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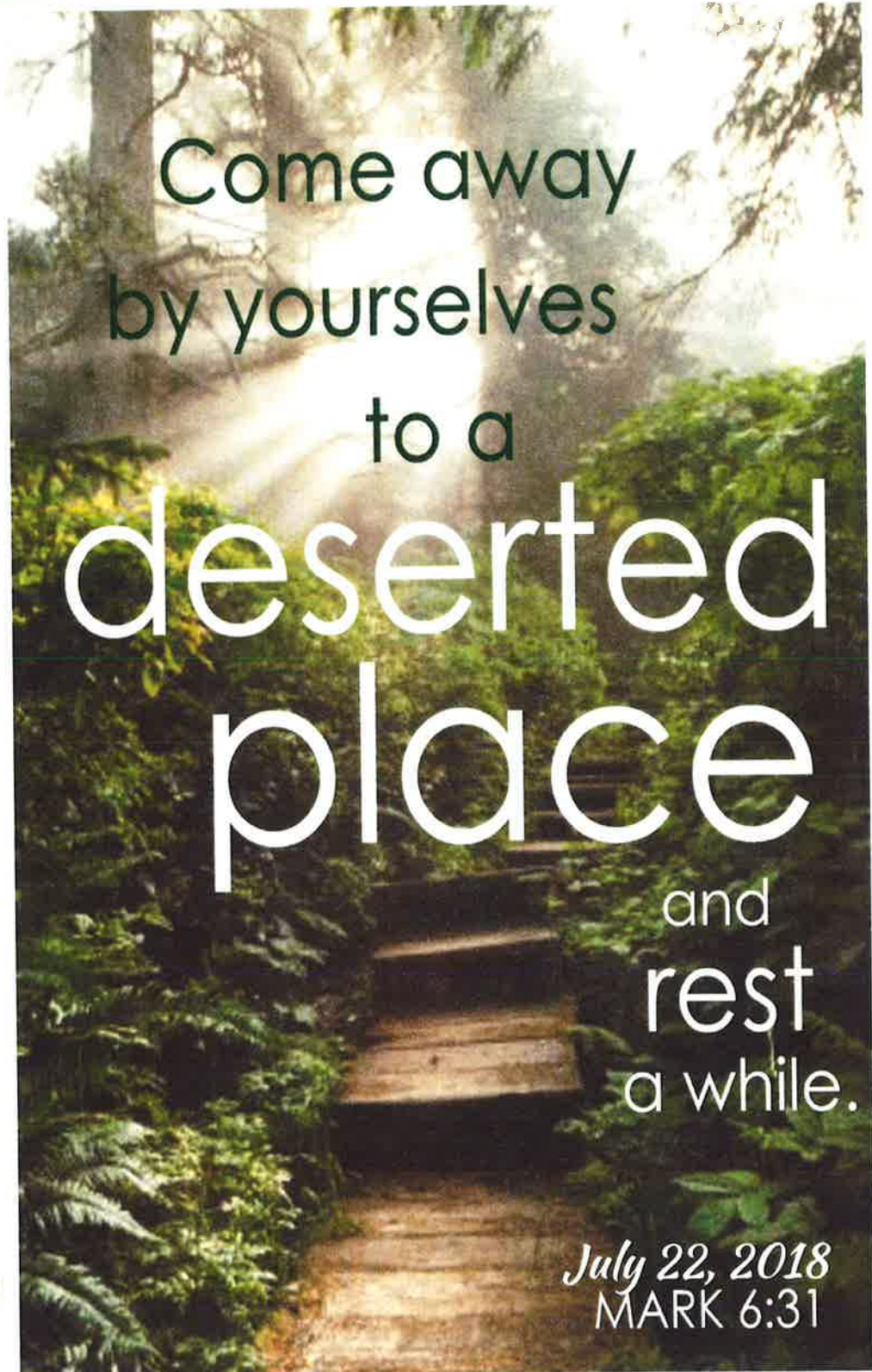
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CONFESSIONS
Saturday – 9 AM
Other times by request, privacy is assured

BAPTISM
Please contact Betsy at the parish office.

