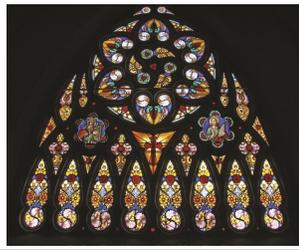


July 11, 2021 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Janesville/Milton Mass Times

Nativity of MarySat. 4:30 pm
Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 am

St. Patrick.....Sat. 7:30 am & 4:00 pm
Sun. 9:00 am

Spanish Mass - Sun. 12:00 pm

St. John VianneySat. 8:15 am
& 5:00 pm

Sun. 8:15 & 10:00 am

St. WilliamSat. 4:00 pm
Sun. 8:00 & 10:30 am

St. Mary - Milton.....Sat. 4:00 pm
Sun. 8:30 am



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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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 Msgr. Dan

May these summer days be a source of renewal with some opportunities for relaxation, rest and gathering with friends and family. Also, some time to enjoy the stillness of free time for just being without the need for doing. God enjoys the ways we spend time with Him, praying, contemplating, recognizing His beauty and truth and goodness in all of creation and one another. So, let's spend lavishly and make as many moments as possible to do these things as summer allows us.

O God, help us to recognize you in all your many disguises. Every day you fill us anew with your kindness. Open our hearts to the sounds and sights that continually surround us and are meant to remind us of you. Let us see you in one another and in the quiet times listen to your gentle voice speaking words of love and peace to lift us up on the wings of beautiful summer days.

Happy summer.

Msgr. Dan



Thanks From The Children of St. Augustine Indian Mission

Last week, you were invited to learn more about the work of the St. Augustine Indian Mission. Fr. Mark Beran came to preach at all of our masses and asked for a gift for the Native American children of the Winnebago and Omaha reservations. Fr. Mark has asked me to thank you those who donated for your gifts. If you would like to get in touch with Fr. Mark, you can reach him at: 402-878-2402 or write him at P.O. Box 766, Winnebago, NE 69071-0766, or email mtberan@archomaha.org.

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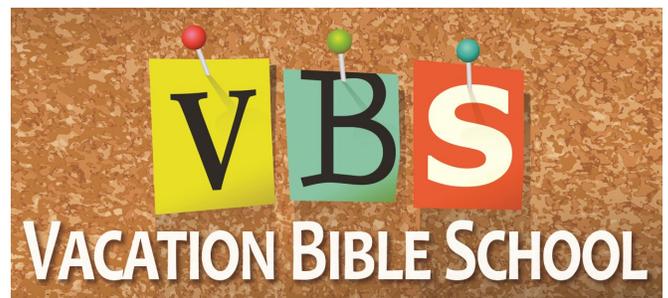
St. Mary School



The school office will be open on Mondays throughout the summer to sell Scrip from 8:00-10:00 am.

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 can now be purchased digitally with MyScripWallet.com for your phone and ShopWithScrip.com for your desktop. To get set up, call the school office at (608) 754-5221 x 110.



Rocky Railway VBS

Looking for something to fill those late days of summer vacation? We have just the ticket!!

Kids love learning about Jesus and love being, love having fun and love doing both with their friends so.....let them do it all at VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!

A whole week of Jesus, fun and friends. This year's VBS will be THE ROCKY RAILWAY... fun railroad adventures with Bible stories at St. John Vianney. VBS will take place August 3-6, from 9-11:45am each day and is for Pre-K thru 5th graders. The cost is \$25 per child.

Join us for faith, food, friends and fun!! Call Colleen at 752-7861 x 104, or email her at re@nativitymary.org.

FOCUS ON FAITH

Please Pray For Our Parishioners

Ben, Michael and Randy, Bill, Valerie Boggs,
 Karen Bullis, Noah Cotter, Sue Creek,
 Mary Lynn Fox, Gerri, LeeAnn Gilligan,
 Corbin Grieving, Hannah, Jackie H.,
 Alice Jensen, Christine Ansier Katzer,
 Greg Kraft, Mary McGuire, Patricia Mosher,
 Pat & Mark, Richard Peck, Max Rammer, Fran
 Rivera, Heather Saalfeld, Madelynn Schieve,
 Colleen Schroeder, Andrew Stuehler, Tammy,
 Cory & Barb, Mary Tullis, Avalon Widner



JANESVILLE COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Cargill United Methodist Church
 2000 Wesley Avenue, Janesville
 Monday, July 12—10:30-3:30 pm
 Tuesday, July 13—1:00-6:00 pm
 For an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS
 Or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code:
 Janesville

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. Contact Colleen Szerlong at
 868-6386 or irishcatholic56@gmail.com.

