

# The Angelus

# September 2025

#### From the Rector's Desk

During our Masses on the first Sunday of October 5, we will have a liturgical drama in place of the sermon. It will be a story about St Francis and his storied peacemaking between a ravenous wolf and the Italian village of Gubbio.

St Francis's day is October the 4 and many churches observe the day with a blessing of animals. I've done that once or twice at Grace since I've been here.

Even though St Francis is known in the popular mind as a lover of animals, with stories like the Wolf of Gubbio confirming that notion, St Francis's legacy is much more about sacrificing all to follow Christ, such as letting go of material security in order to follow Christ more freely, and committing radically to peace and reconciliation. As a brave and daring peacemaker, during a time of conflict between a Sultan and Christian kings, St Francis walked to visit the sultan, tried to negotiate a pact of peace, and even evangelized the sultan and begged him to convert from Islam. St Francis as largely a pet blesser came much, much later in the North American imagination. St Francis as peacemaker between wolf and village, then, is about taking the risk to make peace in a creation wracked by sin and wrath. Please check out the door going into Christ the King chapel. You will see St Francis there with that wolf!

We at Grace have liturgical drama regularly—on Christmas Eve with our pageant. Liturgical drama has been used for centuries to edify and educate. One of my favorite liturgical dramaturgs was St Hildegard of Bingen, who regularly used liturgical drama for formation of her novices. Someone recently pointed out to me that liturgical drama is much like stained glass windows. Images are given that stay in the heart and mind. They teach, they lift the heart and soul, and they bathe the faithful in Truth.

A member of our congregation and vestry member, Fr Jack Connelly, has been involved in the arts for years, has written the script, recruited the actors (including a former soap opera actor as the wolf), and will direct the drama.

We are so fortunate that Fr Jack and members of our congregation have such talents to put on such a drama. When you see them after the Mass, please thank them for all their gifts and for the imparting of the Gospel to us.

Peace,

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#### Save the Date!

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

#### Thursday, October 16th - Wisconsin Way Gathering

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8:00 am – 8:30 am	Morning Prayer
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
	"Where have we been? Where are we now? Where are we going?"
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Quiet time, Guided Tours of the Shrine and the Church
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Evening Prayer, Christ the King Chapel
5:30 pm – 6:45 pm	Dinner Break
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Guardians of the Shrine Annual Mtg.

#### Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – Quiet day w/Liturgy of the Hours and Solemn Evensong

Meditations led by: Phoebe Pettingell, Society of Mary

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

7:30 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am Terce and Meditation Noon Sext and Meditation 3:00 pm None and Meditation

5:00 pm Holy Rosary

6:00 pm Solemn Evensong and Meditation w/Induction of Oblate Prior and Oblates

by Bishop Visitor, the Rt. Rev. Brian Burgess, Diocese of Springfield

#### Saturday, October 18th

10:30 am Procession of the Image of Our Lady of Walsingham and Pontifical Mass

-The Right Reverend Matthew A. Gunter, Celebrant

-The Rev. John Alexander, Society of Mary, Preacher

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

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

Benediction

Check out the new website: Walsingham.us



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## Walsingham Flashback 1993

Do you recognize this altar party procession of 1993? This is before the rectory was moved and the new addition was added. The procession started in the driveway of Hope Reformed Church. (Note the procession of pilgrims in the photo and you can glimpse the windows of the rectory.)

Paul Aparicio and Margaret Coleman with candles, Christy Clabots with cross, Liz Burg with incense. Bill and Deb Gagin are behind Christy and Margaret.

Christy and Margaret would have been in 7th grade, Paul in 5th, Liz in 9th grade.











## Elkhart Lake Downtown Night Brat Fry.

Grace Episcopal Church and All Saints Chapel had a Brat Fry fundraiser on August 11th at Elkhart Lake's Downtown Nights event. It was a successful night with a profit of \$1,731.50! There were 240 brats and a little over 200 burgers that were grilled and sold! This success is largely due to all of the volunteers. There were 12 volunteers in total. These fundraisers do not happen without the gracious help of these volunteers, especially this particular fundraiser. A special Thank You to the individuals who donated items like the brats, buns, and ice, these donations also greatly help with the profits we have seen. We had a great night with many interactions with people. Of course the hope, more than just fundraising, is that some of the people will feel drawn to visit either Grace or All Saints and spreading the Word of God!

In God's love, Robert McMillan









## Baptism at All Saints Chapel

On August 10th at All Saints Chapel Addison Vera MacEwen received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism by Fr. Patrick Twomey. Addison is the daughter of Christian and Kayla MacEwen, the granddaughter of Drew and Dani MacEwen, and the great granddaughter of Bob and Barb MacEwen.



