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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

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019**

When they brought  
their boats to the shore,  
they left everything  
and followed him.

*Luke 5:11*



**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., February 11	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., February 12	8:30 AM	Mugs Hughes
Wed., February 13	12:05 PM	Robert Follett
Thurs., February 14	12:05 PM	Candace Schoultz
Fri., February 15	8:30 AM	Sharon Bengel
Sat., February 16	4:30 PM	Al Neveau
Sun., February 17	8:00 AM	Bob & Sis Balliet
	9:45 AM	Wellbeing of the Krueger, Ferron, and Williams Family

### ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### February 11 (Mon)

- 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Practice/Choir Loft
- 8:00 PM Al-Anon/L6

#### February 12 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Facilities Committee Meeting/Community Room
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Leadership Council Alpha Continuation/L7
- 7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting/Community Room

#### February 13 (Wed)

- 6:00 AM Alpha/@ St. Joseph
- 6:00 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life/@ St. Joseph
- 9:00 AM Quilting Group/Community Room
- 12:05 PM Mass
- 4:30 & 6:30 PM IPRF Classes
- 5:45 PM IPRF Choir Practice/St. Anne Room
- 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice/St. Anne Room

#### February 14 (Thurs) Happy Valentine's Day!

- 9:00 AM Alpha/@ St. Joseph
- 9:00 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life/@ St. Joseph
- 12:05 PM Mass
- 1:00 PM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life/@ St. Joseph
- 5:30 PM Alpha/L7

#### February 15 (Fri)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
- 8:30 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life/L7

#### February 16 (Sat)

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

#### February 17 (Sun)

- 8:00 AM & 9:45 AM Masses
- Pancake Breakfast in Community Room after both Masses**
- 9:45 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd/L2
- 11:00 AM Alpha/L3,4&7
- 11:00 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life/L6
- 5:00 PM Alpha/@ St. Joseph

### BAPTIZED IN WATER, THIS PRECIOUS CHILD HAS BEEN CLOTHED IN JESUS



*Waylon Randall,*  
Son of Matthew & Kelli Waldron

### IPRF NEWS

#### Confirmation Meetings

The Confirmation Teen/Parent/Sponsor meetings for current 11th grade students of both St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishes are being held on:

- Sunday, Feb 10 at 11:00 AM - St. Mary, St. Anne Room**
- Sunday, Feb 10 at 7:30 PM - St. Joseph, Holly Hall**

Choose the meeting that works for you (you don't need to attend at your home parish).

### STUDENT SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITY

Don't wait until May or June to contact the parish for service hour opportunities! We generally can't accommodate last minute requests for students.

Please e-mail St. Mary Parish at [stmary@stmaryparish.org](mailto:stmary@stmaryparish.org) with your name, phone number and dates you are interested in helping out. Specific questions can be directed to Theresa Rohm in the parish office at 739-5119.

### EMMA KRUEGER'S FAMILY THANKS YOU!

The family of Emma Krueger (parents Austin and Karen and grandparents Dan and Barb Williams) wish to thank the family of St. Mary for all of their prayers and support. Emma continues to show very small signs of improvement every day and the prayers have been a big help.

Please continue to pray for Emma and her family!

### PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Luanne Witthuhn ([dlaawi@gmail.com](mailto:dlaawi@gmail.com)) or Ann Walkowski (830--1534) if you have a prayer need.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

Office— \$6163.00    Weekend—\$8948.70  
Children's—\$17.00



## St Mary Newspapers for the Farm

Bring us your old newspapers and we will deliver them to a local farmer who shreds them to use as bedding for his cows. Place any newspapers in the boxes under the coat rack in the Marian Way. We receive \$100 per ton and the money is used for IPRF, our adult education, and for our children's Catholic school education.



## Valentine's Pancake Breakfast

February 17, 8:30-11:30 AM  
St. Mary Community Room

Buttermilk pancakes, French toast sticks, sausage, bacon, fresh fruit, coffee, milk, OJ

Free will offerings accepted

All are invited - bring the ones you



**DISASTERS HAPPEN. PREPARE NOW. LEARN HOW.**

**FREE TRAINING OPPORTUNITY!**

Want to learn about preparedness or become a member of the Outagamie County Community Emergency Response Team? Join us Thursday evenings, 6-9 PM, March 7-April 25 in the Appleton International Airport Public Safety Conference Room (W6396 Columbia Drive, Appleton).

We will cover basic first aid, fire extinguisher training, light search & rescue, disaster psychology, hazard identification, and disaster preparedness.

Must be 18 years old to register. For more information, call Outagamie County Emergency Management at 920-832-6361. To register, email [paulareider@outagamie.org](mailto:paulareider@outagamie.org).

## Xavier Middle School Shadow Day

Open the doors to a different type of middle school!

Friday  
March 1st, 2019

8:00 a.m.—3:15 p.m.

To RSVP or for more information reach out to Admissions at (920)735-9380 or email us at [Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org](mailto:Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org).

