

#### ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES!

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

# 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time February 20, 2022

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

Luke 6:36

#### 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, 3:15-4:10<sub>PM</sub> Sunday, 9:00-9:50<sub>AM</sub>

#### 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, 9:00ам-5:00рм Friday, 9:00ам-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 6:30рм

#### Confesiones

Sábados

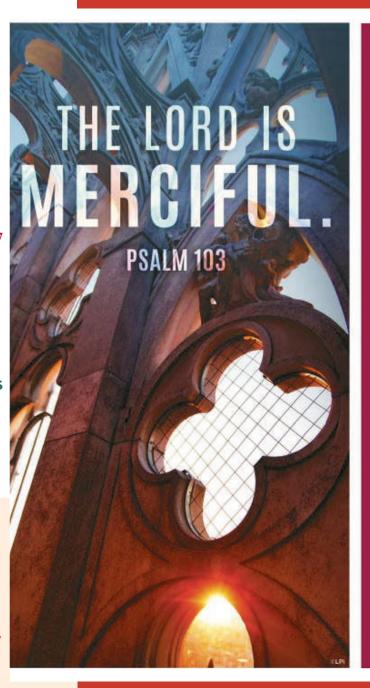
3:15-4:10<sub>PM</sub> y por cita previa

#### Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes 2:00-3:00PM 1/24-3/7

Martes 4:15-5:25PM Viernes 9:00-10:00AM

7° domingo de tiempo ordinario 20 de febrero de 2022



"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

- Lk 6:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass #22001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

"Sean misericordiosos, como su Padre es misericordiosos." Lucas 6,36

## Parish News and Words from Our Pastor

# Noticias parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

#### 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

As we continue to celebrate Black History Month, I would like to recommend a 17 minute documentary on YouTube called, "Black Faith Matters." In this documentary, Dr. Ansel Augustine and the Catholics of St. Peter Claver

Church in New Orleans speak about what it means to them to be Black and Catholic, and their hopes and dreams for the Church. This is interesting to me because it is one story of the Black Catholic experience and is an experience that is unknown to me and many in our Church. Through the story in this documentary we can see how this experience of Black Catholicism is a "gift to the Church" as Sr. Thea Bowman said to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Perhaps by experiencing this documentary, we can use it as a resource to help us address racism within our Church and to create bridges of hope and understanding so that we may all be one Body in Christ:

https://youtu.be/XAmzyXxcKeg

#### 7° Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

A medida que continuamos la celebración del Mes de la Historia Afroamericana, me gustaría recomendar un documental de 17 minutos en YouTube llamado, 'La Fe Afroamericana es Importante". En este documental, el Dr. Ansel Augustine y los católicos de la Iglesia St. Peter

Claver en Nueva Orleans hablan acerca de lo que significa ser afroamericano y católico, y sus esperanzas y sueños para la Iglesia. Este documental es bien interesante para mi porque es una historia sobre la experiencia católica afroamericana y es una experiencia que es desconocida para mi y para muchos en nuestra Iglesia. A través de la historia en este documental podemos ver como la experiencia del catolicismo afroamericano es un "regalo para nuestra Iglesia" como le dice Sr. Thea Bowman a la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. Quizás al experimentar este documental, podemos utilizarlo como un recurso para ayudarnos a abordar el tema del racismo en nuestra Iglesia y crear puentes de esperanza y entendimiento para que todos seamos un Cuerpo en Cristo.

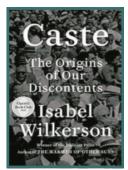
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# **Black History Month-Book Review**

#### Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents

During the month of February, Black History Month, the Justice and Peace Committee will provide reviews of books that raised their awareness of the challenges Black Americans have faced and how they play out in today's Black lives.

The first is a book that Lorrie Bradley read and found very worthwhile and well researched. It is Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson, the Pulitzer Prize-winning and bestselling author of The Warmth of Other Suns.



"...Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings...Using riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King, Jr., baseball's Satchel Paige, a single father and his toddler son, Wilkerson herself, and many others—she shows the ways that the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day....Finally, she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity." --excerpted from the book jacket

Consider reading this or another book on Black history this month. Share with others how it inspired you and pray for an end to racism. If you would like to give us your thoughts on a book you read and how it opened your eyes to the sin of racism, please contact Trudi Jenny, trudijenny@yahoo.com.

