



ST. PAUL CATHOLIC

CHURCH AND SCHOOL



A People Called

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 20, 2017

St. Paul Mission Statement

We are the Catholic Faith Family of St. Paul Parish, Genesee Depot, Wisconsin.

With the Eucharist as the source and summit of our Faith, our mission is to create a welcoming, vibrant Parish rooted in the Word of God and the sacramental tradition of the Catholic Church to inspire all to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We grow, nurture and strengthen our Faith through:

- *Inspirational Worship
- *Authentic Witness
- *Faithful Discipleship
- *Catholic Teaching
- *Loving Service
- *Sacrificial Stewardship

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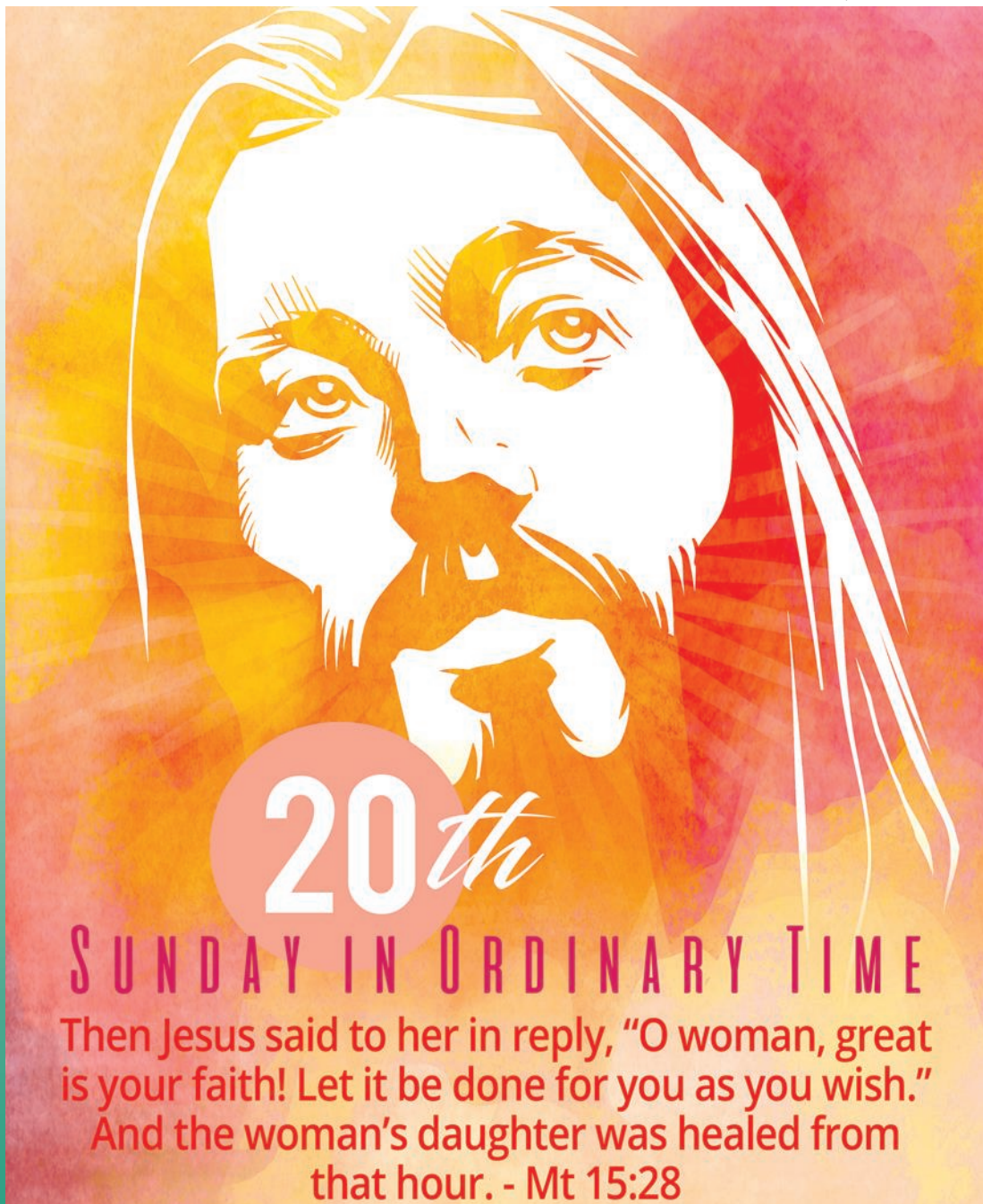
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ST. PAUL EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Tuesday 8:00am Mass
Friday 8:00am Mass
Saturday 5:30pm Mass
Sunday 9:00am Mass

Reconciliation 2nd & 4th
Saturday 10:00am
or by Appointment



Celebrating Parish Life

Called to Eternal Life: Elizabeth "Betty" Werner
Baptized in Christ: Katherine Elizabeth, child of Curtis & Rebecca Whittaker



Weekly Message



HOW GREAT IS YOUR FAITH?

