



ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab



Guest Speaker Opportunity

FR. GREG Boyle

Get to Know Fr. Greg and His Mission!

"Fr. Greg Boyle, a Jesuit priest, is the founder of Homeboy Industries, the world's largest gang intervention, rehabilitation, and re-entry program. A tireless advocate for social justice, Fr. Boyle has spent decades working with former gang members, helping them rebuild their lives with dignity and purpose. He is also a bestselling author of *Tattoos on the Heart* and *Barking to the Choir*. Through his work, he promotes the concept of 'radical kinship' as a powerful force for healing and community transformation."

Date

November 12th

Location

Xavier High School

Time

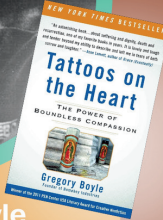
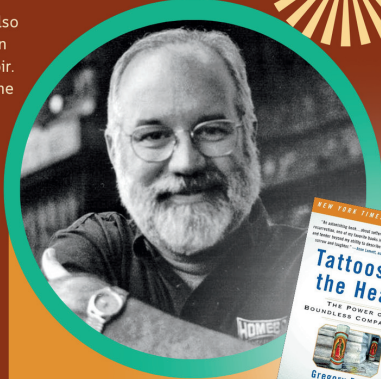
5:30 PM Doors Open

6:30 PM Fr. Greg

7:30 PM Q & A

No reserved seating!

All are welcome!



Fr. Greg Boyle

Author of *Tattoos on the Heart*,
Barking to the Choir, *The Whole Language*, and more!
Founder of Homeboy Industries



For more information call Kate at St. Mary's Parish Office



(920) 739-5119 x 110



EAST MEETS WEST

November 21 | 6:30pm

Experience an Eastern Catholic Moleban (Byzantine) prayer service with Fr. Joachim Studwell from the Milwaukee Archdiocese.

CEREMONY OF CAROLS

December 19 | 6:30pm

Celebrate the season with readings, hymns, and songs in a concert setting.



ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

January 23 | 6:30pm



The Christian church is universal & diverse. Join us in prayer as we celebrate the common bond of all followers of Jesus.



REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES WITH A CANDLE

November serves as the month designated for commemorating the loss of our beloved ones. We encourage you to honor their memory by lighting a candle. During November, we will include your loved ones in our prayers during various masses and services.

You can leave the names of your loved ones and make a free-will donation at the table in the Marian Way. The candles can be retrieved during the weekend of November 23/24.

Do You Love to Decorate or Craft?

Create Seasonal Centerpieces
for the Community Room with the
Fellowship Decorating Committee



For more info, contact Lori Lavallo
at llavalle@stmaryparish.org

DONT FORGET!!!

**Fall Back
1 Hour
November 3rd**






!!! ATTENTION !!!

LOOKING FOR

Handbell Choir Volunteers

THE BELLS OF ST. MARY HANDBELL
CHOIR IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE
INTERESTED IN MINISTERING THROUGH
MUSIC. IF YOU'D LIKE TO LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE HANDBELLS AND HOW TO
JOIN THE CHOIR, CONTACT MARTHA
PAALMAN AT
MPAALMAN@STMARYPARISH.ORG.





Election Eve Prayer Opportunity Monday, NOV 4 St. Mary Church

4:30-7pm

Adoration & Prayer before the
Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

7-8pm

Prayer Service

- Singing of Psalms
- Petitions
- Mary's Magnificat

Time & Talent Sign-Up Weekend November 9 & 10 after Masses

Once you've said
"I BELIEVE"
what will you
DO?



Contact Lori Lavalle if you have any questions before the event on how you can volunteer your time and talents! 920-739-5119

llavalle@stmaryparish.org

Miscarriage, Infant & Child Loss Memorial
Thirty-Second Annual "Forever in Our Hearts" Service

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at St. Bernard Parish



*Open to people
of all Faiths!*

St. Bernard Catholic Parish
 1617 W. Pine Street
 Appleton, Wisconsin 54914
 Phone: 920-739-0331
 or 920-903-9449
 E-mail: ckulibert@stbernardappleton.org
 Co-sponsored by Elizabeth Ministry

Please join us as we gather in fellowship to remember and pray for our precious loved ones, and hope for healing through God's love.

