

St. Mary 's Immaculate Conception Parish

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021

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Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

CLERGY

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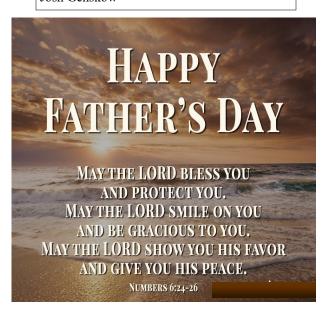
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Josh Genskow





<u>St. Mary's Church will be closed:</u> Wednesday, June 23rd 9 am until Sunday, June 27th, 7am. Our Carpets are being shampooed. We ask you to keep off the carpets to allow them to dry. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, June 22 @ SH 8:15 am †Tom Wanta by Sue Wanta

Wednesday, June 23 8:15 a.m. †Ron & Ruth Werachowski by Family



Thursday, June 24 and Friday, June 25 No Mass—Father is attending Priest Unity Days in LaCrosse

Saturday, June 26 @ SH No 8:15 am Mass and No Confessions

Saturday, June 26 @ SH 4:00 pm SH †Donald Gagas by Pete & Becky Skibba

Sunday, June 27, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am @ SH 5 year Anniversary Couples by Family Life

10:00 am St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart Parish Family

After Mass—Father Guanella will Bless the Cross in the Cemetery Followed by the Farewell Pot Luck for Father Guanella



Dear Friends in Christ,

Earlier this week, each household should have received a letter from Bishop Callahan announcing the lifting of the general dispensation from Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation beginning the weekend of June 26–27, 2021. This announcement should not come as a surprise since a mention of it has been in the parish bulletin for several weeks. As the bishop wrote, only those who have reasonable cause for a continued absence from Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation shall continue to be dispensed.

As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* notes, the Sunday celebration of the Lord's Day and his Eucharist is at the heart of the Church's life. Sunday is the day on which the paschal mystery is celebrated in light of the apostolic tradition and is to be observed as the foremost holy day of obligation in the universal Church.

With the general dispensation lifted, on Sundays and other holy days of obligation, all Catholics are bound to participate in the Mass. The precept of participating in the Mass is satisfied by assistance at a Mass which is celebrated either on the day itself or on the evening of the preceding day. Why must we attend Mass on Sundays? Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church. Catholics give witness by this to their communion in faith and charity. Together they testify to God's holiness and their hope of salvation. They strengthen one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

A dispensation from keeping holy the Sabbath day was never given. On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, Catholics are to refrain from engaging in work or activities that hinder the worship owed to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, the performance of the works of mercy, and the appropriate relaxation of mind and body. Family needs or important social service can legitimately excuse from the obligation of Sunday rest. The *Catechism* notes that sanctifying Sundays and holy days requires a common effort. Every Christian should avoid making unnecessary demands on others that would hinder them from observing the Lord's Day. Traditional activities (sports, restaurants, etc.), and social necessities (public services, etc.), require some people to work on Sundays, but everyone should still take care to set aside sufficient time for leisure.

I look forward to welcoming everyone back to Mass on June 26–27. Only those who are ill, taking care of those who are ill, or who have legitimate, reasonable cause to be absent from Sunday Mass should continue to stay home. Those who, because of sickness, disability, or some other serious cause, are prevented from taking part in Sunday Mass, should as best they can unite themselves with the celebration of Sunday Mass from afar. While Mass on the radio, Internet, or TV does not in itself fulfill the obligation, for those who cannot take part in the Eucharist and who are therefore excused from the obligation, they are a precious help. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this. Many people are unaware that a pastor can, by church law, dispense from the obligation to observe a Sunday or holy day or to commute it to another pious work (in individual cases and for a just reason). Let us praise God together to all be back to Sunday Mass!

—Fr. Guanella

PS—Please note the schedule change this week: Due to the Chrism Mass, Priest Unity Days, and the Priestly Ordinations, there will be no morning Mass June 24–26. Furthermore, the 2:45pm Confessions on June 26 at Sacred Heart are also cancelled.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT 6-13-21 Offertory \$ 107 Adult Env 1620 Building 80 Total \$ 1807



St. Mary's I. C. Parish 2020-21 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

GOAL \$19,810.00

Total Pledged

& Received: \$23,064.00

Amount Received: \$22,434.00 Over Goal: \$ 3,254.00

THANKS to those who have contributed.

We have EXCEEDED our Goal! Any additional contributions to this years appeal will be refunded back to St. Mary's. Overage will be used to repair Church entrance windows.

<u>A reminder the JUNE 30th</u> is the deadline for your contribution. Any amounts is welcome. Please consider making a gift to this year's Appeal if you haven't already. Thank you.



BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

Envelopes for the Ground Level Hall and Church Renovations can be found in your

Parish support envelopes. This project is for current and future generations of St. Mary's parishioners. Please be generous. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO OUR BUILDING FUND



ST. MARY'S IC, PICNIC

Held at Arnott Lions Park on Sunday, August 22nd,

Please pick up your envelope in the entrance of the Church—Large Raffle Tickets and information on our Parish Picnic.



Any questions, please contact St. Mary's I C Picnic Committee Eunice Zwicki, Chair Denise Glodowski, co-chair 715-592-4175 715-592-6947

BASKET RAFFLES: Hopefully you are thinking about your basket theme. Call Denise 715-592-6947 with the theme and let her know if you're dropping off at Church or brining to the park. They should have a value of \$100.00

ALL PARISHIONERS are asked to donate \$10.00 for their Group Basket. Remember to put your name and group on the envelope and drop in collection or mail to the church. Thanks

GARDEN PLANTERS When planting your gardens, PLEASE plant extra vegetables for our Farmers Market. THANK YOU!!



