



ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43



GRATITUDE AND GIVING



NEEDS TREE

Kickoff -Nov 16/17

Trees with tags will be in the church and the Marrian Way

GIFTS DUE-by DEC. 7/8

- If possible, return gifts in a reusable, cloth or vinyl shopping bag.
- Most gift card request are available at the Scrip table
- Donations made through Faith Direct are always welcome.



Thank You Veterans

St. Mary wants to thank those who have served or are currently serving in the military this Veteran's day.

Veterans Day, observed annually on November 11th, is a time for us to reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave men and women in uniform. It is a day to remember those who have served our country, protecting our freedoms and liberties.

This Veterans Day, let us take a moment to thank our servicemen and women for their bravery and dedication to our country. Their sacrifice has allowed us to enjoy the freedoms we have today. Let us remember that even in times of peace, they continue to serve and protect us.



Do You Love to Decorate or Craft?

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



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

Thank you to everyone who purchased an item from last weekend's Quilt Sale.



YOUR GENEROSITY AND OUR TALENTED QUILTERS, RAISED \$3,000 TO SUPPORT PILLARS/COTS FOOD MINISTRY

ST. MARY
APPLETON





November is time for Gratitude & Giving

What is a pledge and why does St. Mary ask for one from parishioners?

A pledge is an estimate of giving; some call it a statement of intent. Your pledge amount may be changed, increased or decreased during the year, at any time as your financial circumstances change. Your pledge is enormously helpful as we budget for the upcoming year.

Why should I give to St. Mary?

It's simple. The wonderful things that happen at and through our parish community could not happen without our staff, our activities and programs, and our worship and gathering spaces. Your financial support makes it possible.

How do I make my pledge?

Quickly make your pledge online using the QR code provided or at stmaryparish.org/2025pledge. You can also fill out a pledge card (found in the back of church or the parish office). Please make your pledge by Sunday, Dec. 1.



[Or Click Here](#)

2025 ST. MARY FINANCIAL PRIORITIES

Competitive wages & benefits

Meet rising diocesan-directed benefits costs

Facilities projects

Annual Household Income	SUPPORTER 2% The church is a meaningful part of my life and promotes my spiritual growth.		SUSTAINER 5% Christ is central to my identity, and I am committed to sustaining the programs of my church.		VISIONARY 10% I am committed to both the present & future growth of my church and designate 10% of my income as a way to live out my faith.	
	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
\$20,000	8	33	19	83	38	167
\$40,000	15	67	38	167	58	333
\$60,000	23	100	58	250	115	500
\$80,000	31	133	77	333	154	667
\$100,000	38	167	96	417	192	833
\$150,000	58	250	144	625	288	1,250
\$200,000	77	333	192	833	385	1,667



GRATITUDE AND GIVING



BAG WEEKEND

We extend our gratitude to all parishioners who generously contributed to the St. Joseph Food Program.

Thanks to your donations, the St. Joseph Food Program can continue to provide food assistance to those in need. We are blessed to have such caring and compassionate individuals who give so generously. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and will go a long way in helping those who are less fortunate. Once again, thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

HOLY

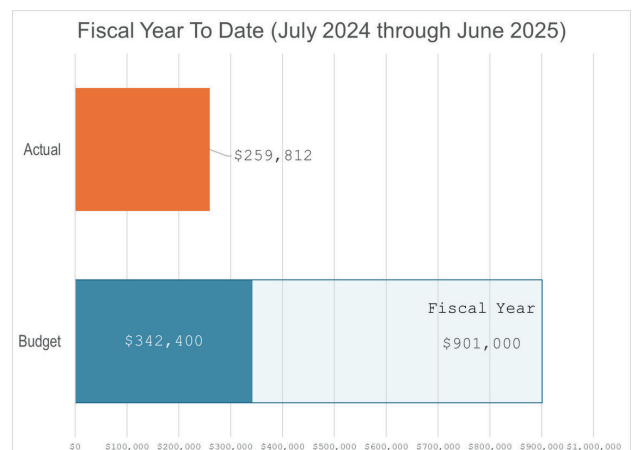
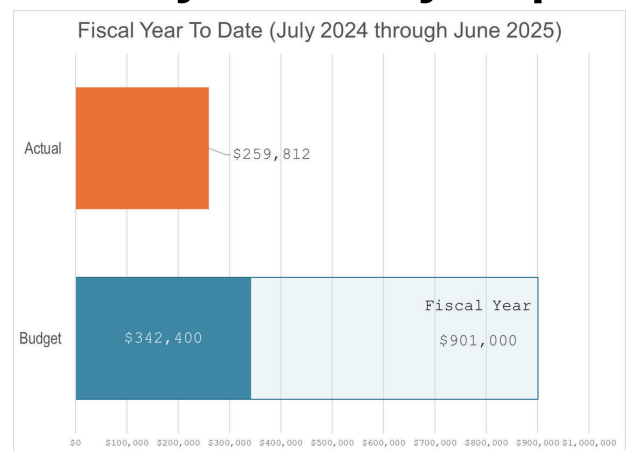


Who was the first Pope to visit the United States and Africa?

