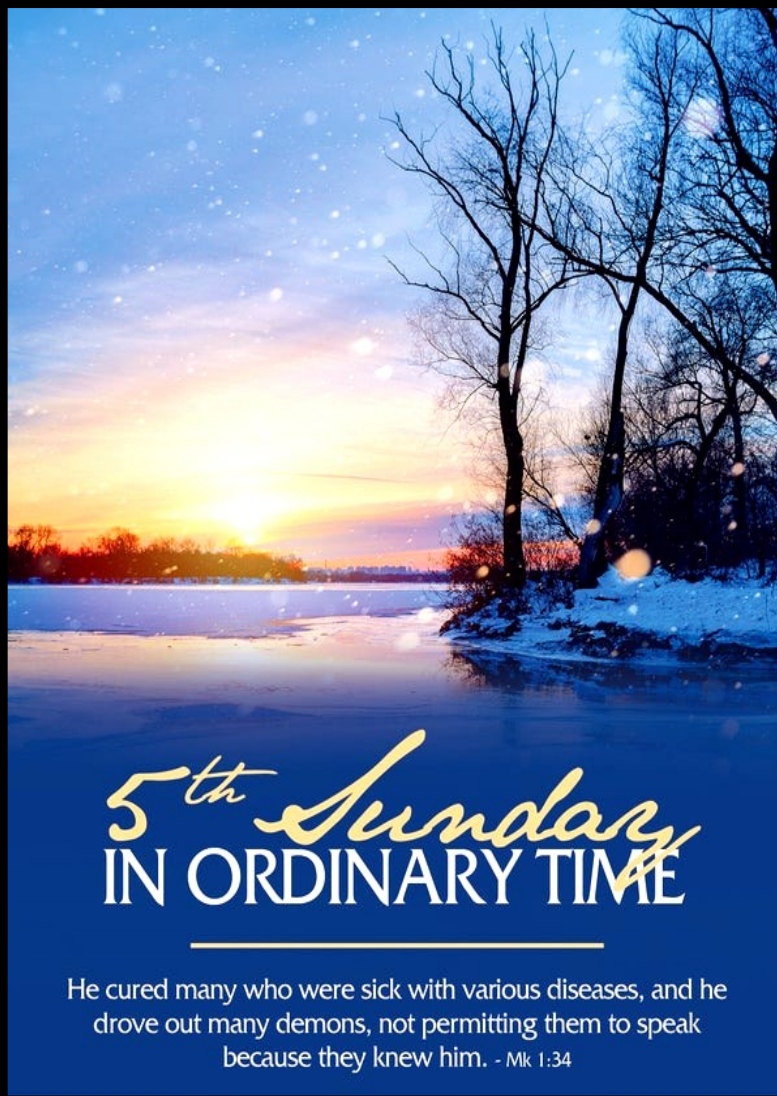


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



Mass Schedule

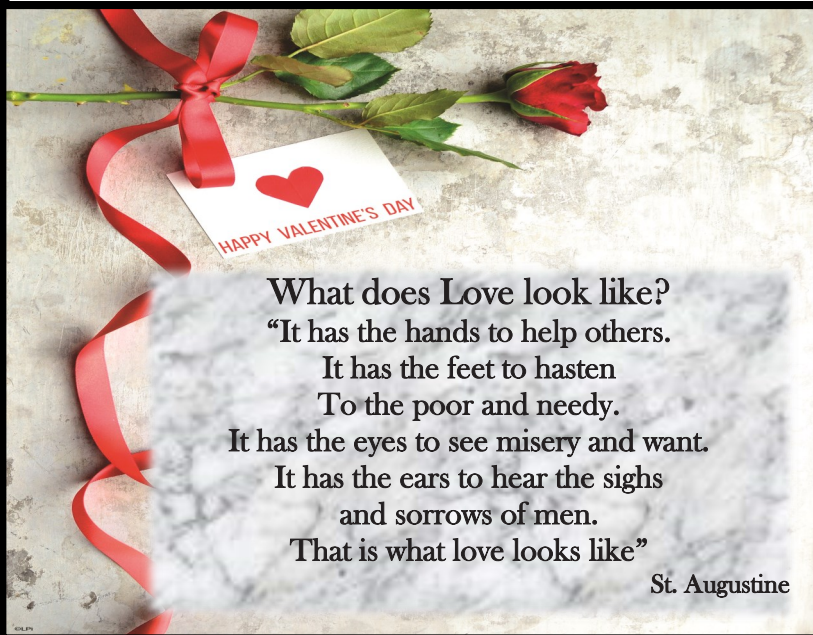
- Monday, February 8th **St. Jerome Emiliani**
No Mass **St. Josephine Bakhita**
- Tuesday, February 9th
Mass 8:15 am
† Jane Guelig & Joan Bestor
- Wednesday, February 10th **St. Scholastica**
Mass 8:15 am
Joe & † Betty Makovec
- Thursday, February 11th **Our Lady of Lourdes**
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration Following Mass**
† Robert Bindl
- Friday, February 12th
Mass 8:15 am
† Carl P & Margaret S. Simon
- Saturday, February 13th
Confessions 4:15- 4:50 pm
Mass 5:15 am
† Ruth Williams
- Sunday, February 14th **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Confessions 7:30 -7:50 am
Mass 8:00 am
† Etta Ryan
- Confessions 9:30 -10:20 am
Mass 10:30 am
Our Parish Family

Readings for the week of February 7, 2021

- Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
- Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
- Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

**THE ROSARY
IS A
POWERFUL
WEAPON TO
PUT THE
DEMONS TO
FLIGHT.**

~POPE PIUS XI



What does Love look like?

“It has the hands to help others.

It has the feet to hasten

To the poor and needy.

It has the eyes to see misery and want.

It has the ears to hear the sighs
and sorrows of men.

That is what love looks like”

St. Augustine

From your pastor . . .

The pastors of the Diocese received word this past week from Bishop Callahan that again this year he is granting to all pastors the faculties to administrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in their parishes. He originally planned to have deanery-wide confirmations this spring but then reconsidered that plan due to the possibility that there may not be sufficient room for social distancing. Our Confirmation is scheduled for Thursday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m. Instead of it happening at Saint Mary's in Viroqua, it will take place here in our parish with your pastor substituting for Bishop Callahan. As I indicated last year, if there are any to be confirmed who want to wait until next year to have the Bishop confirm them, they can let me know and their confirmation will be delayed for a year. (This of course assumes that we won't have the same situation that we had last year and this year.)

