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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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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 27, 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
AUG 26-SEPT 3**

Saturday, August 26

4:00 PM (SM) John
Sheahan (Choir)

Sunday, August 27

9:30 AM (IC) Dean
Miller & the Living &
Deceased of St. Mary's
Parish

11:00 AM (SM) No
Mass

Tuesday, August 29

8:15 AM (SM) Greg
Riederer

Wednesday, August 30

8:15 AM (IC) Liturgy
of the Word

Saturday, September 2

4:00 PM (SM) Dan
Gilsdorf

Sunday, September 3

9:30 AM (IC) Gordon &
Gordy Schmidt & the
Living & Deceased of
St. Mary's Parish
11:00 AM (SM) 60th
Wedding Anniversary
for Jerry & Josie
Staudinger; Vraney
& Staudinger Families
& the Living & Deceased
of St. Michael's Parish

ICSt. Mary/SM St. Michael

**MINISTRIES
SEPTEMBER 2-3**

Proclaimers:

4:00 PM(SM) Bonnie
Vogel

9:30 AM(IC) Amy
Gehrig

11:00 AM(SM) Tammy
O'Connor

Extraordinary

Ministers:

4:00PM(SM) Deacon
Randy Meidl

9:30 AM(IC) Deacon
Randy Meidl

11:00 AM(SM)

Deacon

Randy Meidl

Servers:

4:00 PM(SM) Syd
Stuiber

9:30 AM(IC) Cassidy
& Gloria Welsh

11:00 AM (SM) Greg
Resch

September Ushers:

4:00 PM(SM) Lelan
Otto, George
Bamman, Helen
Kangas, Ken Brunner
9:30 AM(IC) Paul
Tienor, Bruce
Riesterer

11:00 AM (SM) Jerome
Herrmann Family &
Jim Muench

St. Michael's Parish: For the month of August Father Klingeisen will have Tuesday morning Masses at 8:15am All are welcome to attend!

St. Mary/St. Michael Religious Education: There will be a Registration sign-up sheet for all First Graders, Freshman and new students in the back of both churches. The parent/student meeting for all families will be held on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30pm. Religious Ed will begin Wednesday, September 20. Thank you.

St. Michael's Scrip: Wendy's cards are back in \$25 increments with a 6% rebate.

St. Michael's Parishioners: Please let the parish office know if a neighbor, a relative or friend in our area, has had a birth, a marriage, a sickness, or a death, or are in need of our prayers.

St. Michael's Parish: Stewardship Weekend will be September 9/10 in the Church basement. God has Blessed us with so much! Please consider how you might serve Jesus with the time and talents you have received from God!

Raising Vocations Collection - Thank you to those who have participated in the Raising Vocations Collection! There is still time to respond to this collection to support ministries in our diocese that will increase vocations. With the support of so many people in the diocese we hope to have an impact to help young people discern a call to religious life. If you need a pledge card and envelope they are available in the back of both churches.

50th Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held for all couples in the Diocese celebrating their golden anniversary in 2023. The Mass will be October 1, 2023 at the St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. Bishop Ricken will be the celebrant. Register by September 15 via phone at 920-272-8309 or online at www.gbdioc.org/anniversary

Manitowoc County is offering a free well water screening at the upcoming Manitowoc County Fair, August 23 – 27. Bring ½ cup of well water in a clean container to the Manitowoc County Soil and Water Conservation Department's booth in the Merchant Building for an on-site screening. Individuals will receive immediate results and personalized recommendations if necessary.

Welcome

Welcome to our celebration of Mass today. We sincerely hope you feel you are among friends.

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

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).

Reminder: To silence all cell phones before Mass. Thank you.

