Tri-Parish Mission Statement: St. Charles Borromeo, St. Joseph, Immaculate Conception (St. Mary), united in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through His saving death and resurrection, by calling, forming and sending disciples to go out and make new disciples. As a people, we are called to encounter Jesus, and grow as disciples through the sacramental life of the church.

Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. ~ Luke 6:20-21

The Very Reverend James Volkert Pastor
The Reverend Carlos Zapata Associate Pastor
Mass Intentions
2/18 Monday
8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Dennis Robers (Jeanne Thom)
† Linda Wille (MM)
2/19 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)
2/20 Wednesday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
2/21 Thursday St. Peter Damian
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
2/22 Friday The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Donald Lehn (Family)
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2/23 Saturday
4:30 PM Mass (Church)
† Raymond Wiorek (Tom & Mary Masiakowski)
2/24 Sunday
8:00 AM Mass (Church)
Living & deceased members of St. Mary Parish
10:30 AM Mass (Church) Commissioning for First Communion
† Kathleen Kobasick (Family)

WEEKLY PRO-LIFE MESSAGE: Join a group. Call your parish’s pro-life committee and ask where they need the most help. Volunteer in the most needed areas. -from www.catholicdigest.com

Visitation/Communion Schedule
Hospital   Feb. 16-17 Mary Norgaard
          Feb. 23-24 Mary Deutsch
Mon: Ellen Voslar, 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Wednesday: Kären Ehlen; 2nd Wed: Cheryl Theigs; Fri: Bob Zarek
Burlington Rehab  Wk of 2/24 Richard Kiekenbush
Monday Veterans Home(9:00 AM) Al Raboine, Mary Repke, Mae Fleming Homes (10:15) Timber Oaks (11)
Tues. Pine Brook (11) Homebound Team, Sr. Emma
Tuesday Riverview (1:00) and Oak Park Place (1:45) Homebound Team
Rosary: Oak Park Place (9:00). Pinebrooke (1:00), Riverview (3PM) The Bay (4PM) Annette Kempken

St. Mary Parish: 262.763.1500
St. Mary Preschool: 262.763.1501
St. Mary School: 262.763.1515
225 W. State Street, Burlington
Catholic Central High School: 763.1510  148 McHenry Street

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8-12 & 1-4.

Daily Readings
1st/2nd READING  PSALM  GOSPEL
2/17 Jeremiah 17:5-8/ 1 Cor 15:12,16-20  Ps 1:1-6  Lk 6:20-26
2/18 Genesis 4:1-15,25  Ps 50:1,8,16-21  Mk 8:11-13
2/19 Genesis 6:5-8:7:1-5,10  Ps 29:1-4,9,10  Mk 8:14-21
2/20 Genesis 8:6-13,20-22  Ps 116:12-19  Mk 8:22-26
2/22 1 Peter 5:1-4  Ps 23:1-6  Mt 16:13-19
2/23 Hebrews 11:1-7  Ps 145:2-5,10,11  Mk 9:2-13
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2/24 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12,13,22,23/1 Cor 15:45-49  Ps 103:1-4,8,10,12  Lk 6:27-38

Bulletin Announcements  The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday at Noon for St. Mary Parish email ssmith@stmb.org. For St. Charles email jmorrow@mystcharles.org and for St. Joseph email saintjoe@bizwi.rr.com.
A Message from Fr. Jim . . .

The Amazing Parish Conference – New Focus for Parishes

This past October a convention was held in Milwaukee called The Amazing Parish. Every parish in the Archdiocese was represented as well as nearly fifty other Archdioceses and Dioceses from across the country. Archbishop Listecki directed every pastor to participate and to implement the philosophy of this conference. The purpose of this convention was to promote the renewal of parish life by transforming the focus of the parish ministry from maintenance to mission.

Our Church has changed much in the last 10-15 years. In the past the goal of any parish was to keep things “status quo”. The parishes at that time were large, some with large schools, had many committees and organizations and plenty of volunteers to fill them. Many of the parishes were well working communities and the “job” of the pastor was to make sure that this continued. In recent times, however, things have changed rather significantly. Our parishes are smaller, our schools have fewer students, the number of volunteers has dropped and it is very common that a pastor has more than one parish to oversee. In many cases, the pastor is no longer able to maintain things the way they used to be.

