SUNDAY 12 May
- 7:15 PM - Young-Adult Bible Study, Biggby Coffee, 320 E. Bridge St.

MONDAY 13 May / Acts 11: 1-18/Ps 42/Jn10:1-10
- 7 AM - Communion Service
- 6:30 PM - Men’s Faith Group, Library
- 6:30 PM - Sunday 10:30 Choir, Church
- 6:30 PM - Fest Planning Team

TUESDAY 14 MAY / Acts 1:15-17,20-26/Ps 113/Jn 15:9-17
- 7 AM - Mass - +Jeanette Stenzel
- 10 AM - Mass - Benedictine Center - Special Intention
- 5 PM - Handbell Choir, Church

- 7 AM - MASS - +Clarence Wagner
- 8:15 AM - Mass - +Dolores Steckbauer
- 6 PM - PCCW/Fatima Council Potluck, South Hall

THURSDAY 16 MAY / Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89/Jn 13:16-20
- 7 AM - Mass - +Jeanette Stenzel

FRIDAY 17 MAY / Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2/Jn 14:1-6
- 7 AM - Mass - Special Intention

SATURDAY 18 MAY / Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98/Jn 14:7-14
- 9 AM - Reconciliation
- 10 AM - Confirmation Mass, Holy Name Parish

**Lord’s Day Worship**
Fifth Sunday of Easter - 18/19 MAY
- 4 PM Saturday - +Ted & Paul Reynolds
- 8:30 AM Sunday - +Mary Lewandowski
- 10:30 AM Sunday - +Tom Boyle
- 6 PM Sunday - People of St. Anne Parish

**What is this place?**
After all of the Masses this weekend, Fr. Tom will offer an introduction to what the Church teaches and encourages in regard to the structure we call a “church,” the place where “the living Church” gathers for worship — in UNDER 10 MINUTES.

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**Roses for Life on Mother’s Day**
Celebrate Mom with a long-stem red rose being sold at Masses this weekend. The rose is the symbol of the unborn and the sale of roses will benefit Wisconsin Right to Life as it advances a culture that respects the life of the unborn, as well as life at all stages.

**Hope Pregnancy Baby Bottle Campaign**
From Mother’s Day to Father’s Day parishioners are invited to help celebrate more birthdays by joining in the Annual Baby Bottle Campaign. Please take a baby bottle as you leave Mass and fill it over the next month with a check, cash and/or coins! Please return the baby bottles on Father’s Day, June 16. If you have questions, contact Sue Hilgemann.
**God’s first language**

My friend Chris is a pastor in the Diocese of Grand Rapids, Mich., and we exchange bulletins each week. Back in November he shared a few quotes in his weekly column that I thought were worth sharing. He was paying tribute to several people he had met over the years and who had died since the prior All Souls’ Day.

I ripped the page from that particular bulletin and it’s been setting on my desk all these months, and I’ve found no natural circumstance in which to share the insights.

So, in the spirit of spring cleaning:

- Fr. Thomas Keating is often identified as the pioneer of Christian Centering Prayer. He died Oct. 25. Chris appreciated, as do I, Fr. Keating’s observation that “Silence is God’s first language. Everything else is a poor translation.”
- Fr. Robert Taft, SJ, was a scholar of Christian worship and Chris had him as a professor when he was pursuing an advanced degree at the University of Notre Dame in 2003. Fr. Taft corrected a common inaccuracy. “God did not rest on Sunday,” he said, “He created light and He rose from the dead!” Chris appreciated, as do I, Fr. Keating’s observation that “Silence is God’s first language. Everything else is a poor translation.”

Coping with the variety of worship, by virtue of that label, is universal, and thus is given life in an unlimited array of languages. That’s a rather new reality, since for centuries the Mass was in Latin, except for the Kyrie’s Greek. For good or ill, that is part of our tradition, and I think that for the sake of variety we can draw upon that tradition without threatening our linguistic norms. It’s also worth noting that the arrangement of the Kyrie (Lord, have mercy) that we sang during Lent is a contemporary composition.