Barb Kimme Memorial Traveling Rosary for Vocations: All are invited, men and women young and old, to attend the Green Bay Diocesan Council of Catholic Women sponsored prayer service to raise an awareness of our Diocesan Priestly Vocation Shortage. Our best course of action is prayer to our Lord. 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 Intro, rosary for vocations, speaker, and reception. Our seventh date and location is: **Wed, Sept 13; St. Mary Menasha; 528 Second St. Menasha 54952; 1:00 – 2:30 pm.** Fr. Mike Lightner will be our speaker. More info Contact 920-323-3243 or visit www.gbdtccw.org or follow us on facebook, gbdtccw.

Froedtert HFM Support Group: There is no substitute for being with people who truly understand what you're going through in a spirit of respect, encouragement and support. Meetings twice a month for cancer patients. First Thursday at 3:00pm and Third Tuesday at 2:00pm. Held at Two Rivers Conference Room (use main entrance) Level 1; 2300 Western Ave in Manitowoc. For more information call 920-320-2739 or visit hfmhealth.org/cancersupport.

Searching - Big Brothers Big Sisters Shoreline is looking for a match for a 14 year-old area youth. The boy has been waiting for a male role model for 4 years. His siblings have been matched and he is hoping to find a match soon. He loves basketball and soccer. He enjoys bike rides, going to the lake and playing games. He has a good sense of humor and is interested in cooking. If you have a few hours a month, please contact BBBS at 920-259-2118 or caroline@bbbswishoreline.org. Thanks

Seeking Companion Care: Looking for a dependable caretaker for a high functioning elderly man in his Valders home. No lifting required; Driver's License required; Must be dog friendly. Shifts available: 1-2 a month from Friday 5:30pm-11am Saturday; 1 a month from Saturday 11am-10am Sunday; 2 a month from Sunday 10am-10pm. Pay rates are as follows: Day shift \$16-17 an hour. Night shift \$12-13 an hour (10pm-6am) Caregivers are allowed to sleep. Interested? Please text/call Sheri at 920-286-3362.

Marriage isn't easy. Retrouvaille offers hope
Do you know someone who is struggling in marriage? A friend, sibling, neighbor or co-worker? Our Lakeshore Retrouvaille marriage ministry has helped countless couples find their way back to a loving relationship. It all starts with a weekend retreat, Oct. 13-15, 2023, at the Norbertine Center for Spirituality in Green Bay. For confi-

dential information, reach out to helpourmarriage.org or call (920) 288-2043.

THINGS TO DO

Outdoor Mass: on Friday, September 8 celebrating at Mary Queen of Our Hearts Chapel located in Steinthal off Highway 67 and Steinthal Road near Kiel. Rosary to begin at 11am with Mass at 11:20am. Please bring a lawn chair. Lunch will be afterwards at Riverview Restaurant on Hwy 67 in Kiel at 12:30. Everyone is welcome!

Coping with Grief? As we push forward through ordinary life, sometimes some of us still struggle with the loss of our loved ones. It may be months or even years since your loss. Please know that you are not alone; we are with you. We simply desire to accompany you through all your feelings, special days and experiences yet to come. We invite you to participate with our Coping with Grief group at the St. Thomas the Apostle rectory, behind the church (8100 Brunner Rd, Newton), every first Monday of the month beginning at 2:00 PM. Due to Labor Day falling on the first Monday, the September meeting will be rescheduled to Thursday, September 7. Whether it's your first year or your thirty-first year, all are welcome. Please pray and discern whether or not this is for you at this time.

RESPECT LIFE

WE MUST UNITE OUR "HOUSE" DIVIDED: Our Popes and Bishops have made it abundantly clear that abortion is "intrinsically evil" and the "preeminent issue" for Catholics. This means that Catholics must assign absolute top priority to oppose this evil: "... the obligation to oppose intrinsically evil acts has special claim on our consciences and our action." Cardinal Justin Regali. This brings to mind James 2:20: "... O vain man, that faith without works is dead?" The Catholic faith is not a social club; therefore we must accept all of her teachings or be complicit in breaking God's rules. Aren't we supposed to be "one holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church"? This is America 2023 when we have many Catholic politicians who see and promote child-killing as "health care." This is simply inexcusable! We, as faithful Catholics have a duty to replace these so-called leaders who are complicit in maintaining our "culture of death." -- *Pro-Life Articles*
WORD OF LIFE: "No sin or crime is greater than God's mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ's greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart." -- *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A"*
WORD OF LIFE: "Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." - *USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis' "Day for Life Greeting", © 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved..*

