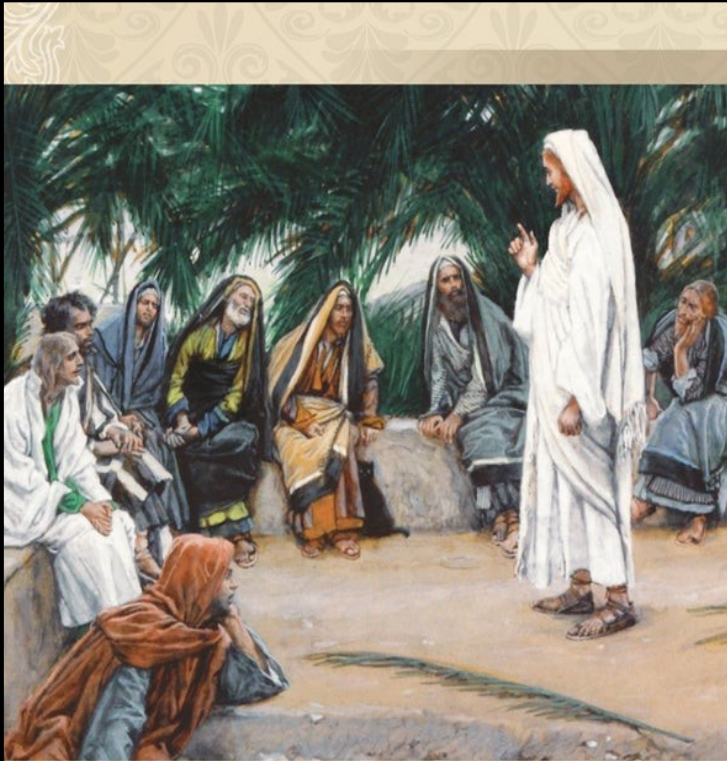


# Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you when people hate you,  
and when they exclude and insult you,  
and denounce your name as evil  
on account of the Son of Man." - Lk 6:22

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

### Saturday, February 19th @ 5:15 pm

**Lector:** Susan Tully  
**Minister of Holy Communion:** Deacon Tully  
**Servers:** Jay Larse, Madalynn, Blake & McKenna Mueller  
**Ushers:** Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Steven Bauer Family  
**Scrip:** Colleen Pulvermacher

### Sunday, February 20th @ 8:00 am

**Lector:** Gregg Schmitt  
**Minister of Holy Communion:** Deacon Tully  
**Servers:** Thomas Honer, Daryn & Avery Kepler,  
Grayson Schmitt  
**Ushers:** Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Tim Honer Family  
**Scrip:** Fran Wilkinson/Joanne Hall

### Sunday, February 20th @ 10:30 am

**Lector:** Emily Zorea  
**Minister of Holy Communion:** Deacon Tully  
**Servers:** Mara Puls, Garrison, Ella & Will Weiss  
**Ushers:** Knights of Columbus  
**Gifts:** Aharon Zorea Family **Scrip:** Shelly Schmidt

## Mass Schedule

- Monday, February 14th **St. Cyril**  
No Mass **St. Methodius**  
**Valentine's Day**
- Tuesday, February 15th  
Mass 8:15 am  
† Mary Ryan
- Wednesday, February 16th  
Mass 8:15 am  
† Tom Waters
- Thursday, February 17th **The Seven Holy Founders**  
Mass 8:15 am **of the Servite Order**  
Rory Schultz SP.I. **Adoration following Mass**
- Friday, February 18th  
Mass 8:15 am  
† Paul Ryan
- Saturday, February 19th  
Confession 4:00 - 4:50 pm  
Mass 5:15 pm  
† Janice Marie Bauer
- Sunday, February 20th **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Confessions 7:30 - 7:50 am  
Mass 8:00 am  
Our Parish Family
- Confessions 9:30 - 10:25 am  
Mass 10:30 am  
† Herb Rebhan

## Wednesday, March 2, 2022

### ASH Wednesday Mass 8:15am & 5:15 pm

## Parish Calendar Events

- 02/13 Sunday, Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 pm  
02/19 Saturday, KC Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 to 8:00 pm  
02/19 Saturday, KC Bingo (community center)  
03/02 ASH Wednesday Soup & Sandwich Supper  
6:00 pm to 7:30pm (undercroft)  
03/04 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm (church)  
03/04 Friday, Fish Fry ... 4:30 to 7:00 pm  
03/11 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm (church)  
03/13 Sunday, KC Breakfast  
03/19 KC Bingo 6:30 pm (community center)  
04/08 Friday, Fish Fry ... 4:30 to 7:00 pm  
04/30 Saturday, Extravaganza (community center)

## **From you pastor . . .**

Beginning two Sundays ago, I have reproduced in this column a letter that was written by Cardinal Raymond L. Burke, (former parishioner of Saint Mary's Parish) partly for the Bishops of the United States as they prepared for their national meeting this November past. His letter addresses directly the question of whether a politician or legislator who is in favor of abortion on demand can legitimately present him or herself as a Catholic in good standing and receive Holy Communion.

