Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field.”

Matthew 13:24

5th Sunday Rosary
Next Weekend
30 Minutes before Mass
Join us as we pray for marriage & the family.

Free Pancake Breakfast 7/30
8:30 AM-Noon in the cafeteria. Our Knights of Columbus will be preparing the delicious food. Enjoy fluffy pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, coffee and a yogurt bar. Donations will be accepted.

Matthew 13:24
Mass Intentions
07/24 Monday  St. Sharbel Makhluf
8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Dan & Marge Dantzler (Family)

07/25 Tuesday  St. James
8:30 AM Mass (St. Joseph) 8:00 AM Rosary
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

07/26 Wednesday  SS. Joachim and Anne
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

07/27 Thursday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

07/28 Friday
8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Helene Shepherd (George Shepherd)
† Sherwin Ehmke (WM)

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
07/29 Saturday
4:30 PM Mass (Church)
† Jim McCourt (Family)

07/30 Sunday
8:00 AM Mass (Church)
Parishioners who died this past April, May and
June (St. Vincent de Paul Committee)
10:30 AM Mass (Church)
Living and deceased members of St. Mary Parish

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.

Visitation/Communion Schedule
Hospital  July 22-23  Joyce Clapp
July 29-30  Bob Zarek
Mon: Ellen Voslar, 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed. Karen Ehlen;
2nd, 4th & 5th Wed: Cheryl Theigs  Fri: Bob Zarek
B Rehab & Care Week: 7/23 James Weis
Monday Veterans Home (9:00 AM) Al Raboine, Mary
Repke, Mae Fleming
Tuesday Pine Brook (11 AM) Al Raboine, Mary
Repke, Mae Fleming
Tuesday Riverview (1:00 PM) Homebound Team,
Sr. Emma
Tuesday BRC Center (3:15 PM): Jim and Kaye
Daun, Romayne Degen, Maureen Gebhardt
Fri. Arbor View (11 AM): Mae Fleming, Mary Repke,
Al Raboine, Ray Andres, Rosary/Chaplet.
BRCC (4 PM) Al Raboine

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St. Mary Preschool: 763.1501
St. Mary School: 763.1515
225 W. State Street, Burlington
Catholic Central High School:
763.1510  148 McHenry Street

After hours emergency priest
phone: 262.210.9588

This Week at Saint Mary Catholic Church
07/24 Monday
- 8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
- 9:00 PM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (HH)

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- 8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
07/29 Saturday
- 3:30-4:00 PM Reconciliation (Chapel)
- 4:30 PM Mass (St. Mary)

07/30 Sunday
- 8:30-Noon Free Pancake Breakfast (Cafeteria)
- 8:00 AM Mass (Church)
- 10:30 AM Mass (Church)

Family Kickball  Come join other families for
kickball at 6 PM at Riverview Park, Lyons
August 4/ August 18. Bring water, lawn chairs, and a good
sense of humor. Since this is a family event, all chil-
dren must be accompanied by an adult. For details,
contact Colleen Schiltz at bcschiltz9@gmail.com

Daily Readings
1st/2nd READING  PSALM  GOSPEL
07/23  Wisdom 12:13,16-19/Romans 8:26-27
Ps 86:5,6,1,10,15,16  Mt 13:24-43
07/24  Exodus 14:5-18  Exodus 15:1-6
Ps 78:18-28  Mt 13:28-42
07/25  2 Cor 4:7-15  Ps 126:1-6
Ps 13:29-31  Mt 20:20-28
07/26  Exodus 16:1-5,9-15  Ps 78:18-28
Mt 13:1-9
07/27  Exodus 19:1,2,9-20  Daniel 3:52-56
Pt 13:10-17
07/28  Exodus 21:1-17  Ps 19:8-11
Ps 13:18-23
07/29  Exodus 24:3-8  Ps 50:1,2,5,6,14,15
Jn 11:19-27

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
07/30  1 Kings 3:5,7-12/ Romans 8:28-30
Ps 119:57,72,76,77,  Mt 13:44-52
127-130

In Loving Memory
We wish to extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Sherwin Ehmke. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
A Message from Father Jim . . .

“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness.”

These words from our Second Reading at today’s Mass from St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans perhaps take on a deeper meaning for us having gone through some hard times. The flooding and aftermath have tested us in ways that perhaps we have not been tested for awhile. The devastation that our communities endured is a reminder to us that in many ways we are still vulnerable people. All of the advances in technology and the sciences cannot spare us from natural disasters. Although our parishes had some damage we were blessed compared to others. The worst damage was at St. Joseph where the Parish Center basement had quite a bit of water in it.

