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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 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



**feed my  
lambs**

JOHN 21:15

**may 5, 2019**  
**third sunday of Easter**



### ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### May 6 (Mon)

- 6:30 PM THEO/Community Room
- 6:30 PM Matthew 25 Meeting/Large Conference Room
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir End of Season Potluck/St. Anne Room
- 8:00 PM Al-Anon/L6

#### May 7 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group @ St. Joseph, Room L9
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
- 6:30 PM Fundraiser Recap Meeting/Large Conference Room
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Leadership Council/Community Room

#### May 8 (Wed)

- 12:05 PM Mass
- 1:00 PM Strength & Stretch Class/L1
- 6:30 PM Adult Choir Practice/St. Anne Room

#### May 9 (Thurs)

- 12:05 PM Mass

#### May 10 (Fri)

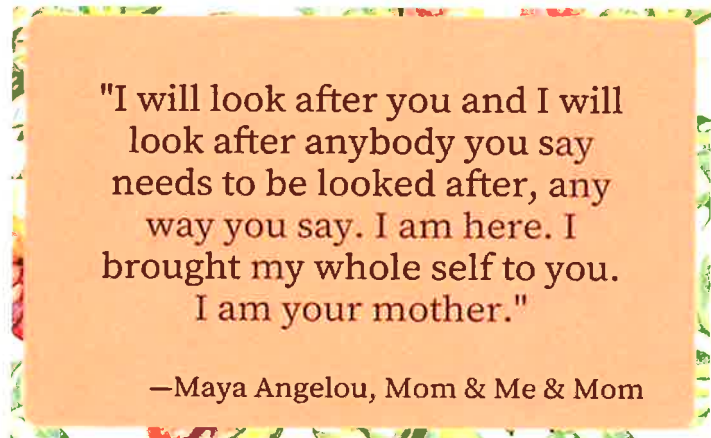
- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

#### May 11 (Sat)

- Return Mother, Baby & Toddler Care Tree Items
- Confirmation Retreat @ St. Joseph
- 9:00 AM Confessions/Church
- 4:30 PM Mass

#### May 12 (Sun) Mother's Day

- Return Mother, Baby & Toddler Care Tree Items
- 8:00 AM Mass
- 9:45 AM Mass



### 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—\$1,042.00    Weekend—\$5,968.20  
Children's—\$38.73

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., May 6	12:05 PM Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., May 7	8:30 AM Parishioners of St. Mary
Wed., May 8	12:05 PM Audrey & Harold Deprez
Thurs., May 9	12:05 PM Angie Martin
Fri., May 10	8:30 AM For all mothers
Sat., May 11	4:30 PM Al Neveau
Sun., May 12	8:00 AM Patricia Garvey
	9:45 AM Bill Hoffman

### IPRF NEWS

#### Special thanks to grade 5 IPRF students for their great service projects!

The 4:30 classes held a pizza & bake sale. They made \$252.50 that was donated to PILLARS Adult Shelter! Special thanks to Bill from Little Caesars Pizza for all his help making their sale a success. Also, thanks to all the bakers that donated items, with a special thank you to Larry Mauthe for the amazing amount of bakery he donated to help make our sale a success! The 6:30 classes made thank you bags for the Appleton Police Department. The bags contained goodies and special thanks for all that they do to make our city safe. Great job to all our fifth graders!



St. Mary Parish started a Legacy Circle in 2010 for parishioners and friends of St. Mary who have named St. Mary Parish as a beneficiary in their will. We are in the process of updating our Legacy Circle plaque in the Marian Way (just to the left of the alcove). If you have mentioned St. Mary Parish in your will or are in the process of doing so, and your name does not appear on the plaque, we would love to add it. Please contact Theresa Rohm in the parish office by May 2, 2019 to make arrangements. You can reach Theresa at 920-739-5119 or [trohm@stmaryparish.org](mailto:trohms@stmaryparish.org). Thank you for remembering St. Mary in your will and leaving a legacy to the parish.

### SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE HOLY CROSS JOB OPENING—MAINTENANCE

The Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross in Green Bay have an opening for a part-time Maintenance Assistant (15-20 hours/week, year-round) to complete general maintenance and groundskeeping tasks. Visit [gbfranciscans.org](http://gbfranciscans.org) to view the full job posting. Questions? Contact Jenny Majkowski at [jmajkowski@gbfranciscans.org](mailto:jmajkowski@gbfranciscans.org) or 920-884-2720.



## Next step for ALPHA grads

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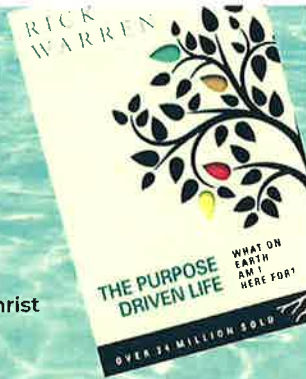
### When & Where

Starts week of June 3 (seven-week course)  
Tuesdays, 10-11:30am @ St. Joseph  
Thursdays, 6-7:30pm @ St. Mary

### Join a group

Contact Mary Ann Otto  
motto@stmaryparish.org  
920-739-5119

**Cost**  
\$10 (scholarships available)



*Alpha follow-up, summer style*



## SUMMER ALPHA

If you haven't found time to join an ALPHA group yet, this summer is a great opportunity.

**What is Alpha?** Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. It's run all around the globe in cafés, churches, universities, homes—you name it. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation.

**Do I have to talk?** Nope! There's no obligation to say anything. But if you want to, there's nothing you can't say (seriously). It's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective in an honest, friendly and open environment.

