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*St. Mary Parish of Appleton
is a Catholic faith community that makes Eucharist the
primary celebration of our unity in Christ.
We are committed to nourishing spiritual needs and
responding with our gifts to Jesus' call to stewardship
both locally and in our world.*

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CONFESSIONS:

Saturday – 9 AM

Other times by request

Privacy is assured

BAPTISM: Please contact Sr. Joanne at the
parish office

MARRIAGES:

Congratulations on your engagement.

Please contact Deacon Gerry at the parish
office at least 6 months before your planned
wedding date

MASSES:

Daily: Tues. & Fri. 8:30 AM

Wed. Thurs. 12:05 PM

Saturday evening: 4:30 PM

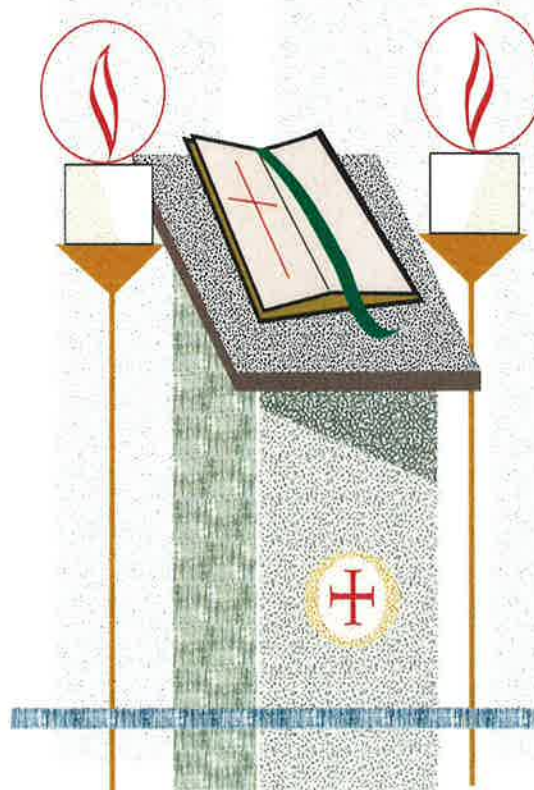
Sundays: 8, 9:30, 11 AM

Holydays: see bulletin

Summer Mass Schedule:

Saturday evening: 4:30 PM

Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 AM



**IF TODAY
YOU HEAR
THE VOICE
OF THE
LORD**

**HARDEN
NOT
YOUR
HEARTS**

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*Be intent on things above
rather than on things of the earth*

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**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 31, 2016**

Lord, make haste to help me!



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., August 1 12:05 PM Mass at St. Joseph
Tues., August 2 8:30 AM Joseph & Vivian Kaufman Family
Wed., August 3 12:05 PM Wally Vetter
Thurs., August 4 12:05 PM Dominic DiFalco & Joan Perkins
Fri., August 5 8:30 AM Florian Vogel
Sat., August 6 4:30 PM Virginia & Tom Scheiber
Sun., August 7 8:30 AM St. Mary Parishioners
10:30 AM Nicholas & Sedella Jacob

IN LOVING MEMORY

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for those who have lost a loved one. We especially remember the family of Joseph Gimenez and the family of LaVonne Ritzman. May fond memories comfort you during this difficult time.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Warming Shelter Week!

August 1 (Mon) 6:30 THEO/Community Rm.
August 2 (Tues) 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl/SJ209 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel 6:00 PM Quilting Group/L6 6:30 PM Pastoral Council Mtg./Community Room
August 3 (Wed) 10:00 AM ROCKs meeting/L7 12:05 PM Mass 12:40 PM Adoration 6:00 PM Prayer in the Park/Lutz Park
August 4 (Thurs) 12:05 PM Mass
August 5 (Fri) 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
August 6 (Sat) St. Joseph Food Program Monthly Collection 9:00 AM Confessions/Church 4:30 PM Mass
August 7 (Sun) St. Joseph Food Program Monthly Collection Masses: 8:30 & 10:30 AM 12:00 PM Vintage Age Brunch/Red Ox

