Jesus said, “If you love me you will keep my commandments.”
- John 14:15
Mass Intentions
Priests will be celebrating private Masses. Mass Intentions will be said at all private Masses

5/18 Monday  St. John I Pope & Martyr
8:30 AM Mass
† Andrew Kerkman (Family)

5/19 Tuesday
8:30 AM Mass

5/20 Wednesday  St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
8:30 AM Mass

5/21 Thursday  St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions
8:30 AM Mass
† Mary Hallett (Jackie Berg)

The Ascension of the Lord
5/23 Saturday
4:30 PM Mass
† Ed Elderbrook (Pat & Red Smetana)

5/24 Sunday
8:00 AM Mass
† Katie Butler (Family)
10:30 AM Mass
Living and deceased members of St. Mary Parish

Please pray for an end to CoVID-19.

The Parish Office is temporarily closed. You may contact us at, 262-763-1500 or parishoffice@stmb.org. Both of these will be checked on a regular basis. In an emergency you may speak to a priest at 262-210-9588.

To read recent statements by Archbishop Listecki or to find out more about the archdiocesan response to COVID-19, please visit www.archmil.org/coronavirus.

Ways you can help...
Catholic Charities Emergency Food Drive
www.ccmke.org/FoodDrive
Focusing on the needs of the elderly.
Coronavirus Emergency Fund
www.archmil.org/Giving.htm
The Archdiocese of Milwaukee has created a Coronavirus Emergency Fund to help alleviate the financial hardship caused by the pandemic.
Catholic Stewardship Appeal
www.archmil.org/Giving.htm
Help keep our vital ministries strong

If you have any questions, please contact Andy Gaertner (414)769-3322 or gaertnera@archmil.org.

Want to watch a recording of Sunday Mass?
Watch a recording or Fr. Jim Volkert or Fr. Sergio celebrating Sunday Mass which will be posted each Saturday after 4:30 PM on our website and on facebook.

This Week at St. Mary—as of noon on 5/13
(Please refer to the website for updates to this information)

5/18 Monday through 5/24 Sunday
Monday, May 18—Thursday, May 21
• 9:00 AM-Noon Parish Office Open

Memorial Day Mass will not be a public Mass this year. In keeping with the current practices, the priest will hold private Mass.

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

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The Ascension of the Lord
05/24 Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23
Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Mt 28:16-20

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St. Charles Campus • 262.763.2848
449 Conkey Street, Burlington
Catholic Central High School:
763.1510 • 148 McHenry Street

After hours emergency priest phone: 262.210.9588
THE REASON FOR OUR HOPE

“What is the reason for your hope?” Imagine somebody coming up to you and asking you that question. Not “What are you hoping for?” or “What are you hoping to do?” No, this isn’t about our desires for possessions or aspirations for life, it’s “Why do you hope?” Peter today tells us that we ought to be ready to give an answer to this question. Truth be told, few of us spend much time thinking about why we hope. Luckily, the scriptures today give us our answers. We hope because Christ suffered for us, in order that we might come to God. We hope because we know that, in the Spirit, God grants us another Advocate through Christ to remain with us always. No matter what we might hope for, whatever we might hope to do, we must always first know and proclaim the reason for our hope: the presence of God in Christ, with us through the power of the Spirit.

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Weekly Gospel Message

Two Guys and a Gospel: Sit down, listen and pray with Fr. Phillip Bogacki and Fr. Ricardo Martín as they brainstorm about their homilies and reflect on the Gospel reading. Catch up on past episodes on our website at www.archmil.org/TwoGuys, and catch NEW EPISODES every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

2020 Project Twinning

Thank you for your donations to Project Twinning. We will continue to accept donations through May 31st for teacher housing for St. Joseph Naggalama in Uganda.

Tri-Parish Young Adult Group Meetings

The Tri-Parish Young Adult Group has been meeting for Bible study and fellowship through the Zoom video conferencing app. The group meets on Wednesdays nights at 6:30 pm. All adults ages 18-35 are invited to attend. Young adults outside the Tri-Parish are welcome to join the meeting as well. For more information, contact Caila Webber at caila.webber@gmail.com.

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Please pray for the health and safety of our brothers & sisters at our twinning parish St. Joseph Naggalama in Uganda.

