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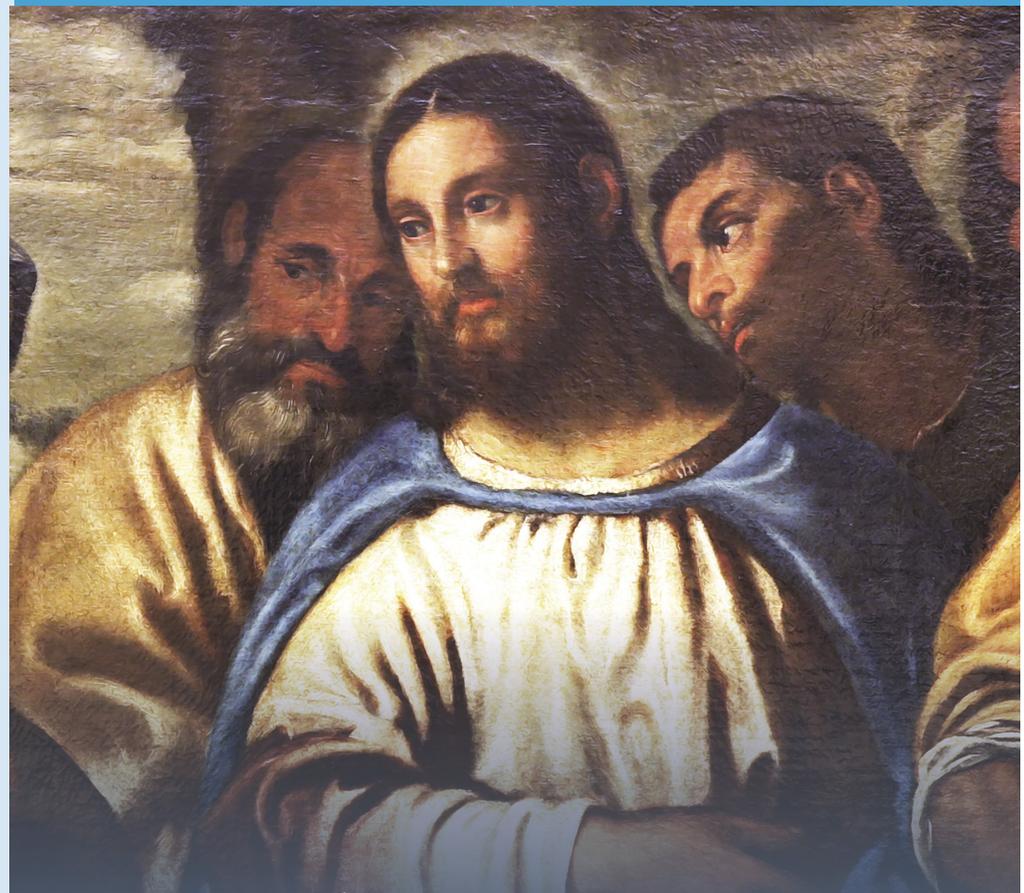
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Janesville/Milton Mass Times

Nativity of Mary Sat. 4:30 pm
 Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 am
St. Patrick Sat. 4:00 pm
 Sun. 7:30 & 10:00 am
Spanish Mass - Sun. 5:00 pm
St. John Vianney..... Sat. 5:00 pm
 Sun. 8:15 & 9:45 am
St. William..... Sat. 4:00 pm
 Sun. 8:00 & 10:30 am
St. Mary - Milton Sat. 4:00 pm
 Sun. 9:00 am



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.” - Mk 7:15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

We, the Catholic family of Nativity of Mary, are empowered by the Holy Spirit to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Through worship, the sacraments, fellowship, evangelization and outreach, we will share the word of Christ in our community. -Mission Statement

NEWS & NOTES

From the desk of Father Rob

Stewardship Moment: Cornelius Plantinga once wrote: "the coveter has empty hands and wants to fill them with somebody else's goods. The envier has empty hands and therefore wants to empty the hands of the envied. The Scriptures convey a different message. *"Give, and it shall be given to you. Good measure pressed down, shaken together, running over, will they pour into the fold of your garment. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you."* (Luke 6:38) When we give of our treasure, our time, and our talent, we are more blessed than we realize. What time can we donate to someone who is lonely? What kind of talent can we offer to the parish? How generous are we with our funds to those in need? It is in giving that we receive.

