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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. 9:00 am
Spanish Mass - Sun. 12:00 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. 4:30 pm
Sun. 8:30 am



15th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

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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

Update on Planning Commission: Last month, our Planning Commission met. In my column on June 23, I described the Commission's consensus to ask for guidance from the Diocese regarding the process. What were they looking for specifically? In this bulletin, I have printed and inserted our formal response to the Diocese. It was our hope that the formal response from the Diocese would be completed in time for our next meeting, which was originally July 10. Unfortunately, with our new Bishop just arriving and with his schedule taking him away from the Diocese for a few weeks, there would not be enough time for him to give his input. That is an important part of the process. So, our commission has rescheduled our next meeting for a later date. The formal letter will also be displayed at the bulletin boards as well.

Help Still Needed for Endowment Board: In looking at the by-laws for our school endowment, an endowment board is needed. Their duty is to establish goals and objectives for the endowment fund, and to establish a plan for attaining milestones. I am looking for 3-4 people who have some kind of financial background and experience to be on this board. This board will answer to the Finance Council. You can contact me at the Parish Office.

Bishop Hying Videos: One new thing our Bishop is doing is releasing a video daily. It is focused on the daily readings and has a message. We have put up the link to his YouTube videos on our parish website, so that people can view them. The address to our website is located on the front page of our bulletin – www.nativitymary.org.

Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities: People have been coming to me and commenting positively on the installation of the ramp railing and how well it looks. We could not have done it without the financial assistance from the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities. Formerly known as the Apostolate for the Handicapped, they are usually associated with the Sunday morning Masses on channel 3. This serves our elderly and those with disabilities who cannot physically to Mass. But, they exist for more. They offer resources for the elderly, those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, those who have mobility challenges, and many more. Again, I thank them for their grant of \$7,500 toward the cost of our ramp rail. This ramp will help those who have special needs to come to the sanctuary to worship the Blessed Sacrament, to have the ability to join the choir, and to come to the Reconciliation Room.

Saint of the Week: This coming Thursday, July 18, our church remembers the life of St. Camillus. He was born in 1550 near Naples, Italy. Camillus was a soldier. He also was a gambler, but he lost so much money that he had to work as a laborer on a building that the Capuchins owned. It was an exhortation made by the man in charge of the building that changed Camillus' life.

NEWS & NOTES

Fr. Rob continued

He would turn away from his old way of life and turned to God. Camillus entered the Capuchin order, but his could not finish his studies due to illness. He went to Rome and entered a hospital there. For the rest of his life, he dedicated all his service to the sick and the dying. St. Camillus is the patron saint of the sick and of hospitals. He is an excellent saint to pray to when we struggle with illness ourselves or when we struggle with the helplessness we have when we cannot do anything for sick loved ones. St. Camillus, pray for us!

Finally, I will be on retreat this week. It will be a time of prayer and silence. So, there will not be Mass during the weekdays. Know that I will be praying for you, and please keep me in your prayers. Have a blessed week!

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!

SUMMERTIME SCRIP! SCRIP cards are available for purchase at the rectory Monday through Thursday from 9 am—3 pm beginning June 17th. Please, always call first to be sure we don't miss you! (752-7861) Look for us after the 10:30 Mass every Sunday, or all Masses twice per month. Next up: July 20th/21st.

Thank you for supporting your parish and school!



***We are updating our list of alumni from St. Mary School and we need your help. Please contact the parish office by mail (313 E Wall St, Janesville 53545), telephone (608-752-7861 x 10) or email (psec@nativitymary.org) with your name, former name (if applicable), current address, telephone number and email address.

