

Weekly update 4/7/24



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will be starting April 10th from 4:30-8pm. To sign-up for a 30 min slot to sit with Jesus, scan the qr code or visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4BA9AB2AA3F49-48654381-adoration#/>



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CATHOLIC TRIVIA- JUST FOR FUN

Question: How many books are there in the Old Testament?

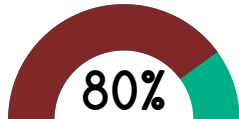
(Answer is under the events calendar in the bulletin)

BISHOP'S APPEAL

A sincere thank you to all who have supported the Bishop's appeal. Check out the graph below to track our advancement towards the goal. Your contribution today will help us get closer to our goal.

For more information on the Bishop's appeal, please visit: <https://www.catholicfoundationgb.org/bishops-appeal/>

Goal: \$65,143



SPIRITUS MISSIONARIES

SPIRITUS missionaries are young adults who give nine months of service to ignite the faith of our Catholic youth. They will be here next weekend to share how they are inspiring the youth of our parish and parishes throughout mostly Wisconsin but also in other states. After their brief witness, they will invite parishioners to partner with their missionary efforts through prayer and financial support. We hope you will join in this vital mission of the Church.

CONGRATULATIONS OCIA CANDIDATES!

Congratulations to all of our OCIA candidates, Emily, Avaeh, Amari, Angelina, Mathis, & Martyn, for being welcomed into the church at the Easter Vigil.

Your commitment to faith and your journey towards becoming members of the church is truly inspiring. The Easter Vigil is a beautiful and significant moment in your lives, marking a new beginning and a deeper connection to your spiritual beliefs. As you continue to grow in your faith, may you find strength, guidance, and peace in your newfound community. Your presence enriches our church family, and we are grateful to have you with us on this sacred journey. Congratulations once again, and may your path be filled with blessings and grace.





BE IGNITED!

Easter Season 2024

Find Fr. Bill's Easter booklet online @ <https://online.pubhtml5.com/recb/vvyk/> or scan the qr code to access it.



HOLY THURSDAY POTLUCK

A huge round of applause to everyone who joined us at our Holy Thursday Potluck Dinner! It was a blast to bring this event back to life here at St. Mary. Massive shoutout to Marge Vertin and Steve Vertin, for steering this event. And of course, a big thank you to all the helping hands who pitched in with the setup, cleanup, and mouthwatering dishes that made everyone's taste buds dance!



FOOD DRIVE

April 13 & 14

THE ST. JOSEPH FOOD PROGRAM COLLECTION IS APRIL 13TH AND 14TH. THE COLLECTION IS FOR BOXED MEALS SUCH AS **MAC & CHEESE, HAMBURGER HELPER, INSTANT POTATOES OR RICE, OR THINGS TO MAKE A CASSEROLE.** GLUTEN FREE, SUGAR FREE AND LOW SODIUM ITEMS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED. NO GLASS CONTAINERS, PERISHABLE ITEMS OR ITEMS PAST THE DUE DATE.



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Missionaries for Our Youth

Inspiring Youth and Forming Leaders

- SPIRITUS missionaries are making an impact on your parish youth this year by inspiring them through a retreat and accompanying them on their path as they journey ever closer to Christ.
- The missionaries are young adults who give six days a week, nine months of the year to ignite the faith of our Catholic youth. In return, they are provided with room and board, health insurance, ministry and leadership formation, and a small spend.
- SPIRITUS keeps retreats affordable for tight parish budgets so that they can inspire as many Catholic youth as possible, but these fees only cover approximately 30% of the actual costs associated with SPIRITUS. It's only possible for SPIRITUS missionaries to inspire your youth because of partners who give donations to support the missionaries and their mission.
- Please consider partnering with SPIRITUS through your prayers and financial support. We hope that you will join in this vital mission of the Church. Your gift will make a difference today for our Catholic youth and for years to come as we form future leaders for the Church.

"Faith is God's gift and it grows thanks to the faith and charity of evangelizers who witness to Christ."
Pope Francis

Holy Spirit Parish Sunday Supper

Sunday, April 7, at 4:30 PM

The meal will be Ham, Baked Potato,
Vegetable, Fruit, and Dessert.

**** free of charge ****

Holy Spirit School, Darboy Location
W2796 Cty Rd KK, Appleton

We would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone who could
use a delicious meal, and good company.

This meal is sponsored by
Mike and Sandy Kabat

In Memory of

Shirley A. Kabat and Daniel L. Vignali

With support from Mom and Pop's Bakery

**Free Shuttle Service sponsored by Kobussen
Buses & the Catholic Foundation.**

- 3:10 - Round House Manor
300 Bicentennial Court, Kaukauna
- 3:35 - Pillars Adult & Family Shelter
400 N. Division Street, Appleton
- 3:52 - Hallmark Place
425 W. Kennedy Avenue, Kimberly
- 4:05 - Arrive at Holy Spirit, Darboy

Wheelchair Accessible Bus

- 3:15 - Statesburg Apartments
125 W. 10th Street, Kaukauna
- 3:30 - John Fischer Manor
330 E. First Street, Appleton
- 3:40 - Randall Court Apts
218 Randall Street, Appleton
- 3:55 - Oneida Heights
525 N. Oneida Street, Appleton
- 4:15 - Arrive at Holy Spirit, Darboy

Upcoming Suppers

at the Darboy School location:

Sunday April 28 & May 19

ALL are welcome!!

