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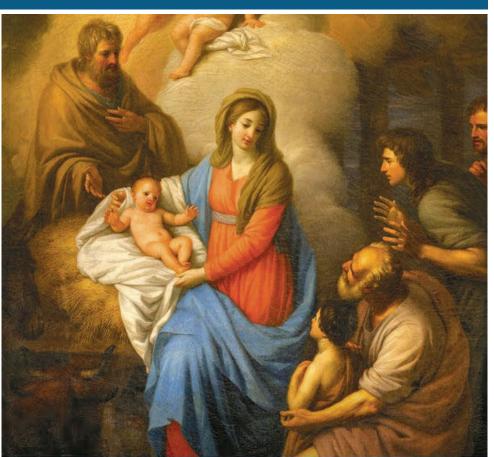
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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. - Jn 1:14

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8:00 am—4:00 pm Mon.–Wed. 8:00 am—3:00 pm Thursday 8:00 am—12:00 pm Friday

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am; 10:00 am Weekdays 9:00 am, Tues—Friday

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please contact the office to register for Baptism Preparation class.

Marriage

Please contact Fr. Dave at least six months before the wedding. Please contact the Music Director for guidance in choosing music.

Reconciliation

Individual confessions on Saturdays from 3:00-3:30. Individual confessions anytime by appointment.

Communion for the Homebound

Please contact the parish office to arrange visits to the homebound or parishioners in nursing care facilities. Communion is brought by Carol Mueller or a Care Minister on the first Friday of the month.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK						
Tuesday 9:00 am	NO MA	NSS				
Wednesday 9:00 am	NO MA	\SS				
Thursday						
9:00 am	NO MA	NSS				
Friday 9:00 am	NO MA	NSS				
Saturday 4:00 pm	Louis 8	Therese	Lasek			
Sunday						
8:00 am	Mary J	ean Sheed	yk			
	Phyllis,	Bill & Kat	hy Stre	ckenbach		
10:00 am	People	of the Pa	rish			

Parishioner Information Changes

Please notify the parish with changes to your home address, phone number, email address, member status, or marital status. We appreciate your help in keeping our records up-to-date. You can call the office at 920-865-7844 or email Kim at kburkel@stedwardisidore.org. You may also visit our website at www.stedwardisidore.org under the menu item "Update Parish Member Information."

Financial Stewardship

For the Week Ended Dec 11/12, 2021

Church Support Budget Needed	\$13	3,847
Actual Church Support	\$20),085
Friends of Pals	\$	896
Laundry Love	\$	469
Parish Needs—Maintenance	\$	85

Stewardship Collection Schedule:

This Weekend, Dec 25/26 – Laundry Love

Next Weekend, Jan 1/2 - Parish Needs-Maintenance

Thank you for your continued generosity toward our parish and community.

Reminder for Year-End Contributions: For contributions to

be credited to your Parishioner account as a 2021 contribution, they need to be received or postmarked by December 31st. We are unable to make exceptions to this policy. Anything received or postmarked on January 1st or later will be credited as a 2022 contribution. Office Hours are Monday-Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please note, the office will be closed December 24th, 27th, 31st and January 3rd. We are grateful for your continued generosity to the Parish!

	WEEK AHEAD
Monday	
	OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	OFFICE CLOSED
	OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday	
	HAPPY NEW YEAR
3:30 pm	Rosary (In Church)
Sunday	



PICK OF THE WEEK

Opening the Word can be found under Topics, Live the Faith. Check out the track for the Feast of the Holy Family.



"See what love the Father has given us, Stewardship that we should be called children of God; and so we are." JOHN 3:1

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received – being children of God! As God's children, it's in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members, and friends that you love them, every day! Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.

Exercise Class

The Health and Wellness Committee would like to welcome you to an exercise class for seniors and beginners. The videos used provide a whole



-body workout that can also be done in a chair. The exercises energize you and help with strength and balance. Come join in! No cost. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. You may bring free weights to use. We will have water bottles available if you would like to use them for weights. Classes held on Mondays and Fridays at 9:30 am - 10:00 am. in Nelson Hall.



Online Giving

Online giving just got easier! Scan the QR code below with your smartphone to access our online giving site to make your donation now.





use as well.

Pope Francis Tweet December 13, 2021

Life is a time for making decisive, eternal choices. Trivial choices lead to a trivial life; great choices to a life of greatness. In fact, we become what we choose. If we choose God, we grow daily in his love, and if we choose to love others, we find true happiness.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible study is being held in person again! Everyone is welcome to join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 (following morning Mass) in the Marian Room. Bring your own Bible if you wish, but we have some here for you to



Upcoming Events

Jan. 3/5 - K-5 Classes Resume

Middle School - Last Class on Jan. 9th

Homework is due on Jan. 9th. Please note the Jan. 13th class has been cancelled.