Saints Corner: It would be easy, from all the news concerning the Church, to conclude that the Church is a troubled organization that is not worthy of one's time. The Church is holy because Christ founded it and made it holy. However, the Lord left it in the hands of sinful human beings. From Judas to the present day, there have been "bad eggs" in the Church. But, there have been many good people, saints, who have done incredible things through the power of God. This prompted me to begin a section in my weekly column to remind us all of the good in our family, the Church. Each week, I will point out the work of a saint that corresponds with that time. This coming Wednesday, September 5, is the memorial of Mother Teresa. Her life is one that really needs no great explanation. She felt called by God to love the poor and forgotten in the slums of Calcutta. Mother picked up the dying and gave them dignity for their upcoming death. The sick were cared for as if they were a close relative to her. Soon an order of religious sisters developed to care for the sick and dying, and now that order has spread all over the world. Mother just did what she was able to do, and God took care of the rest. That is really what the Lord asks of us – to do what we are able and then He will take care of the rest.

Have a blessed and safe Labor Day weekend!



Religious Education for elementary and high school students begins with orientation on Wednesday, September 12th.

To register, please contact our Religious Education Coordinator, Kathy Hookham at 608-752-7861 at extension #29.

NEWS & NOTES

St. Mary School



Wow! We are so blessed to have an amazing student body and faculty return for the school year. Our enrollment is very similar to last year which is great news considering we had a huge 8th grade class graduate. Our numbers in kindergarten and 3K are some of the highest in recent years so we have a lot to celebrate. We want to thank the Knights of Columbus for helping out with our back to school picnic last Sunday. It was a huge success and we are grateful for their commitment to the school community and their relationship with us. Monday was a supply drop off day, which was something new here at St. Mary's. We were pleased with the turnout and glad it provided students and families increased access to their teachers and rooms before the year started. Tuesday was the first day of school and we were thrilled to welcome everyone back. Parishioners, we want to thank you for your support as well. Thanks to your giving we were able to hand out close to \$13,000 in scholarships for our St. Mary's students. Thank you for your support!

Upcoming Events:

- Monday: Labor Day, no school
- 9/5: Student-led Mass - all are welcome! (8:15)
- 9/6: 8th Grade Kayak Trip
- 10/14: Steeple Chase

SCRIP REMINDER

SCRIP puts your regular shopping dollars to work supporting your parish and school with over fifty retailers grocery stores, gas stations, restaurants, department stores, hardware stores, movie theaters, spas and more!

SCRIP cards are available for purchase in the school office and after Mass twice per month next up, the weekend of September 1st/2nd and 15th/16th.

Thank you for supporting your parish and school!

MONEY MATTERS

Money Counts for 2018-2019

	Received	Budgeted	Variance
Week 9			
08-27-2018	8,545.25	7,937.76	607.49
YTD	\$85,821.67	103,704.66	-17,882.99

FOCUS ON FAITH

Please Pray For Our Parishioners:

Barbara Allen, Bill, Bill Bever, Valerie Boggs, Noah Cotter, Jeanette Durant, Linda Fredell, LeeAnn Gilligan, Gerri, Jackie H., Geraldine Hilt, Alice Jensen, Caroline McNally, Cory Musil, Max Rammer, Phyllis Rice, Madelynn Schieve, Colleen Schroeder, Ray Stuttgen, Edna Thorp Kelly Dooley Trewartha, Peter Weirich, Lola Williams, Avalon Widner, Lucille Willegal



Traveling Chalice

This week the Traveling Chalice will be hosted by Joyce Reuter.

Any questions regarding our Traveling Chalice program may be directed to: Colleen at 868-6386 OR irishcatholic56@gmail.com.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Tuesday evening from 5:00 - 6:00 pm and Saturday morning from 9:30-10:30 am.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call us at 752-7861 when a loved one has a serious illness.

Weddings: Please contact the rectory six months in advance. One party must be a parish member in good standing.

Infant Baptism: Registered members of the parish are welcome to arrange for their baby's baptism by signing up for the necessary preparation program for parents.

RCIA

Please call anytime if you would like to discuss Catholicism and see how joining the Church may offer you a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Catholic Women's Club

Contact Jan Bier at 752-4387 for more information.

Knights of Columbus

Meetings held 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm. Contact Ed Gilligan 449-6468 for more information.

Bulletin Deadline

Mondays at 9:00 AM. Please contact the Rectory at 752-7861.

SCRIPTURE

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." - Mk 7:5b-6

Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. "They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands." The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. "You hypocrites! These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. "The things that come from within are what defile." He lists off a number of sins, including some the Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance. When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbor, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves?

As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!



