



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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We are a Catholic parish where people experience Jesus Christ in a way that changes how they live.

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time February 6, 2022

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30AM
Tuesday, 5:30PM & Thursday, 7:30AM
Saturday, 4:30PM English
6:30PM Spanish
Sunday, 8:00AM and 10:00AM
All Masses are live streamed.

Confession Schedule

Saturday, 3:15-4:10PM
Sunday, 9:00-9:50AM

Adoration

Monday, 2:00-3:00PM ONLY 1/24-3/7
Tuesday, 4:15-5:15PM
Friday, 9:00-10:00AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM-5:00PM
Friday, 9:00AM-Noon

Church and Chapel Hours

Monday-Friday, 7:30AM-5:00PM
Saturday, 10:00AM-6:00PM
Sunday, 7:00-11:00AM

Misa en español

Sábados a las 6:30PM

Confesiones

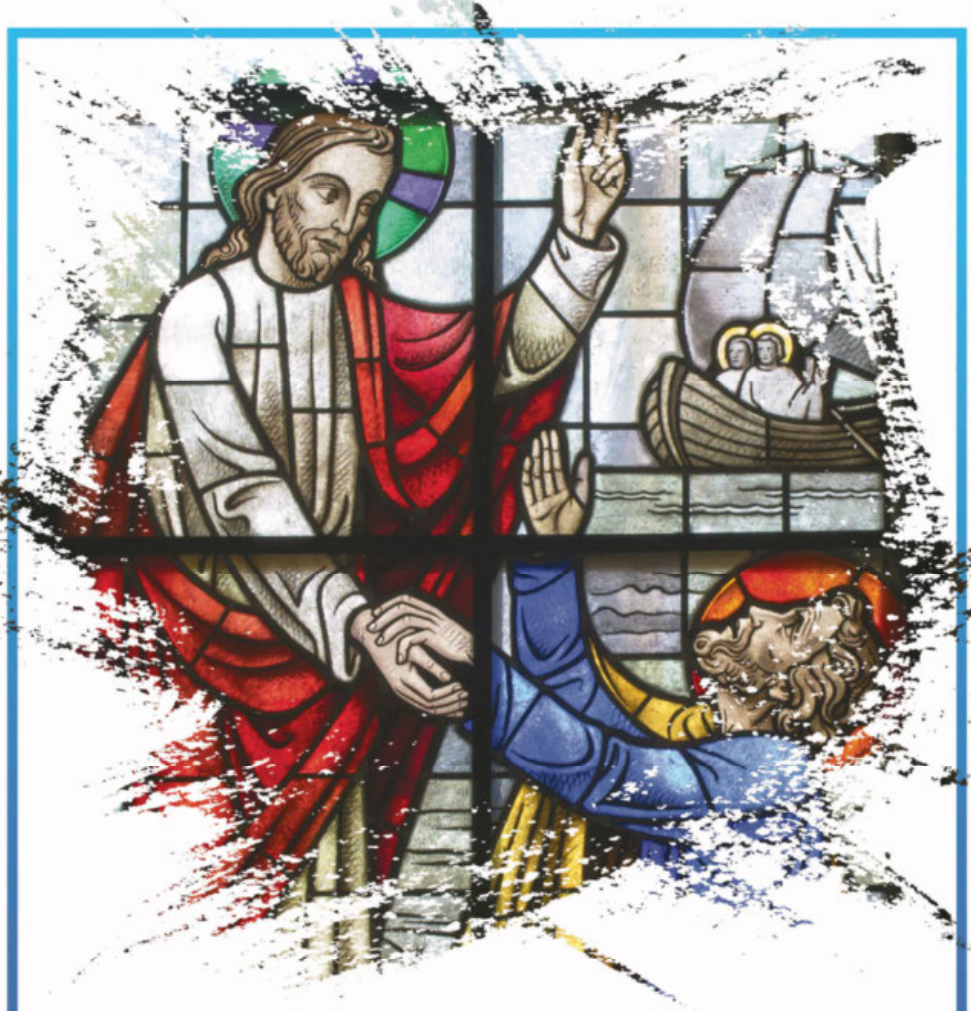
Sábados 3:15-4:10PM
y por cita previa

Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes 2:00-3:00PM 1/24-3/7
Martes 4:15-5:25PM
Viernes 9:00-10:00AM

5° domingo de tiempo ordinario 6 de febrero de 2022

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
“Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?”
“Here I am,” I said; “send me!” ~Is 6:8*



WHEN THEY BROUGHT THEIR BOATS TO THE SHORE,
THEY LEFT EVERYTHING AND FOLLOWED HIM. - LK 5:11

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LUEGO LLEVARON LAS BARCAS A TIERRA, Y
DEJÁNDOLO TODO, LO SIGUIERON. - LC 5, 11

5^º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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*Escuché entonces la voz del Señor que decía:
“¿A quién enviaré? ¿Quién irá de parte mía?”
Yo le respondí: “Aquí estoy, Señor, envíame”. ~Is 6:8*

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

There are many exciting themes in our readings this Sunday. One theme is how we are called by God. Another theme is humility in the presence of God. A third theme is our call to evangelize. Here are some reflection questions to help us to continue reflecting on the Word of God during the week:

- ◆ Do I respond when Jesus calls me?
- ◆ What do I need to leave behind in order to answer the invitation?
- ◆ Do I trust that God loves and calls me as I am now? Or do I think I am unworthy to serve?



