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MAY 9TH, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Contact Father Tim for Marriage Preparation
and to schedule your
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St. Rose: Saturdays 3:00-3:30 pm or by appointment

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BULLETIN

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, May 10

No Daily Mass

Tuesday, May 11

5:30 PM Daily Mass -SM

-Paul Flanagan

Wednesday, May 12

8:15 AM Daily Mass- SR

- Maripaul Schley

Thursday, May 13

8:15 AM Daily Mass-SM

-For Living and Deceased Members of St.

Rose and St. Mary's Parishes

Friday, May 14

8:15 AM Daily Mass-SR

-For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 15

4:00 PM Mass-SR

-Beth Winkel

Sunday, May 16

8:30 AM Mass-SR

- Maripaul Schley

Broadcast on AM 1380, FM 94.9, or FM 96.5

10:30 AM Mass-SM

-Paul Flanagan

On the Cover – May 9th



Jesus' teaching that there is ***'No greater love than to lay down one's life for another'***, usually brings to mind an intense moment of self-sacrifice & even death.

Mothers' Day refines that insight, reminding us that in simple, regular, ordinary ways - over a lifetime - Motherhood requires our Mom's to ***'lay down their lives'*** for us!

That's worth a thought...and a lot of gratitude & prayer for Mom!

2021 Bishop's Appeal - Update

As of Tuesday, May 4th...

St. Mary's – 59 gifts; \$9,595.00 (74%)

St. Mary's Goal = \$12,999.00

If you haven't already, please share as generously as you can, for this effort! Thank you very much!

God's Word guides our lives...

...Day by Day.

The 6th Sunday of Easter

Mothers' Day

May 9th – John 15:9-17.

"I've told you, that your joy may be complete."

Monday of the 6th Week of Easter

May 10th – John 15:26-16:4.

"The Spirit will testify; and you will testify."

Tuesday of the 6th Week of Easter

May 11th – John 16:5-11.

"I am going to the One who sent me!"

Wednesday of the 6th Week of Easter

May 12th – John 16:12-15.

"The Spirit will guide you to all Truth."

Thursday of the 6th Week of Easter

May 13th – John 16:16-20.

"Soon you will no longer see me."

Friday of the 6th Week of Easter

Feast of St. Matthias - Apostle

May 14th – Acts 1:15-26.

"Matthias was counted among the Apostles."

Saturday of the 6th Week of Easter

May 15th – John 16:23-28.

"All you ask in my Name, the Father will give."

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 16th – Mark 16:15-20.

"Proclaim the Gospel to every creature!"

+++ at rest in the Lord



+ ***Germaine Manser, 96, our sister in Faith at St. Rose***, died on April 29th after a long Christian Life. She was accorded the Hope of Christian Burial on Wednesday. Active in good works here in the parish, especially funeral lunches, she was also a dear Christian friend to many. A sister & brother, along with nieces & nephews survive her; her dear

husband, ***Ray***, went ahead of her, and please God now helps to ***'welcome her home'***!

May Geri & Ray rest forever rest in Christ's Peace!

Calendar Winners for the Week of

May 2nd, 2021

May 2	Dave Pugh	\$50 Clintonville
May 3	Francie Rohan	\$25 Bear Creek
May 4	Amy Radtke	\$25 Marion
May 5	Rhonda Sumnicht	\$25 Shawano
May 6	Aly Shanak	\$25 Waupaca
May 7	Marlene Timm	\$25 Bear Creek
May 8	Mark Schultz	\$25 Mosinee

ATTENTION LADIES OF ST. ROSE PARISH

Our next PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women) meeting will be Tuesday, May 18, at 1:00 p.m. in the gathering space at St. Rose Church. Please wear a face mask for the meeting. We will also be social distancing. Please note that Election of officers is this month. We hope that you will be able to join us. God Bless. -The St. Rose P.C.C.W.

