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Weekend Masses

Saturday.....4:00 pm
 Sunday9:00 am

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday & Friday ..8:00 am

Office Hours

Monday—Wednesday.....
8:00 am—12:00 pm
 Thursday.....12:00 pm—3:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday—after 8:00 am Mass to 9:00 am
 1st Friday—after 8:00 am Mass until 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday.....11:00 am
 And by appointment

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage, or RCIA

Contact the parish office to make arrangements.



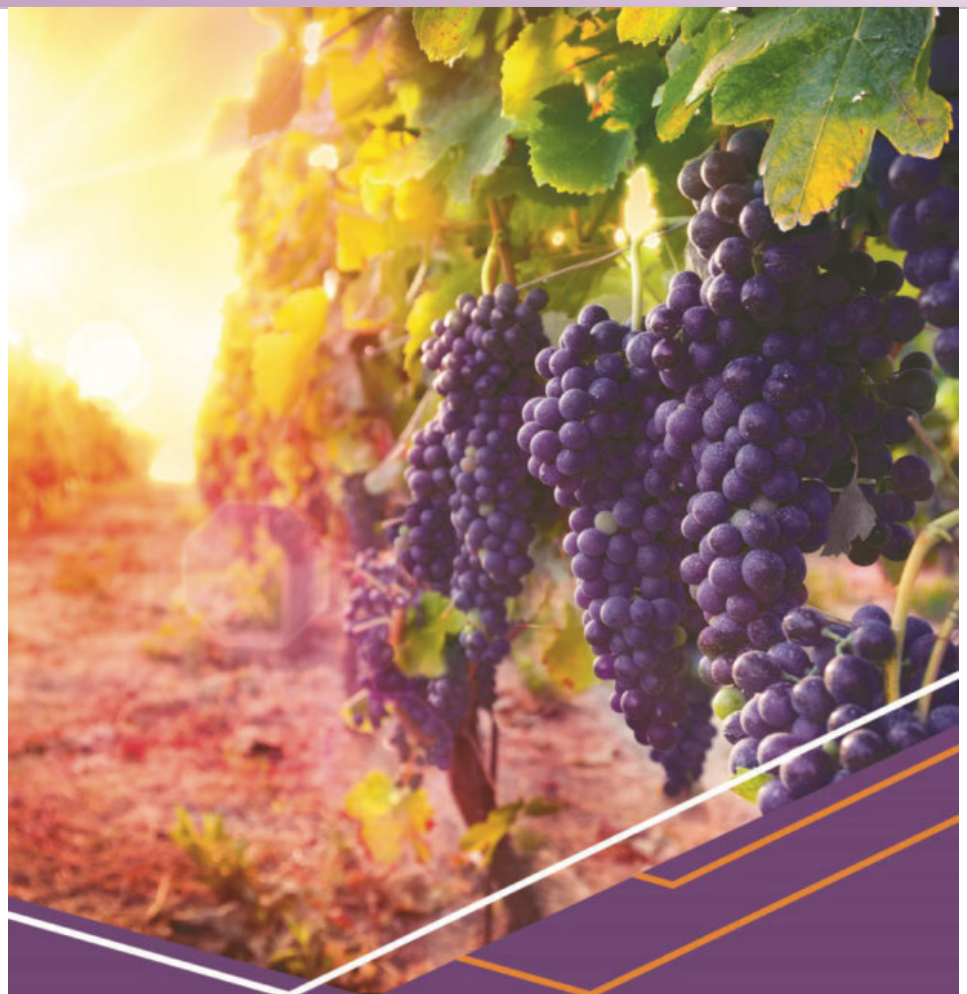
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 28, 2024

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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.” - Jn 15:1-2

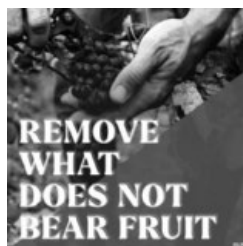
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5th Sunday of Easter

My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, "Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you."



I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week's Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, "**He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit**" (John 15:2) I don't mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I'd wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God's love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn't it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it's not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ's body. Jesus' rising is the brand-new growth. It is God's promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth.

—Father John Muir

Parish Support

Contributions from the week of **April 14**

General Fund:	\$3,159.00
Capital Improvement:	\$1,055.00
Church Maintenance:	\$25.00
Education Endowment:	\$30.00
Shelter Meal—Holy Thursday:	\$326.00
Holy Land—Good Friday:	\$2,119.76



THANK YOU for supporting YOUR Parish; every contribution helps, no matter the amount!

The good steward lives the advice of St. John, loving in deed and in truth, rather than just talking about it.



