More than 50 students were cast in this year’s SFA Middle School musical, “The Sound of Music”, with even more helping with stage and tech crew. This musical was selected to honor the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity’s 150th anniversary and their dedication to education and music in our area. Sisters were invited to be guests at the performances, with about 15-20 coming to each of the three shows. Thank you to Mr. Thiele, Mr. Berres, Mrs. Lundy and all who helped make this show a wonderful experience for all!

(Photo Credit: Rob Kozak & Sherry Schrmpf)
Dear Parishioners,

Bishop Ricken has called for a special year of prayer in honor of St. Joseph. This year marks the 150th anniversary of the declaration by Pope Pius IX declaring St. Joseph as patron of The Universal Church. St. Joseph has proven himself to be a miracle worker throughout the history of the church as he answers prayers simply, humbly, and thoroughly. His feast day is Thursday, March 19th. Bishop is recommending a novena to St. Joseph which begins this week. Look for details in the bulletin or go to: www.gbdioc.org/stjoseph. Copies of the novena will be available at all parish sites and the adoration chapel.

Might this novena to St. Joseph or the St. Joseph prayer become part of your "stewardship of prayer" commitment for Lent? Have you connected with your "accountable person" regarding your stewardship prayer commitment? I hope and pray we take this commitment seriously as together we hope to grow in prayer this Lent.

To help grow in prayer this Lent, I will be continuing my prayer teaching this week. Come to learn the Jesus prayer and the Examen process.

Ignatius Loyola's Examen process is an opportunity for peaceful daily reflective prayer. The Jesus Prayer is a short, simple prayer that can put you in the right frame of mind to get closer to God. At just one sentence long, it's quite easy to memorize! Come join me on Tuesday after the 6:30 p.m. Mass or on Wednesday at Soup and Substance to learn about these forms of prayer.

Each winter, as we move through the cold and flu season, concerns are raised regarding the potential spread of influenza within our parish and school communities. Because of the unpredictable nature of the flu, and in light of the global attention to the COVID-19 (Corona Virus) outbreak, there has been an increase in calls and emails to the diocese regarding possible restrictions at the Mass and most especially the distribution of Holy Communion. In line with recommendations from the U.S.C.C.B., and our own diocesan policies, we offer the following preventative steps with regard to the celebration of the liturgy:

- Parishioners with symptoms of illness should be reminded that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially if they are suffering from a contagious illness. This is an obligation in charity for themselves and others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home.

- Priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are encouraged to practice good hygiene, including washing hands before Mass begins. The use of an alcohol based antibacterial hand sanitizer before and after distributing Holy Communion is also advised.

- The Sign of Peace need not be announced or exchanged. If the invitation is announced, parishioners should consider a simple gesture such as a head nod, a bow or simply the words “Peace be with you.” Avoiding handshakes, embraces and other physical contact is advised.

- If your parish has the practice of distributing Holy Communion under both species, the distribution of the Precious Blood of Christ from the chalice should be discontinued for the time being.

- Please feel free to call the Office of Divine Worship at 920-272-8341 or email at worship@gbdioc.org should you have additional questions or concerns.

Fr Doug LeCaptain
A note from Fr. José...

Dear Friends in our Lord Jesus,

I pray that this Lenten journey has been fruitful and helpful in your discovery of the Father’s love for you. In today’s Gospel we hear that Jesus took Peter, James and John up a high mountain to pray. They were able to see the face of Jesus shining “like the sun” and His clothes turning “white as light.” Not only were they able to see the face of Jesus change, but they were able to hear the voice of the Father saying, “This is my beloved Son...” No wonder Peter, James, and John were afraid! All of a sudden they had an experience that allowed them to know the powerful reality of God. They were transported from the earthly reality into the divine realm. Think about the profound, moving, and life changing experience they had!

The beauty of our God is that this experience is not meant to be just for a few people. Our generous and loving God wants us to experience His powerful voice calling us “beloved children.” In his great love, Jesus wants to take us us up the mountain in the silence of our hearts to see His face shining like the sun. He longs to take us from the human realm into the divine so that we may know that He is a real, living, powerful God rushing in to enter into the poverty of our hearts to transform and transfigure our emptiness with the fullness of His love. This is why we, as a parish, are strongly encouraging Stewardship of Prayer. It is through prayer that we’ll come to experience in our hearts the transfiguration of Jesus. Jesus wants to show you His radiant face, and it will happen in the silent prayer of our hearts—if you let him lead you in prayer.

