

Sunday Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament & Roncalli Newman

Roman Catholic Churches of La Crosse, WI

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 3, 2024

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

4:30PM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

SUNDAY

9AM Blessed Sacrament (BSP)

11AM Roncalli Newman (RNC)

8:30PM (RNC)

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday - 8:00AM (BSP)

Tues - 5:15PM (RNC)

Thurs - 7pm (RNC)

Wed/Fri - Noon (RNC)

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3:30 - 4:15PM Saturdays or by appt.

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FROM THE DESK OF FR. BILLY DODGE

In the month of November as the leaves have fallen, the weather continues to chill, the daylight shortens, it is appropriate that the Church focuses on the end of life and our final destination. November begins with the celebration of All Saints, all the people in heaven known and unknown, who are interceding on our behalf. November 2nd we celebrate All Souls day, those who died in relationship with God but need healing and purification in order to fully enter into the joy of God's presence in heaven. I encourage you to write the names of your loved ones who have died this year in our Book of Remembrance at both Blessed Sacrament (by the ambo) and Roncalli Newman (along the back wall in the Church) so as a community we can join you in praying for their peaceful repose.

We pray especially for our country with elections happening this Tuesday. Being able to vote for our government leaders is a great privilege denied to many throughout the world, so please exercise your right to vote. I know a lot of people are anxious about the results of the election. I think of Padre Pio's famous phrase, "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry!" In the end our ultimate trust remains in God's plan for the world.

AROUND THE PARISHES

Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation does NOT meet on Wednesday, November, 6th. Families should work on at-home lessons 2-1: Death, Judgement, and Resurrection and 2-2: Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory. We will see you again on November 13th for a special night to help us prepare for Advent.

Families with Children preparing for First Reconciliation

There will be the first of two large group meetings on Wednesday November 20th from 5:30pm-6:45pm at Mary Mother of the Church for all families with a child preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. An optional meal will be provided from 5:00pm-5:20pm. At least one parent and the child preparing to receive the Sacrament must attend. Questions? Contact Kristin Johnson at 608-788-5483 Ext. 4 or kjohnson@mmoclacrosse.org

Roncalli Newman Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner - Tuesday, Nov. 19

The seasonal change outside highlights that the annual **RNC Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner** is just around the corner! Make plans to join us for a wonderful time of fellowship and gratitude on **Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 5:15 for Mass followed immediately by the dinner** in the Basement Hall. We need and are calling on both **stationary** members and **students** to volunteer their time and talents to make this event a success. Sign-up sheets are located at both entrances. Let us know **you're coming** and **select your role** to help create a memorable Thanksgiving experience for all!

AROUND OUR PARISHES & COMMUNITY

Boards of Hope Thank You!

A huge thank you to all of those who donated to Habitat for Humanity by signing the Boards of Hope last weekend. This will all help in getting a home for someone in the Coulee community.

BREAD for the WORLD - BREAD SALE FUNDRAISER

BAKERS are needed for Saturday, November 9th to help bake bread in the Newman Kitchen starting at 9:00 AM. Parishioners are also needed to bake quick breads and muffins in their homes and donate them for the bread sale. Breads will be sold after the 11:00a.m. Mass at Newman Sunday, November 10. Breads must be labeled with ingredients. Drop off in kitchen or before Mass.

Volunteers to sell the bread off carts before and after the 11:00 AM Mass on November 10th at Main and State St. doors. Contact Wanda W. if available to volunteer either on the 9th or 10th - wjwochos@charter.net or call 608-782-1235

COATS FOR KIDS (and adults)

Thank you for your generous donations for Jail Ministry, the WTC Student Closet, and the Salvation Army/ Catholic Charities Coats for Kids. We will continue to collect all gently used warm winter wear for all ages. Men's coats especially needed. The bins/totes/baskets are at the doors at both Newman and BI Sac. for your donations to keep Jesus in the disguise of the poor warm this winter. Matt. 25:40

Condolences

Condolences to the family of Jeanette Hammes, longtime parishioner whose funeral was at BSP this past week. May Jeanette be at peace with our Lord.