National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) Called to the Joy of Love

The observance of National Marriage Week and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 13) are an opportunity for us to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. Our theme for 2022 is "Called to the Joy of Love!"

Please visit foryourmarriage.org (portumatrimonio.org en español) for a good resource to help strengthen your marriage or advice for dating and engaged couples.

Prayer to the Holy Family by Pope Francis

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,
in you we contemplate the splendor of true love;
to you we turn with trust.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again experience
violence, rejection and division;
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
Graciously hear our prayer.
Amen.

Quinto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

Hay muchos temas emocionantes en las lecturas de este domingo. Uno es como somos llamados por Dios. Otro tema es humildad en la presencia de Dios. El tercer tema es nuestro llamado a evangelizar. Aquí están algunas preguntas que nos ayudan a reflexionar sobre la palabra de Dios

durante esta semana:

- ◆ ¿Respondo cuando Jesús me llama?
- ◆ ¿Que necesito dejar atrás para responder esta invitación?
- ◆ ¿Confío que Dios me ama y me llama como soy? ¿O pienso que no soy digno de servir?

Semana Nacional del Matrimonio (feb 7- 14) Llamado a la alegría del amor

En observación a la semana nacional del matrimonio y al Día Mundial del Matrimonio (domingo febrero 13) es una oportunidad para enfocarnos en construir una cultura de vida y amor que comience con el apoyo y promoción del matrimonio y la familia. ¡Nuestro tema para el año 2022 es "Llamado a la alegría del amor!"

Por favor visite la pagina portumatrimonio.org para encontrar recursos buenos para fortalecer el matrimonio y consejos para novios y parejas próximas al matrimonio.

Oración del Papa Francisco a la Familia Sagrada

Jesús, María y José en vosotros contemplamos
el esplendor del verdadero amor, a vosotros,
confiados, nos dirigimos.
Santa Familia de Nazaret,
haz también de nuestras familias
lugar de comunión y cenáculo de oración,
auténticas escuelas del Evangelio
y pequeñas iglesias domésticas.
Santa Familia de Nazaret,
que nunca más haya en las familias
episodios de violencia, de cerrazón y división;
que quien haya sido herido o escandalizado
sea pronto consolado y curado.
Santa Familia de Nazaret,
haz tomar conciencia a todos del carácter sagrado
e inviolable de la familia,
de su belleza en el proyecto de Dios.
Jesús, María y José,
escuchad, acoged nuestra súplica.
Amén.

Feast of St. Blaise and World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Fiesta de San Blas y Dia Mundial de Oración por el enfermo

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

This past Thursday, February 3rd, we celebrated the feast of St. Blaise. We will commemorate St. Blaise's Feast day at the conclusion of our weekend Masses this weekend with a communal blessing of throats and omit the touching of the blessed candles to people's throats due to the pandemic. This is a change from the recent past where we were able to have individual blessing of throats by priests using blessed candles.

St. Blaise was a physician who later in life was ordained to the priesthood and eventually was made Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia. When the persecution of Christians began, he took refuge in the hills. He was discovered living in a cave by men who had been sent to hunt him down under an order of the governor. While in prison awaiting trial and torture, Blaise performed a miraculous cure of a young boy who was choking to death on a fish bone. In gratitude, the boy's mother brought Blaise candles and food while he was imprisoned. It is because of the miraculous healing of the little boy that devotions to St. Blaise for healing of throat ailments grew through the centuries and is still performed today.



World Day of Prayer for the Sick 2022 Friday, February 11

St. Pope John Paul II instituted this annual day thirty years ago in 1992 for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The Pope himself was diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before in 1991. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes. Interestingly, Pope Benedict XVI also declared his decision to resign from his post as the Pope on this day in 2013, citing his failing health as the reason behind his decision.

Pope Francis concludes his 2022 message for this year's day of prayer with these words: "To the intercession of Mary, Health of the Infirm, I entrust all the sick and their families. United with Christ, who bears the pain of the world, may they find meaning, consolation and trust. I pray for healthcare workers everywhere, that, rich in mercy, they may offer patients, together with suitable care, their fraternal closeness."

