



February 2, 2020—Presentation of the Lord

St. Mary's Immaculate Conception

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 7:00PM. Sunday: 8:00 AM

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Saturday: 5:00PM. Sunday: 9:30AM & 11:00AM

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From the Pastor....

[Jesus said,] "Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor; the King of Heaven belongs to them." Matthew 5:3

A Hindu parable concerns two friends: a mud pie and a dry leaf. One day, they decide to pilgrimage to the holy city of Benares. Knowing the wind and the rain will be their enemies on the pilgrimage, they devise a plan for protection. When the wind blows, the mud pie will sit on the dry leaf; and when the rain pours, the leaf will sit on the mud pie to keep it dry. The plan worked fine until the wind blew and the rain poured at the same time. The result? The leaf blew away and the mud pie dissolved into nothingness.

To be "poor in spirit" means to realize that we cannot go through life alone. There will be times when even our friends can't help us. We will need God.

[Jesus said,] "I am the vine and you are the branches... You can do nothing without me." John 15:5
VISION 2000 Mark Link, S.J.

No Common Cup for Communion for now

Due to the continuing flu season and now the "coronavirus" that originated in China we will continue not to have the "common cup." We hope to return to the practice in the spring. Thanks for your understanding.

St. Mary's Faith Formation Position Grades 7-11 is open.

Pat Klein is retiring from her position at Faith Formation Coordinator for grades 7-11. God bless you, Pat, for your wonderful work and dedication.

We are now actively recruiting a new person for this position. Overview of this position: The main focus of this position is to lead and coordinate the educational programs of the parish for grades 7 - 11. Working collaboratively with other members of the parish staff and volunteers, the coordinator is responsible for the inclusion of youth and young adults in all facets of parish life. A complete job description is available upon request. Please contact Fr. Harris or Todd Edelman at the church office.

Fr. Harris

Parish Council Elections

We have three parish council members whose terms are expiring on the parish council. If you would like to run for parish council contact Max Hansen mrcanoegy28@gmail.com or contact me. Fr. Harris

Sacraments

Rest in Peace: Florence Kahler. A Funeral Mass will be Saturday, April 25, 2020.

Engagement: It is with great joy that we at St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish announce the engagement of Austin Nichols to Kelsey Freeland! Please pray for this couple as they continue on their journey towards their blessed union through the sacrament of Holy Matrimony. Congratulations Kelsey and Austin!

Koinonia Retreat Weekend

A Koinonia Retreat Weekend - March 20th - March 22nd - Friday night to Sunday afternoon. Retreat is held at the TEC Center in Belle Prairie, MN. Koinonia is a community experience in Christian living designed especially for adults. It is a Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese. The Theme of the Koinonia weekend is the Paschal Mystery. During the weekend, the church year is expressed in 3 days. Who can make a Koinonia weekend? Anyone who would like to enhance their own spirituality.

Cost for the weekend is \$70.00. Scholarships are available. Flyers are located on the back table. For more information, please contact Jackie Aune at 715-796-2241 or email: JackieAune@smicparish.org

Ministry Schedule

Please update your profile as to what dates you are NOT available to serve during the March 1st to June 30th, 2020 timeline by February 10th. You can also select Masses you would like to serve at. This will help avoid conflicts with your schedule and better fit your needs.

Did you know, you can also look at the schedule and pick and choose what masses you want to serve? Check it out. We are so blessed by all of you and your willingness to serve. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Jackie at 715-796-2241 or email at JackieAune@smicparish.org

HOLY WEEK

Please consider serving during Holy Week. We have many positions to fill during this time with the extra masses. It truly is a beautiful time to serve. Log-in and select positions you would like to serve.

Ministry Help Needed

Are you or any of your family members interested in serving during Masses? We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers, Mass Servers, Readers, Greeters, Ushers and Sacristans. Training is provided. We would love to have you join this special ministry. Please contact Jackie at JackieAune@smicparish.org or call 715-796-2241.

PRAYER LIST

PASTORAL MINISTRY

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the church office.

Want someone prayed for, or listed in the bulletin prayer list? Please notify our prayer chain contact, Roxi Wakeen at (715) 698-2622, Text (651) 894-3385 or the church office.

The name of your loved one will be prayed for two months or unless you request it otherwise. You can resubmit your loved ones names at anytime.

