At St. Charles. Experience the Flood of God’s Riches at our Tri-Parish Mission, directed by Fr. Phil Schoofs. This Lenten mini-retreat offers spiritual reflections, musical presentations and the opportunity to ask questions. Reconciliation Service (Wednesday) with individual confession. Mass (Thursday). For details, contact St. Charles parish office, 763-2260. Come see what riches God has to offer you. Please note that Stations of the Cross at St. Mary’s on 4/2 is cancelled.
Mass Intentions
4/01 Monday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Deb Rausch (Family)
† Betty Tenhagen (MM)

4/02 Tuesday  St. Francis of Paola
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
8:30 AM Mass (St. Joseph) 8:00 AM Rosary

4/03 Wednesday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

4/04 Thursday  St. Isidore of Seville
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

4/05 Friday  St. Vincent Ferrer
8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Romaine Wilfert (Family)

Fifth Sunday of Lent
4/06 Saturday
4:30 PM Mass (Church)
† Linda Wille (Ruth Frederick)

4/07 Sunday
8:00 AM Mass (Church)
† Ray Tenhagen (Family)
10:30 AM Mass (Church)
Living & deceased members of St. Mary Parish

Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays
Stations of the Cross are prayed on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM at St. Mary (with rosary at 6:30 PM) and on Fridays at 6:00 PM at St. Charles. Cancelled 4/2.

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April 6-7 Mary Norgaard
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Burlington Rehab  Wk of 3/31 Robert Zarek
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Tues. Pine Brook (11) Homebound Team, Sr. Emma
Tuesday Riverview (1:00) and Oak Park Place (1:45) Homebound Team
Friday: Arbor View (10:45); Mae Fleming, Mary Repke, Al Raboine, Ray Andres. Rosary/Eucharist.
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Mass of Atonement  Join Archbishop Listekki on Monday, April 1 at 6 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Parish, 1023 E Russell Ave, Bay View for the annual Mass of Atonement. This Mass is a faith-filled, heartfelt and visible action step as we continue our path of reconciliation and resolution.

Daily Readings
1st/2nd READING  PSALM  GOSPEL
4/01 Isaiah 65:17-21  Ps 30:2,4-6,11-13  Jn 4:43-54
4/02 Ezekiel 47:1-9,12  Ps 46:2,3,5-9  Jn 5:1-16
4/03 Isaiah 49:8-15  Ps 145:8,9,13-18  Jn 5:17-30
4/04 Exodus 32:7-14  Ps 106:19-23  Jn 5:31-47
4/05 Wisdom 2:1,12-22  Ps 34:17-23  Jn 7:1,2,10,25-30
4/06 Jeremiah 11:18-20  Ps 7:2,3,9-12  Jn 7:40-53

Fifth Sunday of Lent
4/07 Isaiah 43:16-21/  Philippians 3:8-14  Ps 126:1-6  Jn 8:1-11
A Message from Fr. Jim . . .

“Reflections on the Fourth Sunday of Lent”

It hardly seems possible that we are already half-way through the season of Lent. It feels like just yesterday when we set out on the path of Lent together on Ash Wednesday. Hopefully we have felt the presence of Jesus walking with us these grace-filled days. Now is the time to offer our prayers for mercy and healing in our spiritual lives. Lent is especially a time when we should open our hearts to the grace of God. We need to keep in mind that God’s grace is always available to us, that it is a gift He gives freely. The Gospel for today’s Mass communicates this message so clearly in the Parable of the Prodigal Son. By telling this parable, Jesus wants to convey to us how much God the Father loves us and what our relationship with the Father should be like. The high point of the story is the moment of the father’s embrace. “While the son was a long way off, his father caught sight of him and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced and kissed him.” Can you imagine that? Picture the old man running down the road to embrace his son who must have looked pretty shabby after his ordeal. The father doesn’t lecture him, doesn’t say – “How could you have done this to me?” He was simply overjoyed to have his son back, safe at home. Through all of this Jesus is saying to you and me: This is how God feels about us when we sin, when we may leave His presence and through repentance return to Him. God waits for us, He restores us to our standing as a son/daughter of His, He reminds us that we are a member of the family in good standing; He wants us to celebrate this fact. All of this we can also experience in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Here, too, the Father comes to meet us, embrace us, forgive us, and remind us that we are His beloved son or daughter.