So, what was old is new. And, as Fr. Keating observed, it’s good to remember that beyond Latin, Greek and English, God’s first language is silence. **TL**

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**Newman Catholic Schools seeks input**

Your input is needed!
Please join the Newman Catholic Schools Strategic Planning Steering Committee in charting the future of Newman Catholic Schools. A final listening session for all NCS stakeholders will be held on **Thursday, May 16 at 6 p.m. at Newman Catholic Middle-High School.**

This last listening session will focus on a review of the issues and goals statements developed throughout the strategic planning process.

The strategic plan must be bold, innovative and transformational to meet the needs of our students. Excellence anchors the tradition of Catholic education in the Wausau area and at Newman Catholic Schools. The task is to envision what that excellence will look like in the future. The strategic planning process commenced during the summer of 2017 and is chaired by Rick Svennes, chair of the NCS Commission and a St. Mark’s parishioner.

Planning efforts focused on analysis of eight domains: Academics/Curriculum; Advancement/Alumni/Communications; Enrollment/Admissions/Marketing; Facilities; Finance; Mission/Catholic Identity; Student Life/Co-Curricular Activities; and Technology.

Thanks to the efforts of the steering committee, Newman Catholic Schools is poised to enter a period of growth and renewal, but in order for that to happen we must work together to align the strategic plan with a vision and mission for the school system. This plan, the creation of which you are vitally important, will provide a clear road map by which the administration, faculty, and staff are able to navigate the next five years.

Please lend your voice to the discussion at the **May 16 meeting.**
Seeking Support Staff for Summer Mission Trip

In order to help with the logistics and details of the hundreds of youth and adults that will descend on Topeka KS July 6-13 along with our St. Anne group for the summer mission trip, Group Mission trips organizes teams of volunteer leadership staff. One key role they are in need of are the various Site Coaches to provide direction and assistance at the service sites. Can you paint a house? Are you a skilled carpenter? Can you follow directions for a construction project? Then you’re a Site Coach! Site Coaches have the opportunity to assist work crews throughout the camp week. They have the privilege of connecting with participants by coaching them through work projects, teaching them to use tools and supplies, and ensuring they have a safe and fun service environment. Anyone willing to give this a try that is age 21 or older, feel free to contact John Schmitt in the parish office or send an email to johns@stanneswausau.org.

Ministers needed behind the scenes

Sacristans are people whose ministry is essential for our celebration of the Mass, but who work behind the scenes. If that appeals to you, please read on. Sacrists facilitate the clean-up work after Mass, primarily purifying the cups and plates used in offering communion. We’re hoping to have sufficient sacristans so that you’re called upon to assist no more than once, or maybe twice, a month at a Mass time of your preference. Complete orientation will be offered.

If you’d be willing to serve in this role, or at least learn more, send an email to mail@stanneswausau.org.

Join volunteers at Community Meal

Our parish’s next Community Meal will be held on Tuesday, May 21 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at St. Paul’s United Church of Christ. Volunteers for this wonderful event are needed, to prepare and serve the meal, make simple desserts, and offer monetary donations. Please consider offering your assistance for these volunteer opportunities by contacting Kathy Mero, meal coordinator, at (715) 212-1678 or mkathleenmero@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

NEW LIFE: This Lord’s Day we welcome Augustine Henry Meverden, Keanua Lulu Leopold, and Madison and Aiden Reckner to faith through the waters of baptism. They are the children of Patrick and Brooke Meverden, Craig and Samantha Leopold, and Kari Reckner.

CONFIRMATION: Young members of our parish complete their Catholic Christian initiation through the sacrament of Confirmation at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 18, at Holy Name Parish. All parishioners are encouraged to be part of the celebration.
Our Easter celebration has been enhanced by flowers provided through the generosity of these parishioners. Thank you! Those memorialized by the donation are identified in italics.

