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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 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





ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

March 18 (Mon)

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

March 19 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group @ St. Joseph Room L9
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Quilting Group/Community Room
- 6:30 PM IPRF Board Meeting/L7

March 20 (Wed)

- 6:00 AM Alpha @ St. Joseph
- 6:00 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life @ St. Joseph
- 12:05 PM Mass
- 1:00 PM Strength & Stretch Class/L1
- 4:30 & 6:30 PM IPRF Classes (Reconciliation Grades 2-4)
- 5:45 PM IPRF Choir Practice/St. Anne Room
- 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice/St. Anne Room

March 21 (Thurs)

- 9:00 AM Alpha @ St. Joseph
- 9:00 AM Alpha Continuation—Purpose Driven Life @ St. Joseph
- 12:05 PM Mass
- 1:00 PM Alpha @ St. Joseph
- 5:30 PM Alpha/L3 & 7
- 5:30 PM Soup & Stations @ St. Joseph

March 22 (Fri)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
- 9:00 AM Adoration/Chapel

March 23 (Sat)

- 8:00 AM Adoration/Chapel
- 9:00 AM Confessions
- 4:30 PM Mass

March 24 (Sun)

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

PRAYER NEEDS

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

CONTRIBUTIONS

Office— \$ 6,248.00 Weekend—\$6,177.50
Children's—\$46.00

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., March 18	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., March 19	8:30 AM	For all fathers
Wed., March 20	12:05 PM	Robert Follett
Thurs., March 21	12:05 PM	Walter & Jean T. Consie
Fri., March 22	8:30 AM	Barb Nordskog
Sat., March 23	4:30 PM	Al Neveau
Sun., March 24	8:00 AM	Bob & Sis Balliet
	9:45 AM	John & Mary Spencer

STRENGTH & STRETCH CLASS

Please join us in room L1 on Wednesday afternoons at 1 PM. All ages & fitness levels are welcome at this free class. Questions? Contact Beth Power at beth.power@new.rr.com.

PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

Find minutes from both the Pastoral Leadership Council and the Finance Council on the bookshelves in the Marian Way.

NEW COMMITTEE!

St. Mary Parish is forming a Safety & Security Committee to help us develop safety policies, procedures and training for parishioners, staff, and visitors. All are welcome to join in the discussion. We are particularly interested in parishioners who are current/retired law enforcement, military or are professionals in healthcare. If interested, contact Theresa Rohm at the parish office at 739-5119 or trohm@stmaryparish.org.



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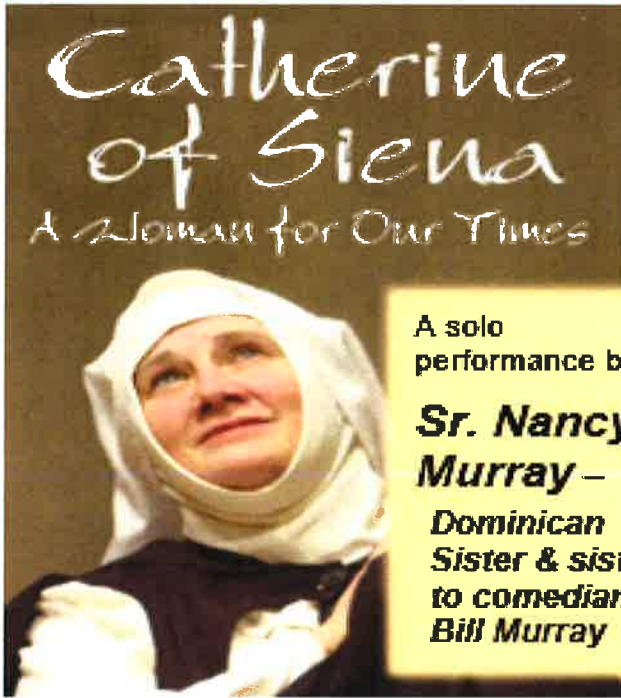
As of March 12th, we've raised \$43,734.50 or 71% of our goal. Thank you to all who have already contributed. If you need an envelope, you can find one at the table in the Marian Way or in the parish office during business hours.

DID YOU KNOW?

We have prayer shawls available in the parish office. They are lovingly created with prayers to comfort those who receive them. If you know someone who is in need of comfort and healing, please stop in to pick one up free of charge.



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Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross

"SPIRITUALITY OF DECLUTTERING"

The decluttering movement seems to be everywhere in 2019. Can these principles be applied to our interior lives? Find out on April 6 when the Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross host this day of reflection for women. Katie Zurawski (a.k.a. "The Decluttering Queen") will examine Jesus's time in the desert and discover what this means to us today.