The effect of the transcendental (from the human into the divine) experience of the disciples in today’s Gospel is what we hope to achieve in our hearts through the sight, sounds, and smells during our Sunday Night Mass throughout Lent. The usage of incense, candle, bells, and other elements within that Mass is meant to help us move from our humanity into the divinity of God. Every Mass is the re-presentation of Jesus’ Sacrifice for our salvation, and it is meant to shake us to the core of who we are. May we come to experience the face of Jesus shining upon us at every Mass and every time we pray. Let us ask Jesus for the grace to see his Face.

In Jesus’ Sacred Heart,

Fr. José
REFLECTIONS OF FAITH:
Ascension Press’ Epic:
A Journey Through Church History
Week 11: Weak Leaders & Schism - Part 1
Thursday, March 12th, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Facilitator: Karen Cisler
SFA Damascus Center, 1122 N. 14th St.

The popes are vulnerable to the desires of wealth. The strength of the Church is challenged by European monarchs. Black Death kills a third of Europe’s population. The Great Western Schism affects the Church.

PARISH SUPPORT

Received Week of 3/01/2020

Envelopes $28,423
Loose Offering $2,502
ATP $7,858
Total $38,783

Support Budgeted/Week: $41,058
Difference this Week: -$2,275

Year-to-Date Budget $1,437,030
Year-to-Date Support $1,344,262
Difference this Year: -$92,768

Blood Drive!

March 25th
Roncalli High School

Roncalli High School will be holding a Blood Drive on Wednesday, March 25th.

For more information, or to register to donate blood, call Sue Schmitt at (920) 682-8801 or email sschmitt@roncallijets.net

Tuesday Night
Stewardship of Prayer Opportunities

Following the 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday Mass at Grand
This week’s Topic: Jesus Prayer

FISH, PRAY, SEEK:
FINDING GOD IN THE EVERYDAY
An Evening for Men

Finding God in the everyday is all about strengthening and deepening our relationship with God.

May 12, 2020
light meal served at 5:30 P.M.
Presentation at 6:30 P.M.
St. Francis of Assisi on Grand Avenue

"Immediately they left their nets and followed Him."
Mark 1:18
## Eternal Rest to Our Loved Ones

We extend our sympathy to the families & friends of:

- **Kevin Hoffman**
- **Robert Steffen**
- **Arlene Hansen**
- **Peggy Stanzel**

May all the faithful departed rest in peace.

## In Memory of...

For the week of March 8th 2020

**Sanctuary Candle** is in memory of:

- **Karen Neuser**  
  *at the Grand Site*

**Sanctuary Candle** is in memory of:

- **Robert Herzog**  
  *at the Marshall Site*

**Sanctuary Candle** is in memory of:

- **Grace Krish**  
  *at the Waldo Site*

**Altar Candle** is in memory of:

- **Agnes Dahm**  
  *at the Marshall Site*

**Tabernacle Candle** is in memory of:

- **Kevin Hoffman**  
  *at the Adoration Chapel*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 7th - Weekday

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| 8:00 AM | G        | †Ken & Beatrice Sieracki  
  †Arvid & Shirley Schulz |
| 9:00 AM | M        | †L/D Members of the Hynek & Howarth Families  
  †Robert Herzog |
| 9:30 AM | W        | †Deacon Kenneth Nelesen  
  †Donna Schlei & Kristine Schuetze |
| 10:30 AM | G       | †William Johnsrud |
| 6:30 PM | W        | †Payton Hynek |

### Monday, March 9th - Weekday

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| 6:45 AM | G        | †M/M Charles Freidenberger  
  †Doris Schleis |

### Tuesday, March 10th - Weekday

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| 6:45 AM | G        | †L/D Members of the St. Clare Society  
  †LeRoy, Gloria & Maureen Kattner |
| 6:30 PM | G        | For the Parish |

### Wednesday, March 11th - Weekday

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<td>†Maria Hue Nguyen &amp; Peter Van Nguyen</td>
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| 6:45 AM | G        | †Joe & Clara Franz & Sara Franz  
  †Carol Lemberger |
| 9:00 AM | W        | For the Parish |