Doug Pedrotty	Dominic Pedrotty	Kay Suckow
Donald Anibas	John Will	Bob Weninger
Ken Weiss	Lorraine Miller	Jim Kitchner
Charlene Bretl	Rebecca Eckman	Dustin Erickson
David Bazille	Michael Pedrotty	

Scripture Readings

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Monday, 2/3	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20	PS 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Tuesday, 2/4	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 19:3/Mk 5:21-43	PS 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Wednesday, 2/5	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6	PS 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7
Thursday, 2/6	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13	1 Chronicles 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd
Friday, 2/7	Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29	PS 18:31, 47 and 50, 51
Saturday, 2/8	1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34	PS 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
Sunday, 2/9	Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16	PS 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Tithes and Financial (prior week)

Adult Envelopes	\$3,312.00
Loose	\$307.96
Week #27 Budget	\$3,450.00
Week #27 Actual	\$3,619.96
YTD Budget	\$123,850.00
YTD Actual	\$125,936.25
CSA Goal	\$37,819.00
CSA Received	\$9,065.00
Percentage of Goal	24%

KC Corner

Next meeting is scheduled Sunday, February 9, 2020.
Start time 7:00 PM.



We will pray the rosary at 6:45 for those who arrive early and wish to participate.

FAITH IN ACTION UPDATE

FAMILY Program

Family of the Month

Dan, Sarah, Andrew and Alex Kohler
Have been nominated for Family of the Year
at the Wisconsin State Council Level
CONGRATULATIONS!!

FAITH Program

Men's Retreat

We are in the planning stages for a Men's retreat in the Spring of 2020. Anyone interested in being part of this planning process, please contact Deacon Joe or Don Klein.

COMMUNITY Program

Free Throw Contest

Free Throw Contest is scheduled for Sunday Feb 2nd at SCC High School Gym. Registration begins at 10:30. Local competition starts at 11:00 with District Competition at Noon. Competition is open to ALL youth ages 9 – 14. Look for information in your local school or contact Todd Kostrzak at 612-419-5075.

2020 Knight GALA Affair

Planning needs to begin for this year's Gala event. We are in need of an overall event coordinator and it would be wonderful if a couple of Lady Knights would be interested in being Event Decoration Coordinator. If you can help out in any way with the planning or on the event night itself, please contact Dennis Malecek at 651-260-6531.

LIFE Program

9 Days for Life Novena

The 9 Day Novena for Life completed nationally last Wednesday. Hopefully, many of you participated. If you want to keep the momentum for LIFE going in your family, consider checking out one of the DVDs of the movie "Unplanned" from the Rectory office. It is a moving story of conversion that we prayed for in the Novena.

Adult Faith Formation

Last October/November, we asked St. Mary's Members to complete a short survey letting us know what classes you would like offered and what days/times would work best for your schedule. We have looked over the data and are proud to announce the following classes. They are a short commitment of time from 6 weeks to 8 weeks. We are offering classes Tuesday mornings, Wednesdays during Faith Formation class time and Sunday afternoon/evenings. We would love for you take some "me time" and join one or more of the classes. Flyers and Registrations Forms will be located on the Bulletin Board outside of the Resource Office and also located on the back table in church. We look forward to serving you. Some of the classes are starting soon so please check out the Flyers.

Flyer & Registration papers can be found on the back table in Church. For more information or to register for the study, call Jackie Aune at 715-796-2244 or email JackieAune@smicparish.org

MARY: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother:

A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother Begins: Wednesday, January 29th from 5:30p.m. to 6:30p.m. (during Faith Formation classes). Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ. Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother at St. Mary's in Rectory Basement from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and continuing every Wednesday for 8 weeks. Cost for the class is: \$26.00.

Walking Toward Eternity: Daring to Walk the Walk:

Is it time for a change? Walking Toward Eternity is an inspiring series designed to help you live your faith more fully by developing and nurturing characteristics that are essential to the Christian life. Through daily prayer and meditation with Scripture, you will be drawn into an intimate and life-changing encounter with Christ. As you prayerfully reflect on God's Word, you will begin to hear the subtle ways God is speaking to you, and you will be challenged to set aside those things in your life that keep you from growing closer to him. By putting the fruits of your study into practice, you will be able to make real changes in your life, changes that will make you more like the person God created you to be. Daring to Walk the Walk, the first series of Walking Toward Eternity, introduces seven key virtues and outlines practical steps for living them out in your life. Join us for Walking Toward Eternity at St. Mary's beginning Sunday, January 26th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and continuing every Sunday for 8 weeks. Cost for the class is: \$18.00.