- Are we living the way God wants or the way society wants?
- What do I hold on to? Am I grateful?
- Can I find freedom and peace in letting go? Can I "let go and let God"?

This event will be from 10 AM—2 PM at St. Francis Convent (3110 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay). While the event is free, registration is required as space is limited. Lunch will be served. To register, visit www.gb fanciscans.org.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Friday, April 5 / 6 PM
 St. Joseph Church

Taize, an ecumenical service, is a form of Christian contemplative worship. Using just a few words, chants are sung which express a basic reality of faith, quickly grasped by the mind. As the words are sung over many times, this reality gradually penetrates the whole being.



XAVIER THEATRE PRESENTS!

Xavier Theatre presents "Leader of the Pack" at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre. Performances will run April 3-5. To purchase tickets, visit xaviertheatre.com or call the box office at 920-733-8840. Phone messages may be left at any time and will be returned. The Xavier box office is open Mondays and Wednesdays from noon—3:00 PM for phone or walk up sales.



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. 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

As we begin our observance of the Second Week of Lent, I would like to offer a poem, a paragraph, and a proposition or two or three.

The poem is titled "On the Mystery of the Incarnation", by Denise Levertov.

It's when we face for a moment
the worst our kind can do, and
shudder to know
the taint in our own selves, that awe
cracks the mind's shell and enters the heart:
not to a flower, not to a dolphin,
to no innocent form
but to this creature vainly sure
it and no other is god-like, God
(out of compassion for our ugly
failure to evolve) entrusts,
as guest, as brother,
the Word.

Lent requires a whole lot of brutal honesty when it comes to how we live our lives. It is through our weaknesses, our lusts, our hungers and thirsts - the cracks in our lives - that the Lord Jesus comes into our lives as brother, friend, and forgiver. We do not experience Jesus' saving love, if we do not realize at the depths of our being that we need saving.

In celebration of Pope Francis' Sixth Anniversary of Election as the Universal Pastor of the Roman Catholic Church on March 13, I would like to share the concluding paragraph from Pope Francis' Ash Wednesday Homily. Of course, the entire homily is worthy of our prayer and attention. Check the Holy See's website for the complete text.

"Where can we fix our gaze, then, throughout this Lenten journey? It is simple: upon the Crucified One. Jesus on the cross is life's compass, which directs us to heaven. The poverty of the wood, the silence of the Lord, his loving self-emptying show us the necessity of a simpler life, free from anxiety about things. From the cross, Jesus teaches us the great courage involved in renunciation. We will never move forward if we are heavily weighed down. We need to free ourselves from the clutches of consumerism and the snares of selfishness, from always wanting more, from never being satisfied, and from a heart closed to the needs

of the poor. Jesus on the wood of the cross burns with love, and calls us to a life that is passionate for him, which is not lost amid the ashes of the world; to a life that burns with charity and is not extinguished in mediocrity. Is it difficult to live as he asks? Yes, it is difficult, but it leads us to our goal. Lent shows us this. It begins with ashes, but eventually leads us to the fire of Easter night; to the discovery that, in the tomb, the body of Jesus does not turn to ashes, but rises gloriously. This is true also for us, who are dust. If we, with our weaknesses, return to the Lord, if we take the path of love, then will embrace the life that never ends. And surely we will be full of joy."

Finally may I suggest some Lenten propositions to ponder. As Lent is all about joining ourselves to the dying and rising of Jesus, His Paschal Mystery, we might ask ourselves, "What must I die to, in order to rise to new life with Jesus?" As Jesus' disciples, how are we caught up together in this rising? Does this rising as the one Body of Christ move us forward together into healing and wholeness? Granted that we usually make three steps forward and two steps backwards on this journey to oneness with the Lord, we are still moving forward. In this coming together in the rising of Jesus, there necessarily needs to be less pushback, less fear, and less confusion. If we were to truly rise with Jesus, being one with him, might we not be able together to address issues like poverty, injustice, race, immigration, and other forms of suffering? Might we dissolve the distinctions between us and them?

These propositions are essential to the theological reflection of Father Richard Rohr, whose new book, *The Universal Christ*, has just been published. It is on my stack of books to read this Lent. Fr. Richard reminds us of the work of the great Jesus priest and scientist, Father Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955), who wrote: "Everything that rises must converge." Don't we desperately need to rise with Jesus and converge with each other to become Jesus in our midst? This is Lent's purpose!

Fr. Bill +

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Saturday, March 30, 2019 9:00 am – 11:30 am
Optional Saturday Mass at 8:00 am

Costs for the Event	
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Saturday Talks	\$10.00
All 3 Talks	\$12.00

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