# **Are You Ready for Lent?**

# Esta listo para la Cuaresma?

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Ash Wednesday is March 2<sup>nd</sup>, and we want to be ready to have a meaningful Lent. Our goal for Lent is to improve our spiritual lives through the traditional practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. This year our focus will be on prayer and self-sacrifice (i.e., fasting). We will be offering a Preaching Series on Prayer and Self-Sacrifice and as a parish family we will be taking the 1% challenge, which is to offer 1% of our day (14 minutes and 24 seconds) to prayer. We will be distributing a resource guide on February 26-27 to give us a structure and format as we pray over the Gospel from Mass for each day of Lent. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to use the time of Lent to strengthen your spiritual life and relationship with God. The 1% challenge will be a great practice for us to participate in for Lent! We are in this together, so let's pray for each other!

Plan to attend Ash Wednesday Mass March 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. (bilingual)

#### **Preparing for the Sacraments at STA**

Recently 44 young people of our parish celebrated for the first time the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I ask for your prayers for these young people and their families in this important time in their lives and in their spiritual lives. For good reason, we are still working with 3 more students who were not able to be present for the First Confession evening of prayer. After Easter, all 47 of these young people will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. We also have 38 youth who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation in May. These young people are also in need of our prayers and support. In addition, we are hosting a Confirmation with Bishop Hying for children with special needs who participate in our Adaptive Catechesis Program. These children have been preparing since 2018, along with their parents and we are thrilled that they will be ready very soon for this Sacrament. Bishop Hying has shown particular interest in these students, even visiting their classroom and has asked our parish to host all the diocesan children with special needs, who are ready for Confirmation, to attend our celebration.

This year we also will be welcoming two adults into full communion with the Catholic Church through RCIA. Your prayers and welcome are appreciated as we continue on our faith journey together.

If you or someone in your family is interested in preparing for the Sacraments, please contact Deacon Jerome Buhman at 833-2600.

Miércoles de Ceniza es marzo 2 y queremos prepararnos para tener una buena cuaresma. Nuestra meta para la cuaresma es mejorar nuestra vida espiritual por medio de las prácticas tradicionales de oración, ayuno y limosna. Este año nuestro foco va a ser en oración y sacrificio (ayuno). Ofreceremos unas series de predicación en oración y ayuno. Adicionalmente, como familia parroquial vamos a tomar el reto del 1%, que es ofrecer el 1% de nuestro día en oración (14 minutos y 24 segundos). Durante febrero 26 y 27 nosotros vamos a distribuir recursos para darle estructura y formato a la oración sobre el evangelio de la misa diaria durante la cuaresma. Por favor considere como Dios lo está llamando para usar este tiempo de cuaresma para fortalecer su vida espiritual y su relación con Dios. El reto del 1% será una buena practica para nosotros para participar en la cuaresma! Estamos juntos en esto, así que oremos los unos por los otros.

Planee atender a una de las Misas de Miércoles de Ceniza el día marzo 2. 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., y 6:30 p.m. (bilingüe)

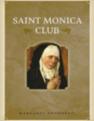
#### Preparación para los Sacramentos en STA

Recientemente 44 jóvenes de nuestra parroquia celebraron por primera vez el Sacramento de la Reconciliación. Le pedimos a nuestra comunidad que pongan en sus oraciones a estos jóvenes y sus familias en este momento tan importante de sus vida y sus vidas espirituales. Por buenas razones, todavía estamos trabajando con 3 estudiantes mas que no les fue posible estar presente en la noche de oración y Primera Confesión. Después de la Pascua, los 47 jóvenes estarán celebrando su Primera Comunión. Además tenemos 38 jóvenes que se están preparando para el Sacramento de la Confirmación en mayo. Estos jóvenes también necesitan nuestras oraciones y apoyo. Así mismo, seremos anfitriones de la Confirmación con el Obispo Hying para niños con necesidades especiales que participan del Programa de Catequesis Adaptivo. Estos niños llevan preparándose desde 2018, con la ayuda de sus padres y están muy emocionados que muy pronto estarán listos para recibir este sacramento. El Obispo Hying a demostrado un interés particular en estos estudiantes, a visitado su salón de clases y le ha pedido a nuestra parroquia ser los anfitriones para todos los niños de necesidades especiales de nuestra diócesis, que están listo para su Confirmación, que asistan a nuestra celebración.

