

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 HOUR

St. Francis: 1st Tuesday | 6:30pm

PERSONAL ADORATION

St. Francis: Tuesday | 6:30pm

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

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Dan Huntington

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Sandy Gawryleski

St. Francis Solanus CCW:

1st Thursday of March | 7pm

All women of the parish are welcome as members.

Religious Education

Grades 1-12 Wednesdays
5:45pm-6:45pm at St. Mary

ST. MARY

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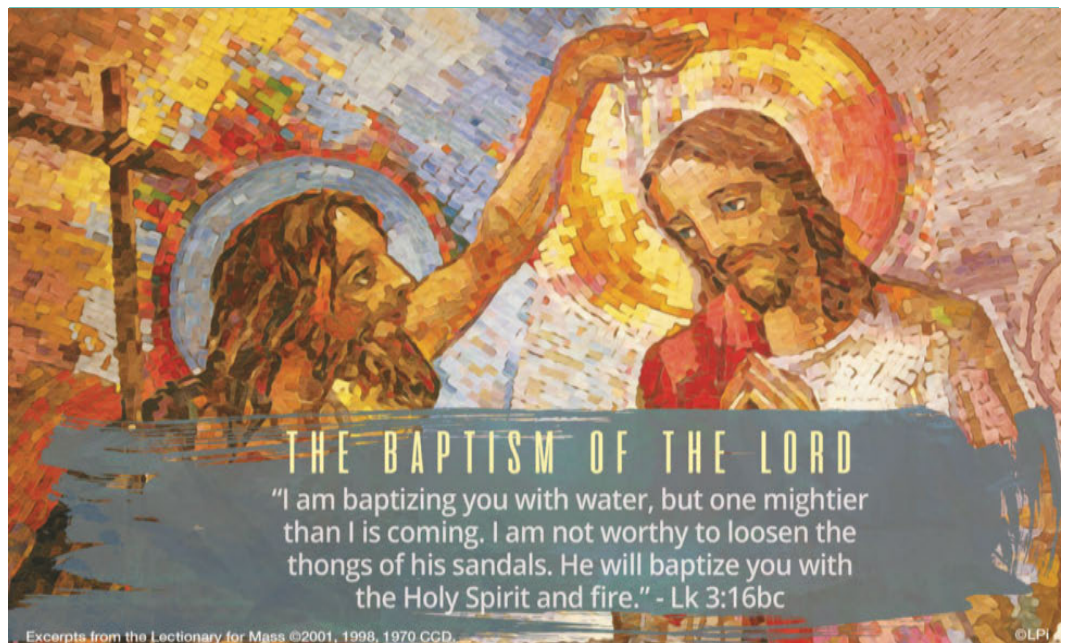
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 09, 2021



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.



PARISH COMMUNITY STAFF

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SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Arrangements can be made through Fr. Nonito or Fr. Hanz

Baptism: Preparation 2nd Saturday of month 9-11 am St. Michael Keshena.

Pre-register with parish office.

Marriage: Call the parish office 6 months in advance to register.

Confirmation: TBD

First Communion: TBD

Religious Education: Bethany Grunewald
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PRAYER & WORSHIP

A NOTE FROM FATHER NONITO

This Sunday we celebrate the baptism of Jesus Christ. He approaches his cousin John the Baptist at the River Jordan for baptism. This is not because he needs it but rather he wants us to feel that he is one with us in our longing and desire for God.

What is the importance of his baptism? First, it reveals not only the Three Persons in the Holy Trinity, but who Jesus is - God's own Son. The gospel this Sunday tells us about a voice coming from the heaven, saying, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Second, it reveals what Jesus will do since his baptism marks the formal start of his public ministry of preaching the Good News of God's love and salvation.

Similarly, our own baptism does not only proclaim publicly that we become members of the Catholic Church and that we become children of God but also empowers us to do the good works Jesus did.

Thus, it is not enough to be baptized. Baptismal faith to be truly authentic should influence always our day-to-day life and should always lead us to become good Christians.

In Jesus, Fr. Nonito

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." – Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead.

