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MASS SCHEDULE
Daily Mass - Tuesday–Friday 8:00 am
Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday - 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm and
by appointment.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesdays from 8:30 am to 10:00 pm
in the chapel.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
The 3rd Saturday of the month after the
5:00 pm Mass.
I think it’s important to reflect upon the question, “what is faith?”

We heard one answer in last weekend’s Second Reading from Hebrews 11:1: “Faith is the realization of what it is hoped for, and evidence of things not seen.” The reading then goes on to give Abraham as an example of faith.

Faith is what opens up the possibility of true human greatness. St. Therese of Lisieux said, “Instead of restricting hearts, as the world fancies, faith uplifts them and enlarges their capacity to love, to love with an almost infinite love, since it will continue unbroken beyond our mortal life.” Faith expands our soul— but it is like a muscle that needs to be exercised in order to grow! There’s no shortage of moments in life to exercise our faith. We do that, like Abraham, every time we say yes to follow God when we can’t see the way ahead that we can say with St. Paul, “I walk by faith, not by sight.”

Faith is the realization of what it is hoped for, and evidence of things not seen. It is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Abraham didn’t always know the way forward. When God told him to pack up his family and move to a distant land, he had no idea what that might mean. Yet he trusted in God’s plan even when he couldn’t figure it all out.

I often equate faith with a lived trust in God. Faith is not just an intellectual idea, but rather a trust in God’s goodness, guidance, and love, especially when times are difficult. It’s when we can’t see the way ahead that we can say with St. Paul, “I walk by faith, not by sight.”

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In the wake of so much senseless violence and killing in our country, we need people of faith more than ever. Faith allows us to see that God is present in every moment and in every person. Faith helps us realize that each person is made in God’s own image and likeness, and therefore obliges us to cherish and respect all human life.

From the Pastor

Fr. Dan Janasik

“Magnificat”

This past Thursday we celebrated the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and within the Gospel reading that day we hear her Magnificat, a song of hope and joy in the Christ child she carries that has been adapted into many different hymns we sing today. Upon arriving at her cousin Elizabeth’s house, Mary is embraced and hailed as the “Mother of the Lord”. She is immediately caught up in Elizabeth’s joy and responds with the hymn that has become known as the Magnificat, meaning “magnifies”, taken from the first word of the Latin translation, “My soul magnifies the Lord...” In this canticle, Mary recognizes the great things God has done in her life and recognizes his tendency to choose the small and unassuming to do his greatest work: “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: The Almighty has one great things for me, and holy is his Name!” The words of the Magnificat should dispel any notion we might hold of Mary as a reserved, diffident figure! This week, may her words inspire us to proclaim the goodness of the Gospel of Christ with the same humility and joy in our hearts!

Bryan Staedler, Director of Music
Ebed-造船主 or drown during the next rain. An
or of King Zedekiah. The people heard
in the city. Then the king commanded
in the royal court, Jeremiah was the leading
tricity in the matter. But he, like us,
cannot free himself from responsibility
by declining to act when it is his duty to
interfere and prevent a wrong from
being done. It is the nameless Gentle
slave (Ebed-melech simply means “slave
of the king”) who stands out as faithful.
Although his immigration status and
racial difference made him a helpless
worker, the Ethiopian was a good man.
His faithfulness to God led him to stand
up to injustice and as a result, a life was
saved. An anonymous cog in the wheel
made a life-and-death difference. His
action on the prophet’s behalf illustrated
Jeremiah’s message that faithfulness to
God outweighs all other considerations.
Ebed-Melech could not know in advance
whether the king would act justly, or
whether going outside the chain of
command would be a career-limiting
move (or a life-ending move, given what
happened to Jeremiah). It appears that
he trusted God to provide for him,
however, the king might respond.

Personally, Jeremiah was in greater
danger from his fellow citizens than
from the invaders. To provoke the anger
of the people among whom he lived by
seemingly favoring the plans of their
enemies requires strong moral courage.
However, his patriotism was certain to
be taken for treachery, and his wisdom
for cowardice. He stood alone with his
unpopular advice, sure that it would not
be followed, sure that his motives would
be misunderstood, and his character
smeared. So, as we reflect on this reading
this weekend, may we be like
Ebed-melech, taking a risk of faith and
advancing God’s way for our lives.

The action of the princes was cruel,
and their mistake was being so wedded
to their policy as never to consider the
advice of Jeremiah having any weight
and wisdom. The change in the king’s
decision most likely showed a simple
apathy in the matter. But he, like us,

*Please help us keep our prayer list current by calling the parish office.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 23-26......Family Packet Pickup
Aug 26........School Meet & Greet
Aug 27..........First Day of School
September 1.......Hospitality Sunday
September 7.....Christian Formation Registration
September 7-8—....Men’s Ministry Witness Talks
September 8........KC Pancake Breakfast
September 14/15.....SVDP Bundle Sunday

Download our parish app
www.myparishapp.com. Contact Kathleen in the parish office for assistance or questions.

