

The Angelus October & November 2025

From the Rector's Desk

Our Walsingham pilgrimage is almost here!

This year we have added a whole day to our pilgrimage weekend—a whole day dedicated to those gathering to explore and deepen the practice of pilgrimage itself, with Romans, eastern Christians, and anyone else who seeks union with God through this ancient practice.

See the flyer in this newsletter for the full schedule.



At the pilgrimage we will see the next stage of development of the Guardians of the Shrine, including the induction of the Bishop Visitor, Bp Brian Burgess of Springfield, the induction of our first Oblates of the Shrine, and other ways of entering into greater opportunities for devotion at the Shrine.

This year we are grateful to God for the renewing of Grace's relationship with Nashotah house seminary, as Dr Geoffrey Williams, the Nashotah choral scholars, and their organist sing Evensong at our pilgrimage. Seminarians will carry the image of Our Lady during the solemn procession at Mass. People from other congregations have promised to attend. People are coming from abroad.



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This is quite a threshold year for our pilgrimage, with more people coming, involved and committed to closer, healing union with Christ through the care and prayers of Our Lady of Walsingham. And we will see how devotion can grow throughout the year.

Give thanks to God for our life with Our Lady, and give yourselves gratefully to this life at Grace.

Peace,

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Annual Pilgrimage to the American Proto-Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham and Annual Mass of the Society of Mary



2025 Schedule (Updated 8-14-25)

Thurs. Oct. 16 - Wisconsin Way Gathering

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Breakfast, registration, meet & greet 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. Welcome by Father William Bulson,

Rector, Grace Episcopal Church

9:45 - 10:30 a.m. Abbott Moses, Holy Resurrection

Monastery, St. Nazianz, WI

"Along the Via Francigena"

10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Break, Guided Tour of the Shrine

and the Church

11:00 - Noon Our Lady of Walsingham:

From England to Wisconsin

Noon Angelus in the Shrine

12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch Break

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Pilgrimage Wisconsin Panel facilitated by

Johnathan Weyer

"Where have we been? Where are we

now? Where are we going?"

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Quiet time, Guided Tours of the Shrine

and the Church

5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer, Christ the King Chapel

5:30 - 6:45 p.m. Dinner Break

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Guardians of the Shrine Annual Meeting

Fri. Oct. 17 — Quiet Day with Liturgy of the Hours and Solemn Evensong

Meditations Led by Phoebe Pettingell, Society of Mary

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m. Terce and Meditation

Noon Sext and Meditation 3:00 p.m. None and Meditation

5:00 p.m. Holy Rosary

6:00 pm. Solemn Evensong and Meditation with Induction of

Oblate Prior and Oblates by Bishop Visitor, the Rt. Rev Brian Burgess, Diocese of Springfield

* Confessions heard by appointment. Please call the parish office.

Saturday, October 18

10:30 a.m. Procession of the Image of Our Lady of

Walsingham and Pontifical Mass

'The Rt Rev Matthew Gunter, Celebrant

'The Rev John Alexander, Society of Mary, preacher

12:00 p.m. Luncheon (Freewill Offering. No registration needed.)

2:00 p.m. Anointing with Walsingham Waters, Healing Prayers, Musical Offering, and Pontifical Benediction

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Save the Date!

The 74th Annual Pilgrimage to the American Proto-Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

Check out the new website: Walsingham.us

Thursday, October 16th - Wisconsin Way Gathering

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Morning Prayer, Christ the King Chapel		
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Breakfast, registration, Meet & Greet		
9:30 am - 9:45 am	Welcome by Fr. William Bulson, Rector, Grace Episcopal Church		
9:45 am - 10:30 am	Abbott Moses, Holy Resurrection Monastery, St. Nazianz, WI		
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Break, Guided Tour of the Shrine and the Church		
11:00 am - Noon	Our Lady of Walsingham: From England to Wisconsin		
Noon	Angelus in the Shrine		
12:15 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break		
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Pilgrimage Wisconsin Panel facilitated by Johnathan Weyer		
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Meditations led by: Phoebe Pettingell, Society of Mary

7:00 am - 11:00 am Pilgrimage Walk from St. Peter's, Sheboygan Falls (7 miles)

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12:00 pm Luncheon – (Freewill Offering, NO registration needed) All Welcome!

