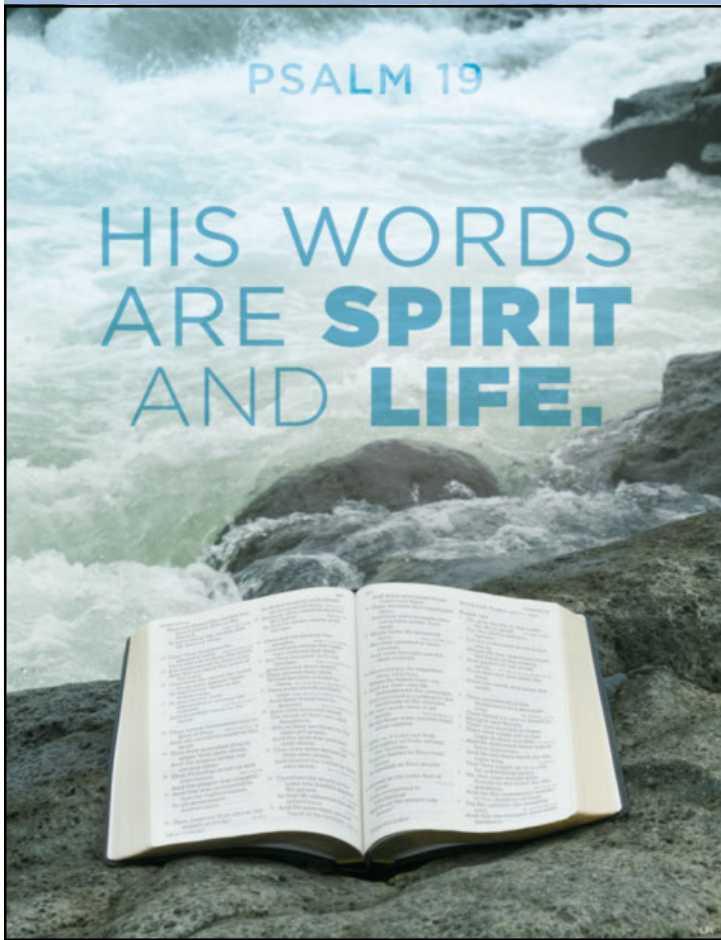


St. Mary/St. Patrick Catholic Church

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 23, 2022

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WELCOME

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you.
For information about the parish or to register for the parish
Check us out at: www.stmaryspatrick.org

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, Vigil, 4:30 p.m.

Memorial Day to Labor Day weekends - St. Mary Church
September-May - St. Patrick Church

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. - St. Mary Church

10:00 a.m. - Memorial Day to Labor Day weekends - St. Patrick
10:30 a.m. - September-May - St. Mary Church

Monday, 7:30 a.m. Communion Service - St. Mary Church

Tuesday thru Friday, 7:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary Church

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:

Sunday, 7:30 a.m. - St. Mary Church

First Saturday, 11-11:30 a.m. - St. Mary Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

First Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - St. Mary Church

Benediction, 4:00 p.m. - St. Mary Church

THE BULLETIN: View the bulletin online at stmaryspatrick.org

Very Rev. Matthew M. Bergschneider, Pastor
Deacon Dick Mulcahey, Deacon Steve Pulkrabek

OFFICE HOURS: Mon–Thrs 8-4, Fri 8– Noon


A Reflection for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, by Deacon Steve Pulkrabek

The Sunday of the Word of God, was instituted by Pope Francis and is to be held every year on the third Sunday of Ordinary Time. A time to dedicate a greater familiarity and understanding of the importance and value of Sacred Scripture for the Christian life.

In the first reading Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, the re-establishment of Jerusalem. The believers of the Lord desired to follow God's law given to Moses, the law that leads the people to a closer relationship with God. As Christ's Mystical Body, each of us has a fundamental and integral part of the Church. Each of us has been given gifts, as revealed in the second reading, resources to be used in fulfilling God's love. We are designated to respond to His divine plan. All He asks is that we listen, discern and be accepting of this role in our lives.

We hear in the gospel from those personally knowing or associating with Jesus as he proclaims the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecy. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." Through Jesus fulfilling the Old Testament we too are called to believe the salvation of Jesus offered to those who follow Him.

How excited are we to hear these readings? Are we moved to the point of anticipation, revelation, and internalizing these words recorded by the prophets, apostles, or evangelists? Among the many Saints, Saint Jerome can be proposed as an example because of the great love he had for the word of God. As Pope Francis has recalled, "In his attentive listening to the Scriptures, Jerome came to know himself and to find the face of God and of his brothers and sisters." He was also confirmed in his attraction to community life. Through Sacred Scripture, we too can find the face of God in our community and in our actions.



