IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (ST. MARY) PARISH

We gather in praise and thanksgiving

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.

Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving at 8:00 AM at St. Joseph. At Mass we will take up a collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The Very Reverend James Volkert, Pastor
The Reverend Carlos Zapata, Associate Pastor
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Join us Sunday, November 18th for our Annual Parish Meeting at 9:00 AM in Heim Hall.
Mass Intentions/Communion Services

11/19 Monday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Jim Daun (Friends)
† Norman Loire (MM)

11/20 Tuesday
8:30 AM Mass (St. Joseph) 8:00 AM Rosary
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary
8:30 AM SMS Living Rosary (Church)
9:55 AM CCHS Mass (Church)

11/21 Wednesday
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

11/22 Thursday Thanksgiving
St. Cecilia
8:00 AM Mass (Church)

11/23 Friday
St. Clement I, St. Columban
8:30 AM Mass (Church) 8:00 AM Rosary
† Fred & Florence Remer (Betty Remer)
† Romaine Wilfert (MM)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

11/24 Saturday
3:30-4:00 pm Reconciliation (Chapel)
4:30 PM Mass (St. Mary)

11/25 Sunday
8:00 AM Mass (Church)
10:30 AM Mass (Church)
† Jeanne Lois (Family)
† David Moore (Family)

This Week at St. Mary Parish

11/19 Monday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 9:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
• 6:30 PM Evangelization and Formation Committee Mtg. (HH)

11/20 Tuesday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. J & St. C) 8:00 AM Rosary
• 8:30 AM SMS Prayer Service (Living Rosary)
• 9:55 AM CCHS Mass (Church)
• 11:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
• 6:30 PM Tri-Parish Pastoral Council (St. Charles)

11/21 Wednesday
• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Charles) 8:00 AM Rosary

11/22 Thursday Thanksgiving
• 8:00 AM Mass (St. Joseph)
• Parish Office Closed

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• 8:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) 8:00 AM Rosary
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• 3:30-4:00 pm Reconciliation (Chapel)
• 4:30 PM Mass (St. Mary)

11/25 Sunday
• 8:00 AM Mass (Church)
• 10:30 AM Mass (Church)
• 11:40 AM Mass (Church)
• 12:15 PM Mass (Church)

Catholic Central 2018

Tickets for the 2018 CCHS production of *A Christmas Carol* play are currently on sale. All seats reserved in Topper Hall.

Daily Readings

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| 11/19 | Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5 | Ps 1:1-6 | Lk 18:35-43 |
| 11/20 | Revelation 3:1-6,14-22 | Ps 15:2-5 | Lk 19:1-10 |
| 11/22 | Sirach 50:22-24/  
1 Cor 1:3-9 | Ps 113:1-8 | Lk 17:11-19 |
| 11/23 | Revelation 10:8-11 | Ps 119:14,24,72,  
103,111,131 | Lk 19:45-48 |
| 11/24 | Revelation 11:4-12 | Ps 144:1,2,9-10 | Lk 20:27-40 |

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
A Message from Fr. Jim . . .

1) This Thursday we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. As we pause to reflect on the many gifts that we have been given, it would be most appropriate to begin Thanksgiving Day with the celebration of the Mass. Please consider joining us for Mass at 8:00 AM at St. Joseph Church in order that we can give thanks to God who makes all things possible. At this Mass a collection will be taken up to be shared with the local St. Vincent de Paul Society to help them continue the tremendous work they do to assist those who are truly in need.

It is my hope that this Thanksgiving Day we can say “Thank You” to those people who always seem to be around just when we need them; those people who do so much for us and never seem to want anything in return. I hope that we can express our gratitude to those people who mean so much to us. Please allow me to offer a word of thanks to all of you for your love and dedication to St. Charles, St. Joseph and St. Mary Parishes. On this Thanksgiving holiday I find myself particularly grateful to God for allowing me to be a part of this faith community.

2) I want to offer a very special word of recognition to our high school students who are part of our Family Life Program. This year they raised over $20,000 for the Transitional Living Center, which is a local homeless shelter. This is an incredible achievement and definitely an expression of their putting the Gospel in action. I was privileged to celebrate Mass with those involved the evening they were going to spend outside sleeping in cardboard boxes. It was a beautiful experience and I was moved by our young people’s commitment to learning more about their Catholic faith and the power they have to witness to it. We can all be very proud of them!