2:00 pm Anointing with Walsingham Waters, Healing Prayers, Musical Offering, & Pontifical Benediction

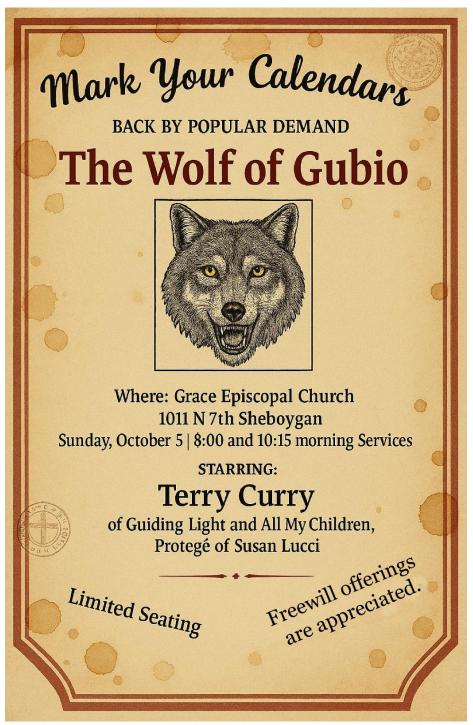
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Francis Drama and Teaching at Adult Forum, October 5th, 12th and 19th

On Sunday, October 5th, we will have a liturgical drama about St Francis and the Wolf of Gubbio. Liturgical drama is a very old form of proclamation and formation and we proudly offer this production directed by Adison Spray, with music by Clayton Spray, production design by Vicki Nelson, and produced by Fr Jack Connelly.

For the next three Sundays, October 5th, 12th, and 19th, Adult Forum between Masses will be led by Fr. Jack, as he leads us deeper into the life and witness of St Francis.



The Blessing of the Hunters

Saturday, October 25th – 11:00 am

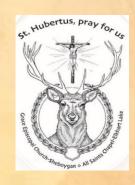
All hunters are invited to get their dogs, gear*, clothing, and themselves blessed at All Saints Chapel and St. Hubertus Hall, Elkhart Lake, with brief prayers and blessing for a safe, respectful, and bountiful hunt.

*All equipment must be unloaded and encased



All Saints Chapel

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Blessing of the Hunters, October 25th, 11 am, at All Saints Chapel, Elkhart Lake

Our chapel in Elkhart Lake is where Grace does some of its best mission and evangelism. Attendance at our Masses this summer overflowed outside several times; on one Sunday, the attendance was 68! Weddings are also done here. In honor of St. Hubertus, Patron Saint of Hunters, whose feast day is November 3, who has a stained-glass window in All Saints, and after whom the parish hall there is named, there will be a brief service of prayers and blessings for a safe, respectful, and bountiful hunt.

All hunters are invited to bring their dogs, gear (all equipment must be unloaded and encased), clothing, and themselves blessed at All Saints Chapel on Saturday, October 25th at 11:00 a.m., with open hearts to go deeper into the Gospel with this saint who found Christ in the outdoors.

The Story of St Hubertus

Hubertus was born the son of a duke in 656 A.D., in what is now France. He led a life full of luxury, leisure, and education. He was good looking and intelligent, strong and energetic, influential and friendly. When he was young, he especially loved the outdoors. He spent much time hunting and was known as an expert bowman. He hunted so much that he didn't have much time for prayer, hunting even on holy days, which was considered a great sacrilege.

His beloved wife and hunting companion, Floribanne, died during Holy Week of 684 and on that Good Friday Hubertus went hunting to console himself. As Hubertus was hunting a stag, he had a vision of a crucifix (the Cross with the crucified Jesus on it) shining between the stag's antlers.

The Lord Jesus Christ told Hubertus in the vision that he needed to find purpose and comfort not only in hunting but even more especially in serving the Gospel. He told Hubertus to go visit a holy bishop, Lambert, to find out what to do next. Hubertus was touched to the heart by this vision and was eager to do what the Lord told him.

