

PARISH MASS TIMES

ST. FRANCIS, SOLANUS

1050 MAIN STREET, GRESHAM

Sunday | 8:30am

Wednesday & Friday | 8:30am

ST. MARY

W11842 THIRD STREET

LEOPOLIS

Sunday | 10:00am

Thursday | 8:30am

RECONCILIATION

St. Francis: Sunday | 8:00-8:15am

St. Mary: 2nd Saturday | 9:00am

HOLY HR-1ST TUES 6:30PM-G

ADORATION

St. Francis: Tuesday | 6:30pm

St. Mary: 1st Thursday | 6:00pm

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

Pastoral Council Chair:

Pamela Koback

Finance Council Chair:

Esther Schutt

Treasurer Trustee:

Dan Huntington

Secretary Trustee:

Jerilyn Johnson

St. Francis CCW:

1st Thursday - 7pm

All women of the parish are welcome as members.

Faith Formation: TBD

Grades 1-8

Grades 9-12 5:30-6:45pm

2nd Wed 6:00pm Mass

ST. MARY

Pastoral Council Chair:

Darold Paisar

Finance Council Chair:

Tim Mehlberg

Treasurer Trustee:

Theresa Voelz

Secretary Trustee:

Alicia Hoffman

St. Mary CCW:

All women of the parish are welcome as members.

Religious Education

Grades 1-12 Wednesdays

5:45pm-6:45pm

3rd Wednesday 5:30pm Mass

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 29TH 2020



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of our parish communities are to nurture a loving relationship with the Trinity through a faith filled liturgy that empowers our parishioners to reach out to all those who are in need of the love & mercy that God offered to the world through His Son's life, death, & resurrection.



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.”
- Mk 13:33

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St. Francis Faith Formation: Pam Koback

St. Mary Faith Formation: Bethany

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SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Individual arrangements can be made through parish office.

Baptism: Preparation program second Saturday of month 9-11 am. Please contact the Parish Office to register.

Marriage: Please call the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

Confirmation: TBD

1st Reconciliation: TBD

1st Eucharist: TBD

PARISH OFFICE OF ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS & ST. MARY LEOPOLIS

P.O. BOX 177 GRESHAM, WI 54128 715-787-3250

PARISH OFFICE HOURS— CALL TO SCHEDULE AN APOINTMENT

PRIEST WILL BE AVAILABLE IN OFFICE BY APPOINTMENT

Bulletin on line at: parishesonline.com

PRAYER & WORSHIP

A NOTE FROM DEACON MARK

It is hard to believe that this is the First Sunday of Advent. It is the beginning of a new Church Year and maybe that is a good thing because this past church year has been unlike anything we have experienced in our lifetime. One of the themes of Advent is waiting with patience for the birth of our Savior. Indeed, waiting is something we have been doing a lot since March 2020. We have been waiting for a vaccine; waiting for life to get back to normal, waiting for the end of daily dismal Covid-19 numbers. We are well versed this Advent in what waiting means. However, for this Advent, let us prayerfully add the ingredient of hope to our waiting. An assurance that God is still in charge and will not abandon us..

The other day, I received a text from my daughter who wanted to share a picture of the pottery she made from a pottery class she took. Based on the picture, it looks like a very nice collection of pottery. I think I may receive one of these pieces for Christmas! In our first reading today from Isaiah, we hear how we are the clay and God is the potter. We are the work of His hands. A beautiful image from scripture that reminds us how God will shape us and reshape us, as he works in our lives. It is interesting to note that the scripture does not say God is potter and we are the pot. We are the clay so that means God is not finished with us yet! We are still waiting to be formed into that perfect image of Christ. A new year means new ways in which God will continue to form us. Let's wait with hope for this loving presence of God in our lives.

Upon Further Reflection:

A man died and went to heaven. He was met at the Pearly Gates by St. Peter who led him down the golden streets. They passed stately homes and beautiful mansions until they came to the end of the street where they stopped in front of a rundown cabin.

The man asked St. Peter why he got such a poor cabin when there were so many mansions he could live in.

St. Peter replied, "I did the best with the money you sent us."

In His Mercy,
Deacon Mark

Readings for the week of November 29, 2020

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

MASS INTENTIONS

ST FRANCIS SOLANUS

11/29 Jodie Hoffman & Curtis Dumke

12/06 Gervase & Bonita Ebert

12/ 13 Vern Sr & Vern Jr Hoffman

ST MARY—LEOPOLIS

11/29 Patrick & Mary McClone

12/03 Marty Sybeldon

12/06 Sabina Carrolll

12/13 Marty & Mary Mc Clone

MINISTER SCHEDULE:

St Francis Solanus 11/26

Lector: Volunteer

Servers:

Ushers: Andy & Danny D., John K., Jeff S.