Let us pray with our Holy Father for all the sick. Especially, we pray for an end to the health pandemic and all of those who care for the sick during this difficult time.

Fiesta de San Blas, Obispo y Mártir

Este pasado jueves, febrero 3, celebramos la fiesta de San Blas. Nosotros vamos a conmemorar la fiesta de San Blas al final de cada misa este fin de semana con una bendición comunal de gargantas y omitiremos tocar las velas bendecidas en las gargantas de las personas debido a la pandemia. Esto es un cambio del pasado cuando el sacerdote podía bendecir individualmente las gargantas de las personas con la vela bendecida.

San Blas fue un medico que tarde en su vida fue ordenado sacerdote y eventualmente fue el Obispo de Sebaste en Armenia. Cuando la persecución de cristianos comenzó, el se refugio en las colinas. El fue descubierto viviendo en cuevas por los hombres que fueron enviados a perseguirlo y encontrarlo bajo las ordenes del gobernador. En prisión bajo tortura mientras esperaba su juicio, Blas hizo un milagro cuando curo a un niño que se estaba muriendo asfixiado con un hueso de pescado. En gratitud, la madre del niño le trajo a San Blas velas y comida durante su tiempo en prisión. Es por este milagro de sanación del niño que la devoción a San Blas por sanación de gargantas creció por siglos y todavía se hace.

Dia Mundial de Oración por el enfermo 2022 Viernes Febrero 11

Papa Juan Pablo II instituyo este día hace 33 años en 1992 para los creyentes ofrecer sus oraciones por todos aquellos que sufren de enfermedades. El papa mismo fue diagnosticado con Parkinson un año antes, en 1991. Este día coincide con la conmemoración del día de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes. Interesantemente, Papa Benedicto XVI también declaró su decisión de renunciar a su posición como Papa en este día en el 2013, siendo su mala salud la razón para esta decisión.

Papa Francisco concluye este día de Oración con estas palabras: Queridos hermanos y hermanas, encomiendo todos los enfermos y sus familias a la intercesión de María, Salud de los enfermos. Que unidos a Cristo, que lleva sobre sí el dolor del mundo, puedan encontrar sentido, consuelo y confianza. Rezo por todos los agentes sanitarios para que, llenos de misericordia, ofrezcan a los pacientes, además de los cuidados adecuados, su cercanía fraterna.

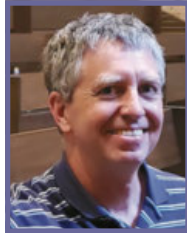
Oremos con nuestro Santo Padre por todos los enfermos, especialmente oremos por el final de la pandemia y por todos los que cuidan a los enfermos en estos tiempos difíciles.

Gospel Reflection/Reflexión del Evangelio

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman

Gone Fishin'

In today's Gospel, we've gone fishin'. Ok, it's really not about fishin', it's about mission (and bad rhymes, apparently). Today's Gospel and our first reading are about God calling people to mission. In fact, the two stories are quite similar in structure. A person witnesses a miraculous sight: Isaiah has his temple vision and Peter and the other disciples experience the huge catch of fish. Both Isaiah and Peter profess their unworthiness to be where they are because of their sinfulness. God addresses their sinfulness (the burning ember; "be not afraid") but still calls on them to be his messengers on earth. But these are not the only sinful people God calls to mission – we, too, are called to mission. Every week we witness a miraculous sight – bread and wine becoming the body and blood of Christ. And though we know we are sinners, God extends his mercy and forgiveness, but also calls us to evangelize at the end of each Mass. In fact, our word Mass comes from the word missa from the old last line of the Mass – "Ite, missa est – "Go forth, she (the collective Church) is sent." Missa is related to the word missio, from which we get our word mission. So, after Mass this Sunday, let us ask ourselves, "On what mission am I being sent?" Then, upon answering that, it's time to go fishin'!



Fuimos de Pesca

En el Evangelio de hoy, hemos ido de pesca. Ok, no realmente a pescar, es acerca de la misión (y rimas malas aparentemente). El Evangelio de hoy y nuestra primera lectura hablan sobre como Dios llama a las personas a una misión. En efecto, las dos historias tienen estructuras similares.

