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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

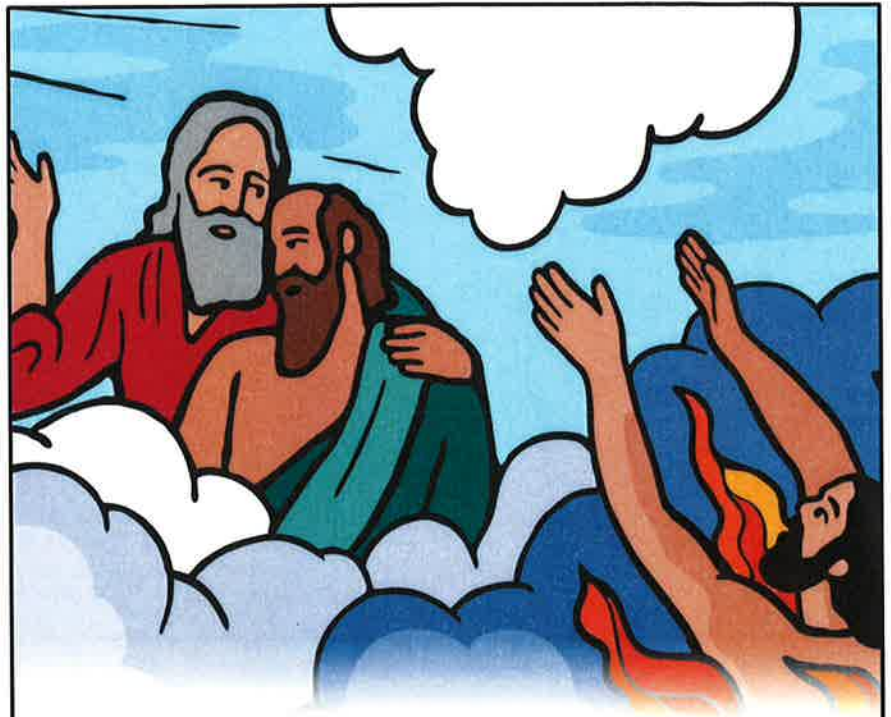
Sundays: 8, 9:30, 11 AM

Holydays: see bulletin

Summer Mass Schedule:

Saturday evening: 4:30 PM

Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 AM



## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.'" Lk 16:25

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## SEPTEMBER 25, 2016



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Mass Location/Minister. Includes dates from Mon., Sept. 26 to Sun., Oct. 2.

WEEKLY EVENTS

September 26 (Mon)

- 6:30 PM Fundraiser Meeting/Large Conference
6:30 PM Handbells/Choir Loft
6:30 PM Scripture Study/L7

September 27 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
11:30 AM Children's Choir/McDonald St Campus
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl/SJL9
2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
6:30 PM First Reconciliation Enrollment/St. Joseph
6:30 PM Emmanuel Choir/L5

September 28 (Wed)

- 11:30 AM Children's Choir/Oneida St. Campus
12:05 PM Mass
4:30 & 6:30 PM IPRF Classes
5:45 PM IPRF Choir/St. Anne Room
6:30 PM Adult Choir/St. Anne Room

September 29 (Thurs)

- 11:30 AM Children's Choir/Marquette St. Campus
12:05 PM Mass
6:00 PM Alpha/Community Room
6:30 PM First Reconciliation Enrollment/St. Mary

September 30 (Fri)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
10:00 AM Scripture Study/SJ 214

October 1 (Sat)

- 9:00 AM Confessions/Church
4:30 PM Mass

October 2 (Sun) - Scholarship Sunday

- Masses: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Babysitting available during 9:30 Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9:30 Mass
Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 & 9:30 Masses

CONTRIBUTIONS

OFFICE: September 12 - 16: \$3860.00
CHILDREN'S: \$17.71
WEEKEND: September 17 - 18: \$10,754.95

Prayer Requests: Contact Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com) or Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) if you have a prayer need. Please include the requests in our prayer basket: for a loved one's return to the Catholic Church and for his peace, healing, and to know God's love and mercy.

In Joy and Sorrow: PONDERING TOGETHER THE TREASURES OF OUR FAITH

One of the hidden treasures of the Catholic Church are its teachings on social justice. All of these teachings are grounded deeply in the belief that every human person, in the womb and all the way to the tomb, has a sacred dignity because she or he is created in the image and likeness of God. Since the beginning of our faith story as recounted in the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament), God has had a special love for the "little ones," the anawim, in Hebrew. This preferential option for the little ones, including the poor, the orphans, the strangers or foreigners, and the widows, was attributed specifically to God because sometimes it is easy for us to be indifferent to them. Looking to Jesus, whose ministry had a sharp focus on these "little ones," the Church, since its beginnings, has always been sensitive to the needs of the downtrodden, the powerless, and the oppressed. All of the Church's saints, whose memories we still treasure and imitate today, had this special love for the poor.

On Tuesday (9/27), the Church remembers Saint Father Vincent de Paul, who ministered to the sick and the poor in France in the seventeenth century. He often signed his last name "Depaul", to indicate that he came from a peasant family. The nobility with his surname used de Paul as their signature. Most of us today could locate a hospital named "Saint Vincent" (we have one such hospital in Green Bay) or are aware of the compassionate ministry of a "Saint Vincent de Paul Society."

