

# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

March 27, 2022 Monthly

## Connections



Father Carl Schmitt  
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### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

4:30 PM SAT. KIMBERLY CHURCH  
7:30 AM SUN. DARBOY CHURCH & LIVE STREAMED  
9:30 AM SUN. KIMBERLY CHURCH

Connect with us!

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I WILL  
BUILD  
MY LIFE  
UPON  
HIS  
LOVE

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" -Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a*

### Posted to Pope Francis' Twitter on March 16, 2022:

Forgive us for war, O Lord.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners!  
Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv,  
have mercy on us!  
Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in  
Kharkiv, have mercy on us!  
Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy  
on us!  
Lord Jesus, who still behold armed hands in the shadow of  
your Cross, have mercy on us!  
Forgive us, O Lord.  
Forgive us, if we are not satisfied with the nails with which  
we crucified Your hands, as we continue to slate our thirst  
with the blood of those mauled by weapons.  
Forgive us, if these hands which You created to tend have  
been transformed into instruments of death.  
Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother;  
Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of  
our fields to kill Abel.  
Forgive us, if we continue to justify our cruelty with our  
labors, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our  
pain.  
Forgive us for war, O Lord. Forgive us for war, O Lord.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You! Hold fast the  
hand of Cain!  
Illumine our consciences; may our will not be done;  
Abandon us not to our own actions! Stop us, O Lord, stop us!  
And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for  
him. He is our brother.  
O Lord, put a halt to the violence! Stop us, O Lord!  
Amen.

#PrayTogether #Ukraine



Franciscans

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH Lent Countdown

What could you and your family do to serve God and your community with 19 days left of Lent?

In 19 seconds, you could . . .  
Hold the door open or offer put away a shopping cart.

In 19 minutes, you could . . .  
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday or Saturday.

With \$19, you could . . .  
Donate your change to Change for Change.

### PARISH OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT

#### Safety Issue at Kimberly Church and 4K Center

Holy Spirit Parish and the 4K Center for Literacy have identified an issue of cars driving behind the Kimberly Church and through the playground area while students are present and in the evenings. Last week, there were tire marks in the mud by the sidewalk leading to the road.

Cones have now been added to deter people from driving through that area. Please help us ensure the safety of students and adults by keeping all vehicles in the street and designated parking lots, and following the correct parking lot flow - day and night. Thank you.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR: Your Holy Happenings

The parish calendar is online at: [www.holyspirit-parish.org](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org)

**SUNDAY**  
MARCH 27  
\*NO\* Private Prayer  
\$CRIP SOLD:  
DC/KC: Preordered \$scrip available after Mass  
7:30 am Mass - DC (live streaming) - In memory of Cliff & Joan Sanderfoot  
9:30 am Mass - KC - In memory of Shirley Kabat

**MONDAY**  
MARCH 28  
7:55 am Rosary - KC  
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC  
8:15 am Morning Prayer - KC

**TUESDAY**  
MARCH 29  
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC  
5:10 pm Rosary - DC  
5:30 pm Mass - DC (live streaming) - In memory of Dennis Dietzen  
6:00 pm Light is On - DC

**WEDNESDAY**  
MARCH 30  
**Faith Formation**  
7:40 am Rosary - DC  
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC  
8:15 am Mass - DC (live streaming) - In memory of Flave Nagel  
9:00 am Mission Ladies (Quilters) - PCC  
8:00 pm Chazoo Warriors

**THURSDAY**  
MARCH 31  
\$CRIP SOLD:  
DS: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
7:55 am Rosary - DC  
8:00 am - 9:00 am Private Prayer - KC  
8:15 am Mass - DC (live streaming) - For the members of Holy Spirit Parish  
9:30 am Thursday Morning Study Group - PCC  
7:00 pm Better Together Marriage Enrichment - PC

**FRIDAY**  
APRIL 1  
7:55 am Rosary - DC  
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC  
8:15 am Mass - DC (live streaming) - In memory of Joan Mauthe  
9:00 am First Friday Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Hour - DC

**SATURDAY**  
APRIL 2  
\$CRIP SOLD:  
DS: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
KC: Preordered \$scrip available after Mass  
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC  
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm Confession - KC  
4:30 pm Mass - KC - For the members of Holy Spirit Parish