3) Along with remembering our faithful departed in particular during the month of November let us also remember all of those service men and women who protect the right to freedom around the world. May the Lord graciously hear our prayers.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Father Jim Volkert

We are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of our Archdiocese: Join us November 28th at 10 AM

Ring in the 175th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee on November 28 at 10:00 am. Church bells will ring, but we want to do more! The plan is to gather along Highway 36 between the St. Mary and St. Charles campuses with hand bells. Just a few minutes before 10:00, we will join in song. Then at 10:00, the members of our Catholic School Community and our tri-parish families will join with the entire Archdiocese to ring in the anniversary on this the day the Archdiocese was founded back in 1843. PLEASE join us!

Tri-Parish Advent Project
The Advent Season will begin soon, and our Tri-Parish Human Concerns asks all parishioners of St. Charles, St. Joseph, and St. Mary to prayerfully consider giving to others in need during the beautiful weeks of preparation for Christmas. Our goal is to raise $9,177 to supply a truckload of rice to drought stricken areas of Kenya, Africa. Envelopes specific to this Advent project will be available in the back of church. Checks should be made out to the parish and should be placed in the collection basket at offertory on December 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd. All donations will be sent to the Salvatorian Missions to put toward truckloads of rice. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

New Books Available in Church
Some new books that are on the bookcase for checkout: 1. Tuesday with Morrie by Mitch Albom. An easy read story about a journalist who took the time to listen and absorb what his dying friend had to offer about life. 2. God’s Answers to Tough Questions, such as: Is jesus the only path to God? Why was Jesus called the Messiah, and what does that mean? If God already knows what we need, what’s the purpose of prayer. 3. Healing After Loss by Martha Hickman. Daily meditations for working through grief.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP DRIVE
Our annual stewardship renewal drive has begun. We have mailed stewardship forms to all parishioners. Additional forms are available in the parish office. Please prayerfully consider how you can help out our parish community. Please return completed forms to the parish office.
**Meeting for our Trip to Uganda**

If you like to travel and wish to experience the love and appreciation from our brothers and sisters at St Joseph's, Naggalama, please consider traveling there next summer. There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday November 28th at 7:00 pm in Heim Hall. If you are the least bit curious about this trip and what is involved, please come and ask your questions and get information from people who have gone there in the past. Feel free to call Peggy Wettengal at 262-210-6946 or send an email to wettengal1@gmail.com with any questions.

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**CCHS 34th Annual Topper Dinner & Auction December 1 at Veterans Terrace**

The theme is “A Night in Tuscany” complete with delicious Italian cuisine and exciting surprises for all! Tickets $85/person (include appetizers, dinner, Presecco, beverage ticket and wine with dinner.) Gold & Silver Sponsorship tables available. [www.topper2018.givesmart.com](http://www.topper2018.givesmart.com) or topperpride.org/auction. For $100 per ticket or 3 for $200 you could win a 2018 Chevrolet Trax, valued at $20,000, from Lynch Chevrolet Buick GMC or $12,000 in cash! Other prizes include: 2nd prize-$750, 3rd prize-$500 and 4th prize-$200. Drawing will be held at 10 PM Dec. 1. Need not be present to win. Tickets available at CCHS Office & our Parish Office. For details, contact Georgean Selburg, Development Director, at 763-1518 or gselburg@cchsnet.org.

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**SMS Annual St. Nick Breakfast**

Santa Claus is coming to... The 11th Annual St. Mary School St. Nick Breakfast December 2 8-Noon: Join us in the St. Mary School Cafeteria. Enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, pastries, and beverages! Take your own pictures with Santa (8:30-11:00). - Sponsored by the St. Mary’s Home and School Association

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**California Wildfires**

We pray for the thousands of people affected by the devastating fires in California, may God’s grace strengthen and sustain them and the first responders as they work to rebuild their lives and communities. Ways you can help...

Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada needs your help. Donate at ccsnn.org or call (775) 322-7073 Ext. 220 or mail check to : Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, PO Box 5099, Reno, NV 89513.

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**Free Advent Program from Dynamic Catholic**

Join Dynamic Catholic for BEST ADVENT EVER, a free email program. Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for Christmas. Slow down and focus on what matters most. Each day you will receive an email with video with practical tips and real-life stories to encourage you on your faith journey.

