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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



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who redeems us and
who sanctifies us in LOVE

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
May 22, 2016

God immortal, three in One!



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., May 23 12:05 PM Mass/St. Joseph
 Tues., May 24 8:30 AM Pat Maloney
 Wed., May 25 12:05 PM DeWain Locy
 Thurs., May 26 12:05 PM John Barta
 Fri., May 27 8:30 AM Sedella & Nick Jacob Family
 Sat., May 28 4:30 PM Lost Souls in Purgatory
Sun., May 29 Summer Mass Schedule Begins
 8:30 AM Bill, Charlotte Diederich & John
 10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Mary

Mass Intentions Needed For Weekdays throughout the year!

If you would like a Mass said for a family member, loved one, friend, or other intention, please call the parish office (739-5119). Thank you and God bless. Note: You do not need to be present for the Mass. All who attend will be praying for the intention of the Mass scheduled.

IN LOVING MEMORY

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the family and friends of *Catherine Garvey*. May fond memories comfort you during this difficult time.

WEEKLY EVENTS

May 22 (Sun) The Most Holy Trinity
 Day of Faith at the Ballpark Tickets available after all weekend Masses/Marian Way
 7:30 AM Rosary before Mass
 Coffee & Donuts after the 8 & 9:30 AM Masses
 9:30 AM Babysitting Available

May 23 (Mon)
 6:30 PM Handbells/Church

May 24 (Tues)
 9:00 AM Playdate/Babysitting Rm
 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel

May 25 (Wed)
 7:30 PM Xavier Graduation

May 26 (Thurs)
 1:00 PM Homebound & Nursing Home Visitors Mtg/L1

May 27 (Fri)
 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
 9:00 AM Putting Flags on the Veterans' Graves/Cemetery

May 28 (Sat)
 9:00 AM Confessions/Church
 4:00 PM Rosary before Mass

May 29 (Sun) Corpus Christi
Summer Mass Schedule Begins
 8:30 & 10:30 AM
 8:00 AM Rosary before Mass
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May 30
MEMORIAL DAY MASS
 9 AM St. Mary Cemetery Chapel



CONTRIBUTIONS

OFFICE: May 7-13 \$2,837.00

CHILDREN'S: \$31.50

WEEKEND: May 14-15-8 \$13,808.95

In Joy and Sorrow PONDERING TOGETHER THE TREASURES OF OUR FAITH

Our dear retired Auxiliary Bishop Robert Morneau inspired me, a long time ago, to become friends with the poets. Poets are intriguing people, in my opinion. They are hyper-observant and, in the silence of their hearts, bring to life words in a pattern that sparks something deep within the reader of poetry. Poetry is so different from narrative. Poetry seems to be a language that is wholly inspired by the Holy Spirit. One of my favorite poets is Mary Oliver. I believe that she has received a Nobel Prize for her poetry!

So, here is one of her poems from her book of poetry, Why I Wake Early:

Freshen the Flowers, She Said

So I put them in the sink, for the cool porcelain
 was tender,
 and took out the tattered and cut each stem
 on a slant,
 trimmed the black and raggy leaves, and set them all -
 roses, delphiniums, daisies, iris, lilies,
 and more whose names I don't know, in bright new water -
 gave them

a bounce upward at the end to let them take
 their own choice position, the wheels, the spurs,
 the little sheds of the buds. It took, to do this,
 perhaps fifteen minutes.
 Fifteen minutes of music
 with nothing playing.



Isn't the power of prayer in our lives all about "freshening!" Isn't prayer like "music, with nothing playing", maybe at most or at least fifteen minutes! As Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, India, reminded us, "The fruit of silence is prayer." The great Trappist monk and mystic, Father Thomas Merton, reminded us, too, that "a friend of Jesus is necessarily a friend of silence."

One of the blessings of my life is the opportunity to go on a retreat. I will be away next week on retreat at Saint Anthony Retreat Center in Marathon, WI. Ask Fr. Jim Leary about this place! I believe that he received most of his formation for the priesthood in the Franciscan Order in this place! In its heyday, this place was filled with young men preparing to enter the Franciscan Order. Not so any more, sadly. The Catholic Diocese of LaCrosse purchased it from the Franciscans for something like a dollar and today it serves the Diocese and beyond as a retreat center.

I will spend next week alone with the Lord. I promise to disconnect from social media, except to keep abreast of news from Rome and Pope Francis. I hope to immerse myself in the silence, to pray more deeply from the Scriptures, to continue to work through the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, which I started to do on retreat last year, to enjoy lots of long walks, and to just "freshen" up my friendship with the Lord. I am always eager for these days, which are so grace-filled and peaceful and healing and hope-filled.

Going on a retreat is about "disconnecting" in an intentional and more intense way from the busy-ness of life. Key, I think, because not all of us can go away for a whole week dedicated to silence in the Lord's presence, is to find a way to "disconnect" every day so to "connect" with the Lord. Please remember me in your prayers this week and I will be remembering all of you in my prayers, as well!

Oh, by the way, Bishop Morneau is officially retired, but continues to minister so selflessly to so many people, especially the People of God of Resurrection Parish in Green Bay!

