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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18

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JANUARY 23, 2022 • 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St. Mary Church — 303 West Monroe Street, Tomah

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am

St. Andrew Church — 203 May Street, Warrens

Saturday.....6:00pm

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Mary, Tomah

Tuesday.....5:30pm

Wednesday-Friday.....8:00am

Liberty Village Assisted Living, Tomah

First and Third Wednesdays.....10:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday.....4:30pm-5:15pm

Thursday.....5:00pm-6:00pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday.....4:00pm-5:15pm

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM

Are you a new or expectant parent? Baptism is the sacrament of initiation that welcomes your child into the Catholic Church and our parish community. Parents must complete baptismal preparation prior to their child's reception of the sacrament. Please contact Jon Burbach to schedule a class at 372-4516 x3.

MARRIAGE

At the time of engagement, but not less than six months prior to the wedding, please call the parish office to arrange for marriage preparation and to schedule your specific wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/HOME VISIT

Please contact the parish office for any sacramental ministry (anointing before a planned surgery, severe illness, etc.) or visitation to the sick or homebound.



As of January 12, 2022
220 families have pledged
\$98,741.00

Thank you so much, we have exceeded our parish goal of \$90,690!!! Everything given from this point will go to our Education Endowment Trust.

Gospel Reflection

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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COMFORT YOU IN
YOUR SUPREME
HOUR OF SORROW.**

”

St. Marianne Cope

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12 Tips from Mother Teresa to Inspire Your Daily Life

Happiness: "Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier."

Kindness: "Let there be kindness in your face, in your eyes, in your smile, in the warmth of your greeting. Always have a cheerful smile. Don't only give your care, but give your heart as well."

Saintliness: "To say I want to be a saint means stripping oneself of all that is not God."

Faithfulness: "We are not called to be successful but faithful."

Humility: "If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are."

Joy: "Joy is prayer; joy is strength; joy is love; joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls. ... A joyful heart is the normal result of a heart burning with love."

Faith: "I am ready to give up my life, but not my faith."

Conversion: "We never try to convert those whom we receive... but in our work we bear witness to the love of God's presence."

Death: "Death, in the final analysis, is only the easiest and quickest means to go back to God ... Death can be something beautiful. It is like going home."

Prayer: "Return to family prayer, and maintain it; it is God's greatest gift to keep a family united."

Sacrifice: "A sacrifice, to be real, must cost, must hurt, and we must empty ourselves."

Service: "The fruit of silence is prayer, the fruit of prayer is faith, the fruit of faith is love, the fruit of love is service, and the fruit of service is peace."

Have hope and
firm faith in
God, for he will
help you in
everything.

-ST. ANGELA MERICI

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of January 15-16

Estimated Weekly Need.....	\$13,840.00
Envelopes/Plate.....	\$9,656.00
Online Giving/ACH.....	\$1,416.00
 Weekly Total.....	 \$11,072.00

*Intentions for
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass*

Saturday, January 22 Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Jack Thill

St. Andrew — Warrens

6:00 PM Susan Schlusser

Sunday, January 23 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Marion Boberg

9:00 AM *Pro populo* of Queen of the Apostles Parish

10:30 AM Vernie Vandervort

Tuesday, January 25 Conversion of St. Paul

9:30 AM *School:* James Murray

Adoration — 4:00pm-5:15pm

Confession — 4:30pm-5:15pm (SM)

5:30 PM George and Agnes Matyas

Wednesday, January 26 St. Timothy and St. Titus

8:00 AM George, Helen, Steve and
Bob Marzahl

Thursday, January 27

8:00 AM Sandy Schendel

9:30 AM *School:* Bill and Joel Miller

Confession — 5:00pm-6:00pm (DK)

Friday, January 28 St. Thomas Aquinas

8:00 AM Rich Schroeder

Saturday, January 29 Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Dec. Members of the McCaskey
and Zastoupil Families

St. Andrew — Warrens

6:00 PM Providence Arrigo

Sunday, January 30 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Heckman
and Folczyk Families

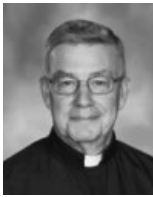
9:00 AM QA Students and Staff

10:30 AM *Pro populo* of Queen of the Apostles Parish



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Keeping Current with
Queen of the Apostles
CATHOLIC PARISH & SCHOOL



Welcome back to Ordinary Time and to a Wisconsin winter! If you are an early riser, you know that the days are getting longer. Lent is seven weeks away, so enjoy this time.

