

## St. Mary Parish

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#### **Parish Office**

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Hours

Monday Closed Tuesday - Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

#### **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

Daily Adoration 1 hour prior to Daily Mass except Saturday

Tuesday 6:00pm Wednesday 7:00am Thursday-Saturday 8:00am First Friday 7:00am

Sunday

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am 10:30am

#### **Confessions**

Saturday 4:00pm-4:45pm Sunday 7:00am-7:30am 9:45am-10:20am First Friday 6:00pm-7:00pm

#### **Parish Staff**

Rev. Fr. Gregory A. Michaud Pastor

Emergency Cell: 906.282.2049

Judy Conner

Coordinator of Religious Education

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### June 30, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mark 5:21-43

"In the divine image He created them male and female: He created them." Genesis 1:27

Dear Family,

Following is a letter from St. Louis of France. His memorial celebration is August 25th. He was a king of France and was a devout, faithful, Catholic husband, father, and king. The letter is to his son and I think, in our times today, everyone – Church leader, political leader, parent and godparent, aunt, uncle, you name it...all of us – could learn from and pass on the wisdom contained in his few short lines. St. Louis, pray for us!

"My dearest son, my first instruction is that you should love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your strength. Without this there is not salvation. Keep yourself, my son, from everything that you know displeases God, that is to say, from every mortal sin. You should permit yourself to be tormented by every kind of martyrdom before you would allow yourself to commit a mortal sin.

If the Lord has permitted you to have some trial, bear it willingly and with gratitude, considering that it has happened for your good and that perhaps you well deserved it. If the Lord bestows upon you any kind of prosperity, thank Him humbly and see that you become no worse for it, either through vain pride or anything else, because you ought not to oppose God or offend Him in the matter of His gifts.

Listen to the divine office with pleasure and devotion. As long as you are in church, be careful not to let your eyes wander and not to speak empty words, but pray to the Lord devoutly, either aloud or with the interior prayer of the heart.

Be kindhearted to the poor, the unfortunate and the afflicted. Give them as much help and consolation as you can. Thank God for all the benefits he has bestowed upon you, that you may be worthy to receive greater. Be just to your subjects, swaying neither to right nor left, but holding the line of justice. Always side with the poor rather than with the rich, until you are certain of the truth. See that all your subjects live in justice and peace, but especially those who have ecclesiastical rank and who belong to religious orders.

Be devout and obedient to your mother the Church of Rome and the Supreme Pontiff as your spiritual father. Work to remove all sin from your land, particularly blasphemies and heresies.

In conclusion, dearest son, I give you every blessing that a loving father can give a son. May the three Persons of the Holy Trinity and all the saints protect you from every evil. And may the Lord give you the grace to do His will so that He may be served and honored through you, that in the next life we may together come to see Him, love Him and praise Him unceasingly. Amen."

Now, that's a letter to a son! Wow! May we all help one another accordingly. God bless and Mary keep you!



#### **Weekly Calendar**

Monday, July 1 - Office Closed

Memorial of Saint Junipero Serra, priest

Tuesday, July 2 – No Mass

Wednesday, July 3

Feast of Saint Thomas, apostle

6:00am Eucharistic Adoration 7:00am Mass: † Mavis Langton

Thursday, July 4 – Office Closed

Memorial of Independence Day 9:00am Mass: † Roger Ingold

Friday, July 5 – First Friday

Memorials of Saint Anthony Zaccaria; priest; Saint

Elizabeth of Portugal

7:00am Mass: † deceased members of the

Boyer and Turczyn families

7:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00pm Confession 7:00pm Benediction

Saturday, July 6 – Incense Free

Memorial of Saint Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr

8:00am Mass: † Janet Oben and Diane Olson

4:00pm Confession

5:00pm Mass: † Gene and Donald Bryan

Sunday, July 7

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am Confession

8:00am Mass: St. Mary's Parish Family

9:45am Confession

10:30am Mass: † Darrell and Myrna Poeschel

**General Parish Information** 

Father Greg's Emergency 906.282.2049

**New Parishioners** We invite you to join St. Mary's Parish

family! Please contact the Parish

Office at 715.743.3840

Prayer Chain Parish Office – 715.743.3840

Meal Ministry Mary Sladich – 715.743.4466

Elizabeth Ministry Renee Schoen – 715.743.4059

Holy Matrimony Contact with the parish is required

six months to one year before marriage. Preparation begins with

the first contact.