Este año también le damos la bienvenida a dos adultos a la plena comunión con la Iglesia Católica a través de RICA (Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos). Tus oraciones y bienvenida son bien recibidos a medida que continuamos nuestro camino de fe juntos.

Si alguien esta interesado en prepararse para recibir los Sacramentos, favor contactar al Diacono Jerome Buhman al 608-833-2600.

## **Lenten Small Groups**



#### 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 <a href="mayer-mypasha6419@protonmail.com">mypasha6419@protonmail.com</a>

This group will meet at St. Thomas Aquinas, starting Monday, February 28th at 6pm. Cost of book: \$15

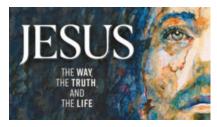
#### Spending Time with the Gospel of Luke

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 <a href="mailto:galang@tds.net">galang@tds.net</a>





#### Jesus: The Way, The Truth, The Life ONLINE STUDY

The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us already know a lot about him, how well can we say we really know him? Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he 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 <a href="mailto:ituccinardi@gmail.com">ituccinardi@gmail.com</a>. This study will meet on Mondays, beginning March 7, from 7-8pm, via Zoom. Cost: \$30 – includes book, workbook, online access to videos.

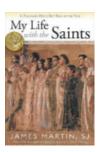


#### **Praying with the Sunday Gospels**

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.



#### Lent and Holy Week: Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton



Lent and Holy Week opens the writings of Thomas Merton in easily digestible pieces and pairs them with the words of other great spiritual thinkers. This study offers an accessible introduction to contemplative dialogue and is built around eight Lenten themes:

- Week of Ash Wednesday: Where Do We Turn for Forgiveness?
- First Week of Lent: Living More Deeply in Christ
- Second Week of Lent: A Season for Compunction and Tears
- Third Week of Lent: In All Things, Always Seeking God
- Fourth Week of Lent: Choosing with Christ to Love the World
- Fifth Week of Lent: In the Service of Peace through Humility and Prayer

This group will meet on Mondays, starting February 28, from 9-10:30am at St. Thomas Aquinas. Cost is \$7. Contact Caroline at <a href="mailto:roefamilywi@gmail.com">roefamilywi@gmail.com</a>

## **Lent & Prayer**

# The 1% Challenge: Coming to our Parish Family for Lent!

Lent is a great time to renew our efforts to grow in holiness. This Lent, let's spend more time with Jesus! Spending time with the bible is a great way to spend more time with Jesus. In reading the Bible, we read about Him, and so come to know and love Him more. The 1% Challenge (which will be handed out to everyone the weekend of 2/26-27) will give you the gospel reading for every day of Lent and a guide so you can use



every day of Lent and a guide so you can use the saint-recommended way of reading Scripture, *Lectio Divina* (divine reading). Fifteen minutes a day with the word of God can change our lives!

This Lent, our whole parish family is making the effort to do the 1% Challenge. Let's make our time an offering to God by giving Him 1% of every day. We can be strengthened in our resolve because we know that we are in this together and can pray for each other!

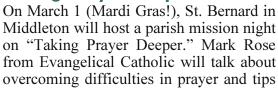
#### MOST: The Men of St Thomas

Men: Are you looking to increase your faith, become stronger evangelizing disciples, and interact with likeminded Catholic men? If so, the men's group at St. Thomas Aquinas (MOST) invites you to join us. We discuss Bible passages, grow in our Catholic faith, become stronger disciples of Christ, and share fellowship. Feel free to just show up.

Tuesdays from 630-730 PM at STA upper conference room.

If you have any questions, reach out to:
Orest Kostelyna at ok2234@gmail.com

#### Taking Prayer Deeper



for making prayer a regular and life-giving routine.

March 1, 2022 from 7-8 p.m. St. Bernard Middleton The talk will be in the church. Or, livestream at https://stbmidd.org/live

# Care & Healing



# STA Parish Care Team Invites you to Virtual/OnlineDementia Education

Catholic Charities Madison and the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin is offering online Dementia Education.

