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### **BULLETIN EMAIL:**

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### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturday—4:00 PM Sunday—8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

### Pax Christi Adoration Chapel Hours:

Sundays—11:00 AM until 11:00 PM Wednesdays—7:00 AM until 11:00 PM

### **PHONE:**

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**Christmas Cantata** After a two year hiatus, the St. Mary's music ministry will once again perform a Christmas Cantata. It will be performed on Sunday, December 11 following the 10:00am liturgy. There will be about 7 practices before then, most will occur on Sunday mornings following the 8:00am liturgy. Some Sunday evening practices may take place as well. If someone who did not participate in the 2019 cantata would like to join in, please contact the rectory and provide them with your name, phone number and email address and so a copy of the music can be ordered for you ahead of the first practice on September 25. Because we'll be performing the same cantata that we did in 2019, anyone who sang then will already have the music and will just need to show up with the music in hand.



Elizabeth Studinskí and Joshua Koltonskí September 17, 2022.



Steve Jilk and Pam Smith September 23, 2022.



Bailey Seubert and Lane Tessmer September 24, 2022.



We would like to welcome the following families who recently joined the parish:

Dylan and Amalia Willemssen and Alex and Dana Blume



Congratulations goes out to Thomas and Andrea Franke who recently had their child Miles Scott baptized.

# St. Mary's Charcoal Chicken Dinner

### September 25



Dinner is 11:00—1:00pm held in St. Mary's School. Chicken dinner with all the trimmings, and homemade pies!

Carry-outs available.
Adults: \$12.00, Students: \$7.00 Pre-School
Children free when dining in.

Sponsored by the men of the parish.

- **\*Pies** are needed for the chicken dinner. They can be dropped off at school before the Masses the weekend of the chicken dinner.
- **\*\*Help Needed:** Men, as well as youth in grades 7 and older, are needed to help with the chicken dinner (new helpers always appreciated).

If you can help even if it's just for clean up, please contact Butch Knauf: 715-443-2627 or 715-370-5869.

\*FYI—The **Country Store** has been discontinued.

# Parish Stewardship for August 21, 2022

Average amount needed in weekly stewardship envelopes...... \$13,300.00

Adults Env. & Online	\$ 6,792.29
Students	\$ 48.00
Plate	\$ 1,139.15
Automatic Direct Donation avg	\$ <u>1,930.26</u>
Total for the week	\$ 9,909.70

### Week at a Glance

Wed., Sept. 7 ......GSRE 5:45pm Mon., Sept. 7 ...Communal Rosary 7:00pm

# Happy Anniversary

Congratulations to the following couples who celebrated a special wedding anniversary in the month of August.

Marvin & Beverly Blume	65yrs
Jerome & Lois Koppa	55yrs
Bob & Joan Plant	50yrs
Patrick & Annette Krautkramer	40yrs
Ronald & Nancy Beilke	35yrs
Dale & Connie Frieders	25yrs
Michelle & Cory Scheiderer	20yrs
Joel & Shannon Berens	15yrs
Luke & Kristin Jacobson	15yrs

Congratulations to the following couples who will be celebrating a special wedding anniversary in the month of September.

Frank & Myrna Gassner	60yrs
Terry & Charlene Hoffer	60yrs
Larry & Theresa Berres	55yrs
Brian & Judith Carr	40yrs
Jack & Lisa Sondergard	35yrs
Mark & Jenny Nowak	20yrs
Daniel & Theresa Borchardt	15yrs
Nathan & Hilary Hummer	15yrs
Wesley & Tia Napieralla	10yrs
Theodore & Kathry Wagner	10yrs
Eric & Ashley Deaver	10yrs

# August Gelated Birthday Special birthday wishes go out to: Charlotte Seubert 95yrs Happy Birthday!

### Spiritual Adoption Program Month 8

Thank you for praying for me. I am 8 months old now. I've got long fingernails and I'm busy getting ready for my birthday. I can't wait to see my Mom and Dad. Thanks to you and your prayers, I'll see them soon.

