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Saturday – 9 AM

Other times by request, privacy is assured

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Please contact Betsy at the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact Father Bill 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



HEAVEN AND EARTH
WILL PASS AWAY, BUT

my words

WILL NOT PASS AWAY.

MARK 13:31

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2018
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon., November 19	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., November 20	8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Mary
Wed., November 21	12:05 PM	Audrey & Harold DePrez
Thurs., November 22	8:30 AM	Anthony & Catherine Siske and Karl & Ione Kobussen
Fri., November 23	8:30 AM	Vivian Kaufman
Sat., November 24	4:30 PM	Al Neveau
Sun., November 25	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Mary
	9:45 AM	Chris Hurley

ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

November 19 (Mon)

6:30 PM THEO/Community Room
8:00 PM Al-Anon/L6

November 20 (Tue)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl/St. Joseph, Room L9
2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
6:00 PM Quilting Group/Community Room

November 21 (Wed)

12:05 PM Mass
1:00 PM Strength & Stretch Class/L1
6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice/St. Anne Room
6:30 PM Mass @ St. Joseph
No IPRF Classes

November 22 (Thurs) Happy Thanksgiving!

Parish Office Closed
8:30 AM Mass

November 23 (Fri)

Parish Office Closed
8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

November 24 (Sat) Needs Trees Up in Marian Way

9:00 AM Confessions
4:30 PM Mass

November 25 (Sun) Needs Trees Up in Marian Way

8:00 AM & 9:45 AM Masses
11:30 AM A Baby Changes Everything—A Baby Shower for Jesus/Community Room

REMINDER: NO ALPHA SESSIONS THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING. HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY!

IPRF NEWS

Reminder: No Religion Classes on Wednesday, November 21. Happy Thanksgiving!



IPRF ADVENT DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT – Nov. 28 at 5:30 PM
Religion class on Wednesday, November 28 will be our Advent Discipleship Family Evening beginning **at 5:30 pm** in the St. Mary Parish Community Room. Join us at that time for a pancake supper, followed by wreath and card making and guided meditation.

For Advent Family Night we are collecting the following:

- The front cover of used Christmas cards. Please drop them off by November 25. There will be boxes in the back of church at St. Joseph & St. Mary the weekends of **Nov. 17/18 & 24/25**, or you can drop them off at our IPRF Office.
- Small real evergreen branches (short needle, long needle, cedar, etc.) for use in making small family Advent wreaths. If you have any of these branches, please place them in the trailer behind St. Mary Church (parked by the garage) the weekends of **Nov. 17/18 & 24/25**.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—APPLETON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27
#GIVINGTUESDAY
WWW.SVDPAPPLETON.ORG

PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Luanne Witthuhn (dlaawi@gmail.com) or Ann Walkowski (830--1534) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the needs in our prayer baskets.



ATTENTION SCRIP SHOPPERS! HEAD TO WWW.SHOPWITHSCRIP.COM ON NOVEMBER 20 FOR HUGE BONUSES!

CONTRIBUTIONS

Office—\$ 4,722.00 Weekend—\$9,217.71
Children's—\$20.20

NEEDS TREES ARE UP!

Needs Trees are up in the Marian Way, this weekend through Sunday, November 25. Gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 2. Please take a tag (or two!) and make the holidays a little brighter for a neighbor in need. Thanks for participating in this cherished St. Mary holiday tradition!

A BABY CHANGES EVERYTHING

A BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 11:30 AM—1:00 PM
ST. MARY COMMUNITY ROOM



Tickets are on sale now for this special event for moms, daughters, grandmas, aunts, godmothers, cousins, and all your favorite gals, whether they're members of our parish or not!

Enjoy time together, a guest speaker, and a soup, salad, and dessert luncheon as we prepare for the arrival of our Savior.

Tickets are \$6 each (proceeds benefit St. Mary & St. Joseph child outreach efforts) and are available in the St. Mary and St. Joseph parish offices and the St. Mary Scrip table. A limited number of tickets are available, so get yours now!

Guys—a special event is coming for you in March 2019. Stay tuned!

JOB OPPORTUNITY: CUSTODIAN

St. Joe's Parish Appleton, a welcoming, growing parish in Appleton is seeking a part-time Custodian. Looking for someone with the ability to work independently as well as working in a team environment. Duties include a variety of cleaning tasks, light maintenance and other duties as assigned.

