year, let us all treat ourselves to a monthly visit with Christ in the confessional to experience greater freedom, hope, joy and peace. As we cooperate with the power of

God’s grace, we will be strengthened with the courage to invite others back home to encounter the unconditional love of Jesus and the truth and beauty of His Church.

➤ **Make a pilgrimage to one (or more) of the designated churches in the Diocese of La Crosse** There is a long tradition of making pilgrimages in the Catholic church. The practice has been encouraged by the Pope during the Ordinary Jubilee Year of Hope. Pope Francis explains that pilgrimage is a “fundamental element of every Jubilee event.” (Spes non Confundit, Bull of Indiction of the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025, no. 5). He also granted an indulgence to the faithful who complete pilgrimages in this holy year: “The faithful, pilgrims of hope, will be able to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence granted by the Holy Father if they undertake a pious pilgrimage: ... by visiting the Cathedral or other church or sacred place designated by the local Ordinary.” (Decree on the Granting of Indulgence during the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025).

Bishop Battersby has designated the following as places of pilgrimage for the 2025 Jubilee Year:

- The Cathedral of Saint Joseph the Workman – La Crosse
- The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe – La Crosse
- Sacred Heart of Jesus Church – Eau Claire
- Church of the Resurrection Catholic Church – Wausau
- Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church – Nekoosa

A plenary indulgence is a grace granted by the Catholic Church through the merits of Jesus Christ to remove the temporal punishment due to sin. Such an indulgence, which applies to sin already forgiven, cleanses the soul as if the person had just been baptized. The conditions for receiving an indulgence include:

1. Make an intention to offer one’s Pilgrimage to one of the designated places for the purification of one’s own soul or for any or all of the Faithful Departed.
2. While visiting this place, pray for the Holy Father. (i.e. an Our Father and Hail Mary.)
3. Make a good Confession of all one’s sins during the visit, or within 20 days.
4. Freed from sin, receive the Holy Eucharist during Holy Mass on the day of the visit.
5. Be detached from all sin during one’s Pilgrimage, including venial sin, for the Plenary Indulgence, otherwise it is Partial Indulgence.



DIocese of LA CROSSE

READ MORE ONLINE: SCAN the QR code



or go to diolc.org/jubilee2025