**SUNDAY**  
APRIL 3  
\*NO\* Private Prayer  
\$CRIP SOLD: DC/KC: Preordered \$scrip available after Mass  
7:30 am Mass (live streaming) - DC - For the members of Holy Spirit Parish  
9:30 am Mass - KC - In memory of Paul & Donna Uitenbroek

**March 20 - April 2**  
**The Sanctuary Light in Darboy is lit in memory of**  
**Dennis Dietzen**



DC=DARBOY CHURCH  
DS=DARBOY SCHOOL  
DSG=DARBOY SCHOOL GYM

DSL=DARBOY SCHOOL LIBRARY  
KC=KIMBERLY CHURCH  
KS=KIMBERLY SCHOOL

PC=PARISH CENTER  
PCL=PARISH CENTER LIBRARY  
PCC=PARISH CENTER CONF ROOM

4KC=4K LEARNING CENTER, KIMB  
4KG=4K LEARNING CTR GYM, KIMB

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish Center, 620 E. Kimberly Ave., Kimberly WI 54136**  
Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-12 pm  
920-788-7640 Email: [info@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:info@holyspirit-parish.org)  
[www.holyspirit-parish.org](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org)  
[facebook.com/HolySpiritCatholicParish](https://www.facebook.com/HolySpiritCatholicParish)

**Faith Formation** 920-788-7640  
Website: [www.holyspirit-parish.org/faith-formation](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org/faith-formation)

**Youth Ministry** 920-450-6440 [www.holyspirit-parish.org/youth-ministry](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org/youth-ministry)

**Child & Family Ministry** Leah Ackley 920-788-7640 or email: [AckleyL@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:AckleyL@holyspirit-parish.org)

**Holy Spirit School, W2796 Cty Rd KK, Appleton WI 54915**  
Phone: 920-733-2651 FAX: 920-733-5440 [www.holyspiritknights.org](http://www.holyspiritknights.org)  
Email school staff: [firstname.lastname@holyspiritknights.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@holyspiritknights.org)

**New Parishioners:** We are eager to welcome new members!  
Registration is available online at [www.holyspirit-parish.org](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org) or call Leah at the Parish Center for more information.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3:30 - 4:00 pm, Kimberly Church (in the Ushers' room off the gathering space) or by appointment with Sara.

**Baptism:** Registration forms and information are available online at [www.holyspirit-parish.org](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org). We encourage parents to begin preparation three months prior to the baby's arrival.

**Marriage:** Couples, we ask that you begin preparation at least 6 months in advance. Call Sara at the Parish Center for information.

**Home & Hospital Visits:** Call Leah at the Parish Center if a member of your family is in the hospital, a health care facility, or homebound and you would like them to receive a visit or be anointed.

**Prayer Requests:** Call 788-7640 and ask for the Prayer Request line, or email: [prayerchain@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:prayerchain@holyspirit-parish.org)

**Connections Bulletin:** We welcome your photos, Parish news, and other info. Submission requests are due Monday at 10 am before the weekend you want publication. Facebook and website requests can also be made. Call the Parish Center or email [info@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:info@holyspirit-parish.org).



## SERVANT LEADERS AT HOLY SPIRIT PARISH



Father Carl Schmitt  
*Pastor*



Deacon C.F. Dedman  
*Deacon*



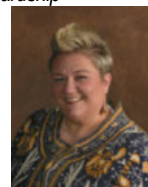
Patty Vande Voort  
*Administrator of Business & Stewardship*



Mike Zuleger  
*School Administrator*



Margaret Franz  
*Liturgical Ministry Coordinator*



Leah Ackley  
*Director of Child and Family Ministry & Director of Pastoral Care*



Sarah Elmer  
*Director of Youth Ministry*

### Mission

With gratitude, we reach out with loving compassion by serving, guiding, and celebrating sacraments and giving witness to the Kingdom of God.

### Vision

Holy Spirit Catholic community strives to be an inclusive and faith filled people, proclaiming to the world that God is deeply in love with all.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022**

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54  
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16  
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30  
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47  
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10,  
25-30  
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

**SUNDAY SUPPER**

The next upcoming meal is Sunday, April 10, in the Darboy School gym. This meal will be dine in only.



**CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: CONGRATS!**

A complete list of winners can also be found on our website under **Parish Info**. Winners will receive their checks via mail within 2 weeks of winning.

March 16	\$20	Norm & Karen Sutter
March 17	\$20	Lori Linzmeier
March 18	\$20	Mark Simon
March 19	\$20	Lynn Michalko
March 20	\$40	Karla Stark
March 21	\$20	Beth Buchholz
March 22	\$20	Peterson Plumbing/Kelly Peterson

**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  
920-272-8174  
or 1-877-270-8174 (toll free)

We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities.

**YOU MATTER TO US – THERE IS HOPE!**



**BUSINESS OFFICE NEWS**

Patty Vande Voort, Administrator of Business and Stewardship  
788-7640 or vandevoortp@holyspirit-parish.org



**OUR GIFTS OF LOVE — MARCH 19/20**

Sacrificial Giving Envelopes	\$	5,443.00
EFT/Bill Pay/PayPal	\$	22,135.33
Loose	\$	836.00
<b>Total Sacrificial Giving</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,414.33</b>
Budgeted	\$	20,026.00



*Tithings can be dropped in the basket during Mass, dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office, submitted through PayPal, or scheduled with EFT or Bill Pay.*

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

**The Light is On**  
TUESDAYS DURING LENT  
MARCH 8 - APRIL 5  
DARBOY CHURCH

5:30 PM - MASS  
6:00 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
6:30 PM - HOLY HOUR WITH RECONCILIATION

**Penance Service**  
APRIL 7 AT 6:00 PM  
KIMBERLY CHURCH

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

**Columbarium & Memorial Garden**

Holy Angels & Holy Name Cemeteries

Learn more at [www.holyspirit-parish.org/cemetery](http://www.holyspirit-parish.org/cemetery) or pick up a brochure at the Parish Center.

**School Choice WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE** **HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL** **School Choice WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE**

**FREE TUITION**  
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**OFFERING 3K-8TH GRADE 5 DAYS A WEEK!**

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL PARTICIPATES IN THE WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM. THE 2022-2023 APPLICATION PERIOD IS FEB 1- APRIL 21.

**FREE TUITION**

Family Size	Single Parent 2021* Income	Married 2021* Income
2	\$ 38,324	XX
3	\$ 48,312	\$ 55,312
4	\$ 58,300	\$ 65,300
5	\$ 68,288	\$ 75,288
6	\$ 78,276	\$ 85,276
7	\$ 88,264	\$ 95,264
8	\$ 98,252	\$ 105,252
9	\$ 108,240	\$ 115,240
10	\$ 118,228	\$ 125,228

VISIT [WWW.HOLYSPIRITKNIGHTS.ORG](http://WWW.HOLYSPIRITKNIGHTS.ORG)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR CALL 920-733-2651

Our Mission: to serve God by providing a challenging academic education within the Catholic Tradition.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION:  
THE WORLD'S POOR**

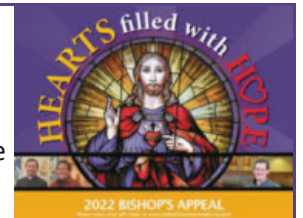


The World's Poor collection provides each of us with an opportunity to change lives for over 1.3 billion people living in poverty in this country and abroad. The four agencies represented in this collection are official church agencies that work to help the poor and displaced. You have a choice to contribute to any one or all.

- Catholic Relief Services
- The Campaign for Human Development
- Peter's Pence
- Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

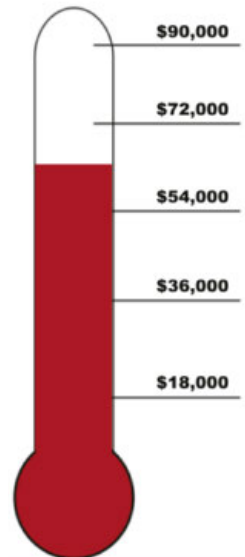
Envelopes can be found at the entrances of both churches and at the Parish Center. If you do not have a collection envelope, simply label your donation as "The World's Poor".

