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Two Parishes - One Faith

St. John the Baptist
516 De Pere Street
Menasha, WI 54952

Administrator
Reverend Michael Lightner

St. Mary
528 Second Street
Menasha, WI 54952

Welcome to our parishes!

Parish Office - 725-7714

528 Second Street

Monday - Friday 8 am - 3:30 pm

Parish Website

www.menashacatholicparishes.org

Social Media

Search for "St. Mary &
St. John Parishes"



St. Mary Elementary School

725-5351 www.smcatholicsschools.org

Liturgical Celebrations

	St. Mary	St. John
Saturday	6:00 pm	4:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am	9:00 am
Tuesday	7:30 am	-
Wednesday	7:00 pm	-
Thursday	-	7:30 am
Friday	-	7:00 pm

Reconciliation

St. Mary - Tuesday 12-1 pm,
Wednesday 12-1 pm

St. John - Thursday 12-1 pm,
Friday 12-1 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available for 30 minutes prior to every parish Mass.

Our Mission:

To focus on the Eucharist as the source of our foundation and have the commitment to Strengthen our Faith Journey through the sacraments, continued prayer, education and service with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18



	Support YTD Weekly Collections		Weekly Collection - SM		Weekly Collection - SJ	
	SM	SJ				
Budget	\$299,397	\$181,925	ACH-	\$1,737	ACH-	\$1,355
Recv'd	\$309,580	\$196,499	We Share -	\$3,291	We Share -	\$835
Surplus/	\$10,183	\$14,574	IRA Contributions -	\$0	IRA Contributions -	\$0
Deficit)			Envelopes -	\$9,105	Envelopes -	\$2,710
			TOTAL -	\$14,133	TOTAL -	\$4,900

If you mail your weekly offering, please use the Parish Office Address—528 2nd St, Menasha 54952 Thank you!

The Altar Candles at St. Mary burn in memory of Margaret Woulf by Jack & Mary Fulton



The Altar flowers at St. Mary are given in loving memory of Rick & Nancy Heling by Jack & Mary Fulton



THANK YOU!

We couldn't do it without you!
 Our **Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon** we be on **Friday, February 18** starting at Noon in Msgr Hummel Hall at St. Mary. *Watch for more details!*
 We will always be thankful for volunteers like you!
 Your generous contribution of time and energy is incredible.
 Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and genuine interest and dedication in assisting us in everything we do.
ALL Volunteers are Invited!

We pray for the repose of the soul of: **Carol Konetzke**
 Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

Rest Eternal grant unto her O' Lord



Tuesday, January 25
 7:30am SM Peter Roug
Wednesday, January 26
 7:00pm SM L & D Joseph & Mary Zitzelsberger Family

Thursday, January 27
 7:30am SJ Henrique Villaca
Friday, January 28
 8:10am SM Cory Lightner
 7:00pm SJ Jack & Terry Zeller
Saturday, January 29
 4:00pm SJ L/D of St. Mary and St. John the Baptist
 6:00pm SM Cory Lightner
Sunday, January 30
 9:00am SJ Harvey Van Derra
 11:00am SM Editha Bonneville

Please join us in praying for the following and all who are ill or otherwise in need of prayer in our parishes:
 Fred D., Ken K., Sandy K., Carol Harp, Jean Ross, Margaret Riedel, Cecile Lingnowski, Susan Marx, Don Ebben, Mark Ebben, Chuck Kiesow, Kathleen, Katie Ciske, Jack Polman, Brian Godeck, Damon, Kathy S., Randy R., Manuel and Juanita Bedolla, Mary Stanczak, Mike Pashawic

To add a name to the prayer list call: (920) 725-7714.

We will keep names on the list for five weeks and will republish names at your request.

Will You Pray with Us?
 Join the Parish Staff in prayer this week for:

**End to the Covid Pandemic.
 Return to health for people with Covid.
 Health Care Workers, Emergency Personnel, Military Personnel**

Phone Prayer Chain
 When in need of immediate prayers:
 St. Mary - call Mary at 725-1412
 Peggy at 725-8084
 St. John - call Carol at 993-1240

Faith Formation Corner

Sometimes we can get stuck in our own perspective of the world. We see the world through our own eyes and miss the perspective of our Heavenly Father. It can be hard to see this world from the perspective of the Father because of the things going on in our world, the way people treat us, the way we treat ourselves, the bad things that happen, etc. Sometimes God can just feel very far away.