Catholic Women's Club

Contact Jan Bier at 752-4387 for more information.

Knights of Columbus

Contact Jim Mullen at 608-201-9860 for more information.

Adult Catholic Spirit Club

Contact Dolores Dille 752-2587.

Bulletin Deadline

Mondays at 9:00 AM. Please contact Sharlet Collins at the
 Rectory, 752-7861 or email psec@nativitymary.org.

SCRIPTURE

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two
 by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. (Mk 6:7)

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how
 many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff
 priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional
 Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not
 really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel
 has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized
 members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from
 that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's
 a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the
 risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church
 and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass,
 contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That
 pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the
 "road less traveled." Imagine those first disciples going out and
 into people's homes. They must have had some amazing
 conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their
 hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They
 must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their
 communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a
 society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there
 were many who welcomed what they had to say and the
 conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected
 them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel,
 while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received
 well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they
 are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to
 take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go.
 What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We
 interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles,
 institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversa-
 tions with others reveal a great deal about how we see things
 and what we consider important. If we are really interested in
 seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about
 it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its
 way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the
 dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship
 with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous
 lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways
 to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way
 to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our
 conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what
 the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take.



Readings for Sunday, July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 7:12-15 / Eph 1:13-14 / Mk 6:7-13

Readings for Next Sunday, July 18, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6 / Eph 2:13-18 / Mk 6:30-34

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Go Make Disciples: The What, Why and Who of our Mission

Many, if not most of you, by now, have heard from others around you, talk of this “Go Make Disciples” initiative. But...perhaps you are still wondering...what exactly IS this initiative? What’s it all about? Why are we doing it? Who is a part of it? Well, let’s look at those excellent questions and clear up some of your wonderings. Let’s start by looking at part of how it is explained on our Diocesan websites:

“Bishop Hying is embracing the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Madison in the year 2021, to launch a bold, robust evangelizing initiative. When we ponder the mission of the Church, it’s clear that Jesus commands us to proclaim the Gospel to every creature—to be disciples ourselves and to make disciples of others. And that is what the Church has been about for 2,000 years. There is a special urgency to that task in this present moment, when we ponder the fact that, in any diocese in our country, roughly 70% of our baptized Catholics are not at church on any given Sunday. There’s a myriad of reasons for that, but the bottom-line is, we need to do something about it. The task of evangelization is to proclaim in a fresh way and with a bold impulse the good news of Jesus Christ, of God’s love for us, of the offer of salvation and forgiveness won for us by Jesus through his death and resurrection; to speak of Jesus as if people have never heard of him, because in many cases they really haven’t, and so the Good News is both “Good” and really “New” for us.”

Still...what does all that mean? WHY are we doing this? Well, in essence, it means that we are ALL disciples of Jesus Christ, and, as such, it is our mission, every one of us, to proclaim the Good News to all, in short, to constantly and consistently be evangelizing. Not shouting on the street corner evangelizing, but living the Gospel and speaking the Good News to those we encounter evangelizing.

Ok, WHAT exactly is happening in that effort? The Go Make Disciples initiative began last year, with a few core team members in each parish, who have been meeting regularly, strengthening their faith and spiritual life in a variety of ways, and discussing how to move forward to embrace all with the Good News, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This initiative, this evangelizing, isn’t a short term “program”, but a forever effort in spreading faith, the Good News and the way to Eternal Life.

You are probably asking, WHO exactly is supposed to do this? Well, honestly, everyone. Every single one of us. As Catholics, as Disciples, it is our mission. Over the last year, our core parish members (Monsignor Dan, Dr. Kim Erhardt, Sr. Ruth Brings, Jan Bier, Colleen Szerlong, Andrea Meidl, and Joe Sanovich), are meeting, praying and planning on the best way for our parish to grow this mission. We are working on many ideas, and are open to hear from others...their thoughts, their ideas on strengthening each parishioners faith, on catechizing those who attend Mass and those who do not, on bringing back those who may have fallen away during the pandemic or before, on bringing others to our One, True, Holy and Apostolic faith, and sharing the Good News with all who seek it. We are looking for others to be a part of our Go Make Disciples team, those who are ready and able to share our faith. If you feel you are one of those others, or simply want to know morecontact any team member, or simply call Msgr. Dan. We are excited to talk with you and share more about Go Make Disciples and all it entails. No doubt, it will enrich your faith life, and in the process, bring a faith life to others!! RememberJesus calls us all to be His disciples and spread His teachings. Let’s start now!!



