



# Saint Florian

*Under the Care of the Discalced Carmelite Friars*

1233 South 45 Street, West Milwaukee, WI 53214-3615

**February 7, 2021 ~ The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
(The Parish Office is closed on Fridays & Holidays.)

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson: Kate Klister ..... 350-9217  
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High School/Confirmation Program  
RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults  
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Contact the DRE - Director of Religious Education,  
Barbara Krieger..... 541-7515, ext. 16

## FUNERAL PLANNING

Contact Fr. Elijah to schedule an appointment  
for pre-planning your's or a loved one's funeral.

## SACRAMENTS

### **Baptism**

Parish registration and parental instruction required.  
Please contact the parish office.

### **Marriage**

Please arrange for a date and instructions at least six  
months in advance at the parish office.  
Parish registration is required.

### **Anointing of the Sick and/or Last Rites**

Please contact Fr. Elijah at the Parish Office if you are  
interested in a private Anointing at this time.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Each family or single adult 18 years old or older  
living at home or alone is invited and expected to be  
registered in our parish family at the parish office.  
Please call the parish office to register.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday (*Anticipated*) ..... 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 8:00 a.m.

## DAILY MASSES (in the Main Church at this time)

M, T, Th and F ..... 5:00 p.m.  
followed by Euch. Ad. & Ben. .... until 6:45 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 8:00 a.m.  
followed by Euch. Ad. & Ben ..... until 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday ..... 8:00 a.m.  
with Confessions at ..... 8:30 a.m.

Evening before Holy Day (*Anticipated*)  
..... 7:00 p.m.  
(No 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass on Anticipated Holy Days)  
Holy Day ..... 8:00 a.m.  
(No 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass on Holy Days)  
(Daily Masses or Holy Day Masses subject to change.)

## CONFESSIONS (in the Main Church)

Saturday ..... 8:30 a.m.

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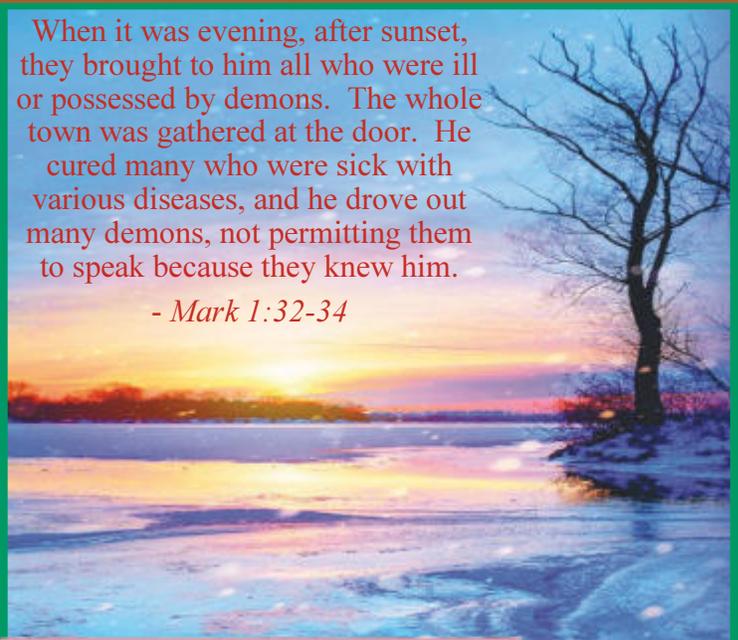
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*"Please Remember St. Florian Parish in your Will."*

When it was evening, after sunset,  
they brought to him all who were ill  
or possessed by demons. The whole  
town was gathered at the door. He  
cured many who were sick with  
various diseases, and he drove out  
many demons, not permitting them  
to speak because they knew him.

- Mark 1:32-34



5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**February 6, 2021**  
through  
**February 14, 2021**

- Sat., Feb. 6** - *St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs*  
8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of St. Florian Parish  
*Anticipated Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
4:00 p.m. The Parishioners of St. Florian Parish
- Sun., Feb. 7** - *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 a.m. † Josephine & † Joseph Fuys
- Mon., Feb. 8** - *St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*  
5:00 p.m. In Honor of Jesus' Agony in the Garden for Violet
- Tues., Feb. 9** - *Weekday*  
5:00 p.m. † Craig Miller
- Wed., Feb. 10** - *St. Scholastica, Virgin*  
8:00 a.m. A Special Intention
- Thurs., Feb. 11** - *Our Lady of Lourdes*  
5:00 p.m. † Frank Pranghofer
- Fri., Feb. 12** - *Weekday*  
5:00 p.m. † Alvin & † Theresa Sidabras
- Sat., Feb. 13** - *Weekday*  
8:00 a.m. Carmelite Perpetual Mass Union  
*Anticipated Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
4:00 p.m. † Art Kania, Jr.
- Sun., Feb. 14** - *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of St. Florian Parish

**ETERNAL FLAME**



February 6 - February 12, 2021

In loving memory of:  
† **Stephen Pedersen**

**Readings for the week of February 7, 2021**

- Sun: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/  
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
- Mon: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c  
[31b]/Mk 6:53-56
- Tues: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
- Wed: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/  
Mk 7:14-23
- Thurs: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
- Fri: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
- Sat: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
- Next Sun: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/  
1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

**NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

As of Monday, February 1 the new schedule changed to:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 5:00 p.m.  
followed by Eucharistic Adoration  
with Benediction until 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. followed by Eucharistic  
Adoration with Benediction until 9:00 a.m.