Hubertus was so committed to the Gospel of Jesus that, under the guidance of holy Bishop Lambert, he gave all his wealth to the poor and his noble titles to his brother. He became a priest and spread the Gospel of Jesus among the country people and hunters he loved so much. He fasted and prayed a great deal, was a moving preacher, took care of the poorest in the countryside, and was a wise steward of the forest and wildlife. Hubertus eventually became Bishop of Liege and was known for his miraculous works of healing. He died peacefully in 727 and was recognized as a saint in 743. His body is in St Hubertus Church in Belgium, which has been the site of pilgrimages and miracles ever since.

People who love the outdoors find St Hubertus to be a friend and intercessor, with his special concern for hunters, bowmen, hunting dogs, hunting raptors and falconers, and the inhabitants of the forest. His Feast Day is November 3rd.

He has a window dedicated to him in All Saints Chapel, Elkhart Lake, that depicts his vision of the crucified Jesus in the stag's antlers. St. Hubertus Fellowship Hall is built on the original foundation of a hunter's cabin that once stood on the chapel grounds.

St. Hubertus and all you saints pray for us!

The History of the Red Door

Recently, the front doors of Grace Church were painted red. Some might wonder why.

Below is a write-up from Trinity Episcopal Church Of Gatlinburg, TN, about this tradition that best summarizes their symbolic meaning

Why Do All Episcopal Churches Have a Red Door?

Why are the doors of most Episcopal churches painted red?

Turns out, there is no definitive answer, and the question has been posed many times. The tradition is centuries old and has several meanings associated with it. No matter the meaning, many older Protestant churches have distinctive red doors, and when you're visiting a new city, like Gatlinburg, you can readily identify the Episcopal Church because it's the one with the red doors.

The tradition of red doors originated in England during the Middle Ages when it was a sign of sanctuary. If you were being pursued by someone, you would be safe if you could reach the church door. No one would dare commit violence on holy ground; furthermore, the Church didn't have to abide by civil law. Pursuers could proceed no further, and victims knew that the red doors meant sanctuary, refuge, and safety. The person who claimed sanctuary like this could state his case to the priest and ask for justice to be served. The red doors also represented protection from spiritual evil as well. In the beginnings of cathedral architecture, red stood for the Blood of Christ, and it was painted on the north, south, and east doors of a church. In other words, they were making "the sign of the cross" which ultimately marked the church as a safety zone from spiritual dangers in addition to protection from physical harm.

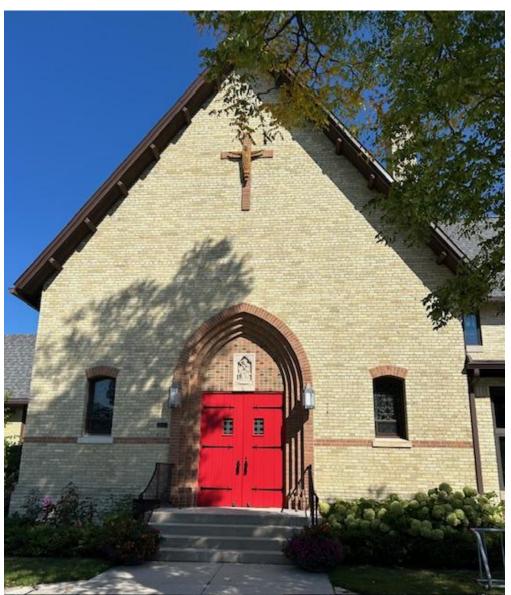
Other meanings for red doors through the ages include red being a reminder of the Passover and God's covenant with the Israelites. Red is also a symbol for the sacrificial blood of Christ, our entry into salvation. It is also indicative of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Wittenberg Cathedral is believed to have had red doors, the church where Martin Luther posted his 95 theses, so red may symbolize a church of the Reformation. Other stories go that if church doors were painted red, it meant their mortgage was paid off.

Today many Episcopal churches, as well as Lutheran, Methodist, Roman Catholic and others, paint their doors red to symbolize that they are a haven for emotional and spiritual healing and a place for forgiveness and reconciliation. In other words, their red doors are an invitation to visitors to enter a space filled with the Holy Spirit. Bright red doors shine with welcoming warmth. They gleam like fire and show the way to the Holy Spirit to all who walk through them.