**Do I have to be actively practicing the Catholic faith or another faith to sign up?** No—Alpha is for anyone, at any point on their journey.

**Can I invite my friend/girlfriend/boyfriend/fiancé/relative from another parish, or someone who doesn't belong to a church, to come with me?** Yes! Please do!

Want to sign up? Have questions? Contact Mary Ann Otto at [motto@stmaryparish.org](mailto:motto@stmaryparish.org) or 739-5119.

## SUMMER 2019 SESSIONS

**Tuesday Mornings 10—11:30 AM @ St. Joseph Parish**  
June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 9, 16 (extended session), 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20

**Thursday Evenings 6—7:30 PM @ St. Mary Parish**  
*Two groups—one will be for single, widowed & divorced ladies, another will be for everyone*  
June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11, 18 (extended session), 25, August 1, 8, 15, 22

## Mother, Baby & Toddler Care Collection

- Take a card from the tree in the Marian Way
- Purchase new or bring in gently used item
- Return items by Mother's Day (May 12)

*Thank you!*

Sponsored by our Human Concerns Committee  
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## CHRISTMAS STARS

### AUDITIONS COMING SOON!

"Christmas Stars," a holiday-themed musical revue, will hold auditions for adult (high school and above) singers and dancers, and

children in K-8 on Thursday, May 9 from 6—9 PM and Saturday, May 11 from 9 AM—noon at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre (1600 W. Prospect Avenue, Appleton). Rehearsals are held at Xavier High School on Sunday nights beginning at the end of August for adults and in September for students. Performances for 2019 are December 5—15. Jim Romenesko is the show's director, and Mary Doverspike is the choreographer.

Auditions are by appointment. Music and accompaniment are provided by the producers. Those interested in auditioning may find more information as well as audition and registration materials at [www.christmasstars.org](http://www.christmasstars.org).

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Please pray for the families of Jack Pankratz, Mary Pat Curran, Richard Stack & Ray Higgins. May fond memories comfort you at this time. 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 the Church focuses on the gift of Mary during the month of May, I thought I would begin this short reflection with a poem entitled *The Virtues of Silence* by Victor Klimoski.

*Words upon words flow,  
fill the room to its brim  
until noses, pressed against the ceiling,  
search desperately for fresh air.*

*Somewhere, someone spun a myth  
about the merit of words by the bushel,  
a measure heaped up, pressed down,  
as though volume wins the point.*

*The truth lies elsewhere, hidden  
in the long pause as the heart  
first listens and then distills a thought  
it says softly, slowly, before returning to silence.*

*What might be lost in such meager exchange  
matters less than what is gained  
when speech is servant to contemplation  
and learning the handmaid of attention.*

I believe that, first and foremost, Mary was a woman of silence. It was in her prayer of contemplation, beyond all kinds of words and thoughts directed to the Lord, that she heard the Word of God in her heart. All those words are really unnecessary if we are to become a temple of the Word. Mary, an empty vessel, was filled with the very Word, present in the beginning, and that Word was God. The Son of God was born in Mary's heart in silence before the Word of God was conceived in her womb. We are reminded that every friend of Jesus is called to be a person of few words, a person in love with silence, a person who gives birth to Jesus, the Word of God, All Love, in her or his heart. This is what it means to say that speech is the servant of contemplation and learning is the handmaid of attention. If I am always talking or always distracted, it makes it particularly hard to be quiet and truly pay attention. Mary knew how to pay attention to the quiet workings of the Lord in her life.

Through the ages, Mary became more and more important in our Catholic Church. Since we have

tended to image God solely as Father and more often than not use the masculine pronoun He to refer to God, I think there was always a need for a feminine side to God. Mary compensated for all the testosterone-stoked God language. As I have said many times, God is beyond any language we might use to describe God and God is certainly neither male or female. In a hierarchically-structured Church, there is way too much of a preponderance of the masculine. This conceptualization is not something that endears us to a lot of folks. Mary is our antidote.

Mary is a woman of great strength and courage. She is not a wall flower and she is not a silent bystander, clothed in a flowing blue dress. She always stands on the side of the poor and the powerless. She rails against those occasions when our "Indian and Afro-American communities are not treated with dignity and equality of conditions; or many women are excluded because of their sex, race of socioeconomic situation; or young people receive a low-quality education and have no opportunities to make progress in their studies or to enter the labor market to develop themselves and form a family; or many poor people, the unemployed, migrants, displaced, landless peasants try to survive in the economy; and boys and girls are subjected to child prostitution often linked to sexual tourism" (from the document written for the Latin American Church by then Cardinal Bergoglio, who is today Pope Francis)

After all, Mary, our Lady of Guadalupe, did not appear to the Bishop or Governor on the hill called Tepeyac outside Mexico City in 1531 but rather to the poor and humble peasant, Saint Juan Diego.

Let's resist the temptation to sentimentalize Mary. She was the first disciple of Jesus to embrace the social justice teaching of the church. Just enter into the spirit of these words in her *Magnificat*: God has thrown down the rulers from their thrones but lifted up the lowly.

The hungry God has filled with good things; the rich God has sent away empty. (Luke 1:52-53)

Thanks for taking the time to read this In Joy & Sorrow.

Fr. Bill +

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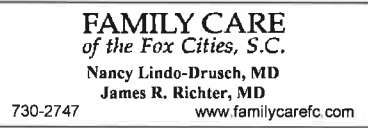
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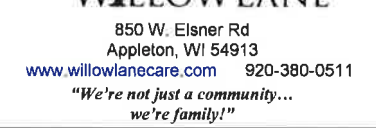
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