"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Today's reading ends well. Jesus praises the Canaanite woman's faith and heals her daughter. But before this pleasant conclusion, we have the difficult scene between the woman and the Lord. First, he ignores her request, then he responds by talking about not throwing the food of children to dogs. Was this really as cruel as it sounds to our modern ears?

No. This is one of those passages where it is essential to understand the historical context. Jesus was not leveling a terrible insult at this particular woman. He was referring to a cultural reality of the day. Jesus was ministering outside of Jewish territory. This woman was a gentile of the region, not a member of the Jewish people. Thus, she belonged to the culture that worshipped idols and did not follow the Jewish rituals of cleanliness. Because of these practices, the Jews referred to Gentiles as "unclean dogs." This woman, however, proved herself as worthy as the Jewish "children" at the table of the Lord. The Jews received God's blessing because they believed in God. This woman proved that she did too. She was also a believer who recognized Jesus as the Messiah, calling him, "Lord, Son of David!" And Jesus responded in the end by treating her as one of his children, granting her request.

We too live in a culture that is more and more ignorant of the true God. We are surrounded by idols of all kinds, and by practices that are hardly clean. Like the Canaanite woman, we need the courage to be countercultural. Even when secular society might mock us, may we be willing, like this humble woman of the Gospel, to profess our faith with passion and persistence.

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FYI - On Friday, September 1st, our **Friday masses** will go back to the 8:45 am time. School is in session.

Parish office hours will change back to Monday thru Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm on Monday, August 28th.

*Nothing is far from God.
—St. Monica*

FOR THE KIDS

Sharing the Gospel

Mary was humble. She loved and trusted God. God had been good to Abraham and to the people of Israel. Mary would do as God asked. God, the mighty one, chose her out of many women to be the mother of his only Son. Be like Mary. Do not brag about your goodness. Do not act like you are better than others. Then God will lift you up to a place of high honor with him in heaven.

Prayer

Lord, help me be humble, kind, and loving.



WELCOME TO ST. PAUL PARISH

Would you like to become a member of St. Paul Parish?
You can contact us at [262-968-3865](tel:262-968-3865) or go to our website:
www.stpaulgenese.net.

What is Stewardship?

Stewardship is a two-fold response in my heart. **First of all, it is a great YES to all of the blessings that are bestowed upon us.** Every good and perfect gift comes from the hands of God (c.f. James 1:17). He cannot be outdone in generosity – and we don't have to earn His blessing. He gives it freely. But we do have to accept it. And sometimes that gets hard. What kind of love is so profound that we are not only forgiven of our sins, but we are then made co-heirs to the kingdom of God? And yet, that is the greatest blessing we are given! **A YES to this leads to a life of joy, belonging and purpose.**

The other response I have is *Eucharistic* in nature. When I say Eucharistic I am referring to the Mass and giving worship to the God who is love. But I am also referring to much, much more. **I am referring to a life of thanksgiving – for that is what Eucharist means.** If the God of the universe loves me so much as to save me from my sins and make me an heir to His kingdom, then is there a more appropriate response than my thanks? And **my thanks begins at Mass and touches every other aspect of my life** from how I spend my money to how I spend my time to how I pray. It becomes more than just a something I do and much more a part of who I am. *Karen Farrell, Child and Family Ministry*

Auction 2018

Volunteers Needed!

We have need of **2 new volunteers** to join the Auction Committee beginning this fall.

- **Software setup and database support**
- **Electronic Catalog Preparation, Advertising and Printing**

If you are computer literate and enjoy working with a great team we need you! If you are creative and enjoy coordinating printing and advertising we need your help. The 2018 Dinner Auction is scheduled for February 10. Committee meetings begin Thursday September 21. Please volunteer today! Inquiries should be directed to Rick Kubisch at email rickkubisch@gmail.com.

Endowment and Matching Funds: Did you know that St. Paul Parish has an Endowment fund established for the future of this parish? It is such a blessing to give to those generations after us and also receive the blessings from those who cared for this parish before us. Please keep St. Paul Parish in mind for your Estate planning. Also, if your company has a matching funds program, your gift of stewardship can be matched! Contact Sherri Meyer in the business office for more details on either opportunity.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

We are truly grateful for your sacrifice and generosity.

Income

2017 June Actual.....	\$ 49,091
2017 June Budget	\$ 127,922
2016 June	\$ 77,148

Expenses

2017 June Actual.....	\$ 180,366
2017 June Budget	\$ 127,869
2016 June	\$ 220,922

Mortgage Update

Current Mortgage as of 6/30/17\$1,188,019.35

God bless you and your families.