Eucharistic Ministers:

St Francis Solanus 11/29

Lector: Sandy

Servers:

Ushers: Andy & Danny, John K., Jeff S.

Eucharistic Ministers

St Francis Solanus 12/06

Lector: Fran

Servers:

Ushers: Sandy & Wayne, Jean & Lee

Eucharistic Ministers

St Mary Leopolis 11/26

Lector: volunteer

Servers:

Ushers: Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers:

St Mary Leopolis 11/29

Lector: John A.

Servers:

Ushers: Darold P., John R.
Eucharistic Ministers:

MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND MASS SERVICES FOR THE HOMEBOUND ARE OFFERED BY THE FOLLOWING TV STATIONS: WBAY-TV- CHANNEL 2 AT 5:30 AM ON SUNDAYS. CHANNEL 5 WFRV BISHOP RICKEN'S MASS AT 10:00AM. MASS OFFERED ONLINE AT WWW.HEARTOFTHENATION.ORG. ST. MICHAEL FACEBOOK LIVE STREAMED MASS AT 9:00AM SUNDAY

NEWS & HAPPENINGS AT THE PARISHES



WELCOME!

The Lord has called all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace as our Savior. May joy and peace be yours as we praise our Lord and grow close to God and one another. It is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. If you are considering joining our parish, please talk with Father Nonito or call the Parish Office at 715-787-3250. Anyone who has not officially signed up and would like to be a registered member, please stop in the office and fill out a form. It is that easy!

ST. MARY FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

11/15/2020

Support \$ 2805.00

B & G \$ 5.00

Fundraiser \$ 750.00

to Date \$ 8,820.00

Goal \$8,000.00

ST FRANCIS SOLANUS FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

11/15/2020

Support \$ 526.00

B & G \$ 40.00

FUNDRAISER \$0.00

TO DATE: 12,225.00

GOAL \$14,000

UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. MARY

TH 12/03

MASS 8:30AM

SUN 12/06

10:00AM MASS

ST. FRANCIS

WED 12/02 MASS

8:30AM

FRI 12/04

MASS 8:30AM

SUN 12/06 MASS

8:30AM

Solemnity of Immaculate Conception Tuesday Dec. 8th

St Francis Gresham 8:30am, St Mary Leopolis 7:00pm

Christmas Mass Vigil, Dec 24th, 4:00pm St. Mary Leopolis, 8:00pm Gresham

Christmas Day Mass, Dec 25th, 8:30am St. Francis Gresham

New Years Eve Mass, Dec 31st 4:00pm St. Mary Leopolis

Solemnity of the Motherhood of Mary (Vigil)

New Years Day Mass January 1st 2021 8:30am St. Francis Gresham

St. Mary's, Leopolis religious education students will be collecting canned goods and dried goods to donate to a local food pantry. Donations will be collected on Wednesdays in classrooms, and can be left at church on Sundays near the church entrances.

Thank you for your help!

The Knights of Columbus, St. Isadore, Council 5008 supports seminarians with \$500.00 a student each year. In the past we have made gifts to Fr. Timothy Brandt & Fr. Ryan Starks who became priests. We are currently helping out Steve Weller of Wittenberg. Since they don't get paid, or have a job, it is very difficult for them to obtain simple things or even go home to visit family. We are asking for donations of gas cards, cash cards, or cash to purchase cards. This is a great way to say "Merry Christmas" to a seminarian. There will be a 2nd collection at St. Mary's on Dec. 6th.

We thank you for your kind generosity! Last years total was \$267.00

During this time of critical COVID infection, our parishes will need to be even more vigilant in observing the health protocols shared in the diocesan guidelines to prevent the spread of disease and allow as many people as is safe to come to Mass without fear of infection.

Wearing of masks is mandatory at Masses celebrated throughout the dioceses. Temperatures will be taken, physical distancing and communion in hand.

Thank you for your support and compliance as we as a community of faith come together to worship in safety.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE IN OUR PARISH **FAMILY** WHO ARE ILL.

Mary Nellis, Darold Paiser, Barb Carroll, Margaret Hoffman, Roni Schultz, Mark Dillenburg, Debbie Brady, Mary Zahringer, David Carroll, Russell Stoehr, Jim Knoke, Shelly Gudis, Kim Lamberies, Robert Lohrentz, Todd Lohrentz, Rod Lohrentz, Dana Walton, Vincent Carroll, Albert Schroeder, Ataloo Wadzinski, Steve Brockman, Kathy Zoglman-Felkner, Lacey Estes, Ed Wedde, Jenny & Makenna Wiitanen, Katelyn Fehrman, Robert Knowles, Pat Paiser.

Prayer List: If you would like to add yourself or someone else to our parish prayer list please contact the parish office. When the specific need for prayer is over, please let the parish office know so that the name can be removed.

Bulletin News/Announcements: Deadline for new information is 9:00 am Mondays. Submit to parish office by email or in person.

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