One key element that The Amazing Parish emphasizes as essential to the development of a healthy organization in a parish is the creation of a Parish Leadership Team. This team is to be comprised of a small number of parishioners who will support and assist the pastor in the governance of the parish. The Leadership Team is to serve as advisors who help bring about more effective leadership. The development of these teams is a recognition that the operation of a parish or cluster of parishes has become much more complex. No pastor likely has the gifts or skills needed to provide complete guidance to a parish community.

I am happy to announce that I have selected members from our congregations to serve as our Tri-Parish Leadership Team. They are: Tom Aldrich, Loretta Jackson, Karen Middlecamp and Rachelle Haacker. Since November we have been meeting on a weekly basis. The Amazing Parish defines five essentials to the Leadership Team: 1) building trust (especially through shared prayer), 2) mastering conflict, 3) achieving commitment toward clarity and closure, 4) a willingness to confront difficult issues, and 5) focus on results and collective outcomes. We begin each of our meetings with an extended period of spontaneous prayer which has helped us to be open to the direction and inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Our discussions center on the following areas of parish life: prayer, morale, Sunday experience, faith formation, finances, youth ministry, facilities, communication, outreach/evangelization, stewardship, schools, and upcoming activities.

One very important note needs to be made. The Tri-Parish Leadership Team does not take the place of the Tri-Pastoral Council, the Finance Councils, or any of the committees in the parishes.

I am very grateful to the folks who have agreed to make up our Tri-Parish Leadership Team. I have enjoyed the time we have been meeting and appreciate their guidance and direction. The Archbishop believes that if the parishes in the Archdiocese are faithful to the philosophy of The Amazing Parish our mission can be transformed to better suit the needs of our time. That is my hope for our three parishes!

God bless you always!
Fr. Jim Volkert

Mass Time Assistance: Wheelchair available in the closet of the Good Shepherd Chapel that is for your use if you need assistance getting in to or out of Church. Hearing Assistance Available: Please contact ushers.

Your Church Envelope
Feel free to drop your church envelope in the collection basket at any of our tri-parish masses. It will find its way back to your home parish, thanks to our volunteer collection counters!
CCHS 1st Semester Honor Roll: Please join us in congratulating the students who made the Honor Roll

FIRST HONORS
(3.50 to 4.00 or higher)
*Denotes a 4.00 or higher GPA

Seniors
*Douglas Januszewski
Elizabeth Klein
Emma Klein
Payton Meinholz
*Simon Pedone
Tyler Shaw
*Grace Spiegelhoff
Juniors:
Nick Aldrich
Sarah Naber
*Finnian O’Brien
*Christina Paleka
*Benjamin Tweet

Bennett Wright
Sophomores:
Emma Antifinger
Morgan Dietzel
Joshua Foley
Michael Labicki
Ella Shaw
Gabriel Stich
Keira Hood-Miles
Julia Klein
*Kaleigh Lynch
Ashton Miller
Summer Peterson
*Morgan Ramsey
*Mayla Vos
Sophia Ward

SECOND HONORS
(3.00 to 3.49 GPA)

Seniors
Miriam Ward
Matthew McDonald
Bennett Robson
Tyler Swanson
Sophomores:
Grace Antifinger
Freshmen:
Natalie Labicki
Murphy O’Brien
Maxwell Robson

Tri Parish Men’s Group
Please join our new Tri-parish Men’s Group where we will spend an hour and a half socializing and learning our faith in a very relaxed, fun, and easy to understand format. This is not a Bible study nor will you be asked to fundraise or do volunteer hours to be a member of the group. Our introductory meeting will take place on February 20th at St. Charles Andre Hall starting at 7 PM. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. Refreshments will be provided.

March Madness Parish Fundraiser 2019 “Hoopsmania” Sweepstakes
Tickets are $10 each. The parish gets to keep $7 of each ticket sold. Each ticket has a 1 in 19 chance of winning a cash prize. No basketball team knowledge is necessary – ALL tickets have an equal chance of winning a cash prize. Each ticket has 8 “seeded” teams, 1 through 8. Optionally track your points online or manually. Prize Money: 1st $500. 2nd $200. 3rd $100. 67 runner up prizes - $20 each. Lowest combined score - $50. Next four lowest scores - $20 each. A Total of 75 possible winners. All winners will be notified by mail. Contact Pat Smetana at 262.763.7568 or Jim Vos 262.763.9710 to buy tickets or help sell them. Tickets on sale now. Tickets will also be sold after masses on March 2/3, 9/10 and 16/17, just before the tournament begins. Proceeds are going toward the maintenance of the campus buildings.