Pine trees outside at St. Bernard are dedicated in memory of children who have died. These trees are lit with small white lights to shine brightly during this coming holiday season in recognition of these young ones.
 Each family present will place a star on the remembrance wreath and receive an ornament to take home.



Psalm 33:22

*"May your constant love be with us, Lord,
as we put our hope in you."*

RSVP by November 8, 2024, to have child's name included in the Memorial Program.
 Return this part to: St. Bernard Parish, 1617 W. Pine Street, Appleton, WI 54914

All are welcome to attend even if you do not return this form.

I will attend the service on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 pm Number of guests _____

I cannot attend the service, but would like a program.
 (pick up a copy at St. Bernard after 11/14/24)

I have attended for this child in the past and have a star on the wreath.

PLEASE REGISTER AND PRINT

Child/Children's Names _____

(If you have not named your child, we invite you to do so. Some people call the child "Baby" with last name, such as "Baby Smith".)

Your name: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

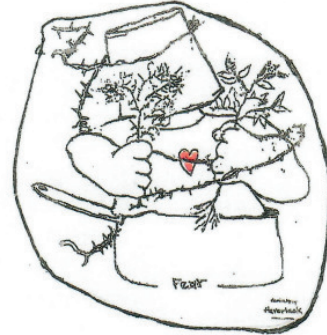
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Donations to St. Bernard Parish for the Memorial Service are much appreciated

Please return this form even if you have attended in the past. For further information contact
 Cathy Kulibert: 920-903-9449 or 920-739-0331 Email: ckulibert@stbernardappleton.org

A Heart in the Right Place

The Earth and the human heart are aching for a place beyond positions hardened and frozen with fear.
 By displacing ourselves, we are displacing others who share this Common Home.



"Be conscious, O Human, of the wondrous state in which God places you..."
 St. Francis of Assisi (Admonition 5)

Come rest awhile **IN** the Franciscan Imagination.

Join others looking for the place just and right.

SATURDAY
 9:00 a.m. – Noon
 NOVEMBER 9, 2024
 St. Joseph Church
 Holly Hall
 404 W. Lawrence St. – Appleton

With: Br. Jerome Schroeder
 Capuchin Franciscan

Xavier Theatre Presents

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S

Cinderella

ENCHANTED
 EDITION

November

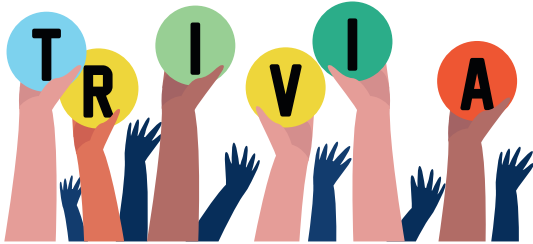
8, 9, 15, 16

*An enchanting family favorite featuring songs such as "In My Own Little Corner",
 "Impossible" and "Ten Minutes Ago".*

Xavier Fine Arts Theatre, 1600 W. Prospect Ave., Appleton
www.xaviertheatre.com • (920) 733-8840

