Welcome to Immaculate Conception (St. Mary) Catholic Parish

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2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal-Your Gift Makes a Difference

CSA helps support Catholic ministries across southeastern Wisconsin
This Week at St. Mary Parish

02/10 Monday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 9:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

02/11 Tuesday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Joseph) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 9:55 AM CCHS Mass (Church)
• 11:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
• 6:30 PM Evangelization/Formation Meeting (HH)

02/12 Wednesday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 9:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
• 6:30 PM Rosary (Chapel)
• 6:30 PM Adult Formation (Heim Hall)
• 6:30 PM Human Concerns Meeting (St. Joseph)

02/13 Thursday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

02/14 Friday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

02/15 Saturday
• Baptism Weekend
• 4:30 PM Mass (Church)

02/16 Sunday
• 8:00 AM Mass (Church)
• 9:15 AM REP (Grade School)
• 10:30 AM Mass (Church)
• 4:00 PM Family Life Mass (St. Charles)

Daily Readings
For the complete text of each reading, go to our website www.stmbparish.org and click on the reading.

1st/2nd READING | PSALM | GOSPEL
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02/09 | Isaiah 58:7-10/1 Chronicles 2:1-5 | Ps 112:4-9 | Mt 5:13-16
02/10 | 1 Kings 8:1-7,9-13 | Ps 132:6-10 | Mk 6:53-56
02/11 | 1 Kings 8:22,23,27-30 | Ps 84:3-5,10,11 | Mk 7:1-13
02/12 | 1 Kings 10:1-10 | 37:5,6,30,31,39,40 | Mk 7:14-23
02/13 | 1 Kings 11:4-13 | Ps 106:3,4,35-40 | Mk 7:24-30
02/14 | 1 King 11:29-32; 12:19 | Ps 81:10-15 | Mk 7:31-37
02/15 | 1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33,34 | Ps 106:3,7,19-22 | Mk 8:1-10

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

02/16 | Sirach 15:15-20/1 Corinthians 2:6-10 | Ps 119:1,2,4,5,17,18,33,34 | Mt 5:17-37

Bulletin Announcements
The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday at Noon for St. Mary Parish: email ssmith@stmb.org. Thank you.
Information for St. Charles bulletin should be sent to jmorrow@mystcharles.org and for St. Joseph to saintjoe@bizwi.rr.com.
A Message from Fr. Jim...

Salt and Light

1) In this Sunday’s Gospel Jesus instructs His disciples: “You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world.” What does it mean for us to be salt and light? I think what Jesus is asking of us is to live the Gospel message He preached in the most sincere and honest way we can. We all have different roles we fulfill in life, spouse/parent, son/daughter, religious/priest, or whatever it is we do in life to answer God’s call to live a life of holiness. Each of us must look at our own situation in life and ask ourselves how we can practice our faith there. How we can be “salt” and how we can be “light” among the people we meet every day, and in the human ordinary situations that we encounter. Jesus asks us not to hide the light of our faith under a bushel basket but that we allow all to see our faith shine forth in all we do and in doing so we can be a light of faith for others to see.

2) I was happy to hear that Fr. Sergio addressed the problem of those who leave Holy Mass early. Perhaps you’ve heard the phrase, “dining and dashing” which refers to someone who eats but doesn’t pay. Or we’re all familiar with the “drive through” concept of fast food. Get it quick and go. This may be helpful for a quick meal on the run but it is not appropriate for the celebration of the Mass or the way we do things in church. Unfortunately, there are some in our Church who “dine and dash”. They receive Holy Communion without stopping back in the pew to say “Thank You” to the Lord for this incredible gift. They do not have the decency or enough respect to pay the price of gratitude. A teacher of mine always said that you can tell just what a person believes when it comes to the Real Presence by what they do after they receive Holy Communion. When we meet the Lord face to face one day, I would hate to be greeted with, “Oh yes, you were the one that always walked out on Me before my Mass was finished!”

God bless you always!
Fr. Jim

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Fish Fry volunteers are needed for all dates:
2/21, 3/6, 3/20 and 4/3
especially for 2/21
1st shift is 4:30-6:15 PM and
2nd shift is 6-8 PM.
If you wish to help out, please
call 262.492.2654 or
debglessner@hotmail.com

2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal
Last weekend we began the 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. This year’s theme, Many Hands One Vision, serves to remind us to be thankful for gifts that God has blessed us with as individuals and as a Church and to commit ourselves to sharing these gifts to enhance the work of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please do your very best. This drive helps strengthen and expand support to parishes, Catholic schools and religious education programs, the formation of priests and deacons, parish lay leaders, and lifelong faith formation for people of all ages in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Your Appeal gift does make a difference!

