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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



30th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you."
Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.
- Mk 10:52

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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

Saints Corner: This week, the Church throughout the world will commemorate All Saints' Day, which will be Thursday, November 1st. Why was this solemnity established? In the East, this day was established to remember that the Church is one of the living and dead. Both sides are in communion with each other. Those who have died did not stop being part of the Church. Being with Christ in Heaven, they are truly united to Him. This total union means that the saints can intercede on our behalf before the Lord. In the West, this day was enacted in the 7th century. The Pantheon, which is a beautiful landmark today and an architectural wonder, was originally a temple to Roman gods. After the fall of the Roman Empire, the Pope rededicated the famous Pantheon and consecrated it to the Virgin Mary and all the martyrs. Another development of the day was that a particular saint was not known by the whole church. A village or a region may have had a particular saint, while cities like Rome had great lists of saints. At times, some local churches borrowed saints from other communities simply because they did not have one themselves. This devotion of saints over the centuries led to the eventual creation of a single day where all women and men of all time would be recognized on a single day. Today, we are in need of this day; to remember that the Church is not only an organization on this earth. It is a family that was founded from above. This day recalls that we all are called to be saints, to be lights of God in a world that is increasingly skeptical of the Church's mission. No human person, including the saints while they were on earth, is perfect. But we are called to perfection and be messengers of God's mercy and healing to a world in need of both. That is the importance of this feast day.

It is hard to believe that we are just at the end of October. A reminder that Daylight Savings Time ends this coming Saturday night. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour. Have a blessed week!



Would You Like A Pastoral Visit?

REMINDER: If you, a family member or someone you know is confined or hospitalized and would benefit from a pastoral visit, please contact your parish office and let them know. Staff does not always know of hospital admissions for a variety of reasons and often has no way of knowing of other situations in which a parish contact would be beneficial.

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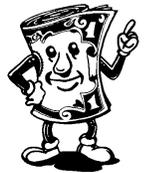
St. Mary School



School News: Students enjoyed a 3 day week as Parent Teacher Conferences took place Thursday afternoon. I am proud of the work of both our students and teachers as work was showcased at conferences. This annual review is often a time for us to reflect as a school about our strengths and weaknesses and how to better meet the needs of students. At conferences I am reminded of our identity as a school – to develop all aspects of a child. Offering a strong selection of specials classes (P.E., music, art, technology, and Spanish) while enforcing what it means to be Catholic is at the heart of what we strive to do.

Dates to Remember:

- 10/29: No School
- 10/30: Skelly's Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
- 10/31: Costume Parade and Great Pumpkin Hunt
- 11/1: All Saint's Day Student-Led Mass (8:15)
- 11/20: End of Trimester 1



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 November 3rd/4th and 17th/18th.

Thank you for supporting your parish and school!

MONEY MATTERS

Money Counts for 2018-2019

	Received	Budgeted	Variance
Week 17			
10-21-2018	9,250.81	8,818.42	432.39
2 YTD	\$173,398.15	197,647.19	-24,249.04

FOCUS ON FAITH

Please Pray For Our Parishioners:

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



Traveling Chalice

This week the Traveling Chalice will be hosted by St. Mary School's 7th grade class.

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

 "Son of David, have pity on me!" Has the cry of Bartimaeus ever escaped your lips? Today's Gospel tells the story of a blind man with a difficult lot in life. He made a living by begging coins off passing travelers. When word reaches him that Jesus will be passing by, this is when he begins to shout for mercy. Jesus hears Bartimaeus' cry and beckons him forward.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Last week, Jesus asked a similar question to James and John. Their response was a clutch for fame. Bartimaeus' response is much humbler. "Lord, I want to see." How strange this interaction must have seemed to the onlookers. The man is blind! Of course he wants to see! But Jesus is always teaching us. By asking us what we want, Jesus reveals the dispositions of our hearts. God already knows them, but do we? By asking James and John to name their ambition, their selfishness is exposed to them and to the other disciples. By asking Bartimaeus to name his longing, his faith is exposed to the entire crowd. Jesus invites participation in our own redemption. He doesn't save us without us! Take some time in silent prayer today. Place yourself in this story of Bartimaeus. Imagine yourself there on the dusty, crowded roadside. Jesus is calling you! When you stand before him, his focus is on you and you alone. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asks. Search your heart. How would you respond? What part of your heart is Jesus asking you to expose? He has come to heal and to restore. May we, too, be sent! "Go ... your faith has saved you."



Readings for Sunday, October 28, 2018
Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Jer 31:7-9 / Heb 5:1-6 / Mk 10:46-52

Readings for Next Sunday, November 4, 2018
Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Dt 6:2-6 / Heb 7:23-28 / Mk 12:28b-34

"Charity, patience and tenderness are very beautiful gifts. If you have them, you want to share them with others."
 - Pope Francis

WHAT'S HAPPENING

This weekend, the **International Combined Collection** is being conducted across the diocese. This embodies several worthy and needy causes through one appeal. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives of so many. An envelope for this collection was among those you received in the mail. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives of so many.