The Cardinal's letter continues in its third installment and appears in *italics*.

*The discussion during the meeting in June of 2004 was difficult and intense. Without going into details of the discussion, there seemingly was no consensus among the Bishops, even though there was among some of the most influential Bishops the desire to avoid an intervention with Catholic politicians who, according to the discipline in Can. 915, should not be admitted to receive Holy Communion. Ultimately, the President, the then Bishop Wilton Gregory of the Diocese of Belleville, remanded the matter to a Task Force on Catholics Bishops and Catholic Politicians under the chairmanship of the then Cardinal Theodore McCarrick who was clearly opposed to the application of can. 915 in the case of Catholic politicians supporting procured abortion and other practices which gravely violate the moral law. The Task Force was comprised of a group of bishops with mixed views on the subject. In any case, with time, the Task Force was forgotten, and the critical issue was left unaddressed by the Conference of Bishops. When Bishop Gregory announced the Task Force, the Bishop sitting next to me observed that we could now be certain that the issue would not be addressed.*

*In the context of recalling the Denver meeting of the United States Conference of Bishops in June of 2004, it is important for me to recount two other related personal experiences.*

*First, in the Spring of 2004, while I was in Washington, D.C., for pro-life activities, I met privately for forty-five minutes with one of the highest placed officials in the federal government, a non-Catholic Christian who manifested great respect for the Catholic Church. In the course of our conversation, he asked me whether, in view of the serious health difficulties of Pope Saint John Paul II, the election of a new Pope could mean a change in the Church's teaching regarding procured abortion. I expressed some surprise at his question, explaining that the Church can never change its teaching on the intrinsic evil of procured abortion because it is a precept of the natural law, the law written by God on every human heart. He responded that he asked the question because he had concluded that the Church's teaching in the matter could not be that firm, since he could name for me 80 or more Catholics in the Senate and House of Representatives, who regularly support pro-abortion legislation. The conversation in question was an eloquent testimonial to the grave scandal caused by such Catholic politicians. They have, in fact, contributed in a significant way to the consolidation of a culture of death in the United States, in which procured abortion is simply a fact of daily life. The Catholic Church's witness to the beauty and goodness of human life, from its first moment of existence, and the truth of its inviolability has been grievously compromised to the point that non-Catholics believe that the Church has changed or will change what is, in fact, an unchangeable teaching. While the Church, carrying out the mission of Christ, her head, for the salvation of the world is totally opposed to the attack on innocent and defenseless human life, the Catholic Church in the United States seems to accept the abhorrent practice, in accord with a totally secularized view of human life and sexuality.*

The fourth installment of the Cardinal's letter will appear in next week's column. If you missed any of the previous installments, they can be accessed on the parish website, [www.stmarysrc.com](http://www.stmarysrc.com) and clicking on the archived bulletins.

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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The Story of the Connecticut Priest  
who founded The Knights of Columbus



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### Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church  
**please** notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged,  
but **not less than six months**  
prior to the proposed wedding date.



Please welcome to our parish family

**Andrea Lemus Ortiz**

**Baptized February 5th, 2022**  
**Parents, Ramiro & Brandy**

Please pray for Andrea as she continues  
to grow in her faith.

### Prayer Chain

If you, or someone you know,  
is in need of prayer, please send your pray-  
er request

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### Scrup News

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### 2021/2022 Calendar Raffle Winners

January 27, 22 Patrick Geszvain, La Crosse, WI

February 1, 2022 Becker, Sparta, WI

February 3, 2022 Bill Meier, La Crosse, WI

February 5/6, 2022 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$4,484.00
Offertory.....	389.00
Student Offertory.....	17.12
Pastoral Care.....	55.00
Building & Maintenance .....	55.00
Catholic School Support.....	100.00
Festival.....	50.00
Total.....	\$5,150.12
<i>January (ACH) Automatic Contributions</i>	\$6,275.00

**Consider ....Automatic Tithing**

Your contribution would be a one time withdrawal on the 15th of every month ., distributed however you wish. e.g. 10.00 to tithe, 10.00 to school etc. No checks to write.... Save time and money !

**2021/2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal**  
**Target \$33,390.00**  
**Amount Received \$ 45,570.00**  
 2/9/2022

Readings for the week of February 13, 2022

- Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26
- Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Mk 8:22-26
- Thursday: Jas 2:1-9/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 8:27-33
- Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 8:34—9:1
- Saturday: Jas 3:1-10/Ps 12:2-3, 4-5, 7-8/Mk 9:2-13
- Next Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38



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**KC Spaghetti Supper**



**Saturday February 19th**  
**from 5:00 to 8:00 pm**  
**Spaghetti, salad, breadsticks, milk, coffee & juice**

**There will be a free will offering**  
**all proceeds will be for improvements**  
**For the church and school!**

**Fish Fry**

**Friday, March 4th**

**4:30 to 7:00 pm**  
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