



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.

8th Sunday of Ordinary Time February 27, 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

8° domingo de tiempo ordinario 27 de febrero de 2022

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
Diocese of Madison

We shall
open the way
for the **Gospel**

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SAMUEL MAZZUCHELLI

SOLICITUD CATÓLICA ANUAL
Diócesis de Madison

Abriremos
el camino
al **Evangelio**

SOLICITUD CATÓLICA ANUAL 2022
Diócesis de Madison

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor

Noticias parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman



8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

This weekend we are pledging our support to the Annual Catholic Appeal. I encourage all 1,555 households to participate to the level they are able. It would be great to increase the total number of households from last year and to do our best to support the many ministries in our diocese. The theme this year is: "Open the way for the Gospel." We have been given the goal of \$120,400 to contribute as a parish. Please consider making a larger gift to pay monthly. Your support in the past and continued support now are greatly appreciated.

Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission General Session Registration

Pope Francis called for and is leading the next synod for the universal Church. As a diocese, our Go Make Disciples Initiative, V Encuentro, Rural Life Listening Sessions, and recently our Disciple Maker Index Survey are just a few of the ways the Holy Spirit has inspired the diocese to listen to the people of God throughout our eleven counties. We also had a Synod listening session with the Presbyteral Council and a listening session with the Pastoral Council this fall. This **Sunday, February 27**, there will be a Synod General Listening Session for the Diocese:

**St. Dennis Parish
505 Dempsey Road
Madison, WI 53714**

I am planning on attending this event. It will start with Mass at 1:00 pm with Bishop Hying. After Mass there will be facilitated small group discussions. The listening session will address:

- 1) Where and how is the gospel being lived and preached effectively in the Diocese of Madison? What can be done to foster and promote that?
- 2) Where and how is the gospel not being lived and preached effectively in the Diocese of Madison? What can be done to improve that?

The conversations will be synthesized and forwarded to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, which in turn will forward their synthesis to Rome. Registration for the listening session on February 27 is required and you can register through the following link: <https://madisondiocese.org/synod>.

8^o Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

Este fin de semana estamos haciendo nuestro compromiso para la Petición Anual Católica. Yo sugiero que todos los hogares participen en el nivel que puedan. Sería muy bueno que el número de hogares participando en este año sea más grande que el año pasado y que hagamos lo mejor para apoyar los diferentes ministerios de nuestra diócesis. El tema este año es: "Abrir el camino para el evangelio." Nos han dado como meta para nuestra parroquia el valor de \$120,400. Por favor considere hacer una donación grande que pueda pagar en mensualidades. Su apoyo en el pasado y ahora son muy apreciados.

Iglesia Sinodal: Registro para la Sesión de Comunidad, Participación, y Mision General

El papa Francisco ha hecho el llamado y esta liderando el Sinodal de la Iglesia Universal. La iniciativa de vaya y haga discípulos, El V encuentro, Sesiones para escuchar la Vida del Campo, y recientemente el índice de encuesta Hacer Discípulos, son algunas formas que el Espíritu Santo ha inspirado a la diócesis para escuchar a las personas de Dios en todos los once condados. También hemos tenido un sínodo con el Concilio Presbiteral y sesiones con el Concilio Pastoral durante el otoño. Este **Domingo febrero 27** vamos a tener un sínodo general para la diócesis, (sesiones para escuchar):

**St. Dennis Parish
505 Dempsey Road
Madison, WI 53714**

Yo estoy planeando en asistir a este evento. Va a empezar con Misa a la 1:00 de la tarde con el Obispo Hying y después de Misa se harán discusiones en grupos pequeños en la parroquia. Nuestra sesión del Domingo febrero 27 se enfocará en lo siguiente:

- 1) ¿Dónde y cómo el evangelio está siendo vivido y predicado eficientemente en la diócesis de Madison? ¿Y qué podemos hacer para respaldar y promover eso?
- 2) ¿Dónde y cómo el evangelio no está siendo vivido y predicado eficientemente en la diócesis de Madison? ¿Y qué podemos hacer para mejorar eso?

Las conversaciones serán resumidas y enviadas a la Conferencia de Obispos de los Estados Unidos y ellos a su vez, enviarán su resumen a Roma. El registro es necesario para participar en la sesión de febrero 27. Puede hacer el registro en el siguiente enlace: <https://madisondiocese.org/synod>.