Sanctuary Candle Sponsorship

April 28th—May 4th

† Jerry Nick

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. You may honor your loved one by sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp on the week of your choosing.

For more information, please contact Anastasia at the Church office—(920) 437-1979.

Lost and Found

There are a number of items in the lost and found in the parish office. Please call or stop in to identify and claim your lost item(s).

Gold Chain	Sunglasses
Hair Scrunchie	Button
Baseball Cap	
Earrings—1 pair and 1 individual	

Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul.

— Santa Teresa de Jesús

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 29

8:00 am † Carol Johanski
† Jim Lawniczak

Tuesday, April 30

8:00 am † Glenda Marting

Wednesday, May 1

NO MASS

Thursday, May 2

NO MASS

Friday, May 3

8:00 am † Ron Gay

Saturday, May 4

4:00 pm † Arland Klimek

Sunday, May 5

9:00 am For All Our Parishioners
Living & Deceased

† deceased ♥ Intention of • In honor of

Scrip News

Many Thanks to the **15** people who purchased **\$4215** worth of Scrip from April 8th to April 14th, giving the Parish **\$204.28** in profit.

This Week in the Parish

Thursday, May 2

6:00 pm Adult Education
Mystagogy

Friday, May 3

8:00 am Mass—Parish Book of
Healing
in the Chapel

First Friday—

Eucharistic Adoration
begins immediately after
Mass. Please plan to
come and spend some
time with Our Lord.



Sunday, May 5

10:00 am Donut Sunday

God, please give me the strength to make it through this day. I don't know what You're up to or what is going to happen, but you do. Please help me trust in You in all things, even when the road isn't easy or clear.

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of April 28, 2024

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

April Intentions of the Pope and the Bishop

Pope Francis' Intention

FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

Bishop Ricken's Intention

FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD: May young men and women of our Diocese have the courage to discern a life of priesthood or religious life and find support in their families, friends, and parish communities.

A pure soul is like a fine pearl. As long as it is hidden in the shell, at the bottom of the sea, no one thinks of admiring it. But if you bring it into the sunshine, this pearl will shine and attract all eyes. Thus the pure soul, which is hidden from the eyes of the world, will one day shine before the Angels in the sunshine of eternity.

-- Saint John Vianney

This Week's Birthdays— 75 or more years young

Lucille Enz (5/1)
Shirley Schantz (5/1)
John Enstrom (5/1)
Katherine Rogers (5/5)



PARISH TRUSTEE AND COUNCIL POSITIONS

Mick Gleason's two-year term as **PARISH TRUSTEE** will expire on June 30, 2024. Thank You Mick for your service. The Parish will have to **ELECT** a Trustee to replace Mick. The election will be held the **weekend of JUNE 1st and 2nd**. If you are interested in this position, see Deacon Paul AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

We are also in need of **THREE NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS** for the next fiscal year (July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025). Those positions are filled by selection by the Parish council. Please prayerfully consider helping the Parish by nominating yourself or a Parishioner that you may know to serve in this important position.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Parishioner Tom Truckey who recently completed the Leadership program through the Diocese of Green Bay. Tom will be commissioned as a Parish Leader on **May 2nd** at the Cathedral by Bishop Ricken. Our Parish will be giving Tom a special blessing at the Saturday 4:00 pm Mass on **May 4th** recognizing this accomplishment. Tom is currently serving as our Parish Council President.

There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate The Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be.

— Fulton J. Sheen

Attention All Veterans

Tuesday, May 7

Plant, Center for Veterans Issues at St. Mary's Veterans garden from 10:00 –11:00 am

Every Tuesday, beginning May 14

We will care for the garden from 10:00—11:00 am

Saturday, May 11

Center for Veterans Issues Mother's Day Celebration in St. Clare Hall from 1:00-3:30 pm. We will have lunch & Bingo. Please RSVP to Theresa at 920-562-9973. Deadline is **May 8th**.

Community News

Children's Story Hour at Cathedral Book & Gift

The next story hour will take place on **Saturday, May 4th** starting at 11:00 am at Cathedral Book and Gift Store, 131 S. Madison St., GB. Father Adam Bradley will be reading The Seed Who Was Afraid to be Planted.

A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God.

St. Faustina

Reporting Sexual Abuse

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is **now under the age of 18** by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, **PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.**

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, please contact:

Office of Safe Environment
Diocese of Green Bay
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We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities.

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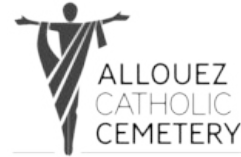
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Friday - Saturday
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