*H*eavenly Father,
as you sent fiery tongues of the Holy Spirit
on the Church gathered at Pentecost,
so now send forth the same Spirit
on the Diocese of Madison.
Inflame us with wisdom and courage,
evangelizing zeal, and greater charity,
that we may be renewed in the Heart of Your Son
and come to live ever more deeply
Your Trinitarian life of sacrificial love.
Through the Sacraments and Scriptures,
in personal prayer and service of neighbor,
may each of us be renewed for the sake
of the saving mission of the Church:
to proclaim the Gospel to every creature
and make disciples in the Holy Name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



CATHOLIC WOMEN

To all Catholic Women of the Madison Diocese— You may have heard that the CCW is conducting an online survey to determine future directions for the Madison Diocese of Catholic Women. Please fill out the survey using the ****NEW**** link below. Your input is critical to help us plan for the future. Thank you for taking the time to take the survey. To send the completed survey be sure to click on **DONE**.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J8SDBLH>

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us.
Judy Lyons
President
Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women



*"Be easy
on yourself."*

- Philippians 1:6

Calling All Teens!!

As a teenage parishioner....you are automatically a member of C.A.T.or our "Calling All Teens" group. As such you are being called to our first CAT event!!

On July 23, at St. John Vianney, there will be a badminton tournament for the teens of our city's parishes. It's all fun, fellowship and food! What could be better than that?

If you are interested, call Colleen at 752-7861 x 104 or email her at re@nativitymary.org.



Young Adult Holy Hour with BISHOP HYING

Friday, July 16, 7 PM—St. William Church / 456 N Arch St, JVL

VENITE ADOREMUS | YOUNG-ADULT HOLY HOUR

With Bishop Donald Hying

FRIDAY, JULY 16, 7 PM | ST. WILLIAM CHURCH, JANESVILLE



Adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join us on Friday, July 16, at St. William Church for Venite Adoremus, a young-adult holy hour.

The evening kicks off at 7 PM with Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and a short talk by Bishop Hying. Following the holy hour, we'll gather for fellowship, food, drinks, and music.

Hosted by the Janesville Catholic Churches. For more information, visit facebook.com/CatholicsOnTheRock or contact Kris at kkranenburg@sjv.org

Mass Intentions

♥ = Living

Monday, July 12

No Mass

Tuesday, July 13

12:10 PM Josephine Berner—10 Years

Wednesday, July 14

8:15 AM Mark & Pat Hawthorne ♥

Thursday, July 15

8:15 AM Tom Dreher

Friday, July 16

8:15 AM Robert Warner Jr. Family ♥

Saturday, July 17

4:30 PM Parishioners of Nativity of Mary

Sunday, July 18

8:30 AM Mary Babcock

10:30 AM Janet Edwards

NEWS & NOTES

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions are issued based on the universal law of the Church. Mass intentions are scheduled on a first-come-first-served basis. The suggested offering is \$10 per intention. Please call your parish secretary, Sharlet, at 608-752-7861, extension 100.

A request may be made for:

- a person who is living
- a person who is deceased
- members of a family
- an intention fitting to the Eucharistic celebration; vocations, dedication to life, persecuted Christians, world peace, etc.

Current guidelines for Mass attendance

Fully-vaccinated persons may choose to not wear masks.

Those who are at greater risk of illness, including those who are not vaccinated, will want to continue to wear a mask, or stay at home and watch Mass from there; livestreamed on our Facebook page, or look for the a video recording at our website, at www.nativitymary.org.

As always, if you or a family member are not feeling well, please stay home and rest.

Together, we can help our community to stay healthy.

Transportation to Vaccine Appointments:

The Rock County Public Health Department and the United Way 211 have partnered to offer resources to help people get a ride to their vaccination appointments. Rock County residents can call 211 Monday through Friday, 8am to 4:30 pm and ask about transportation resources.

Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery

at 1827 N Washington St, Janesville, offers graves, crypts, niches, vaults, monuments, and vases. Our regular office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8am to 4pm. Since we are often busy with funerals, you might want to call 608-754-3472 for an appointment. You can also browse available property at www.madisondiocese.org/cemeteries.

Soon you will see some construction going on at Mount Olivet Cemetery. We will be placing a new columbarium in a prominent location this fall, surmounted by a beautiful replica of Michelangelo's Pieta. Niches are on sale now at pre-construction pricing. Call the office for more information: 608-754-3472.

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