



St. Mary Catholic Faith Community

9520 West Forest Home Avenue
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*"Celebrating spiritual growth, centered in Christ,
through Word, Sacrament and Service."*

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am

Rite of Reconciliation:

1st Saturday of the month:
11:00am - 11:30am .
or by appointment

Parish Office Hours:

8:30am to 4:30pm Monday – Friday
5:30pm to 8:00pm Monday – Thursday (limited services)
8:30am to 12:00 Noon on Saturday (limited services)

Registering to the Parish:

New-to-the-parish families and individuals are welcome and invited to join St. Mary Catholic Faith Community. Young adults should join as members. You may register at the Parish Office (weekdays) or the Communication Center before or after any weekend Liturgy. Registration is required for Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Preparation, Confirmation and enrollment in the Religious Education Programs.

Infant Baptism:

Baptisms take place the second and fourth weekends during the liturgies and on the third Sunday at 1:00pm. Please call the Parish Office, 414-425-2174 during the first trimester. If adopting, call when arrangements are certain. Baptism preparation work is required for parents.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry:

The food pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month from 3:00pm to 4:30pm or by appointment. To schedule an appointment, contact the Parish Office at 414-425-2174, ext. 210 Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm.

July 25, 2010 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LITURGICAL

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 26 - Joachim and Anne

8:15 am Mass
† Grace and John Orlando
† Francesco Sanfilipo

Tuesday, July 27

8:15 am Mass - Anointing Liturgy

Wednesday, July 28

8:15 am Communion Service

Thursday, July 29 - Martha

8:15 am Mass

Friday, July 30 - Peter Chrysologus

8:15 am Mass

Saturday, July 31: 4:00 pm - Ignatius of Loyola

12:00 pm Wedding of Michael Schneider
and Kinsey Spiess
2:00 pm Wedding of Daniel Marko
and Elizabeth Luetzow

Sunday, August 1: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

† S. Fredette
† David V. Wagner (anniv.)
† Daniel N. Bujanovich, Sr.
25th Wedding Anniversary
of Bob and Kris Chmielewski

Altar Servers/*Cross Bearers

Saturday, July 31

4:00 pm * Allie Konkol, Harrison Bartolomei, Austin Hamlin

Sunday, August 1

7:30 am * Gino Mueller, Casey Kotowski, Ben Hermann
9:00 am * Charlie Bieser, Tyler Kreutzer, Mary Bieser
11:00 am * Joe Falzon, Sam Wanezek, Jada Falzon

In Loving Memory

May the Risen Lord grant eternal rest and peace to:

James Rynders, husband of Lyna, father of Eileen and Monica.

Chris Raimann, wife of Dr. Tom, mother of Elizabeth and Margaret.

Leonard Forecki, husband of the late Virginia, father of Karen (Richard) Waraksa and James Forecki.

The Catholic Faith Community of St. Mary extends our condolences to their families and friends. May they find comfort in God's love and promise.



Spiritual Progress - Let each one remember that we will make progress in all spiritual things only insofar as we rid ourselves of self-love, self-will, and self-interest. - St. Ignatius of Loyola

From Fr. Matthew's Desk:

A COMMON QUESTION that I've been asked since I've arrived at St. Mary's is, "do you like it here," or "what do you think about St. Mary's?" One of the realities that I have realized about St. Mary's is that the parish is truly full of life and vitality. Looking back at my calendar from last month I was amazed by both the diversity and multitude of activities that filled it. Liturgies, anointings, baptisms, pastoral care visits in hospitals and nursing homes, marriage preparation meetings, scripture study, men's spirituality group, meal program ministries at St. Ben's, Repairers of the Breach and the St. Vincent de Paul site, spiritual direction meetings, our youth leaving to serve at Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Vacation Bible School, and of course the extravaganza that is our annual parish festival, and I know that I'm not even coming close to mentioning half of the ministries that have found life in this parish. St. Mary's is indeed a happening place!

Another reality that I have noticed about St. Mary's is that there is a great deal of pride that goes along with being a member of St. Mary's. I have been involved in a number of different parishes over the course of my six years in seminary training and I have never been at a parish where people are so eager to tell me how long they have been a member. I have gotten the perception that once someone comes to St. Mary's and gets involved it becomes awfully hard to leave.

