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Administrator

Reverend Michael Lightner

St. Mary

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Welcome to our parishes!

Parish Office - (920)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

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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

Adoration & 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.





Welcome Visitors!

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors joining us for worship this weekend! We are glad you are here as your presence is a blessing to us! If you are looking for a Catholic Parish, we invite you to get to know us better! If you are new to the area, been away from us for awhile, have a desire to explore your spiritual faith, would like to find out more about the Catholic faith or just have questions, please feel free to contact Deacon Don Schultz at (920) 725-7714 X416 or donschultz@smcatholicschools.org

May 90+ Birthdays

Theresa Block	Ralph Jacobsen
Lucille Resch	Arthur Jacobs
Barbara Otto	Anna Susor
Jean Wojahn	Laura Ducharme
Norma Gavronski	Donald Wisnefski

To all parishioners celebrating a birthday in May, Have a very blessed birthday!



Finance UPDATES

Parish Financials

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>YTD (4/24/22)</u>	<u>Status</u>
St Mary	\$ 443,934	\$ 459,407	\$ 15,473 +
St. John	\$ 281,017	\$ 289,413	\$ 8,396 +

Do you have a GREEN THUMB? Do you love to take care of plants and flowers? Gardening season is almost upon us. We're looking to form a garden club to help plant and maintain flower beds and pots at St. Mary. We also need help watering/ doctoring as needed the interior flowers and plants in the Link and Church. We have a mobile battery watering cart to help with this volunteer position. If you would be interested please contact Deacon Don at (920) 725-7714 X416 .



We will begin offering the Devotions in honor of our Mother of Perpetual Help on the Second Tuesday of the Month following the 7:30am Mass at St. Mary. We will use the prayers called "*Mary Our Model Public: Prayer in Honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help*" attributed to St. Alphonsus Liguori. Join us on May 10!

CLPI MASS INTENTIONS

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Tuesday, May 10
7:30am SM Ivo Geurts
Wednesday, May 11
7:00pm SM In Thanksgiving for Parish Unity
Thursday, May 12
7:30am SJ Ruth Ropella
Friday, May 13
8:10am SME - Sara Terho-Streck
7:00pm SJ - Terry Derfus
Saturday, May 14
4:00pm SJ John Maciejewski
6:00pm SM Wes & Carol Zimmer
Sunday, May 15
9:00am SJ L/D of St. Mary and St. John the Baptist
11:00am SM Ron & Phyllis Benz



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, Kathleen, Katie Ciske, Jack Polman, Marlene Johann, Barbara Arndt Russell, Bailey Sanchez, Dee Boudry, Donny T., Bruce & Nancy B., Kylie H., Sam C., Carissa Haase, Joseph Griffith, Anne, Amy, Larry A., Mary, Manuel & Juanita Bedolla, Joan, Rose K., Anna Potratz

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 for:

During this month of May: For an increase in devotion to our Blessed Mother, that we may always ask for her intercession

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
Susan at 727-0956

Faith Formation Corner

Our FUEL on Wednesday Nights are drawing to a close, we have only ONE more class this week! It has been such a joy to walk with our youth and families throughout the year and share in their energy and passion for the faith! This year we have continued our once a month "At-Home Lessons" with our families. From learning about the Saint of the month, or the marks of the Church, to doing a scavenger hunt around to all the Neenah/Menasha Parishes, our families have all done some phenomenal things to learn and grow together as a family in faith!



Just because our FUEL nights are done for this year, doesn't mean we stop growing in our faith and relationship with God! There will be MANY opportunities to continue growing in faith this summer as a family - don't miss our local mission trip, Totus Tuus week, and our weekly Wednesday night Masses will continue throughout the summer! Our catechists and volunteers make all the difference and we want to treat YOU! Please join us for our Catechist and Volunteer appreciation dinner on May 18th at 5:15 at St. Mary's Msgr. Hummel Hall, all food and drinks will be provided. ALSO if you are not currently a catechist or volunteer, but you think you might be interested - YOU'RE INVITED! Come and enjoy the evening with us, and we can share more information with you. Call the Parish Office and RSVP to Bethany Doll by May 16. *~United in Christ, Bethany*

Important Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Dates:

May 11 - Final Wednesday Night FUEL for the year

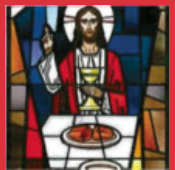
May 18 - Catechist and Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

May 21 - Mission Trip Brat Fry!