Readings for Sunday, August 26, 2018 Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b / Eph 5:21-32 / Jn 6:60-69

Readings for Next Sunday, September 2, 2018 Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 / Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 / Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Rest in Peace

William Knipshield was recently called to eternal life. Please remember him, and all who mourn the loss of a loved one, in your prayers.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Taize' Prayer



As summer draws to a close and the rhythms of school and fall routines begin, we look forward to a return to a "time apart" at St. Mary's that is at once familiar and new. Our time together will offer a chance to un-crowd our hearts and minds and simply *be* in God's presence. Come bask in the light of candles, raise your voice in simple and prayerful songs, and listen in silence for God to speak to your heart. Come to St Mary's on **Monday September 10 at 7:00 PM** for a peaceful and enriching prayer experience.

Please stay to enjoy fellowship and light refreshments celebrating our 20th year of Taize' Prayer at St. Mary.

**Remaining dates in 2018 for Taize' Prayer
(second Monday of every month):**

**October 8
November 12
December 10**

The Liturgical Year with Abbot Marcel Rooney, O.S.B.

Saturdays 9:00 AM to NOON / Mass at 8:15 AM
Holy Name Heights—702 S. High Point Road in Madison
Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, Diocese of Madison
Learn more and register: www.madisondiocese.org/seatofwisdom or call 608-821-3160.

September 8th- The Liturgical Year:
The Church Makes Time Sacred

October 20th- The Meaning of Sunday

November 3rd- Advent: The Church Awaits the Two
(and Three) Fold Comings of Christ

December 1st- Christmas: The Church Celebrates the
Glory of the Lord

Women's Scripture Group

The St. John Vianney Women's Scripture Group will resume after summer break on **Wednesday, September 12 at 9 a.m. in Marian Hall** in the large room facing the church. We meet from 9 to 10 a.m. We welcome all women to come and read and reflect upon the upcoming weekend scriptures and discuss their meaning as they relate to our own loves and how we can respond to Jesus, the Christ. All are welcome. We provide the readings and encourage whatever level of participation makes you comfortable. If anyone has questions, please call me at 608-290-3665. I'd be happy to talk with you. Joan Prendergast, facilitator.

Bible Study "The Mass"
by Bishop Robert Barron
Starting Thursday, September 13, 2018
8:30 AM at St. William chapel
AND an evening session to be determined

Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron... *and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.*

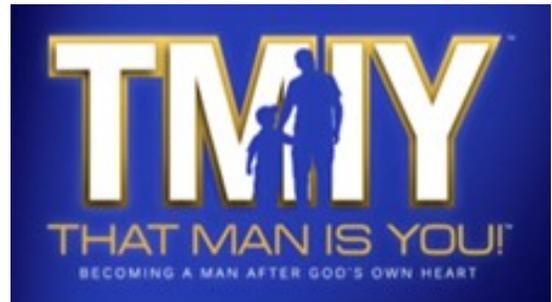
There will be 6 Session:

1. A Privileged Encounter
2. Called Out of the World
3. God Speaks our Story
4. Responding to Our God
5. Preparing for Sacrifice
6. The Real Presence Creates Communion



There is a Study Guide for \$25.00 plus shipping. If you are interested in joining this study please contact Barb Devine at bdevine72@gmail.com or 608-314-5093.

If you are interested, but unable to meet during the morning, we are considering offering an evening session if there is enough interest. Please contact Barb Devine if interested.



Men, mark your calendars.

That Man is You! begins Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at Marian Hall, St John Vianney.

That Man is you! combines Scripture, solid secular research, and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form authentic leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society.

Wednesday mornings at St. John Vianney Parish in Marian Hall—1238 East Racine Street, Janesville.

Schedule:

- 5:30 am Breakfast
- 6:00 am Video Presentation
- 6:30 am Small Group Discussion
- 7:00 am Conclusion

For more info contact Rick Cummings at 608-757-2229, teamcumplings@yahoo.com or Mark Lessner at 608-290-9170, lessnermark@aol.com

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Catholic Women's Club Fall Social / New Member Gathering

The Janesville Catholic Women's Club will hold its Fall Social / New Member Gathering on Monday, September 17, at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's church hall. All women in the four Janesville parishes are encouraged to attend and find out more about our organization. We offer our members the opportunity to gather for fellowship and spiritual encouragement at various events over the year. Our speaker for the evening is a member of the Rock County Humane Society. Light refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, please call Jan Bier at 742-4387.



Fellowship Weekend September 8th/9th

Gather in the Church Hall after Mass on Saturday and Sunday for refreshments.

Sponsored by Religious Education

All are welcome!

CATHOLIC DOCTORS NEEDED: Mission Doctors Association will offer the **2018 Fall Retreat/Seminar, Sept. 28 - 30, 2018** for Catholic Doctors, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants considering Short-term mission service. This will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School in Chicago. Working in partnership with Loyola Stritch Medical School, medical professionals will also have the opportunity to obtain CME for attending the weekend. Visit the website: www.MissionDoctors.org/loyola or call the office for more information (213) 368-1872.