Parishioners lined up to have their throats blessed for the Feast of St. Blaise.

Your Outreach Dollars at Work: We received the following thank you message: Dear St. Mary Parish: Thank you so much for the kind donation. We are so grateful for your support. Your donation will help us to buy new pillows for 60 children here at Pasture Valley and the Girls Care centre. The children’s pillows are really old and need replacing badly. The children have just recently returned back to school after their long Christmas break. They are all happy to be starting a new year at school. We have also taken in some new children this month too. Our family keeps on growing! May God be with you and bless you. Thank you again for your love shown to us. With love and blessings, Peter and Michelle and the Pasture Valley children

A Tri-Parish Lenten Mission is scheduled for March 31, April 1-4, at 6:30 PM at St. Charles.
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.

Corporal Katie Cash, U.S. Marine Corps
Capt. Caroline Coppennoll, U.S. Army
Steven Kojis, U.S. Air Force
John S. Krause, U.S. Navy
Toby May, Spc. 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

Caring and Sharing Grief Support Meetings
Sponsored by Daniels Family Funeral Homes. Always the last Tuesday of the month. 2 locations, Burlington and Union Grove 10 AM at So. Wis. Veterans Nursing Home, Boland Hall and 6:30 PM Cross Lutheran Church lounge. Any questions, please call Marlene at 763-3434 or 262.878.2011.

Fundraiser for SMS and CCHS
The Lucky Star Pub & Eatery in Burlington will be donating 15% back from each total bill to SMS or CCHS when you visit their restaurant any Sunday in March (except March 31st) between 7 AM-9 PM (open until close). A coupon below must be presented to your server in order to credit St. Mary School or Catholic Central High School. Coupon may be duplicated.
**Tri-Parish Pastoral Council Members**
Brian Daniel (Chairperson, 763-7317), George Whitehead (Vice Chairperson, 414-870-1980), Marilyn Putz (Secretary, 763-9075), Pam Aldrich (262-716-6324), Mark Ehlen (763-8194), Geri Henningfield (767-1854), Mary Ann Johnson (262-812-7547), Bill Korducki (763-4369), Jacki Scholze (763-4611).

**Parish Trustees** Jim Schuster, Phone 262-763-0897
Terri Newbury, Phone: 262-210-0234

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.

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

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

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

**Tri-Parish Outdoor Mass July 14th**
Save This Date! 4th Annual Tri-Parish Outdoor Mass on Sunday, July 14 at 9:00 AM in Echo Park.

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**Stewardship Report**

- Amount Collected 2/10/19 from 139 envelopes: 13,960.07
- We Share from 16 contributors: 745.00
- Offertory: 586.00
- Total: $15,291.07
- Amount Given Fiscal Year to Date: $538,577.89
- Amount Budgeted Fiscal Year to Date (33 week): -$599,765.43
- Difference: -$61,187.54
- Amount Budgeted for fiscal year (52 weeks): $945,085.00
- Amount still needed for this fiscal year: $436,507.11
- Amount needed per week to reach budget (19 weeks): $22,974.06

**UPDATE FROMUGANDA**

Dear our Friends of St. Mary's:

I am so happy to communicate to you today. I send greetings from St. Joseph's parish. A lot has taken place since my last E-mail to you.

1.) **December 26** and during Christmas time we Baptized 209 children in our parish in different sub-parishes. 2.) **December 28** we celebrated the children's parish day and Christmas party with over 800 children. 3.) **December 30** we celebrated the parish Family day with over 120 members from different families. 4.) We finished replacing glasses in the main church and now we are buying new pews.

We will celebrate our parish day on March 17 with our Bishop Kakooza. On the same day we will have confirmation of the children. -Fr. Ignatius

**Parish Staff Directory (262) 763-1500**

- Fr. Jim Volkert (Pastor); Fr. Carlos Zapata (Associate Pastor); Deacon Anton Nickolai, Susanne Snyder (Director of Music); Sue Vrzan (Director of Administrative Services); Dianne Smetana (Parish Secretary); Cheryl Theigs (Pastoral Minister to the Aging, Sick and Homebound); Loretta Jackson (School Principal); Deb Butler (Assistant Principal); Denise Morrissey (Preschool Director), Margie Roberts (DRE Sunday Religious Education); Ellie Schultz DRE Family Life.

**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, chadnov@aol.com, to find out how becoming a Knight helps you and our Parish.
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