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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Clarks Mills, and St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Whitelaw, in union with the Roman Catholic Church, inspire all to grow as followers of Jesus Christ through the sacraments, faith education and social outreach to our members and the wider community.

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IN MEMORY OF JOHN DIETRICH 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Mass Schedule

ST. MARY

Sunday: 9:30 AM (Confessions 8:45-9:15)

ST. MICHAEL

Saturday: 4:00 PM (Confessions 3:00-3:30)

Sunday: 11:00 AM (No Mass 4th Sunday of Month)

St. Mary Parish – 775-4365
For Emergency – (920) 246-6841 – Dr. Randy Jaeckels
Parish Secretary: Casey Braun - 775-4365
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 11-3
SM/SM School Principal: Jane Schueller-775-4366
Director of Religious Education:
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876
Parish Council Chair: Lisa Sherman - 629-0013

St. Michael Parish – 732-3901
For Emergency – (920) 246-6841 – Dr. Randy Jaeckels
Parish Secretary: Judy Ebert - 732-3901
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 8 - 1
SM/SM School Principal: Jane Schueller-775-4366
Director of Religious Education:
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876
Parish Council Chair: Norb Baumann – 242-7848

GETTING MARRIED? Please call the parish office soon after you are engaged to begin the marriage preparation process, which is geared for your married life together, not simply the wedding day. Preparation is to begin at least nine months before the wedding, according to diocesan policy.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Parents are asked to begin preparing for their child's Baptism early. Please contact Deacon Randy Jaeckels for an appointment to facilitate the preparation.

COMMUNION/VISITS FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Please contact the parish office to arrange for Communion to be brought to the homebound and for regular visits by Deacon Randy Jaeckels.

PLEASE USE SCRIP: Available – St. Mary: At Sunday Mass; in the parish office: Mon.- Fri. 8:00-3:00. For large or special orders call Jean Shimon at 758-2276 by Saturday evening. Order form is available on website.

St. Michael: ½ hour until 10 minutes before weekend masses and after mass; in the parish office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9-noon; or by contacting Colleen at 732-3115. Order form is available on website.

**WORSHIP
SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY 18-26**

Saturday, February 18

4:00 PM (SM) Kathryn Braun (Choir)

Sunday, February 19

9:30 AM (IC) Mrs. Sandy Stadler & the Living & Deceased of St. Mary's Parish (Choir)
11:00 AM (SM) Evelyn, Joseph & Maxine Haas & the Living & Deceased of St. Michael's Parish

Tuesday, February 21

8:15 AM (IC) No Mass

Wednesday, February 22

8:15 AM (IC) Melissa Pederson-Zipperer
6:30 PM (SM) Schema, Stueber & Mueller Families (Choir)

Thursday, February 24

8:15 AM (SM) Liturgy of the Word

Saturday, February 25

4:00 PM (SM) James & Leona Vogel & the Living & Deceased of St. Michael's Parish

Sunday, February 26

9:30 AM (IC) Fr. Klingeisen Healthy Retirement & the Living & Deceased of St. Mary's Parish

ICSt. Mary/SM St. Michael

**MINISTRIES
FEB 22/25/26**

Lectors:

6:30 PM (SM) Vicki Baumann
4:00 PM(SM) Bernard McCulley
9:30 AM(IC) Susie Zimmermann

Extraordinary

Ministers:

6:30 PM (SM) Deacon Randy Meidl
4:00 PM(SM) Deacon Randy Jaeckels
9:30 AM(IC) Deacon Randy Jaeckels

Servers:

6:30 PM(SM) Bernard McCulley
4:00 PM (SM) Ken Brunner
9:30 AM(IC) Cassidy & Gloria Walesh

February Ushers:

6:30 PM (SM) Ken Brunner, Charles Vondrachek
4:00 PM (SM) Charles Vondrachek
9:30 AM (IC) Jeff & Abbey Slager

2023 Bishops Appeal-Sharing the Light of Christ:

Kicked-off the weekend of February 4/5. The Bishop's Appeal supports the ministries of the Diocese of Green Bay which serves our parishes, Catholic schools and communities. Your gift helps in countless ways. Care ministers are trained to go out and share the Gospel with the homebound and sick. Children and families are able to attend interactive education programs learning the Word of God. 91-93% of every dollar raised goes to Diocesan ministries and services right here in northeast Wisconsin. Thank you.

2023 BISHOP'S APPEAL

St. Mary's:	St. Michael's:
Goal \$19,140.00	Goal \$17,579.00
Current \$3,200.00	Current \$1,600.00

To pledge or donate online:

www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give
or contact the parish office

St. Mary's Parish will be hosting a Pancake & Porkie Breakfast next Sunday, February 26 after the 9:30am Mass. This will be a free will donation. Sign-up sheet is the back of church for an approximate count.

St. Mary's/St. Michael's Parishes: As Ash Wednesday is approaching, please bring your old palms back to church and place them in the marked boxes.