*A non-denominational prayer service will
start the meal.*

HOLY SPIRIT 
PARISH



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., April 8, 12:05pm	Amy & Harry Boardman
Tues., April 9, 8:00am	Mass at St Bernard Parish
Wed., April 10, 8:00am	Mass at St Bernard Parish w/Fr. Bill
Thur., April 11, 12:05pm	John & Joyce Long
Sat., April 13, 4:30pm	The deceased members of the Courtney and Cops Families
Sun., April 14, 7:45am	Vernon & Alice McGinnis
9:45am	Bob Vanderheiden
5:30pm	

In Loving Memory

May fond memories comfort them at this time. If you have lost a loved one and would like them to be remembered in the bulletin, call the parish office at 920-739-5119.

Prayer Requests

Contact Laurie Richter (lauriejrichter@gmail.com), Mary Jo Zilisch (920-734-1182) or Ann Walkowski (920-428-0969) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the requests in our prayer baskets.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Monday, April 8

5:30pm The Bells Of St Mary Handbell Choir
6:00pm Matthew 25
6:30pm Jazz Horizons Ensemble Practice/Music Room
6:30pm Reach More Small Group/Lower Level Room 7

Tuesday, April 9

9:00am Connect Group/Lower Level Room 7
2:00pm Rosary Prayer/Church
6:00pm Book Club/Lower Level Room 4
6:00pm Facilities Committee
7:00pm Pastoral Council

Wednesday, April 10

9:30am Connect Group/Lower Level Room 7
4:30pm Adoration
4:45pm Beacon
6:30pm Beacon
6:30pm Reach More Small Group

Thursday, April 11

9:00am CIA-FMO Meeting
6:00pm Adult Choir/Music Room
6:30pm Men's Group

Friday, April 12

Parish Office Closed

9:00am Friday Morning Meeting/Lower Level Room 7

Saturday, April 13

9:00am Confessions
10:00am Neuro Endocrine Cancer Support Group

Food Drive

Sunday, April 14

9:00am Confirmation class 2024
9:45am First Communion
11:15am OCIA

Food Drive





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In Search of New Resurrections by Ann Weems in her wonderful little book, [Kneeling in Jerusalem](#)

We in the church are in danger
of becoming a tearless people,
unable to rage even in a starless abyss.
We have imitated a smiling society,
glossing over the hurt, the oppression,
the peacelessness on earth,
or we have become caustic
and cynical and despairing,
insisting on looking the other way
as our church members crawl to the altar,
the scraps of their lives in their arms.

We were created for covenant keeping
and yet, we are in danger
of becoming a blindhearted people,
buying into the system,
placing our hope with kings and corporations.
Have we not seen?
Have we not heard?

We persist in clinging
to the way things are,
or eagerly placing our faith
in the newest religious fad,
the latest book on how-to Christianity
(in ten easy steps),
or the current slogans
presented as though they were
the Word of God.

We are programming and papering ourselves
into perpetuity,
and rationalizing and excusing
our immortality.

We spend our energy in complaining,
gloomily forecasting our future together.
We panic for positions
in employment and committee,
with each special interest group

ving for the first place in the kingdom.
Perhaps it's time for remembering
that Jesus stood in the Jordan
to be baptized with the others,
long ago casting his lot,
not with the good church people,
but with the poor
wherever that poverty might emerge.
His name is Emmanuel,
and yet, individually and corporately,
we have named him "GOD-WITH-ME."
Have we not seen?
Have we not heard?
In the light of the cross,
the alternative is anything but hopelessness.
On the contrary!
There is every scriptural indication
that we are called to change
into the kingdom of God.
Where change is possible,
new resurrections loom!

Pope Francis' lament in July of 2013, the first year of his pontificate, piercing the skies over the Island of Lampedusa, the Gateway into Europe for so many of our immigrant and refugee sisters and brothers from northern Africa and the Middle East, was starkly, "Have we forgotten how to cry for our suffering brothers and sisters? Have we lost the gift of tears?"

Here is the great danger:

The notion of "GOD-WITH-ME" may foster a tendency to create the Lord God in my own image and likeness. I shape my God to match my viewpoint or perspective. Somehow my loyalty to this or that looms over my loyalty to the Lord. Just possibly patriotism or nationalism or prosperity or supremacy can become my idol, replacing the Lord God.

Finally, we all know that Emmanuel is translated "GOD-WITH-US." Resurrection experiences surprise us and happen whenever we put the Kingdom of God first in our lives. The Kingdom of God is the Community of the Beloved. The Beloved is the Risen Lord Jesus. The Beloved is Us. There can be no "us versus them" in the Community of the Beloved. We choose to row together all on the same boat to avoid the peril of drowning. We are saved together.

When we embrace this perspective, then resurrection experiences will multiply and become as infinite as the stars in the dark night sky!

Fr. Bill +

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Getting Married? Congratulations! Contact Fr. Bill at least 6 months before your planned wedding date.

Sacrament of Baptism
Need Baptism information?
Congratulations! Contact Nadine Duncan for more information.

Funeral Livestream Link
<http://stmaryparish.org/funeral-livestream/>

Confession
Sat. 9-10am

Eucharistic Adoration
Starting April 10th
4:30-8pm

Sign up for a slot to sit with Jesus. We must have one person with the Eucharist at all times.



SCAN ME