### Friday, March 13th - Weekday

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| 6:45 AM | G        | †John Kautzer  
  †Albin & Margaret Martinson |
| 4:00 PM | W        | For the Parish |

### Saturday, March 14th - Weekday

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| 4:00 PM | G        | †Betty J. Orth  
  †Ron Bolle |
| 6:30 PM | W        | †Morgan Daly |

### Sunday, March 15th - Third Sunday of Lent

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| 7:30 AM | W        | †Victor Koerner  
  †Mary Konarski & James Sauer  
  †Ron Bolle  
  †Morgan Daly |
| 8:00 AM | G        | For the Parish |
| 9:00 AM | M        | For the Parish |
| 9:30 AM | W        | †Betty J. Orth  
  †Mary Konarski & James Sauer  
  †Ron Bolle |
| 10:30 AM | G       | For the Parish |

**G** for St. Francis of Assisi Church  
**M** for St. Peter’s Church  
**W** for St. Clare Church
THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH  MARCH 19, 2020 - MARCH 19, 2021

A Message From Bishop Ricken:

Greetings in Christ!

On December 8, 1870, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, and this year marks the 150th anniversary of that declaration. After much prayer and consultation, I have discerned the need to declare a special year of prayer in honor of St. Joseph. St. Joseph has proven himself a miracle worker throughout the history of the church and also today. He answers prayers simply, humbly and thoroughly. It is with great excitement and confidence that I invite you to celebrate this year in honor of St. Joseph with me.

My hope is that this year will be an invitation for families and all people in our diocese to seek out St. Joseph’s intercession. We have created a prayer card with prayers to St. Joseph and other helpful information for families and individuals to use in their homes to help foster daily prayer. The painting of St. Joseph, chosen for this year of prayer, shows Joseph’s love for Jesus Christ, the Word of God.

One way to kick off this Holy Year is to promote and participate in the Solemn Nine Day Novena to St. Joseph which will take place March 10-19, 2020, at the Shrine of St. Joseph at Old St. Joseph Church on the St. Norbert College campus.

To learn more about this novena, please visit: https://norbertines.org/SaintJosephNovena

In this year of prayer, I ask that the Prayer to St. Joseph be prayed after the general intercessions or after the Prayer after Communion at Masses starting the weekend of March 21-22. I would ask that you pray to St. Joseph with renewed devotion, seek his intercession, and include prayer to him on various occasions and gatherings throughout the year.

With prayers and best wishes, I remain
Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Most Reverend David L. Ricken, DD, JCL Bishop of Green Bay

About St. Joseph:

In 1870, Pope Pius IX named St. Joseph the patron of the Church. The Diocese of Green Bay is home to the Shrine of St. Joseph located at St. Norbert College in De Pere.

But who was Joseph? He was a family man, a husband and father. A man of few words, Joseph never spoke in the Gospels. Instead, he listened to God’s Word.

Joseph worked. This carpenter taught Jesus the value of work. Perhaps it’s because of Joseph’s work, that God loves our own work. St. John Paul II said Joseph brought “human work closer to the mystery of redemption.”

Joseph was a disciple. St. Paul VI wrote, “(Joseph) is the proof that in order to be a good and genuine follower of Christ, there is no need of great things — it is enough to have the common, simple and human virtues, but they need to be true and authentic.”

That was Joseph: true and authentic. He loved God. He loved Jesus and Mary. His love made him the patron of unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants, unmarried women and a happy death. So we turn to St. Joseph with all our needs, knowing that this strong, silent man — so close to Jesus’ heart — will bring us close to Jesus’ heart. As Pope Pius XII said, “If you wish to be close to Christ ... ‘Go to Joseph.’”

Year of St. Joseph:

For Bishop Ricken’s pastoral letter, as well as additional information and resources about how to live out the Year of St. Joseph in your family or household, please visit: www.gbdioc.org/stjoseph

The Shrine of St. Joseph at Old St. Joseph Church at St. Norbert College is designated as the official pilgrimage site for this Holy Year. Pilgrims to the shrine will be able to receive a partial indulgence during this special year. To learn more, please visit: www.norbertines.org/stjosephshrine
Prayer to St. Joseph:

Good St. Joseph,
As you led the Holy Family, watch over our families.
Help our family and all families to know and share God’s love.
In our family relationships, may we find healing and seek to be holy.
May our fathers help us to become faithful disciples of Jesus who share our love for Him.

