

August 4, 2019

"TAKE CARE TO
GUARD AGAINST ALL GREED, FOR THOUGH
ONE MAY BE RICH, ONE'S LIFE DOES NOT
CONSIST OF POSSESSIONS." Luke 12:15

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**WE ARE A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES CENTERED IN
JESUS CHRIST MOVING OUTWARD TO FULFILL GOD'S MISSION.**

Confessions – Saturdays, 9 AM & by appointment (privacy assured)
Baptism – Contact Betsy in the parish office
Marriage – Congratulations! Contact Fr. Bill in the parish office at
least 6 months before your planned wedding date.

St. Mary Cemetery (920) 882-4158

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Diane Cahall, Coordinator K-4
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Ben Wolf, Coordinator 9-12

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ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

August 5 (Mon)

- 8:45 AM ROCKs Meeting/L7
- 6:30 PM THEO/Community Room
- 8:00 PM Al-Anon/L6

August 6 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
- 2:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group@ St. Joseph, Room L9
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Church
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Leadership Council Meeting/L7

August 7 (Wed)

- 11:30 AM Communications Task Force/Large Conference Room
- 12:05 PM Mass/Church
- 12:35 PM Holy Hour (Adoration)/Church
- 6:30 PM Men's CRHP Meeting/Large Conference Room
- 7:00 PM Betsy's Rebuilt Discussion Group/L7

August 8 (Thurs)

- 12:05 PM Mass/Church
- 6:00 PM Alpha/L4 & L6

August 9 (Fri)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

August 10 (Sat) New School Supply Collection

- Seminarian Collection Weekend**
- 9:00 AM Confessions/Church
- 4:30 PM Mass

August 11 (Sun) New School Supply Collection

- Seminarian Collection Weekend**
- 8:00 & 9:45 AM Mass
- Coffee & Donuts after both Masses/Community Room

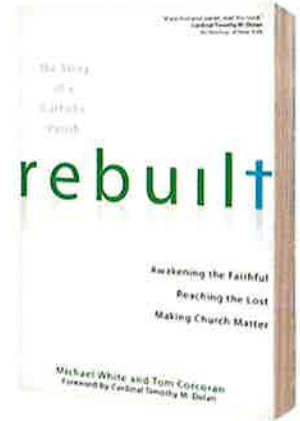
WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., August 5	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., August 6	8:30 AM	For all cancer patients
Wed., August 7	12:05 PM	For all struggling with anxiety
Thurs., August 8	12:05 PM	Spiritual & Physical Well-being of Anetka Brobel
Fri., August 9	8:30 AM	Anna Jane Vande Hey
	2:30 PM	Bougie/King Wedding
Sat., August 10	4:30 PM	Al Neveau
Sun., August 11	8:00 AM	Carl & Frances Fisher
	9:45 AM	Nicholas Jacob

PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) or Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the requests in our prayer baskets.

GOT YOUR COPY YET?



REBUILT: Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, Making Church Better by Michael White and Tom Corcoran

We have limited copies available for loan (find them on the bookshelves in the Marian Way), or you can purchase it online at amazon.com or avemariapress.com.

Once you've read it, head to the Rebuilt page at stmaryparish.org. There, you can sign up to join a discussion group, as well as find discussion questions for each chapter in the book. Join us on this exciting new journey!



VINTAGE BRUNCH
SUNDAY, AUGUST 4 11:30 AM
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GENTLEMEN ARE WELCOME TOO!

SEMINARIAN COLLECTION 2019

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE, HELP THEM TODAY

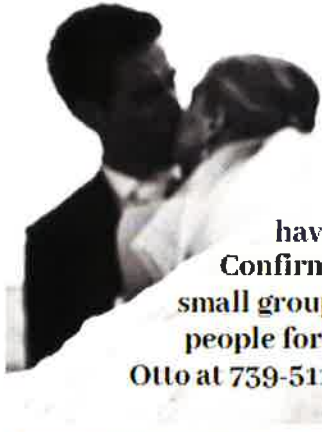
Watch your mailbox for details about this year's collection, and be sure to join us for Mass next weekend, August 10-11. Fr. Juan Carlos Altamirano will be here to share his story with us. Thank you for your support!

CONTRIBUTIONS

Office—\$4,555.00 Weekend—\$4,888.00
 Children's—\$16.00

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

Maya Lynn,
daughter of Jason & Kristy Fast



Getting Married?

If you are about to take this beautiful step in your life but have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please consider joining a small group of other newly engaged young people for preparation. Contact Mary Ann Otto at 739-5119 or motto@stmaryparish.org.



At St. Mary, we have a special relationship with Pillars, whose Adult & Family Shelter operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Its capacity is 80 people, including adults and children. During their stay, adults and families are provided with all of their basic needs including regular meals and personal care products. Having their needs met allows them to focus on moving forward. There are two full-time Case Managers on site. The ultimate goal of Case Management is to prepare individuals to move from shelter into their own housing. The connections to resources that Case Management provides will ideally help individuals achieve and maintain housing, and prevent future episodes of homelessness.