Religious Education class will be held today and resume on Sunday, February 6th followed by 13th.

**“SOUPER BOWL” SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 5-6, 2022
COLLECTING BEFORE AND AFTER EACH WEEKEND MASS**

According to feedamerica.org, “one in six Americans (one in four children) live in food insecure households.” February is a tough time for people who are faced with either paying the heating bill or eating. Our parish is joining other Rockford parishes as well as the nation in an attempt to “feed the hungry” on Super Bowl Sunday with our own version of a “Souper Bowl” tailgate party. Please bring nonperishable food items or monetary donations to the Mass you attend that weekend. If you can help, please do so. For more nutritious options, consider donating canned fruit in its natural juices, canned vegetables, whole grain cereals, oatmeal, dried fruit, cans of tuna, peanut butter, pasta or long grain rice.

Your donation may be placed in the ‘soup pot’ for your favorite NFL team to win the Super Bowl or for our very own St. Vincent dePaul team. All food and monetary donations will be given to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society who distribute locally to those in need.




The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, January 23, at 5:30 p.m. in St. Mary Church hall. Dinner will be provided.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the ladies of St. Anne’s who helped tie the twin-sized quilts. The quilts were donated to Remedies Renewing Lives in Rockford. We have completed twenty-two quilts this year and over the past seven years we have donated one hundred and forty quilts. If you are interested in helping to tie or make quilt tops, then please let me know.

Bonnie Vonderohe
815-248-9398



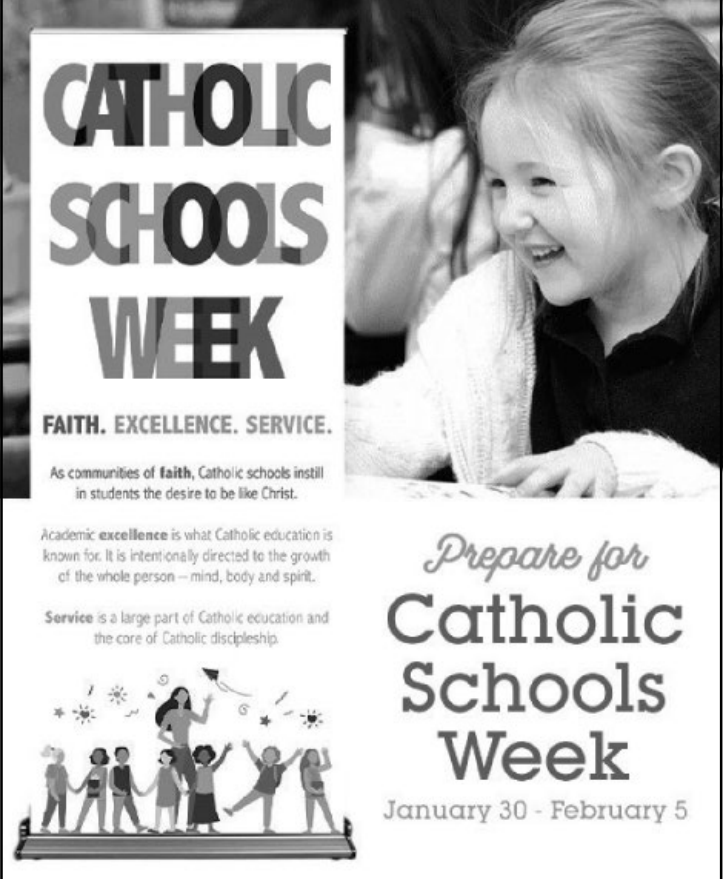
PLEASE PRAY
Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Lund, who passed January 15, 2022. May God grant him eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon him.

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is held on Sundays at 7:30 a.m. and on the first Saturday of the month from 11-11:30 a.m. at St. Mary Church.
- Requests for Anointing of the Sick can be made by calling 815-248-4428.
- For Religious Education information please give us a call at 815-248-2490, or visit www.stmaryspatrick.org. To register for a Wedding or Baptism, register as parishioners, reserve a Mass intention, request Anointing of the Sick, memorial candles or flowers, or for any other parish matters, please stop by or give the office a call, 815-248-2490.
- The Parish Office will be closed on February 21st.

Mother of Christ, pray for us.