Are You Ready for Lent?

Esta listo para la Cuaresma?

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Lent Begins on Wednesday, March 2!

Please make sure to go home with the resource that will be helping us in our **1% Challenge for Lent**. The resource cards will be handed out after all the Masses. The 1% Challenge is a commitment to spend 1% of the day in daily prayer. All of us will be doing this together and so we can support each other in taking on this challenge! We will also begin a Preaching Series for Lent next Sunday focused on prayer and self sacrifice. I hope this Lenten Season will be for us a great experience of God's grace, a time for growing in our prayer life, and closeness with God.

Please join us for Ash Wednesday Mass:
6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. (Bilingual)

Cuaresma comienza el Miércoles, Marzo 2

Por favor lleve a casa los recursos que nos ayudaran con el **reto del 1% para la Cuaresma**. Estos recursos serán entregados después de todas las Misas. El Reto del 1% es un compromiso de dedicar el 1% del día la oración. Todos nosotros haremos esto juntos y nos apoyaremos mutuamente para tomar este reto. También comenzaremos unas sesiones de predicación en la cuaresma enfocadas en oración y auto-control o sacrificio. Yo espero que esta temporada de cuaresma sea para nosotros una excelente experiencia de

la Gracia de Dios y un tiempo para crecer en nuestra vida de oración y cercanía a Dios.

Por favor únase para la Misa de Miércoles de Ceniza:
6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. (bilingüe)



2022 Lenten Schedule

Ash Wednesday Masses w/Ashes

Miércoles de Ceniza Misas con cenizas
March 2, 6:30 AM, 12:10 PM, &
6:30 PM (bilingual/bilingüe)
(no 8:30 AM Mass)

Stations of the Cross (no incense)

Friday, March 4, 3:00 PM
Tuesdays, March 8–April 5, 6 PM
El Viacrucis (Stations in Spanish)
Sábado, 2 de abril, 7:30–8:00 PM

Adoration

Mondays: 2:00–4:00 PM in Chapel
Tuesdays: 4:15–5:15 PM in Chapel
Fridays: 9:00–10:00 AM in Chapel

Reconciliation During Lent

Saturdays, March 5–April 9
3:15–4:15 PM
Sundays, March 6–April 10
9:00–9:45 AM
Tuesdays, March 8–April 5
6:00–7:00 PM
Friday, April 1
9:00–10:00 AM

Confesiones en español

Sábados, 5 de marzo–9 de abril
6:00–7:00 PM
Martes, 8 de marzo–5 de abril
6:00–7:00 PM

Special Opportunities

1% CHALLENGE 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!

ALSO, check out your FREE subscription to *formed.org*! Log on, explore, learn, enjoy!

2022 Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, April 10:
Masses Saturday at 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM (en español/in Spanish) and Sunday at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
Monday of Holy Week, April 11: Mass at 8:30 AM
Tuesday of Holy Week, April 12: (No 5:30 PM Mass at STA)
Diocesan Chrism Mass, 7:30 PM at St. Maria Goretti
Wednesday of Holy Week, April 13: Mass at 8:30 AM
Holy Thursday, April 14: (No 7:30 AM Mass)
Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 PM (incense, bilingual/bilingüe)
Good Friday, April 15: (No 8:30 AM Mass)
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, 1:00 PM (no incense, in English)
Servicio de Viernes Santo, 3:30 PM (en español/in Spanish)

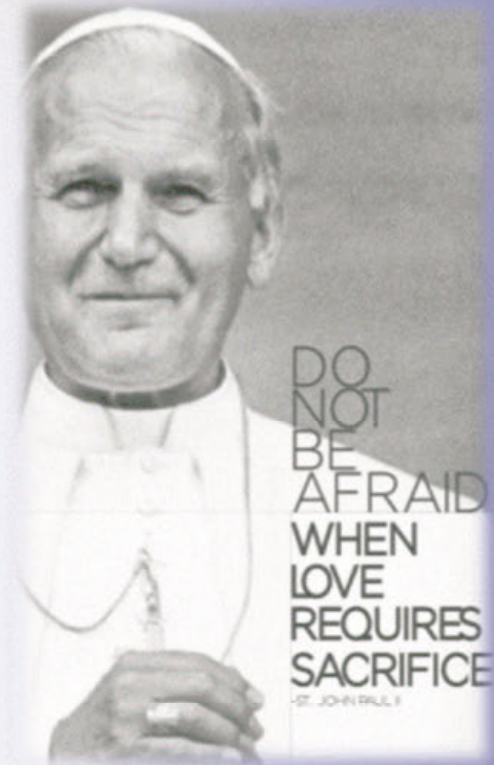
Easter Vigil Mass

Saturday, April 16, 8:00 PM
(incense, bilingual/bilingüe)
(No 4:30 or 6:30 PM Masses)