Help celebrate the feast of St. Nick with the homeless!

New to the Advent Fair this year is "Gifts from St. Nick." The Women's Club is celebrating the feast of St. Nicholas (Dec. 6) with the homeless at the Warming Center by donating 40 bags of food, each filled with one day's worth of travel food for one person. Each bag covers all three meals with snacks, a special treat in honor of the feast day, and a prayer card of St. Nick. We are seeking monetary donations to help cover the cost of bulk food purchases. Our total fundraising goal is \$500. Any donation amount is welcome. The cost to fill a single bag, when purchasing bulk, is only \$11. Extra food from the bulk purchases and any money raised over the target amount will be donated to the Warming Center to help restock its supplies. Donations can be sent to the Blessed Sacrament Parish office by Nov. 15 (Donations will also be accepted during the Advent Fair on Nov. 16). Cash and check accepted. Please make checks payable to the Blessed Sacrament Women's Club (memo: St. Nick). Can't donate at this time? Drop St. Nick a line; your prayers for the project are always appreciated!

Radiating Joy: The Michelle Duppont Story | In Theaters November 12 - One Night Only!

Join audiences nationwide for a one-night-only theatrical release of *Radiating Joy*, a heartwarming documentary film about the life of Michelle Duppont. A Former FOCUS missionary, Michelle's story of unwavering faith and joy in the face of a courageous battle with cancer is a powerful reminder of the peace that comes from trusting in God's plan. Her journey invites us all to reflect on the power of faith that comes from living for Christ. Gather your friends, family and parish community for an uplifting evening at the movies. Don't miss this opportunity to see a truly remarkable story of faith and love on the big screen.

Date: November 12th, 2024

Showtimes: 4pm & 7pm

Location: Check your local listings at FathomEvents.com

Tickets: Available now! Visit FathomEvents.com to purchase tickets.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 9/10

Sat, Nov 9, 4:30 PM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Mary Jo Werner	Reader (1)
Paul Thompson	Reader (2)
Jennifer Kulzer & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Brian & Robbie Del Rosario	Servers
Chip & Alice McQuire Backlund	Hospitality Ministers
Dave Schreier	Sacristan/MC
Paulette & Peter Drozdowicz	EMHCs

Rosary Leaders at Blessed Sacrament

11/09 4:30pm - Mary Schuttenhelm
11/10 9am - Deacon Dave and Marie Allen

Sun, Nov 10, 9:00 AM (Mass at Blessed Sacrament)

Patty Keil	Reader (1)
Kristin Sullivan	Reader (2)
Chris Dresen & Mary BD	Cantor & Accompanist
Isaac & Dominic Sullivan	Server
Michele Cook & John Gallagher	Hospitality Ministers
Karen Gamoke & Scott Smerud	Hospitality Ministers
William Arnold	Sacristan/MC
Donna & Larry Lee	EMHCs

Sun, Nov 10, 11:00 AM (Mass at Roncalli Newman)

Mark Thorn	Reader (1)
Ellen Thorn	Reader (2)
Andy Manson & ME Haupert	Cantor & Accompanist
Alex Boland	Server
Carol Knox & Suzanne Verdoliva	Hospitality Ministers
Paul & Cindy Patros	Hospitality Ministers
Sue & Paul Grant	Gift Bearers
Debbie Clarkin	Sacristan/MC

AROUND OUR PARISHES & COMMUNITY

November 16th Advent Christmas Fair Approaching:

-Still looking for volunteers! Service Hours are available for our Advent Christmas Fair... set up Thursday Friday, Saturday, St Lucy Cinnamon Rolls, Lunch service, help in kitchen or dining room area, Secret Store helpers. Sign up sheets at your school or check with the "chairs" or Barb 608-784-6974

-How are your Advent Christmas Donation Project jars filling up?

--**Children's Secret Store:** Donations are being collected outside Barb Swieciak's garage, 149 S 24th Street La Crosse. NEW candles, jewlery, mugs, tools, dolls, toys, jigsaw puzzles, and pet gifts, and more are gratefully accepted. Lists of more items being collected are located on the box, as well as in the BSP Narthex. Thank you very much!