**Baptisms** May be celebrated during or

following any of the Masses. Preparation classes are required. Please call the Parish Office for

details.

Prayer Shawl
Ministry

Gretchen Fitzmaurice 715.486.6674

Weekly Collection June 22-23, 2024

 Tithe
 4,902.00

 Student
 3.35

 Offertory
 530.25

 Total
 \$5,435.60

Weekly Budget \$5,600.00

Green Envelope Fund \$50.00

**Liturgical Ministries** 

**Reminder** – If you are unable to fulfill your assignment please remember to get a replacement. Thank you!

Saturday-Sunday July 6-7

<u>Lectors</u>

5:00pm 8:00am 10:30am Mary Hartung Dr. Gregory Phyllis Carney

Foster

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<u>5:00pm</u> <u>8:00am</u> <u>10:30pm</u> Cindy Hoeser Jack Bob Barth

Hammond

**Altar Servers** 

5:00pm 8:00am 10:30am

Andrew Hoeser Colton, Carter Theodora

Adam Hoeser and Clayton Hannasch

Hannasch Kennedy Kren

<u>Cantor</u>

10:30am Lorraine Spencer JoAnn Blum

**Ushers for July** 

5:00pm 8:00am 10:30am Donald Kotcon Robert Bautch Wayne Opelt Michael Norks Jack Dan Schreiner Russell Ratsch Hammond Mike Gross Eugene Walter Jr Jim Langreck Tom Silbernagel John Langton

**Rosary Leader** 

5:00pm 8:00am 10:30am Larry Hoeser Rick & Donna Phyllis Carney Kuhn

<u>Proverbial Wisdom</u>

Do not be afraid.

Open wide the doors to Christ.

--Pope St. John Paul II

#### **Parish Announcements**

## Come and Pray

First Friday Adoration Friday, July 5, 2024 7:30 am to 7 pm

Confession available from 6 pm to 6:45 pm with Benediction to follow

Sign-up sheet located in the carport vestibule

"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." St. John Paul II, Church of the Eucharist Encyclical (April 17, 2003).



Come and Spend Time with Jesus

<u>Mass Update</u> - Father Greg will be gone Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, there will not be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5pm or daily Mass that evening at 6pm. The Daily Mass time for Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup> will be at 9am.



<u>Cooperative Program</u> - Fr. Peter Manickam, Pastor of St. Maximillan Kolbe will be here Saturday and Sunday July 20th & 21st to speak to us about St. Joseph's Orphanage. The diocese of Kumbakonam, S. India

sponsored this project. St. Joseph's orphanage is managed by (SMMI) Salesian Missionaries of Mary Immaculate. 125 orphan children are supported with education, uniforms and sanitary facilities. Fr. Peter is grateful for the opportunity to speak about this mission. "Do small things with great love", St. Mother Teresa.

The Word Among Us - The Word Among Us publication will be available through the summer months for all parishioners. The Word Among Us features uplifting and thought-provoking meditations based on the daily Mass readings. The July/August issue talks about Jesus' invitation to receive his New Wine of the Holy Spirit, and it includes an article about Blessed Benedetta Bianchi Porros and an article about Mike Timmis, chairman of Prison Fellowship International, and his decades of service in prison ministry. Please pick up a copy as each issue becomes available and experience the joy of hearing from God in Scripture each day! You will find them in the carport vestibule. Thank you to St. Mary's PCCW for sponsoring the book throughout the summer.

<u>Choir members</u>: In observance of July 4th we will not have practice July 1st. Next practice is July 8th. See you there! Lorraine

# CATHOLIC EDUCATION Faith Formation News





**Reminder** - Please complete registration forms and submit payment for this fall's Family Formation and CCD programs (K-12th grade)! The \$10 discount expires June 30. After that there will be an additional \$10 fee. Materials will need to be ordered

in early July in order that we receive the Family Formation packets for the September start date of Family Formation.

Please continue to pray for our families, children, teachers and the program! All of your prayers are important! God hears each one!



Our theme for VBS this year is "Children of the King". Please join us in learning more about how we can learn to grow in holiness and reverence to our King. There will be songs, crafts, snacks and games along with lessons. Dates are July 29-August 1 from 9 am to

12 noon. Children ages 5-10 (grades K-5) are encouraged to sign up in the Narthex. We are in need of middle, high school youth or adults to assist with the day's activities. Please sign up in the Narthex.