As is the case with many of our saints of long ago,



there are a number of legends that accompany the early years of Vincent's life. He was ordained a priest at the young age of nineteen. It is thought that he was kidnapped by pirates who whisked him away to some place in Tunisia, Africa. After two years, the slave Father Vincent escaped with his master, whom he had converted to Christianity. They crossed the Mediterranean Sea in a rowboat. Father Vincent most likely spent some time in Rome before returning to France. With the endorsement of an aristocratic and wealthy family, he began to establish many small groups of women in villages who ministered to the sick and the poor. Father Vincent soon gathered a group of priests around him that were involved in the same ministry. Collaborating with a rich widow, Louise de Marillac, Father Vincent founded the Daughters of Charity. This new order of religious women was directed by Father Vincent in these profound words: "When you leave your prayer to care for a sick person, you leave God for God. To care for a sick person is to pray...For a cell, your rented room; for your chapel, the parish church; for a cloister, the streets of the city; for enclosure, your obedience. . . . Fear of God is your grill, and modesty your veil." Prior to this time, religious communities of women were typically cloistered and infrequently came out of their convents. Father Vincent insisted that the Daughters of Charity minister in the marketplace and not remain hidden behind a screen (grill).

It was not until after Father Vincent's death on September 27, 1660, that the Saint Vincent de Paul Society was founded by a lay man, Antoine Frederic Ozanam, in 1883.

Saint Vincent de Paul

is the patron saint of all those who dedicate their lives to charity. At his funeral, the bishop said that Vincent had "changed the face of the Church."



One of the popular prayers of the members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society is "Open My Eyes." Open my eyes, Lord, that I may see the deepest needs of men, women and children. Move my hands that they may feed the hungry. Touch my heart that it may bring warmth to the despairing. Teach me the generosity that welcomes strangers. Let me share my possessions with those in need. Give me the care that strengthens the sick. Help me share in the quest to set prisoners free. In sharing our anxieties and our love, our poverty and our prosperity, we partake of your divine presence, O Lord. Amen. - Fr. Bill +

## Adult Faith Formation Events

\*Please pre-register for these events. RSVP Carol Jensen by phone (739-3700 x22) or email ([cjensen@stmaryparish.org](mailto:cjensen@stmaryparish.org)).

### Bible Study – The Eucharist in Scripture

Offered twice each week. Cost for study set materials: \$15 – yours to keep! Begins the week of September 26. Six sessions total for this study.

- Monday Evenings / 6:30-8 PM / St. Mary Parish Center
- Friday Mornings / 10-11:30 AM / St. Joseph Parish Center

### Planning a Funeral That Reflects Your Life

Tuesday, October 11

1 PM • with Fr. Jim Leary • St. Joseph Holly Hall

7 PM • with Sr. Joanne Goessl • St. Mary, rooms LL 1 & 3

We invite you to attend one of these sessions that will help you think about music, scripture readings, and other aspects of Catholic funerals that will help you plan a celebration of life that reflects yourself or a loved one.

### In Loving Memory

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the family of Robert D. Jome (brother of Barb Rowland). May fond memories comfort you during this difficult time. **If you have lost a loved one and would like to have them remembered in the bulletin, please call the office at 739-5119.**

### Religion Teacher/Catechist Needed



We need a catechist for a group of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders from 4:30-5:40 PM on Wednesday evenings.

We provide: training, lesson plans, materials, and a small stipend.

You provide: your faith, your time, and your unique gifts and talents.

Make an appointment with Andrew Russell, Director of Religious Ed. to discuss the possibilities and instructions for the background check, reference check, and safe environment training. (920) 733-0836 or ([andrew@inter-parish.org](mailto:andrew@inter-parish.org)).

### October Vintage Age Brunch

Sunday, October 2 • 12:15 PM

Stone Cellar Brew Pub

1004 S. Olde Oneida St. (between the locks)

Park behind the building and take the elevator to the lower level



### St. Pius X Second Annual Family Conference

“Love and Mercy Begins At Home” • Oct. 15 • 8:45 AM – 2:15 PM

Featuring speakers Mother Mary Catherine, Sister Maria Day, Mike and Marge Fenelon, and Fr. Carlos Martins. Activities for children up to 5th grade along with an in-city pilgrimage with Fr. Andrew Kurz for teens in grades 6-12. Free babysitting for children under 3. Lunch is included. See flyers in the Marian Way for more information and register online at [www.stpiusappleton.org](http://www.stpiusappleton.org).

## St. Joseph Food Pantry Collection Next Weekend!



Suggestions:

- Flour
- Sugar
- Baking Soda
- Baking Power
- Salt & Pepper
- Spices
- Mixes
- Pie Filling
- Oil & Shortening

### Cancellation

Coffee & Cookies Playdate cancelled for September 27. Resumes October 11. See you there!

### Pizza Sale Next Weekend

The Twinning Committee will be selling fresh pizzas after all Masses on the weekend of October 1 & 2. Cheese, cheese & sausage, and cheese & pepperoni will be available. \$7 each or 3 for \$20. Purchase a few and be ready with a quick dinner on those busy nights!

### Get Involved in Your Community



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#### Salvation Army-Fox Cities Needs Volunteers

- Serve meals to our clients and their families M-F from 10 AM – 1 PM. Weekly, monthly, or sub list schedules are available.
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Please contact Amanda Schmidt at (920) 955-1230. Thank you!

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