Spaghetti Dinner March 7th
Please join us Saturday, March 7 for a night of fun. Serving dinner in Andre Hall from 4-9 PM. Dinner includes spaghetti with sauce and meatballs, salad, Italian bread, beverages, and dessert. The proceeds will be used for Parish Improvements. Pricing
Adults = $10, Senior = $9, Children (5-12) = $6

Trap Shoot Fundraiser February 23rd
The CCHS Wrestling Club is holding a fundraiser at the Burlington Conservation Club on Sunday, February 23 from 11-3. The $60 registration fee includes: 3 rounds of shooting, a delicious chili lunch and 2 beverages. Please come out to support our wrestlers! If you’re not a shooter, donations are always welcome! For details regarding registering or donating, call (262) 909-1223. or Greg Ámborn at twc@catholiccentralhs.org

STILL NEEDED: Many hands still needed to help us coordinate all the areas of Funfest we want to feature. Timelines/Resources/Support provided. The dates are June 27,28, 2020. This is a Major Fundraiser for our parish! If you are interested please call and talk with Sue Vrzan at the parish office 262-763-1504 or email svrzan@stmb.org.
Movie Night at St. Charles Church Library
On Monday, February 10th the movie “The Way Home” will be shown in the Church Library located in the cry room/meeting room in the back of church. There will be two showings, one at 4PM and one at 6:30PM. Randy Simpkins is a husband and father torn between the demands of his job and commitment to his family. Christal, his wife asks him to watch their two year old son Joe for a few minutes. Randy is distracted by work and Joe disappears. Randy and Christal desperately search for their lost son alongside hundreds of others from their church and community. Their strained marriage must now weather the ultimate test—the potential loss of a child. This is an inspirational true story of Randy’s powerful spiritual journey back to love, faith and a Godly understanding of what must always take first priority in a man’s life-his family. For questions or more information call Jackie Heiligenthal, 262-661-4272. Coming on March 16th is the movie “Overcomer”.

A Homemade Lasagna Sale will be held from February 15-16. Orders will be taken after Masses at St. Charles and St. Mary, or call or text 262.215.7063 to place an order. The fresh lasagna may be picked up and paid for on February 29th from Noon-4PM at St. Charles Andre Hall. Special pick up or delivery of frozen lasagnas can be made on a limited basis.

Celebrating Children
“Let the little children come to me” -Matthew 19:14
The way we welcome children directly affects the way they understand God, the Church and Jesus’ love for them. The presence of children is a gift to the Church, and reminds us that our parish is growing. We need this growth as much as their family needs the Church. Please welcome and offer a word of support to parents and grandparents who have made the effort to bring their young children to Mass. We don’t know what it took to make that happen today. Remember, “If a baby’s not crying, the Church is dying…” If you find yourself distracted, then trust in the creative wisdom of the Holy Spirit. God can nourish our souls in ways we least expect...

God Bless Our Troops
Please pray for the safety of all military personnel who are serving our country, especially the following parishioners, relatives or friends of our parish.

Sergeant Katie Aldrich, U.S. Marine Corps
Capt. Caroline Copenholler, U.S. Army
Jim & Beth Graves, U.S. Air Force
James Graves, U.S. Air Force
James Hartzell, PFC, U.S. Army
Jolene Kojis, U.S. Air Force
Steven Kojis, U.S. Air Force
John S. Krause, U.S. Navy

Toby May, Spc. Army
Joshua Muellerbach, Army National Guard
Hertel Novasic, PV2, Army National Guard
Gregory A. Roberts, U.S. Army First Lieutenant
Tyler Rose, U.S. Marine Corps
First Lieutenant Jacob Schiltz, U.S. Marine Corps
Devon J. Seitz, U.S. Navy
Second Lieutenant Kyle Smith, U.S. Air Force

Thank you from CCHS Athletic Association
Catholic Central High School would like to thank our parish community for supporting the 2020 Athletic Calendar Raffle sale! The success of the fundraiser was possible because of your generosity. Calendar winners can be found at the school blog site: topperpride.org/athletics.

