

SACRED HEART - SAINT LUKE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (5/4).....NO MASS
Tuesday (5-5).....6:30 PM Mass at Spring Valley
+Milton Sowatzke (Dave and Rosalie Sowatzke)
Wednesday (5-6).....7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood
+Frank Crownhart (Don and Mary Schmitz)
Thursday (5-7).....8:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley
+Michael Thome (Joseph and Beverly Thome)
10:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley Health Care Center
+Gloria Ryan (Tom Ryan)
Friday (5-8).....8:00 AM *Communion Service at Spring Valley*
1:30PM Mass at Heritage of Elmwood NH
+Florence Beyer Sweeney (Roger and Christie Pittman)

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday (5-2).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood
+Alvin Lecheler (Marion Lecheler)
Sunday (5-3).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville
+Bernice Gatz (Altar Society)
10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley
Missa pro Populo

BRIEFLY NOTED

Elmwood CCD Flower Sale: On Saturday, May 9th there will be a carnation flower sale after Mass. Free will donation or any cash contribution in memory of a loved one is welcome. Co-sponsored by Catholic Financial Life. Proceeds will go to CCD program.

St. Luke's Mother's Day Rose Sale: We will be selling roses for \$2 each after Mass on Mother's Day, May 10th. The proceeds will go for Pro-Life. Thank you!

Elmwood Graduates: On Saturday May 16 at the 8:00pm mass the Sacred Heart Parish of Elmwood is very proud to recognize the high school graduates from our parish: Nickolas Bechel, Katie Brunner, Jacob Burke, Matthew Fesenmaier, Jason Larson, Kaitlyn Sabelko, Nicholas Webb, Jennifer Weix and Justine Weix. May the Lord God bless their lives from this day on with goodness, faith and love.

Mother's Day Gifts: This year if you would like to give your mother a memorable gift for Mother's Day we still have some Centennial 18 carat gold plated ornaments left. To purchase, please call Sharon Weber: 715-639-3322 or Lois Freiermuth: 639-3307.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM
Elmwood
Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM
Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Boyceville
Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM
Spring Valley

Elmwood Lectors Needed: We are in need of Lectors for our Saturday night 8:00PM mass. This invitation is open to all parishioners. Anyone interested in becoming a lector or a substitute contact Mary Sailer (639-4902).

St. Luke's: Potluck Sunday is May 17th after 8:30 a.m. Mass. All are invited to join in the good food and fellowship.

Spring Valley CCD Program CRE Needed: Thank you to Anne Helmer for her dedicated years of service to our CCD Program! We are grateful for her hard work in the religious education of our parish children and wish her well as she steps down from the position. Anyone interested in the position of CRE may contact the Central Office.

Spring Valley VBS Schedule:
Where: Sacred Heart CCD Center.
When: Sunday June 7 with activities from 3-5pm. Family Dinner Potluck from 5:15-6pm.
Monday, June 8 to Thurs., June 11.
Free Will Donation
VBS Activities from 6:00-8:15pm
Closing Program: Thursday, June 11
Doors open at 7:45pm -Bring your camera!

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items must be received at the Central Office by **Tuesday at 3:00 PM.**

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By universal and diocesan Church law there are **two bodies of consultation** at the parish level, namely, the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council. The basic task of the **Parish Pastoral Council**, “is to **serve**, at institutional level, the **orderly collaboration of the faithful** in the **development of pastoral activity** which is **proper to priests**. The Pastoral Council is thus a **consultative** organ in which the faithful, expressing their **baptismal responsibility**, can **assist the parish priest**, who **presides** at the Council, by offering their **advice** on pastoral matters” (Congregation for the Clergy, *Instruction on the Priest: Pastor and Leader of the Parish Community*, 26). More concretely, the purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council is to **investigate** pastoral matters, to **consider** them thoroughly, and to **propose** practical conclusions about them. The Pastoral Council’s task is, first of all, to **study** those matters brought to its attention and shed light on them. Its second task is to **reflect** on them thoroughly, to discern their true nature, to evaluate and to ponder them. Its final task is to draw sound **conclusions**. The Pastoral Council presents these conclusions to the Pastor in the form of **recommendations**.

According to the norms for Parish Pastoral Councils in our Diocese of La Crosse (*On Consultation in the Parish and Deanery*, 19-20), two-thirds of the members are **elected** by parishioners and one-third are **appointed** by the Pastor. Members serve a **two-year term that can be renewed twice**. In our parishes, the terms of the following members of the Pastoral Council are expiring although they are all eligible for another two-year term: Spring Valley: Pam Burke, Lynn Johnson, and Mary Lansing; Elmwood: Mary Baier, Craig Feuker, and Barb Schneider; Boyceville: Lori Boesl, Barb Hellman, and Georgia Williams. **Please give prayerful consideration to their re-nomination or the nomination of their replacements**. To nominate a parishioner (including yourself) simply **submit the name (or names) of the nominee(s) in writing** by placing it in the offertory collection basket, mailing it to the Central Office, or emailing it to my Administrative Assistant, Becky Schmitt (admin@svecatholic.org). **Nominations close after the last Mass of Sunday, May 10. Elections** in all three parishes will be held the weekend of May 16-17.

Please keep in mind that a parishioner is **eligible** to serve on the Pastoral Council who: (1) is at least sixteen years of age; (2) is baptized, confirmed, and registered member of the parish in full communion with the Catholic Church; (3) is willing and able to serve for the elected or appointed term; (4) is a contributing member of the parish in prayer, time, talent and treasure; and (5) maintains a public posture not inconsistent with the teachings of the Church. In order to serve fruitfully on the Pastoral Council, the councilor should be **wise and prudent** – a committed Catholic with the capacity for study, for reflection, and for reaching sound conclusions.

The following **councilors’ terms continue through 2016**: Spring Valley: Mary Anderson, Teresa Fogarty, and Joelle Miller; Elmwood: Derek Auth, Greg Fesenmaier, and Mary Ann Jensen; Boyceville: Pat Flynn, Joyce Hill, Joe Pieters.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us! *Father Kevin C. Louis, STL*

Stewardship for April 25-26		
<i>“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)</i>		
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory
Spring Valley	\$1071	\$264
Elmwood	\$735	\$108
Boyceville (4/19)	\$570	\$160
Boyceville	\$455	\$56

BRIEFLY NOTED

Thanksgiving: My total knee replacement surgery went well and I am recuperating in the Spring Valley Health Care Center now. Everything is going very well. I am looking for 25lbs that I’ve lost and hopefully I find it soon! But thank you very much for your prayers, cares, concerns and your interest. I appreciate it deeply. Know of my prayers and love for all of you. ~Br. Michael Mandernach.

Eucharistic Adoration: St. Pope John Paul II, told us about the best and most effective way to grow in holiness. He states that: **“our essential commitment in life is to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist.”** He goes on to explain: **“Our communal worship at Mass, must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration, in order that our love may be complete,”** --- And this can be done by not only receiving Jesus Christ worthily in Holy Communion, but also by praying and adoring, and developing a personal and intimate relationship with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. As we spend more and more time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration, to make Jesus more and more the center of our life, we will grow in holiness, develop a deeper love for Jesus, be able to feel His love for us, and receive the strength and hope that we all need in our daily lives.

Hours that are available are:

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| Thursday | Friday |
| 8-9 pm | 6-7am |
| | 9-10am |
| | 11-noon |
| | noon-1 pm |
| | 2-3 pm |
| | 4-5 pm |
| | 5-6 pm |

Some people choose the option of holding an hour every other week. Substitutes are also needed. Please contact Laura Buchal at 772-4452 for more information.