ST. MARY
August 20, 2023

Support	\$4,283.00
Offertory	263.00
Online Giving	330.00
Candle Sponsor	10.00
Mass Stipends	30.00
Funeral Stipend	100.00
Scrip Profit	3,000.00
Flower Fund	120.00
Holy Day Mass	<u>213.00</u>
	\$8,349.00

Weekly Avg needed \$4,680.00
3,669.00

Capital Improvement
Collection \$287.04

Scrip Sales	\$6,774.18
Profit	225.38

ST. MICHAEL
August 20, 2023

Support	\$2,143.00
Offertory	363.45
Online Giving	417.50
Holy Day Mass	151.05
Candles	47.00
Mass Stipends	20.00
Tree Fund	<u>15.00</u>
	\$3,157.00

Weekly Avg needed \$4,300.00
(1,143.00)

Capital Improvement
Collection \$333.00

Scrip Sales	\$4,955.00
Profit	185.05

Church Cleaning Families -September 2/3

St. Mary: Jackie Starr, Nick & Jessica Staudinger,
Bob & Mary Kay Staudinger

St. Michael: Bob & Janice Bauer, George Bamman,
Caleb & Ashley Andre

Scrip Sellers-St. Michael: Saturday, September 2;
Sharon Reindl. Sunday, September 3; Sue Resch.

ST. MARY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: WEEK #34 -
08/20/23-08/26/23:

\$125 WINNER Father Dick's Birthday: Ethan MacCormack,
Flower Mound, TX.

\$50 WINNERS: Olivia Pritzl, Green Bay and Aaron & Courtney
Kramer, DePere.

\$25 WINNERS: Karen Schuler, Kiel; Brad Seefeldt, Manitowoc;
Gary Pitz, Kiel and Brian Staudinger, Reedsville.

WEEKLY
STEWARDSHIP

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT

He (Jesus) said to
them, "But who do
you say that I am?"
Simon Peter said in
reply, "You are the
Christ, the Son of
the living God."
Matthew 16:15-16

From the Grapevine by Deacon Randy J

In this weekend's gospel, we hear Peter boldly profess his faith. Jesus asks his apostles, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter replies, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." As Jesus continues to speak, he informs Peter that he will be given the keys of the kingdom of heaven. In this gospel passage Jesus speaks of Peter's primacy in the Church and that of Peter's successors.

But I think that Jesus may also be posing something interesting for us to ponder from this gospel passage. In speaking of ourselves, we may want to ask the question, "Who do others say that I am?" or simply, "Who am I?". This may be a wonderful opportunity to take a deep dive and look into ourselves. How do others see me? Is my faith strong? Do I set a good example for my family, friends, and those in my community?

At the end of our lives there is a good chance that we will be asked by Jesus and St. Peter to give an account of ourselves and the life that we have lived in order to get into the heavenly kingdom. It may suit us well to conduct a self-evaluation periodically while here on earth to prepare ourselves for the encounter we may have after we leave this earthly life.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL

Saturday, August 26

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

Sunday, August 27

Confessions 8:45-9:15am at St.
Mary's
Breakfast Social after 9:30am Mass
St. Mary's

Tuesday, August 29

Back to School Night at SM/SM
5:00-6:00pm

Wednesday, August 30

First Day of School at SM/SM
Holy Hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's

Thursday, August 31

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-2:00pm
at St. Michael's

Friday, September 1

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

Saturday, September 2

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

Sunday, September 3

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