As foster father of Jesus, watch over all who serve as spiritual fathers.
In a special way, bless our Holy Father, our Bishop, and our priests.
May they follow your humble example in their fatherly care for the people of God, the Church.

With Mary, you raised Jesus the High Priest. You know our need for priests.
Please raise up good and holy priests from our families to serve the people of our diocese.
May our children and grandchildren hear and say “yes” to the call of Jesus, just as you and Mary did.

Good St. Joseph, pray for us.

Litany of St. Joseph:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us. Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.
God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.
God, the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.
Renowned offspring of David, Joseph most faithful,
Light of Patriarchs, Mirror of patience,
Spouse of the Mother of God, Lover of poverty,
Chaste guardian of the Virgin, Model of artisans,
Foster father of the Son of God, Glory of home life,
Diligent protector of Christ, Guardian of virgins,
Head of the Holy Family, Pillar of families,
Joseph most just, Solace of the wretched,
Joseph most chaste, Hope of the sick,
Joseph most prudent, Patron of the dying,
Joseph most strong, Terror of demons,
Joseph most obedient, Protector of Holy Church,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, O Lord.

V. He made him lord of His House.
R. And ruler of all his possessions.

Let us pray. O God, who in your unspeakable providence deigned to choose blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your own most holy Mother: grant, we beseech you, that we may deserve to have him as our intercessor in heaven, whom we venerate on earth as our protector: Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.
The following are responses to questions submitted at our parish annual meeting:

1. Questions regarding the Parish Mission Plan:
   a. What other parish communities will use the new Regional School other than St. Peter the Fisherman and St. Thomas & St. Francis of Assisi? Other than those three, the parishes involved in the new regional elementary school (Roncalli Catholic Schools) community are Holy Cross (Mishicot), Holy Family (Brillion), Holy Trinity (School Hill), St. Anne (Francis Creek), St. Gregory (St. Nazianz), St. Isidore the Farmer (Tisch Mills), St. James (Cooperstown), St. Joseph (Kellnersville), St. Mary (Clarks Mills), St. Michael (Whitelaw).
   b. What is the importance of Priorities A-D? Priorities A, B and C drive Priority D.
   c. Are the properties on Menasha (garage) and the house & garage to the side of Francis of Assisi school? These properties are owned by St. Francis of Assisi Parish and use/disposal will be determined as priorities dictate.

2. I was so thrilled to hear of the introduction of “The Nightingale Tribute.” I have been involved with this tribute for about 10 years through Holy Family Memorial Hospital. I am now a retired registered nurse and am interested in becoming involved in this tribute on the parish level. I have recited this beautiful tribute on several occasions not only for Holy Family School of Nursing graduates but for a few from other school affiliations. I presently am a back-up reader for Lisa Sherman who is in charge of this at HFM.
   a. Is there a plan on how this will be initiated for a nurse’s funeral: In process but for additional details please contact Kay Goswitz (parish nurse) at the office.
   b. Will there be a budget set aside for the white rose which is part of the ceremony? Yes, an initial deposit of $50 will be made to establish an account to pay for the white rose ceremony.
   c. How are nurses going to be contacted to be part of the ceremony? We are finalizing the details.
   d. I would be happy to be part of a planning committee if needed. I do have much information on this. Thank you.