Along with the sense of pride that goes with being a member of St. Mary's, I have also admired the sense of pride that everyone here takes in being involved in the many ministries of the parish. It has been especially inspiring to hear some of the volunteers at the festival speak of how they use some of their vacation time in order to serve at the festival, or to hear of our many pastoral care volunteers speak of how they have begun communion services at nursing homes and bring the Eucharist to the hospitalized and homebound. St. Mary's is not a parish that is content to rest on the status quo but takes tremendous pride in continuing to sacrificially reach out and go the extra mile in order to make Christ's love manifest.

It is hard for me to believe that it has now been just over a month since I began serving at St. Mary's. I am so grateful to everyone who has continually gone out of their way to welcome me and set me up for success. Everyone from our wonderful sacristans who make sure everything is set up for Mass, to the all-star staff here at St. Mary's which has been so patient with me in teaching me the ropes, to so many of you who have gone out of your way to introduce yourselves (sometimes more than once) and share your stories with me, I cannot thank each one of you enough. St. Mary's is a Christian community that truly does, "welcome the stranger," with open arms. It is truly a great blessing to be a priest at this parish and I look forward to continuing to get to know you better as we seek to serve the Lord and one another.

God Bless,

Fr. Matthew

LITURGICAL

Listening to God

Familiarity, in the case of the Lord's Prayer, probably hasn't bred contempt in most of us, but it certainly can breed a kind of inertia. The words we speak in prayer run the same risks as all our other human words: they can be spoken hastily, thoughtlessly, carelessly. In a manner parallel to the words we say in the Lord's Prayer - "forgive us as we forgive others" - today might be the day to invite God to "listen to us as well as we listen to you." Today might be the day to listen to the Lord's Prayer with newly attentive ears.

Let us learn from the example of Luke's Jesus, who would not instruct others how to pray until he himself had been a man of prayer. Moreover, listen carefully to the follow-up Jesus gives for the prayer itself. In our quick-fix society we must heed the call to persistence; in a world that puts glib explanations on difficult situations we must continue to seek and knock; in our all-too-humanness, we must be open to the patience, grace, and wisdom of the will of God. Do we want the Lord to listen to our voice? Maybe we can start by listening to God's.

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Cosmic Negotiations

If there was ever a cosmic negotiation, it is the Lord's prayer. First, we praise God, then we list our petitions: We need food, please. Oh, and forgiveness; and please do not make the temptations harder than we can bear. Amen.

In return, we offer the assertion that we also forgive those who do us wrong, and we are nowhere near as just as God. But Jesus knows we are not as good as our intentions. He adds the little story about the man who will not help his neighbor out of friendship but will capitulate in the end out of exasperation. That is more like us. We forgive those who wrong us because it is often more practical to do so. Even psychology tells us that we have a personal investment in forgiveness: It is the healthy choice, over the gradual descent into mental illness which comes from holding a grudge.

What makes God God is that God does not need a reason or motivation to forgive us. God shows mercy because it is the nature of love to be merciful. If we ask, if we seek, if we knock, we will be served. That is a cosmic negotiation worth pursuing.

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Wedding Banns

- III Michael Schneider and Kinsey Spiess
- III Daniel Marko and Elizabeth Luetzow
- II Nicholas Smith and Erin Leech
- I Kevin Little and Amber Meyers

Readings for the Week of July 25, 2010

Sunday - Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Monday - Jer 13:1-11; (Ps) Dn 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday - Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday - Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday - Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6b; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday - Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday - Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday - Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

In Preparation for Next Week:

Questions of the Week



How would you define the purpose of your life?
How does what you do with your days accomplish that purpose?

In what ways do you feel tugged to serve the world?

In what ways do you serve the higher realm of God's kingdom?

Action Response

Put your treasure in lasting things this week. Give time to someone who asks for it. Give money to someone who cannot pay you back. Give love to those who depend on you.

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August 1, 2010 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading - Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Psalms - If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

Second Reading - Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel - Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (Luke 12:13-21).