Annual Parish Meeting

We will be having our annual parish meeting on November 19, at 6:00pm in the St. Anne Room. The Annual Parish Report is available on the parish website and at the back of the church.

St. Mary Offertory Report





ST. MARY EVENTS



ANOINTING OF THE SICK



During all weekend Masses | Nov. 16 & 17

Are you or someone you know . . .

- dealing with a physical, mental, or spiritual illness?
- undergoing a medical or surgical procedure soon?

Please come to receive anointing from Father Bill. If you have questions, Contact Father Bill in the parish office.



St. Anne Room Reception

Visit the remodeled St. Anne Room and enjoy some Fellowship with your St. Mary family.



Saturday, November 16, 4:30 Mass cheese and crackers

Sunday, November 17, Morning Masses coffee and donuts



ST. MARY EVENTS



Let us pray

Evening worship experiences

East Meets West with Mary in the Middle NOV 21 | 6:30pm

Join Fr. Studwell as he leads a Modeben, an Eastern Catholic Byzantine prayer service. He will share his knowledge of Mary in both Eastern and Latin Catholic Churches before we pray.



**4TH
ANNUAL**

APPLETON CHRISTMAS PARADE OPEN HOUSE

ST. MARY COMMUNITY ROOM
TUESDAY, NOV. 26 6-9PM
ALL ARE WELCOME!



HOT CHOCOLATE & COOKIES

WARM RESTROOMS

PARADE LIVESTREAM
ON THE BIG SCREEN

Save the Date!



St. Mary - Appleton

shamrock shenanigans

It'll be here before you know it!

A wonderful adult evening of music, games, libations, and general merriment. Mark your calendar so you dont miss out!



Christmas Flowers

If you would like to contribute to the 2024 Christmas Flower & Worship Fund in memory of a loved one, please complete and return this form with payment to the parish office no later than **Sunday, December 15**

PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY so we can ensure accurate spelling!

Your last name/family name _____

Your first name _____

Amount _____

Circle one: CASH CHECK^{ck#}() **Faith Direct**

In Memory of _____

AREA EVENTS AND NEWS

Holy Spirit Parish Sunday Supper

Sunday, November 17, 4:30 PM

ALL are welcome to enjoy a
delicious meal and good company

** free of charge **

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

This meal is sponsored by
The Klister Family

In Memory of
Deacon Cyril "Bud" Klister

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

Upcoming Suppers
at the Darboy School location:
Sunday, December 8 and January 5

*ALL are welcome!!
A non-denominational prayer service will
start the meal.*



HOLY SPIRIT
PARISH

Xavier Elementary Songs Stories & FUN!



Open to children ages 2-5 with
their parents/grandparents.
Younger siblings are welcome
to join in on the fun!

November 15 Marquette St.
20 McDonald St.

All events begin at 9 a.m.



Call, email or scan the QR code to register



XE Marquette St. Campus 920.733.4918
Marquette@XavierCatholicSchools.org
McDonald St. Campus 920.739.7826
McDonald@XavierCatholicSchools.org

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov 9, 4:30pm Ann Van Grinsven

Sun., Nov 10, 7:45am

9:45am Ivy Peters

5:30pm

Mon., Nov 11, 12:05pm

Tues., Nov 12, 8:00am Mass at St Bernard Parish

Wed., Nov 13, 8:00am Mass at St Bernard Parish w/Fr. Bill

Thur., Nov 14, 12:05pm Sylvia Dannecker

Friday., Nov 15, 12:05pm

Sat., Nov 16, 4:30pm Ken & Betty Courtney

Sun., Nov 17, 7:45am Ron Colling

9:45am Marcella Morse

5:30pm

In Loving Memory 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 these requests in our prayer baskets.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Saturday, Nov 9