3. Liturgy comments:
   a. Listening about hospitality makes me wonder about our lack of welcome before the opening song. I know the priest comes out to speak, but the opening song always feels like a surprise, and makes me feel like I start Mass “behind.” I’m trying to catch up already. I thought I’d get used to it but I haven’t. I feel it would be more welcoming to those unfamiliar to our parish and even the Mass to have some friendly direction like a song number announcement. Our goal before Mass is for the priest to welcome people, announcements or video, song practice, silence of cell phones, and then a call to silence in preparation for mass. The hope is that people are ready to expect Mass to begin shortly and another welcome of calling out of song number is not necessary. The song number is projected on the screen as the musician plays the intro, and is on the board in front of church. The plan is for the quiet moment before Mass to end with music and be drawn up into the song. With words on the screen and everyone rising around them all should be drawn up in song. For visitors I would hope that parishioners would help out, point out the number posted and to the books if needed. When we are not using the screens then the cantors are asked to call out the number as an invitation to pick up the song books. This suggestion will be forwarded to Deacon Mark and the Worship Commission for additional discussion.
   b. This is just an inkling of an idea, but so many parents of young children don’t come or don’t bring the kids because they find it overwhelming. What if there were single people / couples without children at home who could be paired with those families to help them during Mass. I know it’s not that simple. Not everyone is a good candidate to help with children, but I wanted to share the seed of the idea. Nice idea that we will consider as we move forward with Planning Priority C of our Parish Mission Plan, which deals with welcoming and hospitality. If the parish is to coordinate this, screening, background checks, and Virtus training would need to be done. You could certainly look around and see families/parishioners that you know and consider inviting them to sit with you and your family and allow the natural help to happen.

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The following are responses to questions submitted at our parish annual meeting:

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4. Parish plan questions:
   a. How come the maintenance budget is not keeping up with needs? There have been insufficient contributions to meet all of the needs.
   b. What will happen to the Waldo school? The use of the Waldo school will be determined based on our success in implementing Priorities A (Regional School), B (Missionary Discipleship), C (Welcoming & Hospitality) as well as determining future use of our worship sites.
   c. How much for fixing existing buildings for the next 5 years? Current estimate is $900,000 although the order of the various projects which make up this estimate is dependent on which needs and buildings become most critical.
   d. What will cost be in 5 years? Current rule-of-thumb for estimating future building/equipment related costs is 3% annually.
   e. Does $18 million cover costs of fixing current facilities? The $18 Million figure is for the estimated construction costs of a new regional school.
   f. How will we build a new church after $18 million investment in schools? Need 17,360 donors at current level to raise $18 million or $8,300 per donor. A decision for a future new church will be revisited after the completion of the combined campaign for the regional school and parish needs. Stay tuned for next steps in the One-by-One combined campaign and keep in mind this is a regional school, which means other parishes as well as school alumni will assist with the $18 million target. Additionally, while it is important and encouraged to receive widespread support of parish members in a campaign, please keep in mind that most large campaigns like this are funded through individuals, foundations, and corporate support. Leadership gifts in a campaign of this size often represent over 75% of the campaign goal.
   g. What about St. Andrew school building? It will be kept functioning for a period of time but will likely be razed in the future as we determine use of our worship sites and other structures.

5. Hospitality before and after Mass!! Maintaining silence on the way to church until in your pew might seem devotional - but does not contribute to the hospitality goal. Welcoming and Hospitality is Goal C in our parish mission plan. We realize the need to connect more with one another. With no space attached and convenient to our worship space, we have to make do with what we have. We hope that visiting happens before mass in the entrances and a small amount quietly in the pew while still allowing people to prepare for mass. After mass we are experiencing more conversation and for the most part this is just fine.

6. Parish plan as relates to the new school questions:
   a. What is going to be SFAs portion/contribution to the new building for Roncalli schools on Michigan Avenue? Stay tuned for next steps in the One-by-One combined campaign.
   b. How do we know that we (SFA) as parishioners are not going to be “stuck” with funding more than our proportion or “fair share” knowing that we also have our own church capital campaign that we are looking at in the near future? There is a parish investment formula being finalized with input from the diocese and all sponsoring parishes.

7. Care ministry question:
   a. Is there a waiting list for the need of care ministers to provide communion to the homebound? Yes. Please contact Kay Goswitz if you are interested in serving as a Care Minister.
   b. Could you please check on [specific parishioner name is confidential]. Yes they have been matched with a care minister. Thank you for bringing to our attention parishioners that may benefit from a home visit as we may not have been informed.
Make plans to attend the Roncalli Spring Play “Into the Woods”. Shows will be at 7pm on March 26th, 27th, & 28th and at 2pm on March 29th. The story follows a Baker and his wife, who wish to have a child; Cinderella, who wishes to attend the King's Festival; and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. When the Baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a Witch's curse, the two set off on a journey to break the curse. Everyone's wish is granted, but the consequences of their actions return to haunt them later with disastrous results.