What Are You Looking For?

The first question that Jesus asks in John's Gospel is, "What are you looking for?" He is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus' response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest.

If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

4:30pm BSP +Nil & Lil Hengel

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

9am BSP +Mike Opitz

11am RNC +Jack Niedfeldt

8:30pm RNC

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

8am BSP +Mary & Lou Ritter

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8am BSP +Mary Crowley

5:15pm RNC +Mary Jenks

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8am BSP +Stephen & Marian Pavela (SCHOOL MASS)

Noon RNC For Newman Parishioners

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8am BSP +Robert Skemp

7pm RNC +Jean Gadow

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8am BSP +Andy Nevelle

Noon RNC For Priests of the Diocese of LaCrosse

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

4:30pm BSP +Don Gallagher

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

9am BSP +Elizabeth & Karlton Keppel

11am RNC +Jack Neidfeldt

8:30pm RNC

BSP Scrip Program

Looking for ways to save on Aquinas schools tuition and/or support the parish and our Catholic schools? BSP offers a variety of giftcards like Kwik Trip, Festival, Woodmans, Walmart, Target, Culvers, and more! When you purchase a gift card, a certain percentage goes directly to a designated student of your choice, or a student in need of tuition assistance. This is a great way to give back just by doing your everyday shopping. Stop by the SCRIP office any weekday from 9am-12pm or by the table in the Narthex after the 9am Mass to learn more and purchase.

That Man Is You Mens Group Saturdays

Saturdays 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the BSP hall. All men of the parishes are welcome and encouraged to join us! We'll be discussing how to be true men in today's culture, and how we can become the husbands, fathers, brothers and men God is calling us to be. The BSP school gym is open simultaneously for wives and children.

Stewardship of Treasure 10/27

BSP \$6,088 | RNC \$5,431

Thank you for your support!

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

A Minute with Jesus: You receive Jesus Himself in Holy Communion

God desires that you spend eternity in heaven with the Blessed Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus was willing to die for you so you may be united with Him forever in heaven.

However, you can be united with Jesus even now, by receiving Jesus in holy Communion.

Your closest union with Jesus on earth is receiving the holy Eucharist – Jesus Himself – at Mass.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, help me to receive Your love. Strengthen my faith to believe that when I receive holy Communion at Mass, I receive You. I am so thankful for You, that You want me to be with You now and forever in heaven.*

This week, read how Jesus teaches us that if we eat the “living bread” – the holy Eucharist – we will live forever in John 6:48-58.

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AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

Voting as Catholics

What is a Catholic perspective on politics and voting? For resources, including materials from the bishops of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) and the U.S. Catholic Conference (USCCB), visit diolc.org/faithful-citizenship or scan the QR code to the right.



Calling all couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025 or 2026

Every year we are honored to do something special for couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Each couple receives a packet and certificate, as well as an invitation to attend one of three celebrations that includes Mass with the Bishop followed by a dinner. We use information provided by your parish's records to know where to send the packets and invitations. We are preparing for the anniversaries happening in 2025 and would like to get a head start on the 2026 anniversaries as well. Please contact your parish office to ensure your wedding date is listed in the parish's records.

RNC Homebound Parishioner

Do you enjoy playing board games? There are a few homebound RNC parishioners looking for someone to come and visit and play board games with. If you are interested, please contact Sandy in the office.

Cathedral Organ Recital

The final concert in a series of three autumn organ recitals will be performed at the Cathedral (530 Main Street, La Crosse) on Sunday November 10 at 3:30 pm by Gail Archer. Dr. Archer is an international concert organist, recording artist, choral conductor, and lecturer. She is College Organist at Vassar College and Director of the Music Program at Barnard College, Columbia University, in New York City. The recital will be about one hour in duration. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be accepted. Ample parking available. The program is "A Concert for Peace" and consists of music by Russian and Ukrainian composers—fascinating repertoire that is rarely heard in the United States.

Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit at MMOC:

In the history of the Catholic Church, there have been Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. This Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15-year old from Milan, Italy. The Exhibit will be available for viewing at Mary Mother of the Church parish on Saturday, Nov. 9th thru Monday, Nov. 11th, with a presentation by Patrick Brueggen on Monday, Nov. 11th at MMOC (2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, WI) at 7pm. We highly encourage you to view the exhibit during this Year of the Eucharistic Revival.

Viewing times at MMOC, of the Exhibit and Relics are:

Saturday, Nov. 9th 3 pm to 6 pm (Mass time is 4 pm)

Sunday, Nov. 10th 7 am to Noon (Mass times are 8 am and 10 am)

Monday, Nov. 11th 5 pm to 7 pm Speaker Patrick Brueggen at 7 pm.

All are welcome to attend. No reservations necessary. This event is sponsored by Mary Mother of the Church PCCW & Men's Club.

Karuna Inc. Gala

Karuna Inc. has been diligently working to address the urgent issue of inadequate housing, providing a safe and stable environment for individuals experiencing homelessness, and is thrilled to announce their first annual Home for the Holidays Gala. Save the date for Saturday, December 7th, at the La Crosse Country Club. Join us for a special evening featuring dinner, music, auctions, and more. Visit <https://www.karunahousing.org/gala> to purchase tickets, sponsor, or donate. Or contact Kristine Hall at kristinehall3@outlook.com or 612-803-3684.

Saint James & Providence Academy 58th ANNUAL HOLLY BERRY FAIR.

WHEN: Saturday, November 9, 2024, 8am-2pm. WHERE: In the Providence Academy Gymnasium. 716 Windsor St. across the street from St. James Church. WHAT: Booths include Bakery (We have lefse!), \$5 Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Win a 55" LED Smart TV! Visit Santa from 9am-Noon. Homemade Beef Stew & refreshments available for dine in or take out.

BSP in need of Volunteers to drive for Mobile Meals

Mobile Meals - Blessed Sacrament is looking to add to their list of volunteers.

It takes no more than 1 1/2 hours per month to deliver meals to the homebound. If interested, please contact Carol at 607-787-1191.

Help celebrate the feast of St. Nick with the homeless!

The Women's Club is kicking off a new project this year called "Gifts from St. Nick." We will donate 40 canvas grocery bags filled with food to the Catholic Charities Warming Center in order to celebrate the feast of St. Nicholas (Dec. 6) with the homeless of La Crosse. Each bag will contain one day's worth of travel food for one person, along with a special treat in honor of the feast day and a prayer card of St. Nick.

We are including **breakfast** (cereal, milk, juice), **lunch** (ramen noodles, water, fruit cup), **supper** (stew, fruit cup), **snack items** (Pop-Tarts, breakfast bars, granola bar, beef stick, tuna salad kit), **a nutritionally unnecessary sugary treat** (cream-filled wafers), and **a prayer card** of St. Nick for the homeless to make it through the day.

We are seeking monetary donations to help buy bulk quantities of the necessary items to fill the bags. **Our total fundraising goal is \$500.** Any donation amount is welcome. **The cost to fill a single bag, when purchasing bulk, is only \$11.**

Extra food from the bulk purchases and any money raised over the target amount will be donated to the Warming Center to help restock its supplies.

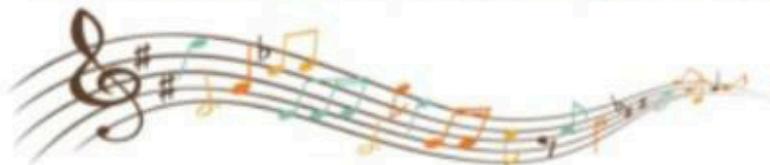
Donations can be sent to the Blessed Sacrament Parish office by Nov. 15 (Donations will also be accepted during the Advent Fair on Nov. 16). Cash and check accepted. Please make checks payable to the Blessed Sacrament Women's Club (memo: St. Nick).

Can't donate at this time? Drop St. Nick a line; your prayers for the project are always appreciated!

(Special shout-outs to the Social Justice Committee for its generous donation of the funds to purchase the bags, and to Jim Stemper for his generous donation of St. Nick prayer cards.)