There is nothing to fear. ©LPI

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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 7:30AM. MASS OFFERED ONLINE AT WWW.HEARTOFTHENATION.ORG.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

01/09 Milton & Edmire Herzfeld

01/14 Russell Stoehr

01/16 James Redmond,
Gervase & Bonita Ebert

01/21 Russell Stoehr

01/23 Rose Paiser, People
of the 4 parishes

ST. MARY

01/09 Don Brunner

01/16 Jeanne Asenbrenner

01/23 People of the 4 Parishes

01/30



Liturgical Ministers

St. Francis Solanus

01/16

Lector: Cindy

Minister: Holly

Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman,
Jason L, Jeff S.

01/23

Lector: Fran

Minister: Mary

Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman,
Jason L, Jeff S.

St. Mary

01/16

Lector: John A.

Server: Carroll Family

Ushers: John R., Robert V.

01/23

Lector: Karen S.

Server: Claire B., Zoey G.

Ushers: Bob S., Darold P.

Thank you for serving
at the lord's table

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.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

ST FRANCIS SOLANUS

12/26/2021

Support \$2,070.00

B & G \$317.00

01/02/2022

Support \$3,507.00

B & G \$70.00

ST. MARY FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

12/26/2021

Support \$1,760.00

B & G \$.00

01/02/2022

Support \$1,172.00

B & G \$417.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

1/11 6:30PM

ADORATION

1/12 8:30AM MASS

1/14 8:30AM MASS

ST. MARY

1/12 5:45PM RE

1/13 8:30 AM MASS

1/18 6:30PM PPC&PFC-L

****FR. HANZ WILL BE ON VACATION**

1/11-1/14**

Marriage Banns

Wedding Banns Bann 2

Beau Brady & Megan Smith

Canon Law 1057 states: the conference of bishops is

to issue norms concerning the examination of the parties, and the marriage banns or other appropriate means for carrying out the necessary inquiries which are to precede marriage. The pastor can proceed to assist a marriage after such norms have been diligently observed. Since marriage is not a private possession of the two parties but a matter of public interest, both ecclesial and secular societies have traditionally enacted legislation concerning basic requirements for marriage, aimed at assuring they will not enter into a relationship detrimental to themselves, possible children, or the community.

Do you know that prayer changes things? If you would like prayers of healing or for other intentions, please join us! Come and see what the Lord is doing at St. Francis Solanus, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 23rd. Deacon Mark and others will be available to pray with and for anyone who would like prayers.



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

Let us remember in prayer Sharon Reinert who has been called by God to eternal life. We also remember her family and friends, and pray that God will give them consolation and peace.



BE SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We pray that Claire Brei, Sarah Carroll, Julia Hahn, and Grace Hartleben will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to be active in their faith, active in their parishes, and bold in their proclamations!!

March for Life

The Menominee-Shawano Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life will be having their **annual March for Life on January 23**. We will meet at the Shawano City Hall Community center (adjacent to the Police Department) at 1:00pm and proceed to and around the County Courthouse and back to the center for refreshments and a short program. This year our guest speaker will be Fr. Scott Valentyn, administrator of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Shawano. Those unable to join the march are welcome to gather at the Community Center at 1:30pm for refreshments and the program. Please consider participating and/or joining us at our march. Any questions, please call Karen at 715-851-3629 or Mike at 715-526-9139.

L!fe WISCONSIN RIGHTTOLIFE

Margie Reedy, Brad Hess, Barb Carroll, Margaret Hoffman, Roni Schultz, Mark Dillenburg, Debbie Brady, Mary Zahringer, David Carroll, Jim Knoke, Shelly Gudis, Kim Lamberies, Robert Lohrentz, Todd Lohrentz, Rod Lohrentz, Dana Walton, Vincent Carroll, Albert Schroeder, Ataloe Wadzinski, Steve Brockman, Kathy Zoglman-Felkner, Ed Wedde, Jenny & Makenna Wiitanen, Katelyn Fehrman, Robert Knowles, Pat Paiser



REMEMBER
in your prayers

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.

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