- **World Mission Support**—Through prayer and sacrifice, you can recommit to the missionary activities around the world. Your support may be used to buy Bibles for catechists in Sierra Leone, or provide for a small parish in India. Your gift may be used to help Sisters in Sudan lovingly care for orphans in Jesus' name, or it may buy a bicycle for a priest in Thailand so he can travel from village to village to celebrate Mass. Most importantly, wherever your gift is sent, it brings with it the Good News of Jesus Christ and his message of peace, hope and salvation.
- **Catholic Relief Services**—Catholic Relief Services (CRS) works at home and abroad to give aid to struggling, poor families. The six worldwide organizations supported by CRS provide immediate humanitarian aid, help obtaining asylum. Pastoral support, and disaster relief to more than 100 million people who are most in need.
- **Church in Central & Eastern Europe**—For many in the Church of Central and Eastern Europe, the aftermath of 70 years of Soviet rule and atheism are still evident every day in the forms of poverty and lack of access to medical and pastoral care. Your donations help strengthen the Church of this region through grants to Catholic organizations that help those in need to receive food, shelter, medicine, pastoral care and compassion through the light of Christ.
- **Church in Latin America**—This collection supports pastoral projects that enrich the lives of believers throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. These are people who long to continue to build upon the traditions of their Catholic faith. In many instances, collected funds provide the only resources individual parishes have to sustain the development of their parishioners. Your gift helps with the formation of seminarians, religious sisters and brothers, and lay leaders serving the Church.
- **Peter's Pence**—The Peter's Pence collection gives us the opportunity to extend a sign of peace to the Body of Christ around the world. Our gifts to this annual collection help the Holy Father support victims of poverty, disaster, war, oppression and other in urgent need of assistance. Pope Francis uses the Peter's Pence collection to strengthen dioceses, religious orders, and struggling communities of faith when they need it most.
- **Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church of Africa**—This Collection allows the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to provide grants to finance pastoral projects that support the maintenance and growth of the Church in Africa. Projects that are funded by this collection include outreach programs, schools, evangelization and education of clergy and lay ministers throughout the country.

Donate at madisondiocese.org/donate

RCIA Inquiry

Have you been thinking you'd like to know more about being Catholic? Are you interested in receiving the Sacraments? Do you perhaps need to be Confirmed to complete your sacraments and be fully Catholic and are wondering how to make that happen? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the place to seek those answers! Here at St. Mary's we will be having several RCIA Inquiry sessions. These sessions are just what they say. They are for those INQUIRING about Catholicism... the above questions or any other. If you have a need to inquire about anything to do with being Catholic, please join us at any or all of these sessions. They are informal and open to all.

Our first session will be Thursday, November 8, from 7-8pm in our Rectory. We will meet most Thursdays for several weeks. A complete schedule will be available at our first session. There is no obligation to continue... simply an opportunity to find answers to your inquiries. Please....come....join us and inquire about what you are seeking! "Ask and it will be given you; search and you shall find..." (Matthew 7:7) We hope to see you there!! For questions concerning RCIA Inquiry please call Fr. Rob at 752-7861 or Colleen at 868-6386.

FISH FRY—Our Lady of the Assumption (2222 Shopiere Road in Beloit) will have a Fish Fry this Friday, November 2. Serving takes place from 5:00-7:00 PM in Assumption Hall. All you can eat baked and fried Cod, baked potatoes, fries, cole slaw, applesauce, bread and beverage. Adults: \$11.00; Children 6-12: \$5.00; 5 & under FREE. Carry outs available. Desserts & soda offered at an additional charge.

Hurting from Abortion Hope is available Next Retreat: November 9-11

Are you or a loved one carrying the sorrow and regret from abortion? Whether recent or long ago God is waiting Healing is possible.



For confidential help, please contact Mary at 608-221-9593 or email Rachel@straphael.org for a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor.

For more information on Rachel's Vineyard's healing retreats, visit www.madisondioceses.org/rachel.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



St. John Vianney's Prayer for Priests

*God, please give to
your Church today
many more priests
after your own heart.*

*May they be worthy representatives
of Christ the Good Shepherd.
May they wholeheartedly devote themselves
to prayer and penance;
be examples of humility and poverty;
shining models of holiness;
tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God;
zealous dispensers of your grace in the sacraments.*

*May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus
in the Eucharist
and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains
of fruitfulness for their ministry.*

Amen.

At the Hour of Our Death

November is the month in which we offer fervent prayers for the dead. It is also a time to consider our own mortality. This informational evening is for those who wish to learn more about Catholic funerals and related rituals and who may even wish to consider a plan for their own funeral. Each participant will receive a copy of *Now and at the Hour of Our Death* which offers guidance in planning your own funeral.

Thursday, November 15, 2018

Holy Name Heights—702 S. High Point Road in Madison Auditorium Meeting Room from 1-3 PM

This seminar is free of charge. A \$3 donation to offset the cost of the participant booklets will be appreciated, if you are able. Please call (608) 821-3080 or email worship@straphael.org to register by November 1st.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

- ◆Take time every day to recall something to be thankful for in your marriage.
- ◆Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been teaching couples good communication skills for over 50 years!
- ◆Sign up today to renew, rekindle and refresh your marriage at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Nov. 9-11 in Rockford, IL, Nov. 30-Dec. 2 in Madison, WI or Jan. 25-27 in Brookfield, WI.
- ◆For more information visit our website at: www.alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.