#### **Communications Tips and Strategies**

If you are caring for an individual with Alzheimer's or other dementia and having difficulties communicating, this program is for you.

Understand how dementia affects communications, how to carefully observe, listen and interact effectively with persons with dementia and learn practical strategies and tips.

Thursday, March 10th at 6:30 PM

Register here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2ymk4pru">https://tinyurl.com/2ymk4pru</a>

Please direct questions to:

Janet Wiegel, Dementia Outreach Specialist (608) 697-2838 Janet.Wiegel@alzwisc.org

# Healing from Abortion - One Weekend at a Time

Are you, or someone you love, dealing with the pain of abortion? You are not alone. Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats offer hope and healing for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. The weekend is a process designed to help you get away from the daily pressures of life to focus on buried emotions and begin healing through a supportive, trauma-sensitive approach. The next retreat will be on March 25-27 near Baraboo.

To sign up or for more information, call Mary at 608-221-9593 or meadmt@sbcglobal.net.

Visit: www.madisondiocese.org/rachel



# Gospel Reflection/Reflexión del Evangelio

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman

# "Be merciful as your Father is merciful"

The word mercy itself comes from the Latin mercedem, and has two separate English definitions: it means both wages and reward. For us humans, wages require hard work, and so does mercy. As Jesus tells us, it is easy to have mercy on those we love; but what about those who annoy us,

mercy. As Jesus tells us, it is easy to have mercy on those we love; but what about those who annoy us, what about those whom we dislike? Do we have mercy in our words and deeds and attitudes to people around us every day at home or at school or in the office? Do we have mercy in our thoughts toward those we read about in the papers or hear about on the nightly news? Mercy is hard, hard work.

In Latin, mercy can also mean reward. The tricky part about mercy as reward is that we shouldn't be aiming for the reward of mercy, we should be striving for the merciful action that prompts the reward. We should be merciful not so much to receive mercy in return; rather it is simply right conduct to be merciful. Again, mercy is hard, hard work.

Mercy arises from love – and like love is to be equally shared among all God's children. And, like love, mercy is not just something that we do – it is something that we are. Notice that Jesus does not say "Have mercy as your Father has mercy," he says "Be merciful as your Father is merciful." We need to make mercy part of who we are.

And who are we? We are human. As Paul points out in today's second reading, we are born earthly but are made in the image of the heavenly. We live earthly, striving toward the heavenly. Such striving is hard, and takes up every minute of our lives. But we are not alone. We are strengthened by each other's presence. We are strengthened by our brothers and sisters in our community and throughout the world who are striving with us. And we are strengthened by our God, who showed his mercy by becoming one of us, dying for us, and rising for us.

Lent is nearly upon us, when we celebrate that great act of divine mercy. It is a perfect time to reflect upon our own striving toward divine mercy. During the upcoming 40 days, let us reflect on ways not only to act mercifully, but to become merciful, as our Father is merciful.

#### "Sea misericordioso, así como su Padre es misericordioso"

La palabra misericordia viene del latín mercedem, y tiene dos significados en inglés: significa las dos cosas salario y recompensa. Para nosotros los humanos, salario requiere de trabajo fuerte, y ser misericordioso también requiere un arduo trabajo.

Como Jesús nos dice, es fácil ser misericordioso con aquellos que amamos; Pero, ¿qué tal con aquellos que nos fastidian? ¿Qué tal aquellos que no nos gusta? ¿Somos misericordiosos con nuestras palabras, acciones y actitudes con las personas a nuestro alrededor cada día, en nuestros hogares, colegios, y oficinas? ¿Somos misericordiosos en nuestros pensamientos con aquellos de quienes leemos en la prensa o escuchamos en las noticias? Ser misericordioso es un trabajo duro.

En latín, misericordia también significa recompensa. Esta parte complicada de misericordia como recompensa es que no debemos enfocarnos en la recompensa de la misericordia, debemos esforzarnos por la acción misericordiosa que incita la recompensa. Debemos ser misericordiosos, no para recibir misericordia en retorno, simplemente por que el ser misericordioso es la conducta correcta. Nuevamente ser misericordioso es un trabajo duro.