**BISHOP'S APPEAL**



**Welcoming New Catholics**

This Easter Season is a wonderful time to celebrate our faith and the Resurrection of our Lord. For those newly initiated into the Catholic Church, this spring also marks a milestone on their faith journey. With help from parish-directed programs called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), candidates received the resources, support and knowledge needed to take the next step in their journey of faith. The RCIA program begins at the diocesan level, and parishes receive assistance in helping people come into full communion with the Catholic Church. With a gift to the Bishop's Appeal, you help parishes enhance their RCIA programs and welcome future, newly formed Catholics. To make a gift to the Bishop's Appeal, contact your parish, visit the Bishop's Appeal website at [www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give](http://www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give), or call Tammy toll-free at 877-500-3580, ext. 8123.



**Holy Spirit Parish's 2022 Goal: \$93,572**  
**Collected as of March 22:**  
**\$63,028 (296 donors)**

*Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis*

As Ukrainians flee their homes due to the conflict with Russia, our Catholic Relief Services (CRS) partner Caritas Poland assists Ukrainians crossing into Poland for safety.

CRS and Caritas are on the ground across Ukraine and in bordering countries, preparing to provide safe shelter, hot meals, hygiene supplies, fuel to keep warm, transport to safe areas, counseling support and more. If you have questions or want to assist in Ukraine, the best way is through prayer and financial support directly to CRS at: <https://support.crs.org/donate/donate-ukraine>.

Let us ask Our Lady, Queen of Peace, to bring a swift end to the violence. Please continue to pray for peace and the people of Ukraine during our Lenten journey. Blessings to you.

FROM THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FOR THE DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY, INC.

**RIPPLES OF HOPE  
OUTREACH**

**"Change for Change"**

Fill up your first bottle? Feel free to grab another!

Ready to turn in your change? Give your bottle to an usher before or after Mass. Or bring to the parish office during office hours.

Bottles due by May 1.



## LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Margaret Franz, Liturgical Ministry Coordinator  
788-7640 or FranzM@holyspirit-parish.org



### Altar Server Training

In February, Holy Spirit Parish trained 12 new altar servers. The training included lots of learning with Margaret Franz and Deacon CF Dedman, fun (even an escape room!), and food!!



Holy Spirit Parish Financials For The Month Ending February 2022		
	Actual	Budgeted
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Sacrificial Giving	722,600	727,834
Fundraisers/Donations	71,832	53,390
Scrip Donations	16,000	16,000
Investment Earnings-Bank	3,586	1,694
PPP Grant	319,500	-
Bishops Appeal Refund	2,153	-
Other	17,381	11,605
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,153,052</b>	<b>810,523</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Personnel Expenses	423,897	415,954
Purchased Services & Supplies	32,200	30,773
Gas-Parish	14,832	11,277
Electric-Parish	11,278	12,947
General & Office Expenses	43,827	39,948
Interest Expense	1,612	1,612
Assessments - Diocese	24,487	24,487
Educational Subsidy-Xavier/SMCS	15,562	17,655
School Investment	203,161	203,334
FF Investment*	7,102	1,705
YM Investment*	(28,393)	(19,432)
Buildings & Grounds Investment	189,861	168,969
Worship & Spiritual Life Invest	32,644	14,806
Tithing	2,013	3,800
Other	6,508	4,939
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>980,591</b>	<b>932,774</b>
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>172,461</b>	<b>(122,251)</b>
Mortgage Reduction	58,388	58,388
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>114,073</b>	<b>(180,639)</b>

\*Due to changes in recording personnel expenses under the parish financials, these ministries show a negative balance which is also notated in the budgeted figure. This does not indicate that the ministry is at a deficit balance.

Long Term Debt			
	JULY 1, 2021 BALANCE	DEBT PAID TO DATE	FEBRUARY 28, 2022 BALANCE
MORTGAGE	\$81,847	-\$58,388	\$23,459
LINE OF CREDIT	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$81,847</b>	<b>-\$58,388</b>	<b>\$23,459</b>

## PASTORAL CARE MINISTRIES

Leah Ackley, Coordinator of Pastoral Care  
788-7640 or AckleyL@holyspirit-parish.org



### Save the Date!

Our annual Healing Mass will be Thursday, May 19 at 1:30 pm in the Kimberly Church. More details will be shared prior to the event.