Prayer Requests: Contact Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) or Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com) if you have a prayer need. Please include the requests in our prayer basket: a new job, for a family member to be safe & happy, financial difficulties, and in thanksgiving.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OFFICE: July 18-July 22 \$1679.00
CHILDRENS: \$30.00
WEEKEND: July 23-24 \$7580.87

In Joy and Sorrow PONDERING TOGETHER THE TREASURES OF OUR FAITH

On these days, it seems that our whole world is being shaken to its core. We, in turn, are also being shaken at the center of our being. The hatred and violence, the prejudice and discrimination, the terror and brutality, the heart-crushing grief and the terrifying nightmares, the self-righteousness and the perceived need to circle the wagons and to keep everyone out who may be different -- all of this, and more, shakes us up at our core. We should be feeling shaken up. If we were not, I would worry that we had lost our sense of solidarity and compassion for our sisters and brothers who are suffering so much. I would worry that our hearts had become self-centered and impervious to the pain of others. It hurts to hurt with others but I believe it is the least we can do as we remember in our prayers the pains and losses of people in Minneapolis, Baton Rouge, Dallas, Orlando, Nice (France), Kabul (Afghanistan) and Munich. St. Paul reminds us to mourn with those who mourn. This is what it means to be a member of the Body of Christ. But St. Paul also reminds us that we always have reason to hope.

So, I offer a poem and a story for your reflection. The playwright and former President of the Czech Republic, who spent a number of years in prison because of his dissident initiatives, Vaclav Havel writes this:



Hope is a state of mind, not a state of the world. Either we have hope within us or we don't. Hope is not a prognostication - it's an orientation of the spirit. You can't delegate that to anyone else. Hope in this deep and powerful sense is not the same as joy when things are going well or the willingness to invest in enterprises that are obviously headed for early success but rather an ability to work for something to succeed. Hope is definitely not optimism. It's not the conviction that something will turn out well but the certainty that something makes sense regardless of how it turns out. It is hope, above all, that gives strength to live and to continually try new things even in conditions that seem as hopeless as ours do, here and now. In the face of this absurdity, life is too precious a thing to permit its devaluation by living pointlessly, emptily, without meaning, without love, and finally, without hope.

And now the story: Once there lived a blind woman in a small town. She always carried a lighted lamp in her hand whenever she went out at night. On a dark night she was going on her merry way, lighted lamp in her hand, when she passed a group of young people travelling the other way. On seeing the blind woman they began making fun of her, saying, "O blind woman, why do you carry the lighted lamp? You are blind and cannot see anything." At which the blind woman politely responded, "This lamp is not for me, but for the people who have eyes. You may not see a blind woman coming and walk right into her." At this the young people fell silent, looked at one another uncomfortably, apologized, and shuffled off.

Possessing an inner spirit of hope and bringing light into all of our thoughts, words, and actions are the indestructible and always victorious antidotes to all that causes despair and hurt and grief and fear. Dark evil never has the last word. Even in the midst of the darkest of days, there are always glimmers of light that shine through brilliantly. Remember 9/11? So many first responders, firefighters and police officers gave their lives so that they could save the lives of so many others. In Munich, a young teenager shielded his twin sister from gunfire, martyring himself to save his sister. There are so many more stories of goodness. Did you follow the story of Jerika Bolen, the fourteen-year-old teenager who has terminal spinal muscular atrophy, who lives in excruciating pain every day, who, after a celebration of her prom, has decided to refuse all further treatment? The outpouring of love upon Jerika and her family came from every corner of the world. Jerika is a light and a reason for us to always have hope. Not even death itself can destroy the Holy Spirit of new beginnings that the Lord has poured into our hearts in his promise of Eternal Life. So, we pray that the spirits of so many innocent people who have died recently may be lights in our hearts that no evil can ever extinguish! Let us try to remember that it is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness! How will you light a candle this coming week?.....Father Bill +

St. Joseph Food Program Collection next weekend August 6 & 7

Please bring any drink item such as powdered milk, tea, fruit juices, hot chocolate mix, or coffee. No glass containers please. Place in totes by the altar. Thank you!



August 30 & 31 – Door County Retreat

Come for the day or stay overnight! Enjoy the peace and beauty of Door County. Watch upcoming bulletins for more information.

FUN IN THE SON • For Grades 6-12 •

August 9: NOAH'S ARK

Depart @ 7:45 AM, return @ 8:30 PM. Cost: \$50 per person.

