

St. Patrick Catholic Parish – Colfax

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Masses: Colfax: Saturday 5:30p.m.; Sunday 8:30a.m. LaCrosse: Sunday 11:00a.m.

Confessions: Colfax – 45 Minutes before Sat/Sun Mass and anytime by appointment.

LaCrosse – After Mass and anytime by appointment

Religious Education Coordinator: Linda Marler - 397-3172

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June 2nd 2019 – The Ascension of the Lord

Mass Intention:	Requested By:	Kids Collection
4 June: Tuesday: Martha Crampton – S Crampton		\$429.90. Way to Go !
5 June: Wednesday: Leo Prellitz – Y Medutis		Summer break for RE Classes
6 June: Thursday: Eldon Metzger – Ft. Al		Funny for Kids: If anyone needs an ark, I happen to Noah guy.
7 June: Friday: Claude Crampton – Crampton Family		
8 June: Saturday a.m.: John Henry – Crampton Family p.m.: John McInerny – P Simmons		
9 June: Sunday: Colfax 8:30 a.m. Sammie Haxton – C Haxton LaCrosse 11:00 a.m. For all Our Parishioners		
Lector: Saturday 8th 5:30 p.m. Carrie Murphy	E Eucharist Ministers of the Cup: Saturday 8th 5:30 p.m. Mary Hahn, Mary Higginson, Patrick Thompson	
Lector: Sunday 9th 8:30 a.m. Travis Frei	E Eucharist Ministers of the Cup: Sunday 9th 8:30 a.m. Phyllis & Jim Kincaid, Helen Appel	

Stewardship Quote: The second reading today contains the somber warning that Jesus is coming soon and will bring to each person the reward that his or her conduct deserves. Has my stewardship of the blessing entrusted to me been such that I can respond joyfully, “Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!”?

5 June: Women’s Bible Study – Summer break

6 June: Eucharistic Adoration – After 8:00 a.m. Mass until 6:00 p.m.

9 June: Religious Education Classes – Summer break

✚ Pray with Pope Francis in his Monthly intention for June: That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

✚ Vacation Bible School planning is in the works. We need helpers for setting up and decorating, music, outside play, and small groups. Peace Lutheran has people to help, so let's make this a great event for the children who can attend! Information and signup sheets for June 10-13 are available at the doors of the Church. Contact Fr. Al or Linda M to make arrangements. Our theme is: “Living in God’s Kingdom.”

✚ Rest in Peace: We pray for John Henry who passed away recently. He was a great friend of the Church. His memorial service will be in the first part of July. May he and his family know the Easter Lord.

A ♪ from Fr. Al: Today we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, where Jesus is taken up into heaven to be seated at the right hand of the Father. I received over 40 years ago a plaque with the following saying: We never leave a place we love, we take part of it with us, leaving part of us behind. This is so true for this feast day but also of my leaving to retire. How can I express my love for you? It was a short time of four years, but I have appreciated so many of you, your dedication to Jesus, your stewardship of the parish, your care for those around you, your families, and accepting of people. My time in Colfax/LaCrosse gives me great joy!

This feast day reminds me of when I tried to ride a bike. My father and I would be out in the back yard. I would sit on the bike, much larger than I was. By sitting it was impossible to balance upon it. How can you ride a bike with only two wheels? Trusting in my Dad, he would push me, “drive it straight” he would yell as he was pushing, and just at the right time, he would let go and I was riding the bike. It would have done no good to have him hold on to the bike forever. Jesus spent the right amount of time with his disciples, but eventually he had to go. Otherwise we would not learn how to travel the road without Jesus holding on! Rather, the Holy Spirit is on the bike with us. Thanks Dad, for knowing when to let go. Thanks Jesus for your Ascension. Happy Ascension, Fr. Al

✚ Retirement Picnic Sunday, June 23 at the Hall. The KCs and Bethany Guild will be hosting a retirement picnic for Fr. Al at 5:00 pm, ALL ARE INVITED! The KC’s will be furnishing hot dogs and hamburgers and the fixens. Drinks will be furnished too. We ask that attendees please bring a salad and/or dessert. This is an informal get-together to thank Father for his time in Colfax and his time as a priest. Questions can be directed to Dave Appel 397-6437

✚ Retirement Dinner: After Mass in St. Joseph Church, LaCrosse on Sunday, June 30, there will be a retirement dinner for Fr. Al. All are welcome!

✚ Diocese of Spokane Prayer Pilgrimage: On the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Diocese of Spokane Prayer Pilgrimage, June 28 2019. **Now is the time to gather in prayer—for the fountain of blessing to flow forth from the Heart of Jesus.** Journey on a charter bus with other prayer pilgrims, from sunrise to sunset, to locations dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout Eastern Washington. Call 509-358-7343. This communal experience will include breakfast, lunch and dinner. Cost \$50.