REMINDER - Mark your calendars

August 28 - **First Day of School** for St. Paul students

September 10 - **Resisting Happiness** Chat, 10am St. Paul

October 2 - **ALPHA** gatherings will begin.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration

If you are interested in classes for any age, please call 262-968-2276 or download off our website under the "GROW" tab.

ALPHA IS COMING !!

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Typically, Alpha has around ten sessions and includes food, a short talk and a discussion at the end where you can share your thoughts. Alpha is for anyone who's curious. The talks are designed to encourage debate and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, honest and informal environment.

"In my opinion, Alpha accomplishes an incredible task, in making people interested in faith and in making faith relevant to the modern man." **Fr. Raniero Cantalamesso**, the Preacher to the Papal Household

Please pray about joining the Alpha course this fall at St Paul's and St Brunos, we will begin the week of October 2. In the meantime, please see more information, including a video, on the first page of the parish website.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question: A member of my parish was recently arrested for a white-collar crime. I don't approve of what he did, but he is a great neighbor and a nice person. How should I treat someone like him?

Answer: There is a litany of expressions that fit this situation: Everyone makes mistakes. Hate the sin, love the sinner. Judge not, lest you be judged. All of these proverbs and sayings highlight the fact that we are here to help each other on the way to salvation. Our hope and goal is that everyone grows in grace, drawing closer to God and to the promise of eternal life. Part of that process is our struggle, collectively and individually, with sin. And that is the ugly part. Sin is not nice, pretty, or inviting when laid out for all to see. Nor is it easy for the person caught in the spotlight.

Kindness and support are not the same thing as approval. We recognize that good people can do bad things and in their struggle, they need the help of others. Our kindness is often the flicker of hope that allows someone to face the consequences of sin while focusing on the promise of redemption. Your desire to help and support your neighbor is the response of grace to sin, and the same response of Jesus to us.

Rosebud Blessing Bouquet

One way we show respect for the dignity and worth of all life is through prayer. If you know someone who is pregnant, wanting to become pregnant or adopt, celebrating a new birth or adoption, grieving miscarriage, stillbirth, infant/child death, please visit the Rosebud Bouquet table in the Gathering Space and place a rosebud in the vase so we can pray for this intention. The information is shared with the parish's Prayer Network.



ST PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

www.stpaulgeneseenet.net

262-968-3175

Get connected to our POWER!

NOW Enrolling Please contact us at for a school tour if you are interested in enrolling now or for the 2017-18 school year. We may be exactly what you are looking for in a school.

2017-2018 School year starts August 28!

Join our Family,
Ally Blonien, Principal St. Paul School

HUMAN CONCERNS

Reformation Lutheran School Supply collection

Thank you to all our generous, caring parishioners who answered Gods call for the kids of Reformation. The response and outpouring of supplies was overwhelming. You have blessed the new school year for these children!



Come and view an entertaining slide show and see how the hands of St Paul's and the Franciscan sisters have together served our brothers and sisters in Peru.

Our travelers, Deb and Lisa, will also have homemade Peruvian treats.

PERU

Please join us after each Mass the weekend of Aug 26/27 in the Galleria at St Pauls.

ST BRUNO Events and Invites

ST. BRUNO Eucharistic Celebrations

Weekends: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. & Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday at 8:00 a.m. & Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.
(June 14-August 23)

Reconciliation: 1st & 3rd Saturday, 3:00pm & By appointment

Spanish Mass said every Sunday at 4:30pm.

Next meeting of the Book Club

Tues., September 12 at 9 AM - St. Bruno Family Room.

We always welcome new members.

The book for Sept. is: **33 Days to Morning Glory** by Michael E. Gaitley
"Even if you haven't read the book, come to share with us and you'll probably want to come back!"

St. Bruno sponsors a **Dynamic Men's Group** each year. This program is designed to help you be a better spiritual leader in your church, community, and above all, your family. Become a better-formed Catholic! You need this program.

St. Bruno's program Thursday mornings, from 5:30-7am
Contact Jerry Strand for more information, 262-965-3436 or jerrystrand52@yahoo.com.