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@smcatholicsschools.org

Corpus Christi Procession

On June 19, 2022, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, St. Mary and St. John the Baptist parishes invite and welcome all to participate in an outdoor Eucharistic procession following the 11:00 am Mass at Saint Mary Church. The procession will make its way from St. Mary to St. John the Baptist where Benediction will be offered. All are Welcome!



The feast of Corpus Christi is a time when Catholics can show their love for Christ in the Real Presence by honoring Him in a very public way. It is also a wonderful way in which we can show our love for our neighbors by bringing Our Lord and Savior closer to them.

(note: in the event of rain and/or wind, there would be Adoration and Benediction at St. Mary)



Did you know that the St. Vincent de Paul Society was founded in Paris by Frederick Ozanam on his 20th birthday in 1833?

He and some college friends started the group when challenged by the question, "What does the Catholic church do to help the poor?" Now there are 800,000 members world-wide.

Our parish St. Vincent de Paul group could use you as a member! We assist those who call the St. Vincent de Paul helpline in need of assistance. This past week assistance for rent and information about our church services and open hours was given to a family right by St. Mary church. Help us help our neighbors. Call the parish office to become a member.

St. Mary & St. John the Baptist Cemetery News

Due to rising expenses, St. Mary Cemetery and St. John the Baptist Cemeteries will be increasing prices on June 1, 2022.

Please call the parish office with questions or to purchase burial space. Thank you.



Castlewood: St. Mary Catholic High School (SMCHS) is proud to produce the World Premiere of Bethany Paulsen's relevant new drama—Castlewood, a coming of age story set during the London Blitz of 1940. You can see Castlewood at 7:00 PM on Friday May 13, and Saturday May 14 at the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center on the SMCHS campus. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased through the link at smcsfinearts.org.



New Role at SMCS: The St. Mary Catholic Schools family is growing to include a new Director of Community Adult Discipleship and Faith Formation. The goal of this position is to firmly establish a culture of evangelization and discipleship by providing enriching discipleship and faith formation opportunities for all demographics across the Catholic Community of Neenah-Menasha. The Director will work closely with the SMCS Superintendent and pastors. To learn more about the role, visit www.sm Catholicschools.org/human-resources.

Now Hiring: The students of St. Mary Catholic Schools are looking for energetic and joyful adults to supervise them in our After School Care program. Our After School Care providers work part time in the afternoon and early evenings on our elementary school campuses during the school year. More information on the position is available on our website www.sm Catholicschools.org/human-resources.



a Catholic campaign to transform communities.

St. Mary's Progress

Parish Goal: \$635,000
 Total Raised: \$333,220
 Percentage Raised: 52%
 Number of Gifts: 52
 Average Gift: \$6,400

*Numbers are current as of May 2, 2022

How you can help!

- Make a gift to the campaign! If we join together as a parish community, we will reach our goal.
- Pray for the success of the campaign. Father and our volunteers need your continued prayers to make this campaign a success at our parish.
- Answer the call to volunteer. Many hands make light work, and we would appreciate your time and talent in this endeavor.

Dear Friends,

St. Mary is currently participating in Block 3 of the *one by One* campaign along with 32 other parishes within the Diocese. This campaign will have a positive impact on the lives of children, clergy, and families across the Diocese of Green Bay and allow all parishes, including ours, to address important local needs.

St. Mary will benefit from *one by One* and has a goal of \$635,000. Of this amount, 50 percent will remain at our parish to meet locally identified needs.

Please join Father and your fellow parishioners at a reception on:

- Tuesday, May 17th at 5:00pm in the cafeteria
- After the 6:00pm Saturday Mass on May 21st in the cafeteria
- After the 11:00am Sunday Mass on May 22nd in the cafeteria

You will be receiving materials in the mail that you can bring to the reception. If you have already received pledge materials and want to discuss your contribution with Father, this is a great opportunity to do so!