Box Office will be open 3/19 from 5pm-7pm. Or call 686-8151 if you would like to reserve tickets. Box

$17 for Dining and Entertainment
$8 for Dining and Entertainment for kids 5-13
(children under 5 are free)
$7 Entertainment Only

Limited Seating so make your reservations early. Stop at the Roncalli Main Office or call 920-682-8801 to pick up your reservation form.
Catechumens Joshua Kalsow, Brian Ebelt and William Knudsen and Candidates Zachary Enright, Blake Marrari and Whitney Shaw along with their Sponsors participated in the Rite of Election this past Sunday at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. The catechumens stated their wish to enter fully into the life of the Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. Bishop Ricken then declared them to be members of the elect, and to be initiated into the sacred mysteries at the Easter Vigil. The Candidates stated their desire to journey towards full communion with the Catholic Church. Please continue to pray for our catechumens and candidates and for all those who long to know God.

**Below are our topics in faith formation for this week:**

**Dead Theologians Society:**
Bl. Stanley Rother

**Edge:**
“Judges and Kings”:
God Provides Leaders

**Life Teen:**
“Grateful Beggar”:
St. Francis of Assisi and the Vocation to the Religious Life

**Share Your Legacy!**

**Have you made a will?**
**Have you included your Parish Family?**

Support the work of faith within the St. Francis of Assisi community! Estate contributions can assist our annual income or help the growth of our endowment. Leave a legacy to the Parish that reflects your connection to your parish.

**Respect Life**

Weekly Life Nugget:

How have I loved?
How have I shown that love?

“Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.”

**Fr. Doug presents the stewardship of prayer**

Lectio Divina
Jesus Prayer/Examen Prayer Process
Praying, not just saying the rosary
Imaginative Prayer
Praying the Mass

“In everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving make your requests known to God.”
Phil 4:6

**Soup & Substance**

Wednesdays of Lent
March 4—April 1, 2020
12 Noon to 12:45
Grand Ave. Social Hall

**Prayer**
Join Calvary Catholic Cemetery 
& Chapel Mausoleum
Good Friday, April 10th

Beginning at dusk, over 1,200 candles will be lit at Calvary, St. Mary’s, & St. Peter’s cemeteries and more than 50 ground illuminations will fade into the darkness in preparation of Easter Sunday.

Reserve a luminary or an illumination for your family or loved one today by completing the order form below before the deadline of April 8th.

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SUGGESTED DONATION IS $5 PER LUMINARY

Yes, please light a candle in memory of my loved one(s) on Good Friday, April 10th.

My Name: __________________________________
Phone #: __________________________________
Email: ____________________________________

GROUND ILLUMINATION 7:15 PM
AT CALVARY CEMETERY
Reserve a ground illumination (2 SPARKLERS) for only $9.00/pair.

Yes, please light a ground illumination in memory of my loved one(s) on Good Friday, April 14th.

In memory of: ________________________________
In memory of: ________________________________

ALL EVENTS ARE WEATHER PERMITTING
RAIN DATE WILL BE FRIDAY, APRIL 17th

Please place in church collection basket or mail payment to:
Calvary Catholic Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum
2601 South 14th Street Manitowoc, WI 54220
(920) 684-3646

Roncalli High School Coaching Vacancies

JV Baseball Team (High School Boys) Spring 2020
Track Coach - Shot Put and Discus Throwers
JV Volleyball Team (High School Girls) Fall 2020

- Prepares the student athletes for competition through planning and conducting well organized practices.
- Create, plan, and teach fundamentals of the sport.
- Supervises the athletes during practice, games, tournaments, and travel
- Baseball coaching experience preferred.
- Must be available for 4-5 practices/games a week beginning March 9 for track, March 16 for baseball, and August 17 for volleyball.
- Must love working with kids.
- Must be dependable and flexible with scheduling, including some weekend availability.
- Any questions, contact Dave Mueller at Roncalli High School.
- If interested, please send a resume via email to Dave Mueller at: dmueller@roncallijets.net.

Adaptive Sacramental Preparation Kits

Our parish now has adaptive sacramental preparation kits for youth or adults with significant intellectual disabilities who are unable to prepare for Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation through traditional preparation methods.

If you know someone in need of one of these sacraments who would benefit from these adaptive kits or would like more information, please contact Jeff Wallander at (920) 973-7175 or the parish office.
Come & Learn!