A Program of the St. Francis Xavier Catholic School System

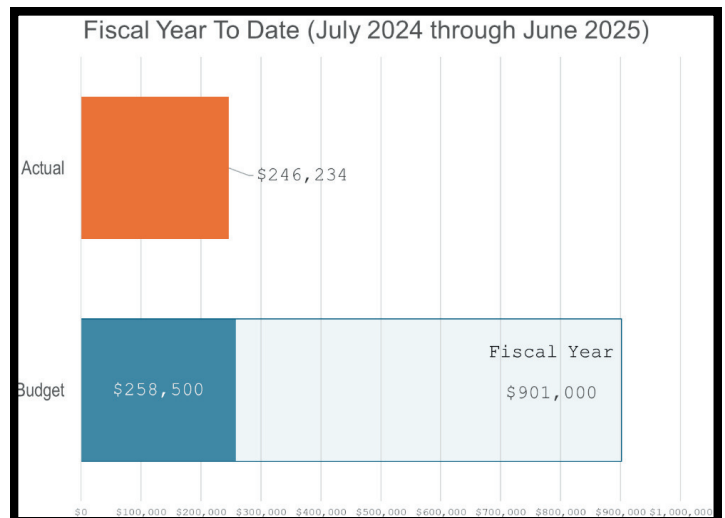
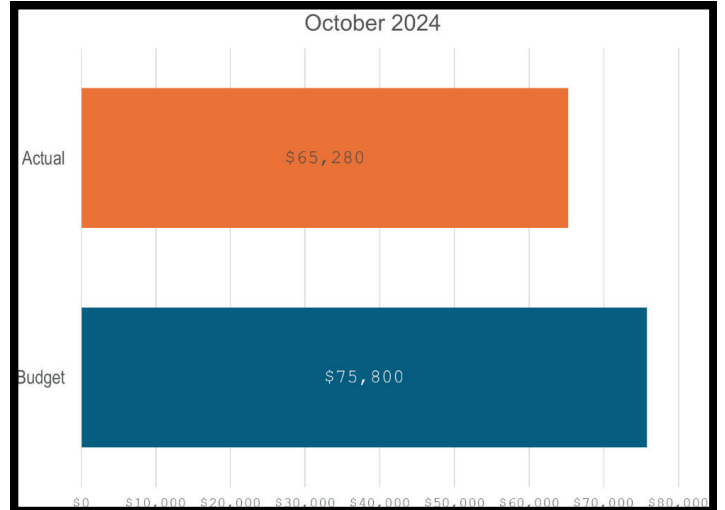
HOLY



In place of Holy Trivia this week, we have some fun facts about our St. Mary Parish tower bell.

- The tower was cast in 1863.
- It was given the name "Patrick".
- The diameter of the bell at its mouth is 34". Its height is 28 1/2".
- The pitch is the key of A.
- The weight is 900 lbs.
- When the present church was built, the bell was set in the north tower.

St. Mary Parish offertory Numbers for October



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov 2, 4:30pm Julie Sabish
Sun., Nov 3, 7:45am
9:45am Maragret Schraufnagel
5:30pm

Mon., Nov 4, 12:05pm
Tues., Nov 5, 8:00am Mass at St Bernard Parish
Wed., Nov 6, 8:00am Mass at St Bernard Parish w/Fr. Bill
Thur., Nov 7, 12:05pm Helen & Gordon Pippert
Friday., Nov 8, 12:05pm
Sat., Nov 9, 4:30pm Ann Van Grinsven
Sun., Nov 10, 7:45am
9:45am Ivy Peters
5:30pm

In Loving Memory Please pray for the family and friends of Ramona Bartman who has passed away. May your memories comfort you 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

Saturday, Nov 2

Bag Weekend - bags collected after mass
Quilt Sale event after mass
9:00am Confessions
10:15am EK Timm Baptism
1:30pm Maggie Coughlin Zachary Schwobe Wedding
4:30pm Mass
5:30pm Greg Boyle Book Study/LL7

Sunday, Nov 3

Bag Weekend - bags Collected out after masses
Quilt Sale event after masses
Coffee & Donuts available after AM Masses
7:45am Mass
9:45am Mass (Livestreamed)
11:00am Flock of Sparrows/Lower Level Rm 5
11:00am Greg Boyle Book Study/LL7
5:30pm Mass

Confession
Sat. 9-10am

Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesdays
4:30-8pm

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



[Click Here to sign up](#)
or [scan below](#)



SCAN ME

Monday, Nov 4

9:00am Ramona Bartman Visitation
10:30am Romona Bartman Funeral
11:30am Romona Bartman Luncheon
12:00pm Reach More Point-Person Training/LL7
12:05pm Mass
4:30pm Adoration
7:00pm Election Eve Prayer
6:30pm New Horizons Jazz Group/Music Rm
6:30pm THEO

Tuesday, Nov 5

9:00am Connect Group/LL7
2:00pm Rosary Prayer Group/Chapel

Wednesday, Nov 6

9:30am Connect Group/LL Rm 7
4:45pm Beacon Faith Formation 1st -5th grade
6:00pm Reach More/LL Rm 7
6:30pm Beacon Faith Formation 6th -11th grade