#### A reminder:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Prayer by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



Join the second annual March for Life Wisconsin on Saturday, September 24, 2022,

from 1:30 - 3:30pm at the State Capitol. Hear from inspirational pro-life leaders, march, and pray for an end to all abortion. Pro-Life Wisconsin will once again provide buses from various Wisconsin cities for \$30/rider. Registration is not necessary if you are securing your own transportation. Whether riding the bus or driving yourself, please bring a pack of diapers to be donated to local pregnancy resource centers. For more information, visit: ProLifeWI.org/marchforlife.

# Parish Stewardship for August 28, 2022

Average amount needed in weekly stewardship envelopes ......\$13,300.00

Adults Env. & Online	\$ 8,140.00
Students	\$ 27.38
Plate	\$ 1,008.94
Automatic Direct Donation avg	\$ <u>1,930.26</u>
Total for the week	\$ 11,106.58

### **Our Mission and Identity**

Our parish, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, grows only in Christ and through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Flowing from these gifts, we dedicate ourselves to live and proclaim the Gospel message of Christ's love. To live Christ's love may at times be difficult. Nevertheless, it is our goal.

We are called to reach out to our parish family, to the needs of the local community, the diocesan Church, the universal Church, and to the global community. We do this by being attentive to the voice of God found in the Sacred Scriptures, in the Sacred Tradition of our Catholic faith, and through an informed conscience which we try to cultivate.

In light of our baptism, we try to be Christ centered in every aspect of our faith life.

### **Contact Information**

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	and Bulletin Editor
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### **Pax Christi Adoration Chapel**

The Adoration Chapel can ONLY be described as a wonderful gift. It is the gift of being close to the presence of the Lord Jesus as we contemplate His love for us.

During the Holy Mass, the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. During times of Adoration when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, we see the consecrated bread and the consecrated wine which have truly become the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. In one sense, this is a miracle in our midst – that Jesus would come to us in this way. But often that is the way of the Lord – a silent and unobtrusive way. He comes to us in silence, remains within us and invites us to carry Him into the world around us. None of us can ever fully understand how this occurs, but we do know why it occurs. It happens because God loves us and loves this world so deeply. He wants to remain with us and we with Him.

If you are willing to give the Lord even a bit of your time by adoring Him in the Blessed Sacrament, you will find these words to take on new meaning:

Come in faith, Remain in hope, go out in love.

The effects of adoration: Here is a comment from one of our parishioners who has a weekly hour of adoration. "In the past, I never had a personal relationship with Jesus. I knew of him, I knew about him, but I didn't know him. I didn't really love Jesus because you can't love someone you don't know. The first time I went to adoration, I was bored out of my mind and spent most of the time looking at my watch. During my second visit, I didn't pray at all. The third time, however, I was at a low point. Adoration has improved every aspect of my life. I'm no longer in a state of constant worry about situations I have no control over. I don't know what the future holds, but I find great comfort in knowing the One who does."

\*Currently the Adoration Chapel is open on Sundays and Wednesdays.

### **SACRAMENTS and SPIRITUAL LIFE**

#### **Weekend Mass**

Saturday at 4:00PM

Sunday at 8:00AM and 10:00AM

### Weekdays

Holy Mass is offered most days. A Communion Service is scheduled at 8:00AM on weekdays when the Mass is not celebrated.

### **Baptism**

Preparation classes will be held each month in the church meeting room. Pre-registration is required by calling the parish office.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday mornings after the 8:00am Mass or anytime by request.

### **Marriage**

Couples desiring marriage should contact the pastor at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

Anytime by request.

- •Regular visits are made to the hospital. Families may notify the parish office when a parishioner is hospitalized.
- •If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please call the Religious Education Office.
- •If you are interested in the religious life, the diaconate, the priesthood or lay ministry, please contact the pastor for further information.
- •All adults (anyone beyond high school age) living within the parish and regularly participating in the liturgy may register as parishioners. To register, please contact the pastor.







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