# PASTOR: FR. TAFADZWA KUSHAMBA

# THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES

Sunday*	8:00 & 10:00 am		
Monday	8:00 am		
Tuesday	5:15 pm		
Wednesday	No Mass		
Thursday	No Mass		
Friday	No Mass		
Saturday**	4:30 pm		
Sunday	8:00 & 10:00 am		
*Mass at St. Rose on the 1st Sunday of each month at noon			
**Mass in Spanish on the 4th Saturday of each month at 7 pm			

# **ST. VICTOR CHURCH HOURS**

Days with evening Mass:6:30 am - 6:00 pmDays with no evening Mass:6:30 am - 4:30 pm

# CONFESSION

Tuesday, January I I4:30-5:00 pmSaturday, January I 53:30-4:15 pmOr by appointment with Fr. Tafadzwa

# ADORATION

Friday, February 4 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Normally the 1st Friday of each month from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm, and the 4th Thursday (March-October) from 4-6 pm

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St. Clare needs your help, especially in the areas listed below:

Hospitality help at Mass (greeter, usher)

Chaperone/Help with youth programs

Tidy up the pews (visitor envelopes, hymnals, collection brochures, etc.)

Serve food at parish events

Prepare food for parish events

Office help

Childcare during adult groups

Communion to the homebound

Store and/or transport recyclables

Deep clean the church (with a group of people) If you're able to help, circle any area(s) of interest and return this form to the office drop box or in the offertory basket.

Name:

How do you prefer we contact you? Phone/Email address:

# FR. TAFADZWA Away Next Week

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Fr. Tafadzwa will be out of town from Wednesday, January 12 through Wednesday, January 19. Mass <u>will be</u> celebrated on the weekend of January 15-16 by Fr. John Luong (see below), but <u>will not be</u> celebrated on the weekdays that Fr. Tafadzwa is gone. Fr. John will hear confessions on Saturday, January 15 from 3:30-4:15 pm.

If you are in need of spiritual care, including anointing of the sick or last rites or a funeral, please contact the parish office.



# FOCUS MISSIONARY

On the weekend of January 15-16, Father John Luong, OMV will be visiting our parish on behalf of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). Fr. Luong is the Vocational Director for the Oblates of Mary and is assigned to St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine in Boston, MA. FOCUS is a national organization serving college students on more than 180 campuses across the United States

and five international locations. Almost 800 FOCUS missionaries on these campuses invite students into a relationship with Christ and His Church, while equipping them for a lifetime of Catholic evangelization. Fr. Luong is excited to be with you soon and share the hope of the New Evangelization! To learn more, go to www.focus.org.



# **SECRET ANGEL PROJECT 2022**

Our Secret Angel Project has begun! If you will You may take an angel (or more than one) off the angel display and send one greeting card a month to that person throughout all of 2022. You may reveal yourself or remain a secret!



If you receive or would like to receive the *Catholic Herald* diocesan newspaper, please send your \$23 annual subscription fee to the parish office. (If you receive envelopes, include your payment in the gray Catholic Herald envelope.) If you are a new subscriber, have different contact information, or want to change the format of your *Catholic Herald* subscription (print, digital, or both), return the completed form below with your \$23 subscription fee.



The Catholic Herald is the official newspaper of the Diocese of Madison. Its purpose is to inform and educate people of the diocese through communications that proclaim Gospel values, report the news, and comment on the issues as they pertain to the mission of the Catholic Church, which is to continue the work of Jesus Christ on Earth and to make his name known and loved.

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# The Baptism of the Lord



# JANUARY 9, 2022



# IT IS TIME TO PRIORITIZE YOUR MARRIAGE Jour Marriage Matters

Let us help you reconnect to your **beloved** and to the Lord with content & inspiration for a monthly date. Each month will have a theme and will include:

- · How to pray together.
- An activity to help you reconnect or stay connected!
- Coordinating meal and drink suggestions.

Themes will include: How to Dream as a Couple, Seasons of Life, Marriage & Community, and more!

No sitter? No problem! You can have a meaningful date in your own home, after the kids are in bed.