Felician Village at Home

Wednesday, March 11, 2020
10:00 a.m. OR 6:00 p.m.
Complimentary tours from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
The Gardens: St. Francis Room
1700 S. 18th Street, Manitowoc

Felician Village at Home is a unique membership program designed to support the health and well-being of people living in their own home or apartment as they age. The program helps older adults continue to thrive through involvement, interactions and learning.

Membership Benefits include:
- Referrals to pre-screened safe, service providers
- In-home volunteer assistance
- Educational and social events
- Telephone reassurance program
- Technology tutoring
- And much more!

Please RSVP by March 10.
Megan Bruckschen, Membership Program Manager
mbruckschen@felicianvillage.org or 920-684-7171, ext. 425
This year, our parish will be collecting our Lenten “Coins of Compassion” alms for three charities that help our community here in Manitowoc and reach out to our brothers and sisters around the world. The three charities are: SFA Good Shepherd Fund, St. Francis of Assisi Parish Mission and School in Greenwood, Mississippi, and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl Project.

Good Shepherd Fund: Since its establishment in 2005, the Good Shepherd Emergency Fund has dispersed an average of $2,400 per month to help people with emergency housing, utilities, and food requests as well as other emergency requests. The good Shepherd Emergency Fund is a fund that helps people who have a legitimate need but are “falling between the cracks” and not able to receive assistance from other agencies. Assistance from the Good Shepherd Emergency Fund is available throughout the year. Parishioners and non-parishioners may benefit from this assistance. Funds are dispersed at the discretion of the pastor and the parish coordinator of social services.

St. Clare Corner
Meeting & Social - Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 p.m. - Waldo School Hall

- Program – Kristin Gresl, Community Outreach Manager, Hope House
- Please bring non-perishable food items for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry
- The Nominating committee needs candidates for the offices of secretary and president-elect. Please volunteer.
- We will be accepting reservations for The Fireside Bus Trips: The Church Basement Ladies: A Mighty Fortress is our Basement – We have two dates available: Thursday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 20. Deadline to make reservations for either date is Monday, April 6. Price is $108.
- The upcoming Vicariate meeting will be held Tuesday, March 31, Holy Family, Brillion. Mass: 5:30 p.m. The speaker, Donna Firman, will follow the serving of a light supper. Her topic is: “Prevent Suicide.” A voluntary donation of $5 is welcome to help defray expenses since the Vicariate has no other income.
- GBDCCW Assembly, Saturday, April 18, St. Louis Parish, Dyckesville More info to follow next month.
- Dues not paid ($5) are past due. Please pay them asap. Drop them into a collection basket at Mass, pay at the office, or mail to Margaret Fencl, Membership Secretary, at 1022 N. 16 St.
- Bring a friend to the meeting. All women of the parish are welcome to be guests or new members! We encourage them to join! Call Helen at (920) 682-4727 for info.

Jesus, help me to become more like you. Amen.

CHAPEL CHAT

Are you looking for something extra to do for Lent? How about spending time at the Adoration Chapel?

You can now sign up electronically by going to our parish website www.sfamanitowoc.org. From the home page of the website select:
- Parish
- Worship With Us
- Adoration Chapel

Then, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the link. You can also sign up the usual way by calling Clara at (920) 682-1787. The chapel hours are: Monday 5:00 a.m. until Thursday midnight.

ADORERS FINDING THEIR FAITH...

“…spending time with the Blessed Sacrament has changed my life for the better….?”

“...modern society is becoming very superficial, but there is noting superficial about praying in front of the Holy Eucharist because you couldn’t do that if you didn’t believe…”

CHAPEL REMINDERS:

- If you come, and the chapel is closed, you’re welcome to stay and visit with Jesus.
- Just a reminder, during exposition, Jesus should never be left alone. In case of emergency, cover the monstrance with the white hood located beneath the altar.
- Questions: Call Clara Svatek (920) 682-1787

Submitted by: Sharon Bell & Kathy Garvey
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JOIN THE ST. CLARE SOCIETY FOR A TRIP TO THE FIRESIDE THEATER TO SEE:

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR BASEMENT!