Next Saturday, February 13th, the movie "Fatima" will be shown in the gymnasium following the 5:15 p.m. Mass. It is free of charge. However, the eighth grade will be selling some popcorn, soda and other refreshments that will help finance their eighth grade class trip. You should bring a lawn chair if you do not want to sit on the metal folding chairs. Also, you are to have registered to attend. There is still time to register on the parish website or after Mass.

This last week I watched "Fatima" (it is being broadcast on Netflix and is rated the second most popular movie at present). It is well acted, as well as being historically accurate and gives the viewer a good overview of what took place in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. The message of prayer and penance for the sake of our sinful world is at the heart of the Fatima apparitions and is an important message for all of us today. Make plans to attend with your family.

This is the time of the year that the Church annually highlights the importance of Catholic schools in helping to carry out the teaching mission of the Church. Due to the COVID pandemic, our usual celebrations have been somewhat curtailed and spread out in the months to come.

I take this occasion to express gratitude to all who make it possible for there to be an excellent Catholic school here at Saint Mary's Parish. With the COVID pandemic this past year, it has been a significant challenge for our school, however a challenge that has been met with foresight and good planning. We should all be proud of the fact that our school has maintained in person instruction since September 1st. With God's help and our Blessed Mother's maternal protection we hope to finish the entire school year in the person-to-person mode.