MARRIAGE
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
Sunday: 8:00 & 9:45 AM
Holy days: see bulletin





Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon., July 23	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., July 24	8:30 AM	Audrey & Harold DePrez
Wed., July 25	12:05 PM	For lost souls in purgatory and for peace
Thurs., July 26	12:05 PM	Norman Rohm
Fri., July 27	8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Mary
Sat., July 28	4:30 PM	Spiritual & Physical Well-being of Paul Gerard Engel
Sun., July 29	8:00 AM	Spiritual & Physical Well-being of Margaret Frehler & Family
	9:45 AM	Makswell Jacobson

St. Mary Weekly Calendar

July 23 (Mon)

8:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting/L6

July 24 (Tue)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

9:00 AM ALPHA/L3&4

2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel

July 25 (Wed)

12:05 PM Mass

6:00 PM ALPHA/St. Joseph

July 26 (Thurs)

8:30 AM Coffee & Cookies Playdate/Babysitting Room

9:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training/Community Room & L2

12:05 PM Mass

July 27 (Fri)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

July 28 (Sat)

9:00 AM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass

July 29 (Sun)

8:00 & 9:45 AM Masses

PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Luanne Witthuhn (dlaawi@gmail.com) or Anne Walkowski (830-1534). Please also remember the needs in our prayer baskets.

Contributions

Office— \$3,614.00 Weekend—\$7,418.62
Children's—\$16.00

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Annual School Supply Collection

AUGUST 18 - 26

ALL DONATIONS WILL BENEFIT HARBOR HOUSE

Sacristans Needed

A sacristan is a person who assists in the set up of liturgy. If you would be interested in learning more about this ministry, contact Deacon Gerry in the parish office at 739-5119.



CASA

Court Appointed Special Advocates FOR CHILDREN

Volunteers Needed!

CASA of the Fox Cities is accepting applications for its fall advocate training session which will begin on September 11 and run on Tuesday evenings from 5:30—9 PM. Our volunteers work directly with abused and neglected children. The primary role of

CASA OF THE FOX CITIES our advocates is to build and maintain a relationship with their assigned child through weekly one-hour visits and provide a voice for that child in the court system as decisions are made about their future. This is truly a unique opportunity to make a profound impact in the life of a child in the most difficult of circumstances.

The need is great. There are so many children in the Foster Care system right now that could use your help. If you share our passion for helping children, please consider attending one of the following upcoming informational sessions.

Monday, July 30: 12—1 PM

Thursday, August 16: 12—1 PM

All sessions will be held in Suite 306 of the Abby Bank Building (1500 N. Casaloma Drive in Appleton).

To RSVP or learn more, contact Jill@casafc.org or call 920-257-4733.

Baptized in water, this precious child has been clothed in Jesus.



Lucy Jo,

daughter of Nick & Julie Van Cuyk

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!

The Xavier Theatre Academy will present "Disney's Jungle Book KIDS" at 7 PM on August 2 & 3 and 1 PM on August 4 at the fully accessible Xavier Fine Arts Theatre (1600 W. Prospect Avenue, Appleton). Mowgli, Baloo, Bagheera and more colorful characters come to life onstage in "Disney's Jungle Book KIDS", a lively musical version of the classic animated Disney film.

Tickets available at www.xaviertheatre.com or the Xavier Fine Arts box office at (920) 733-8840. The box office is open from noon—3 PM on July 16 & 18, and July 23–August 3 (Monday-Friday). Walk up sales begin one hour before each performance.



PROJECT HEAT'S ON!

IF YOU:

- ✓ own your own home . . .
- ✓ are over 60 years old or disabled . . .
- ✓ have an income near the poverty level . . .
- ✓ cannot afford to have your furnace checked . . .



Contact Volunteer Fox Cities to be placed on the list for Project Heat's On! On **Saturday, September 22, 2018** Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 400 and Volunteer Fox Cities will work together to keep seniors safe in their own homes by providing a:

- ✓ furnace check
- ✓ smoke alarm inspection
- ✓ check on carbon monoxide detector

To obtain an application, call 920-832-9360 or send an email to rsvp@volunteerfoxcities.org. The deadline to apply is Friday, August 17, 2018.

Adult Inquiry into the Catholic Church

Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian?

Have you been baptized but have missed out on further sacraments and learning about your faith? Have you drifted away from worshiping in the Church of your baptism? If you have been watching these announcements over the summer and feel God is nudging you, act now! Contact the parish office at 739-5119 or stmary@stmaryparish.org.