Giving through 4/25/21

St. Mary's Parish	Week	Year To Date	St. Rose Parish	Week	Year To Date
Envelopes	\$2,670.00	\$79,628.00	Envelopes	\$2,861.00	\$190,438.75
Online Giving	\$315.00	\$20,340.00	Online Giving	\$612.00	\$43,873.64
Loose	\$74.00	\$1,827.34	Loose	\$409.00	\$5,716.06
Total Giving	\$3,059.00	\$101,795.34	Total Giving	\$3,882.00	\$240,204.45
Budget	\$2,365.00	\$101,695.34	Budget	\$5,585.00	\$234,570.00
Variance	\$694.00	(\$100.34)	Variance	(\$1,703.00)	\$3,931.45

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

Weds. May 12 6:30 pm Confirmation Conferences
(Parent & Youth)

St. Rose Church

Sat. May 15 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm First Eucharist Retreat
(St. Rose)

Sun. May 30 8:30 am Graduation Mass

Sat. June 5 4:00 pm First Eucharist Mass - St Rose

Sun. June 6 10:30 am First Eucharist Mass - St Mary's

Prayers for Celeste who is preparing for Confirmation and all our First Eucharist children and their parents, that the Holy Spirit may continue to be enlivened in them so they can be Christ's presence in the world.

Children's Bulletins - Are now available online and at both parishes for children to pick up at Mass each weekend.

Graduates - Please RSVP to

tbranstram@ssrmparishes.org if you are able to do one of the ministries at the 8:30 am Graduation Mass on May 30th.

Growing as Households of Discipleship

"May the mother of Jesus and our mother, always smile on your spirit, obtaining for it, from her most holy son, every heavenly blessing."
- Saint Padre Pio

Challenge: Today in the Gospel we hear Jesus say, "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain..." Jesus chose Mary as his mother even before He was born. She bore much fruit! We too were chosen by Jesus to bear good and lasting fruit. The Virgin Mother was also tasked with obtaining from Jesus the blessings and graces we need to accomplish the work set before us. Do you ask Mary to intercede for you to Jesus so you may be a blessing in the world? Do you talk to Jesus, asking Him for Mary's spouse, the Holy Spirit to be alive in you? How are you bearing fruit in the world? Are the *Fruits of the Holy Spirit*: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control, flowing from you to others?

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 15 4:00 PM-St. Rose

Lector

Mary Lapp

Eucharistic Minister

Shannon Seelig

Accompanist

Cheryl Seelig

Cantor

Grace Ann Seelig

Sunday, May 16

8:30 AM-St. Rose

Lector

Briana Bodoh

Eucharistic Minister

Diane Knaack

Accompanist

Tonya Branstrom

Cantor

Sarah Lamia

Sunday, May 16

10:30 AM- St. Mary's

Lector

Mary Behnke

Eucharistic Minister

Kathy Lawson

Accompanist

Tonya Branstrom

Cantor

Andy Mares

+++ at rest in the Lord

+ Rev. Bob Lexa, 94, a priest since 1970, died on May 1st. A Milwaukee native and 'late vocation' (*He was a Fuller-Brush salesman*), he was or-



dained at age 43 for the Capuchins & served with them for 20 years; then he joined our Diocese and served in parishes in the Appleton area.

O God! You chose our brother, Bob, to serve Your People as a priest; and to share with them the joys and burdens of their lives. Look with tender mercy upon him, and give him the reward of those who preach the Gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Lord! Amen!

St. Patrick's Bookstore/Gifts

St. Patrick's Bookstore/Gifts Northland Mall, Appleton, continues to offer St. Rose St. Mary's Youth Ministry program a percentage back on all purchases.

Just say you are from St Rose St. Mary's and they will mark your purchase toward our program. It is a great place to look for Baptism, First Eucharist or Confirmation gifts, outdoor decor, spiritual reading for the Easter season,



Thank you



to all who helped make
Teacher/Staff Appreciation
Week so special!

A mother is she who can
take the place of all
others but whose place
no one else can take.