It’s not too late to join one of the parish Small Study Groups. The culture would have us think that each person should make their own morality. Maybe some of us wonder whether or not there are absolute truths about right and wrong. Or maybe you know there is right and wrong for all people, but don’t know how to explain it others in conversations. These will be explored in small study group. You can sign up at the parish website, stmaryspatrick.org, give the office a call at: 815-248-2490, or access the videos from the Formed website. See you in Small Group.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
FAITH. EXCELLENCE. SERVICE.
As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students the desire to be like Christ.
Academic excellence is what Catholic education is known for. It is intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit.
Service is a large part of Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship.
Prepare for
Catholic Schools Week
January 30 - February 5

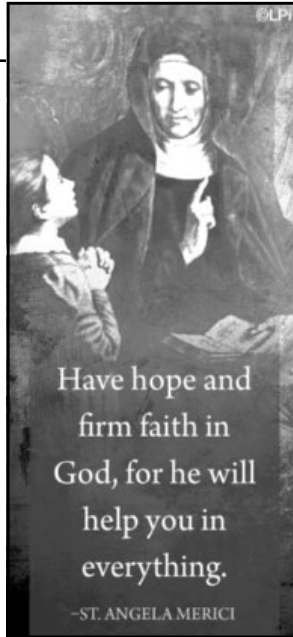
WORD OF LIFE

“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy and growing in understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

“How to Build a Culture of Life” (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)

DECORATING

Do you like to decorate? Are you someone who likes making things beautiful? What better place to beautify than God’s house? If you would like to occasionally help with decorating at St. Mary Church, then please give Terry at the office a call. 815-248-2490 Scheduling is flexible.



DURAND AREA FOOD PANTRY

The Durand Area Food Pantry will be open for drive-through pantries on Wednesday, January 26, from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Please pull to the back of Trinity Lutheran Church on Durand Road and a volunteer will place a food box in your trunk. You only need to give your zip code and number of family members benefiting from the food. Please share this information with anyone who may be in need.

The pantry also offers deliver to anyone with mobility issues. Please contact Sarah at 815-985-1805 for delivery information.



**ST. BLAISE, BISHOP AND MARTYR
FEAST DAY: FEBRUARY 3RD**

The Feast of St. Blaise is Thursday, February 3rd. We will remember and ask for the intercession of this Saint who was martyred for refusing to renounce the faith. In place of individual blessing of throats, Father will give a general blessing to the congregation at all of the Masses for the weekend of January 29-30.



PARISH PRAYER TREE AND PRAYER CHAIN

Our Parish Prayer Tree and Prayer Chain offer a network of support and prayers not only for our parish, but for the community at large. If you would like someone included on the Parish Prayer Tree which is in the bulletin, please call the Parish Office: 815-248-2490. If you would like someone added to the Parish Prayer Chain, which is a group of parishioners who pray for parish members and their intentions, please call Mary Borgmann, 815-865-5555, Margie Flynn, 815-494-4288 or the parish office, 815-248-2490.

Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners and those in Medina Manor, along with Glenn Busjahn, Ryan Bergschneider, Adrian Book, Regina Borg, Art Block, Terry Brogan, Dave Brown, Lisa Carlson, David DiGvonna, Christine Gignac, Tristan Hendler, Kevin Henze, Carol Hertzner, Jennifer Hicks, Judy Hollenbeck, Kenneth Jason, Tony Jason, Carrie Kiely, Shelly Wenger Jauch, Mary Joyce, Samantha Kaldohl, Emmanuel Kilb, Nancy Kalina, Carol Kirchner, Joanne Komprood, Bill Kussner, Keith Ludolph, Dominick & Rose Lomanto, Stacey Ludkowski, Mary Terese Lynne, Judy Lynde, Vicki Marshall, Vicky Mathew, Raymond McDade, Theresa Mikosz, Jeff Miller, Isabelle Morales, Deacon Dick Mulcahey, Barb Neuzil, Kathy Nielsen, Gracie Nicolosi, Erlene Nipps, Holgeir and Karen Oksnevad, Kelli Palmer, Sandra Pauley, Joe Peiffer, Tom Peiffer, Elefterious Prevelt, Louis Ropilla, Carol Rosko, Frances Salvato, Brock Scarpetta, JoEllen Sharer, Dennis Shippy, Eugene Siwinski, Dean Simmer, Betty Sorg, Dawson Thomas, Amber Hill Thompson, Lana Todd, Marcie Turner, Jean Walsh, and Laurie Walsh.

Remember our service men and women including; Nic Blum, Will Devore, Will Francis, Lucas Graves, Rev. Bob Keener, Landon Ketchum, Garrett & Jason Kirk, Ashley Kochanski, Chris Miranda, Matthew Moser, Mark Shram, Zeth Willard, and Charlie Wojcik. (01/19/22)

If you or your loved one no longer need our prayers then please let us know so that we can keep the Prayer Tree and Prayer Chain current. Parish Office number: 815-248-2490.

