

# ST. NORBERT COLLEGE PARISH MAY 2022

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

## **Sunday Mass**

10:00 am 7:00 pm

## **Weekday Mass**

Monday - Friday 12:00 pm

## Confession

Sunday 9:00-9:45 am Sunday 6:00-6:45 pm Monday 7:00-7:45 pm Wednesday 11:00-11:45 am

Other days by appointment

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

## **Norbertines on Campus**

Fr. Onwu Akpa, O.Praem.

Fr. Mike Brennan, O.Praem.

Fr. Matthew Dougherty,

O.Praem.

Fr. James Neilson, O.Praem.

**Pastoral Leader** 

Deacon Kevin DeCleene

Director of Worship: Brian Fogarty

Program Coordinator of Faith Formation: Jennifer Rapavi

A message from Fr. Mike Brennan, O.Praem.

It is with great joy that I accept the invitation to serve you as Pastor of St. Norbert College Parish. These last five years of service alongside Deacon Kevin, my fellow Norbertines and you have been full of blessing and challenge. Yet, through our blessedness and our brokenness we have continued to walk together toward God and neighbor. I look forward to continuing with you along this journey over the ensuing years.

As we continue to learn more about one another, I share the following as an opportunity for you to learn a bit more about me. I grew up in Michigan City, Indiana. I am the oldest of four boys, uncle of five and Godfather of four.

I graduated from St. Norbert College in 1999 with a B.A. in Psychology and Philosophy. From 1999-2001, I served in the Alliance for Catholic ACE program, earning a Masters of Education from the University of Notre Dame. For approximately eleven years, including my time in the ACE program, I taught and coached in Catholic schools before joining the Norbertines in 2011.

In spring of 2017, I earned a Master of Divinity and Master of Theology from Catholic Theological Union. On May 27, 2017, I was ordained a priest. Since ordination, I have served here as a member of the College of Chaplains. Additionally, I served as the Vocation Director at St. Norbert Abbey, and the Chaplain for our National Shrine of St. Joseph.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your pastor; thank you for your prayerful support over the years. Please continue to pray for me and be assured of my prayers for you.



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## **Worship**

# **Happy Easter!**The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning

simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East,

bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. The Paschal Candle used during the Easter Vigil is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is lit for all liturgical celebrations. The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils" and Easter Sunday is the greatest of all Sundays. The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, which Catholics celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first Sunday to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our

#### **Upcoming events...**

May 6 - Classes End

May 9-13 - Final Exams

May 8 (Sunday) - LAST 7:00pm Mass of the Academic Year!

preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

May 14 (Saturday) - Baccalaureate Mass 4:00pm on the Campus Lawn

May 15 (Sunday) - SNC Commencement NO MASS AT OLD ST. JOE'S!

May 29 (Sunday) - The Ascension of the Lord

June 5 (Sunday) - Pentecost

June 12 (Sunday) - The Most Holy Trinity

June 19 (Sunday) - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus (Corpus Christi)

As always, if you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister, please contact the parish office!

## Outreach

"On behalf of St. Patrick's Pantry, we wanted to thank all of the parishioners of St. Joe's for their generosity the past few months. Your on-going support of the Pantry is very much needed and appreciated. The number of clients coming to the Pantry for some needed food, hygiene products and cleaning supplies is continually rising. In fact, March of 2022 was the first time we've seen our client count exceed what we were seeing for numbers before the COVID pandemic in March of 2020. As we're sure most of you have noticed, food, gas, utilities, rent, car repairs, etc. all have increased. This has placed an extra burden on many of our clients. Our Pantry volunteers do a fantastic job of treating our clients with warmth and a genuine understanding of their current situation. We are honored for the opportunity to be the "heroes" that distribute your donated items to those that need it in our community. Our Pantry is open Monday through Thursday from 1-3pm. We welcome anyone that would want to stop over to see the Pantry in action and witness how your donations are being utilized!"

Sincerely,

Chris & Janice Clemens

Directors of St. Patrick's Pantry



## **Faith Formation**

Happy Spring, Everyone!

Please note the following announcements for Generations of Faith: -Wednesday, May 4th will be our last K-12 Generations of Faith Class date. Please join us for an end of year picnic following class.

-Generations of Faith Registration will be opening over the summer. Please check your emails and parish advertising for more information.

-Mark your summer calendar for VBS! Vacation Bible School will be held August 2-4th. More information to come!



#### Meet Jeffery D. Koss!

Growing up in a small town in Northeast Wisconsin and graduating Luxemburg-Casco High School in 1989, Jeff pursued an associate degree in marketing and business from NWTC.

In 1991, Jeff joined the family business, and throughout his 27 years in the family business, he assisted in the growth and expansion of its capabilities. During his tenure there, Jeff served as Vice President, eventually becoming a co-owner of the company.

In 2012, Jeff left the family business to pursue a dream of owning a retail gift store with his wife and children. Later, with a challenging economy and new prospects on the horizon, Jeff and his wife closed their business to pursue another opportunity.

In 2015, Jeff accepted the Operations Manager position at the only Church-approved Marian Apparition site in the United States, The National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, Inc. in Champion, Wisconsin. As an initial operations manager of the Shrine, Jeff was responsible for the overall supervision of the operations and its activities. During his time there, Jeff earned the respect of his colleagues, volunteers, and the shrine visitors. He ensured the fulfilment of each pilgrim and visitor's experience and welcomed national and international speakers and dignitaries to the Shrine. He found endless opportunities for growth and development for himself and the team members he was entrusted to lead.

Jeff recognized the need and responsibility to expand his education in leadership and administration, and in 2018 he graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in business administration with an emphasis in management from Lakeland University, Sheboygan, WI.

Most recently, Jeff worked as the Accounting Team Lead for a local cabinet shop in Green Bay and is currently pursuing a graduate degree in pastoral studies with a concentration in pastoral counseling and spiritual direction from Holy Apostles College and Seminary in Cromwell, CT.

Jeff and his wife Jennifer have been married for 24 years, and they have five children; Maxwell, Marybeth, Zachariah, Isaiah, and Madelyn.

Jeff is looking forward to his new role as the Parish Life Administrator of St. Norbert College Parish. He is excited about the new opportunities he will experience here in this parish and looks forward to meeting, working with, and getting to know the members of this incredible, welcoming, caring, and nurturing faith community.

#### **VOCATIONS CORNER**

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

"Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit." ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II

This call story brought to you by:
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Jeffery D. Koss

#### **Congratulations Class of 2022**

We express our highest joy for the graduating class of 2022! This class experienced so much throughout their time at St. Norbert College, especially with COVID-19 throwing a wrench right in the middle of it. We know that this class will be strong and do amazing thing in the world in the coming years! We are blessed to experience all of the memories that were provided through this great class! We will always pray for this class and we are proud to be able to call all of these students members of our St. Norbert Community!



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