Una persona es testigo de una visión milagrosa: Isaías tiene su visión en el templo, mientras que Pedro junto a los otros discípulos experimentan la captura de una enorme cantidad de peces. Isaías y Pedro, profesaron su falta de mérito para estar donde estaban por ser pecadores. Dios aborda su estado de pecadores (la brasa ardiente; "no tengas miedo") pero de todas maneras los llama para ser sus mensajeros en la Tierra. Pero estos no son los únicos pecadores que Dios llama a una misión – nosotros también estamos llamados a una misión. Cada semana nosotros somos testigos de una visión milagrosa – pan y vino se convierten en el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Y aunque sabemos que somos pecadores, Dios nos extiende su misericordia y su perdón, pero también nos llama a evangelizar al final de cada Misa. En efecto, la palabra Misa viene de la palabra missa sacado de la última línea de la Misa antigua – "Ite, missa est" – "Vayan, ella (la Iglesia colectiva) es enviada. Missa esta relacionada a la palabra missio, de donde obtenemos la palabra misión. Después de la Misa este domingo, preguntémonos, a que misión he sido enviado? Y después de contestar esta pregunta, es tiempo de ir a pescar!

Prayers

Prayer for Life

For the sick, especially those nearing life's end:
May they be cared for with tenderness and compassion
as they prepare to enter eternal life;
We pray to the Lord.

Prayer for Peace

For all the victims of sex trafficking:
May they be rescued from their servitude and, through
the compassionate care of their healers, find peace;
We pray to the Lord.

Making Sundays Special!

*Spend quality time together:
play board games or do another fun activity.*

Oraciones

Oración por la Vida

Por los enfermos, en especial los que están cercanos al
final de la vida: para que reciban cuidados con ternura
y compasión mientras se preparan para entrar a la vida
eterna; *Roguemos al Señor.*

Oración por la Paz

Por todas las víctimas de tráfico sexual
Que sean rescatadas de la esclavitud y que por medio
de la compasión de sus cuidadores encuentren la paz
Roguemos al Señor.

¡Haz del Domingo un Día Especial!

*Pasen tiempo de calidad juntos: jueguen juegos
de mesa o hagan otra actividad divertida.*

Mass at Resurrection Cemetery & Mass Intentions

Misa en el Cementerio de la Resurrección y Intenciones

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Mass at Resurrection Cemetery

3rd Friday of the Month (Feb. 18)

All are welcome to attend the Mass at Resurrection Cemetery on the third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. The Mass is offered for all those who are laid to rest at Resurrection Cemetery. It is a good and wholesome work to pray for our beloved departed. On Friday, February 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Bart will be the celebrant of the Mass in the Chapel at Resurrection Cemetery.

We Have Many “Openings” for Mass to be Offered for Your Intentions

When we offer a Mass for a deceased loved one, we are asking God to apply the graces of the Mass to that person’s soul, so that their time of purification (purgatory) can be brought quickly to completion and they can enter into the fullness of heaven. This is a truly loving and faith-filled thing to do.

The Catechism points this out: “From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God.” (CCC 1032). But our faith is imperfect, our love is imperfect, so it is possible that although our prayers and offering do indeed benefit the person who has passed away, they may not be sufficient to bring that person’s purification period to an end. And so, we continue to exercise both our faith and our love by having more Masses offered.

This is a beautiful expression of the communion of all believers in Christ – a communion that transcends time and space. If the person you offer the Mass for is already in heaven (if their stage of purification has been completed), then God will surely not let the offering go to waste – God will honor your love and faith and allow it to benefit another member of the Body of Christ. These offerings are not arithmetic; they are animated by faith and love, and as long as our faith and love (and hope) are alive and well, our offerings are a legitimate and fruitful expression and exercise of them, something that gives glory to God and that benefits the whole Church.

To have a Mass offered for your loved one,
please contact Terri in the front office:

(608) 833-2600

terri@stamadison.org or terrikysely@stamadison.org

Misa en el Cementerio de la Resurrección 3^{er} Viernes del Mes (Feb 18)

Están todos invitados a asistir a la Misa en el Cementerio de la Resurrección el tercer viernes de cada mes a las 10am. La Misa es ofrecida por todos aquellos que descansan en paz en el Cementerio de la Resurrección. Es un gesto bueno e íntegro orar por nuestros queridos difuntos. El Viernes, 18 de febrero de 2022 a las 10am Fr. Bart será el celebrante de la Misa en la Capilla del Cementerio de la Resurrección.

Tenemos espacios disponibles para ofrecer Misas por tus intenciones

Cuando ofrecemos una Misa por nuestros queridos difuntos, le estamos pidiendo a Dios que derrame todas las gracias de la Misa en el alma de esa persona, para que su tiempo de purificación en el purgatorio sea completado y pueda entrar en la plenitud del cielo. Es definitivamente una acción amorosa y llena de fe ofrecer una Misa por nuestros queridos difuntos.

El Catecismo menciona: “Desde los primeros tiempos, la Iglesia ha honrado la memoria de los difuntos y ha ofrecido suffragios en su favor, en particular el sacrificio eucarístico, para que, una vez purificados, puedan llegar a la visión beatífica de Dios.” Pero nuestra fe es imperfecta, nuestro amor es imperfecto y es posible que aunque nuestras oraciones y ofrecimientos verdaderamente benefician a nuestros difuntos, pueden no ser suficientes para que el tiempo de purificación de la persona llegue a su fin. Y es por esto que continuamos el ejercicio en nuestra fe y en nuestro amor de tener Misas ofrecidas por nuestros difuntos.

