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A place of quiet, peace, and prayer.

EXPERIENCE STILLNESS

In the stillness of this sacred space, step away from daily distractions and rest in God's loving presence.

Surrounded by nature's quiet beauty—towering trees, the rhythm of the lake, and trails that invite prayer—our retreats offer time to slow down, listen, and reconnect with what truly matters.

With retreats for men, women, couples, and 12-Step communities, the Jesuit Retreat House offers a peaceful setting to encounter God in silence and stillness.

RETREAT AMENITIES

- Private room with ensuite bathroom
- Daily conferences and Catholic Mass
- Peaceful chapels and quiet lounges
- Scenic walking trails and lakeside paths
- Buffet-style meals (most dietary needs accommodated)
- Time for silence, prayer, and personal reflection

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Visit our website to find out more about the retreats we offer and view the 2026 retreat schedule.



JANSSEN FORUM

**THURSDAY, MARCH 19
MOUNT TABOR CENTER**

11:15 AM Mass
12:00 PM Lunch
12:10 PM Speaker

Cost: \$10 per person

Tommy, a former SPIRITUS missionary from Team 1, will reflect on his journey of faith and how it guided him from serving in youth ministry to his current role as a hospice chaplain.



TOMMY NELSON
Hospice Chaplain

'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Matthew 25:40

REGISTER NOW

call 920-722-8918 x0

Attention: The parishioner's who won the raffle for "**Reserve Your Pew for Easter and Christmas for 2026**", please call the parish office (920) 739-4157, so we can record your name and reserve a pew for you this Easter and Christmas. Thank you!

GB Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Assembly: Women of Faith in Action



Saturday, April 18 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Crivitz, 808 Henriette Ave 54114.



All women are invited to this gathering.

The day begins with 8:00 AM Registration followed by 8:30 Mass with Fr. Dave Schmidt presiding. Our speakers are Dcn. Mike Eash, Director and Mission Team Leader for Green Bay Diocese and McKenna Runde, Director of Camp Tekakwitha. There will be a Continental Breakfast, luncheon, rosary, business meeting, exhibit area, DCCW raffle drawing and silent raffle. The day should conclude by 2:00 PM.

Registration is \$30 per person or \$125 for a group of five attendees. All registrations are due April 10. To receive a registration form or contact information visit our website at www.gbdcw.org and click on the Events tab.

How to make a good confession

FAQs

Fr. Nathan Mudd, CPM, shares insights on the healing sacrament

BY ROY RASMUSSEN | FOR ON MISSION



During Lent, God calls us to experience renewal in our Christian lives and grow in holiness. One way to do this is to frequent the sacraments, namely, reconciliation. We asked Fr. Nathan Mudd of the Fathers of Mercy (CPM), who taught a Wednesday evening class on the topic of frequent confession at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion in the fall, to help answer some frequently asked questions about confession. He reviewed the answers below and shared some of his own insights as well.

When do I need to go to confession?

You must receive the sacrament of reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist if you're conscious of mortal sin. Because Catholics are required to receive the Eucharist at least once a year during Easter, fulfilling your Easter duty may require prior confession.

How often should I go?

You should confess as soon as possible after committing a mortal sin. To avoid all sin and grow in virtue, strive to go once or more per month.

How do I prepare?

Recall any mortal sins you've committed and any venial sins you're trying to overcome (aided by a list, if needed, such as the examination of conscience guide published by the Fathers of Mercy), and make an act of contrition.

What do I say?

Tell the priest how long it's been since your last confession, what mortal sins you've committed and how often, and any venial sins you want to prioritize (such as a particular bad habit).

What do I do after?

Do the penance the priest assigns you as soon as possible.

What if I forgot a sin, forgot my penance, or forgot to do it?

At your next confession, tell the priest what you forgot and follow his instructions. "Don't be overly worried," Fr. Mudd said. "The priest at your next confession can help you set your conscience at peace. If you forgot your penance, you can still try to do it at the next opportunity or ask the priest at your next confession." You can avoid future anxiety over forgotten sins by making a habit of mentioning at the end of each confession that you're sorry for any sins you can't remember.

What if I don't feel forgiven after confession?

Receiving absolution depends on God's grace and your will's cooperation rather than your feelings, so if you made a good confession, know that you're forgiven.

What if I don't feel sorry for my sins?

Contrition depends on your will rather than your feelings, so you don't have to feel sorry emotionally to make a good confession. "Sorrow for sin is an act of the will, not a feeling, which detests our sins and desires not to do them again," Fr. Mudd said.

What if I end up confessing the same sins over and over?

As long as you're sincerely trying, God forgives you. To cultivate sincerity, resolve to avoid sin and take concrete steps to avoid your most serious or frequent sins.

What are some common confession mistakes to avoid?

Some common mistakes to avoid when going to confession are: failing to examine your conscience, being vague about which mortal sins you've committed and how often, and doubting God's mercy. •

HOPE IN HAND

Catholic Charities is currently collecting items for their "Hope in Hand" project. They will be creating hygiene bags for area parents. These bags will contain a variety of items for children and adults.

The items needed are:

Diapers (any size)

Baby rash ointment or cream

Baby Wipes

Deodorant-Men & Women

Antibacterial Wipes

Feminine Hygiene Products

Toilet Paper

Baby Magic Gentle Hair and Body Wash

Lotion for Men, Women & Children

Please place your donated items in the bin in the Narthex. Catholic Charities will be distributing the bags the **THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH** at our local office in Menasha at 1475 Opportunity Way. Parents are welcome to stop by and pick up a bag while supplies last. Catholic Charities thanks all our donors in advance for being the face of Christ.

Pilgrimage with Fr. Chris

Please join Fr. Chris on a 12 day Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Garabandal, Zaragoza and Barcelona from May 18 - 29, 2026. \$4975.00 per person in double room. Single supplement extra. Includes: Transportation, 2 meals daily, hotels, daily Mass, entry fees, taxes, English speaking guides. For more information, call, text or email Therese Heraly at (920) 676-5683 or thegreatestgift5683@gmail.com



YOUTH CHOIR INVITATION

Did you know that St. Bernadette has a Youth Choir? Have you been told you have a good voice and you like to sing? We are waiting for you to join us. We have piano, guitar, and bass accompaniments but if you are confident with flute or violin you could add to our group beautifully. Maybe you have just been waiting for an invitation. If you are interested, please contact Mary Kinderman @ 738-9194.



SEDER MEAL AND THE REST OF THE STORY

March 30th at 6:00 pm

St. John Nepomucene - Fellowship Hall

411 Vandebroek St, Little Chute

- Interactive experience, FREE family event
- Learn about Passover and our Jewish roots
- Sing songs & hear stories
- Taste a traditional Seder Meal

Learn more and register by March 20th