A special thanks to Mrs. Stacia Kohlstedt, our principal, the faculty and the staff who have worked diligently and carefully in maintaining a safe environment for our students so their education could continue uninterrupted. A special thanks to our parents for their cooperation and patience. Finally, a special thank you to all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish who contribute financially in order that our school can continue to flourish.

Those of you who read this column know that for the past three weeks, I presented the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) statement regarding the COVID vaccines. In that presentation it presented the case that the vaccines can be taken by Catholics without compromising their Catholic Faith regarding the Church's teaching concerning the evil of abortion. That having been said, the USCCB is not making any claims about the effectiveness or the safety of the vaccines – that is a medical and scientific matter that will need be researched by anyone considering to be vaccinated.

I have been asked if I am willing to vouch for the safety of the vaccinations. I do not have the competence to make such a judgment. This would be something that should be asked of your doctor rather than your pastor. While there are legitimate medical matters to consider in any vaccination, my responsibility as your pastor was to address the issues concerning the moral issues. I hope what was reproduced over the past weeks was helpful.

Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

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2020/2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Thank you !

Target \$33,855.00 Currently at \$44,256.00

January 30,31 2021 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,241.00
Offertory.....	64.25
Religious Education.....	1.00
Pastoral Care.....	66.00
Building & Maintenance.....	70.00
Parish Festival.....	167.00
Total.....	\$3,609.25
<i>January (ACH) Automatic Contributions...</i>	<i>\$6,220.00</i>

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ST. MARY'S PCCW INVOLVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The PCCW will award three scholarships for graduating seniors whom are members of St. Mary's Parish.

For more information refer to the application. Applications are in the main entrance of the church. The deadline is March 1st, 2021

"St Marys' Lending Library"

Located in the south-west vestibule of St. Mary's is a lending library. There are books, DVDs, and CDs about a wide range of topics from Scott Hahn, Matthew Kelly, Pope Benedict, Pope Francis, Pope John Paul II, on prayer, on saints, on teaching of the Church. Simply sign out the article and return it when you are through. Borrow and share with family and friends.

Check it out !!!

With sorrowful hearts,
we express our profound condolences
to the family of

Raymond L. Stafford

Who entered into eternal rest
January 22, 2021
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and
May perpetual light shine upon him.

May his soul
And all the souls of the faithful departed through
The mercy of God, rest in peace., Amen

Our Lady of Lourdes

Feast Day
February 11



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2020-2021 Calendar Drawing Winners

- January 21, 2021 ...Richard R. Kowalczyk, Milwaukee, WI
- January 26, 2021 ... Larry Nelson, Richland Center, WI
- January 28, 2021 ... Gary Almerli, North Freedom, WI

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Questions? scrip@stmarysrc.com
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Scrip Sellers

February 13 5:15 P.M. Colleen Pulvermacher
February 14 8:00 A.M. Christine Schmitt
February 14 10:30 A.M. Mary Jo Nigl



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For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church
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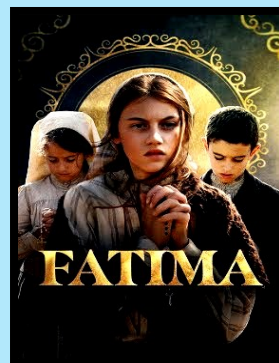
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

every Thursday
following the 8:15am
Holy Mass

“You could not watch with me one hour?”

MT 26:40

St. Mary Parish & School Movie Night



Fatima – Newly released 2020 version
Free Entry

Ticket reservations required due to COVID
social distancing requirements
Tickets available after weekend Masses

Date: February 13, 2021

Time: 6:45 PM (Movie length is 1:53)
Where: St. Mary School Gymnasium

Bring blankets and lawn chairs or use our chairs
students will have soda, popcorn,
ice cream and cotton candy available
for reservations please email
Susan Tully @ stully@mwt.net