Just a short update regarding the Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA). We have reached our diocesan target of \$80,000 and our parish target of \$90,000. To date, we have collected an additional amount of \$8,000 which will go into our Educational Endowment Trust. Thanks to everyone who has contributed. You can still make a gift.

This coming week, we will celebrate the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The feast falls on January 25. It is important to remember that although St. Paul had a remarkable conversion experience on the road to Damascus, His conversion did not end there. St. Paul knew that conversion was a lifelong journey. It is a day after day commitment to live our lives in the footsteps of the Lord Jesus. Perhaps we might say that it means living our lives intentionally.

What does an intentional life look like? Do I pray each day? Do I have a conversation with Jesus each day about my life, where I am going, how can I use my gifts in service of others?

Second, do I spend time reading the Bible? Just a short passage each day that I can reflect on in the course of the day.

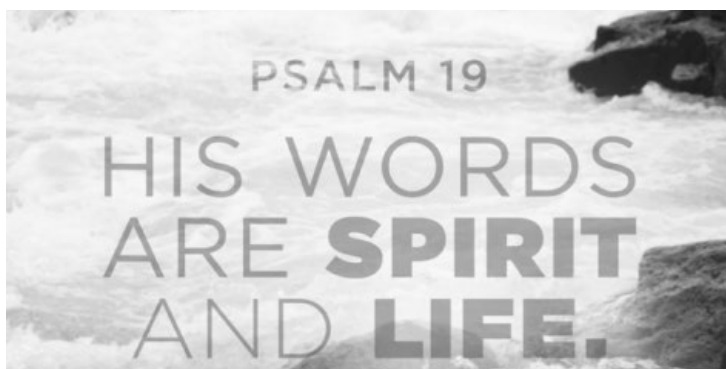
Do I have something in my life that I am able to reach out to others in some form of service? Something that takes the focus off of me.

Am I generous with my time, with my gifts?

All of these things can be a sign of living the life of Jesus. And these are the areas that need constant conversion in my life.

Come on Tuesday, January 25 to Mass at 5:30pm and celebrate the life of St. Paul who shows us the way to Jesus.

—Msgr. Kunz



School News

****Partnering with parents to provide Catholic formation and quality education extending beyond the classroom****

School Office: (608) 372-5765

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30am-3:30pm

Mass Schedule

Grades 4K-2: Tuesday, January 25 at 9:30am

Grades 3-5: Thursday, January 27 at 9:30am

January 24: No AM/PM Busses

Religious Education

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Sunday, January 23

Level 9: Small Groups

Wednesday, January 26

Levels K-5: Class — 6:00pm-7:00pm

Levels 6-8, 10: Class — 6:30pm-7:45pm

Sunday, January 30

Level 9: Large Group — 6:00pm-7:30pm

Wednesday, February 2

Levels K-5: Class — 6:00pm-7:00pm

Levels 6-8, 10: Class — 6:30pm-7:45pm

Pray For Life!

Ask the Blessed Virgin Mary and these patron saints for intercession on behalf of children, families, and parents, especially mothers. Read more about their lives to learn why they are the patron or patroness for each topic:

Unborn Children: Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Pope Saint John Paul II, Saint Mother Teresa

Expectant Mothers: St. Gerard Majella

Fathers: St. Joseph, St. Thomas More, St. Louis Martin

Grandmothers, safe pregnancies, and health: St. Anne

Grandfathers: St. Joachim

Working mothers, physicians, and unborn children: St. Gianna Beretta Molla

Victims of rape: St. Agnes, St. Maria Goretti, St. Josephine Bakhita

Victims of violence: St. Rita of Cascia, St. Monica, St. Germaine

Infertility and Child Loss: St. Louis and St. Zelig Martin, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Felicitas of Rome

Impossible Circumstances: St. Jude, St. Philomena

Miracles for pregnant women: St. Anthony of Padua

Patron saint of children: St. Nicholas

Dead Theologian's Society

High School students! Mark your calendars for the upcoming DTS gatherings:

Sunday, January 23
 Sunday, February 6
 Sunday, February 20

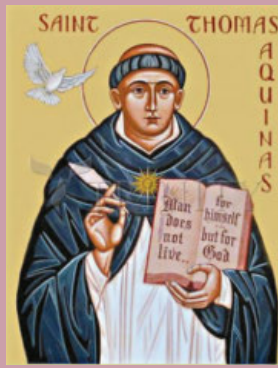
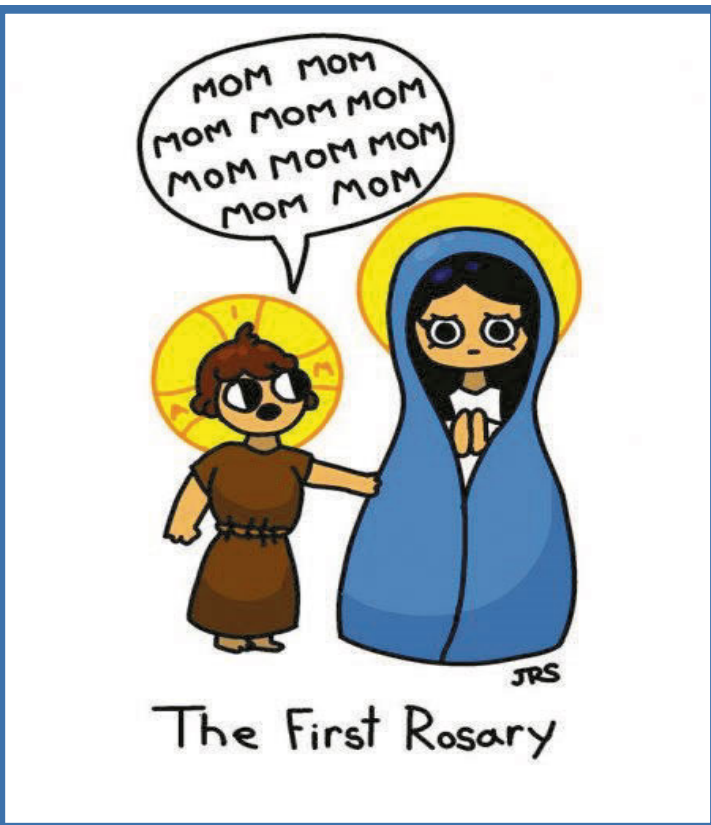
We'll meet from 7:00-8:00pm in the gym. Join us for an engaging evening of storytelling about some awesome dead people - the saints! And snacks!

				
COMPLAINT	RESENTMENT	ENVY	FEAR	WORRIES
When we complain to God for everything that goes wrong in our lives.	Without a reconciled heart, it is difficult to hear the voice of God.	That silent noise that can't see the gifts and talents God has given us.	It prevent us from trusting God. We even think that he doesn't care about us.	They abosrob our attention and create uneasiness.

10 OBSTACLES TO HEARING GOD'S VOICE

				
WEAKNESS	VANITY	MEDIOCRITY	OUR PAST	FANTASIES
We think that our prayer isn't working and we decide to abandon it altogether.	We conform to the world's frivolity and remain on the surface of our lives.	We get used to our sins and make little or no progress in our spiritual life.	The memory of our sins makes us feel guilty and we feel unworthy of a relationship with God.	An imagination that distracts us may prevent us from listening to God's voice.

SOURCE: Aleteia • www.aleteia.com 



St Thomas Aquinas Feast Day — January 28

By universal consent, Thomas Aquinas is the preeminent spokesman of the Catholic tradition of reason and of divine revelation. He is one of the great teachers of the medieval Catholic Church, honored with the titles Doctor of the Church and Angelic Doctor.

At five he was given to the Benedictine monastery at Monte Cassino in his parents' hopes that he would choose that way of life and eventually became abbot. In 1239, he was sent to Naples to complete his studies. It was here that he was first attracted to Aristotle's philosophy.

By 1243, Thomas abandoned his family's plans for him and joined the Dominicans, much to his mother's dismay. On her order, Thomas was captured by his brother and kept at home for over a year.

Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great. He held two professorships at Paris, lived at the court of Pope Urban IV, directed the Dominican schools at Rome and Viterbo, combated adversaries of the mendicants, as well as the Averroists, and argued with some Franciscans about Aristotelianism.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, pervades his writings. One might expect Thomas, as a man of the gospel, to be an ardent defender of revealed truth. But he was broad enough, deep enough, to see the whole natural order as coming from God the Creator, and to see reason as a divine gift to be highly cherished.

The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology. He stopped work on it after celebrating Mass on December 6, 1273. When asked why he stopped writing, he replied, "I cannot go on.... All that I have written seems to me like so much straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me." He died March 7, 1274.

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