Why does Sacred Scripture teach truth?

Because God himself is the author of Sacred Scripture. For this reason it is said to be inspired and to teach without error those truths which are necessary for our salvation. The Holy Spirit inspired the human authors who wrote what he wanted to teach us. The Christian faith, however, is not a “religion of the Book”, but of the Word of God—’not a written and mute word, but incarnate and living” (Saint Bernard of Clairvaux).

**“SOUPER BOWL
SUNDAY”**

**FOOD ITEMS &
MONETARY
DONATION
COLLECTION**

**FEBRUARY 5 - 6,
2022**



MINISTRY SCHEDULES

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Jan. 29 4:30 p.m. Deacon Steve Pulkrabek
 Jan. 30 8:00 a.m. Sue Cocoma
 Jan. 30 10:30 a.m. Terry Cravens

LECTORS

Jan. 29 4:30 p.m. Kathy Moran
 Jan. 30 8:00 a.m. John Fisk
 Jan. 30 10:30 a.m. Charlene Miller

USHERS

Jan. 29 4:30 p.m. Ron & Kate
 Jan. 30 8:00 a.m. Chris & Sandra Bahls
 Jan. 30 10:30 a.m. Moises & Shana Lovato

ALTAR SERVERS

Jan. 29 4:30 p.m. Armando Batista
 Jan. 30 8:00 a.m. John Abele
 Jan. 30 10:30 a.m. -

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Jan. 30 Craig & Kathy Bartelt
 **Laura McCartney

SACRISTAN, ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Jan. 29 4:30 p.m. Kate Wihlems

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 Collection Totals

4th Week of December 2020	4th Week of December 2021
Mail-in & drop-off \$6965.00	Envelopes \$3277.00
Loose: \$1090.00	Loose \$57.00

The letters for donations to Diocesan Appeals will be sent from the Diocesan offices directly to all donors. This is the same as last year. This includes the Diocesan Appeal, National Appeal, International Appeal, and Mission Appeal.

Financial statements for 2021 for St. Mary/St. Patrick Catholic Church will be mailed upon request. To request yours, email secretary@stmarystpatrick.org or contact the parish office at, 815-248-2490. Thank you.

Are you a singer? Then the St. Mary's Adult Choir needs you. The choir sings for the 10:30 a.m. Mass during the school year, and for the 4:30 a.m. Mass in summer. Practices are usually on Wednesday. Please contact the office to sign up.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 22-Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children
4:30 p.m. (SP) +Merlin & Joyce Germain
And Family

Sunday, January 23-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. (SM) +Florence Walsh
10:30 a.m. (SM) The People of the Parish

Monday, January 24-St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church
7:30 a.m. Holy Communion Service

Tuesday, January 25-Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle
7:30 a.m. +Benedicto A. Jimenez

Wednesday, January 26-Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
7:30 a.m. +Larry Pelter

Thursday, January 27-Saints Angela Merici, Virgin and
Religious Founder
7:30 a.m. +Andrew Joseph Helwig

Friday, January 28-St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious
And Doctor of the Church
7:30 p.m. +Jim & Jean Brogan

Saturday, January 29-
4:30 p.m. SP +Loretto & Augusto Azul
& Ben Hur

Sunday, January 30-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. SM +Wava Jean Meissen
10:30 a.m. SM The People of the Parish

“+” denotes a Mass intention for the deceased.

Mass intentions can also be for the living.

(SM) St. Mary Church, Durand

(SP) St. Patrick Church, Davis/Irish Grove

MEMORIAL CANDLE INTENTIONS



Lighting candles is an ancient practice we continue today to signify our hope and prayers we offer for a particular intention. The intended person could be living or deceased. We have two special ways of burning candles for the sake of prayer. Seven-day candles burn before the Tabernacle and the Icon of The Blessed Virgin Mary inside of St. Mary Church. These candles are available to be lighted for your intention and will burn for one week. While we do ask for a donation of \$10 this cost should not be a prohibiting factor.

Mary Icon Candle

Tabernacle Candle

TABERNACLE FLORAL MEMORIALS



Floral memorials dedicating the two bouquets on either side of the Tabernacle at St. Mary Church are available for loved ones—living and deceased or for special intentions such as holidays, anniversaries or other special events.

A donation of \$15 per vase will help offset the cost of these flowers and enable you to have a beautiful floral tribute for one week. Please call the parish office at 815-248-2490, to schedule.

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