Easter Sunday

April 17
8:00 AM in Church (incense)
10:00 AM in Church (incense)
Overflow seating in Social Hall w/live-stream and Communion

Make Sundays Special through Lenten Sacrifice



Holy!

Sacrifice

What is the definition of sacrifice? If you ask people, most might say something akin to “give something up.” But the word sacrifice comes from two Latin words which literally mean “to make sacred, or holy.” Too often we concentrate on the negative process — “What are you giving up for Lent?” — instead of the positive result “I am making myself holier through my Lenten actions.” Sacrifice is not primarily the act of giving something up; it is the act of growing holier. And growth leads us to . . . Ashes.

Holy!

Ashes

Growing up on the farm in Missouri, Deacon Jerome remembers making extensive use of the fireplace in the winter, creating lots of ashes. They then spread those ashes on the gardens and fields. Used correctly, ashes are an excellent fertilizer, resulting in the growth of a fruitful crop. On Ash Wednesday, we will be marked with ashes. How will those ashes help us grow in holiness during Lent? In the Catechism Jesus’ call to conversion and penance, like that of the prophets before him, does not aim first at outward works, “sackcloth and ashes,” fasting and mortification, but at the conversion of the heart, interior conversion. Without this, such penances remain sterile and false. However, interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance. (CCC1430)

Holy!

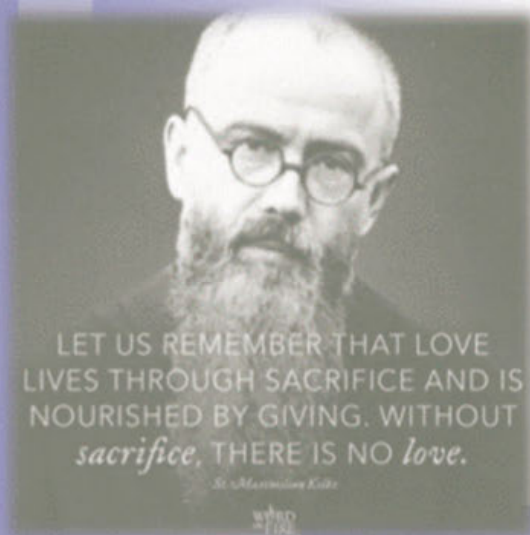
Holy at Home: Sacrificing and Sanctifying Our Time



Participating in the 1% Challenge as a Parish Family This Lent, our whole parish family is participating in the 1% Challenge by daily giving 15 minutes (1% of our day) to prayerful reading of the bible. We are strengthened in our resolve because we know that we aren't alone. We are growing in holiness together, so let us pray for each other! Contact the parish office if you need another 1% Challenge card, which includes daily scripture verses and a process for praying with them, or if you would like a card to share: 833-2600 or parish@stamadison.org

Here are some other ideas for becoming holier this Lent through a sacrifice of time:

- ◊ Pray a daily offering before even getting out of bed (see reverse)
- ◊ Clean up after someone who usually serves you.
- ◊ Avoid placing demands on the time of others, that might hinder them from observing the Lord's Day.
- ◊ Extend an invitation to someone to come to Mass with you. Come early in order to prepare your hearts by spending a few moments in quiet prayer.