Please plan on joining in on the Parish Mission that begins this evening and runs through Thursday. Each evening will begin at 6:30 PM at St. Charles Church. Wednesday evening will feature a Reconciliation Service and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. A closing Mass will be held on Thursday.

I pray that the Season of Lent thus far has been fruitful and renewing for everyone. I hope that in addition to giving up something during this Lent it also provides an opportunity receive something - a gift of grace.

May the remaining weeks of Lent bring peace to us all.

Fr. Jim Volkert

Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Mary
There will be a Reconciliation Service available Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 AM at St. Mary.

2019 Tri-Parish Pastoral Council Discernment
Turn in your nominations by April 1st.
Don’t forget to turn in your nomination ballot to the Rectory Office for the St. Mary Parish representative on the Tri-Parish Pastoral Council.

Tour Our Seminary Sunday, April 7th
11 a.m. Mass and Noon - 2 p.m. Tours at St. Francis de Sales Seminary. Meet our seminarians and see this beautiful Catholic icon and its picturesque setting. Bring your family and friends! 3257 South Lake Dr.; Saint Francis, WI. www.sfs.edu for details.

Please Volunteer to Serve as a Lector
High school seniors and newly confirmants we invite you to become lectors. If you are interested, please contact the rectory or Margie Robers at 661-9125 or mrobers@stmb.org.

12 Hours of Reconciliation at St. Charles
April 10th 8 AM-8 PM. Note: the 8:30 AM Mass will be moved to St. Mary Church on April 10th.

Lenten Project Twinning
This year, our friends from Naggalama asked if we could contribute to the building of small houses for the teachers from St. Joseph and St. Agnes primary schools. These houses are being erected across the street from the main parish. Currently many of the teachers work until 9:30 p.m. and must travel home at night to neighboring towns and trading centers. They often use small motorcycles and female teachers, especially, are at risk traveling alone. Once the structures are finished, the parish can offer safe housing, and the rent monies from the teachers will also add a little to parish income. With the money collected during Lent 2014, they were able to finish the first 5 houses which were spoken for immediately. Now Fr. Ignatius is again asking us to collect money for more houses. Your generosity toward this year’s Project Twinning is very much needed.
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.

Easter Triduum
April 18 Holy Thursday Mass
7:00 PM St. Charles

April 19 Good Friday Service
12 PM St. Charles; 1 PM St. Mary; 7 PM St. Joseph

April 20 Holy Saturday Mass
8:00 PM Mass at St. Mary

Easter Masses
April 21 St. Mary 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
St. Charles 8:00 AM & 10 AM
St. Joseph 9:30 AM

Easter Memorials due Palm Sunday
There are envelopes in the pews for you to use if you would like to remember a deceased loved one or friend in the form of an Easter Memorial. The money offered will be used to purchase Easter lilies and other plants and flowers for the church. The names will appear in the Easter bulletin.

Birthday Blessings
We wish to acknowledge the special members of our Parish community who will be celebrating their 90th birthday and up!
On the 4th Eleanor Tenhagen will be 92
On the 9th Thomas Doran will be 93
On the 11th Lawrence Prunty will be 92
On the 20th Ramona Wille will be 99
On the 29th Mary Ann Stemo will be 92
On the 29th Elizabeth Jacob will be 91
On the 22nd Betty Vos will be 90

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 Coppermoll, U.S. Army
Jim & Beth Graves, U.S. Air Force,
James Graves, U.S. Air Force,
James Hartzell, PFC, 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

Outreach Committee
We are looking for a committee member: an opening exists on our Outreach Committee. We meet only four times a year. Committee members review requests for financial help from various organizations and make selections that will be included in the quarterly Outreach Collection. This includes local, state, national and global causes. If interested, contact Eileen Gabriel, chairperson, at 539-2345 or eileengabriel24@gmail.com

Join Us on Fridays as we travel to Milwaukee to Pray in front of the Farwell Avenue Clinic
Every Friday during Lent, a car full of prayer warriors leaves after the 8:30 Mass at St. Mary’s to pray for an end to abortion at one of the three remaining of 12 abortions mills in Wisconsin. This Friday we learned that three more women agreed to save their babies shortly after we left. The count is well over 1100 at Farwell Ave. in Milwaukee. 40 Days For Life is gaining ground, and the weather is getting much nicer for the remaining Fridays in Lent. We have plenty of cars to take you along. We pray a public Rosary, the chaplet of Divine Mercy, and the chaplet of the unborn. You will be home by noon.