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass:

Do you understand the meaning behind the parts of the Mass? In his video-based study A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass as never before, leading you to a richer, more fruitful worship experience. Join us for A Biblical Walk Through the Mass at St. Mary's beginning Wednesday, February 5th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. and continuing every Wednesday for six weeks. Cost for the class is: \$22.00.

NO GREATER LOVE: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion:

In No Greater Love, You Will Experience the Unconditional Love Christ Has for You We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his agony in the garden to his crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today. No Greater Love is a five-part Bible study program that we are offering two different days/ times for your convenience. They are: Starting on Sunday, February 23rd from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and also starting on Tuesday, March 3rd from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This study will continue for 6 weeks, finishing right before Holy Week. Cost for the class is: \$26.00.

Mass Schedule - Immaculate Conception

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
TH	2/6	9:30AM	HHC + Darrel Stewart	Suckow Family
SAT	2/8	7:00 PM	Spanish Mass + Lila Bates	Sharon & Richard Young
SUN	2/9	8:00 AM	+ Fred & Cecila Langreck	Suckow Family

Mass Schedule - St. Bridget's, River Falls

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
SAT	2/8	5:00 PM	+ Deceased members of the Elsie and Leo Schmidt family	The Family
SUN	2/9	9:30 AM	+ Donald Juppert	Don and Phyllis Foley Family
		11:00 AM	+ Churches of St. Bridget and St. Mary's	
		6:00 PM	+ Mass at UWRF Newman Center	

**+Rest In Peace,
*Holy Mass for
The Living,**

**BCC=Baldwin
Care Center,
STM=St. Mary's
Church & Coffee
and Scripture,
HHC=Hammond
Health Care**

Ministry Schedule for the week of February 9, 2020

	Eucharistic Minister	Mass Server	Reader	Greeter	Usher	Sacristan
Saturday, 7:00 PM Spanish Mass	Brooke John Pat Schumacher	Charlie John Claire John	Spanish Reader	Kelly Veenendaal Ryan Veenendaal	Christopher John Peter Lefeber Carol Teigen Scott Teigen	Pat Schumacher
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Amy Hietala VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Chase Lee Kaitlyn Peissig	Brody Peissig	Justin Peissig Sarah Peissig	Scott Amacher Robert Aune Terry Korte Peter Lohmeier	Virginia Anderson

Eucharistic Adoration Thursday Mornings - On Thursday mornings, we have Eucharistic Adoration. When we have Mass at 8am in Church, Adoration will begin after Mass and conclude around 10:30 am. If Mass is off site, for example at a nursing home, Adoration will begin at 9am and conclude around 11am.

Chancery Bulletin - You can view the Chancery bulletin here: <http://www.catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin>

Ride to Worship - If you are unable to get to mass on Saturday or Sunday, please contact our church office and one of Welcoming Committee members will assist. We will try our best to get you there! Church office - Phone: (715) 796-2244; Email - admin@stmaryshammond.org; Office Hours: T & TH 11:30a.m. - 4:00p.m.

Please call the parish office for all scheduling.

Holy Communion for the Homebound - Call and leave your name and telephone number, and we will arrange a visit at your home by a Minister of Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick - First Mass of the quarter (Jan., April, July, & Oct.) at each nursing home and by appointment. Please call the cluster office for a priest to visit your home or hospital room - 715-796-2244.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Weekly on Sunday from 7:15 AM to 7:30 AM, or anytime by appointment.

Baptisms - A Baptism preparation is to be completed by parents prior to the Baptism of their first child.

Weddings - Weddings are to be scheduled six months prior to the wedding to allow for Marriage Preparation.

Spanish Mass - We have a large Spanish population in the area who are Catholic. To meet their spiritual needs, Mass in Spanish and English will be the second Saturday of the month at the 7:00p.m. at St. Mary's in Hammond. The prayers, readings, and intentions will be in Spanish and English. The Eucharistic Prayer will be in Spanish. We are blessed to have several members of St. Mary's who speak Spanish and will be able to help translate.