Pray For

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| Joseph Anderer | Anne Kapke | "Ron" - V.A. |
| Ed Benoit, Jr. | Carrie Anne Knitter | Debbie Sands |
| Pat Benoit | Lisa Konitzer | Benjamin Scott |
| Tom Bindas | Graham Kunisch | Helen Scheid |
| Pattie Carus | Glenn Lawson | Helen Slowinski |
| David A. Christensen | Pat Lindner | Joli Stewart |
| Helen Craig | Mary Lownik | Joshua Stewart |
| Jan Dankert | Gerdi Machnitzky | Judy Strucel |
| Don and Ellen | Frank Niescier | Leroy Strye |
| Barbara Ernest | Joe Olson | Dawn Wachs |
| Robert Fischer | Fran Peterson | David Wells |
| Joseph Foy | John Peterson | Carol Anne Werkowski |
| Gloria Hapka | Tracy Renner | Mary Wood |
| Margaret Inhoff | | |

"exploring the Sunday Readings" is available in the Communications Center before and after all Masses.

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 25

Monday, July 26

3:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Tuesday, July 27

7:30am Jumpstart to Employment Room 312

6:30pm * Fr. Chuck's Scripture Study Room 312

8:00pm Men's Basketball Community Centre

Wednesday, July 28

7:00pm Respect Life Board Room

Thursday, July 29

9:00am Church Cleaning Church

Friday, July 30

Saturday, July 31

** SVdP School Supply Drive Gathering Space

Sunday, August 1

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* Approved for 1.0 Scripture, .5 Theology and 1.5 Maintenance Clock Hours at the Basic, Intermediate and Advanced levels.

** Before and after all masses on Saturday and Sunday.

Thinking About Becoming a Catholic?

Have you been thinking now is the time to look into becoming Catholic? Maybe you've been coming to St. Mary's for awhile with a family member or friend and are wondering if this is the Church for you. Maybe you are visiting us for the first time.



We would be glad to answer your questions and to discuss the **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** process. As you learn more about the Catholic Church and its teachings, you will be better able to discern if this is God's call for your life. Contact the Parish Office at 414-425-2174, to find out more. You never know unless you ask!

Lifelong Faith Formation Registration

NOW is the time to register your children/youth, who are in public schools, K-4 through 10th grade,

for religious education classes! The forms can be found on our parish website under LLFF. Please register as soon as possible so we can have adequate catechists, books and supplies ready. If you have any questions, call the Formation Office at 414-425-3101.

Theology-on-Tap

July 12 - August 5 · All Sessions Begin at 7:00 pm

Various locations throughout Southeastern Wisconsin

A four-week summer speaker series for young adults, married and single, in their 20s and 30s, and of all denominations. Free and no registration is required. Some topics include:

- Addressing Historical Issues - The Crusades
- The Journey of Faith is Not for Wimps - It May Be Hard But God Has Your Back
- Heaven and Hell: A Catholic's Guide
- Christ the Great Storyteller
- See You at Mass! Our Call to Full and Active Participation in the Life of the Church

For a complete listing of locations, topics, and presenters, please visit www.johnpaul2center.org or call 414-758-2213.

St. Martin of Tours Blood Drive

Monday, August 9, 1:30 - 6:30 pm

St. Martin of Tours Parish Gym · 7963 S. 116th Street

For more information or to make an appointment, call Jim or Barbara Lauby at 414-427-6341. Walk-Ins are welcome. Bring photo ID. Volunteer! Be a Hero! Sponsored by St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church Human Concerns Committee.

Just-FAITH

St Mary Catholic Faith Community

Fall 2010 - Spring 2011

JustFaith will be held on Wednesday nights starting in September and running through May (30 weeks).

Engaging Spirituality is being held on Thursday nights starting in September, approximately three times a month through March (21 weeks).

Justice Walking for High School Students is being held on Sundays for 12 weeks beginning in September (some of the 12 meetings will be Saturday immersion/service days and will not add to the total number of meetings). There will also be a weekend immersion/retreat to Chicago as part of this process.

Please contact Pam Lownik for JustFaith programming schedules at 414-425-2174, ext. 356, or pick up calendars/flyers for each program in the communication center this weekend.

Congratulations 2010 Festival Booster Raffle Winners!