Bulletin Announcements

The deadline for articles is Tuesday at Noon for St. Mary: email ssmith@stmb.org. Items for St. Charles bulletin should be sent to jmorrow@mystcharles.org and for St. Joseph to saintjoe@bizwi.rr.com.
Dear Parishioners,

I hope and pray this communication finds you in good health – physically, mentally and spiritually. These have been trying months as we have seen our usual way of life turned upside down. The highlight of my days has been celebrating Holy Mass and remembering all of you. Even though you cannot be with me in a physical way, I have felt your presence in the churches. In a way, it makes me think of the early Christians when they gathered to celebrate the Eucharist in secret. Not only did that spiritual feeling of the community sustain them, it was the acknowledgement of the presence of Jesus Christ with them that helped them carry on.

As you may have heard, Archbishop Listecki has given permission for parishes to open the weekend of May 30/31. This is the Solemnity of Pentecost. There are strict rules and directives that every parish must follow if they want to celebrate public Masses. If parishes feel they are not able to carry these out or sustain them, they may make the decision to remain closed. I feel that we are able to observe and sustain these directives and therefore will open the churches.

Another suggestion the Archbishop made was to pastors who have two or more parishes. He suggested opening the largest church first and then, at a later time, the others. This is a suggestion and not a directive. Therefore, I think it best to open all three of our churches. I am confident that we are able to open safely at all three parishes.

I have been careful not to use the word “reopen” because this, in some people’s mind, might imply that we are simply going back to the way things were before we closed. This is not the case. We are able to open safely but we must change things. I know that change is difficult for some but we have no other choice. And I also understand that you may not be happy or satisfied with the changes. Under these current circumstances, however, I earnestly ask for your understanding and cooperation.

New Mass Schedule Beginning May 30/31

Saturdays: 4:30 PM St. Mary  5 PM St. Charles
Sundays:  7:30 AM St. Mary  8 AM St. Charles
               9 AM St. Joseph  10:30 AM St. Mary
           11 AM St. Charles (Bi-lingual)

Priests are only allowed to celebrate three Masses on a weekend. Priests over the age of 65 and with pre-existing health conditions must first receive permission from their physician before receiving permission from the Archdiocese to celebrate one Mass per weekend. This Mass schedule will allow Fr. Sergio and me to cover the Masses at St. Mary and St. Charles. I’ve asked Fr. Gene if he is willing to celebrate the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph on Sundays and he agreed. This will be a smaller crowd and I think safer for Fr. Gene. As of this time, there will be no public celebration of weekday Masses. Weddings and funeral services will continue to be limited to less than ten people. This is by order of the State.

25% Capacity

One of the directives that we must adhere to is no more than 25% of our total capacity in the church for a Mass. Each of the churches will have designated seating in the pews. Attendees must sit six feet apart in every other pew. When the maximum number of people has entered the church, the doors will be closed. The chapel at St. Mary and the Cry Room at St. Charles may not be used for seating. 25% = St. Mary-135  St. Charles-100  St. Joseph-77

All those who as defined by the health department as more vulnerable (60+ years of age, those with compromised immune systems, those with underlying health conditions, those who are anxious about being in a large group, etc.) as well as children under the age of 7, are encouraged to stay at home. Sunday Masses will continue to be taped and available on the parish websites. If you attend Mass one week, perhaps view on website the following week so that someone new may attend Mass in church in your place. At this time the obligation to attend Mass is dispensed through July 5th.

Designated Entrances

The main doors at each of the churches will remain locked. We are asking that side entrances be used. At St. Mary the far north and far south entrances on McHenry Street as well as the chapel entrance. At St. Charles the elevator entrance and the entrance off the playground. At St. Joseph the east entrance and the west entrance. Using these entrances will help the ushers with seating assignments as well as make exiting the church orderly.

Cleaning of Facilities

Frequently touched surfaces such as pews/pew tops, doors handles as well as bathrooms must be cleaned and sanitized by CDC recommendations after every Mass. Time will be needed to clean after the first Masses of the day which also accounts for the needed Mass time changes. Hymnals, missalettes and bulletins will not be allowed. All ushers/greeters will wear masks and gloves while taking up the collection. Face masks will also be encouraged for anyone in the church. They will be available at the entrances if you do not have one of your own. It will be imperative that we adhere to these directives. It may take a little getting used to but I’m sure I speak for all of us when I say the most important thing is that we will be able to celebrate Mass together again.