First Reconciliation - Jan. 11 or Jan. 13 at 6pm Check your letter to see which day you should attend.

Sophomores - Mass/Sponsor Meeting/Retreat is on Jan. 23rd from 9:30am-4pm.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our Christian Formation Families!

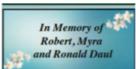


- Mary, Phyllis and Stacy

New Memorial Option in our Bulletin

Would you be interested in memorializing a loved one in our bulletin? This new option started November 2021. You can pay for a space on the back of our bulletin and have your loved one's name on for a whole year.

See the example below:



Please call John Hiller at 920-680-0009 with any questions you may have!

SOCIAL CONCERNS NOTES

We have completed the collection of \$3,000 for basic needs of Friends of Pals, Family, and Youth and have begun collection of the \$5,000 grant for Laundry Love. Thank you for your continued generosity toward those who most need our help. More information about Laundry Love can be found under the Blog on our parish website.



Our parish liturgical calendars are free and available to take after all Masses this weekend. The calendars provide basic parish information, Holy Days, National Holidays, Solemnities, Feasts and Obligatory Memorials. They are provided by Blaney Funeral Home. Thank you to our sponsor!

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate Christmas 2021, I am still deeply grateful for all of the generosity of prayers, support and gifts you bestowed upon me as I celebrated my 25th anniversary as a priest in May. Thank you, again, for making it such a momentous and memorable occasion despite the pandemic!

Things this Christmas are better than they were last Christmas when we were still under more restrictive pandemic measures. It gives me hope for a better and brighter 2022.

Christmas is always a season of hope as we celebrate Jesus' coming to earth to be like us in all things but sin. Our Savior knows us thoroughly and still loves us more than anyone in the whole universe could. May Jesus' love for us warm our hearts and souls not just on Christmas, but every day of our lives!

Merry Christmas & God Bless, Fr. Dave

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Please check out the following:

*Online giving

*Contact Staff

*Weekly Bulletins

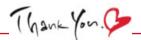
*Events

*Parish Calendar

*History of the Parish

*Christian Formation

Check out the interesting Blog maintained by Lori Flanagan our Pastoral Associate.



Many, many thanks to everyone who participated in our Christmas Outreach this year by taking an ornament off the Advent Giving Tree and returning it with gift cards or a monetary donation. The generosity of our parish is overwhelming! We have been able to help over 30 families in our parish and community! May God continue to bless Ss. Edward and Isidore's parishioners with a giving heart!

-Earl's Dream Committee

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Liturgical Minister Schedule for 01/01/2022—01/02/2022

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	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Musicians	Age to Age/Jenn/Lois/Crystal	Jenn/Mary	Jenn/Mary
Liturgy Assistant	Mary Anne McFarlane	Barb Kunesh	Kim Burkel
Altar Servers	NEED 1 or 2	Sam Mead Todd Mead	NEED 1 or 2
Lectors	Patricia Gegere Robert Budz	Anne Mead Donna Melendy	Kim Burkel Michelle Verhagen
Eucharistic Ministers	Julie Button Mary Anne McFarlane	Barb Kunesh Donna Sheedy	Joe Roemaat Terri Roemaat
Ushers	Steve McFarlane Jack Wojcik NEED 2	Mary Ann Winiecki Len Gracyalny NEED 2	Aidan McAllister Colin McAllister NEED 2









Volunteering is Fun!

We are in need of Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers at Mass. Please consider volunteering!

Pope donates watch to local foundation

BY NANCY BARTHEL | FOR THE COMPASS

GREEN BAY — A dream that
Doug LaViolette had for well over
a year — something he said a
few friends told him was "crazy"
— has indeed come true.

At a press conference on Nov. 23 at Nicolet Bank in downtown Green Bay, LaViolette announced that the Brian LaViolette Scholarship Foundation has received a watch from Pope Francis for its "Once Upon a Time Collection," a watch collection which will be auctioned off online in 2022 in time with the foundation's 30th anniversary.

All the watches "will have been owned and worn by an individual who has made a difference in the world," according to the foundation. Further details on the auction will be released on Feb. 2, 2022 — or as the foundation states, on "2.22.22."

The foundation was established to honor the life of Brian LaViolette, a De Pere High School student who, on Aug. 8, 1992, at age 15, died in a drowning accident off Chambers Island in Door County. His family promised the day of his funeral that "great things" would be



NANCY BARTHEL | FOR THE COMPASS

Michael Calawerts, right, and Doug LaViolette, father of the late Brian LaViolette, are pictured with a Swatch watch donated to the Brian LaViolette Scholarship Foundation by Pope Francis.

accomplished in his name and memory.