Qualifications: Self-starter with organizational and time management skills, ability to lift 40 pounds.

Interested candidates may submit a letter of introduction and resume to:

Fr. Jim Leary O.F.C. Cap.
 404 W. Lawrence St.
 Appleton, WI 54911
 Email: FrJim@SaintJosephParish.org
 Phone: (920) 734-7195

BOOK CLUB

We would love to see you at Book Club! We meet the first Tuesday of the month in the lower level of the St. Mary Parish center. Here's a look at which books are coming up:

December 4th—*A Little Love Story* by Roland Merullo

January 8th—*Defying Gravity* by Joe Sikorra

(Note—meeting the second Tuesday in January due to the New Year holiday)

February 5th—*Out of the Easy* by Ruta Sepetys



TEENS SERVING TOGETHER EVENT

**AT ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH
 IN THE NEW FELLOWSHIP HALL
 (BASEMENT), WEDNESDAY,
 NOVEMBER 21 FROM 6-8 P.M.**

Teens, age 13-18, from St. Pius X and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints will join together assembling donations for the local, Pillars Homeless Shelters, then enjoy Games, Treats and sing traditional Christmas songs in celebration of Christ's birth.



**Xavier Middle School
 4th Grade Day
 November 26**



Check out what it is like to be a Xavier 5th grader!

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IN LOVING MEMORY

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the family of Dolores Zuleger-Boyer (mother of Fr. Don Zuleger). 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

I believe it was two years ago when I tried to facilitate a discussion with the Appleton Catholic priests regarding preparing a pamphlet, accompanied by a cover letter signed by the seven pastors, entitled "On Reverencing the Life and Memory of a Loved One Who Has Died." The process stalled as I could not get consensus from the priests in the room, as we tried to parse every word and sentence. Without reproducing here the whole pamphlet and cover letter, I am going to try to synthesize the gist of these materials. What follows is Part I. Look for Part II next week, as we conclude the month of November, dedicated to prayer for our loved ones who have died.

The Catholic Church invites us to consider its beautiful liturgies and rituals which consecrate the time after the death of a loved one. It is important to honor our loved one and to give thanks to the Lord for the precious gift she or he was in our lives. It is important to do this in the context of our belief in the Lord's promise that for believers, "Life is changed not ended. When the body of our earthly dwelling lies in death, we gain an everlasting dwelling place in heaven." (from the Mass of Christian Burial) To pay our respects to a deceased loved one necessarily requires that we put our routines on pause so as to enter into the process of grieving.

I would encourage you to consider the following reflection to help you mark with reverence the death of your loved one.

(1) It is important to talk to your loved ones about what they wish to happen after they have died. Because they might say that any faith service would not be something they want, you might gently propose that the funeral is primarily a way for you and the whole family to come together, to treasure memories, and to receive prayers and support from those closest to you. Mom (Dad), could you see it in your heart to give us this last opportunity to show our love for you? Mom (Dad), I know you have said that you just want a private service with family.

However, so many of your friends would be so appreciative of being invited to come and express their love for you. Would that be OK with you?

(2) On the other hand, be sensitive to the reality that faith may have been integral in the life of your loved one who has died. Even though you may struggle with your own faith or your connection to the Church, and would personally prefer not to have an religious ceremony at all, would you consider seriously doing so as a gesture of love for your deceased loved one and out of respect for the importance the Church had in his or her life? Because the Mass was so integral to his or her life, would you consider celebrating a Funeral Mass in memory of your loved one? Since she or he was so connected to the parish community, a Mass in Church affords the opportunity for members of the parish community to surround your loved one with their love and prayers. We are closest to our loved ones who have joined the communion of saints seated around the heavenly banquet table when we gather around the Eucharistic table here on earth.

(3) It is hard to put grieving on hold. In fact, the funeral liturgy helps to bring closure to the death of a loved one so as to begin to move forward in a new way of relating to that loved one. Consider scheduling the funeral in a timely fashion. To wait for spring or summer, for example, seems to put grieving on hold and may even imply that your loved one has died at a time that just doesn't fit well into your busy schedule. To smooth over grief, and bypass prayer at the funeral home or in church, for a celebration of life at a favorite tavern or park, at a later date, may imply that acknowledging and celebrating the Lord's promise of eternal life are really not relevant in this day and age.

Look for Part II next weekend. Thanks for taking the time to read this In Joy and Sorrow.

Fr. Bill +

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