Es una expresión hermosa de la comunión de todos los creyentes en Cristo – una comunión que trasciende tiempo y espacio. Si la persona por la cual la Misa es ofrecida está ya en el cielo (si su tiempo de purificación ha sido completado) Dios se asegurará que los ofrecimientos y las gracias de esa Misa no sean desperdiciados – Dios honrará tu amor y fe, y permitirá que otro miembro del Cuerpo de Cristo se beneficie. Estos ofrecimientos no son aritméticos, son causados por fe y amor, y siempre y cuando nuestra fe, nuestro amor y nuestra esperanza estén vivos, nuestros ofrecimientos son legítimos y una expresión y ejercicio fructífero de ellos, es algo que da gloria a Dios y beneficia a toda la Iglesia.

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Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving

Catholic Herald

Did you know an individual subscription to the Catholic Herald is \$33? If you get it through St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, you can get it for \$25! You should find an envelope for the \$25 fee in your monthly envelopes! If you do not get envelopes, you can write a check for \$25 with Catholic Herald written in the memo and put a check in the basket at offertory time. Thanks in advance for dropping your subscription money into the basket next month!

Grand Opening!

Mark February 26 or 27 on your calendar! We will have a Grand Opening of our new Social Hall and Kitchen after each Mass. All are welcome to take a tour of the new Social Hall and Kitchen.

Diocese of Madison Annual Catholic Appeal 2022 “We Shall Open the Way for the Gospel”

The theme for the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Diocese of Madison is “We Shall Open the Way for the Gospel.” We ask that God guide us, and give us the ability to put our *faith* in Him to allow us the capacity to love and care for those in our parishes, our diocese and the Church throughout the world. We ask that His grace make us even more generous in supporting those needs.

Each pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal supports diocesan ministries, education and services and assures a strong future for the Diocese of Madison and the people that it serves.

This year each of us is asked to consider making a pledge, payable over six months. Your gift will help enable our parish and the diocese to reach its goal and support the ministries with the appeal.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

Save the Date!

On March 8th at 6:30 PM, we will host a Medicare seminar. Rebecca Skouson, a licensed Medicare Advisor, will share an overview of what to know about Medicare as well as when to sign up. This interactive seminar will be helpful to navigate the challenges and options of Medicare. Anyone approaching enrollment eligibility (64 or older) or people who are already on Medicare, but may want to get a better understanding of the plans or improve their current coverage. Check out our website or Flocknote to register.



Catholic Herald

¿Sabía que una suscripción individual al *Catholic Herald* vale \$33? ¡Si usted se inscribe por medio de Santo Tomas Aquino es solo \$25! Usted va a encontrar un sobre por la cantidad de \$25 en los sobres mensuales. Si usted no recibe los sobres, usted puede escribir un cheque por \$25 con *Catholic Herald* escrito en el memo y ponga el cheque en la canasta en el momento de las ofrendas. Gracias de antemano por colocar el dinero de su suscripción en la canasta de ofrendas el próximo mes.

Gran Inauguración!

¡Marque en sus calendarios los días 26 y 27 de febrero! Después de cada misa vamos a tener una gran inauguración de nuestra sala social y cocina. Todos están invitados a tomar un tour y conocer la sala social y la cocina.

Diócesis de Madison Petición Anual Católica 2022 “Debemos Abrir el Camino al Evangelio”

El tema para la petición anual católica 2022 de la diócesis de Madison es “Debemos Abrir el Camino al Evangelio.” Pedimos que Dios nos guíe y nos de la habilidad de poner nuestra fe en el para permitirnos la capacidad de amar y cuidar a todos aquellos en nuestras parroquias, nuestra diócesis y la iglesia en todo el mundo. Pedimos que por su gracia seamos mas generosos en el apoyo de esas necesidades.

Cada contribución a la apelación anual católica apoya los ministerios de la diócesis, educación y servicios y asegura un futuro fuerte para la diócesis de Madison y para la gente que la diócesis sirve.

Este año, cada uno de nosotros debemos considerar hacer una ofrenda que se pueda pagar a seis meses. Su donación ayudara a nuestra parroquia y a la diócesis a alcanzar sus metas y apoyar los ministerios que esta petición ayuda.

Si usted recibió la petición en el correo por favor complétela y regrésela en el correo. Gracias por su consideración y respuesta generosa.

Reservar la fecha!

