

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Luke 14:33

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From the Pastor....

“Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” (Luke 14:33)

“The tradition of the Church Fathers and the authority of Holy Scripture both affirm there are three renunciations which every one of us must strive to practice...First, on the material level, we have to despise all worldly wealth and possessions; secondly, we must reject our former way of life with its vices and attachments, both physical and spiritual; and thirdly, we should withdraw our mind from all that is transitory and visible to contemplate solely what lies in the future and to desire what is unseen...

It avails little to undertake the first of these renunciations...even inspired by faith, unless we carry out the second with the same zeal and fervor. Then having accomplished this...we shall go on to the third...and turn our inward gaze solely towards heavenly things.” (St. John Cassian, Conference 3, 6-7)

By abandoning worldly things including our status, wealth, and pride we can concentrate on what truly is important, love. The three renunciations above call us to conversion as true disciples of Jesus. We must contemplate what is waiting for us if we choose...heaven and eternal life! It's never too late to start, and if you have, then your calling is to continue living Christ-centered lives by having faith and hope; by being charitable and full of love. Live today as if there were no tomorrow. Love the way our Lord tells us to, then peace will be yours, forever! Fr. Rich

Catholic Services Appeal (CSA)

The 2019/20 Catholic Services Appeal will be conducted in all parishes throughout the Superior Diocese on September 7/8. We must remember that we are one with the other churches in the northern Wisconsin and with our Diocese itself. The appeal is a means by which we can all work together to love and care for the Church by sharing gifts God has granted us. Your participation is essential, not only to the success of the Catholic Services Appeal, but also the parish. Please join other Catholics from within the sixteen counties of the Diocese in supporting this very important appeal. No Catholic parish in the Diocese can exist on its own without the CSA. The goal for St. Bridget's Church is \$143,282 and St. Mary's it is \$37,819. These goals are lower than last year. Online Giving in one option to participate. The Diocese of Superior website is www.catholicdos.org and click "Online CSA giving" and locate your parish in that section. On the weekend of September 14/15 the Catholic Services Appeal video "Expressions of Discipleship" will be shown throughout the diocese in all churches. Thanks for your prayerful consideration. Fr. Harris

Spanish Mass Day and Time Change at St. Mary's in Hammond.

A reminder that we have our next Spanish Mass is Sunday, September 8 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. Please spread the word.

Please NOTE: This will be the last Sunday 2 p.m. Mass. Beginning in October the Spanish Mass will be returning to the 7:00 p.m. Saturday evening Spanish Mass once a month on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Fr. Rich and I are working out the details on how to incorporate Spanish parts into this Mass. The English speaking people have the readings in the hymnals already located in the pews.

The reason for the change is that we are 3 priests fewer in our diocese as of this month. Two retired priests who were helping out moved away and the 3rd priest is being recalled by his religious community. Fr. Rich and I will be called upon to help out in different churches in our diocese. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Fr. Harris

Sacraments

St. Mary's rejoices in the baptism of Austin Adam Herrmann, son of Adam and Marie Herrmann !

Hurricane Dorian Disaster Relief

The devastation from Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas is unreal. The best way to help besides prayer is through Catholic Relief Services (CRS). By donating money they have the buying power to purchase supplies nearer to the disaster. You can write a check to St. Mary's and we will forward it on to CRS.

Fr. Harris

Adult Faith Formation

R.C.I.A.

The Right of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process non-Catholics follow to become members in full communion with the Church. Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Would you like to explore more of the Catholic tradition? Or, would you like to complete your initiation? Are you an adult who was baptized Catholic but have not received either your First Communion or Confirmation? If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church, the RCIA process is your doorway. For more information, contact the office or email Jackie at JackieAune@smicparish.org

Pastoral Ministry

Remember in Your Prayers - 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 a prayer chain contact person the parish office, or Lori at stmarysicbulletin@gmail.com 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 Kay Suckow Donald Anibas John Will Charlene Bretl Rebecca Eckman
 Dominic Pedrotty Bob Weninger Kat Brossmer Lorraine Miller David Bazille John Timmers

"Is financial stress stealing your happiness?"