Thursday, Nov 7

9:00am Reach More/LL Rm7
12:05pm Mass
1:00pm Hooks & Needles/Comm Rm
6:30pm Faith Sharing Group/Community Rm
7:00pm Cor Jesu

Friday, Nov 8

Parish Office Closed
9:30 am Molly Grow Visitation
10:30am Molly Grow Funeral

Saturday, Nov 9

9:00am Confessions
10:00am Neuro Endocrine Cancer Support Group/LL7
4:30pm Mass
5:30pm Time & Talent sign-up

Sunday, Nov 10

St. Joe's Food Program Collection
Coffee & Donuts available after AM Masses
Time & Talent sign-up after all Masses
7:45am Mass
9:45am Mass (Livestreamed)
11:00am Flock of Sparrows/Lower Level Rm 5
5:30pm Mass

In Joy + Sorrow



WITH FR. BILL SWICHTENBERG

11.03.2024

I am writing this column on Monday morning from my brother's lakehouse in Colfax, Wisconsin. The signs of autumn all around us are petering out. Most of the leaves are down on the ground. My brother is johnny-on-the-spot with his leaf blower. This morning he is taking the dock out of Tainter Lake. He has got the drill down pat; I am of no help because I can not manage the 125 narrow steps, without railings, down to the water, and if I were to get down there, my balance would be really bad on the uneven shore. So I am happy to be at my laptop!

The deer have received their portion of corn, which my sister-in-law delivers every morning. The turkeys are making their presence felt in impressive numbers. My brother and sister-in-law just picked up a new puppy yesterday in Hudson, WI. It will take some doing to teach their little "Lucy" her new routine. She seems amenable! It's like having a baby all over again!

At this point in autumn, I have yet to hear the urgent honking of the geese as they make their way south to warmer places. I am reminded of the communal sense that geese have.

They are best when they make their journey together. Flying in V-formation makes it possible to cover 71% more distance than if they would fly alone.

The lift created by this V-formation makes the work of flying so much easier.

When the lead goose tires, he or she simply drops off to the back of the formation, and the next goose in line becomes the new leader, showing that co-responsibility is a value in a community of geese.

When a goose is injured and must find its way to the ground, two of its companions make their way down with him or her. They stay at the side of the distressed goose until he or she recovers or dies.

It is believed that geese honk on the way to encourage each other and to make the flight plan more apparent.

We, too, are at our best when we are in community. We are all on the same boat and we must attempt to row together, always treasuring the beauty of the

common good for all. Division and incivility are dangerous deterrents to our moving forward together, building up the Reign of God, where love, joy, peace, patience, and tenderness make such a difference.

Among the baptized believers in a faith community, co-responsibility for the mission is a welcome attribute and essential in a synodal Church.

In the month of November, we call to mind the many blessings in our lives. Of all of them are the blessings of family, friends, and our spiritual family of Saint Mary Parish. We thank the Lord for the gifts of creation, especially for the bountiful autumn harvest. We thank the Lord for the generosity of the people of our nation, especially those who never fail to come to the aid of our sisters and brothers who are struggling. The many stories of compassion towards the victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton are a powerful source of inspiration for us all. We are a nation of good people.

Gratitude and generosity are the calling cards of a disciple of Jesus. Stewardship is a way of life. The good steward never takes any blessing for granted. We don't earn our blessings nor do we deserve our blessings. The good steward is first grateful to the Lord, the Giver of Every Blessing.

Generosity necessarily follows gratitude because we are truly blessed when we share our blessings with others.

As our Spiritual Family observes Stewardship Month, I invite you to take stock of your blessings, to offer daily a prayer of thanksgiving to the Lord, and to consider how you might better share your blessings for the good of all.

Stewardship is constitutive of the Gospel of Jesus. You and are disciples of Jesus and stewards of His gifts at the same time.

Discipleship without stewardship is an oxymoron. Gratitude and generosity are like breathing in the life of a missionary disciple of Jesus!

Fr. Bill +

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Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Sacrament of Baptism

Need Baptism information?

Congratulations! Contact Kate Minczeski for more information.