FREE CEMENT BLOCKS!
If anyone has a use for cement blocks for a household project we have a stack of them, painted white, next to the parish office garage. They were a part of the environment closet that is being modified for the new confessional entrances. Call the parish office with questions.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION FOR MARRIED COUPLES– Join the Office for Marriage & Family Life in celebrating your silver or golden wedding anniversary! The annual Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration is Saturday, October 5, 2019, at 10 am at Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 3501 S Lake Dr., St. Francis, 53235. This Mass honors those married in 1994 or 1969, celebrating their 25th (silver) or 50th (golden) wedding anniversaries. Couples married over 50 years are also welcome to attend this celebration. A reception will follow the Liturgy. Cost is $40 per couple. Visit www.johnpaul2center.org/marriageministry or Call 414-758-2201.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY SERIES – FALL 2019
LESSONS FROM LITTLE KNOWN WOMEN IN THE BIBLE
Starting Wednesday October 2, 2019
Mornings: 9:30 – 11 AM
Evenings: 6:30 – 8 PM

The exact number of named and unnamed women in the Bible is somewhat uncertain with estimates between 175 and 190 women named (representing only 5.5 to 8 percent of all named characters, male and female) and many more mentioned without names. They are sometimes portrayed as men’s equals and other times as men’s subordinates leaving the common, ordinary, everyday Hebrew woman as "largely unseen" in the Bible. Some were saints, some were scoundrels. A few were queens, but most were commoners. This fall, we will look at some of the lesser known but not less important, fascinating women who impacted not only the nation of Israel but salvation history as well. RSVP to Bridget in the Parish Office by Monday, September 23rd.
Cost $10 to cover handout materials.

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE
Due to the Labor Day holiday, any articles for the September 8 bulletin are due in the parish office no later than Thursday, August 29. Thank you for your cooperation!

GROWING WITH GOD UPDATE

Thanks for helping eliminate our construction loan!

GWG contributions week of Aug! 11, 2019..............$4,045
Weekly GWG contributions needed to pay off loan by March 2022..............................................$4,000

“We’re very grateful that the Archdiocese of Milwaukee suggested we make the Gathering Space larger than the parish originally planned. It’s worked out perfectly!”
Bill and Carole Klovais Parishioners since 1979
Bill has been a parish trustee since 1989

PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS MADE $1.2 MILLION LOAN

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**Focus: Adult Confirmation**

Were you baptized Catholic, but never confirmed? Might you be asked to be a godparent, but you are not confirmed? Adult Confirmation is an opportunity for active Catholics to complete this sacrament. You are never too old! Everyone is at a different place in their lives, so our individualized approach may work well for you this fall. Please contact Bridget in the parish office at 262-679-1773, ext 13, or at klawitterb@archmil.org for more information.

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4:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym
8:00 pm Centering Prayer– Chapel

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2019
4:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym
6:30 pm Stewardship Committee Mtg.– Sacrament Rm
7:00 pm Finance Council– Board Rm

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2019
6:30 am Early Risers Scripture Study– Fireplace Rm
4:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019
8:00 am CPR Class– GS, Fireplace Rm
9:00 am Centering Prayer– Chapel
4:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2019
12:00 pm School Parent Packet Setup– All Saints
4:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym
5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal– Church
6:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal– Church

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2019
8:00 am Volleyball Practice– Gym
5:30 pm School Family Packet Pickup– All Saints

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019
8:00 am (AFTER ALL MASSES) School Family Packet Pickup– All Saints
9:00 am Little Leos Nursery– Little Leos Rm
12:00 pm Volleyball Practice– Gym

SCRIP sold after all Masses in the Gathering Space

NEW PARISHIONERS

SLIWINSKI family, Jeff & Jessica;
Adela, Henry and Calla;
LABODDA family, Mike and Jessica;
Lola and Libby
WOJCIEHOWSKI family, Dane and Lauren, Sophia;
JANUSZ family, Joe and Destiny; Daniel, Ruby and Bridgette

CANDY DONATIONS (no chocolate please) are needed for St. Leonard Parish and School to pass out at the upcoming Muskego Community Fest Parade on August 25th, 2019. Thank you! We invite anyone who can to walk with us that day. We meet around 11 AM at Jerome Drugs. Wear spirit wear, school colors, or go with the parade theme this year, which Muskego has set at “100% Americanism.” Bring water with you if it is a hot day. Thank you for your donation!! There will be a bin in the Gathering Space to place the candy into or drop off at the parish office.

TEMPORARY CONFESSIONALS:
Weekly 3:30 pm confessions will be heard in the Board Room in the Parish Center.
Please enter the main doors as if you were going to the church. The Board Room is the last room on the right down the hallway just past the Gathering Space bathrooms. Signs will point the way, and chairs will be provided for those waiting.
Volunteers are remodeling our church confessional.

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