Misericordia viene del amor – y como amor debe ser igualmente compartido entre todos los hijos de Dios. Como amor, misericordia es algo que no solo hacemos es algo que somos. Note que Jesús no dice "tengan misericordia como su padre tiene misericordia", el dice "Sean misericordiosos, así como su Padre es misericordioso." Necesitamos hacer de la misericordia parte de lo que somos.

¿Y quienes somos? Somos humanos. Como Pablo nos dice en la segunda lectura de hoy, nacemos en la tierra pero somos hechos en la imagen Divina. Nosotros vivimos en a tierra, esforzándonos hacia el cielo, lo divino. Estos esfuerzos son difíciles y requieren cada minuto de nuestras vidas. Pero no estamos solos. Somos fortalecidos por la presencia de cada uno. Somos fortalecidos por los hermanos y hermanas de nuestra comunidad y en todo el mundo quienes están esforzándose con nosotros. Somos fortalecidos por nuestro Dios, quien mostro su misericordia al volverse uno de nosotros, muriendo por nosotros y resicitando por nosotros.

La cuaresma se aproxima, cuando celebramos ese gran acto de misericordia divina. Es tiempo perfecto para reflexionar sobre nuestro propio esfuerzo hacia la misericordia divina. Durante los 40 días, reflexionemos en formas en que podamos no solo actuar misericordiosamente, sino también ser misericordioso, como nuestro padre es misericordioso.

## **Discipleship & Development**

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

On February 19/20, Father Bart will lead the inpew process for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Those who have not made a pledge by mail will be asked to do so at this time. You will also be contract a gracial edition of the Catholic Handle

sent a special edition of the *Catholic Herald* on February 24<sup>th</sup> where you will have the opportunity to make a gift, as well.

Please read the annual appeal tabloid that is in your bulletin today. It provides a detailed explanation of the use of the funds that you are asked to give. This appeal funds many ministries throughout the diocese and helps many in need.

Each household is asked to make a generous gift. In doing so, please consider making a pledge, payable over six months.

On February 26/27, one member from each household will be asked to fill out a commitment envelope during mass. Thank you in advance for your support of our parish, the diocese and the work of the church throughout the world.

by Holly Irving



#### **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.

#### Thank you!

On Giving Tuesday, we raised money for our Outreach Funding. Some of the donations were to help purchase beds for Venezuelan adult refugees. Last week, I went to Slumberland to purchase a queen size bed for a Venezuelan couple. Matt Gay and Kristi were very helpful assisting me with the purchase! I want to thank Matt and Kristi for all their work and generosity!

#### 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 will 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!



#### Thank you from Catholic Extension

Despite the pandemic which has touched us all causing so much hardship and suffering, you chose to help us help those we serve by supporting our calendar program. Because of you, we were able to:

- Be among the first to assist hurricane-ravaged dioceses
- Fund more than 1500 mission diocese projects
- Support more than 100,000 Catholic school children
- Subsidize priest salaries in 39 dioceses
- Support more than 400 seminarians in 56 dioceses
- Subsidize salaries for sisters
- Support Hispanic ministries
- Fund religious education for more than 200,000 students
- Fund over \$538,000 to support Native Americans in 16 dioceses

THANK YOU!



# February Date Nite Theme: Dancing through Life, Growing through Faith

**Activity:** Swing Dance

Reading: Ephesians 5:21-33

**Drink:** Valentine

Want to read more?

madisondiocese.org/documents/2022/2/ February%20Date%20Night%20In.pdf



# Luke House Community Meal Program

Bring in Food Items by February 23rd at 9 AM

## **Prayers**

#### **Prayer for Life**

For married couples struggling with infertility: May the Lord help them trust in his love and sustain them with his peace; We pray to the Lord.

#### **Prayer for Peace**

For all who turn the other cheek, May they hold no grudges and find peace as they reflect on the healing power of God's mercy in their own lives; We pray to the Lord.

#### Making Sundays Special!

If you engage in political conversations, witness to your faith by speaking from principle. Articulate how your values and faith inform your views.

#### **Oraciones**

#### Oración por la Vida

Por todas las parejas casadas que luchan contra la infertilidad: Que el Señor las ayude a confiar en Su amor y las sostenga con su paz: Roguemos al Señor.

