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Dear Friends in Christ.

on the Another academic year has Paster come and gone! This past Sunday I was happy to address

some of the seniors at River Valley, many of whom will be venturing out from the nest for the first time. I told them that the best advice comes from those who know us best. Reading good books, listening to good talks or speeches can only do so much—it's the people who we spend time with that influence our character and personality ~ for better or for worse.

Our Lord Jesus was certainly a teacher, preacher and healer, but more of his time was spent forming the twelve in private than those other more public activities. He wanted to shape those twelve apostles into saints ~ that was his great desire. Our Lord formed the apostles by living with them day and night...for three years! The Lord fulfilled the saying in Proverbs:

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

Saints usually come in groups or at least pairs. We won't grow in holiness if we isolate ourselves from people ~ we would become unsharpened iron! Our rough edges would stay rough...

There is a great story about the early Christian scholar named Origen. He was famous for being a great teacher. He was wise and aged. An eager young man came up to him and said: "Teach me to be a Christian!" To which Origen replied, "I cannot teach you to be a Christian. Come, live with us, and you will see what it is to be a Christian."

This reminds me of the simple, inviting phrase from Jesus: "Come and See." May the Lord grant us all ~ and especially our high school graduates ~ to have "holy influencers" in our lives.

in prayer,

Fr. Luke

SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Memorial Day, Mass at 8:00 AM

Wed: Men's Group Meet at St. John, 5:30 AM

Adoration at St. John, 7:00 AM Prink the Word at St. John. 9:15 AM

Thurs: Adoration at St. Luke, 7:00 AM

Sat: Adoration at St. John the Baptist Mill Creek, 8:00 AM

First Saturday Mass at St. John the Baptist Mill Creek,

9:00 AM

LOOKING AHEAD ...

- St. Boniface Feast Day, June 5, Mass at 7:00 PM at St. Boniface Church, Lime Ridge
- First Annual Summer Pilgrimage, June 21-23
- St. Luke Parish Festival/Raffle Drawing, June 22
- Annual Mass & Potluck at St. John the Baptist Mill Creek with Bishop Hying, June 23 at 1:00 PM
- St. John's Funfest, August 9 & 10

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before each Weekend Mass St. John ~ 5:00 PM Saturday & 8:00 AM Sunday St. Luke ~ 3:30 PM Saturday & 9:30 AM Sunday St. Patrick ~ 7:00 AM Sunday St. John the Baptist Mill Creek ~ 8:30 AM First Saturday of the

READINGS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Exodus 24:3-8 Hebrews 9:11-15 Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

THE LIGHTS THIS WEEK BURN FOR ...



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE PASTORATE

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024 ~ St. Augustine of Canterbury; Bishop

8:00 AM Mass at St. Luke for Living and Deceased Veterans

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024

5:15 PM Mass at St. Luke for Joseph Schmitz †

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024 ~ *St. Paul VI, Pope* 8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane A. Meixelsperger †

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2024 8:30 AM Mass at St. Luke for Gene Schmid †

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2024 ~ The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 AM Mass at St. John

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024 ~ St. Justin, Martyr

9:00 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist Mill Creek for Deceased Members of Earl & Gladys Murphy Family †
4:00 PM Mass at St. Luke for Bertilla Bergman †
5:30 PM Mass at St. John for Ralph Patterman †

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024 ~ THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

7:30 AM Mass at St. Patrick for the Deceased Members of the Carroll Family †

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Erwin Schmitz †
10:00 AM Mass at St. Luke for the People of Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SAT., JUNE 1	4:00 PM ST. LUKE	5:30 PM ST. JOHN
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SUN., JUNE 2	7:30 AM ST. PATRICK	8:30 AM ST. JOHN	10:00 AM ST. LUKE
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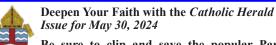
Sanctuary Memorial Lights ~ St. John the Evangelist, St. John the Baptist, St. Luke, and St. Pat have openings in 2024! For those who would like to remember a birthday, an anniversary, a special intention, or a loved one's passing, you may have a Sanctuary candle lit for 7 days at a cost of \$20. Please call the parish offices to schedule these intentions.

