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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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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 26, 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 – Dc. 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 – Dc. 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
FEB 25-MAR 5**

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

Tuesday, February 28

8:15 AM (IC) Purgatorial Society

Thursday, March 2

8:15 AM (SM) Liturgy of the Word

Saturday, March 4

4:00 PM (SM) John Dietrich 5 Yr. Anniversary, Edwin & Loretta Cavanaugh (Choir)

Sunday, March 5

9:30 AM (IC) Mrs. Sandy Stadler & the Living & Deceased of St. Mary's Parish (Choir)
11:00 AM (SM) Don & Marge Bodwin & the Living & Deceased of St. Michael's Parish

ICSt. Mary/SM St. Michael

**MINISTRIES
MAR 4-5**

Lectors:

4:00 PM(SM) Betty Lemberger
9:30 AM(IC) Karen Schweitzer-Olson
11:00 AM(SM) Mark Herrmann

Extraordinary

Ministers:

4:00 PM(SM) Deacon Randy Meidl
9:30 AM(IC) Deacon Randy Meidl
11:00 AM(SM) Deacon Randy Meidl

Servers:

4:00 PM(SM) Syd Stuibier
9:30 AM(IC) Cassidy & Gloria Walesh
11:00 AM(SM) Andy Resch

March Ushers:

4:00 PM(SM) Dick & Bonnie Vogel, Ron & Kathy Braun
9:30 AM(IC) Dan Sabel Family
11:00 AM(SM) Jim & Phyllis Dvorachek, Jim Muench

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 \$5,610.00	Current \$3,95.00

To pledge or donate online:

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

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

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.

Reach out for Lent: Let's help the Valders Food Pantry this Lenten season starting the weekend of February 25/26 will mark Week 1. The pantry is in need of toilet paper, Kleenex, body wash, shampoo and conditioner. March 4/5 Week 2 they are requesting cleaning supplies, dish soap, dryer sheets and laundry detergent. There will be boxes located in the back of both parishes. Thank you so much for your contribution to people in need.

Holy Cross & St. Anne Catholic Parishes Lenten Mission: Companions on the Journey with Fr. Phillip Schoofs. 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

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.

SCHOOL NOTE

During the month of February through April 1, we are open to enrolling new students in our pre-kindergarten through eighth grades. As you read each week in the bulletin articles, we have amazing opportunities for students to grow and learn in a faith-filled, dynamic environment. Students also enjoy opportunities to learn beyond the school doors through a variety of field trips and in school events. As a Wisconsin Parental Choice School, we have the opportunity to provide our small school environment to all children including those who may be from lower income families. Please contact us if you are considering a small Catholic school for your children or if you have any questions regarding enrollment.

Mrs. Jane Schueller– Principal

THINGS TO DO

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.

The St. Peter & Paul 11th Annual Fish Fry will be 'to go only' on Friday, March 3 from 3-6:30 pm. Located at 413 Fremont Street in Kiel. We are offering one dinner choice: a 3-piece fish with baby reds, applesauce, coleslaw, bread & tartar sauce for \$13. Homemade tortes will be \$2. People should enter through Volland Hall, pick out dessert if they'd like, move through the line to order fish & pay, move down the line to pick up their order, then exit through the same doors they came in. No steps are involved with our new pick up process. To avoid confusion, no phone in orders will be accepted.

Are You Truly Happy? Do you want to be? There is a way. His name is Jesus Christ, and He is not just coming to us this season. He is with us always to the end of the age. **St. Francis of Assisi Parish** has partnered with Franciscan University of Steubenville to bring a 3 night experience to our area. Each night will be filled with joyful music and renowned speakers from the Franciscan University. Come discover the true happiness of being known intimately and loved unconditionally in the heart of Christ. Register today and reserve a seat for a friend that doesn't even know they need to be there yet. 1408 Waldo St. Manitowoc

When: March 5-7, 2023 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30p.m. **Cost:**

No charge (Donations accepted)

Register: sfamanitowoc.org/steubenville-parish-mission

Holy Family Catholic Church in Brillion is offering a parish mission presentation by Mother Mary Catherine

from 6-7:30pm followed by a breakout discussion until 8pm on March 5, 6, & 7. All are welcome!

St. Michael's Scrip: Ric's Bar & Grill scrip certificates now available in \$15/25/50 denominations.

Traveling Rosary for Vocations: This prayer service will be a sort of 9-month novena for vocations. Every 2nd Wednesday of the month from March – November we will gather for prayer and inspiration at nine different churches throughout the diocese. The agenda includes rosary for vocations and a speaker. All are welcome. **The first Location is 1:00 – 3:00 PM March 8th at St. Mary of the Angels Green Bay.** For more info call 920-794-8276.