# SPARKS OF HOPE

*Prayerful Worship.  
Biblic Speaking. Faith & Fellowship*





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## ADULT EVANGELIZATION

Kristy Kendall, Adult Evangelization Coordinator, 788-7640 or [kendallk@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:kendallk@holyspirit-parish.org)



### Better Together Marriage Enrichment

Join us this Thursday, March 31, from 7:00—8:30 pm in the Parish Center for a fun date night of getting real and chatting about marriage. Our guest speakers are Peter and Dena Lorenzi, who have been married for 31 years.



*Rejoice in Hope, Endure in Affliction, Persevere in Prayer.*  
Romans 12:12

Call or stop in the Parish Office to honor someone living or deceased with Mass Intentions (\$10) or Sanctuary Lights (\$20 for two weeks).

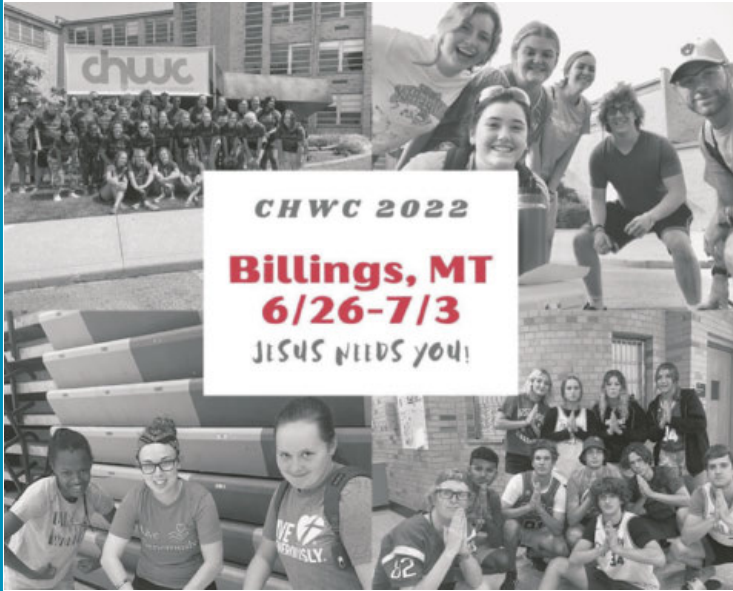
Parish Office: 920-788-7640

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Sarah Elmer, Director of Youth Ministry  
920-450-6440 or [elmers@holyspirit-parish.org](mailto:elmers@holyspirit-parish.org)



### YM High School Nite

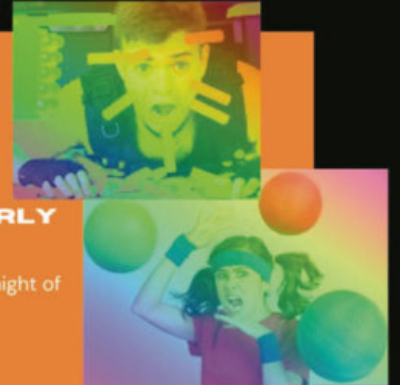


### HIGH SCHOOL NITE

# READY SET GO!

7 PM - 8:30 PM  
FRIDAY, APRIL 1  
HOLY SPIRIT, KIMBERLY  
4K CENTER GYM

- +Get ready for an action packed night of dodgeball and nerf competitions.
- +Feel free to bring your own Nerf Equipment!
- +All are welcome.
- +We will provide a source of food energy.



### CHWC - Open spots!

It is with great joy that we announce we have added a second bus to our CHWC summer mission trip. We are headed to Billings, MT June 26 -July 3, along with 78 campers, young adults and adult leaders. We have two adult leaders spots and 6 youth spots open. For more info, please check out the website: <https://holyspirit-parish.org/chwc>. Funds a problem? Not to us... we have scholarships available so that everyone may experience the joy of being Jesus' hands and feet!

### CHWC - Fundraising

#### Spring Flower Sale (see form)

#### Thrivent Financial Members

Do you or someone you know have an extra "Action Team" as part of your Thrivent Financial benefits? If so, would you consider sponsoring a brat fry in support of our CHWC Missionaries? We will walk you through the whole process... free to you and makes it so that each of our brat fries are almost pure profit! Time well spent for a great cause, please contact Sarah in YM. Thank you.