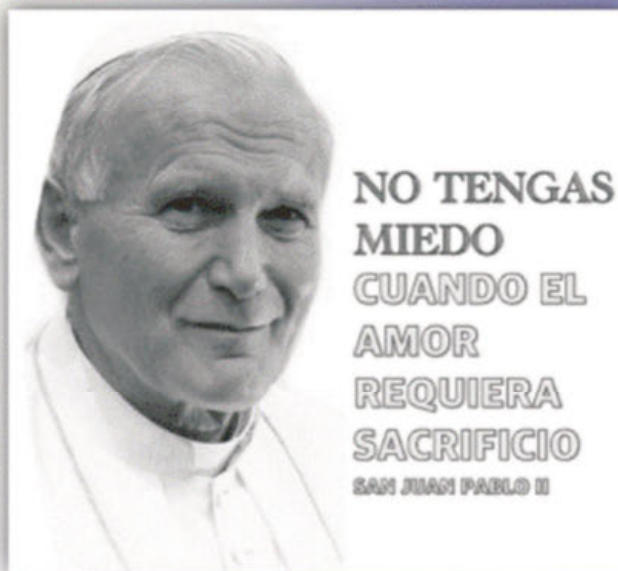


Haz los Domingos Especiales a través del Sacrificio Cuaresmal

Santo!

Sacrificio

¿Cuál es la definición de sacrificio? Si le preguntas a la gente, la mayoría podría decir algo parecido a "renunciar a algo". Pero la palabra sacrificio proviene de dos palabras latinas que literalmente significan "hacer sagrado o santo". Con demasiada frecuencia nos concentramos en el proceso negativo: "¿A qué estás renunciando por la Cuaresma?" — en lugar del resultado positivo "Me hago más santo a través de mis acciones cuaresmales". El sacrificio no es principalmente el acto de renunciar a algo; es el acto de crecer en santidad. Y el crecimiento nos lleva a . . . Cenizas



**NO TENGAS
MIEDO
CUANDO EL
AMOR
REQUIERA
SACRIFICIO**
SAN JUAN PABLO II

Santo!

Cenizas

Al crecer en la granja en Missouri, el diácono Jerome recuerda hacer un uso extensivo de la chimenea en el invierno, creando muchas cenizas. Luego esparcían esas cenizas en los jardines y campos. Usadas correctamente, las cenizas son un excelente fertilizante, lo que da como resultado el crecimiento de una cosecha fructífera. El Miércoles de Ceniza, seremos marcados con cenizas. ¿Cómo nos ayudarán esas cenizas a crecer en santidad durante la Cuaresma? En el Catecismo, la llamada de Jesús a la conversión y a la penitencia, como la de los profetas antes que él, no apunta primero a las obras exteriores, "cilicio y ceniza", ayuno y mortificación, sino a la vocación del corazón, a la conversión interior. Sin esto, tales penitencias quedan estériles y falsas. Sin embargo, la conversión interior apremia la expresión en signos visibles, gestos y obras de penitencia. (CCC1430)

Santo!

Santo en Casa:

Sacrificando y Santificando Nuestro Tiempo

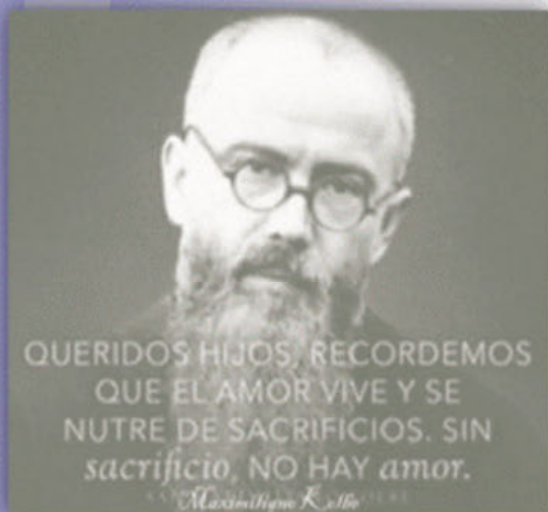
Participando en el Reto del 1% como una Familia Parroquial Esta Cuaresma, toda nuestra familia parroquial está participando en el Reto del 1% al dedicar diariamente 15 minutos (1% de nuestro día) a la lectura en oración de la Biblia.

Somos fortalecidos en nuestra resolución porque sabemos que no estamos solos. ¡Estamos creciendo juntos en santidad, así que oremos los unos por los otros! *Com úniquese con la oficina parroquial si necesita otra tarjeta del Reto del 1%, que incluye versículos bíblicos diarios y un proceso para orar con ellos, o si desea compartir una tarjeta: 833-2600 o parish@stamadison.org*

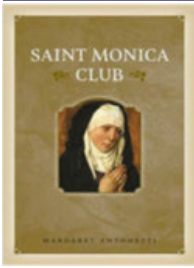


Aquí hay algunas otras ideas para ser mas santos esta Cuaresma a través de un sacrificio de tiempo:

- ◆ Reza una ofrenda diaria incluso antes de levantarte de la cama (ver el reverso).
- ◆ Limpia lo que ensucia alguien que normalmente te atiende.
- ◆ Evite exigir el tiempo de los demás, eso podría impedirles observar el Día del Señor.
- ◆ Extienda una invitación a alguien para que venga a Misa con usted. Venga temprano para preparar sus corazones pasando unos momentos en oración silenciosa.