It is at times like these that we turn to God for strength, direction and peace. We also turn to our community: our parishes and our brothers and sisters in the larger community. It is here that we also receive strength and support. I am very heartened by the way our communities came together in many different ways to offer assistance to those in need. The offers to make and serve meals, share available electricity, clean basements and other affected areas, share homes and kitchens, as well as willingness to help out in any way possible demonstrated the generosity and compassion of our communities. Clearly, the teaching of Jesus was evident: What you do for the least one of mine, you do for me.

Tomorrow (July 24) is the 40th Anniversary of the tragic fire at St. Mary’s. For those of you who were living here at that time I’m sure it is a day you remember well. This was another time when our community rallied during a horrific event. From this awful event also came God’s assured blessings and strength.

At times one is tempted to begin to lose hope. Yet, St. Paul reminds us in today’s Reading that both in good times and in difficult times we should never lose hope. Rather, we should be assured of the presence of the Spirit to inspire and guide us. During those times when we feel overwhelmed by the events that take place all around us we are challenged to have hope in the Lord’s presence in our lives, hope in His promise to never leave us alone. We also get a sense of hope in the way that many good people have responded to the cries of those in need.

Like it or not, we encounter difficult times during the course of our lives. We must not lose hope! Rather, we should be inspired and strengthened by the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives and in doing so become a source of hope for those around us.

God bless you always!
Father Jim Volkert

St. Mary Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed!
The St. Mary Lunch Program is looking for volunteers to serve lunch to our students one time per month during the 2017-18 school year. There are Fridays and select Thursdays still available. If interested, please contact Carol or Suzy at 763-1515 between 8 am and noon Mon-Thurs, or email foodservice.vicedirectors@stmb.org. Thank you for your help!

Bulletin Announcements
All bulletin information is due to ssmith@stmb.org before 4:00 PM on Mondays.

Tri-Parish Family Music Festival August 12th
Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 12, for our Tri-Parish Family Music Festival. Music begins at 6:30 p.m. in St. Charles’ Activity Center with children, teen and adult choirs from the tri-parishes participating. Check with your parish music director or contact Jenny Nice if you would like to be included in the music line up for the evening (767-0740).

Wedding Banns
III. Ashley Reesman/Caleb Lucht
I. Lauren Czamy/Kyle Bartelt
We pray for an increased respect for life and the courage and willingness to stand up for Life.

Religious Education Important Information
Both the Family Life & Sunday morning Religious Education Programs are offering Kindergarten classes this year.

Any child who is to receive First Communion must have a previous year of religious education. This means that a 2nd grader who has not attended classes will begin in 1st grade.

We are in need of teachers for our Sunday morning program for Grades 4 and 7/8. The only requirement is a desire to teach our children their faith. Lesson plans are provided. If you are interested or you know of someone who might be interested please contact Margie Robers at stmb.org.

For questions regarding high school or Confirmation contact Ellie Schultz at eschultz@mystcharles.org or Kathy Martin at triparishlifeteen@gmail.com.

Registration forms are online (under Religious Education, REP Program), at the Rectory or on the tables in the back of church.

Caring and Sharing Grief Support Meeting
Sponsored by Daniels Family Funeral Homes. Always the last Tuesday of the month. 2 locations: 10:00 AM at So. Wisconsin Veterans Nursing Home, Boland Hall, in the Chapel Union Grove and at 6:30 PM at Cross Lutheran Church in lounge in Burlington. Any questions please call Marlene at 763-3434 or 262-878-2011. Next meeting is Tuesday, July 25th.

Thank You
A huge thank you to all of those who helped in any way with the meals served to flood victims in Andre Hall! May God bless each and every person who played a part in helping our neighbors in need.

Congratulations CCHS Calendar Winners
1 Troy Ketterhagen $125
2 Beth Huffman $30
3 Emma Klein $30
4 Terry Schwenn $30
5 Kelly Aldrich $30
6 Beth Schechner $30
7 Jordan Kopac III
8 Audrey Spiegelhoff
9 Christine Sheehan
10 Mark Meinholz
11 Nancy Welka
12 Olivia Ricci
13 Thomas Hoffman
14 Payton Meinholz
15 Dan Czerwinski
16 Richard Mangold
17 Larry Volkert
18 B.J. Ritzman
19 Zach Mehring
20 Christina Paleka
21 Craig Hancock
22 Ruthmary Westermeier
23 Brett Schmieden
24 Drew Faber
25 Morgan Aldrich
26 Daniel E. Jakubowski
27 Carson Meinholz
28 Ern Bittmann
29 Paula McHugh
30 Doug Weis
31 Heather Craig

Your Outreach Dollars at Work
We received the following thank you letter from TLC the Transitional Living Center in Burlington:

"Transitional Living Center is in its 24th year of providing emergency shelter to those experiencing homelessness within Western Racine County. I’d like to thank you and those in our community who have made a contribution, big or small, for helping us provide a stable place where families in need can begin the process of becoming self-sufficient...