DATES: THURSDAY, MAY 7TH OR WEDNESDAY, MAY 20TH
DEPART AT 8:00 AM AND RETURN BY 6:30 PM (PERKINS PARK & RIDE)
COST: $108

Reservations: Call Helen at (920) 682-4727 by Monday, April 6. Payment due upon making the reservation. Cost includes transportation, meal and gratuity, driver's tip, and bottled water. Reservations will be accepted starting Tuesday, February 11, at the St. Clare Society meeting.

Sponsored by the St. Clare Society of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish.
You don’t need to be a member to attend! Everyone is welcome!

"In this installment of The Church Basement Ladies series, the year is 1960 and a reformation is underway. Against the changing tide, these "bulwarks never failing: stand strong in their faith and in their friendships with more crazy antics, more great songs, and more lessons reluctantly learned."
Readings for the week of March 8, 2020

Sunday:  Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday:  Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. Ps 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31
Friday:  Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-2 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

'Disciples' to share their call at fifth annual Lenten Day of Reflection

How were Mary, John the Baptist, or Mary Magdalene called to discipleship? What could these Biblical figures teach us today about fulfilling our calling?

"Disciples on the Way: Past and Present" will be offered on Saturday, March 28, at St. Francis Convent, 3110 Nicolet Dr., Green Bay. Local actors will play the parts of six Biblical people, bringing to life through storytelling and song each person's call to be holy people.

9:00 to 9:30 am -- Registration and coffee
9:30 am -- Welcome and prayer
10:00 am -- John the Baptist and Nicodemus presentation and discussion
11:00 am -- Martha and Mary presentation and discussion
Noon -- Salad buffet
1:00 pm -- Tabitha presentation and discussion
1:45 pm -- Mary Magdalene presentation and discussion
2:20 pm -- Closing prayer and song

This event is the fifth annual Lenten Day of Reflection offered by the Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross.

Registration is required and is limited to 30.

To register, visit: www.gbfranciscans.org

Freewill offerings are appreciated to offset the cost of lunch.

"Spring Clean" your Couple Communication with a Marriage Encounter. Remove the clutter and dust off the cobwebs during a weekend with your spouse as you focus on feelings and communication skills.

Discover together "how your good marriage can be even better" or discover "new pathways to get your marriage back on track".

Join Green Bay Marriage Encounter from March 27-29, 2020 at the Norbertine Center for Spirituality at St. Norbert Abbey in De Pere, for an enriching experience you will treasure for a lifetime.

Call 920-544-5166 or visit www.gbme.org for more information or to register.

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST APPLEBEE’S SAT., MARCH 28  8-10 am TICKETS: $5

Tickets will be available at the SFA Parish Office Monday, February 17 through Friday, March 20
Tickets are limited and sold in advance
Tickets will not be sold at the door

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2601 S. 14th Street
Jerry Schermetzler - Family Services Manager…..684-3646

Pastoral Care of the Sick/Homebound
Please notify the parish office of family/friends who are homebound, in care facilities, or hospitalized.

Mission Statement:
The Manitowoc Catholic Community exists as a sacramental body of Christ, to love as Christ loved, by boldly proclaiming our faith, teaching our youth, spreading the Good News of Jesus, and serving one another and others in an ever changing community.

Sacraments
Baptism & Marriage
Please contact the parish office for more information on baptisms and marriage and to make arrangements.

Reconciliation:
Marshall site:  Saturday, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Grand site:  Wednesday, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Waldo site:  Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Anytime by appointment.

Weanointing of the Sick
A communal celebration is offered three times per year. Individual anointing is available upon request.

Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel hours:
5:00 a.m. Monday to midnight on Thursday
Adoration before the Tabernacle only:
Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Want to become a Catholic?
Have you been questioning whether the Catholic faith is the path you should take? Then RCIA may be the answer! The RCIA journey will lead you to a fullness of faith in the Catholic Church. Please contact Ruthann Ross; our Pastoral Associate, in the parish office for more information.

We Welcome You to St. Francis of Assisi Parish Community
• Our most important involvement in the parish community is our presence at the Sunday Eucharist—“the source and summit of our life in Christ”.
• Our parish Christian stewardship is based on prayer, service, and sharing. We are called to give back to God as generously as God has given to us.
• If you wish to find out more about our parish community, please contact the parish office, or complete this form and drop in the collection basket at Mass. You will be contacted by a member of the parish staff.

Name:________________________________________________________________________________________
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