Lenten Small Groups



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

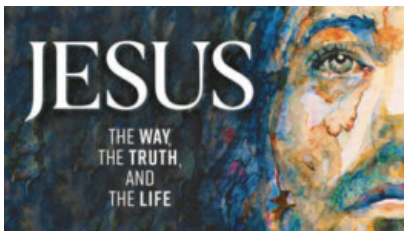
Are you a parent of an older teen or young adult who has left the church? Are you worried and stressed about this situation? In this group we will read *The St. Monica Club* by Maggie Green and discuss and pray for any prodigals you might have in your family by following the example of St. Monica. The 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 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?

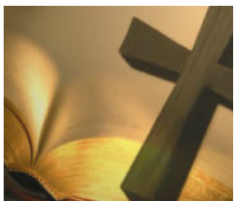
There is room for 2-3 additional members to this established group. If you would be interested in joining, contact Linda and Joel at galang@tds.net



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 jtuccinardi@gmail.com. This study will meet on Mondays, **beginning March 7, from 7-8pm, via Zoom**. Cost: \$30 – includes book, workbook, online access to videos.

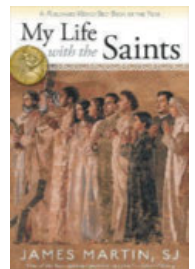


Praying with the Sunday Gospels

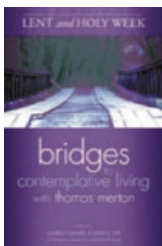
The bible readings that we hear during Lent are amazingly rich. Even spending a short time with them will open your eyes to the unique way God speaks, not only to 'all of us' but to you personally! Building on the format and verses from the 1% challenge that the whole parish will be doing during Lent, 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 roefamilywi@gmail.com

Care & Healing



STA Parish Care Team Invites you to Virtual/Online Dementia 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: <https://tinyurl.com/2ymk4pru>

Please direct questions to:

Janet Wiegel, Dementia Outreach Specialist
(608) 697-2838

Janet.Wiegel@alzwissc.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



Healing Ministry March 5 & 6

God is a God of love and desires the healing of individuals from physical, emotional, spiritual & relational brokenness. If you are seeking healing of body, mind, or spirit, we will pray with you, that you may experience the love of Jesus and the healing power of the Holy Spirit. There will be an opportunity to receive confidential prayer for healing after all Masses this weekend.

MOST: The Men of St Thomas

Men: Are you looking to increase your faith, become stronger evangelizing disciples, and interact with like-minded 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

On March 1 (Mardi Gras!), St. Bernard in Middleton will host a parish mission night on "Taking Prayer Deeper." Mark Rose from Evangelical Catholic will talk about overcoming difficulties in prayer and tips 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>

Prayers

Prayer for Life

May every human person, from conception to natural death, be recognized as precious and beloved in the eyes of the Lord;

We pray to the Lord.

Prayer for Justice

May everyone recognize Jesus in their neighbor, no matter their race or creed, and raise their voices to champion justice for the vulnerable and forgotten in this broken world;

We pray to the Lord.

Making Sundays Special!

Unplug from devices, news and social media to make time for prayer.

Oraciones

Oración por la Vida

Que toda vida humana, desde la concepción a la muerte natural, sea reconocida como preciada y amada a los ojos del Señor;

Roguemos al Señor.

Oración por la Justicia

Que todos reconozcan a Jesús en sus prójimos sin importar raza o credo, y levanten la voz a favor de justicia por los vulnerables y olvidados en este mundo;

Roguemos al Señor.

¡Haz del Domingo un Día Especial!

Desconéctese de los dispositivos, las noticias y las redes sociales para hacer tiempo para la oración.