MONEY MATTERS

Money Counts for 2018-2019

	Received	Budgeted	Variance
Week 1			
7-07--2019	16,950.66	14,026.83	2,923.83
YTD	\$16,950.66	14,026.83	2,923.83

FOCUS ON FAITH

Please Pray For Our Parishioners

Barbara Allen, Bill, Peter Barrett,
 Sandra Barrette, Judy Bever, Valerie Boggs,
 Karen Bullis, Noah Cotter, Jeanette Durant,
 Linda Fredell, LeeAnn Gilligan, Gerri, Jackie H.,
 Alice Jensen, Pat, Janet Prusansky,
 Max Rammer, Madelynn Schieve,
 Colleen Schroeder, Andrew Stuehler,
 Edna Thorp, Peter Weirich, Lola Williams,
 Avalon Widner, Lucille Willegal



Eucharistic Adoration

A Holy Hour is held in the church every Friday, following the 8:15 AM Mass.

We invite you to come and pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.



Traveling Chalice

This week the Traveling Chalice will be hosted by the Ray & Kathy Turner.

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

Contact Ed Gilligan 449-6468 for more information.

Bulletin Deadline

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

SCRIPTURE

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:30b-31, 33

Loving isn't too difficult, right? Many of us are surrounded by kind, lovely people trying to do the right thing. Indeed, to "love your neighbor as yourself" seems like it should be easy enough. Treat people like you would like to be treated. Bring the new neighbors some baked goods. Chat with the bank teller about his holiday weekend. Write an occasional card to your sister "just because." There were probably varieties of these acts of kindness in Jesus' day. Perhaps substituting figs for cookies. But "exchange pleasantries with the traveling cloth merchant" isn't the example Jesus gives.

"A man fell victim to robbers... they stripped him and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead." The righteous pass by the scene of the dying man. The hero of the story is the one on the margins of Jewish society, who perhaps would not have been welcomed, in other circumstances, by the man now in the ditch. His neighborly love causes him to halt his journey, to tend wounds, and to pay for the man's care out of his own savings. Are we interruptible? Are we attentive to the hurts of others? Are we generous with our money and possessions?

In the past few weeks, who has crossed your mind as someone in need of help? Perhaps it's an acquaintance suffering from cancer. Maybe you were invited to donate or volunteer to a local social cause, but it just won't stick in your mind (or schedule) to make it happen. The needs of people are many and varied. We can't help everyone, but God does place opportunities in our path for compassion and courageous love. This week, be "the one who treated him with mercy."

Readings for Sunday, July 14, 2019
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Dt 30:10-14 / Col 1:15-20 / Lk 10:25-37

Readings for Next Sunday, July 21, 2019
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Gn 18:1-10a / Col 1:24-28 / Lk 10:38-42



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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Volunteer Days at St. Mary School

On June 19 and 20th, the school is looking for volunteers to paint the hallways to match our newly painted lockers. There will also be a BBQ on the evening of June 20th. If you are interested in helping paint, please email principal@stmaryschoolwi.com or dkessler@nativitymary.org.

Custodian needed for St. Mary School

We are looking for someone who is willing to clean 10-12 hours a week during afternoons/evenings throughout the school year. Responsibilities include dust mopping, emptying garbage, and cleaning the bathrooms. This is a paid position. Please call the parish office 752-7861 for more information.

Server Training

Fr. Rob will conduct a training session for all those interested in being an altar server; adult and student. We are excited about the possibility of parent/child teams. Note: children should, at least, be entering the 4th grade or older and have received their First Communion. Saturday, July 27th at 11:00 am in the church. The training session should only take about an hour. While not required, a call to let us know that you are coming will help prepare enough materials for all. Pope Francis has reminded us on many occasions to be of "service to others".

Warm smiles, please apply!

If you're available to greet new members after Mass occasionally throughout the year, please call Sharlet in the parish office at (608) 752-7861. We need a few new faces in our rotation of volunteers for the Sunday Masses, both 8:30 and 10:30 am.



FAMILY BOWLING

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
Friday, August 9th
River's Edge Bowl
Two games & shoes \$3.99 plus tax
Starts at 4:00 PM
Everyone welcome!