Now through August 31, all donations will be matched by an anonymous donor up to \$30,000! Thank you for considering a gift to Pillars—visit pillarsinc.org.



THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Have you been baptized but have since missed out on further sacraments or drifted away from worshipping in the Church of your baptism?

Let us know if we can help. Contact Deacon Gerry at 739-5119 or schraufnagel@stmaryparish.org.



Reporting Sexual Abuse

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is now under the age of 18 by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, **PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.**

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, please contact:

*Office of Safe Environment
Diocese of Green Bay
920-272-8174
or 1-877-270-8174 (toll free)*

We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities.

**YOU MATTER TO US –
THERE IS HOPE!**



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Green Bay

IN LOVING MEMORY

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

in the neighborhood

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In the Gospels, we see how Jesus generously and lovingly received everyone who approached Him with a sincere heart. He was the epitome of Divine Hospitality. He welcomed them into His spiritual family and encouraged them to enter into an intimate relationship with Him.

What was it like to look into the eyes of Jesus? Why was it life-changing for so many in the New Testament? It must have been an experience of pure love. The closest human experience I can think of is the loving gaze of a mother and father as they watch their children sleep. No matter how much their children acted out during the day, they can see God's masterpiece in them as they sleep.

When Jesus looked into the eyes of the woman caught in adultery, Matthew as he collected taxes, and Peter and Andrew as they fished beside the Sea of Galilee, His divine gaze looked past the "mud" of their lives. Their hearts must have stirred as Divine Love penetrated it. Each one saw a glimpse of their true self; made in the image of God, "God's masterpiece." This experience changed their lives. The woman embraced Jesus' love and forgiveness, Matthew felt accepted and invited Jesus into His home, and Peter and Andrew left everything and followed Him.

What if we allowed Jesus to see us as His masterpiece? We would never look at ourselves and each other the same way again. And even though we received Jesus in our hearts at our baptism, and He waits for us to reach out to Him, many of us don't do it.

Research from Barna, Pew Institute, and MissionInsite report that young adults believe Christians are judgmental. Their impression is we are more focused on the mud than the masterpiece in people. Many young adults report giving up on religion as young as 13 years old. They may have been in church physically, but spiritually they checked out. But there is hope. Young adults also report they are looking for spiritual mentors.

Why do young people see us as judgmental and can't seem to find spiritual mentors in our church? Some of us have not experienced the life-changing gaze of

Divine Love, so don't know how to reflect that to them. If this is true for you, then call upon the name of Jesus right now. Ask Him to pour out His love in you and awaken your heart. And then trust He has answered your prayer and is with you.

There are those of us who have had an experience of Divine Love, but life has overwhelmed us. We may have slipped back into the mud and forgotten that we are God's masterpiece. But God never takes His eyes off of us. If this is true for you, all you have to do is turn around to see His loving and forgiving gaze, admit you have lost your way, ask Jesus to fill you with His Divine Love and start to deepen your relationship with Him again.

Some of us have a relationship with Jesus but it has plateaued. Our relationship with the Lord does not seem to mature, and we don't know what to do. We may need a mentor or someone further down the discipleship path who can accompany us, much like what our young people are asking us to do for them. If this is true for you, ask Jesus to send the right person into your life to help you take the next good spiritual step.

As we continue on this path of parish renewal, we will begin to invite others to be part of our spiritual family, especially when we gather on the weekend for Mass. If each of us grows closer to Jesus, then the Body of Christ at St. Mary's will be renewed. We will be brothers and sisters growing in spiritual maturity and humility. We will be eager to ask Jesus daily to wash away our mud with His transforming love and restore us into His image and likeness so we can be a witness to others. We will become a church community where people who are searching for God will experience a loving, welcoming, supportive family, centered in Jesus. We will find mentors for our spiritual growth and become mentors for others. We are all called as members of St. Mary's family of missionary disciples to offer this Divine Hospitality. Let's embrace our call with open arms.

-Nadine Duncan



ST. MARY
ANNUAL
SCHOOL
SUPPLY
COLLECTION
AUGUST 10-18

Collection bins for new school supplies will be located in the Marian Way. All donations will benefit our neighbors at Harbor House.

Thank you!

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Join the party

We're teaming up with Pathways & other area churches to support families in need as children head back to school.

- Donate new or gently used children's clothing or shoes (new socks & underwear only, please). There will be a collection bin in the Marian Way August 10-18.

How can I help?

- Join the group of St. Mary folks who will help at the event on August 24. Watch your inbox for an invite, or contact Nadine at the parish office (739-5119 or nduncanestmaryparish.org).

Learn about other ways to help at pathwayschurch.us/events.



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in the
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to
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