Sept 24 Resisting Happiness Chat, 9am St Bruno

Oct 1 - Annual Turkey Dinner

Parish Events this Week

Monday, Aug 21

9-10:30AM Work & Pray/Fam Rm
6:00-9:00PM Men's Basketball (**closed after 9:30pm)

Tuesday, Aug 22 Teacher InService

9:30-11:30AM Cleaning Church
3:00-6PM School Orientation
6:30-8:30PM Pastoral Council/St Bruno/Rm Matt
7:30-8:00PM Pastoral Council/CH
7:00-9:00PM Pastoral Council/St Paul/Rm John

Wednesday, Aug 23 Teacher InService

6:00-9:00PM Men's Basketball (**closed after 9:30pm)

Thursday, Aug 24 Teacher InService

8:30AM St. Ben's Prep Meal/Caf
9:30-10:30AM Bible Study/Fam Rm
3:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet/CH
7:00PM Boy Scouts/Caf
7:00-9PM K of C Meeting/FamRm

Friday, Aug 25 Teacher InService

Saturday, Aug 26

7-9:30AM Men's Basketball (**closed after 9:30am)
10AM Confessions

Sunday, Aug 27

8:45AM Kid Zone/Gym
10:00AM Peru Presentation/FamRm

Other Upcoming Events

Sept 30 10th Annual St. Vincent de Paul FRIENDS OF THE POOR® WALK to help feed the hungry. For more info, contact the Walk Coordinator at mwelz@svdpmilw.org or 414-462-7837, ext 109.

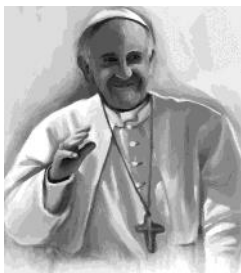
Oct 7 Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration, St Joseph Parish, Big Bend. Mass for those celebrating 25, 50 & up wedding anniversary. For more information, please call [414-758-2201](tel:414-758-2201). Registration is required. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/2017Jubilee-MKE> to print a flyer

Please Join Us in Praying For....

Elizabeth Werner

In Loving Memory

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*



Pope Francis has asked that young people across the world (whether they are Catholic, practice another faith, or have no faith) be surveyed to discover how their needs and desires are being met by the Catholic Church. If you are 16-39 please complete his survey at www.brewcitycatholic.com. Please help us by passing the word!



BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to Lyn McLain who is celebrating on Aug 23rd.

Best Wishes to all who are celebrating this week!!



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St. Paul's Liturgical Week

Readings for the Week of August 20, 2017

Monday: Judges 2:11-19 Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday: Judges 6:11-24a Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday: Judges 9:6-15 Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday: Revelations 21:9b-14 John 1:45-51

Friday: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Matthew 23:1-12

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, Aug 27

Isaiah 22:19-23 Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20

August Altar Care –Ann Budzban

Home Communion Minister – Margot Schumacher

MASS INTENTIONS AUG 21-27

Mon (Mass at St. Bruno 8:00am)

Tues 8:00AM † Eileen Carey by “Beer & Bible” Group

Wed (Mass at St. Bruno 8:00am)

Fri 8:00AM † William Wade by Family

Sat 5:30PM † Parishioners of St. Paul & St. Bruno

Lectors Hannah Starr, Amy Verbos

Sun 9:00AM † Eileen Carey by Brady Family

Lectors Mary Ellen Bowers, Mike Culhane

Greeters: 5:30PM Brian & Deb Campbell

9:00AM Doug & Nancy Kubacki

Ushers: 5:30PM Tom Strupp, Margot Schumacher,
Jerry Sutkiewicz, Mike Wolf

9:00AM Andrew Johnson, Joel & Mary Ellen Bowers,
John Van de Castele, Dan Zehnppennig, Dave Rasmussen

HOSPITAL VISITS If a member of your family is in the hospital, please let us know so we can send someone to visit them. The hospital does not always let us know. Parish Office 262-968-3865.

Sacramental Information

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: Prepare for the sacraments of initiation with a small group to join the Catholic church. Call Mary Kral.

Infant Baptism: Parent sessions are required for registered parishioners who would like their child baptized. Call Mary Kral, at least one month in advance, to schedule a class time & make arrangements to pick a date for your child's baptism.

Confirmation: Youth at least 16 years of age or adults seeking to be confirmed, call Parish Office.

First Eucharist: Parent and child preparation required. Contact Karen Farrell.

Reconciliation: 2nd & 4th Saturday at 10:00am or by appointment.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made six months in advance. One of the parties must be a registered parish member and a practicing Catholic.

Care of Sick: Sacramental care of the sick, call the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish office with request.

St. Paul Cemetery: Hwy DE & Snowdon Rd. Call Parish Office for information.

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Parish office hours **June 12-Aug. 25**

8:30 to 3:00 Mon - Thurs

8:30 to Noon on Friday

All weekday Masses are at 8:00am, June 16 - August 25

NOTICE: Bulletin articles are due 9am on Mondays.

Please submit to ldurler@stpaulgenesee.net



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK:

Albert Cutler, Maria Mauermann, Shannon Motzel and Robert Stephens.

All those undergoing treatment for cancer and other illnesses.
(Please call the Parish office to add someone to this prayer list.)



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