9:00am Confessions

10:00am Neuro Endocrine Cancer Support

4:30pm Mass

5:30pm Time & Talent

Sunday, Nov 10

Coffee & Donuts available after AM masses

Time & Talent after all masses

7:45am Mass

9:45am Mass (Livestreamed)

11:00am Flock of Sparrows/Lower Level Rm 5

5:30pm Mass

Monday, Nov 11

12:05pm Mass

6:30pm New Horizons Jazz Group/Music Rm

Tuesday, Nov 12

9:00am Connect Group/LL7

2:00pm Rosary Prayer Group/Chapel

5:30pm Doors Open-Greg Boyle Event @ Xavier Performing Arts Center

6:00pm Book Club/LL4

6:30pm Fr.Greg Boyle:Home Boy Ministries Presentation-Xavier Performing Arts Center

Wednesday, Nov 13

9:30am Connect Group/Community Rm and Kitchen

4:30pm Adoration/Church

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 14

9:00am Reach More/LL Rm7

12:05pm Mass

6:30pm Mens group/LL7

Friday, Nov 15

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, Nov 16

Needs Tree Kick Off

9:00am Confessions

10:00am Neuro Endocrine Cancer Support Group/LL7

3:00pm St. Anne Room Reception

4:30pm Mass/ Anointing of the sick

Sunday, Nov 17

Needs Tree Kick Off

Coffee & Donuts Event held in the St. Ann Room after AM Masses

7:45am Mass/ Anointing of the sick

9:45am Mass (Livestreamed)/ Anointing of the sick

11:00am Flock of Sparrows/Lower Level Rm 5

5:30pm Mass/ Anointing of the sick

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.



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SCAN ME



In Joy + Sorrow



WITH FR. BILL SWICHTENBERG

I am writing this column at 3:30 am on Wednesday. Given that it is the day after our National Election, you might think that my early awakening is situational, but truth be told, I often wake up at this time of the morning.

I confess that I was in bed by 10:00 pm last night. As I pulled the covers over my head, my last thought was of Saint Pope John XXIII, who was known to pray at the end of a long day, "It's your Church, Lord. You take good care of it. I am going to bed!" The Good Pope's prayer reminds me that I am not in charge and that, without the Lord, I can do nothing.

Yesterday, I was honored to stand in line, waiting to cast my vote, for an hour and forty-five minutes at my polling station, which just happens to be Saint Bernard Church. The line was long; the people were patient; no one left before getting to the voting booth; it was warm inside; I was able to report this to the staff, and doors were propped open.

This moment in time captured what our nation is all about. In a democracy, it is the people who have the final say. Whatever the outcome, in which literally half of our nation's people will rejoice and the other half will weep, we must find a way forward, together. There will always be differences in values and perspectives of reality, which is at the core of what it means to live together as human beings. It is the tug between the convergences and divergences among us that hones us to be a better people. Managing the ups and downs of this human terrain is never easy, but we must remember that we are all on the same boat and that it is possible to move forward, rowing together.

Oh, by the way, last night I knew I wanted to make a comfort food for dinner. What did I make you ask? A tater-tot casserole, so easy to make and yet so tasty. I devoured about half of the casserole and will have the leftovers tonight.

I am reminded of the hopeful words of President Abraham Lincoln, who said this at his first Inauguration on March 4, 1861:

We are not enemies, but friends. We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot grave to every living heart and hearthstone all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the Union, when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature.

On these days when there is a considerable amount of anxiety across our nation, I am reminded of these words of Jesus, found in Luke 6:37: "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven."

Next to last, Kathleen Bonnette, for America Magazine (October 18, 2024) suggests:

Working for the common good cannot be done effectively with a mindset that excludes, seeks to dominate or rises out of fear. We must foster the common good through a transformation of consciousness that moves us to think and act with love, acknowledging our shared pain and having compassion for one another.

And this is as true for those on the "other side" as it is for me. If life is about abundance, not self-preservation, and power is about love, not domination, then there must be a way to foster wholeness in community even as we pursue divergent understandings of the common good.

Finally, I default to this beautiful prayer from Saint Teresa of Avila:

Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing frighten you.
All things are passing away.
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things.
Whoever has God lacks nothing.
God alone suffices.

It's now 4 am. I am going to pray Matins with the Benedictine monks of Worth Abbey in England, the United Kingdom. I will make a cup of coffee and have a small slice of almond kringle. Then I will go back to bed! Oops, something went awry in Crawley and the monks were not able to record their prayer this morning. No worries as I default to YouTube's Sing the Hours, admittedly not my favorite as there is too much Latin.

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.

Answer: Pope Paul VI