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To access the FREE monthly content visit madisondiocese.org/date-night or text Diocese to 84576 and select "Date Night" under Marriage & Family to receive content once a month by email.

# LIVE THE LITURGY: INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters, God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased. ©LPi

# STEWARDSHIP

# I HOPE I AM LIKE HIM

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan? — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi





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SCHOOL ALUMNI

look for the logo seen below.

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alumni@stvictormonroe.org.

message, email us at

Alumni are invited to complete a survey at: https://forms.gle/

To join our mailing list or to send us a

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St. Victor School alumni has a new Facebook page! Search "St. Victor School Alumni-Monroe, WI," and



Serves 4K-5th grade students **MISSION**: Nurturing a faith-filled Catholic environment for spiritual and educational growth

Registration for School District of Monroe's 4K program for the 2022-23 school year will begin on Monday, January 10. To register your child for any 4K site (including St. Victor School), you must follow the following procedures:

- Register online at: www.monroeschools.com (fill out the online 4K registration form, submissions are first-come first-serve basis).
- Once you have registered online you will have one week to email or drop-off the required documentation to finish the enrollment process.
- You can register in person at the District Office located at the 3rd floor of the Public Library
- Office Hours 8:30 am 4:00 pm

You need the following items to register for 4K:

• Parent/Guardian picture ID (driver's license or state ID)

- Original Birth Certificate
- Proof of residency (copy of lease, cable or utility bill)
- \$20 material fee

\*If you are registering in person, you need to have these documents with you. If you have any questions, please contact the School District of Monroe at (608)328-7041.

Congratulations to first grader, Savannah, for being selected as one of the best coloring pages in the diocese of Madison for the St. John Bosco Coloring Contest. Please join in supporting this foundation and voting for Savannah! Read more about the St. John Bosco Tuition Assistance Fund and vote using this link: www.diocesemadisonfoundation.org.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 26 when Mardi Gras will return to Turner Hall! The event will include Howl2Go dueling pianos, great food and drinks, entertainment, auction, games, and a wonderful opportunity to support our amazing St. Victor School. More details will be coming.

Thank you so much for your continued support of St. Victor School, its students, families, faculty and staff. We are truly grateful for all of your support!







# The Baptism of the Lord

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# JANUARY 9, 2022

# ATTENTION CDA MEMBERS:

CDA's current dues are \$35/year. Please make your check out to 'CDA' by January 31. Mail to Elaine Brukwicki at 116 25th Avenue, Monroe, WI 53566.





St. Joseph Hematite Rosary ......\$13 Α Β. "Bless this Child" pink rosary and holder ......... \$20 C. St. Michael the Archangel gold plate medal ......\$1 D. Wrap-around rosary bracelet.....\$7 Lourdes blue rosary .....\$10 E. F. Gifts of the Holy Spirit keychain ......\$5 G. St. Clare laminated prayer card ......\$1 H. Mysteries of the rosary prayer card......\$1 "Jesus" corded plaque .....\$5 Ι. Saints for Girls book (32 pg.).....\$4 **]**. K. Saints for Boys book (32 pg.).....\$4 Pray the Rosary booklet (48 pg.) .....\$3 L. M. Catholic Book of Prayers (255 pg.).....\$12 N. Stories about Purgatory & What they Reveal .......\$18

O. New Catholic Picture Bible for Children ......\$14

# GIFTS FOR JANUARY

These religious items, and many others, are available to purchase after the 8 am and 10 am Masses <u>this Sunday</u>, January 9. Contact Rita Farris at 608-558-0681 to view, ask questions, or purchase at any time throughout the year.



Thank you to all who brought non-working Christmas lights to be recycled. Each of us can make a difference!

#### A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION TO CARE FOR CREATION:

The Pope's encyclical, Laudato Si', is a text of landmark significance in Catholic social teaching. He challenges us to rethink our relationship with nature. The Pope asks us to examine our lifestyles through sound ecological virtues, strive for greater simplicity, and to focus less on material things.