Please know of my continued prayers for all of you. May Almighty God bless, watch over you and keep you safe!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
The Very Reverend James T. Volkert, Pastor
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 Coppelmann, 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 National Guard
- Joshua Muellenbach, Army National Guard
- Hertel Novasic, PV2, Army National Guard
- Gregory A. Roberts, U.S. Army First Lieutenant
- Tyler Rose, U.S. Marine Corps
- Captain Jacob Schiltz, U.S. Marine Corps
- Devon J. Seitz, U.S. Navy
- Second Lieutenant Kyle Smith, U.S. Air Force

Confession when a priest is not available

This habit of returning home “takes flesh in the Sacrament of Reconciliation”, the Pope explained.

_Do what the catechism says. It’s very clear. If you don’t find a priest to go to confession, speak to God. He’s your Father. Tell Him the truth: ‘Lord, I did this and this. Pardon me.’ Ask His forgiveness with all your heart with an act of contrition, and promise Him, ‘afterward I will go to confession.’ You will return to God’s grace immediately. You yourself can draw near, as the catechism teaches us, to God’s forgiveness, without having a priest at hand.”_

Wedding Banns
I II III Maureen Gabriel and Thomas Colleton

The Prayers of the Rosary

_When the Rosary is said in a group, most of the prayers are divided into two parts, of which one person, or part of the group, says the first, while the others respond with the second. The divisions are indicated below with an asterisk (*). Where no division is indicated, the entire prayer is recited by all. (The sign of the cross is recited by all or by the leader alone, the others responding “Amen.”)_

_The Sign of the Cross_
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

_The Apostles’ Creed_
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. * I believe the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

_Lord’s Prayer (Our Father)_
Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name, Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. * Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

_Hail Mary_
Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. * Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

_Glory be to the Father_
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. * As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

_Fatima Prayer_
O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

_Hail, Holy Queen_
Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee to we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

_V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God._
_R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ._
Our new Tri-Parish Coronavirus Outreach Program can provide help with Grocery Service—help with ordering online, pickup and delivery; On-Call Errand Service—for any immediate needs; and Neighborhood Volunteers—to check in on you. Although our volunteers will be concentrating on calling elderly parishioners over the age of 70, these services are open to any parishioner who is isolated in quarantine. This includes parents with young children at home or medically fragile members who do not want to leave their homes. Please do not hesitate to call if you would like help or know a fellow parishioner who may need some!

If you would like to volunteer, please call your parish coronavirus outreach coordinator:
- St. Charles—Jackie Scholze, 262-763-4611 or Mary Labadie, 262-206-5569;
- St. Joseph—Jerry Kuta, 262-492-1570 or Sue Kuta, 262-492-7570;
- St. Mary—Colleen Schiltz, 262-716-2923 or Pam Aldrich, 262-716-6324.

Although we are not able to provide for any of your necessities free of charge, we are looking into ways of providing some food staples free of charge to those in greatest need. That being said, if you find yourself in a position to help your fellow parishioners who have been negatively affected, please consider sending a donation to the Knights of Columbus at St. Mary’s or St. Charles, or the Helping Hands Committee at St. Charles.

**If you would like to sign up to have your donation automatically deducted from your account and sent to St. Mary please log in to We Share at https://stmb.churchgiving.com**

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**Prayer Network**
If you would like to add a prayer request to the Prayer Network, please call Mary at 262-206-6927 or email BurlingtonPrayerNetwork@gmail.com .

**Daily Reflections**
To watch daily video reflections from Archbishop Listecki, Bishop Haines and Bishop Schuerman, please visit www.archmil.org/coronavirus.

**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).

**Financial Stewardship Using the Online 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. For details 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.

**Stewardship Report**
- Amount Collected 5/10/20 from 85 envelopes $9,229.00
- We Share from 19 parishioners 3,404.90
- Total $12,633.90
- Amount Given Fiscal Year to Date $752,646.44
- Amount Budgeted Fiscal Year to Date (45 weeks) -$745,312.50
- Difference $7,333.94
- Amount Budgeted for fiscal year (52 weeks) $861,250.00
- Amount still needed for this fiscal year $108,603.56
- Amount needed per week to reach budget (7 weeks) $15,514.79

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