JANUARY 2, 2022 • THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

ST. MARY'S VISITATION Catholic Parish Elm Grove, WI

OUR PARISH

MASSES

Sunday Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday- Friday	6:30am
Tuesday and Friday	
(during school year only)	
Saturday	8am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays	7am
Fridays	
Saturday	8:30am

HOLY DAYS

Mary Mother of God	Jan. 1
Assumption	. Aug. 15
All Saints	Nov. 1
Immaculate Conception	Dec. 8
Christmas	Dec. 25
Mass schedules for Holy Da	ys are
announced in the bulletin.	

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday9am-3:30pm Friday....... 9am-noon

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ST. MARY'S THRIFT SHOP

262-784-6644 Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri..... 9am-4pm Saturdays. 9am-1pm



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a community of believers who strive to be faithful and to teach the truth of the Roman Catholic Church. We see beauty in the sacramental life of the Church, especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and in adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We promote goodness in this world, following the example of our Blessed Mother, our Lady of the Visitation, by serving the needs of others.

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GOOD GRIEF CLASS BEGINS IN MARCH

Losing a loved one can be one of the most difficult, painful things we experience in our lives. To help people through their grief journey, St. Mary's offers a 12 week "Good Grief" support group led by certified Grief Counselor, Deacon Tom Binder. Previous participants have experienced significant healing and have rediscovered peace,



joy, and love in their lives. If you're ready to move forward in your grief journey and smile again, why not join us? You'll be so glad you took this first step.

Good Grief will be held for 12 consecutive weeks on Wednesday mornings, March 9th through May 25th from 10-11:30am. Class will be held at Becker Ritter Funeral Home, 14075 W North Ave, Brookfield. The class is free of charge. Due to COVID, masks are required.

A 12-week commitment is very important. Class size is limited, and registration is required. For more information, contact Mary Sue Protz, msprotz@stmaryeg.org or 262-782-4575.



VIBE BIBLE STUDY IS BACK

The annual *Visitation Institute Bible Encounter (VIBE)* is back again this January. Please consider joining us as we keep working our way through the New Testament. This year we will be studying the "Catholic Letters" of Sts. Peter,

James, and Jude. The classes meet each Thursday morning from 9:30-11:15am beginning on January 6th, and running through February 24th and are taught by Josh Dieterich and Fr. Patrick Behling. The classes will be in the Attic Board-room or the Senior Center depending on numbers. Come join other parishioners in this exciting opportunity to encounter the Lord in His written Word. For more information and/or to register, contact Josh Dieterich, jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

Our 2022 Parish Calendars Have Arrived

Our 2022 parish calendars, sponsored by Becker Ritter Funeral Home, are available in the Atrium and rear vestibule of church. Please be sure to pick up your complimentary copy.



AN ANGEL TREE THANK YOU

Dear Friends at St. Mary's,

Thank you for the most generous Angel Tree donation. We were able to share your goodness through gift cards for our guests. The many families were so thrilled. We will be able to share again, because of your kindness. We are continually grateful always for the many groceries you provide for our pantry. Words are never adequate to tell you of our appreciation. May your Christmas be filled with peace and happiness and be assured of our prayers throughout 2022!

Gratefully, Sister Lucina Halbur St. Rose of Lima Pantry

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3, Christmas Weekday 6:30am † Tom Troglia

Tuesday, January 4, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

6:30am † Joanne Ryan 8:00am † Maureen Cafaro

Wednesday, January 5, Saint John Neumann, Bishop 6:30am † Antoinette Borkowski

Thursday, January 6, Christmas Weekday 6:30am † Margot Soglio

Friday, January 7, Christmas Weekday

- 6:30am † Poor Souls in Purgatory
- 8:00am † Mary Mellinger
- 6:30pm Special Intention (Latin Mass)

Saturday, January 8, Christmas Weekday

- 8:00am † Michael McGinn
- 4:00pm † Petrina Smetek

Sunday, January 9, The Baptism of the Lord

- 7:30am † Mary Therese Wichgers
- 9:00am Parishioners
- 10:30am † Donna and Bob Walek
- 2:00pm The Intention of Suzanne Haskell (Latin Mass)

READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 2, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12 Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22 -30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk3:15-16, 21-22

In your charity and prayers, please remember the souls of those who have recently died and their families.

Rosemarie Stack

FAMILY ROSARY IS AT 4PM Sunday, January 9

The Family Rosary, sponsored by St. Mary's Visitation Christian Women, is held the second Sunday of every month at 4pm in Church. Please make plans for you and your family to join us next Sunday, January 9.



REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS

PARISH REGISTRATION

St. Mary's Visitation is always happy to welcome new members! If you are interested in joining the parish, please visit our website. www.stmaryeg.org/grow-with-us.html and complete our registration form. Please contact nmihm@stmaryeg.org with any questions.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Children ages 6 and under: Those seeking to have children baptized should be registered, active members of St. Mary's Visitation Parish. Parents who request baptism for a child are expected to complete a preparation class. It is offered bi-monthly. The scheduled classes for 2021 include:

Saturday, January 8th from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, March 5th from 10:30-11:30am in church

It is generally easier if the preparation is done before the birth of the child. If you have attended a session within the last five years, it is not necessary to retake the class. To schedule a baptism, please view the baptism dates on the parish website, www.stmaryeg.org/baptism. Please contact Liz Steybe at 262-782-4485 or lsteybe@stmaryeg.org for more information or to register for the baptism class.