CCW NEWS

Parish CCW News ~

Would YOU be available to help ease the burden of families for funeral luncheons? Both parishes are looking for additional team members (male and female) and/or anyone that might be able to assist with bars or salads. There are several teams that help with serving funeral luncheons on a rotational basis so it may only be a few times a year that you are asked to help.

Please consider this "mission of mercy." St. John members may call Deb Tafs for more info or to sign up at 608-588-0015. St. Luke members should call the parish office at 608-546-2482. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.



Be sure to clip and save the popular Parish Events Calendar from this week's *Catholic Herald*. This issue also includes a special Senior-Retirement section filled with content geared specifically toward older adults.

It's easy to get the *Catholic Herald* print or e-Edition in your home... just contact your parish office!



Spring Green: American Legion Post 253 will gather at 9:00 AM at the Veterans' Memorial within Veterans' Park in Spring Green to honor deceased veterans, followed by a **Carry Out** only Chicken BBQ at the Spring Green Community Center, 117 S. Washington St. in Spring Green, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM (unless sold out earlier). The price is \$15.

Plain: There will be Mass at 8:00 AM at St. Luke Church, and a service at 10:00 AM at the Veterans' Park downtown Plain.

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ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

AUGUST 9 & 10: St. John's Funfest!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST. JOHN'S GRADUATES

St. John's 4th graders Layne Dilley, Blake Ellefson, Andrew Fredrick, Addy Gruber, Harrison Hauden, Maddie Montry, Olivia Paulsen, Maya Peck, Emmett Richter, Duke Stroud, and Fiona Wizner received their diplomas last Thursday at a special Graduation Mass. Congratulations to all of you and best wishes as you complete the rest of your education.

FUNFEST RAFFLE TICKETS ~ Funfest raffle tickets are available to pick up in the back of the church, along with instructions for where to return your sold tickets and



money. As you may already know, Funfest is our school's largest fundraiser and we need your help selling as many raffle tickets as possible. Thank you for your continued support of our school. It is much appreciated!

ENROLLMENT UPDATE FOR 24-25 SCHOOL YEAR:

3K: At Capacity ~ Wait list

4K: Nearing Capacity ~ Few Remaining Openings

5K - 4th Grade: Limited Capacity

The word is out as to the great education children receive at St. John's School so it is important to register early to guarantee your child a spot for next year! Financial assistance is available.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS YEAR'S **FUNFEST!** Funfest this year will be on Friday evening, August 9th and all day Saturday, August 10th. We have exciting events planned for both children and adults. Funfest is the school's major fundraiser so plan on coming out to support our school!

SCHOOL HOURS OVER THE SUMMER ~ For at least the ! during traditional school hours except over lunch. Over the ! summer, we will be in and out of the building but we will continue to check our emails. The best way to get in contact with ! someone over the summer is to email Allison astroud@stjohnspringgreen.com Casey cferguson@stjohnspringgreen.com.

NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE! Visit our website at www.stjohns-springgreen.org for more information regarding our fantastic faculty, curriculum, special events, and enrollment. See ! for yourself all the GREAT things happening at St. John's School! by liking our Facebook page - St. John the Evangelist School ! Spring Green, WI.



St. John's Bake Sale THANK YOU!!! Thank you to all who donated and/or made purchases at the May Bake Sale! \$396 was deposited for this bake sale! Your generosity for this year's bake sales has been greatly appreciated! Watch the bulletin for when bake sales will resume again in September. THANK YOU!!!

ST. LUKE SCHOOL NEWS



ST. LUKE SCHOOL thanks everyone who has supported us over this past school year. Your time, generosity, and prayers are appreciated! A special thank you to Linda Paulus who helped us out in! countless ways. Linda helped in the kitchen, manned the office, baked us goodies and did many other things. Thank you Linda!