# Spring Flower Sale

Support our CHWC Missionaries • Memorialize a loved one • Brighten your home

*Mums, Martha Washington Geraniums, Gerbera Daisies, Begonias, and more!*

Flower orders to decorate your home or our Churches for the Easter Season will be accepted until **Monday, March 28th**.

Orders can be returned in the weekend collection, mail, or parish office.  
*Please place in a sealed envelope marked 'CHWC Flower Sale'.*

Checks are preferred over cash. Checks can be made payable to: Holy Spirit Parish.  
Questions: call /text Sarah at 920-450-6440.

*You will receive a coupon for your order, which you can then take to use at Robinson's Florist .*

**Please return no later than Monday, March 28th**

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Camper Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/Zip to mail coupons: \_\_\_\_\_

**\$16.50 -- 6 INCH POT**      QTY. \_\_\_\_\_

5 blooms and wrapped in foil with bow on top

Total Amount Enclosed \$: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your support!*

*If you would like your Easter Flower to be donated to the Church in memory of a loved one, please fill out below.*

*(We will pick-up and deliver to church for you.)*

Donated in Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_





## Filmmaker shares story of Sr. Maria Marciano's mission

BY JEFF KUROWSKI | THE COMPASS

**GREEN BAY** — Filmmaker Paige Grube describes the moment as a “random kismet thing.” A leap of faith would also be an accurate description. In 2017, she received an invitation to make a mission trip to Haiti, but would have to leave in two weeks and would be gone for two weeks. Grube was working as a video producer at a large company at the time. She quit her job to make the trip.

Grube’s interest in Haiti began years earlier when she heard Jim Fitzgerald a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Newton, give a presentation about his mission experiences. Following the talk, Grube gave Fitzgerald her number in hopes of going someday.

“I met with Jim and Sandie (his wife) at their house (in 2017). They told me what to expect,” said Grube. “When I met Sister (Maria Marciano), I thought, ‘This woman is a modern-day Mother Teresa.’ Her presence is unexplainable. She is this strong, passionate woman.”

Sr. Maria, a Dominican sister from Brazil, has worked in the Dominican Republic and Haiti for



SUBMITTED PHOTO | FOR THE COMPASS

**Filmmaker Paige Grube shoots footage of Dominican Sr. Maria Marciano and Haitian men working at a fish farm in February of 2020. Grube’s documentary about Sr. Maria’s mission, “Seeds of Life,” premiered on Jan. 13 in Green Bay.**

30 years, building roads, houses, schools, community centers and water systems, and developing agriculture projects.

“I didn’t bring a camera. I just wanted to experience it all; not go there for any particular reason other than to help,” said Grube. “It’s a lot of physical work, building stuff. I could help, but I didn’t have a lot of knowledge. I thought about how I could contribute. My specialty is filmmaking. I could do a film. I brought it up to Jim. He

said, ‘That’s a great idea. We have to get Sister on board.’”

Sr. Maria agreed to the film. Julie Vargas, a member of St. Joseph Parish, Wautoma, who has served as an interpreter on mission trips, helped Grube develop a plan. Cindi Brawner, senior relationship manager with the Office of Planned Giving for the Diocese of Green Bay, assisted with fundraising.

**Our full story** appears in the Feb. 25 issue.

### FRANKLY, FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today we conclude the cycle of catecheses on the figure of St. Joseph. These catecheses are complementary to the Apostolic Letter *Pateris corde*, written on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as patron of the Catholic Church by Blessed Pius IX. But what does this title mean? What does it mean that St. Joseph is “patron of the church”? I would like to reflect on this today with you.

In this case, too, the Gospels provide us with the most correct key to interpretation. In fact, at the end of every story in which Joseph is the protagonist, the Gospel notes that he takes the Child and his mother with him and does what God has ordered him to do (cf. Mt 1:24; 2:14,21). Thus, the fact that Joseph’s task is to protect Jesus and Mary stands out. He is their principal guardian.