#### Oración por la Paz

Por todos los que ponen la otra mejilla; Que no guarden rencores y encuentren paz mientras reflejan en los poderes de sanación y en la misericordia de Dios en sus propias vidas; Roguemos al Señor.

#### ¡Haz del Domingo un Día Especial!

Si participa en conversaciones politicas, testifique de su fe hablando desde los principios. Exprese cómo sus valores informan sus puntos de vista.

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# Resources for Human Needs

SVdP Conference: St. Vincent du Paul Conference (food, rental assistance, school supplies, utilities) Phone messages only 608-205-8276

momhelps.org: Middleton Outreach Ministry (food, rental assistance, utilities, clothing, rides, home chores)

womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html: Women's Care Center (counseling, ultrasound, baby items, parenting class)

catholiccharitiesofmadison.org: Catholic Charities (adoption, aging services, developmental disabilities, counseling, alcoholdrug abuse treatment, adult day care)

cmcmadison.org: Catholic Multicultural Center (meals, health services, education, job development, immigration legal help)

abuseintervention.org: Domestic Abuse Intervention Service (crisis response, emergency shelter, support groups)

silentnomoreawareness.org: Abortion recovery help and awareness campaign

hopeafterabortion.com: Project Rachel (resources for abortion

Madison Al-Anon Hotline: for people troubled by someone else's drinking or drug use - 608-258-0314—confidential and anonymous

www.elizabethhousedane.org: Care Net Pregnancy Center of Dane County (residential maternity and parenting program)

National Suicide Hotline: 800-273-8255

National Hotline for Sex Trafficking: phone 1-888-373-7888 or text "help" to 233733

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Family & Faith Formation					
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

#### Youth ministry

Youth ministry has been going well. Kids are learning a lot about community and relationships. All 9th-12th graders are invited to join us every Sunday from 5p-7p. Please keep this ministry in your prayers.





Above: High school students playing games during Super Bowl LVI.



Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>
The first in a series of Confirmation classes.

#### Online Catholic School Survey

Families with school-age children, the Office of Catholic Schools needs your help! We are conducting a survey to assess the feasibility of creating an online Catholic school. We are looking at many possibilities, from fully online to a mix of online and in-person. We need your input and ideas! If you have school-age children, please take a few minutes to answer our short survey at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z229SQY. Thank you!

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, February 19

4:30 PM James & Marilyn Schaefer♥

6:30 PM Alex Martin♥

Sunday, February 20

8:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

10:00 AM John, Marie, & Dennis Splinter♥

Monday, February 21

8:30 AM Michael Sorge \$\Phi\$

Tuesday, February 22 Feast of the Chair of

St. Peter Apostle

5:30 PM Emil, Bernadine, & Jerry Lauber♥

Wednesday, February 23 Meml. St. Polycarp,

Bishop & Martyr

8:30 AM Mary Siney \$\Phi\$

Thursday, February 24

7:30 AM OPEN

Friday, February 25

8:30 AM Bonnie Bush +

10:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Saturday, February 26

4:30 PM Darrell Kilby

6:30 PM Jose Angel Hernandez Ravilla

Sunday, February 27

8:00 AM John Schwab †

10:00 AM Cecil C. Bauer

#### **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	\$132,192	\$66,074	
2/6/2022	\$24,682	\$11,111	
2/13/2022	\$20,460	\$10,490	
2/20/2022			
2/27/2022			
February Total	\$45,142	\$21,601	

<sup>\*</sup>Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus Loose Offertory (cash) COUNTERS SCHEDULE

#### Monday, February 21:

Dulli, Ihlenfeld, Marx, Sawyer, Zingsheim Monday, February 28:

Baik, Baxter, Degenhardt, Hurtgen, Ihlenfeld, Peterson

#### **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 20

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23; Ps 103:1-4,8,10,

12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

**Monday:** Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10,15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a,4-6; Mt 16:13-19

**Wednesday**: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3,6-11; Mk 9:38-40

**Thursday**: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4,8-9,11-12; Mk 10:1-12 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3,8; Mk 10:13-16

**Next Sunday:** Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3,13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58;

Lk 6:39-45

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