Join us in a public display of your belief, and you will feel so good for having gone with us!

PLEASE PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION
Survey from St. Mary Cemetery Board
The St. Mary Cemetery Association Board has been considering providing the option of having cremation remains interred in a columbarium, which is an above ground structure of niches to hold urns. Currently the interment options available are in-ground burial of either a full casket or a cremation urn. A columbarium being considered would have 24 to 48 niches and capable of possibly one or two urns in a niche. Research so far has included discussion with local parishes that have a columbarium (like St. Alphonsus, St. John & St. Francis), cost to build a unit, and the location in our cemetery. Through research it became evident we need to first determine the level of interest in this option among the St. Mary parishioners. Therefore, we would like you to give this some thought and be prepared to answer some very basic questions on a brief survey that will be available online and in hard copy on April 12th.

Youth Mission Group Kringle Fundraiser
Fundraiser for their mission trip this summer to the Cheyenne River Reservation in SD. Kringles are $9 with 11 flavors to choose from. Cash and Carry Kringle will be available after Masses March 30-31. Place your order now by talking to a Mission Group member or by call Rita at 763-2050. Delivery April 12-14. See you at the Fish Fry April 12!

Taizé Prayer Services at St. Joseph, Lyons
St. Joseph, April 11. Taize prayer is a meditative, ecumenical service that includes simple songs, scripture, a procession of light, five minutes of silence/contemplation & prayers for all God's people. Come and worship with us.

Fun Fest June 21-23 2019: WE NEED YOU!
Planning is underway for our LARGEST Parish fundraiser. We need a little extra help in a few areas leading up to the festival OR during the festival. Isn’t it time to meet some new people? Or, just ask a friend or neighbor to join in the FUN! You would be helping out a current sub-committee to make sure the festival is a success. Call 763-1500 or Brooke Beck 262-210-8361 or brookealdrich22@gmail.com.

March Madness Parish Fundraiser 2019
Track your points online or manually. A Total of 75 possible winners. All winners will be notified by mail. Call, Pat Smetana 763.7568 or Jim Vos 763.9710.

APRIL MOVIE NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY
Join us for movie night Monday, April 8th at the St. Charles Church Library located in the cry room/meeting room in the back of church. “The Scarlet and the Black” will be shown at 4PM and again at 6:30PM. This is the true story of Msgr. Hugh O’Flaherty, a courageous Irish priest working in the Vatican during the WWII German occupation. He built a network of hundreds of people & saved thousands of innocent people from death. For details, call Jackie Heiligenthal, 262-661-4272. Coming on May13th is the movie “Indivisible”. This is a true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner who returns from his tour of service with scars that threaten the Turners’ rock-solid marriage.
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 bring a non-perishable food item to Sunday Mass for the food pantry.


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

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 Home-bound); Loretta Jackson (School Principal); Deb Butler (Assistant Principal); Denise Morrissey (Preschool Director), Margie Robers (DRE Sunday Religious Education); Ellie Schultz DRE Family Life.

Stewardship Report
Amount Collected 3/24/19 from 124 envelopes  7,098.57
We Share from 12 contributors  1,715.00
Offertry  606.85
Total  $9,420.42

Amount Given Fiscal Year to Date  $634,493.61
Amount Budgeted Fiscal Year to Date (39 week)  $708,813.69
Difference  -$74,320.08

Amount Budgeted for fiscal year (52 weeks)  $945,085.00
Amount still needed for this fiscal year  $310,591.39
Amount needed per week to reach budget (13 weeks)  $23,891.65

Our 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 meeting takes place at St. Charles in Andre Hall. All men ages 18 and older are welcome to attend. Please note: The meeting for Wed, April 3 is cancelled-joins us at the Tri-Parish Lenten Mission. Our next meeting will be April 17 at 6:30 in Andre Hall at St. Charles. For details, please contact Bob Schiltz 262-716-2923 or Joe Aldrich 262-492-2618.

Bulletin Announcements  The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday at Noon for St. Mary Parish email smith@stmb.org. Note early Easter deadlines: Information is due 4/4 for 4/14 bulletin and 4/11 for 4/21 bulletin. Thank you. For St. Charles email jmorrow@mystcharles.org and for St. Joseph email saintjoe@bizwi.rr.com.

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.