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 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 and Wed. & Thurs. 12:05 PM
 Saturday: 4:30 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 & 9:45 AM
 Holy days: see bulletin

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2018

The
BREAD
of
LIFE

"whoever eats this bread shall live forever"
John 6:51



Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon., August 13 12:05 PM Mass at St. Joseph
 Tue., August 14 8:30 AM Parishioners of St. Mary
 Wed., August 15 7:00 AM For all Moms, Living & Deceased
 12:05 PM Candace Schoultz
 Thurs., August 16 12:05 PM Audrey & Harold DePrez
 Fri., August 17 8:30 AM Dorothy Hoehne
 Sat., August 18 4:30 PM Orvil Mueller
 2:00 PM Klauk-Wellner Wedding
 Sun., August 19 8:00 AM Ray Zagorski
 9:45 AM Henry & Mary Steffens, Kathleen Gunderson, and Kelly Sullivan

St. Mary Weekly Calendar

August 13 (Mon)

6:30 PM Warming Shelter Meeting/Large Conference Room
 8:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting/L6

August 14 (Tue)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
 9:00 AM ALPHA/L3&4
 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
 6:00 PM Facilities Committee Meeting/Community Room
 7:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting/Community Room
 7:00 PM Baptism Prep/L2

August 15 (Wed) Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM Mass
 12:05 PM Mass
 6:00 PM ALPHA/St. Joseph

August 16 (Thurs)

12:05 PM Mass

August 17 (Fri)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

August 18 (Sat) School Supply Collection begins

9:00 AM Confessions
 4:30 PM Mass

August 19 (Sun)

8:00 & 9:45 AM Masses
 K of C Brat Fry after all Masses this Weekend!

PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) or Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com) if you have a prayer need.

Contributions

Office— \$1,730.00 Weekend—\$8,247.25
 Children's—\$13.00
 EFT (monthly)—\$10,223.65



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

Mason Winn,
 son of
 Craig & Rachel Majewski



St. Mary is currently seeking a team player, who actively practices the Catholic faith, to join our staff in the role of bookkeeper. Applicants should have a degree in accounting and relevant work experience. This is a 20-25 hour a week position with flexible hours. Benefits are available. Apply by August 10 to:

Theresa Rohm (trohms@stmaryparish.org) OR
 St. Mary Parish
 Attn: Theresa Rohm
 312 S. State Street
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Seminarian Collection 2018

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The annual Seminarian Collection is underway. By now, you have received a letter from Bishop Ricken inviting you to take part. Please return the pledge card through the mail, or donate online at catholicfoundationgb.org/give. Whatever you are able to give is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Brats!

C:ome & get 'em!
In the C:ommunity R:oom after all
masses this weekend
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Dear parishioners,
 I want to sincerely thank you all for the kind hospitality extended to me during my visit to your parish for the mission appeal during the weekend of July 21st and 22nd. It was a wonderful experience for me. Keep my Norbertine community and the people we serve in India in your prayers. I assure you of my humble prayers, too. God bless your parish.
 In Jesus' holy name,
 Fr. Benny Jacob, O. Praem.

Liturgy & Music Corner Quiz

This August 15th is the feast day of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, Mary. But, do you know her *other* important days where she can be found in our liturgical year? Sacred art was one way to evangelize and pass on the Holy Scripture to believers. Some of our art is just about Mary while others have her "at the scene". Look at the sacred art in the Marian Way and identify the special event that the art portrays. Complete the sacred art survey form and put it in the survey box for a chance to win a prize! There is also ONE sacred art relief (#10) in the Communion railing by the piano! Do you know what that scene is? Names will be randomly selected on Friday August 17th. The first survey drawn with all the correct scenes/events answered will be awarded a prize! Good luck!



SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION
 Begins next weekend - August 18 & 19
 Continues through August 25-26

Drop items off in the collection area in the Marian Way
 All donations benefit our neighbors at Harbor House

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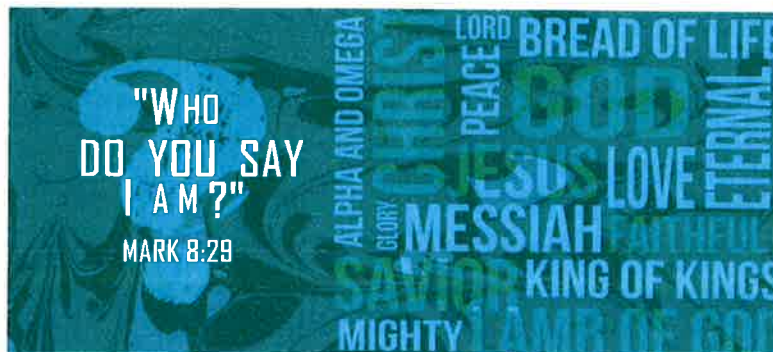


(IPRF) Religious Education—Register Now!