Father Bill +

Prayer Requests: Contact Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) or Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com) if you have a prayer need. **Please include** the prayer requests in our prayer basket, relationships, safe travel, employment, and all other needs we've been asked to pray for.

A NIGHT OUT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS
6 PM Tuesday, May 31

Fox Valley Brewing Company Restaurant at Fox River Mall

Home from college or from the service? Want to re-connect with friends and your community? How's the year been for you? What's happening during the summer months? Join others home from college or the service for pizza and refreshments. It's St. Mary's Student Outreach treat! We ask that you contact Carol (739-3700 x22 or cjensen@stmaryparish.org) so we know how much space to reserve. Looking forward to being with you!

YOUNG FAMILY GATHERING/PLAY TIME
10 AM Saturday, June 4,

Plamann Park, 1375 E. Broadway Dr.

[between N Meade St & N Ballard Rd (County E)]

Kids and parents are invited to gather for a morning of play, community, and a blessing prayer. (*Parking: Pavillion lot at Plamann Park*). We'll check out the playground equipment as well as the Children's Farm. Water and juice will be provided. We invite you to bring some snacks to share. Rain date will be at the same time, but would meet in the St. Mary Parish babysitting Room (*State & 8th St. main entrance*). Call Carol at 739-3700 x22 with questions (cell: 920-540-6145).

Voice your opinion! Ask for a book or CD! Suggest a topic!
Offer to share an interest or passion! Grow in your faith!

Look for the Adult Faith Formation insert in this week's bulletin and give us some feedback so we can plan programs that meet your needs! You can also go to **Voice your opinion! Ask for a book or CD! Suggest a topic! Offer to share an interest or passion! Grow in your faith!**

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We'd appreciate having the feedback to us by June 5 so we can finish planning for the upcoming year.

Silence and Sunset: Held rain or shine at Sister Joanne's Community Convent: (*3110 Nicolet Dr., Green Bay*) June 2, July 7, August 4. Each evening begins with prayer at 6:30 PM, after which you can use time for private prayer, reading, walking the beautiful grounds, enjoying the sunset over the Bay, painting the beauty you see (*materials provided*). Evening closes with prayer and refreshments. Attend one or all. Car pool by calling Sister Joanne (739-5119).

PLAN AHEAD! MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

WATCH THE BULLETIN/CONSTANT CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING SUMMER EVENTS LISTED

MAY 27: MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS: If you are able to help put flags on the veterans' graves at our cemetery, please call the parish office (739-5119) OR you can come directly to the cemetery at 9 AM, Friday, May 27. Rain or Shine!



May 28-29: SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE BEGINS

Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM

May 30: MEMORIAL DAY MASS

9 AM St. Mary Cemetery Chapel



June 4-5: CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES! Come and celebrate with us at the 10:30 AM Mass, June 5, as we recognize graduates of all ages – preschool to post-grad. All graduates will receive a special blessing and high school grads will be given a small gift. Graduates should stop in the Marian Way before Mass to receive a ribbon. After Mass an ice cream social will be held in the Community Room.



HUMAN CONCERNS ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY

This collection is for pasta items, such as: any type of pasta noodles, macaroni & cheese, and any items that would go with pasta.

Remember nothing perishable.

VINTAGE AGE BRUNCH

Don't forget our first Vintage Age Brunch Sunday, June 5 at The Red Ox (2318 S. Oneida St.). This is open to all senior age men and women, married, single, or widowed. Meet at noon. No reservations needed.



June 14: FUN IN THE SUN – MT. OLYMPUS (Grades 6-12)

Depart 8 AM – Return 11 PM/St. Bernadette Parish
 Registration Deadline: June 7. Cost: \$39 per person.
 Contact Peter Leitermann for more information (738-7413)

June 26: DAY OF FAITH AT THE BALLPARK!
Mass, Tailgate, and Timber Rattler Baseball Game!

Inspiring and affordable outing for all. Ticket options, with tailgate meal included, either grass seats (\$7 each) bleacher seats (\$11 each). Tickets will be sold after Masses May 21-22 through June 21-22. They will also be available during regular office hours.



WERE GOING TO A BALL GAME!

July 9: ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH INTERPARISH MASS & PICNIC
AT PIERCE PARK 4:15 PM MASS

FREE Plate Lunch (*Sloppy Joe's or Hot Dog*)
 Bring Your Own Lawn Chair

July 26: SIX FLAGS – GREAT AMERICA (Grades 6-12)

Depart 8:15 AM – Return Midnight/St. Bernadette Parish
 Registration Deadline: July 19. Cost: \$67 per person.
 Contact Peter Leitermann for more information (738-7413)



July 19-21: FAITH FACTOR (Grades 6-12)

Cost: \$67 per person. Contact Peter Leitermann for more information (738-7413)

August 9: NOAH'S ARK (Grades 6-12)

Depart 7:45 AM – Return 8:30 PM/St. Bernadette Parish
 Registration Deadline: August 2. Cost: \$50 per person.
 Contact Peter Leitermann for more information (738-7413)

August 24: WISCONSIN TIMBER RATTLERS GAME FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Game Time: 7:05 PM
 Registration Deadline: Monday, August 8.
 Cost: \$8 per person (reserved seating)
 Contact Peter Leitermann for more information (738-7413)

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