Thank you for your consideration!

Out-of-Our-Minds Chamber Music Series 2024–25



All concerts will be in
the Viterbo University
Nola Starling Recital Hall.
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

CONCERT 1 – REGENLIED

Saturday, Oct. 5, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Michelle Elliott, violin | Mary Ellen Haupert, piano | Thomas Hunt, horn | Ann Schoenecker, soprano
Works for violin, piano, horn, and voice by Johannes Brahms

CONCERT 2 – THREE LAKES

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024 at 3 p.m.

Jonathan Borja, flute | Mary Ellen Haupert, piano
Works for flute and piano by Philip Glass, Daniel Dorff, Amanda Harberg, and Amy Beach

CONCERT 3 – WINTER TRAVEL

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024 at 3 p.m.

Harry Baechtel, baritone | David Richardson, piano
Multi-media performance of Franz Schubert's *Winterreise*

CONCERTS 4 AND 5 – TO MY DEAR FRIEND, HAYDN

Saturday, Jan. 25, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 26, 2025 at 3 p.m.

Artaria String Quartet
Six string quartets dedicated to Franz Joseph Haydn
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

CONCERT 6 – 1875

Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Michelle Elliott, violin | Busya Lugovier, viola
Derek Clark, cello | Mary Ellen Haupert, piano
Piano quartets by Dvořák and Brahms



CONCERT 7 – SMOKE ON THE WATER

Saturday, April 5, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Jennifer Campbell, soprano
Jefferson Campbell, bassoon
Kristina Gullion, violin
Monika Sutherland, cello
Mary Ellen Haupert, piano
Works for voice, bassoon, piano,
and strings by women composers

Hand in Hand

Hand in Hand is a new Catholic community for women in the La Crosse area. We will meet the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month from 8:30-

10:30 am at Mary Mother of the Church in the basement of the parish hall. We will be growing in our faith through a Bible study and child care will be provided for your children. Our goal is to create a community of love and support while also growing in our faith. Those without children are welcome to attend as well. Coffee and snacks will be provided. Looking forward to seeing you Nov 1 in the basement of the parish hall at Mary Mother of the Church. To register scan the QR code and fill out the form. If you have any questions please contact BrieAnn McKenna

319-230-0895.



JOIN US FOR THIS IN-PERSON, FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT!



St. Nicholas Celebration

• A FEAST OF GENEROSITY •

Get to know this beloved saint and the traditions around his feast day, make festive crafts, enjoy supper together and help us bring gifts to the hospital!

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5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday

December 6, 2024



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November 16th 2024

Third weekend in November
One week before the opening of
deer hunting season.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Advent Christmas Fair From our Heart and Home to Yours



130 Losey Blvd
South, La Crosse
From 8am - 2pm
Please use the
parking lot or side
streets

Please keep the Drop Off area open for those with special needs.
Use Losey Blvd. entrance.

Raffle Baskets (drawing at 1:45 need not be present to win)
Giving Tree, Children's Secret Store, Grandma's Pantry,
Cache of Jewelry, Catholic Family Room,
Attic Treasures, Book Nook (with kids' corner while you shop)
St Lucy Cinnamon Rolls 8-9:30,

11:30am - 1:30pm Special meal in Bethlehem Square
foods which Mary and Joseph would have enjoyed ~ \$8/person
or in The Shepherds' Field (free will offering)

more information parish web site

Welcome to Bethlehem
House of Bread



Saturday, November 16th
Blessed Sacrament Advent Christmas Fair
130 Losey Blvd South, La Crosse, Wisconsin
New this year!

Bethlehem Square in our Parish Center
Join us from 11:30-1:30 for a meal of shredded chicken
topped with caramelized onions, and
a sample of foods that Mary and Joseph would likely
have encountered on their way to Bethlehem
along with a beverage

Pre ticket sales will begin in October
after the Masses at Blessed Sacrament Church
\$8.00/ticket

(Alysha Del Rosario will have more information)





Blessed Sacrament Advent Christmas Fair

Children's Secret Store

Saturday, November 16, 2024 8 – 2pm

**Blessed Sacrament Parish Center
130 Losey Blvd South**

Our Children's Secret Store is a place where children can do their own Christmas shopping with the help of an older student or adult, all at "child friendly prices".