Thank You. 

Thank you to everyone who contributed toward the replacement of our parish vacuum cleaners. A total of \$750 was donated, allowing the parish to purchase a commercial vacuum for the church and an additional vacuum for the school. We greatly appreciate the continued generosity of the congregation of St. Mary's.

Keep 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) 752-7861 or psec@nativitymary.org

Food Drive for ECHO

Our parish will be holding a special ECHO FOOD DRIVE JULY 20-21. Next weekend, please consider bringing a non-perishable picnic item to Mass.



IDEAS:

- Pork N Beans
- Pasta Salad (boxed)
- Potato salad (canned)
- Meat/Fish (canned)
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Olives
- Pickles, relishes
- Potato Chips
- Marshmallows
- Chocolate bars
- Graham crackers
- Bottled water
- Drink mix
- Juice
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Cookie mix
- Cake mix
- Dried fruit
- Nuts, seeds
- Crackers
- Cheese spread
- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Paper plates
- Plastic silverware
- Plastic cups

Free Organ Concerts at Holy Name Heights

The Diocesan Office of Worship is hosting weekly organ concerts this summer on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned chapel at Holy Name Heights (702 S. High Point Road). There is no admission fee. A freewill offering will be taken.

Concerts continue through August. Come to one or to all. The concerts each will last about an hour and all are welcome. Holy Name Heights is wheelchair accessible. More information is available at www.madisondiocese.org/organ.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

ADULT CATHOLIC SPIRIT CLUB 2019-2020 Programs

On the second Wednesday of each month, September to May, all men and women in the area are invited to meet for a social event. A potluck dinner is served at noon and programs begin at 12:45 pm. The event is held in St. John Vianney's Marian Hall. There are no membership dues; free will offerings are accepted. The Spirit Club Board gives a great deal of time and thought to provide programs that are both interesting and entertaining...and, we are always open to suggestions for future programs. Please help us kick off the program year by joining us in September. You can't beat the friendship, good food and entertainment. Try it - you'll like it!

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| 11 September 2019 | Fr. Earl Sias will tell us about The Academy of Performing Arts and Afterschool Programs - this group focuses on the needs of families living in the 4 th Ward |
| 9 October 2019 | Tom & Diane Moore will introduce us to the "Comfort Dog" which was purchased by St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church. (This program was cancelled last year because of bad weather.) |
| 13 November 2019 | Author, Madonna Rice, will present "My Grandmas are Awesome". |
| 11 December 2019 | The "Daylilies" a cappella chorus will present their Christmas program |
| 8 January 2020 | Jim Whitcomb will speak to us on "Recycling and Waste Management" |
| 12 February 2020 | "Game Day" featuring Bingo, Bunco, etc. |
| 11 March 2020 | David Wiedenkiller will present a program on General George Patton, 4 Star General of the 3 rd Army in WWII. This presentation will be "in the first person, in full period dress." |
| 8 April 2020 | Black Point Estate will present "Sordid and Scandalous Lake Geneva" |
| 13 May 2020 | Fr. James Leeser, St. Williams Parish, will be our featured speaker |

If you would like to know more about the Adult Catholic Spirit Club and their programs, please contact one of the following board members:

St. John Vianney:	Phyllis Byrne, Ev Kealey
St. Patrick:	Shirley Collins, Ginny Hirsch
Nativity of Mary:	Dolores Dilley, Joan Wanninger
St. William:	Ellen Even, Joan Pastula

Volunteers Needed at St. Elizabeth Home

We are in search of some more volunteers for our Life Enrichment Department to help during recreation programs with our residents, as well as a greeter at our front desk! If you are interested in running some fun activities with our residents please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, **Athena Johnson at 608-208-1426 or email her at athenajohnson@stelizabethmanor.com**

When making your estate plans, or funeral pre-arrangements, please remember to include Nativity of Mary as a memorial.

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