EXCITING THINGS HAPPENING ~ This spring we have been able to take students on field trips. Classes went to the Henry Vilas Zoo, Cave of the Mounds, The Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums, Weather Day at Miller Park, and Bridge Building at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. Grades 1-4 also got to participate in River Valley's Lil' Hawks track and ! field day. Thank you to the teachers for organizing and supervising field trips, parents for chaperoning, and supporters that make field trips possible.

SUMMER HOURS ~ St. Luke School's secretary, Rachel Eberle, will be in and out of the office over the summer and will be checking emails periodically. The principal, Diane Mueller, will be in most days over the summer months but will check email regularly. To get in contact with us please email Diane at diane.mueller@stlukecatholicchurchplain.com or Rachel at school.secretary@stlukecatholicchurchplain.com.

SPACE IS LIMITED! It is time to enroll and re-enroll for the 2024-2025 school year. We are accepting registrations in all grade levels, 3PK - 8. St. Luke School offers a faith-based education, spacious classrooms, before and after school programs, and over 155 combined years of experienced next two weeks there will likely be someone in the building teachers. Call the school office, 546-2963, or email Mrs. Mueller at diane.mueller@stlukecatholicchurchplain.com to set up a time to tour the school. If you know anyone else that may be interested in enrolling their child, please have them contact the school office or email Mrs. Mueller.

> DID YOU KNOW? St. Luke School has a tuition assistance program for families wanting a faith-based education. This tuition assistance helps make a private school education a reality for students wanting to attend St. Luke School. For more information contact the school office.



St. Luke School is looking to hire teachers for kindergarten, second grade, and elementary and middle school math for the! 2024-2025 school year. If interested or know of anyone who may be interested, please contact the school office at 546-2963.

KEEP UP ON THE LATEST SCHOOL HAPPENINGS AND "LIKE US" ON FACEBOOK! Visit our Facebook ! page at St. Luke's Catholic School, Plain, WI. Check out our new website at www.stlukes-plain.org.

ST. JOHN MAINTENANCE UPDATE

St. John Sound System: We are still seeking donations for the Sound System at St. John. We have \$9,300 raised (some pledged and some paid). The total cost is \$47,000. As a further "boost" to our fundraising effort a new sound system would allow us to incorporate a T-Loop system at no further cost to us. The T-Loop systems connect automatically with most hearing aids, increasing the volume of whatever music, reading or preaching that is coming through the sound system. Our current system, being 34 years old, does not have the ability to connect to a T-Loop.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA???

Spring Green American Legion Post 253 Memorial Day Program and Chicken BBQ will be held at the Veterans Memorial within Veteran's Park in Spring Green at 9:00 AM on Monday, May 27th. At 11:00 AM there will be a (carry out only) Chicken BBQ from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (unless sold out earlier) at the Spring Green Community Center, 117 S. Washington St. in Spring Green. The price is \$15.

Brat Stand fundraiser hosted by Plain Lions Club for Occupaws ~ on May 31st and June 1st from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM next to the Mobile station. Occupaws raises guide dogs for the vision impaired. Raisers are volunteers. Fundraising and donations pay for the cost of raising the puppy and professional training. The Lions will also have two pound bags of frozen shrimp for sale. Occupaws wants to thank the Lions members for their continued support and donations along with the community support.

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Stations of the Cross at St. John the Baptist/Mill Creek will be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.





"Parish Rosary Program" (Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate)

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Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday - Noon

MINISTERIO HISPANO / HISPANIC MINISTRY

Padre Luke Syse se habla espanol Puedes llamarlo a 608-636-4337

HOMEBOUND VISITS

Deacon Tom Fogarty - 414-530-0868 tjohnf52480@gmail.com

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

SACRAMENTS

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes before every scheduled mass.

MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through the parish offices. First time parents are required to attend a baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office for more information.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual celebrations can be arranged by calling the parish office

OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

OCIA is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. Please contact Marie Lins at 608-469-3982 or marie.lins@madisondiocese.org.