\$6,000 Dennis Neuburg
 \$2,000 Mary Heinzl
 \$1,000 Don Arntz
 \$ 750 Lynn Taylor
 \$ 500 Jane Betlej
 \$ 250 Audrey Gavin

BE THE COMPASSION OF CHRIST HANDS & HEARTS TOGETHER

Living our mission

“In the pursuit of peace and justice, we strive to be the compassion of Christ, as we advocate for and minister to those in need.”

Ask, Seek, Knock!!!

Figuring out how to live the Christian life in our complex world can be quite an adventure. It takes time to figure out the route. It takes time to undertake the trip. Figuring out how to work for justice and peace is a journey and an adventure. To use the images of the gospel, it involves a lot of asking, seeking, and knocking. It is something that is worked out over time in the midst of ambiguity and struggle. It is best supported by a community of faith, hope and love.

The Scriptures today remind us not to be afraid of the search for justice and peace. Don't be afraid of "bargaining with God" just as Abraham sought out justice for the people of his time. Don't be afraid of seeking out something of importance. Don't be afraid of making your needs known. Don't be afraid of making known the needs of the poor and the powerless. Don't be afraid of asking questions. Don't be afraid of engaging the many important concerns of the world.

Abraham spoke to God. So can you. You can speak truth to power. We can all speak truth to power.

Searching is part of implementing Catholic Social Teaching. No one of us knows all the answers. No one of us can fix the whole world and its problems. However, all of us can and do have a courage and faith that comes from our relationship with our God. Great things are possible. As John Paul II wrote: "Rediscover today with joy and wonder that the world is no longer a slave to the inevitable. This world of ours can change."

Quotes

“No one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There's too much work to do.”

- Dorothy Day

“Genuine progress does not consist in wealth sought for personal comfort or for its own sake; rather it consists in an economic order designed for the welfare of the human person, where the daily bread that each person receives reflects the glow of love between sisters and brothers and the helping hand of God.”

- Paul VI, Populorum Progressio, 86

Friday July 16 - Brown Bag Lunch Program

Last Friday we took lunches down to share at Repairers of the Breach. We ate with, prayed and shared stories with the members of the Repairers community. One man named Steve shared the following story: “I was in jail for a period of time; I have not always made the right choices in my life. I clearly remember one day walking around the jail yard. I was feeling very alone and wondering where God was in my life. Suddenly I noticed that there was a pile of sand with one set of footprints in it. I then remembered the story of "Footprints in the Sand". And then it hit me. I was not walking alone...Jesus was carrying me! It was a turning point in my life. From that moment forward I have woken up each day meditating on how I will best serve Jesus that day...and praying that he will give me the strength to do what is right.”

The biggest need they have at Repairers right now is for men's tennis shoes sizes 9-15, socks and underwear. **If you have lightly used men's tennis shoes in these sizes or can donate new socks or underwear please bring them before August 20, place them on the racks indicating that they are for “Repairers of the Breach”.** Our High School parishioners will be preparing lunches and sharing them on August 20. We will deliver donated items at that time. Thanks for your support.

Lumen Christi Employment Network South

This network which assists those laid-off, unemployed, underemployed, and those proactively searching for a new position, is now available to help you “jump start to employment”.

- **Network Services** - Weekly meetings providing Christian support, advice and resources to help people cope with and overcome employment-related challenges. Advice on networking, resume writing and interview techniques.
- **Who Should Attend?** - Anyone, regardless of faith or employment background, experiencing or concerned about job loss, underemployment, or thinking about changing their career path.

On **Tuesday, July 27**, the employment networking group will meet at **St. Mary at 7:30 am in Room 312**. Contact Timothy Pappas at 414-271-1975 or tpappas@pappasdelaney.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date!



A Dinner Auction Benefiting
St. Mary Parish & School

The 15th Annual Royal Affair
"A Night Under the Stars"
Saturday, November 6th 2010
at the
Harley Davidson Museum

Boy Scout Troop 530's Aluminum Can Collection

Saturday, July 31, 9:00 - 11:00 am in St. Mary's lower parking lot. Please remember to save and donate your aluminum cans to this worthy cause, and ask your neighbors to do the same. The boys of Troop 530 thank you for your support. For more information call 414-427-8219.