Happy Mother's Day



UPCOMING EVENTS



The end of the school year is only a few
weeks away! Here's what's happening!

May 13-14 - Grades 6-8 @ Camp Tek
for a Classroom Retreat

May 20 - Spring Concert

Recorded for Facebook

May 21 - Cardinal Track Invitational
Grades 5-8 *Volunteers Needed!

May 25 - SSRM Pilgrimage

Our Lady of Good Help Shrine

May 26 - 6pm 8th Grade Graduation Mass

May 28 - Last Day!

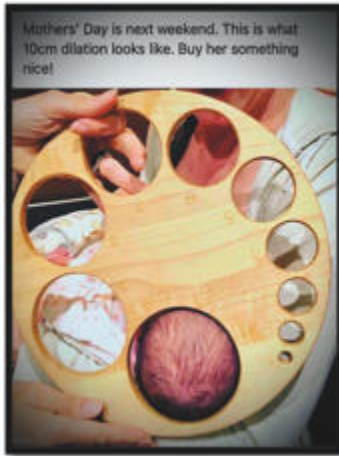
Please continue to pray for St. Rose St. Mary's
School and it's staff and families!



SSRM May Crowning



Rose, Mary & Tim – Mothers' Day; No greater love than this!



This photo on the Internet, *gripped me this week!* A vivid, perhaps uncomfortable reminder of the intense love, which our Mothers have shown toward us all: *despite great pain, they gave us birth. '10 centimeters dilation'* – they endured labor and pain, so that we could leave the womb and enter the world. *Only one who's given birth can really know this unique & essential love.*

"Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing, compared to love in dreams", Dostoevsky wrote. Indeed!

As a twin, whose delivery was almost fatal for our Mom, *Germaine*, I think of how deep that love, even before our Moms knew us, or how we would respond to their *'laying down their lives'* for us!

How humbling that is! *They took a painful risk on us! Hopefully we haven't caused them to regret it!*

he Blessed Virgin Mary took that risk in bringing Jesus into the world, under the most primitive and unwelcoming conditions – in a stable!

Not only for Jesus (*as if He weren't enough*) but also out of love for the whole human family, she became **"Mother of God"**, and **"Mother of us all, in the Church"**!

Today's Gospel passage comes from around the Last Supper table:

"Love one another as I have loved you.

There can be no greater love than this:

to lay down one's life for one's friend." (John 15:12, 13.)

We could easily let ourselves *'off the hook'* by saying:

"That's only for Early Christians, thrown to the lions; that's only for Martyrs, Christian heroes. That's only for those who died in battle, or in some dramatic, adrenaline-charged moment in which they sacrificed everything. That's not for me."

But it is - for 'ordinary people', like you & me: spouses, siblings, singles.

Jesus' teaching is fulfilled whenever we give ourselves away; whenever we put another before ourselves. Then, we 'lay down our lives' for another. "White Martyrdom", the Early Church called it.

Slower, less dramatic; more routine – even ordinary...but every bit as daunting, faithful, powerful and beautiful – *like the love of our Moms, bringing us to birth, and nurturing us all along the way!*

If Easter is true, and Jesus' Power brought Him back from the dead,

then we've got the power to give ourselves away, without fear:

dramatically & heroically, or slowly and faithfully over time.

We can do this!

We can give ourselves to a spouse, to a child, to a great task, vision, challenge or ideal!

We can give our 20's or 30's or whatever our 'prime time' is, to a job, a 'vocation', a dream, an ideal!

We can give ourselves to the Church, to a parish, as a priest, a deacon, a woman or man celibate religious.

We can give our ideas, efforts, time, talents treasure away,

for the Glory of God and the building up of the Eternal Kingdom and the Earthly Church!

Think about it: ***"Who has given themselves to & for you? For whom have you returned the favor?"***

As we give ourselves away in Jesus' Love & Victory,

"God bless us...EVERY one"!



with love + daily prayers - Father Tim

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