How can we keep reorienting ourselves to HIS perspective instead of our own? That question can be answered if we first answer the question, how do you start and end your day? Many people might say they start their day with a hot cup of coffee, or a good breakfast. As Catholic Christians, our answer should instead be, "with God." Just as starting your body off right with a good breakfast is important, so is starting off your mind and soul right by spending time with God.

When we pray, I always find it helpful to do 2 things:

1. **Be honest with God.** If you come to Him at the end of a long work day, you feel exhausted, out of sorts, and feel frustrated, share that with Him! He knows that not everything is going to be perfect each day; He would rather hear honestly how you are doing, than not hear from you at all!
2. **Take time to listen.** After sharing your heart with God, let Him share His heart with you! He knows what you need, what parts of your heart need to be healed, what parts need to be encouraged, and what parts are already on fire with His love. He speaks through His Word, and through the silence.

Take some time to be with God this week and to ask for Him to show you His perspective, and His heart. You may be surprised what He tells you!

~United in Christ, *Bethany Doll*

Important Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Dates:

January 26 - No In Person Class - At Home Lesson

January 30 - Missionary Disciples - 12th grade Card and Board game day!

February 2 - Wednesday Night FUEL - Class grades 1-11, Parent Night & Teaching Mass

February 5 - Middle School Mini Lock-In

February 9 - Wednesday Night FUEL - Class grades 1-10, Confirmation Class, & Adult FUEL

You can sign up to join us for these events, how to volunteer, or how to sign up for Wednesday Night FUEL by going to our Facebook page, or joining our email list! Just email bdoll@smcatholicschools.org

Fox Valley Respect Life - Our group is made up of volunteers from all across the Fox Valley. We advocate for life from conception to natural death. We touch on many issues surrounding life, seeking to educate and support (both physically and spiritually). We meet at St. Gabriel Parish, 900 Geiger St, Neenah, on the first Monday of most months. Rosary at 5:30 pm. Meeting starts 6:00pm. All are welcome to our meetings. While you don't need to be Catholic, we do follow Catholic Social teaching on life issues. Questions?

Email: nmrespectlife@gmail.com

Facebook page: [Fox Valley Respect Life](#)
Next Meeting is February 7



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 26 - SM Finance Council 5pm
- January 30 - SM Catholic Schools Week breakfast after Masses
- February 2 - SJ Pastoral Council 5pm
- February 9 - SM Pastoral Council 5pm
- February 16 - SJ Finance Council 5pm
- February 18 - SM Volunteer Appreciation Lunch

Snow Birds - If you will be gone for extended periods please call us at (920) 725-7714 to give us your second address. This prevents the parish paying for returned mailings and keeps you in the know on parish life!

Prospective parents and students are invited to upcoming **SMCS Preview Nights**.



- **St. Mary Catholic Middle School Preview Night, January 25, 5:30 p.m.** (open house) and 6:30 p.m. (presentation), 1000 Zephyr Dr., Neenah
- **St. Mary Catholic High School Preview Night, January 31, 6 p.m.**, 1050 Zephyr Dr., Neenah

Learn about academics, faith formation, co-curriculars, student life, tuition assistance, and more at these free informational preview nights. No RSVP required. Visit smcscatholicschools.org for more information.

ZCabaret 2022 is set for January 28 and 29, 2022. Get tickets for this live music and art showcase at SMCHS at <https://www.showtix4u.com/events/159>.

Interested in enrolling a child at SMCS? We currently offer rolling enrollment for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year. Preschool-grade 12 enrollment for 2022-23 school year will open in early 2022. Learn more or schedule a tour of our campuses at 920-722-7796 ext. 157.

Missionary Disciples

(for 12th grade)

January 30:
11am Mass at St. Mary
12:15pm Card and Board Games - bring your favorite!



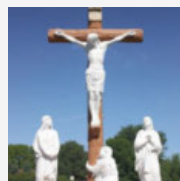
February 13:
11am Mass at St. Mary
12:30pm Ice Skating at The Plaza, Neenah

Watch our Facebook and Instagram page for updates:
 @smsjyouthministry St. Mary and St. John Youth Ministry
 Or contact bdoll@smcatholicschools.org with questions

St. John Cemeteries

A frequently asked question is "Are all the grave spaces sold at St. John the Baptist Cemetery on Olde Midway Road?"