El 8 de marzo a las 6:30 pm seremos los anfitriones de un Seminario de Medicare. Rebecca Skouson, una consejera autorizada de Medicare compartirá importante información como también cuando registrarse. Este seminario interactivo ayudara a navegar las opciones y retos de Medicare. Cualquier persona que se este acercando a los requisitos de elegibilidad (64 años o mas de edad) o personas que ya tienen Medicare, pero quieren entender mejor los planes y mejorar la cobertura visiten nuestra página web o Flocknote para registrarse.

St. Josephine Bakhita Feast Day February 8

International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking

February 8 has been designated an annual day of prayer and awareness against human trafficking by the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General. To learn more about human trafficking see the document provided by the USCCB on our responsibility to become more aware and educate others on this tragic issue. <https://www.usccb.org/resources/OnHumanTrafficking.pdf>.

Let us pray to St. Josephine Bakhita for an end to human trafficking and healing for both the victims and perpetrators of this practice. Consider committing to pray three Hail Mary's every day for them.

Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking

Loving and compassionate God, we pray for the millions of victims of trafficking.

Free them from the chains of this modern-day slavery.

Heal their pain, review their hope, and restore their sense of worth and human dignity.

Convert the hearts of all those whose actions contribute to the exploitation of the most vulnerable members of the human family.

Touch our hearts so that we will be instruments of your justice, love and peace.

--Teresa Wolf, OSB



St. Josephine Bakhita-Feb. 8

St. Josephine Bakhita was born into a wealthy Sudanese family near Darfur in 1869. She was kidnapped when she was nine years old and forced into slavery. Her kidnappers named her Bakhita ("fortunate" in Arabic). She was sold and resold, beaten and tortured by her "owners" until 1883 when she was purchased by an Italian consul who treated her well. He brought her to Italy to work as a nanny. In 1889, the Italian courts ruled that Bakhita was enslaved illegally and declared her a free woman. She became enamored with the Catholic faith, chose to stay in Italy, baptized in 1890, and received her First Holy Communion from the future Pope St. Pius X. She took the Christian name of Josephine, and in 1896 entered the Institute of Canossian Daughters of Charity. She was affectionately called "Our Black Mother" by the Italians. She was known for her charity towards children and the poor, her indomitable spirit during the hardship of slavery, and her joy in religious life. St. Josephine Bakhita is the patron of Sudan, and her feast day, February 8th, has been designated the International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking.

A movie of her life is available on **Formed.org** at <https://watch.formed.org/products/bakhita-from-slave-to-saint>

Image from Catholic Health Association of the United States [https://www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/day-of-prayer-and-awareness-against-human-trafficking-\(2022\)](https://www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/day-of-prayer-and-awareness-against-human-trafficking-(2022))

Día Internacional de Oración y Conciencia en Contra de Tráfico Humano

Febrero 8 ha sido designado como el día anual de oración y conciencia en contra del tráfico humano por el Consejo Pontificio por Justicia y Paz y la Unión Internacional de Generales Superiores. Para aprender más sobre el tráfico humano refiérase al documento provisto por USCCB sobre nuestra responsabilidad de ser conscientes y educar a otros en este tema trágico: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/OnHumanTrafficking.pdf>.

Oremos a Santa Josephine Bakhita por el final del tráfico humano y por sanación, tanto para las víctimas como para los autores de esta práctica. Considere comprometerse a orar tres Dios te Salves cada día por ellos.

Oración por Víctimas de Tráfico Humano

Amoroso y compasivo Dios, Oramos por los millones de víctimas de tráfico humano.

Libéralos de las cadenas de este tipo actual de esclavitud.

Sana su dolor, dales esperanza, y Restaura su sentido de valor y dignidad humana.

Convierte los corazones de todos aquellos que con sus acciones Contribuyen a la explotación de los más vulnerables miembros de la familia humana.

Toca nuestros corazones para que seamos instrumentos De tu justicia, amor y paz.

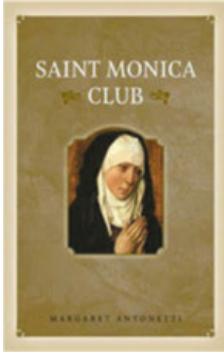
--Teresa Wolf, OSB

St. Josephine Bakhita—Feb. 8

Santa Josephine Bakhita nació cerca a Darfur en 1869 en una familia sudanesa de mucho dinero. Ella fue secuestrada a los 9 años y fue forzada a ser esclava. Sus secuestradores la llamaron Bakhita ("afortunada" en árabe). Fue vendida muchas veces, fue maltratada y torturada por sus "dueños" hasta 1883 cuando fue comprada por un cónsul italiano quien la trato bien. El la llevo a vivir a Italia a trabajar como niñera. En 1889 las cortes italianas declararon que Bakhita había sido esclava ilegalmente y la declararon como mujer libre. Bakhita se enamoro de la fe católica y escogió quedarse en Italia, fue bautizada en 1890 y recibió la primera comunión por el futuro Papa San Pius X. Ella tomo el nombre cristiano de Josephine y en 1896 entro al Instituto Canosiano De las Hijas de La Caridad. Ella fue llamada afectuosamente "Nuestra madre negra" por los italianos. Ella fue reconocida por sus trabajos de caridad hacia los niños y los pobres, su indomitable espíritu durante dificultades de la esclavitud, y su alegría en la vida religiosa. Santa Josephine Bakhita es la patrona de Sudan, y el día de su fiesta, febrero 8, ha sido designado como el Día Internacional de Oración y Conciencia en Contra de Tráfico Humano.