Gospel Reflection

Adult Confirmation

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman

Lk 6:39-45

Lent will be here in just a few days, and our readings today come at an opportune time to help us prepare for that season. Our Gospel gives us a good 3-step process to get us started. First Jesus remarks about the blind leading the blind, and thus the importance of the disciple learning from the teacher. How much of Jesus' teaching have we absorbed, understood and made part of our lives? Once we have grounded ourselves in Christ, it is time for reflection – what parts of my life must I change before I can truly live a Christian life? What is the plank in my eye? And finally, after immersing ourselves in Christ and attending to “the plank in our eye,” how can we bear fruit through our words and actions in the world? In the upcoming season of Lent, we are offered an unparalleled opportunity to work on these three steps through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These are all forms of “sacrifice” – that is, ways to make ourselves and our world more holy.



Adult Confirmation

Did you miss receiving the sacrament of Confirmation? Here's your opportunity to complete the grace of Baptism and be sealed with the fullness of the gift of the Holy Spirit!

Confirmation completes what the grace of Baptism began, bringing a deepening of grace in a special outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation strengthens us to be witnesses of Christ in our world. If you are over 18 and have received the sacraments of Baptism and First Communion and attend Mass regularly but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to prepare to do so, contact Dcn. Jerome at dcn.jerome@stamadison.org.

Classes will be Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30, with a mini-retreat on Saturday, April 9 from 1-4:15 PM. You can choose confirmation either at the Easter Vigil on Saturday April 16 at St. Thomas Aquinas or with Bishop Hying on June 5th at St. Bernard Parish in Madison.

40 Days for Life Spring Campaign: March 2-April 10

Help save lives by praying to end abortion during the 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign March 2 - April 10. Since the founding in 2007, 40 Days for Life campaigns have saved 20,728 babies that we know of through prayer, fasting, and a peaceful vigil outside of local abortion facilities.

Please consider joining us:
St. Thomas Aquinas Respect Life Team
Fridays from 12-1 pm
Madison Planned Parenthood abortion center
3706 Orin Rd. (Off Stoughton Rd., near MATC)
For more info contact Greg at gchesmore@gmail.com

A Place at the Table: African Americans on the Path to Sainthood

There are no African-American Saints formally recognized within the Catholic Church, but that could soon change. There are six incredible Black men and women who are on the path to Canonization. The Catholic Church is starting to formally recognize their impact and may soon name any or all of them saints. It's time to hear their stories. Formed.org has a newly released documentary on the lives of these six people.

Venerable Pierre Toussaint. Born enslaved, Toussaint gained success as a hairdresser and used his resources to serve the poor.

Servant of God Mother Mary Lange. Lange was the founder of the Oblate Sisters of Providence and the first African-American superior of any religious order.

Venerable Henriette Delille. Legally unable to join a religious order because of her African heritage, Delille started the Sisters of the Holy Family, an order that still ministers to people today.

Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton. Tolton escaped slavery and traveled to Rome to become ordained. He was the first African-American priest in the United States.

Servant of God Julia Greeley. Greeley was an enslaved woman who became free, converted to Catholicism, and consecrated her life to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman. Bowman converted to Catholicism as a child, became a nun, and spent her life singing, teaching, and preaching to promote devotion to Christ.

The lives of these holy people are wonderfully narrated by people who thoroughly know their lives and their cause for sainthood. The documentary can be viewed using your free subscription to www.formed.org As with all saints, we can learn how to live holier lives as we learn of theirs.

Family & Faith Formation

Description	Tuesdays Elementary	Wednesdays Elementary	Wednesdays Middle School	Sabados Catequesis	Sundays High School
Classes held	March 8, 15, 22, 29	March 9, 16, 23, 30	March 9, 16, 23, 30	Marzo 5, 12, 19, 26	March 6, 13, 20, 27

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!

TEC Retreat at St. Jerome Columbus

March 25 at noon through March 27 at 3:30 PM

TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is centered on the Paschal Mystery of Christ. Bishop Donald Hying has also centered his Go Make Disciples initiative on that same theme. TEC is especially designed to help us grow in our love for Christ and our Holy Catholic Church. Those who are 15 years of age or older are invited to attend. Regardless of your present walk in your Catholic Faith, you will be rejuvenated. If you who have already experienced a TEC retreat, help is needed. Frs. Grant Theis and Greg Ihm are the Spiritual Directors. Marnie Harrington is the lay Director and can be reached at mharrington555@yahoo.com or 608.577.7489. Visit www.MadisonDiocese.org/TEC or contact Marie Lins at the OEC at 608.821.3135.