Marian Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 28 6:00pm in the Rectory. Deacon Randy Jaeckels will be the guest speaker to present information on the importance of funeral planning and to discuss the spring's funeral planning workshop.

Holy Cross and St. Anne Catholic Parishes Lenten

Mission: Companions on the Journey with Fr. Phillip Schoofs. February 26-March 1. Sunday, February 26 at St. Anne Church 6-7:30pm talk #1. Monday, February 27 at Holy Cross Church 1:30pm Healing Mass. 6-7:30pm talk #2. Tuesday, February 28 1:30pm Healing Mass. 6-7:30pm Mass with a Parish Social afterwards in the Parish Hall. Wednesday, March 1 at Holy Cross Church 6:00pm Penance Service. saandhccatholicparishes.com

Coping with Depression/Seasonal Affective Disorder

(SAD) on February 21 at Holy Family Memorial Harbor Town Campus. Located at 1650 S 41st Street in Manitowoc. Seminar held in the Cooperstown Room from 5:30-6:30pm. How do you distinguish between the winter blues and clinical depression. A clinical therapist will explain the differences and share potential treatments. No fee to participate. Registration required or more information call 920-320-2317.

Welcome

Welcome to our celebration of Mass today. We are so glad you came to worship with us!

Bulletins are published online: To access the Church website visit: www.stmarystmichael.com and to access the school website www.school.stmarystmichael.com

*If you have bookmarked the website, you may have to re-add the website again.

Bishop Ricken's Sunday Mass: If unable to make it to Mass due to illness or homebound Sunday Mass is available at 10:30am on channel 5 (WFRV).

Save the Date: St. Michael's drive-thru fish fry Friday, March 31.

Reach out for Lent: Let's help the Valders Food Pantry this Lenten season starting the weekend of February 25/26. Each week we will ask for different items that the pantry is in need of. Week 1 is toilet paper, Kleenex, body wash, shampoo and conditioner. There will be boxes located in the back of both parishes. Thank you so much for your contribution to people in need.

Manitowoc County Foster Care Informational Sessions: Have you ever thought about becoming a foster parent? Are you curious what foster care is all about? Learn more on February 21 from 10-11:30am at The Manitowoc Public Library in the Franklin room.

SCHOOL NOTE

The 7th and 8th Religion class has just completed Serra Club Essays. The topic this year was about factors in today's society that may be distracting young people from hearing

God's call to the priesthood or women's religious life and how these hurdles can be overcome. Winners of this writing contest will share their essays at a dinner with Bishop Ricken in May. The mission of the Serra Club is to encourage, foster, and PRAY for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The 5th and 6th grade Religion class includes monthly lessons on respecting all life. We complete projects with a pro-life theme.

Mrs. Carol Schmitz— 7th & 8th Grade Teacher

Winterfest, St. Mary/St. Michael School's largest fundraiser, will be held Saturday, February 25, 2023 starting at 5pm at Seven Lakes Golf & Dining. Raffle tickets are being sold for \$50 each. Only 600 tickets are being sold. You do not need to be present to win! Prizes are as follows: Grand Prize \$5000, 2nd \$3000, 3rd \$2000, 4th \$1000, 5th-6th \$500, 7th-10th \$250. See any school family or the school office to purchase your tickets before they are gone! A meal will be available at a separate cost of \$20 per person. You do not need a ticket to attend the event. We hope you can join us next Saturday for an evening of fun and social interaction between the school community, parish community, and the public!

THINGS TO DO

Holy Trinity Parish: 22nd annual perch fry held on Friday, February 17 at 11928 Marken Road in School Hill. Dine-in serving from 3:30-7pm. Carry-outs available from 11am-1pm and 3:30-7pm by calling 920-773-2380. 2 pieces \$12; 3 pieces \$14. Served with french fries, homemade American potato salad, or baby reds, with coleslaw, applesauce, bread, milk or coffee. Grilled cheese plates are also available. Homemade tortes and raffle tickets.

Knights of Columbus-Ash Wednesday Fish Fry Wednesday, February 22 at 2210 Garfield St. Two Rivers. Deep fried pollock includes baby reds or French fries, cole slaw and bread. \$10.00. Serving from 4:30-8:00pm. Please call Marvin Krall with any questions at 920-553-2591.

Fish Fry at Holy Family Parish in Brillion on Friday, March 3 from 3-7:30pm. Delivery from 11am-4pm and Carry-outs from 11am-7pm.

