

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – ST. MARY’S

Parish Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Live the Gospel! Whatever it Takes...

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Weekday Masses and Intentions

Tuesday 9/17 5:30p.m.

Thursday 9/19 4:30p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 9/20 8:30a.m.

Weekend Masses and Intentions

Sat. 9/21 6:00 p.m. Tg Edwin & Cassie Mills & Family

Offered by Joe & Sue Mills

Sun.9/22 8:30 a.m. +David Herrick

Offered by Ann Savino

+ Deceased, Tg Thanksgiving

Confession available 30 minutes before all Masses

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, September 21st

Sacristan - *Volunteer Needed

Eucharistic Ministers - *Volunteer Needed

Lector - Debbie Zelten

Lead Usher - Skip Bilsky

Sunday, September 22nd

Sacristan - *Volunteer Needed

Eucharistic Ministers - Bill DeGroot

Lector - Bill DeGroot

Lead Usher - Jay Glime

Money Counters - Dan & Kathy Jazinski

9/7 Sat. Coll.	Loose....\$79.00	Envelope....\$125.00	Total.....\$204.00
9/8 Sun. Coll.	Loose...\$329.00	Envelope....\$440.00	Total...\$769.00
Bishop’s Appeal	Electronic...	Misc.....\$650.00	Total...\$1,615.00
\$25 on 25th...	\$190.00		
\$775.00			
Building Fund:		Total Collections	\$2,613.00
\$25.00			
Budget:	\$2,028.00	2023: \$ 1,646.00	

Raising Vocations Collection: \$650.00

Bishop’s Appeal: \$6,455.00

A special note from Lucy Reubens:

Dear St. Mary’s Parish,
 Thank you so much for choosing me to receive the St. Mary’s Parish scholarship. This scholarship will help me so much with paying for my tuition so I can focus more on my studies. I plan on attending the University of Wisconsin - Madison to major in Electrical Engineering.
 Thank you again!

~ Lucy Reubens

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, you are the Lord of the call. Your son Jesus told us to ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. We turn to you now and ask that you send forth your Holy Spirit to awaken the hearts of those whom you are calling to the priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Green Bay.

May they hear your call and respond with a profound “yes” just as Mary did when she was asked to become the mother of your son, Jesus.

ST MARY’S WELCOMES YOU TO THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Thank you to all who have donated and prayed for the **Raising Vocations Collection, Bishop’s Appeal and the Maintenance Fund** these past months. Your continued support and prayers are greatly appreciated! If you’re still looking to donate, the Catholic Foundation must receive ALL gifts **before Friday, September 30, 2024**. Gifts will be applied toward your 2024 goal. The Foundation will send thank you letters to those who contribute to this effort.

We would like to thank all the kitchen workers and anyone that brought a dish for the funeral luncheon for **Mary Jo Bomberg**. You will find your food dishes in the parish hall. Our deepest condolences to the family and friends.

Thank you to Beanie Leffler and Rosie Peters for cleaning the church and office areas this month.

Our sincere condolences go out to a long time member of St. Mary’s, Francis Freeberg-Johnson, whose husband died September 3rd. Visitation and funeral will be held Friday September 27th in Green Bay.



Notes & Reminders

- ◆ If you have prayer requests for the upcoming October prayer line, please send to the office via email by September 26th.
- ◆ Church and office cleaners needed. Please contact the office if interested.
- ◆ The next Finance Council Meeting will be held on **Sept. 26th @ 5:45p.m.**
- ◆ The next St. Vincent DePaul Meeting will be held on **Sept. 19th, 2024 @ 2-4:30p.m.**

Please check the parish hall for some **excellent Catholic reading** materials to continue your faith growth during the summer. There are instructions for online faith formation learning as well. Don’t forget FORMED online is another great resource. Take some, leave some and spread the Good News!



Friends,

Jesus is rarely angry in the gospels. But today is one of the days when he is, and it’s worth looking at exactly why. It starts with the famous passage when Peter is the only one among the disciples, who can correctly answer the question about who

Jesus is: He is the Messiah, the anointed one, the savior who is going to gather his scattered people together and show them the way to freedom. But then, Peter shows that he doesn’t understand everything about what that means. Jesus decides to say more about where this life of the Messiah is going. He demonstrated his solidarity with us by generously renouncing himself and taking the cross.

He did the Father’s will by proclaiming and securing salvation for humanity. Through his action, Christ proved his love for us. Also, through it, He demonstrated his faith in His father. Christ proved his love for us by being practical. He prayed and also offered his own life for us. Practical Christianity means faith in action. It means sacrifice. It means sharing in the pain and joy of others. God desires everyone including the wicked to know Christ and experience his love and forgiveness that everyone may enter His Kingdom. Like Peter we are reminded that we need to get behind Jesus. Do we expect Him to walk with us or follow us? No, we are to follow Jesus and walk with Him to salvation.

In today’s gospel, Jesus spoke about how he would fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah. His mission was to redeem humanity through his suffering and death. However, Peter did not understand this. Although he was right in professing that Jesus is the Messiah, it was difficult for him to understand how Jesus could offer himself to be killed for the salvation of all. It is to fulfill the desire of the Father that everyone be saved through faith in Jesus Christ. We too are called to go out to love and serve the Lord in our brothers and sisters. Let everyone know that there is salvation only in Jesus.

~ Fr. Soja

Needed:

St. Vincent’s has a family in need of dressers and a couch.

Please contact Dorothy.

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