Ron & Barb Aderholdt - Al & Betty Hoffman, Tom & Lucille Mannchuski
Josh & Barb Berghammer - Ewald & Charlotte Berghammer, Carl & Elizabeth Mocadlo, Victor & Phyllis Bradfish
Mary Bever - Joseph Bever
Paul & Renee Brandt - Jim & Gert Beidel, Rick & Bob Beidel, Brandt/Kann Families, Beidel/Meier Families, Jim & Jane Brandt
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Lorraine Gould - William Gould
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Earl & Ginny Lang - Samantha
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Jim & Marcie Light - Mary & John Dorsbak, Cyrillia & James Light, Chet Dorsbak
Michael Majernik - S.A.M.
James Majeski - Floyd, Kathleen, Dick Majeski, Ed & Jeanette Stenzel
Tim & Kathy Mero - Vivian & Brice Hickey, Gert & Gordon Mero, Konsela Gajria
Albert & Susan Meyer - William & Regina Meyer, Pat Reuter, Naomi & John Cline
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Wesley & Corrine McCrory - Neal & Emogene McCrory, Orrin McCrory, Grace & Ernie Kozlek
Virgie Mroczynski - Al & Glen Mroczynski
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Mary Myshka - John Myshka, Relatives of John & Mary Myshka, Carol & Bud Lindemann
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Roger & Doris Peters - Ann & Edmund Lewandoski, Myrtle & Charles Peters, Jerry Lewandoski
Chris & Kristine Peterson - Jerome Gorski
Mollie Podraz - Edward Podrez
Jerry & Dianna Ress - Maynard & Dorothy Hollis, Fr. Raphael
Leurelle Reynolds - Nancy Heinrich, Reynolds & Steger Families, Ted, Paul, BJ
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Dorothy Rutz - Chris Seubert, Ratz & Stolzman Families
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Clarence & Jane Soczka - Harry & Della Hanice, Esther Soczka
Elizabeth Tanger - Ruth Hirsch
Dean & Elizabeth Thurs - Leo John Thurs
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Randy & Kay Voigt - Mary Rapfinger
Susan Wenzel - Dorothy Wenzel Families & Clarence Wenzel Families
Bob & Linda Wendorf - Layton & Barbara Leitermann, Katherine Conklin
Mary Jo Zdrazil - Rose & Louis Zdrazil
Delfino & Maria Flores, Thom & Mary Hack, Grant Johnson, Jason & LuAnn Larue, Lee & Ze Moua, Georgine Pagel, Rich & Theresa Pavlovich, Rita Schultz, Kathy Stella. Sean & Barbara Strahota, Shia & Mai Xia Vang, Khous & Mai Vang, Ker Vang, Xiao Vang, Boua Za & Khousa Xiong, Xao & Mee Yang, Thai & Ying Yang Vang, Elizabeth Whipps
SPECIAL RATE ON A GREAT RESOURCE

Give Us This Day is an excellent daily prayer resource for “today’s Catholics,” which offers a daily order of prayer: psalm, scripture passage, gospel canticle and intercessions, as well as the daily Mass readings and an insightful reflection drawn from current writers and ancient sources. Until May 20, parishioners are invited to take advantage of a special bulk, parish subscription rate of $24.95 for this monthly publication. This is almost half of a normal individual subscription. We will need 20 parishioners to qualify for that rate. If you’re interested, contact the parish office by phone - (715) 849-3930 - or email mail@stanneswausau.org - by May 20.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS gather for scripture study at 7:15 p.m. Sunday at Biggby Coffee on Bridge Street. New people are always welcome.

ST. ANNE’S MEN’S FAITH GROUP meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays in the parish library. Any man seeking to confront the challenges of discipleship is welcome.

Seniors Sociables is a gathering of interested parishioners for games, cards, dominos, friendship and snacks. All are welcome to join us at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 14 in the West Gathering Space. Any questions please call Ruth Josiger at 715-675-2438. This is the last gathering until fall.

Fatima Council (Parish Council of Catholic Women) will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 in South Hall for a potluck dinner and short business meeting and social. There is access to an elevator at the northwest entrance to the building. Invite a friend, bring a dish to pass and come and enjoy a fun evening before we break for the summer.

KC Day of Spirituality will be Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon. Deacons Bryan Hilts and Michael Lambrecht will offer presentations and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered. To register or get more information, contact Dave Joswiak at djoswiak@charter.net.

Care Notes: Pamphlets are available addressing a variety of topics: grieving the loss of a parent, self-care for caregivers, knowing about dementia, conversing with a dying loved one, dealing with a parent’s divorce and more. They can be found in a display rack on the north wall in the main entranceway.

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