+ Pope Francis, Feb. 16, 2022

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## Holy Family Conservatory Handbell Ensemble performs two concerts

BY SUZANNE WEISS | FOR THE COMPASS

**MANITOWOC** — The Conservatory Handbell Ensemble — also known as the Conservatory Ringers — will perform two public concerts in March, one in Green Bay at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and one in Manitowoc at the Holy Family Conservatory of Music.

The program will include sacred and secular music, including “I Will Lift Mine Eyes Unto the

Hills,” an original piece by Cathy Moklebust; the traditional sacred arrangement of “Peace Like a River;” and “Rondo Exsultate,” an original piece by Doug Wagner.

The Conservatory Handbell Ensemble debuted in 2009 when then-Silver Lake College began offering handbell classes. The Conservatory took it over in 2021 after the college closed.

Holy Family Conservatory of Music, established in 1925 by the Franciscan Sisters

of Christian Charity, has a proud tradition and high standards for music education.

The Conservatory offers beginner group classes for handbells, piano, violin, percussion, ukulele and guitar. Private lessons are offered for piano, violin, viola, harp, guitar, ukulele, percussion, voice and wind instruments. It is located at 6751 Calumet Ave.

**Our full story** appears in the Feb. 25 issue.

# 5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

## About Lent

BY PATRICIA KASTEN | THE COMPASS

- 1 Lent promises "spring." The word "Lent" comes from an Old English word, *lencten*, dating to the 12th century and meaning "springtime." Some sources say this is the oldest English word for "spring."
- 2 The Germanic word, from the Saxon language, is *langtinaz*, for "long days," indicating a spring season of growing daylight. Saxons raided England from the fourth to the eighth centuries.
- 3 The original Greek word for what we now call "Lent" is *tessarakoste*, for "40th."
- 4 The Catholic Encyclopedia notes that *tessarakoste* was developed as an analogy to Pentecost, *pentekoste*, meaning 50th.
- 5 The corresponding word for 40th in Latin to *tessarakoste* is *quadragesima*.



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## Let us move together towards hope

Dear friends and followers of Jesus:

This particular issue provides me with a chance to reach more people with this column. I am so blessed to have this opportunity, and I want to use it to say "thank you" for your perseverance through a very challenging time brought on by the pandemic. I know these last two years have been difficult for all of us. I am thinking especially of those who have lost someone through death. Please count on my sympathies and prayers for the repose of the souls of your loved one.



### BISHOP'S CORNER

Bishop David Ricken

Besides being a difficult period, I hope that this pandemic may also have been a time for deeper reflection on the gift of life and health which we often take for granted. Life is fragile and none of us knows the day or hour we will be called from this life. May we take each day we are given as a blessing from God!

Let us also give thanks for all our health care workers who have sacrificed tirelessly

to protect, heal and walk with people in their final moments of life. They are truly acting as the hands and feet of Jesus when they do so.

I also hope that these last two years have given you the opportunity to be more aware of the blessings you have. So often, with the pace of life and all the things competing for your time and attention, it is difficult to see the blessings that are before us. Sometimes it takes a challenging situation that forces us to slow down and be more aware, to truly recognize how God has answered our prayers in many ways, big and small. I hope that in these last two years, you have received the grace to be aware of and grateful for the many blessings of God.

Next week, the season of Lent begins. The words of the first reading on Ash Wednesday call us back to God: "Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart." This is not the command of a stern taskmaster, but the gentle reminder of a loving father. God knows how difficult these last two years have been, and he wants you to come to him and let yourself be embraced by his love. God doesn't want you to live in fear, but to live in hope, trusting in his love and his goodness.

Read the entire column in the Feb. 25 issue.

## Parish SNAPSHOT



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Catechists from St. Leonard Parish in Laona, St. Ambrose Parish in Wabeno and St. Joseph Parish in Crandon gathered at St. Leonard Church for a training session on "Getting Our Kids Excited About Jesus." Maximus Cabey, director of Child and Youth Faith Formation from the Diocese of Green Bay, led the training session. The evening began with a chili supper, followed by Cabey's presentation. The evening wrapped up with a question and answer session. "We would like to thank Maximus for sharing his time and talents to 'teach the teachers' here in Forest County, and renew our own enthusiasm for this most important job," said Jeanie Mertens, director of religious education at St. Leonard Parish.

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