Children ages 6-12: Please contact Josh Dieterich, 262-782 -4575 or jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

Adults ages 12 and up: Adults who wish to join the Catholic Church and were not baptized can participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please contact Josh Dieterich, Director of Catholic Formation, 262-782-4575 or jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Catholic Church takes preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously. Generally at least 6 months should be allowed for this preparation. Engaged couples themselves should visit our website, www.stmaryeg.org/ contact-us.html and go to the weddings section to fill out a Marriage Request Form. Contact Liz Steybe for more information, lsteybe@stmaryeg.org or 262-782-4575.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you know of someone who is in the hospital or is in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office for more information, 262-782-4575.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 2

7:30am Mass 9am Mass 10:30am Mass 11am-1:15pm YDisciple (V&Rose), Attic 2pm Latin Mass

Monday, January 3 6:30am Mass 9am-4pm Thrift Shop Open

Tuesday, January 4 6:30am Mass 8:00am School Mass 9am-4pm Thrift Shop Open

Wednesday, January 5

Thrift Shop Closed 6:30am Mass 7am Reconciliation 9am Patriotic Rosary, Church 4pm Choir Rehearsals, Church 6:30pm First Reconciliation Rehearsal

Thursday, January 6

6:30am	Mass
9am-4pm	Thrift Shop Open
9am	Adult Formation VIBE Bible Study
7pm	Men's Choir Practice

Friday, January 7

6:30am	Mass
8:00am	School Mass
8:30am	Kiwanis, Senior Center
9am	Holy Dusters
9am-4pm	Thrift Shop Open
2pm-5pm	Reconciliation
6:30pm	First Friday Latin Mass

Saturday, January 8

7am	AA Meeting, Senior Center
8am	Mass
8:45am	Reconciliation
9am-1pm	Thrift Shop Open
10am	First Reconciliation
10:30am	Baptism Class, Atrium
11:30am	Marriage Class, Church
4pm	Mass
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Sunday, January 9

Feed the Hungry Sunday	
7:30am	Mass
9am	Mass
10-11:30am	YDisciple (Josh), Attic
10:30am	Mass
2pm	Latin Mass
4pm	Family Rosary, Church
6:30-8pm	YDisciple (Mike), Library



II Margaret Walter and William Mettelman I Brooke Voelkel and Charles Kazmer

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

St. Mary's Visitation welcomes the following individuals and families who have recently joined our parish:

Melanie Basile Hilary and Marc Cesarec Thomas Formolo Renae and Anthony Geier Brittany and Alex King

LaDonna Lange Iuliia and Leonard Lobo Carolyn and Donald O'Meara Eleanor and Harold Schroeder Jessica and Andrew Gossen Jane and Jonathan Stocco

CONGRATULATIONS NEWLY BAPTIZED

The following children were recently baptized at St. Mary's Visitation Parish. We welcome them into our parish community and congratulate their parents:

Peregrine Gerard Felix Senglaub, son of Elizabeth and Michael Anastasia Dorothy Lazzari, daughter of Erin and Edmund Charlotte Rose Laabs, daughter of Angela and Michael Harvey Loren Horner and Shep Alan Horner, daughter and son of Brittany and Steve Elizabeth Ann Lanham, daughter of Julie and Barrett

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Our parish congratulates the following couples who are celebrating a special Anniversary in January. May you know God's love through your love for one another!

30 years	Kay and Mark Ehlinger
40 years	Judith and Carl Pliss
50 years	Kathryn and Bernard Westfahl
	Nancy and Jerry Fennell
61 years	Heidi and Heinz Termuehlen

come

NEXT WEEKEND IS FEED THE HUNGRY

The second Sunday of every month is our Feed the Hungry

collection which benefits the food pantries at St. Rose of Lima and Blessed Savior parishes. Please bring nonperishable food items to the atrium or the back vestibule next weekend, January 8-9. Thank you for your generosity!



Adoration Chapel

Happy New Year to all! May God shower you with abundant blessings throughout 2022. This weekend on Saturday we celebrate the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. On Sunday, the



2nd, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. Consider how far the Magi had to travel to visit Jesus in Bethlehem, and how many sacrifices they had to make to do this. "Come let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us. For He is our God and we are the people He shepherds, the flock He guides." (Psalm 95:6-7) We have the privilege of having Jesus right here in the Blessed Sacrament 24/7 in the St. Mary's Perpetual Adoration Chapel. How many sacrifices are YOU making to visit Him there? January 3rd is the Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Call on Him often! On January 4th we remember St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and on the 5th, St. John Neumann. both advocates for education. Commemorate these feasts in visits to the Adoration Chapel. Pray for the success of our school and religious education programs and for all teachers and administrators who dedicate their lives to the education of children. Begin the New Year right by making a resolution to visit the Chapel often, or better yet, to join the Adoration program!