Rock County Caregivers Events

Rock County Caregiver Pizza Party & Sharing Night

November 13 at 6 pm—No cost (Rock County Job Center)
Contact Cori Marsh 741-3615

Holiday Survival Tips for Families Coping with Alzheimer's

Friday, November 16 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm—
No Cost (Council on Aging Office)
Contact Council on Aging 758-8455

The Caregiver's Approach to Memory & Merriment

Tuesday, December 4 at 11 am OR 12:30 pm—No Cost
Contact Council on Aging 758-8455

Rock County Caregivers Support Groups— Janesville

1st Tuesday of each month from 6-7:15 pm

Council on Aging (Meeting Room) 3328 Hwy 51 North
Contact Cori Marsh 608-741-3615
marsh@co.rock.wi.us

2nd Wednesday of each month from 1:30-2:30 pm

Cedar Crest (Social Room) 1702 S River Road
Contact Bonnie Nuttkinson 608-203-8500
bnuttkinson@alz.org

2nd Thursday of each month from 6:00-7:00 pm

Hedberg Public Library South Main Street
Contact Julie Seeman 608-758-8455
caregiving@co.rock.wi.us

Join the Knights of Columbus in praying the rosary, next weekend, and the first Sunday of every month, immediately following the 8:30 AM Mass.



In Memoriam

Throughout the month of November we remember those who have gone before us, especially those from our own parish who have passed within the last year.

In the month of November we will place the Book of the Dead in the church. All parishioners are invited to write the names of those who have died in this book and we will include them in our prayers.



Mass Intentions

♥ = Living

Sunday, October 28

8:30 AM Richard J. Showers
10:30 AM William & Marie Healy

Monday, October 29

No Mass

Tuesday, October 30

12:10 PM Tom and Jim Ryan

Wednesday, October 31

8:15 AM Louis Berner

Thursday, November 1

8:15 AM Louis M. & Mary Berner
12:10 PM Parishioners of Nativity of Mary

Friday, November 2

8:15 AM Jessica Lynn Szerlong

Saturday, November 3

4:30 PM Charlie Smith—14 Years

Sunday, November 4

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

Parish Event Calendar

Monday, October 29

11:00 AM Centering Prayer, Nativity House

Tuesday, October 30

10:30 AM Faith Sharing Group, Nativity House
5:00-6:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

Friday, November 2

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

Saturday, November 3

9:30-10:30 AM Reconciliation, Church

Sunday, November 4

9:30 AM Knights of Columbus Rosary

All Saints Day

Thursday, November 1

8:15 AM and 12:10 PM Masses

All Souls Day

Friday, November 2

8:15 AM Mass

CLUSTER CORNER

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

October 29 11:00 AM

Centering Prayer, Nativity of Mary, Nativity House

October 30 10:30 AM

Faith Sharing Group, Nativity of Mary, Nativity House

October 30 Noon-5:00 PM

Adoration, St. William, Benediction at 5:00 PM

October 30 6:15 PM

Adoration and Devotions in Spanish, St. Patrick

October 30 6:00-7:00 PM

Adoration, St. John Vianney

October 31 5:30-7:00 AM

"That Man is You", St. John Vianney, Marian Hall

October 31 9:00-10:00 AM

Women's Scripture Study, St. John Vianney, Marian Hall

November 1 All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation

November 1 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Adoration, St. Patrick

November 1 8:30-10:30 AM

"The Mass" by Bishop Robert Barron, St. William, Parish Chapel

November 1 6:00-7:30 PM

"The Mass" by Bishop Robert Barron, St. John Vianney,
Gathering Space

November 2 8:45-9:45 AM

Adoration, Nativity of Mary

November 2 9:00 AM-2:30 PM

Adoration, St. John Vianney, 2:40 Benediction

November 2 All Souls Day

November 2 3:30 PM/4:00 PM

Rosary at 3:30 PM and Mass at 4:00 PM at Mt. Olivet Cemetery

*In case of bad weather, this will be at St. John Vianney's Church

November 3 7:00 PM

Confirmation for Candidates from all Janesville parishes at
St. John Vianney Church

	<u>Monday</u> 10/29	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u> All Saints	<u>Friday</u> All Souls	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u> 11/4
Nativity of Mary		12:10 pm	8:15 am	8:15 am 12:10 pm	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 5:15 pm	8:15 am 4:00 pm	8:15 am 5:00 pm	8:15 & 9:45 am
St. Patrick		5:15 pm	8:00 am	8:00 am 6-7:30 pm <i>Bilingual</i>	8:00 am 6-7:30 pm <i>Bilingual</i>	4:00 pm	9:00 am 12:00 Noon <i>en Español</i>
St. William		5:15 pm	7:30 am	8:30 am 7:00 pm		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	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