RESPECT LIFE

Rethinking the Term "Brain Dead": Innovative research studying the brain of a 23 year old English woman in a coma following a traffic accident has medical experts and scientists reconsidering their definition of "brain dead". The woman had been unresponsive since emerging from a coma and met all the criteria for a persistent vegetative state. However, although she had been considered "brain dead", new research using an MRI scanner clearly showed that her brain activity was the same as those of a normal conscious person. Presented with spoken sentences, the woman had increased activity in speech comprehension centers in the brain. When asked to imagine herself playing tennis and walking through rooms in her house, brain areas governing visual spatial and motor functions lit up on the imaging screen--- again, in patterns similar to those seen in normal volunteers. The medical experts agree that although the patient had been diagnosed as in a vegetative state, she clearly retained the ability to understand spoken commands and to respond to them through her brain activity, rather than through speech or movement. They also stated that her ability to cooperate confirmed beyond any doubt that she was consciously aware of herself and her surroundings. The teaching of the Church has consistently reaffirmed the importance of the dignity of every human life, even when that life appears to be unresponsive. A case like this one should no doubt help to change attitudes and views of people living in so-called persistent vegetative states. - Pro-Life Articles

WORD OF LIFE: "The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished**." - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

ST. MARY
February 19, 2023

Support	\$3,063.00
Offertory	230.50
Online Giving	330.00
Lent Books	<u>13.00</u>
	\$3,636.50

Weekly Avg needed \$4,680.00
(1,043.50)

Capital Improvement
Collection \$234.04

Scrip Sales	\$3,273.00
Profit	116.44

ST. MICHAEL
February 19, 2023

Support	\$1,487.00
Offertory	409.10
Online Giving	322.50
Bulletin Sponsors	25.00
Funeral Stipend	50.00
Candles	18.00
Bishop Appeal Refund	46.00
Donation	<u>110.00</u>
	\$2,467.60

Weekly Avg needed \$4,300.00
(1,832.40)

Capital Improvement
Collection \$259.25

Scrip Sales	\$4,195.00
Profit	166.63

WEEKLY
STEWARDSHIP

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT

For just as through
the disobedience of
the one man the
many were made
sinner, so,
through the
obedience of the
one, the many will
be made righteous.
Romans 5:19

Message from Deacon Randy Jaeckels

Lent is upon us! I hope you have had the opportunity to decide on how you may increase your focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent. And now the battle begins! We will be tempted by the devil to forego that evening prayer time or eat that cookie or spend some money on ourselves instead of donating it to help someone. We see in our readings this weekend how Adam and Eve, and Jesus handled temptation by the devil differently and the results that occurred. How might we be, or have been, tempted by the devil? Temptations play on our egos, our needs, and provide false promises. The devil continuously presents us with temptations to try to disturb our growth in our relationship with our Heavenly Father. The evil one preys on us in our state of weakness and is persistent in tempting us. And while some temptations only have us breaking a promise that may not be sinful, others lead us to sin. So how can we conquer these temptations? Know your weaknesses and strengths; live your life through your strengths. Ask others to help you in moments of weakness. Be firm in your commitments; practice discipline. Be willing to make sacrifices, as Jesus did for us. Most importantly, pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit and your guardian angel, and place your trust in God.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL

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

Monday, February 27

Stations of the Cross 6:00pm at St. Michael's
Choir Practice 6:30pm at St. Mary's

Wednesday, March 1

Eucharistic Adoration 10:00-11:00am at St. Mary's

Holy Hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's

Religious Education Gr. 1-8 6:15-7:30pm at SM/SM School;

Religious Education H.S. 6:30pm at St. Michael's Church basement

Thursday, March 2

Parish Council Meeting 5:30pm
St. Michael's; 6:30pm Joint at St. Michael's

Friday, March 3

Eucharistic Adoration 7:00-8:00am at St. Michael's

Stations of the Cross 2:15pm at St. Mary's with School Students

Saturday, March 4

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

Winterfest at 7 Lakes from 5-9pm

Sunday, March 5

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

Scrip Sellers-St. Michael: Saturday, March 4; Judy Ebert, March 5; Sue Resch.

Church Cleaning Families -March 4/5

St. Mary: Jim & Sandy Gruenke, Wayne & Carrie Heran, Roy & Joy Herrmann

St. Michael: Sandy Hablewitz, Cheryl Grall, Norma Gomez

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

ST. MARY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: WEEK #8 - 02/19/23-02/25/23:

\$50 WINNERS: Sue Owens, Summit and Janel Dietrich, Whitelaw.

\$25 WINNERS: Dotsie Nate, Reedsville; Ken Schuler, Kiel; Scott Zucchi, Reedsville; Jesse & Melissa Dallas, Reedsville and Antoinette Schneider, Manitowoc.