Una película basada en su vida está disponible en **Formed.org** en el siguiente enlace: at <https://watch.formed.org/products/bakhita-from-slave-to-saint>

Lenten Small Groups



A Small Group for Mothers of Adult Children: St. Monica Club (Mercedes Martin)

Are you a parent of an older teen or young adult who has left the church? Are you worried and stressed about this situation? In this group we will read The St. Monica Club by Maggie Green and discuss and pray for any prodigals you might have in your family by following the example of St. Monica. The book shows us that there are no easy solutions for this situation and provides ways to bring peace and hope to your family while you wait and pray for your children to come back to the church. Please reach out to Mercedes at mypasha6419@protonmail.com. This group will meet at St. Thomas Aquinas, starting Monday, **February 28th at 6pm**. Cost of book: \$15

Spending Time with the Gospel of Luke

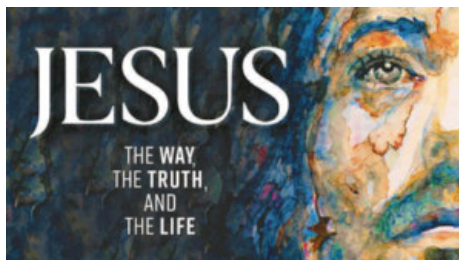
This year at Mass, we are reading from the Gospel of Luke. This small group, which meets in homes, **every other Monday, from 7-8:30pm**, is taking the opportunity to dive a little deeper. Prior to each meeting the group will read a section of the Gospel of Luke, reflecting on the following questions:

What speaks to you in these passages?

What character in the passage do you find you relate to?

What would you do in a similar situation to the passage?

There is room for 2-3 additional members to this established group. If you would be interested in joining, contact Linda and Joel at galang@tds.net



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did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life on him as you come to know and love him in an ever-deeper and more intimate way. Sign up and learn how to get started by contacting Jan at jtuccinardi@gmail.com.

This study will meet on Mondays, **beginning on March 7, from 7:00 - 8:00 pm, via Zoom**.

Cost: \$30 – includes book, workbook, online access to videos.

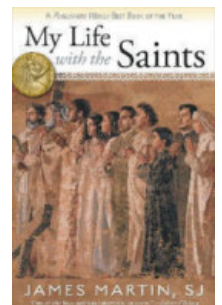


Praying with the Sunday Gospels

The bible readings that we hear during Lent are amazingly rich. Even spending a short time with them will open your eyes to the unique way God speaks, not only to ‘all of us’ but to you personally! Building on the format and verses from the 1% challenge that the whole parish will be doing during Lent, together we will learn from the Spirit and from each other, growing in our relationship with Jesus. Join Jenny on **Wednesdays, March 9 -April 6, 6:30-7:30pm!** Email jennifer@stamadison.org to sign up.

Contemplative Dialogue: My Life with the Saints

The focus of contemplative dialogue is on listening rather than formulating a response to what another is saying. Simply hearing another’s point of view and reflecting on it can inform and enlighten our own perspective in a way that debating or analyzing it cannot. The pace of conversation is slower in contemplative dialogue than in most other conversations. We are challenged to listen more carefully and approach different points of view by looking at the deeper values and issues underlying them. This group will be using the book My Life with the Saints (by Fr. James Martin), and meets approximately **every other Thursday, at STA, from 9:30-11am**. There is room for 2-3 additional members to this established group.