## Ladies of Grace Gathering!

Reminder that the Ladies Gathering is this Tuesday, **September 2nd** at 2pm, at the Home of Ellen Aparicio. We will meet once a month. Prayer, singing, a bible reading taken from the daily lectionary, and time to share needs of family/friends, and the sick. Tea, coffee, & bites to follow. Signup on Narthex. Please park in the driveway or street and call Ellen or Pat Ford Smith for address: Ellen: (920) 917-7561 or Pat: (920) 918-1492.



## Catechesis Begins Thursday, Sept 11th!

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. September 11 through May 28, we will meet 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.



## Summer Sundays at All Saints Chapel-Elkhart Lake

The 2025 Summer season at All Saints Chapel has been extended to the end of September! If you have not had a chance to visit the chapel for mass, it is celebrated every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.



# Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin

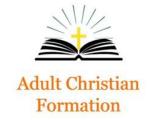
The Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin will meet on **Friday, October 11 & Saturday, October 12**, 2025, at the Holiday Inn Conference Center. (1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point, WI, 54482).

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.



## Holiday Giving Tree



We need a person to do the Holiday Giving Tree in November this year. It involves contacting Salvation Army, Sunny Ridge & Deland Home, making a gift list, card, sign-up sheet, & delivering gifts by due dates in December.

Willing person should call/text Jessica Ambelang at (920) 918-5667, by mid-October. Thanks for your help in this important community ministry.



## Here is the Love INC update

Currently in Sheboygan County, Love INC operates 3 different types of ministry programs:

- 1. Our Connection Center or call center is where we receive requests for assistance and listen to each individual story. This is where the relationship with our neighbors usually begins and is the foundation of trust and support.
- 2. Our Gap Ministry programs are the products and services that meet an immediate physical need. We do our best to continue the relationship with each individual with prayers and encouragement while addressing a specific need. Our new Refugee Resettlement Ministry falls within this realm as we provide housing, clothing, food, furniture, and other necessary items for starting again in a new community.
- 3. We offer 5 life-skills classes through our New Way Community within our Transformational Ministry. During these 10 or 12 week courses, we are able to walk alongside each person with Biblical-based curriculum that addresses a variety of human needs—affirmation of potential; relationship boundaries; financial stability; and nutrition and care for our bodies.

The New Way classes are valuable tools for anyone, including us. They offer ways to seek to grow as persons and as Christians. They might open our eyes to ways we closed ourselves off from our neighbors or even ourselves. Sometimes it does us good to give up the idea that there is nothing more that we can learn or experience. Classes begin September 4th and sign up is available on the website or by calling 920-783-6701.

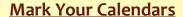


#### \*Seeking meal prep volunteers\*

Love INC is again looking for people to prepare a meal for New Way prgm participants on

Thursday nights, from September –
November. As of now, the dates open
for consideration are: Oct 2, Oct 23
and Oct 30. Volunteers can work
together to coordinate their meal plan.
Several leaders who have already done
this, can assist and instruct others
who are considering participating.





 September 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ladies of Grace.

• September 3<sup>rd</sup>: Choir\_ Rehearsals commence

• September 11<sup>th</sup>: **Catechesis Begins** 

• September 26<sup>th</sup>: Grace Motorcycle Group

 October 10<sup>th -</sup> 11<sup>st</sup> 2025 Annual Convention for the Episcopal Diocese of Wisconsin

 October 16<sup>th -</sup>19<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage to the American Proto-Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

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 October 25<sup>th</sup> St. Hubertus Blessing of the Hunters at All Saints, Elkhart Lake

#### September Birthdays September Anniversary John Keller 9/8 Steve & Polly Schmeiser Tom Wright & Steve Fischer 9/9 JoAnn Sorenson 9/11 Mary Snyder Tim & Patricia Miller Lan Pwen Paw 9/15 Dianna Keller 9/15 Hank Bohenstengel 9/17 Sarah Bernhardt 9/20 9/24 Pat Sather 9/24 Jack Connelly Kace Norwick 9/25

9/28

9/29

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Eli Klinzing

Louise Davis

Bill Gagin

#### **Parish Staff**

The Rt. Rev. Matthew A Gunter, Bishop The Reverend William L. Bulson, Rector The Reverend Paul D. Aparicio, Deacon Clayton Logue, Organist-Choirmaster Crystal Lopez, Parish Administrator Greg Allen, Sexton

#### The Vestry

The Reverend William L. Bulson, Chair Mary Snyder, Senior Warden John Davis, Junior Warden Brian Heck, Treasurer Helen Mullison, Chancellor Vestry: Sarah Bernhardt, Jack Britton, Fr. Jack Connelly, Jane Hanson, Doug Jenkins, Robert McMillan, Tim Miller, and Steve Weinert



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