Go to BESTADVENTEVER.COM

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**Update From Father Ignatius**

Dear Friends of St. Mary’s: Greetings from St. Joseph's Parish. We are fine and busy with parish work. I am happy to inform you that the renovation of the church is still going on. Thank you for the support and thee love for our parish. -Fr. Ignatius

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**The 8th grade class of 2019 planned the All School Mass on Friday, Nov. 9 - the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. They acted out the Gospel about Jesus driving out the money changers and those who were selling oxen, sheep and doves for the Passover.**
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 Coppernoll, 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
- Toby May, Spc. Army National Guard
- John S. Krause, U.S. Navy
- 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

St. Mary 180th Anniversary Committee

In celebration of our 180th anniversary we are sharing St. Mary Fun Facts. This week’s question is…. How many sons and daughters from St. Mary’s parish community have chosen to carry on God’s work in a religious vocation? Answer: 19 parish sons have become priests, 2 parish sons became brothers in religious orders, and 36 parish daughters entered religious life as Sisters in service to schools, hospitals, elder care, and as leaders within their orders. Most recently, 1 parish son was ordained a Deacon and presently serves our tri-parish community. The first parish son to be ordained a priest was Monsignor Philip Klein. He was ordained in July 1892 and celebrated his first mass at our current church on August 9, 1892. He lived to be 95 years old and celebrated his 70th anniversary as a priest in his early 90s. After a dozen years or so, as an associate in various parishes, he was named the pastor of Sacred Heart parish in St. Francis. He served in that assignment for 52 years before his retirement at 86. Our most current parish son that became a priest is Nathan Reesman. He was ordained in May 2006. He is currently serving as pastor in West Bend, WI for two church communities – St. Francis Cabrini and Immaculate Conception parishes.

Anton Nickolai, a parish son, was recently ordained through the sacrament of Holy Orders on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Milwaukee to the Permanent Diaconate. The parish celebrated here with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, September 9, 2018. St. Mary’s Parish has been blessed with the sacrifices from many in service to God’s needs, ever present in the recent example of Deacon Nickolai and all those who served before him. May they inspire us on a daily basis.

Please check to see if you have historical information and/or pictures that you could share with us as we document this special occasion. We plan to have a guest book and to take commemorative photos.

Let’s “Fill the Church” on December 8th, 2018 for our 180th Anniversary and have them "Hanging from the rafters".

-St. Mary 180th Anniversary Committee

CCHS Holiday Poinsettia, Wreath and Winter Basket Sale
CCHS Holiday Poinsettia, Wreath, and Winter Basket Sale!!! Orders due 8 AM Dec. 3. We are offering the highest quality Milaeger's poinsettias, wreaths, and beautiful winter hanging baskets. Milaeger's takes special care to produce better branched and sturdier plants with large flowers. These long-lasting poinsettias will bloom for months. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly to help the Junior Class and their Prom event. Order from a Junior Class member, or pick up an order form in church. Mail with payment to: CCHS – Attn. Theresa Phillips 148 McHenry Street Burlington, WI 53105. Your order will be available for pick up Saturday, December 8th from 8:30 am to 11:00 am in the Auxiliary Gym of CCHS.

CCHS 3” Annual Cookie Walk and Holiday Craft Fair
Sunday, December 16th, from 9-1 in the Main Gym. Come purchase an assortment of homemade Christmas cookies ($6 per pound) for your family to enjoy, and visit our many vendors to finish your holiday shopping! For this event to be a success, we need a LOT of cookies/treats, so if you would like to share your talent, please contact Georgean Selburg at 262-763-1518 or gselburg@cchsnet.org to let her know what you plan to bring, how many and when you will drop them off. All items must be delivered in a disposable, labeled container to the high school office between Wednesday, Dec. 12th and Friday, Dec. 14th. They can also be dropped off in the Main Gym by 8 am on Sunday, Dec. 16th. If you are interested in being a vendor, contact Georgean Selburg. For $25, vendors will receive an 8-foot table with space behind for display purposes.

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 Coppernoll, U.S. Army
Jim & Beth Graves, U.S. Air Force
James Graves, U.S. Air Force
James Hartzell, PFC, U.S. Air Force
Steven Kojis, U.S. Air Force
Toby May, Spc. Army National Guard

John S. Krause, U.S. Navy
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
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).

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

Bulletin Announcements The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday at Noon.

Note: The early deadline for the December 23rd bulletin is 4 PM 12/13; for the December 30th bulletin it is 4 PM 12/19; and for the January 6th bulletin it is 4 PM 12/27. Have a blessed holiday season.

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 Robers (DRE Sunday Religious Education); Ellie Schultz DRE Family Life.

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

Stewardship Report

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

Eucharistic Ministers Needed
I invite anyone who is confirmed to prayerfully consider joining this special ministry. Why not take the next step in your faith journey and provide the Body and Blood of Christ to your fellow parishioners? Training is provided. Please contact Sue Novasic at 763-7837 with any questions.

Help Needed: $34 will help local families by providing a Thanksgiving Meal. Send your donation to Love, Inc. 480 S. Pine St., Burlington, WI 53105.

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.