Job Opportunities

Maintenance Coordinator

St. Mary–Greenville is seeking a part-time Maintenance Coordinator to perform routine maintenance, repairs and inspections, and coordinate set-up for parish events. Applicants should have prior maintenance experience and possess related skills. The 15-18 hour per week schedule will require some flexibility.

Full description at stmarygreenville.org/employment.

Direct letter of interest and resume to:

Carol Frahm, Director of Parish Activities
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
N2385 Municipal Dr.
Greenville, WI 54942

Faith Formation Secretary

St. Pius X is seeking a part-time secretary with the primary responsibility of supporting the Faith Formation staff including answering phones, assistance with student registration and maintenance of the Virtus program.

Qualifications include: active practice of the Catholic faith, computer proficiency including Microsoft Word and Excel as well as software applications specific to the Diocese, proficient communication skills, and is a team player who is organized and detail-oriented. Previous secretarial experience desired. This position requires working on Wednesday evenings during the school year and some weekends. Email resume and cover letter by July 27 to:

Terry Kuehl, Business Manager
St. Pius X - Appleton

administrator@stpiusxappleton.com

In Loving Memory

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the families of those who have lost a loved one. May fond memories comfort you during this time. If you have lost a loved one and would like to have him or her remembered in the bulletin, call us at 739-5119.

IN JOY & SORROW

WITH FR. BILL
SWICHTENBERG

Pope Francis often reminds us that our God is a "God of surprises." I would suggest, too, that our Pope is a Pope of surprises. One of those surprises in the Jubilee Year of Mercy 2016 was Pope Francis' decision to raise the Memorial of Saint Mary Magdalene on July 22 to a Feast of the Church. Given that the ancient title for Mary Magdalene is "Apostle for the Apostles", Pope Francis concluded that if the Twelve have Feast Days, then Mary Magdalene should have a Feast Day. She was the first witness to the Resurrection of Jesus, whose testimony was not readily accepted by the other disciples simply because she was a woman.

Let me be clear that Mary Magdalene was not a prostitute or the woman caught in adultery. Even Saint Pope Gregory the Great got this horribly wrong. Mary Magdalene was the woman from "whom seven demons were cast out." She no doubt may have been struggling with some emotional illnesses and the Lord's healing love freed her from those inner demons, once and for all. She became a close follower of Jesus and a woman who gave her heart to the Lord. Unlike the other Eleven Apostles, she did not abandon Jesus at his darkest moment. She stood with Mary, the Lord's mother, and John, the beloved apostle, at the foot of the Cross.

I believe the early church was always a bit uncomfortable with the fact that a woman was one of the first witnesses to the Resurrection of Jesus. So the Church tried to discredit this holy woman by identifying her with a prostitute or an adulteress. And, truth be told, even if she was one or the other, standing in the light of the Lord's unconditional love and mercy, he would have still chosen Mary Magdalene to be one of the first witnesses to his resurrection.

Sadly, oppression of women in our world remains

a critical human rights issue. In some parts of the world, women are still treated as subordinate to men. Women and girls are discriminated against when it comes to a quality education. Women and girls are sexually harassed and sexually trafficked. Women do not receive equal pay for the same jobs done by men.

One of the issues in our Catholic Church that is of utmost importance to many people, especially young people, is the role of women in the life of the Church. Pope Francis has opened leadership roles to women at the highest levels in our church. For the first time in our history, three women theologians are now members of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith. Even more doors have to open to holy women in our Church.

As we celebrate the complementary natures between the sexes, we certainly acknowledge the sensitivity of women, their intuitiveness, attentiveness to others, thoughtfulness, nourishing temperament, humility, and steadfastness. We also celebrate women who are entrepreneurial, daring, persistent, and sometimes defiant. I think of Dorothy Day, who was a social activist and advocate for the poor and world peace, and is on the tract to being named a saint in our Church. She was tender when needed and tough when needed.

On the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene, I think it will do our Church good to continue to have a honest conversation about how we empower women in the life of our Church. There is much more yet to do! Our young Catholic women and men are waiting to guide us all! Saint Mary Magdalene, Apostle for the Apostles, pray for us!

Fr. Bill +

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