Religious Education classes are filling up for some grades at certain times. Classes start on September 12th, so please register soon! Printable registration forms can be found at www.inter-parish.org or at our office on the second floor of St. Joseph Parish Center (Holly Hall entrance). If you have questions, contact the IPRF (Religious Education) Office at 920-738-7413 or iprf@inter-parish.org.

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 among your friends who is without a Church, or seldom attends the Church to which he or she belongs? Would you extend an invitation to put him or her in touch with the parish office? Contact us at 739-5119 or stmary@stmaryparish.org.



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.



BACK TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Bring back any
items for the school
supplies collection!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00 A.M. & 9:45 A.M. Mass
Back-to-School Blessing
Key Chain for all Students
Breakfast in the Community Room

Sponsored by ROCKs and Human Concerns

IN JOY & SORROW

WITH FR. BILL
SWICHTENBERG

I am going to my archives for this reflection. I hope that is OK! Here is the homily I preached on this weekend along the Lakeshore in Kewaunee and Algoma on August 9, 2009:

Like the great Prophet Elijah's journey of forty days and forty nights through the wilderness to the mountain of God, here is another journey story closer to our own time. It is the story of six young Franciscan friars, four of them having just finished their studies in Chicago and right before their simple profession, along with two of their older mentors, who took six weeks this summer to walk some three hundred miles from Roanoke, Virginia to Washington, DC.

Recalling the journeying of Saint Francis, their founder, and like the disciples of Jesus, the friars "took nothing for their journey – no staff, no bag, no bread, no extra tunic." The less they brought, the more room they could leave for God. They did, however, bring with them toothbrushes, wool blankets, and water as well as one cell phone in case of an emergency.

The sight of six men in flowing brown habits, trudging single file on the side of the road, prompted many to pull over and talk, even confess. People on their way to work described their loneliness. College students wanted help figuring out what to do with their lives.

Just outside Harrisonburg, a woman in her 40's with a young daughter pulled over in her old Dodge sedan to talk to one of the young friars. Her marriage in trouble, she and her daughter had been kicked out of their house by an unfaithful husband. Now, like the friars, they were wandering through the wilderness, unsure of their next meal or next move. As they talked, the woman's daughter rummaged through the car and gave the friars a soda. Then she found a chocolate bar and offered that.

As the conversation began winding down, the daughter said there was nothing more in the car. The woman reached for her purse and told one of the friars, "I want to give you what we have left." The friar remarked, "I think she heard us talking about trusting in God and she wanted to try to trust in the same way. She was giving the \$3.52 to God."

Arriving in Washington, DC, the friars announced that the lesson they learned on their journey was very simple: "Anything can happen when you live in the moment, one step at a time. But to find out, you have to be willing to take that one step."

Elijah and the six Franciscan friars can attest to the fact that there are ups and downs along the journey of life. Elijah, after demonstrating powerfully that the Lord was with him and not Queen Jezebel's prophets of Baal, now finds himself hunted down by the Queen's army of soldiers who are trying to kill him. Elijah is discouraged and depressed. He has reached a low point and doesn't have the energy to continue on the journey. The Lord God does not forget about him, however, and sends a messenger, an angel, to reach out to him, to comfort and encourage him, and to provide a hearty meal of hearth cakes and cold water.

You and I can be the Lord's messengers, the Lord's angels, as well. Whom could you reach out to this coming week because he or she has been going through a difficult time on the journey of life? How can you be more compassionate and less judgmental this coming week by being more comforting and encouraging, more patient and understanding?

Yes, on the journey of life, with its ups and downs, we rely on each other. We depend on the Lord, as well, and are truly grateful for the strength and courage, the peace and healing the Lord gives us, especially in the most precious gifts of the bread of life and the wine of salvation – His own Body and Blood given to us to satisfy our hungers and to quench our thirsts.

Fr. Bill +

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