What will <u>you</u> do in the New Year to demonstrate your care for creation and gratitude for this great gift from God?

# MONTHLY RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Jan. 1 & 2: Non-working Christmas lights Feb. 5 & 6: Ink cartridges and toners March 5 & 6: Light bulbs (LED, CFL, fluorescent)

ONGOING RECYCLING COLLECTION Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, button, 9-volt)

# wishing you a blessed birthday this week!

Algreta Schutte\*\* Ayden Folk (13) Betty Brugger\* Blake Komprood (14) Bryden Scheuerell (8) Catherine Nyman Cathie Kwasneski Ed Anderson Eric Vale Isaac Saunders (16) Jack Rogerson Jessica Elias Miranda John Hay Judy Bauman\* Kate Maresch Kris Oudinot Kurt Schaefer Lillian Hawthorne Marcia McGuire Mary Finley Mike McKeon Miriam Seitz Monica Crook Nancy Marchant Nash Von Kaenel Oxtin Poss (14) Pam Elsen **Rita Koster** Rylie Scheuerell (12 Steve Gellings Tara Kammes

\*80+ years young \*\*90+ years young (Children's ages in parentheses)

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Parish registration/ membership

Sacramental needs (baptism, marriage, First Communion)

St. Victor School interest or enrollment

Becoming Catholic (the RCIA program)

Pastoral needs (Communion in the home, hospital visit, anointing of the sick)

Calvary Cemetery questions or purchases

> Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, or Young Adult inquiries or interest

> > Mass intentions

and so much more!



Administrative Assistant & Cemetery Sexton

**Business Manager** 

Sacramental Preparation & Pastoral Ministries

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Coordinator

Hispanic Ministries & Outreach

Faith Community Nurse

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Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday



Associate Director



#### These people are in special need of your prayers: Angela Smith, Nancy Rufener, John Baumann, all of those sick and affected by COVID-19, all the sick of the parish, all military

personnel, those incarcerated and their families, people with addictions and their families, and all the souls in purgatory.



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### PRAYER TREE

Receive the benefit of prayerful help. Contact Jacki Netzel with your intentions for prayer—provide the person's initials and a brief explanation of the intention (example: JN is having surgery) at (608) 329 -3939 or jsnetz@tds.net.

To join this ministry, please contact Jacki.

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SUNDAY:	ls 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, ls 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/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22	
MONDAY:	I Sm I:I-8/Ps II6:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk I:14-20	
TUESDAY:	I Sm I:9-20/I Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk I:21-28	
WEDNESDAY:	I Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk	
	1:29-39	
THURSDAY:	I Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45	
FRIDAY:	I Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12	
SATURDAY:	I Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17	
NEXT SUNDAY: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/I Cor 12:4-		
	/Jn 2:1-1	

# **OFFERTORY INCOME**

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Last week's collection	\$8,158	
Offertory collected year-to-date*	\$355,249	
Offertory goal to-date	\$371,734	
Contributions over/under goal to-date	(\$16,485)	
January Food Pantry Collection:	\$519	
*All to-date figures include electronic giving.		
*The parish fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.		

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# THIS WEEK at ST. CLARE

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 9**

8:00 am Mass St. Victor Church †Rod Kammerer
10:00 am Mass St. Victor Church St. Clare of Assisi parishioners
After 10:00 Mass Donut Sunday Gathering space

5-7 pm Faith Formation (EDGE & Confirmation, gr. 6-9) St. Victor Church

# MONDAY, JANUARY 10

8:00 am Mass St. Victor Church †Barbara Hackett

# TUESDAY, JANUARY II

4:30-5:00 Confession St. Victor Church confessional 5:15 pm Mass St. Victor Church †Nate Marti

# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 13**

**9:30 am** Women's Bible Study *Gathering space* **7:00 pm** Becoming Catholic (RCIA) *St. Victor Church* 

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

3:30-4:15 pm Confession St. Victor Church confessional 4:30 pm Mass St. Victor Church †Art Blum

# SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 am Mass St. Victor Church †Walter Pawlowski
10:00 am Mass St. Victor Church St. Clare of Assisi parishioners



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