We need coverage:

- Wednesdays, 4-5pm. Call Joleen Gordon, 262-789-6766.
- Saturdays, 9-10pm. Call Nancy Frazer, 262-786-0617.
- Saturdays, 10-11pm. Call Nancy Frazer, 262-786-0617.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR PARISHIONERS

SMV parishioners new to the school can now enroll their children for the 2022-23 school year. Please check our website, www.stmaryeg.org/learn-with-us.html for a link to meet our teachers and take a virtual tour of our school. All are invited to join us for our Open House on January 30 from 8:30-11:30am. Contact the school office at 262-782-7057 with any questions.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 4 School Resumes 8am Mass

Friday, January 7 8am Mass

Saturday, January 8 10am First Reconciliation

SCHOOL NEWS

ANNUAL SMV AUCTION For Education

The Annual SMV Auction for Education is making a comeback IN PER-SON! We hope you will join us on March 26, 2022 to celebrate our theme: Peace, Love & Prayer. Plan-



ning is underway, and we need your help to make SMV's largest fundraiser of the year our most successful to date! We are looking for sponsorships, auction items and monetary donations.

• Do you own a business? Or know someone who does? Do you want to get your name out there as a supporter of St. Mary's Visitation? Then sponsorship is the opportunity for you!

• Would you like to help us buy great auction items... those extras that we need? We are accepting monetary donations.

• Do you want to donate something special or highly sought after? We need tickets to sporting events, concerts and special events; week or weekend getaways (lake house, cabins, condos; local or otherwise); or that fantastic item or experience we haven't thought of!

• Are you looking for convenience? On our auction website you can make online donations, sponsorships, or auction item donations. Visit http://bidpal.net/smv2022.

• Unsure of what to donate? Check out our charitable Amazon Cart https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ ls/56NF44JWLH4F?ref_=wl_share for items we are seeking. These items are helpful to complete auction packages, for use in raffles and for the gift card wall. Items are sent directly to SMV!

Remember, you can donate gift cards through our SCRIP program too (contact marenkleinmann@gmail.com). We appreciate your consideration and generosity! Contact Kara Cartledge with any questions, auction@stmaryeg.org.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETURN TO LIFE SERIES AT SJV

In addition to their ongoing Single Again divorce support group, St. John Vianney is offering a special six-week series to help people who are dealing with the myriad issues of divorce. *Return to Life* is a six-week divorce recovery series developed by Marianne F. Skrobiak, M.S., M.A., LPC to help normalize the divorce process and offer hope and healing to those going through separation or divorce. It will be open to anyone who needs it, Catholic or not, on Wednesday evenings beginning January 19, from 7pm to 9pm in room P201 in the St. John Vianney Parish Center, 1755 N. Calhoun Road in Brookfield. The cost for the series is only \$10. To register, please contact Maria Schloemer at the SJV Formation & Human Concerns Office at 262-796-3944. Due to the COVID variant, we will require masks. Participants will benefit from the leader's input and sharing with other participants.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR FT. MCCOY

Catholic Charities agencies are mobilizing personnel, volunteers, and resources to provide refugees at Ft. McCoy with a welcoming atmosphere, a break from the confines of temporary housing, and relief from their difficult journey. Among the services provided are on-base legal assistance, social engagement for women and children, and learning centers. The women's centers provide a quiet and clean place for mothers to bond and play with their children and develop friendships. The children's area is a place for children to gather and create arts and craft projects, build puzzles, play games and be sociable. **Volunteers are crucial** to keep the centers running smoothly and safely.

The USCCB and Catholic Charities are seeking more volunteers to aid in this mission. Volunteers will spend time at one of three Women and Children Centers, two Sewing Centers and a Learning Center. Each of the centers requires between 6-10 volunteers to operate. Individuals must be able to commit to a minimum of three days.

For information about volunteer opportunities or donations, contact Andrew Ruesch, Afghan Project Coordinator, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee: aruesch@ccmke.org or 414-769-3543.

HELPING VICTIMS OF RECENT TORNADOES

As you know, tornadoes recently tore through multiple states in the South and Midwest. Please pray for those who have been injured, for those who have lost their lives, and for their grieving families and communities. Catholics and all people of good will may help our brothers and sisters in their recovery by supporting the work of Catholic Charities USA Disaster Relief, which has been engaging as early responders and will remain in recovery support for the longterm. If you have any questions or need additional information on any of these matters, please contact Robert Shelledy, 414-758-2286 or shelledyr@archmil.org.

WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GIFTS

The Milwaukee Chapter of the Christ Child Society thanks the many local parishes who contribute gifts of clothes for children and babies, financial support for our programs to help single moms and prayers for our success in the past year. We look forward with joy to 2022! Questions? Visit www.christchildmilwaukee.org or call 414-540-0489.





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