**Consider opening the doors to a different type of middle school!** Xavier Catholic Schools invites your child to learn firsthand about the positive and faith-filled learning environment at **Xavier Middle School** by joining us for a **Shadow Day on Friday, March 1 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.** To reserve your spot or for more information reach out to Admissions at (920)735-9380 or email us at [Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org](mailto:Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org).

## BISHOP'S APPEAL STARTS THIS WEEK!

Our parish needs to raise \$61,356.00 this year so we are going to need everyone's help to keep our appeal a success! If you didn't receive a letter from the Bishop, there are envelopes in church that you can use to make your donation.

Let's continue our tradition of making our goal!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

There has been a huge response to the new round of Alpha! Sharing a meal is a critical part of the Alpha process. Whether you have signed up for Alpha this time or not, could you help us by making a crock pot meal?

Return this form to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. You can also contact Mary Ann Otto at 739-5119 or [motto@stmaryparish.org](mailto:motto@stmaryparish.org) to sign up.

Thank you!



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## IN LOVING MEMORY

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the family of Marylyn Kohl. May fond memories comfort you. If you have lost a loved one and would like him or her remembered in the bulletin, call us at 739-5119.

# IN JOY & SORROW

WITH FR. BILL  
SWICHTENBERG

In the the spirit of February as Black History Month, and in light of the controversy surrounding the Governor of Virginia; the alleged hate attack of an African American and gay actor from the TV series "Empire"; and the altercation among the Black Hebrew Israelites, Native Americans, and white male Catholic high school students on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC at the conclusion of the March for Life 2019, it would do us all much good to reflect on the latest pastoral letter issued by our US Bishops in November 2018. The letter against racism is titled "Open Wide our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love." Just do internet search of "Open Wide our Hearts." I have pondered and prayed over the letter a couple of times. As I said, it will do you good to read it.

Let me, however, just give you a taste of its vitally important message for our time.

The letter begins with this definition of racism: "Racism arises when - either consciously or unconsciously - a person holds that his or her own race or ethnicity is superior, and therefore judges persons of other races or ethnicities as inferior and unworthy of equal regard. When this conviction or attitude leads individuals or groups to exclude, ridicule, mistreat, or unjustly discriminate against persons on the basis of their race or ethnicity, it is sinful.

Racist acts are sinful because they violate justice. They reveal a failure to acknowledge the dignity of the persons offended, to recognize them as the neighbors Christ calls us to love. (Matthew 22:39)"

As I have said again and again, every human being is created in the image and likeness of God, the Creator, and therefore has an inviolable and sacred dignity. This common dignity unites you and me and every human being to the same human family. Pope Francis witnesses so powerfully to this sacred dignity and travels throughout the world to break down barriers between us and migrants (refugees), Muslims, Jews, Protestant Christians, the elderly, the imprisoned, and gay persons. We are a single human family.

The pastoral letter on racism uses the beautiful verse from the prophet Micah to organize its reflection. "You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the LORD requires of you: Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God." (6:8)

In its theological meaning, justice is all about being in right relationship with God and with one another. We struggle to be in any relationship at all with our Native American, African American, and Hispanic sisters and brothers if there is prejudice and discrimination in our hearts. The letter does a brief historical sketch of our nation's treatment of Native Americans, African Americans, and Hispanics. This testimony of prejudice and discrimination does not do us proud as a nation.

While the letter does not address our relationships with other groups, like our Jewish or LGBT or migrant sisters and brothers, I would suggest that you keep them in mind as well as you pray over this letter.

"The truth that we must face is straightforward. When one culture meets another, lack of awareness and understanding often leads to grossly distorted value judgments and prejudice. This prejudice fuels attitudes of superiority that are embedded in, and reinforced by, social structures and laws. This is evident in how white European immigrants and pioneers acted in their encounters with Native Americans; it is equally evident in the treatment of Africans who were enslaved and brought to the shores of America...At this time, we would be remiss not to highlight the experience of Hispanics in our country. Since the Mexican-American War, Hispanics from various countries have experienced discrimination in housing, employment, healthcare, and education.

Hispanics have been referred to by countless derogatory names, have encountered negative assumptions made about them because of their ethnicity, have suffered discrimination in applying for college, for housing, and in registering to vote."

The pastoral letter tells the stories of some of our Catholic witnesses who dedicated their lives to resisting racism, like Father Augustus Tolton, who may one day be our first African American saint, and Saint Mother Katharine Drexel, who spent her father's millions of dollars to establish schools for our Native and African American sisters and brothers in the late 1800's.

This gives you just a taste of this important pastoral letter. You can read it in less than an hour's time. It will do you much good.

Father Bill +

*Fr. Bill +*

02.10.2019



# Valentine's Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday, February 17  
8:30-11:30 AM  
St. Mary Community Room**

**Buttermilk Pancakes,  
French Toast Sticks,  
Sausage, Bacon, Fresh Fruit,  
Coffee, Milk, OJ**

**All are invited -  
bring the ones  
you ♥**

**Free will offerings -  
accepted**

**Sponsored by the St. Mary Parish Social Events Committee**

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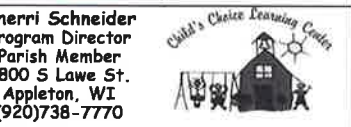
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