Registration deadline: Tuesday, August 2

Contact Peter Leitemann for more information (738-7413).

This Sunday, the Fox Valley Chorus of Sweet Adelines International - a vital, award-winning part of the Fox Valley music scene for over 45 years - is joining us at the 10:30 Mass. FYI - guests are welcome at their Tuesday evening rehearsals! For more information, contact Shirley Mercier (739-3511).

Adult Inquiry into the Catholic Church

We are told Catholics seldom invite others to share their Catholic faith. Do you know of someone in your family, neighborhood, or group of friends who is without a Church? Do you know of someone who seldom attends the Church to which he or she belongs? Would you extend an invitation to put him or her in touch with us? We will gladly answer initial questions and assist in his or her further search! Call Sister Joanne at 739-5119.

Don't miss the next Vintage Age Brunch!

Sunday, August 7 @ noon

Red Ox Seafood & Steakhouse

2318 S. Oneida Street, Appleton



Adult Faith Formation Events

Prayer in the Park – Lutz Park, Appleton

Wednesday, August 3, 6-7:30 PM

Pray along the Fox River. Join one of our small groups (centering prayer, summer meditation on peace, or lectio divina) or just pray on your own! Bring a lawn chair. Cold bottled water will be available.

An Evening for Women – St. Joseph Holly Hall

Thursday, August 11

"Doing it All: Finding God in the Chaos" by Deborah Gretzinger

6:30-7 PM: Registration, Social, and Summer Treats

7-8 PM: Talk – Doing It All

Please pre-register for these events by contacting Carol Jensen – phone (739-3700 x22) or email (cjensen@stmaryparish.org).

Silence and Sunset – Thursday, August 4

Held rain or shine at Sister Joanne's Community Convent, located at 3110 Nicolet Dr., Green Bay, WI. The evening begins with prayer at 6:30 PM. Then you can pray privately, read, walk the beautiful grounds, enjoy the sunset over the bay, or paint the beauty you see (materials provided). Evening closes with prayer and refreshments. Car pool by calling Sister Joanne 739-5119.

Receptionists Needed

St. Mary is looking for a receptionist for the first Thursday morning, and first and third Thursday afternoons of the month, beginning September 1. This volunteer position involves greeting visitors & parishioners, answering & directing phone calls, and completing other light office duties as assigned. Interested? Call the parish office at 739-5119 and ask for Julie or Annie!

St. Mary & St. Joseph Young Adult Summer Picnic

If you are between the ages of 21 & 39, join us to meet and pray on Sunday, August 21 at noon, at the home of Mike and Laura (615 N. Union Street). Come right after mass! Brats, burgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided! Please bring a dish to share and a lawn chair. Bring a friend! Bring a co-worker! Bring your kids! All are welcome! Please let us know by noon on August 19 if you can join us so we have enough food on hand. RSVP Carol (739-3700 x22) or (cjensen@stmaryparish.org).

Alpha Celebration Night

Thursday, August 25 – 6:00 PM

St. Mary Community Room

Have questions about faith? Been away from the church? Need a refresher or boost for your faith?

Join us as we share a meal together & watch the film "Is There More to Life Than This?" We'll also share more information about the Alpha program, which begins in September. No pressure – just good food, good people, and good community! Guests are always welcome so feel free to bring a friend or family member.



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Building & Grounds Maintenance Associate – St. Bernadette

Immediate opening for a hardworking, dependable individual to fill this part-time position. The B&G Maintenance Associate will: provide housekeeping & basic maintenance for buildings as needed, prepare, arrange & clean rooms for meetings/events as assigned, and assist the B&G Maintenance Supervisor with the maintenance and security of the church facilities (including buildings & grounds) so as to ensure a safe and welcoming environment. Lifting & loading ability weight to vary - 50 to 100 lbs. 20-25 hours per week required, with additional hours at times to cover workload/vacation/sick days. Benefits included. This is a permanent part-time position that may lead to full-time. Please send your resume by **August 12, 2016** to St. Bernadette Parish, Attn: Patty Eichhorst, 2331 E. Lourdes Dr., Appleton, WI 54915 or by email to (peichhorst@saint-bernadette.org).

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