Adventure Camp – There is 1 week available yet this year for Adventure Camp which is July 7-12, 2024. This week is for youth in grades 6-12. The cost is \$450 per person (including adults) Funds are available thru the Family Life Committee to help with cost. For more information, registration link, click here: diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/.



Christmas in July – The Junior Confirmation Class at St. Mary's Parish is heading up a fundraiser for the families at the Ronald McDonald House in Marshfield, WI. They will be collecting unwrapped gifts for the families in the month of July to distribute at

Christmas time, ages 0 – 18. If you would like to participate and donate a gift, please put the unwrapped gift under the Christmas Tree that will be displayed in the Narthex. You can also donate Christmas and Birthday wrapping paper along with tape if you wish!! Thank you for your generosity!

Save the date to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of St. Mary's Church Building, Sunday August 18, 2024 after the 10:30am Mass. We will also celebrate Father Greg's 15 years of being a Priest along with Father Nate's 10 years and Father Alex's 1 year. Also, Sister Anna Cecelia's final vows into the sisterhood, which has been 3 years. Father Woody will be joining us to celebrate his birthday too. There will be a pig roast with coleslaw, beans and cheesy hashbrowns with beverages and dessert. If you are interested in helping set-up and tear down please see the sign-up sheet in the carport. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office.

Historical Knowledge Wanted!!! With the upcoming celebration of the Church building's 100th anniversary, Jody Conner is updating the St. Mary History document. We are especially hoping to find some additional historical pictures. Could you look through your family pictures for anything relevant to St. Mary's. We are especially keen to find a photo from the dedication on July 5, 1925. If you have something, please leave it at the office or contact Jody Conner at (715) 650-0682. We will return any photos after making copies. Family accounts relating to St. Mary's are welcome as well. Thank You.

#### **PCCW News**

Hold the Date! The PCCW will have a Summer Buffet Wednesday July 24th, serving from 4pm to 7 pm. Silent Auction items needed, please drop them off at the office. Ladies will be calling between July 5th thru July 16th. "Don't be afraid to answer the call to showcase your specialty dish...Salad, hot dish, sandwich, or dessert". Remember, all ladies of the parish are a special part of the PCCW! We are counting on your generosity and participation!



PCCW Summer Buffet Callers should pick their labeled packet up in the carport vestibule. Directions are included. Deadline to return the packets is July 16th. Calling should be done between July 5th and July 12th.

Thank you for assisting with this task, and making our Summer Buffet a success!

#### Substitute Volunteers Needed for Prison Rosary Project

Every Friday night from 6-8:00 pm, inmates at Jackson Correctional Institution (JCI) in Black River Falls gather in the prison chapel to make Rosaries, a ministry funded by the Diocese of La Crosse. Each Rosary is unique in color and design. When volunteers Tom and Melanie Frei cannot be there for a Friday night, they need volunteers to substitute for them. If no volunteer is available, the men cannot gather. To certify as a volunteer, there is an application process to complete in order to enter the prison. If you have been seeking a unique and deeply meaningful ministry, please contact Melanie at melaniefrei55@gmail.com or call her at 608-397-9390.



#### 4 Person K of C Charity 9 Hole Scramble Sunday, September 8 @ 3:00 PM



Hole in One Contest Too With A \$10,000.00 prize!

Cost: \$45.00 per person for non-members of the Neillsville Country Club - \$35 for members of NCC (cart not included)

Cost includes: Golf, refreshments, hole prizes & steak dinner

Additional Steak Dinner tickets available at \$20 each!!!

#### Men and Women invited

Raffle with a \$250 1st prize and \$100 2nd prize 50/50 Raffle Too!

Portion of Proceeds Go To Our Local Seminarians

Contact Larry Hoeser (937-5831) to sign-up.

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 4963



Just a reminder that if you are participating in the Diocesan Annual Appeal this year to please have your pleage form in by the deadline date of June 30, 2024.

**Diocesan Annual Appeal** 

2023-2024 Assessment \$45,050.00 As of June 27, 2024 \$45,650.00

Parishioner participation: 39%

Please prayerfully discern your pleage and return your card in the offertory collection or mail it directly to the Diocese of La Crosse. Thank you to those who have already submitted their pleage for this year.