Pilgrimage to the OLG Shrine in La Crosse

Sunday, March 27 from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Motorcoach Bus from Holy Name Heights (Madison)

Cost \$20 per person

Registration: <https://madisondiocese.org/peregrinaje>

Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving

Rosebud Program

Prayer is part of our Catholic faith, and everyone is in need of prayers throughout their lives. The Rosebud Program is a way for parents and grandparents to request prayers and support for anyone who is pregnant, celebrating birth or adoption, grieving miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, infant or child death or waiting to become pregnant or adopt.

Here is how it works: at the back of church there are a variety of colored roses and cards that address the needs listed above. Each rose represents a special need. The person wanting prayers writes their name on the card matching their prayer request and the appropriate colored rose and then puts it into the vase. The prayers are put onto the prayer chain.

I have just removed the roses to give others the opportunity to put in their requests. Your prayer request is being prayed for by the people on the prayer chain. If you want to put another rose into the vase for more prayers, please feel free to do so.

For more information, you can contact Holly at 833-2600 or holly@stamadison.org.

Catholic Herald

Have we received your \$25 check for the *Catholic Herald*? If not, it's not too late! Thank you for dropping off your subscription money!



Men and women being deployed

Recently, I received a phone call asking for prayers for someone's grandson who was heading to California for training for deployment. If you have a loved one who is being deployed, please send their name and rank to Holly Irving at holly@stamadison.org.

Communion to those Seated in the Padded Chairs

If you cannot come forward to receive Communion, the Extraordinary Ministers would be happy to bring Communion to you. Please let a Minister of Hospitality (usher) know that you would like Communion brought to you.

Sharing Sunday Donations...Thank You



Thank you to everyone who donated food and supplies for the Lussier Community Education Center last weekend. LCEC appreciates the paper products, baby items, cleaning supplies and food items that were requested. Your support for our neighbors is truly generous.

Thank you to the volunteers who transported, weighed, and sorted the items at LCEC. Additional volunteers are always welcome. This is a great family service activity.

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, February 28

8:30 AM Chris Kubat and the Deceased Voss
and Kubat Families✠

Tuesday, March 1

5:30 PM Robert Mello✠

Wednesday, March 2 Ash Wednesday

6:30 AM Ruth Trudel✠

12:10 PM Tedd Mianowski

6:30 PM Alejandro Murcia Llanos✠

Thursday, March 3

7:30 AM Terry Roberts✠

Friday, March 4

8:30 AM Jerry Reilley✠

Saturday, March 5

4:30 PM Maurice Thole✠

6:30 PM Osmer Enrique Barboza✠

Sunday, March 6

8:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

10:00 AM Michael Gutweiler✠

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	\$154,454	\$71,744
2/6/2022	\$24,682	\$11,111
2/13/2022	\$20,460	\$10,490
2/20/2022	\$22,262	\$5,670
2/27/2022		
February Goal	\$107,400	\$27,271
February Total	\$67,404	\$21,601

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

COUNTERS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 28:

Baik, Baxter, Degenhardt, Hurtgen, Ihlenfeld, Peterson

Monday, March 7:

Allen, Baxter, Dulli, Ihlenfeld, Dulli

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 27

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

Lk 6:39-45

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2,5-6,9,10c; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6b,12-14,17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2;

Mt 6:1-6,16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6b,18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2,10-15; Rom 10:8-13;

Lk 4:1-13

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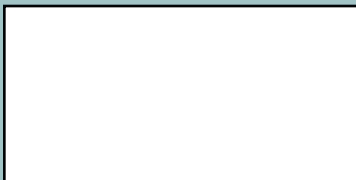
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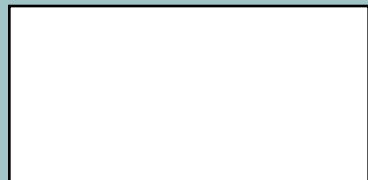
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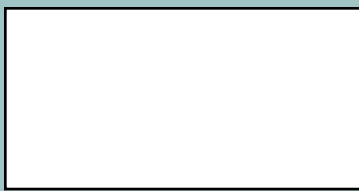
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