The answer is **NO**, however, there are only a limited number of spaces still available for purchase at that cemetery. A columbarium was added two years ago to add additional space for cremated remains. St. John Cemetery on Valley Road has plenty of space for years to come. For more information, or to arrange for burial rights, please contact Peter Krautkramer at the parish office.



*** The Parish Office and School have an ongoing need for Copier Paper - White, 8-1/2 x 11", 20lb. If you can help us out it would be greatly appreciated! Donations can be left off at the Parish Office.

Thank you!



St. Mary and St. John the Baptist Parishes are looking for a **musician and choir accompanist** for our weekend and Holy Day Masses, with the possibility of additional playing opportunities. The right candidate must have excellent keyboard skills on both piano and organ, and a good knowledge of Catholic liturgy.



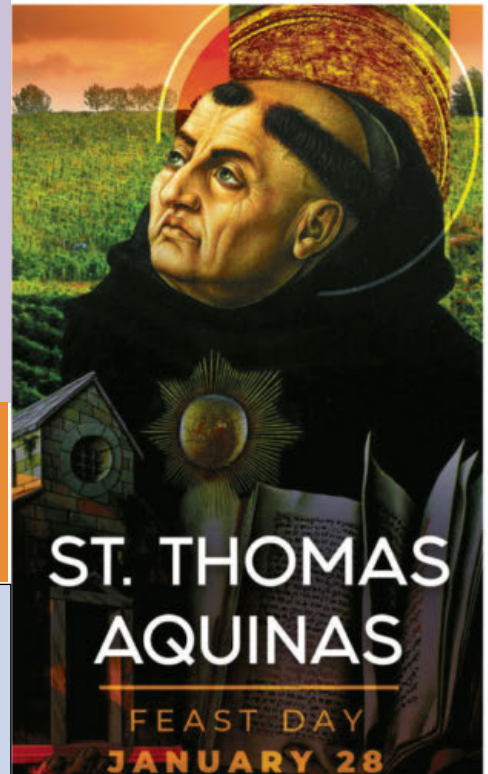
This position is shared with another music minister to reduce the number of weekends needed to play. To find out more information or apply for the position, please contact Steve Siegel at 920-725-7714 or send your resume to Steve's attention at 528 2nd Street, Menasha, WI 54952

Welcome to St. Mary and St. John the Baptist Catholic Parishes

You can find out more about our parishes by going to our website, menashacatholicparishes.org



Do you have any extra Rosaries that we can use as we build devotion to the Most Holy Rosary? Drop them off at the Parish Office and we will help them to become a treasure to a new family. God Bless!



MISSION OPPORTUNITIES SUMMER 2022

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June 5-8 • Grades 7-12 • Neenah/Menasha, WI

June 12-18 • Grades 8-12 • New Castle, PA

July 9-17 • Grades 9-12 • New Orleans, LA

The grades listed are grades the students are going into during the fall of 2022

Informational Meetings:
(with FREE pizza!)

January 27 at St. Margaret Mary, Neenah



When: 5:30 - 7pm
Who: Students grades 6-12 and their parents
Why: To learn about some AMAZING places where God can work through you in AMAZING ways!

Please sign up with this QR Code to help us get a rough estimate for dinner:



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Mission Details:

All Mission Trips Include:

Fellowship and Fun - getting to know people from different parishes & making lifelong friends

Helping those in need- (locally or out of state)

Spiritual Reflection- growing deeper in your relationship with God through prayer opportunities

Out of state Participant Pre-Trip Requirements:

We have pre-trip requirements to prepare spiritually, mentally, and emotionally. To get to know others on the trip and feel truly prepared.

- Pre-trip Bio and Picture by February 4
- Monthly Meetings (about 1 per month)
- 6 Mass Dates (about 1 per month)
- Sharing at Mass either pre or post trip (1 time)
- Post-trip reflection by July 30

Trip Leaders

Neenah/Menasha - Tina Peirick at St. Margaret Mary: tpeirick@smcatholicsschools.org - (920)729-4560 ext. 116

New Castle - Meredith Lauer at St. Gabriel: mlauer@smcatholicsschools.org - (920) 725-0660

New Orleans - Bethany Doll at St. Mary and St. John the Baptist: bdoll@smcatholicsschools.org - (920)725-7714 ext. 424

CONTACT A TRIP LEADER & SIGN UP TODAY!

Mission Trip Cost:

Local (WI): \$50

Out of state (PA or LA): \$800

*Out of state Scholarship opportunities: \$400

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