

APOSTOLATE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES - DIOCESE OF MADISON

LOVE, CARE AND COMPASSION
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES SINCE 1967

Dear Friends of the Apostolate,

It was a wonderful summer day on June 20th when we gathered at the Mallard's Duck Pond. We shared the company of 100's including Bishop Hying, people of the eleven counties of the Diocese of Madison, and guests from the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Green Bay. The chance to pray together, to share a meal, and enjoy the baseball game, while a bit toasty on a hot day, made for a special day. It was another opportunity to know and celebrate how important each person is as a beloved daughter and son of God! Thank you to all of the volunteers and the Mallard's staff who made it all such a good experience.

It has been a pure joy and blessing to serve you through this Apostolate which began in 1967 by Bishop Cletus O'Donnell and Msgr. Thomas Campion. I am happy to turn over the title of "Director" to Megan Wedwick. I will continue as the Chaplain of the Apostolate supporting the ministry of Megan and Kayla Schiesser, the Administrative Assistant, and praying with you through the weekly TV Mass on Channel 3000.

May the Lord bless all of you these summer days, and always! Msgr. Larry Bakke

UPCOMING LITURGICAL DAYS

JULY 22: MARY MAGDALENE

JULY 28: ST JAMES, APOSTLE

AUG 6: THE TRANSFIGURATION

AUG 10: ST LAWRENCE

AUG 15: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - HDO

SEPT 8: NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SEPT 14: EXHAULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SEPT 21: SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

SEPT 29: FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS

OCT 18: ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST

OCT 28: ST SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

NOV 1: ALL SAINTS DAY, HDO

NOV 2: ALL SOULS DAY

NOV 9: DEDICATION OF LATERAN BASILICA

APOSTOLATE SAVE-THE-DATES

SEPT 29 - OCT 1 DIOCESE OF MADISON EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS (SEE PG 6)

OCT 15: ST. DYMPHNA MENTAL HEALTH MASS (SEE PG 5)

NOV 4 - APOSTOLATE RETREAT DAY AT CAMP GRAY (SEE PG 5)

TAKE ME OUT TO THE MADISON MALLARDS BASEBALL GAME!!



THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR GUESTS
AND VOLUNTEERS FOR JOINING THE
DAY AT THE DUCK POND 2023



JUNE 20TH, 2023 PRAYER SERVICE, LUNCH, AND BASEBALL

Congratulations

ON YOUR RETIREMENT

MONSIGNOR LARRY BAKKE!

Thank you for your 12 years of serving as the Director of the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities. Under your leadership, the Apostolate continued to thrive and impact the lives of people across the Diocese of Madison and build the Kingdom of God.



On July 1st, 2023 Msgr. Bakke changed titles from Director to Chaplain of the Apostolate. We are so grateful to continue to have his support and joy as part of our mission!

Throughout his 48 years as a priest, Msgr. Larry has held many roles throughout the Diocese of Madison, as he likes to say: "Bishops seemed to always feel that I needed two jobs". This meant that after being ordained in 1975, while being assigned as a parish priest, pastor, or parochial administrator, he simultaneously held the roles of Priest Chaplain at UW Hospital and Clinics, Director of the Youth Ministry, Director of Camp Gray, and Director of the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities. Wherever he has been, he has brought joy and compassion that stick with people long after each assignment ended.

During his retirement, Msgr. Larry will continue to be a regular appearance on the Apostolate's Sunday TV Mass and get some much deserved time to rest and relax, go on trips with friends and family, and continue to live out his Vocation as a retired priest. Please join us in wishing him the best as he enters into this new stage of life and in hoping his joy never ceases!



Thank you TO ALL WHO JOINED FOR OUR LENTEN RETREATS - LOVE ONE ANOTHER -

In March, the Apostolate held retreats at St. Coletta in Jefferson and Camp Gray in Reedsburg. Throughout the day, participants had the opportunity to choose from several prayer stations and activities where they had the opportunity to practice receiving the love of God and sharing His love with others. Having several wonderful volunteers made it possible for us to have frequent 1:1 interactions throughout the day. The retreats concluded with Mass celebrated by Bishop Hying, Fr. Tom Coyle (St. Coletta only) and Msgr. Bakke.



Mass Intentions

There is a long tradition in the Catholic Church for people to request a particular intention for a celebrated Holy Mass. The Apostolate currently has hundreds of such requests that we are striving to honor. Because the TV Mass is celebrated fifty-two(52) Sundays each year, it is difficult to fulfill all of these requests. Priests throughout the Diocese of Madison can request Mass intentions either for their parish or for their personal celebration of Masses, which enables us to fulfill some of the surplus intentions we currently have.