Help us stay in Touch!

Please contact Sharlet in the parish office if you've recently moved, changed your telephone number or your email address.

Thank you—(608) 449-7736 or psec@nativitymary.org



St. Mary's Fall Festival

Sunday, September 23rd
2018

9:30 AM-1:30 PM

**Join in the fun
and fellowship!**

St. Mary's annual fall festival is Sunday, September 23rd from 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

Be there to experience the great "Taste of St. Mary's", our very own farmer's market, crafts, bakery, kids' activities, musical entertainment, raffle and much, much more!

Take a moment to wander through the

vestibule at the front of the church. Here you'll see handmade items on display that will be for sale or auction on festival day.

Raffle tickets are available to take and sell to family and friends or to purchase for your own chance to win prizes.

Volunteers are still needed! Please sign-up to give of your time or to donate produce, baked goods, crafts, etc. or call Joe for more information at 754-2144.

The **ADULT CATHOLIC SPIRIT CLUB** will meet at noon, Wednesday 12 September 2018, at St. John Vianney's Marian Hall. A potluck dinner will be served and you are asked to bring a dish to share, along with your own table service.

We will open our fall season with "All About Eagles", presented by Kurt Van Galder. The eagle is not only a regal bird but is the national symbol of the United States of America. This program will be informative and interesting! Originally Fr. Paul was to speak at our September gathering but a conflict arose and he regretfully had to cancel ... we'll try to schedule him for a future program.

We are again offering blood pressure screenings from 11:30 am to 12 noon.

For more information, call Ginny at 608-752-4442.

Mass Intentions

♥ = Living

Sunday, September 2

8:30 AM Parishioners of Nativity of Mary
10:30 AM

Monday, September 3

No Mass

Tuesday, September 4

12:10 PM

Wednesday, September 5

8:15 AM Bonnie Boos McKeown

Thursday, September 6

8:15 AM

Friday, September 7

8:15 AM Tom and Jim Ryan

Saturday, September 8

4:30 PM Doreen Trunnelle

Sunday, September 9

8:30 AM Parishioners of Nativity of Mary
10:30 AM Special Intention ♥

CLUSTER CORNER

**ALL ACTIVITIES ARE OPEN TO MEMBERS
OF ANY PARISH IN THE CLUSTER**

August 31-

September 3 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

Visit St. John Vianney's Athletic Association's Food Stand at Thresherman's Park in Edgerton!

September 4 10:30 AM

Faith Sharing Group, Nativity of Mary, Nativity House

September 4 Noon-5:00 PM

Adoration, St. William, Benediction at 5 PM

September 4 6:00-7:00 PM

Adoration, St. John Vianney

September 4 6:15-7:00 PM

Adoration/Devotions in Spanish, St. Patrick

September 6 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Adoration, St. Patrick

September 7 8:45-9:45 AM

Adoration, Nativity of Mary

September 7 9:00 AM-2:30 PM

Adoration, St. John Vianney, Benediction at 2:30 PM

September 10 11:30 AM-2:00 PM

Catholic Charities/Second harvest Mobile Food Pantry, St. John Vianney—11:30-12:30 Registration, 12:30-2 Food Distribution.

All in need are welcome.

Parish Event Calendar

Tuesday, September 4

10:30 AM Faith Sharing Group, Nativity House
5:30-6:30 PM Reconciliation

Wednesday, September 5

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, September 7

8:45-9:45 AM Holy Hour (Adoration), Church

Saturday, September 8

9:30-10:30 AM Reconciliation, Church

Fellowship Weekend—

Join us for refreshments Saturday and Sunday,
September 8th & 9th following each Mass

**Monday, September 3rd
the parish office will be closed
for the Labor Day holiday.**



	Monday 9/3	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday 9/9
Nativity of Mary		12:10 pm	8:15 am	8:15 am	8:15 am	4:30 pm	8:30 & 10:30 am
St. John Vianney	8:15 am	5:15 pm	8:15 am	8:15 am	8:15 am	8:15 am 5:00 pm	8:15 & 9:45 am
St. Patrick		5:15 pm	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	4:00 pm	9:00 am 12:00 Noon <i>en Español</i>
St. William		8:30 am	8:30 am	7:30 am	7:30 am	4:00 pm	8:00 & 10:30 am
St. Mary's Hospital							
St. Elizabeth Nursing Home		3:30 pm	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am		9:15 am
St. Elizabeth Manor Footville		9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am		11:00 am