Family & Faith Formation/Familia y Catequesis

Description (FEBRUARY)	Tuesdays Elementary	Wednesdays Elementary	Wednesdays Middle School	Sabados Catequesis	Sundays High School
Classes held	February 1, 8, 15, 22	February 2, 9, 16, 23	February 2, 9, 16, 23	Febrero 5, 12, 19, 26	February 6, 13, 20, 27

Young Adults TNT: Tuesdays and Thursdays

In an effort to build faith, fellowship, and friendship, STA Young Adults will be presenting TNT (Tuesdays and Thursdays). Every Tuesday and Thursday there will be a night for young adults. On Tuesdays, members of STA Young Adults gather for a night of games and fellowship. On Thursdays, members of STA Young Adults gather for spirituality. For more information, please feel free to contact our Director of Young Adult Ministry, Robert Rosa-Cruz at robert@stamadison.org

Tuesday, January 11th-February 22nd Game Nights at Holy Name Heights

Thursday, January 13th-February 10th Bible Study (for 5 weeks): *The Letter of St. James*

Peregrinación al Santuario de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en La Crosse

Pilgrimage to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in La Crosse

Domingo, 27 de marzo de 2022
7:30 AM a 6:00 PM
Autobús desde Holy Name Heights (Madison)
Costo: \$20 por persona

Sunday, March 27, 2022
7:30 AM to 6:00 PM
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Nun Run: February 18-20

Takes place in St. Paul, Minnesota with many opportunities for prayer, Adoration and visiting with the religious sisters and helping with some daily chores, Mass, and meals. Transportation will be provided from the Diocese of Madison to St. Paul, MN.

Anyone interested in attending can register at:
vocations@madisondiocese.org.

For more information, contact Theresa Kinkhammer at:

Theresa.kinkhammer@ambroseacademy.org

Nun Run: del 18 al 20 de febrero

Habrá muchas oportunidades de oración, Adoración, visita con las hermanas religiosas, ayuda con quehaceres diarios, Misa y comidas. Transporte será provisto desde la diócesis de Madison hasta St. Paul MN.

Los interesados en este evento se pueden registrar en el siguiente enlace

vocations@madisondiocese.org

Para más información contacte a Theresa Kinkhammer:

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 5 Meml of St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

4:30 PM Mary O'Meara ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Sunday, February 6

8:00 AM Margaret Thome ☩

10:00 AM Lina Maria Vergara ☩

Monday, February 7

8:30 AM Sue Chomor ☩

Tuesday, February 8

5:30 PM Marlene Mahoney ☩

Wednesday, February 9

8:30 AM Janet Metcalf ☩

Thursday, February 10 Meml of St. Scholastica, Virgin

7:30 AM Robert and Evelyn Neu ☩

Friday, February 11

8:30 AM Clyde Bunker ☩

10:00 AM **OPEN**

Saturday, February 12

4:30 PM For the Ray Thole Family ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Sunday, February 13

8:00 AM Deceased members of the Harley and Marcella Marks Family

10:00 AM Charles Mackin ☩

Donate Plasma for a STA Parishioner

A STA Parish member has a health issue, which requires that they receive directed plasma donations every 3 weeks. We are hoping to help by finding at least two individuals who would be willing to donate directed plasma units at St. Mary's Hospital, Madison, Wisconsin when St. Mary's schedules their Blood Drives.

The St. Mary's Hospital Blood Drives are held on Fridays on approximately a 3-month cycle and donating directed plasma units takes about 45 minutes. Donations will be scheduled and confirmed with the donors prior to the donation date.

Donors need to be males in good health and have Blood Type A (Positive or Negative).

If you are interested in becoming a directed plasma donor for this individual, please contact Terri Kysely at terrikysely@stamadison.org 608-833-2600.

Weekly Offertory Update

Week Ending	Income*	MDCC & MDCC Endowment
2022 TOTALS	\$87,050	\$44,473
1/2/2022	\$16,011	\$1,300
1/9/2022	\$16,958	\$935
1/16/2022	\$15,785	\$14,320
1/23/2022	\$22,782	\$12,490
1/30/2022	\$15,514	\$15,428
January Total	\$87,050	\$44,473

*Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus Loose Offertory (cash)

COUNTERS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 7:

Baik, Baxter, Degenhardt, Hurtgen, Ihlenfeld, Peterson

Monday, February 14:

Bariola, Degenhardt, Ihlenfeld, Michalski, Neu

Business Manager Needed

St. Thomas Aquinas, Madison, WI, a parish of 1,500 households, is looking for a full-time Business Manager. The position's responsibilities include accounting, finance, human resources, staff management, and other projects and duties. If you have strong business skills and enjoy working in a faith-filled environment, we would love to hear from you!

Please send a cover letter and resume to:

Fr. Bart Timmerman at parish@stamadison.org or 602 Everglade Drive, Madison, WI 53717.

Or, call the Parish Office at 608-833-2600

Readings for the Week of February 6

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a,3-8; Ps 138:1-5,7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30; Ps 84:3-5,10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6,30-31,39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4,35-37,40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-30,12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab,12-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32,13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab,19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8, Ps 1:1-4,6; 1 Cor 15:12,16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

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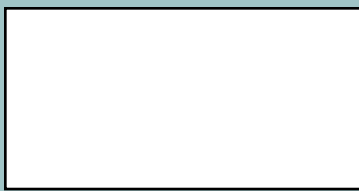
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