They will wrap their gifts and bring them home for the special people on their Christmas gift list. Smiles abound as the children are so excited to be able to surprise their loved ones while choosing the gifts themselves.

It is set up in the Conference Room of the Parish Center area to allow the children to have a "Secret Store" away from the larger Fair.



During our annual Advent Christmas Fair at
Blessed Sacrament Parish

130 Losey Blvd. South, La Crosse

We have a new destination...

Shepherds' Field

A simple lunch for the children of homemade bread,
cheese, fruit served from 11:30-1:30

Contact Rachael 1-770-364-5243 for more information,
to donate your time, homemade bread, cheese, fruit.

See you there!

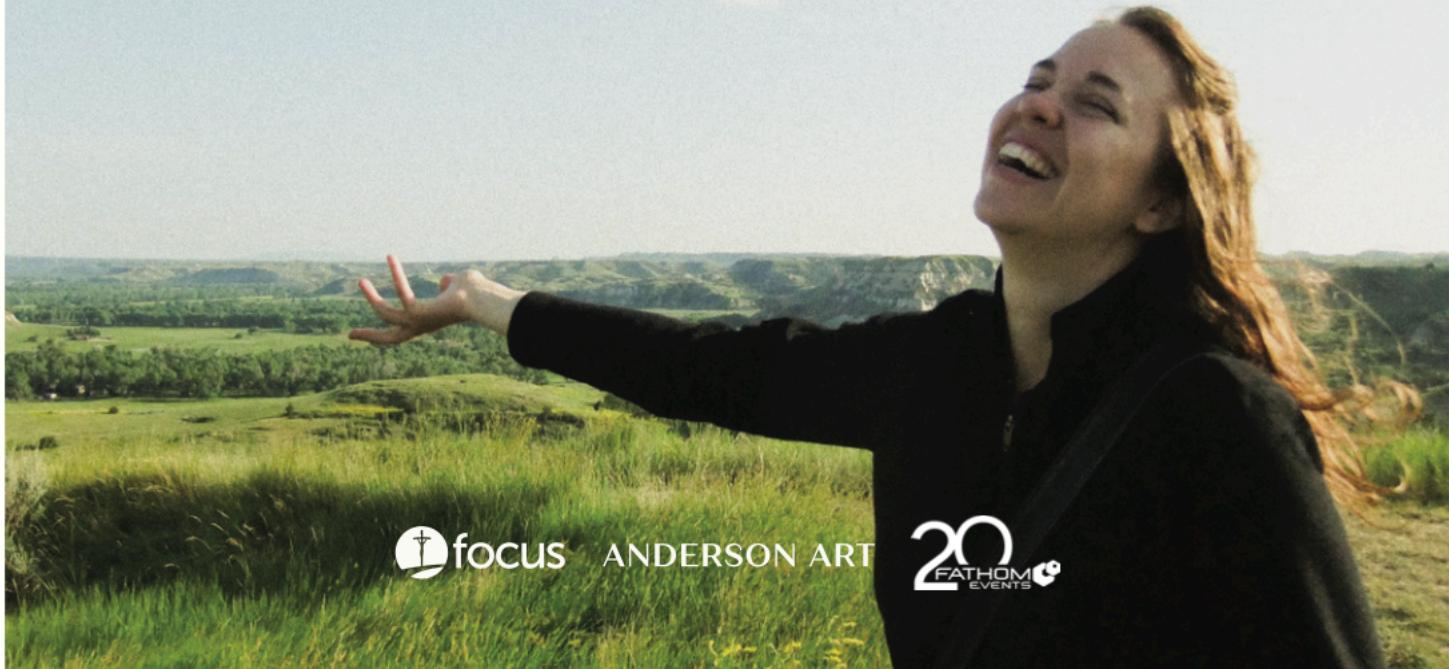
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