"Praise in the Park"

A Catholic Evangelistic Bilingual Spanish/English Event

Saturday, August 7, 9:30 am - 8:30 pm
Coast Guard Area Shelter in McKinley Park

1700 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive · Milwaukee Lakefront
Inspirational talks by Catholic Evangelists, Fr. Alejandro Marca and Mark Nimo. Praise and worship music led by St Francis of Assisi's and St. Michael's multicultural parish choirs as well as "Jam for the Lamb" Life-Teen group from St. Joseph, Big Bend. Healing prayer, children's program and more! Bring a picnic lunch, an umbrella for shade and a lawn chair. No registration fee. Free-will offering. Visit ccrmilwaukee.catholicweb.com.

Celtic Spring will perform two concerts to benefit the production of a free new treasure for students, teachers and religious, the interactive, **"Ancient2Digital Edition of the New Testament"** (endorsed by Bishop William P. Callahan).

Wednesday, August 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
St. Charles' Holy Family Center · Hartland

Thursday, August 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
St. Jerome's Auditorium · Oconomowoc

Doors open at 6:15 pm. \$10 per person, \$30 per family. Purchase tickets by calling 707-225-2585, by PayPal at HomeRuniversity.com or email HomeRuniversity@gmail.com.

CCYM (Collaborative Community Youth Musicals)
Production of **"Annie"**

August 12, 13 and 14 at 7:00 pm
and August 15 at 1:30 pm
South Milwaukee Performing Arts Center

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and children ages 4 to 10, and children under 3 are free if seated on an adult's lap. Purchase tickets by contacting the box office at 414-766-5049. \$0.50 service charge on credit card orders.

YOUNG AT HEART

Young At Heart Quarterly Newsletter

The July issue of our quarterly newsletter was mailed on July 6. If you are a member and have not received your copy, please call Wes at 414-425-7087 and we will send you another copy. The July issue informs you of all our activities during September, October and November.

The Musical "Carousel"

Do you like musicals by Rogers and Hammerstein"? Melodies and lyrics that stay with you for years and years? Join us on **Wednesday, August 18 at 9:30 am** when our motor coach will be leaving St. Mary's parking lot for lunch at the Prairie Moon Restaurant in Evanston, Illinois and then afterward to the **Cahn Theatre** for a showing of **"Carousel"** with a full orchestra, beautiful costumes and great singing. We will return at about 5:30 pm. \$75.00 for members and \$78.00 for non-members. To register, please complete the bottom portion of the flyer in our April newsletter or call Jo at 414-422-1123.

Care for a Bit of History in Wisconsin?

On **Saturday, September 25** our motor coach will be leaving St. Mary's parking lot at **9:30 am** for **Greenbush, Wisconsin**. Our first stop will be for brunch at the Country Crafts Barn near Plymouth with its unique menu and a chance to shop various arts and crafts. Following brunch we will stop at the Wade House to visit an 1844 house and a village that became a regular stop for the stagecoach lines between Sheboygan and Fond du Lac. The Kohler family has completely restored the entire village to its pre-Civil War days. Later, we will watch a full-scale re-enactment of a Civil War battle with hundreds of soldiers, cavalry horses, cannons and other equipment from the Confederate and Federal forces. We will be able to tour among the troops to see their camp and a variety of hands-on demonstrations. Civil War-era civilians and women will be an integral part of the show. \$58.00 for members and \$61.00 for non-members. We will return at about 5:30 pm. To register, please complete the bottom portion of the flyer in our April newsletter or call Jo at 414-422-1123.

Festival Thank You

The chairpersons of main raffle booth at our parish festival would like to send a huge **"Thank You"** to all the Young at Heart members who volunteered their time and energy to work in our booth. We also want to thank all the parishioners who donated the prizes that were raffled off at the end of the festival Sunday night. Your generosity contributed to the success of the entire festival.

Time Is Running Out



The deadline is nearing for **Catholic Herald Parenting's 2010 Cover Photo Contest**.

Photo entries will be accepted until **Friday, August 6** and should be sent to Catholic Herald Parenting, PO Box 070913, Milwaukee, WI, 53207-0913 or emailed to

chnonline@archmil.org. For complete details on the photo contest, see www.chnonline.org.