RESPECT LIFE

Why is protecting the unborn of such great importance? As Pope Francis explains, "Among the vulnerable for whom the Church wishes to care with particular love and concern are unborn children, the most defenceless and innocent among us. Nowadays efforts are made to deny them their human dignity and to do with them whatever one pleases, taking their lives and passing laws preventing anyone from standing in the way of this.... [T]his defence of unborn life is closely linked to the defence of each and every other human right. It involves the conviction that a human being is always sacred and inviolable, in any situation and at every stage of development." (Evangelii Gaudium, 213)

This Troubled World: We are living in a very troubled world! Nature itself is even trying to warn us to change our ways, but do we listen? No! We ignore the signs. Back in the time of Moses, God gave us the Ten Commandments to live by. They are the same today as they were then. God has never changed them, because God never makes mistakes. But we human beings have! Money, power and greed have replaced God. We make our own laws that allow sinful deeds to become legal such as abortion. Abortion is the greatest sin against God there is! With abortion we are refusing His precious gift of Life. We have allowed over 63 million innocent babies to be killed! Yet, we are appalled when the terrorists ISIS kill innocent people. Since when do we have the right to kill? This whole war is a battle between good and evil. The devil is having a field day with us. He wants us to keep him company in hell! We can put a stop to this. We need a spiritual awakening. We need to turn back to our God for forgiveness. We need to change our hearts and minds. We need to uphold the dignity of all human life, young and old. It can be done. - *Pro-Life Articles*

WORD OF LIFE: "We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility", respectlife.org/navigating-infertility.

ST. MARY
February 12, 2023

Support	\$2,956.00
Offertory	274.00
Online Giving	160.00
Bulletin Sponsor	60.00
Candle Sponsor	30.00
Memorial Donation	<u>100.00</u>
	\$3,580.00

Weekly Avg needed \$4,680.00
(1,100.00)

Scrip Sales	\$2,572.86
Profit	102.51

ST. MICHAEL
February 12, 2023

Support	\$2,355.00
Offertory	508.55
Bulletin Sponsors	30.00
Mass Stipends	40.00
Candles	27.00
Donation	<u>75.00</u>
	\$3,035.55

Weekly Avg needed \$4,300.00
(1,264.45)

Capital Improvement
Collection \$20.00

Scrip Sales	\$7,425.00
Profit	263.30

**WEEKLY
STEWARDSHIP**

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT**

The Lord said to
Moses, "speak to
the Whole Israelite
community and tell
them: Be holy, for I,
the Lord, your God,
am holy."
Leviticus 19:1-2

Message from Deacon Randy Jaeckels

I'm sure that most of us would agree that life can be challenging at times. As we hear the scripture passages for this weekend, we are challenged as to how we live our lives. The scriptures tell us that we need to be holy as God is holy, and to be perfect as God is perfect. I find that statement from the scriptures to be very daunting!

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "In order to reach this perfection the faithful should use the strength dealt out to them by Christ's gift, so that...doing the will of the Father in everything, they may wholeheartedly devote themselves to the glory of God and to the service of their neighbor. Thus, the holiness of the People of God will grow in fruitful abundance, as is clearly shown in the history of the Church through the lives of so many saints." (CCC 2013).

We are called to serve God's kingdom here on earth. This means that we are to love and serve all of our neighbors, including those who we do not get along with or are considered our enemies. We are called to love as Jesus loved; even those who persecute us. We are to respond to God's call, to want to be holy. We are to strive for completeness or perfection.

This is no small task! Are we up to the challenge?

***Presence of Jesus in Eucharist:** Deacon Randy Meidl and Vicki Baumann will lead a discussion on the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Sessions will be held March 11 & 18 at St. Michael Parish in the church basement from 9:30am to noon. No cost. Call St. Michael's Parish to register at 920-732-3901. All parishioners invited.

Scrip Sellers-St. Michael: Saturday, February 22;
Colleen Meidl, February 25; Sharon Reindl.

Church Cleaning Families -Feb 25/26

St. Mary: Amy Gehrig, Diane Griepentrog
& Susie Griepentrog

St. Michael: Darlene Grall, Marlene Grall &
Justine Goldbeck

(Please call the office at 732-3901 for phone numbers)

**ST. MARY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: WEEK #7 -
02/12/23-02/18/23:**

\$125 VALENTINE'S DAY WINNER: Nathan Beyer Family,
Hilbert

\$50 WINNERS: Bob Ziegelbauer, Manitowoc and Georgia
Kohlwey, Valders.

\$25 WINNERS: Jamie Eisch, Suamico; Donna Steffen,
Mishicot; Mark Wetenkamp, Port St. Lucie; and Terry Schuler,
Newton.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL**

Saturday, February 18

Confessions 3:00-3:30pm at St.
Michael's

Sunday, February 19

Confessions 8:45-9:15am at St.
Mary's

Tuesday, February 21

No 8:15am Mass
School Board Meeting 6:00pm at
SM/SM School

Wednesday, February 22

Holy Hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's
Religious Education Students to
attend 6:30pm Ash Wednesday
Mass

Saturday, February 25

Confessions 3:00-3:30pm at St.
Michael's

Winterfest at 7 Lakes from 5-9pm

Sunday, February 26

Confessions 8:45-9:15am at St.
Mary's

**NO 11:00am MASS AT ST.
MICHAEL'S**