For these reasons, we are asking you to consider giving a Memorial Donation to the Apostolate in memory of a loved one instead of requesting Mass Intentions. We understand the importance of the distinction between having a Mass offered for their soul and a donation in memory of them, so we would encourage you to contact your local pastorate churches to have Masses said. The Apostolate will continue to accept Mass intention requests for specific TV Mass dates with the same policy in place that each person is able to request one TV Mass per year. We will also still accept Mass Intention requests, we are asking that you consider the options above before sending us more. Thank you!

Donations Form

Please note that this form is for donations only. Please see an explanation of the change in the section above.

**All donations may be sent to: Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities
702 S. High Point Rd., Suite 225,
Madison WI 53719.**

If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one, please indicate the name of the person below

Given by: _____ **Memorial for:** _____

☐ please check this box to have donation kept anonymous

****If your request is more complex, please include a letter including your phone number to ensure that we process the request correctly. All donations are tax deductible. Call the Apostolate with any questions.***

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

Diocese of Madison
St. Dymphna
Mass and Reception

WITH BISHOP HYING
SPONSORED BY THE
APOSTOLATE FOR PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES

10 am
Sunday,
October
15th 2023

HOLY NAME ORATORY
702 S HIGH POINT RD,
MADISON

This Mass is for
all who have
experienced or
are experiencing
mental illness,
support persons,
and health care
providers

Please RSVP to the APD by
emailing APD@madisondiocese.org or calling (608)821-3050

SAVE THE DATE AND SPREAD THE WORD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

More information to come as
we get closer to the retreat!
To receive a formal invitation
in the mail, please contact
our office to be put on the
mailing list.

Apostolate
Fall
Retreat Day
AT
CAMP GRAY

This year we will also be
offering a simultaneous
retreat for the Deaf
Community led by Fr. Chris
Klusman from the
Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

All are invited to join!
This is a day for teens
and adults to grow
together in faith and
friendship.

*Caregivers are invited to accompany participants. We are unable to
administer medications or provide personal cares during the retreat day.*

*For more information and/or to register for the retreat,
please call or email the APD office.*

APD@madisondiocese.org (608) 821 - 3050



INTO THE DEEP

The Diocese of Madison has just entered into the next phase of its Into the Deep initiative with the formation of 30 new Pastorates. Some of these Pastorates already have one or more Disability and/or Mental Health Ministries, while others have not yet established either ministry in any churches that are part of their Pastorate. As the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities, we see this transition as a great opportunity for disability and mental health ministries to join forces to better serve the needs of the new Pastorate as a whole, for those in places that haven't previously had a ministry, but now are part of a Pastorate with one, to connect with that ministry, and for individuals to consider being a Disability Liaison or Mental Health Advocate for the Apostolate so that we can establish each of these ministries in all 30 Pastorates and better serve the needs to those with disabilities and mental health challenges across the Diocese of Madison. To find out if there is an established ministry in your Pastorate, we would encourage you to connect with your new Parochial Administrator or you can call/email the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities office and request information about your Pastorate's ministries.

We know that transition and change can be difficult and come with some anxieties and worries. We want everyone in our community to know that we are here to support the Pastorates and individuals across the diocese by providing resources, training, materials, etc so that all people are able to be included and active participants in the life of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Madison.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a Disability Liaison or Mental Health Advocate for your Pastorate, please contact our office for more information.

**FRIDAY, SEPT 29 -
SUNDAY OCT 1**

**AT ST. JOHN THE
BAPTIST CHURCH
IN WAUNAKEE
209 SOUTH ST.**



MADISON DIOCESAN
**EUCCHARISTIC
CONGRESS**

All are welcome and encouraged to attend all three days or part of the Congress. St. John's Church is accessible and has hearing assistive devices available. If there are certain accommodations you would need to be able to attend the Congress, contact the APD office.

For more information or to register to attend, visit the Eucharistic Congress website: blessedbrokenandgiven.com

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Mass Intentions and Memorials

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Christopher "Kit" Damson
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Clara Pertzborn
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Gilles Familys
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Dave Birschbach
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Dustin Helt
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Georgia Benkart
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Msgr. Thomas Campion
William Campion
Neah Hunter
Philip Marklein
Ray and Emma Ring
Ray Laufenberg
Rodger F. Ripp
Ron Trapp
Roseann, Loretta and Louis Otter
Rudy Feiner
Sharon and John Bartosch
The Deceased of the J.W. Donovan
Family
The Unborn
Verda Schmitz
Victor Schiro

**please join us
in praying for
these and all
who have died**

February 2023 - June 2023

Donors

Thank you to all who have generously donated to the Apostolate!

Audrey Lukes
Carol Birschbach
David W. and Patra L.
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The Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities is an office in the Diocese of Madison, Wisconsin which strives to promote the full inclusion and participation of persons with disabilities in the life of the Church.

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Our next Newsletter will be coming out in November 2023!

Television Mass Schedule

Sundays

6 am on WISC-TV Channel 3
7 am on TVW and Direct TV 14



*Thank you to
WISC-TV Channel 3
for your ongoing generosity
in providing the weekly Mass
to our viewing audience*