CCHS Kicks Off its 100th Anniversary by Celebrating its Donors!! In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of St. Mary’s Catholic Central High School, a record-breaking auction, faithful donors and grant organizations have combined to gift the prestigious school with funds to remodel facilities, revitalize classrooms, create state-of-the-art science labs, enhance technology and improve theatrical lighting systems for the 2020-21 school year. “We are thrilled and honored to receive these funds that will help maintain Catholic Central’s position as the premiere high school in Southeastern Wisconsin," stated CCHS Principal, Ms. Bonnie Scholz. “We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the Lynch Family for its $100,000 matching gift, the Erica P. John Fund, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Music Matters of Burlington and our anonymous donors for their most generous contributions.” CCHS is a college-prep, regional high school that is affiliated with 16 partner parishes in Racine and Walworth counties. Founded in 1920 by Fr. Van Treeck of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Catholic Central has served as the cornerstone of Catholic Education in the area; forming students in the Catholic Faith, arming them with rigorous academic Knowledge, and steeping them in the rich Tradition of their 100 year history.

Invitation to the Human Concerns Meeting
This committee exists to provide active support to others in need. We are always looking for others to join us in this service. Some of the most active sub-committees of our group are Outreach, Pro-Life, meal programs and pastoral care, Eucharistic Adoration and prayer, Prison Ministry, and the book club. All sub-committee members, and those interested in becoming more involved in a subcommittee, are asked to attend the meeting on Wednesday, February 12 at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph.

Homemade Lasagna Sale Feb 15-16
8th Grade DC Trip Fundraiser. $25 each or 2 for $45. Please support the Burlington Catholic School 7th Grade Class by purchasing a homemade lasagna. Orders will be taken after Masses at St. Charles and St. Mary, or call or text 262.215.7063 to place an order. The fresh lasagna may be picked up and paid for on February 29th from Noon-4PM at St. Charles Andre Hall. Special pick up or delivery of frozen lasagnas can be made on a limited basis.

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Lent is a special time Church in her wisdom has set apart for us to grow stronger spiritually. She sends forth with us the message “Repent, and believe in the Gospel”, on Ash Wednesday. What does it mean to be truly repentant? What does it take to believe in the Gospel? Do we take this seriously? Does it produce a change of heart even when we make a sincere effort? Please consider joining a Lenten study as we delve into this deeply. Lessons will be offered on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in St. Sebastian room, in the basement of St. Mary Church, beginning February 24th. Contact Soly Johns at solycjohns@gmail.com or (262) 581-0055 with questions.

Can our parish community count on you?  
Our church was saddened to learn of the death of one of our most valued members, Someone Else. Someone’s passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with us for many years and for every one of those years, Someone did far more than a normal person’s share of the work.

Whenever there was a job to do, a class to teach, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone’s list, “Let Someone Else do it.” Whenever leadership was mentioned, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results; “Some Else can work with that group.”

Whenever there was a financial need, everyone just assumed Someone Else would make up the difference.

Everybody expected too much of Someone Else, now Someone Else is gone! We wonder what we are going to do!

Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but we need you to follow it. We need you to do the things Someone Else did.

We pray that you are the someone else we can count on this year.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
CCHS is NOW enrolling! As a top-ranked high school with outstanding academics, inclusive athletic opportunities, fun extracurricular activities, a close knit atmosphere, and most importantly, a Catholic based education that is forming Catholics who are energized and engaged in their faith. We are a participant in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP), which means your child/grandchild could qualify to attend CC tuition free! WPCP Enrollment opens on February 3, 2020. For those that do not qualify, there are a number of assistance programs. Contact Karen Schwenn at kschwenn@cchsnet.org or 262-763-1510 with any questions or to schedule a tour and/or student shadow day.

Adult Formation
St. Mary, along with St. Thomas in Waterford, St. Clare in Wind Lake, St. Charles in Burlington and St. Joseph and Lyons have an adult formation program which is intended bring adults into a deeper knowledge of the Catholic Faith. Any adult, even those who are not catholic are invited to attend. You may attend one topic, all sessions in a series or all the series. 2020 Series on Catholicism 101 This series will be held in Heim Hall at St. Marys. Feb 12 Holy Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) Feb 19 Images of God (Scripture, Tradition, Personal) /Feb 26 No Class

Tri-Parish Lenten Mission Returns
Please mark your calendars now for the 2nd annual Tri-Parish Lenten Mission planned for Sunday, March 8 thru Wednesday, March 11 at St. Charles. Fr. Phil Schoofs will again be leading us on a spiritual journey as we prepare for the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. All sessions will begin a 6:30 PM and end by 8. Attend one or attend all. NEW THIS YEAR: Childcare will be available. Watch the bulletin for further updates.