Financial Peace University is a proven 9 week course about taking control of your money, being presented this fall on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 beginning September 19th. The cost is \$109. Please contact the office for more information or to register.



KC Corner

NEW MEETING DAY & TIME:

Going forward, Council 7030 will begin meeting on the

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7 PM. Next meetings are September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8. Please update your calendars.

Punt-Pass-Kick Contest

Our annual Punt-Pass-Kick football contest is Saturday, September 21. Please contact Todd Kostrzak to assist. Event only takes ~2 hours.

Men's Retreat

St Mary's Men's Retreat and Fellowship will be September 15th from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM in the church. TOPIC: How are you preparing for Mass?

Tithes and Financial (prior week)

Adult Envelopes	\$3,343.00
Loose	\$224.50
Visitor	\$25.00
Week #7 Budget	\$7,365.00
Week #7 Actual	\$8,173.50
YTD Budget	\$31,980.00
YTD Actual	\$31,633.08

Upcoming Events

St. Mary's in Hammond has planned a day bus trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, WI. The date is October 8th. Please pick up a flyer at the information desk and contact Jackie at St. Mary's if interested. 715-796-2241 ext 2. Flyers are at the information desk.

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Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. • 1339 Orrin Road, Prescott
 Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. • 225 South 3rd Street, River Falls
 Thursday, September 26, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. • 130 North Grant Street, Ellsworth

A drawing for door prizes will be held and refreshments will be served

Guest presenters to include:

- Attorney Jennifer O'Neill and Attorney Amy K. Greske, specializing in Estate Planning, Elder Law, and Long Term Care Planning
- Attorney Jens H. Loberg, with an emphasis in Estate Planning and Elder Law
- Cassandra Steinhaus, CPC (Certified Pre-Planning Consultant)

For Questions and to RSVP, please call O'Connell-Benedict Funeral Home: (715) 273-4421

The purpose of this communication is the solicitation of insurance. Respondents will be contacted by a licensed agent from the funeral home who will offer the Pathway® plan from Pekin Life Insurance Company, which is a life insurance policy or annuity that is used to fund a funeral prearrangement.

Scripture Readings

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Monday, 9/9	Col 1:24—2:3/Lk 6:6-11	PS 62:6-7, 9
Tuesday, 9/10	Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19	PS 145:1B-2, 8-9, 10-11
Wednesday, 9/11	Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26	PS 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13AB
Thursday, 9/12	Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38	PS 150:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6
Friday, 9/13	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42	PS 16:1B-2A AND 5, 7-8, 11
Saturday, 9/14	Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17	PS 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38
Sunday, 9/15	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10	PS 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

Mass Schedule - Immaculate Conception

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
TH	9/12	8:00 AM	STM + People's Mass	
SAT	9/14	7:00 PM	+ Emmett O'Connell	Janet O'Connell & family
SUN	9/15	8:00 AM	+ Pat Kongshaug	Craig Kongshaug

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	9/14	5:00 PM	+ Bob and Lamoine Krear	The Family
SUN	9/15	9:30 AM	+ People's Mass	
		11:00 AM	+ Churches of St. Bridget and St. Mary	
		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

Minister Schedules-Looking ahead... September 14-15, 2019

	Eucharistic Minister	Mass Server	Reader	Greeter	Usher	Sacristan
Saturday, 9/14 7:00 PM	Martina Halverson Fred Jourdeans	Hudson Jaszczak Logan Moredock	Christine Stork	John Spaeth Kathy Spaeth	Todd Kostrzak Paul Mohrhauser Sarah Mohrhauser Patrick Strand	Carol Holldorf
Sunday, 9/15 8:00 AM	Heidi Hackbarth Nancy Hansen	Alayna Hackbarth Colin Hackbarth	Kurt Soderberg	Max Hansen Nancy Hansen	Megan Buffington Howie Evans Greg Hawkins Terry Korte	Nancy Hansen

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.