This is your official "red" invitation to walk through the doors at Trinity Gatlinburg!

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https://sites.google.com/site/trinityepiscopalofgatlinburg/the-history-of-the-red-door











Ladies of Grace Gathering! Tuesday, October 7th

Our first meeting got off to a great start (see photos). According to the short survey we completed it is the preference of the majority that going forward we meet in each others homes. However we did not decide on who was hosting the October meeting. Pat Ford Smith has kindly volunteered. Pat is working in

the office that morning and the next meeting will therefore take place on Tuesday, October 7th in St. Nicholas Hall. Please bring a small snack to pass. A sign-up sheet can be found in the Narthex. Any questions, please call Ellen Aparicio at 920-917-7561.





Catechesis has begun, but there is still time to sign up

Catechesis is instruction and grounding in the ancient Christian faith, usually for people preparing for baptism, but anyone can join this group. Whether they struggle with faith, have questions, or want to go deeper. People who have gone through Catechesis have found it enlightening, comforting, energizing, & deepening. From now on through May 28, we will meet on Thursday evenings, from 7-8:30 pm, taking breaks for holidays and such. Please contact Fr William to sign up: wbulson@gracesheboygan.com; 920.452.9659.



Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin

The Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin will meet on **Friday, October 11** & **Saturday, October 12**, 2025, at the Holiday Inn Conference Center. (1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point, WI, 54482).

More information and agenda to follow soon. This will be a two-day event!



Adult Christian Formation, October 26th through November 15th

How does a Christian understand money and wealth? And what us perspective does the Bible bring to these two essential elements of life? Fr. John Throop will guide us ion a study called God, Wealth and Money at 9:10 a.m. Watch for more details.



Bulson Away Dates, Nov 3 - Dec 5

Fr William and Tomomi Kanemaru will be away on vacation Nov 3-Dec 5. Fr John Throop will cover Sunday Masses and will be available for pastoral care. Administrative office hours will remain the same.

Questions? Contact Fr William at wbulson@gracesheboygan.com, 920.740.2308

August Financial Focus

August Income YTD Income Annual Budget 2025

\$ 13,943 \$ 249,277 \$ 318,048

August Expenses YTD Expenses Annual Budget 2025

\$ 26,996 \$ 244,108 \$ 360,081



Mark Your Calendars

- October 5th, 12nd and 19th
 Francis Drama and Teaching at Adult Forum led by Fr Jack Connelly
- October 10th 11st
 2025 Annual Convention for the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin
- October 16^{th-}18th

 Annual Pilgrimage to the American Proto-Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham
- October 25th 11am at All Saints
 St. Hubertus Blessing of the Hunters at All Saints, Elkhart Lake
- October 26th November 15th
 Adult Christian Formation led by Fr John Throop

Please note: The Angelus will be on vacation in the month of November, but we'll be back in print in the middle of December.

October Birthda	ys	October Anniversary		
Rachel Annis	10/1	Robert & Mia McMillan	10/3	
Cory Bouck	10/1	Greg & Brenda Burgett	10/7	
Houa Wa Yang	10/10	Steve & Mary Gallimore	10/20	
Jane Hanson	10/12	Douglas & Kathy Jenkins	10/21	
Betty Potter	10/13	Jay & Katie Maki	10/24	
Dale Munro	10/14			
Tony Fessler	10/14			
Mary Clabots	10/16			
Tom Ambelang	10/19			
Nang May Saw	10/22			
Doug Hamilton	10/25			
Kathy Jenkins	10/29			
Jill Stagner	10/30			
November Birthdays		November Anniversary		
Bob Imig	11/2	Bill & Deb Gagin	11/10	
Katie Maki	11/11	Steve & Claudia Fischer	11/23	
Polly Bohenstengel	11/12			
Margaret Knocke	11/13			
Cindy Weiss	11/14			

11/23 11/25

11/28

Patricia Miller

Polly Schmeiser Kristin Plucar

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Fr. Jack Connelly, Jane Hanson,
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