

St. Patrick Catholic Parish – Colfax
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November 17th 2019 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention: Requested By:		RE Classes Nov 17th and Nov 24th, 9:30 a.m. after Mass, No RE Class Dec 1st.
19 Nov:	Tuesday: Suzie McNeilly – G & M Parrish	
20 Nov:	Wednesday: Ron Raylor – G & M Parrish	
21 Nov:	Thursday: Malcolm Thorson – G & M Parrish	
22 Nov:	Friday: Dick Landers – G & M Parrish	
23 Nov:	Saturday p.m. Tom Solbrack – G & M Parrish	
24 Nov:	Sunday: Colfax a.m. For All Our Parishioners LaCrosse: 11:00 a.m. For All Our Parishioners	
Lector: Saturday 23rd 5:30 p.m. Cheryl Lothspeich Lector: Sunday 24th 8:30 a.m. Peter Appel		Eucharist Ministers of the Cup: Saturday 23rd 5:30 p.m. Lori & Bill Knox, Bob Lothspeich Eucharist Ministers of the Cup: Sunday 24th 8:30 a.m. Ginny & Mike Parrish, Peter Appel

Stewardship Quote: Today’s readings paint a somewhat frightening picture of the end of time. But the Gospel ends with the assurance to faithful stewards that those who persevere will be saved.

- 20 November:** Women’s Bible Study 9:00 a.m. at the Courtyard.
21 November: Eucharistic Adoration – After 8:00 a.m. Mass until 6:00 p.m.
24 November: Religious Education Classes 9:30 am.
07 December: Knights Sausage Making in the Parish Hall.
08 December: Rehearsal for Christmas Program after 8:30a.m. Mass
09 December: 8:00a.m. Monday Mass Colfax, Feast of the Immaculate Conception
15 December: 2019 Christmas Program after the 11:00a.m. Mass
Pray with Pope Francis in his Monthly intention for November: A Missionary "Spring" in the Church. We can speak with splendid words, but if there is no peace in our heart, there will be no peace in the world."

Welcome new St. Patrick’s Parish Council Members: Please welcome the following to the Parish Council, Carey Murphy replacing Phyllis Kincaid, Bonnie Brumley replacing Joanne Eng, and Tim Danaher replacing Steve Appel.

Masses: Colfax: Saturday 5:30p.m.; Sunday 8:30a.m. LaCrosse: Sunday 11:00a.m.
Confessions: Colfax–Tuesday 6:00-6:30 p.m., Saturday a.m. 9:00-9:30a.m., Saturday 4:30-5:00 p.m.
LaCrosse – After Mass and anytime by appointment
Religious Education Coordinator: Linda Marler - 397-3172
St Patrick’s Prayer Chain: Diane Appel - 397-3220 **Email:** appelquilter@outlook.com

God is present, even in times of trouble. Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time. To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for “It will lead to your giving testimony” (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

Dear St. Patrick’s Parish Community: This year our Christmas Program will be on December 15th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. (We are changing Mass times with LaCrosse) Please join us on the 15th to celebrate this Christmas story, support our kids, and come together as a parish family. There will be a potluck at the Parish Hall after the Christmas Program.

Sausage: The Knights will be making sausage December 4th, and wrapping December 7th. Packages will be available after Mass Saturday, December 7th, & Sunday, December 8th in the Parish Hall. Place your order with any Knight, or Bob Lothspeich, 397-4009, bclothspeich@gmail.com. Please pre-order to ensure availability, because last year we came up short and were not able to fill all orders.

☩ **New Parish Council Members:** Please welcome hy do we pray for others (living or deceased)? We pray to God to connect our heart with God. We pray to know and do the will of God. Through our prayer with God, we connect our hearts to others. We pray for those who have died beginning at the wake, vigil service, rosary, funeral Mass and at the gravesite, but continue to pray for them all our lifetime asking those deceased to pray for us. They do not forget us. Our prayer unites us together after death. If you would like to offer a Mass intention for someone living or deceased, contact Fr. Sean with their name and your name.

☩ **Reasons for spending time before the Blessed Sacrament:** Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of his grace, his love, his peace.
"Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)