Save the Date Thursday and Friday June 11-12. 8 AM-3 PM at St. Mary Campus. BCS 7th Grade Rummage Sale fundraiser for our Washington D.C. class trip.
-Please consider donating gently used items for our fundraiser to help our students go to Washington D.C. for their Fall 2020 class trip.
-NO ELECTRONICS OR T.V.’S PLEASE
-Drop off items to the St. Mary Campus 225 W. State Street will be the 2nd week in June, dates will follow as we get closer to the rummage sale
-Please contact Heather Askin for any questions haskin@ourbcs.or

Financial Stewardship Using the Online WeShare Option
St. Mary parishioners have the option of making monthly financial stewardship contributions automatically using the WeShare online giving option. A payment will be taken out of your designated checking account on the date you choose each month. Online giving saves you time and saves our parish money. If you have any questions about our online giving program, or about setting up your account, please call the parish office 262-763-1500. You may also contact WeShare Donor Support at 800-950-9952 Ext. 2007.
Parish Trustees  Don Siehoff, Phone 262-758-4449
Terri Newbury, Phone: 262-210-0234

Finance Council  Dan Creek (Chairperson 763-2604), Stacy Alan, Loretta Jackson, Bill Korducki, Don Siehoff, Tim Spiegelhoff & Fr. Jim Volkert.

We warmly welcome new members to our faith community. If you would like to join our parish, registration forms are available in church. Please complete the form and return it to the church office.

Sacraments: Marriage-Couples should call St. Mary Catholic Church’s pastor 6 months to one year before the wedding date. Baptism—Call the office prior to your child’s baptism. A preparation class for parents is required. Baptisms are held the first and third weekend of the month. Reconciliation—is held the second, fourth and fifth weekend of the month from 3:30-4 PM in the chapel. Communion, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick—Call the office. If it is after hours, listen for the emergency number.

Mass Time Assistance: Wheelchairs available in the closet of our chapel for your use if you need assistance getting in to or out of Church. Hearing Assistance Available: New sound system uses your cell phone as a wireless receiver through Audio Everywhere App. Please see brochure in church or contact ushers for a wireless hearing assistance device.

Please Call 763-1500: If you are at the Hospital, Shut-in, or Homebound & would like to receive Holy Communion.

Tri-Parish Pastoral Council Members
Brian Daniel (Chairperson, 763-7317), Mary Ann Johnson (Vice-Chairperson, 262-812-7547), Marilyn Putz (Secretary, 763-9075), Mark Ehlen (763-8194), Bill Korducki (763-4369), Tom Lebak (763-6006), Jacki Scholze (763-4611), Rick Tinder (414-378-8555), Ellen Voslar (763-2056).

Tri-Parish Men’s Group  Our Tri-Parish Men’s Group meets at 7:00 PM the first and third Wednesday of every month. The topic for the January 15th meeting will be “resolutions”. The meeting takes place at St. Charles in Andre Hall. All men ages 18 and older are welcome to attend. Please call Bob Schiltz 262-716-2923 or Joe Aldrich 262-492-2618.

Parish Staff Directory (262) 763-1500
Fr. Jim Volkert (Pastor); Fr. Sergio Rodriguez (Associate Pastor); Deacon Anton Nickolai, Susanne Snyder (Director of Music); Sue Vrz (Director of Administrative Services); Dianne Smetana (Parish Secretary); Emily Berg (Burlington Catholic Principal); Denise Morrissey (Preschool Director); Margie Robers (DRE Sunday Religious Ed); Ellie Schultz (DRE Family Life).

Donate to St. Mary directly from your IRA
Making tax-free gifts to St. Mary Parish from your IRA is gaining in popularity among older investors, thanks to changes under the new tax law. It is a good idea to start the process well before the end of the year. Talk to your tax person now, about how you can make a qualified charitable distribution to our parish. Thank you and God bless you.

Stewardship Report

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Please bring a non-perishable food item to Sunday Mass for the food pantry.

Join K of C
Knights of Columbus is looking for Catholic men from our tri-parish community who want to deepen their “Faith in Action”. Contact Chad Novasic 262-763-7837 or chadnov@aol.com to find out how becoming a Knight helps you and our Parish.