On behalf of TLC, I want to thank you for your commitment and dedication to our work.

Sincerely, Christen Chaffee-Johnson,
Executive Director"

St. Mary School
SMS students celebrated the end of the school year by attending Mass together.

WeprayingforanincreasedrespectsforlifeandthecourageandwillingnesstopstandupforLife.

Seeking New Knights & Squires
Please join our Council 15665. For details, call Bob Shepherd, 262-271-0526.

Calling all Young Men: Join the Kof C Squire program which strives to provide the spiritual, cultural, civic, social & physical improvement of its members, & the development of leadership qualities.

Attention Men of the Parish . . .
If you have ideas on how to improve our parish and local communities, the Knights of Columbus invite you to join us in our monthly meeting on July 24 at 7 pm in Heim Hall or call Bob Shepherd @ 262 271-0526.

Please Call 763-1500: If you are at the Hospital, Shut-in, or Homebound & would like to receive Holy Communion.
Vacation Bible Camp July 31 to August 4
Monday, July 31 to Friday, August 4, 8:30 a.m. to Noon daily in St. Joseph's Parish Center. Children of all faiths welcome! Just $25 per child. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board in back of church. If you are in seventh grade or older and would like to volunteer, please contact Rita VanSchyndel at vanschyndelr@archmil.org.

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:

- Nicholas Callahan, U.S. Navy
- Katie Cash, U.S. Marine Corps
- Caroline, Bill & Peter Coppernoil
- Jim & Beth Graves, U.S. Air Force
- James Graves, U.S. Air Force
- Cpl. Robert J. Hintz, U.S. Marine Corps
- Steven Kojis, U.S. Air Force
- Toby May, Spc. Army
- National Guard
- John S. Krause, U.S. Navy
- Gregory A. Roberts, U.S. Army
- Second Lieutenant Jacob Schiltz
- U.S. Marine Corps
- Devon J. Seitz, U.S. Navy
- Second Lieutenant Kyle Smith, U.S. Air Force
- Jacob A. Thorpe, Private, US Marine Corps

Our Fall Festival Committee is looking for donations of large baskets for auction items. Please call the office 763-1500 if you are able to help out.

HONORING OUR PAST/DEVOTED TO THE FUTURE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
Thanks be to God for your faith and generosity to our campaign. To date, we have received a total appeal amount of $1,453,513. Our goal is to have all commitment forms returned. If you have not returned your form, additional forms are available in the rectory office. No gift is too small. Tier one and tier two projects are underway. We will be sending quarterly updates with your stewardship statements. Thank you.

Book Club
“Dale was an enigma. His faith in a God who cared and interacted with him on a personal and intimate level was unique, powerful and attractive.” Taken from book “Flight to Heaven” by Dale Black. This is the next book club read. Try the library, or buy it online. We will meet on July 26th 10-11:30 at the Coffee House on Chestnut and Pine. Come join us.
We pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit our Tri-Parish Community will proclaim Christ and make disciples through the Sacramental Life of the Church.

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), Jacki Schozle (763-4611), Randy Tritz (312-310-4306).

Please bring a non-perishable food item to Mass each week for the local food pantry.

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

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.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2017: We are a family of more than half a million Catholics making a difference in Wisconsin. Together, we support the ministries that bring God’s presence to all helping people in need, sharing faith and values with our children, forming future priests. Your gift is important to what we can accomplish together for our Catholic Community. Thank you.

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Parish Staff Directory (262) 763-1500
Fr. Jim Volkert (Pastor); Fr. Carlos Zapata (Associate Pastor); 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); Carolyn Kysely (Preschool Director), Margie Robers (Director of Religious Education); Kathy Martin Youth Ministry (Life Teen).

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

Stewardship Report
Amount collected 7/16 from 145 envelopes $10,101.68
Addl Parish Pay 10 contributors 480.00
Offertory 800.02
Total $11,381.70

Amount Given Fiscal Year to Date $48,684.93
Amount Budgeted to Date (3 week) -57,408.75
Difference $-8,723.82

Amount Budgeted for fiscal year (52 weeks) $995,085.00
Amount still needed for this fiscal year $946,400.07
Amount needed per week to reach budget (49 weeks) $19,314.29

Finance Council
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Catholic Pro-Life Committee
Some of us aren't very good at debating abortion, but Stephanie Gray is a bioethicist who has produced videos on Google. To get the facts go to Google's home page and type in her name and choose the video of your choice.
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