Since then, over 1,000 local, national and international scholarships have been awarded. In an interview with The Compass prior to the press conference, LaViolette, who is foundation president, noted, "Seventy-five percent of all Brian's scholarships honor someone else."

The pope's watch donation
— which was set seven hours
ahead to Rome time for the
press conference — also came
with a photo of Pope Francis
wearing the Swatch watch
and a letter signed by Fr. Fabio
Salerno, the pope's personal
secretary.

Our full story appears in the Dec. 3 issue.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Let us continue our journey of reflection on the person of St. Joseph. Today, I would like to deepen his being "just" and "Mary's betrothed spouse", and thus provide a message to all engaged couples, and newlyweds as well. Many events connected with Joseph fill the stories of the apocryphal, that is, non-canonical gospels, that have even influenced art and various places of worship. These writings that are not in the Bible are stories that Christian piety provided at that time and are a response to the desire to fill in the empty spaces in the canonical Gospel texts, the ones that are in the Bible, which provide you with everything that is essential for faith and the Christian life.

+ Pope Francis, Dec. 1, 2021



Portico at Old St. Joseph Church leads to a sacred space

BY JEFF KUROWSKI | THE COMPASS

DE PERE — The St. Norbert College campus features several archways. The year the college was founded, 1898, is displayed on the arch for the walkway entrance off Third Street. Visitors to the Kunkel Meditation Garden, overlooking the Fox River, enter through an archway. Donald J. Schneider Stadium, home to Green Knights' football, soccer and track

and field, is another example of a facility with an arch.

A recent structure outside Old St. Joseph Church may look like another archway, but the meaning of this entryway from Grant Street makes it "the Portico."

"A portico is a covering. As you enter that sacred space, you are covered with the heart of Christ. That's what makes the symbolism and sets this apart," said Kerry Gross, who, along with Norbertine Fr. Jim Barianiak, coordinated the Portico project. "It leads into that prayer space. It leads us into the church. It leads us to know where we are going."

The Portico also leads people to the National Shrine to St. Joseph, located adjacent to Old St. Joseph Church. The words *Ite ad loseph* ("Go to Joseph") are found on the Portico.

Our full story appears in the Dec. 10 issue.



The Chosen is the first ever multi-season television series about the life of Christ. A charismatic fisherman drowning in debt; a troubled woman wrestling with real demons; a gifted publican ostracized by his family and his people; a religious leader struggling with his beliefs - see Jesus through the eyes of those that met him.

Starting January 10th, Ss. Edward & Isidore invites you to experience Season 1 of The Chosen. Once a week for eight weeks on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m., we will gather in fellowship to watch and discuss an episode. If you're interested in learning more about Jesus and making some friends along the way, The Chosen is just for you. No matter where you are in your faith journey - if you're curious about who Jesus was and is, or you're looking for a fresh take on the Gospels – all are welcome!

Who: Everyone (Individuals, families, neighbors, friends...)

Where: Resurrection Hall - Ss. Edward & Isidore Parish

When: Mondays at 6pm on Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31;

Feb. 7, 14, 21; March 7

RSVP: Sign-up in the Gathering Space after Mass

or call the Parish Office at 920-865-7844





How to Brighten the Winter Blues



When days are shorter and colder, do you get gloomier? Do you have trouble waking up? Controlling your diet? Focusing on work or relationships? If so, you may be one of the millions of people who suffer from seasonal affective disorder (SAD): changes in mood and behavior due to seasonal changes, such as feeling depressed in winter. If you are having these feelings for days at a time and can't get motivated to do activities you normally enjoy, see your doctor. This is especially important if your sleep patterns and appetite have changed or if you are feeling hopeless. I have also included some helpful tips to help brighten your spirits.

- Raise the blinds and let the light shine in.
- Try eating soups and stews. These hearty meals are both comforting and nourishing.
- Go outside to feel the natural sunlight and appreciate the winter landscape.
- Exercise to stimulate and bring warmth to your body. Dress warmly and take a brisk walk outside. Try some new classes in Pilates, Yoga, etc. Exercise with a friend or make friends at the class.
- Do volunteer work. Connect with positive people.
- Light a candle and meditate. Close your eyes and breathe to your own natural rhythm.
- Simplify your home, room by room. Clean out the clutter and donate what you have not used in years. Use this indoor time to organize your home. Sharing with the needy will give you an inner glow.
- Aromatherapy. By placing different scents throughout your home can also change your mood.

The main thing is to recognize how you're feeling and talk your feelings out with someone you feel comfortable with. Source: MayoClinic

"...But may they who love you be like the sun when it rises in its strength." Judges 5:31



May the Joy of Jesus warm your hearts. Merry Christmas! Carol Mueller, Parish Nurse



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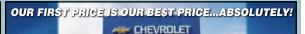
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