Saturday at 8:00 a.m. followed by Confessions

All Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Mass Intentions have been  
moved to Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

There are some Saturday Mass Intentions at 8:00 a.m. still  
available. Please call the Parish Office to reschedule.  
We apologize for any confusion; but know this offers more  
opportunities for all involved. Thank you.

**CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER**



February 2, 2021

**\$25 - Mark Longrie**

**GOSPEL MEDITATION — ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

If I only knew then what I know now, how different life would be. This sentiment, expressed in myriad ways, is found on every human being's lips at one point or another. Life may have brought us to a vulnerable place where we see some of the poor choices we made and the effects they are having. Perhaps we fell into some destructive and dysfunctional relationships or behaviors and are finding how they held us captive. Our zeal and passion for life may have drifted away and we are waking up to the reasons apathy has taken hold. Life can be hard. In fact, some would describe their lives as a drudgery. They walk through each day with an anxious unsettledness, wondering when their restlessness will cease. There is a temptation to believe that what I see is all I will get. Mortality and hopelessness await the dawn. If I could only have known what would come in the future, I could have made better choices

and avoided all of this misery!

Really? While we can certainly give into weakness, sin, impulsiveness, and idiosyncrasies that cause us to stumble over ourselves, life is really a journey. If we don't make the mistake of wallowing in the mire of self-pity and realize the new life God is calling us to, then there are thrills, adventures, surprises, and soul-searching graces we can surely miss. We are not tethered to our past nor are we bound to the ills life can bring upon us. We are never hopeless or helpless. The problem is that our myopic vision only allows us to see the misery and misfortune that is before us, not the potential that can come from choosing healthier and more life-giving options. Jesus came that we might have fullness of life. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet.

We need to allow God into our pain and heal our past. We have to wrestle

with our histories, agonize and search and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. Job could not see how his story would end or trust the guidance of the God who called him. We live in that same blindness and suffer from the same lack of confidence. Once we allow ourselves to be touched by God's healing power, we begin to see that all of the pieces of our lives are necessary parts of a greater whole. Along the way of our lives, God uses our omissions and failures to create new things and possibilities. When doors close, others open and we can be amazed by the joyful and unexpected surprises we receive. Once we know the power of God's creative, healing, life-giving, forgiving, and dynamic presence, it is no wonder we want to put ourselves at the service of others and show them what life can be.

Mark Your  
**CALENDAR**



**In February,  
Please Pray For . . .**

**Sat., Feb. 6**

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Confessions  
11:00 am-12:00 pm Visitation for Marie Spoerri  
12:00 pm Funeral Mass for Marie Spoerri

**Sat., Feb. 6 - Anticipated 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

3:00 pm Celebration Choir in Fellowship Room  
4:00 pm Mass

**Sun., Feb. 7 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Mass

**Mon., Feb. 8**

5:00 pm Mass  
5:30-6:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

**Tues., Feb. 9**

5:00 pm Mass  
5:30-6:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction  
7:00 pm Prayer & Worship Meeting in Carmel Hall

**Wed., Feb. 10**

8:00 am Mass  
8:30-9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

**Thurs., Feb. 11**

5:00 pm Mass  
5:30-6:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

**Fri., Feb. 12**

10:00 am-12:00 pm Visitation for Michael Fleischman  
12:00 pm Funeral Mass for Michael Fleischman  
5:00 pm Mass  
5:30-6:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

**Sat., Feb. 13**

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Confessions  
10:00 am-12:00 pm Visitation for Michael Palm  
12:00 pm Funeral Mass for Michael Palm

**Sat., Feb. 13 - Anticipated 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

3:00 pm Celebration Choir in Fellowship Room  
4:00 pm Mass

**Sun., Feb. 14 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Mass

Catherine Becker	Ruth Kressl	Brian Sayles
Ralph & Marlene Daniels	Helen Markowski	Lynn Sheng
David Demos	Betty Michalowski	Mary Smith
Gregg & Susan Dufek	Candy Netterfield	Cindy Terrien
	Katherine Papa	Edie Wurcer
Helen Guskowski	Fr. Jeff Prasser	Gloria Zelazek
Joyce Johnson	Mary Prieue	Bernie Zimney
	Elizabeth Reineck	

**LIVE THE LITURGY —  
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Have you ever wondered what life would be like if you could see the future and know how things turn out? While it's intriguing to ponder what life would be like if we possessed this knowledge, actually knowing could easily rob us of the thrill, adventure, and soul-searching graces of our journey. Like Job, life does not always leave us on a happy note. Life experience can bring us face-to-face with our mortality and leave us with a profound sense of helplessness. We do not see the wholeness and fulfillment that will one day come and cannot grasp the certainty that a resolution to our plight will come our way. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet. Living a life of faith means realizing that we are not here to figure out life on our own. In order to drink deeply of what life presents us, we have to wrestle in the depths of our souls, agonize and search, possibly reach the lowest point of desperation, and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. It is no wonder that those who are touched by God's healing power want to then serve others and show them the deeper waters that can be explored. Knowing too much can rob us of joyful surprises.

**The Archdiocese is currently in Phase 2 of *The Catholic Comeback*. See updates below.**



**Returning to Sunday Mass**  
Phase 2 of the Catholic Comeback Matrix.  
A dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains for grave reasons, such as illness (CCC #2181).

[Learn more here.](#)

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP — RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**The Audacity of Holiness** — Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness "a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness."

The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand.

It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that "the fever left her and she waited on them." Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded.

Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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