Parish Receptions:

- Tuesday, May 17th at 5:00pm in the cafeteria
- After the 6:00pm Saturday Mass on May 21st in the cafeteria
- After the 11:00am Sunday Mass on May 22nd in the cafeteria

All Block 3 parishes will be having their parish receptions – let's be the parish with the most participation!

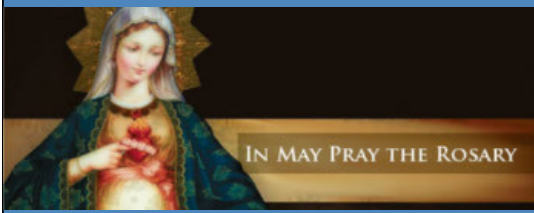
Are your young children distracted and have a hard time paying attention in Mass? At the **9am Mass** at St. John the Baptist we offer "Liturgy of the Word with Children"! This opportunity allows children in Kindergarten - 2nd grade to hear the Word of God at their own level.



If you are a parent/volunteer interested in seeing this offered at St. Mary's, and you are willing to help with the program, please contact Bethany Doll at 725-7714 or bdoll@sm Catholicschools.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 11 - SM Pastoral Council 5pm SM
- May 18 - SJ Finance Council 5pm SM
- May 25 - SM Finance Council 5pm SM
- June 1 - SJ Pastoral Council 5pm SM
- June 8 - SM Pastoral Council 5pm SM



During the month of May, the month of Mary, you are invited to join us on a Rosary walk through the beautiful Rosary Garden at St. Mary Cemetery. The Rosary Walks will be

each Thursday in May at 3pm. Our next Rosary Walk is May 12! In case of inclement weather or adverse conditions, the Rosary will still be prayed in the Cemetery Chapel. Please join us in honoring our Mother Mary and praying for our beloved dead. *Hail Mary, Full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee!*



Rummage Sale Donations Being Accepted!

Reduce your clutter and donate those unwanted treasures to

the Parish Rummage Sale!

We will be accepting Rummage Sale Items **through May 31!** Donation receipts are available at the parish office.

Just drop your items off during parish business hours at Door #6 which is off 3rd Street. Thank You!

SAVE THE DATES!
PARISH RUMMAGE SALE
June 23-25, 2022



St. Mary and St. John the Baptist

Present
FR. MICHAEL'S SPIRITUAL BOOT CAMPS

St. Mary - Msgr Hummel Hall

Meals are provided, to facilitate planning, please call the Parish Office to register (920) 725-7714

Last Boot Camp of this series:

May 21 Spiritual Boot camp 9am-3pm

The Four Gospels: Introduction to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

On Monday
May 16, 2022

All Widows Invited
To the



Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help,
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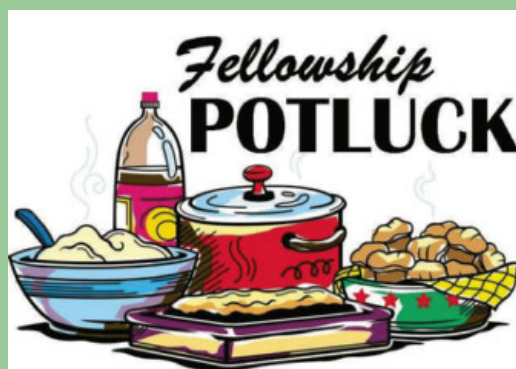
Speaker: Reverend Thomas Farrell
with a topic on

Our Blessed Mother & Widows
Confessions, Rosary, Mass, Adoration
and

Divine Mercy Chaplet
will be available.
Lunch will be Provided

For details and to RSVP Contact:
Alice Peeters at 920-725-7768

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Get to know your fellow parishioners!

All St. Mary and St. John the Baptist parishioners are invited to join in a parish family pot-luck in the St. Mary's cafeteria following the 11 am Mass on Sunday, May 15th.

Please bring a dish to pass. Following the brunch, there will be music shared by some families. Original artwork of Our Blessed Mother will also be on display to view.

For planning purposes, please RSVP to the Parish office if you are interested in attending. Thank you

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11:00am Mass at St. Mary

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