St. Mary's I.C. FOOD PANTRY

We will continue to collect non perishable items and monetary donations for local families.

Please help us help those in need. Drop off items in the cart in the entrance of the Church. THANK YOU for your generous support that has helped 3 parish families during this difficult time.





Our Mission is to provide an environment of learning, giving and loving to enhance the fellowship and growth of the women's faith community of St. Mary's

Thank you to everyone who came to help with the special project. SPECIAL THANKS to Nora Stransky and Bernie Fritschler for sharing their time, talents and treasures!! WOM will not be meeting during the summer, but if anyone has projects they would like to see when we resume in October, please let Nora or Bernie know.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO

CAROL FIRKUS, a member of our Parish Family who Celebrated a Special Birthday this past Wednesday, June 16th. Gods Blessings to Carol!



Please remember in your prayers

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish: Gladys Pampuch, Tom Schmenk, Myron Soik, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Ken Wierzba, Mike Mrozek, Ray Sommers, Mary Ann Meyer, Brigid & Al Pellatt

Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long time should receive the Sacraments. Please call the parish to make arrangements or to schedule a non-emergency visit for those who are sick or homebound.

For prayer support through the unpublished St. Mary's I.C. Parish Prayer Chain please call Elsie Mansavage 715-592-4174, or the Parish Office 715-592-4330 or stmary@wi-net.com FIRST NAMES ONLY will be used; members promise to respect your request in confidence.



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.

St. Mary's I.C. Salvation Army Servers

We prepare dinner for people in need at the Salvation Army on the **First Monday** of every month. Please consider donating your time for this wonderful cause. *NEED SERVERS FOR AUGUST* Information please contact Gina 920-540-7804

God Bless Our June Servers: Jim & Deb Sniadajewski

JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

Wishing you Birthday Blessings!
21st Jean Miller, Barb Soik &
Randie Lehman, 23rd Lori Kluck &
Kevin Schleicher, 24th Tony Charneski,
25th Mark Lehman, 28th John Bustamante

Priestly Ordination of *Deacons Eric Mashak, Timothy Reither and Arturo Vigueras* will be June 26, at 10AM at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse. Due to COVID19 restrictions there will be no reception after the Mass. Facebook link: https://fb.me/e/2bG1R9MWe



NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 27th following Mass Farewell Potluck for Father Guanella

Please sign up in the entrance

or call the office, this will help with the planning. Weather permitting, we will be holding the potluck in the back yard/

parking lot. BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Please help with set up on Saturday, June 26th, 9 am many hands make light work.

Bishop Callahan has written a letter regarding the Wisconsin Attorney General's request for voluntary release of information concerning the AG's announced review of old reports of clergy and faith leader abuse within the Catholic Church. Copies of this letter are available in church entrance or at: http://bit.ly/ag-letter

Chrism Mass: June 24, 10:00 a.m. will be celebrated at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. Due to ongoing COVID restrictions, only Diocesan priests and necessary liturgical ministers will attend. All others are invited to view the Mass at diolc.org/live.

FACE MASK NOTICE While there is no statewide or countywide mask mandate, Bishop William Callahan calls on the Catholic faithful to make sacrifices that will benefit others. He strongly encourages the practice of wearing masks by all individuals, 5 years or older, present within all churches or when attending any function associated with the ministry of the Diocese of La Crosse. Bishop Callahan notes that the exercise of limitations, such as wearing masks and social distancing, as difficult and frustrating as they may be, should be viewed as charitable acts offered for others. By doing these simple things and embracing these small sacrifices, Catholics can do their part to ensure that everyone stays healthy and that churches and schools can remain safe environments for all.

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, June 20

LECTOR Kirk USHERS Randy SERVERS Cassie & Madison MONEY COUNTERS Kirk MUSICIANS Carolyn & Jacquie

SUNDAY, June 27

LECTOR Deb USHERS Eddie SERVERS Samantha & Zach MONEY COUNTERS Lisa & Jeremy MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl

SUNDAY, July 4

LECTOR Kirk USHERS Travis SERVERS Cassie & Madison MONEY COUNTERS Kirk MUSICIANS Carolyn & Jacquie

We are..... thankful grateful blessed

for our volunteers

BUY SCRIP-SUNDAY, JUNE 27th after Mass

Thank you to everyone who purchases SCRIP.

Missionary Sisters of the Divine Image Gift Shop in Polonia Convent is available year round as a permanent fundraiser for the MSDI Sisters. Call 715-592-4213 to pick a time to come or ring any of the Convent entrance doorbells to have the Sisters let you visit the self-serve Gift Shop. This is a great way to support the MSDI Sisters in Polonia who are happy to meet and assist members of our parish community. Look forward to seeing you!

Shrine of Our Lady of Sacred Heart is now open daily 9am—6pm for people to come and spend time with Our Lady. The shrine is located on the south side of the convent property. Any questions please contact Sr. Hyacintha at (715) 592-4213.



THANK THAT EXTRODINARY FATHER, **GRANDFATHER, UNCLE OR ANY FATHER YOU KNOW WITH A SPECIAL TREAT!**

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LITTLE FREE PANTRY

at St. Mary's! Take as you need, Donate if you are able! My Girl Scout Troop 6207 has built a Little Free Pantry to work toward earning their bronze and silver awards and placed it at St. Mary's IC. If you know anyone in need, please spread the word about our LITTLE FREE PANTRY! Thank you for your support! If you

have any questions or wish to donate but the pantry is already full, please reach out to me at (715) 409-6163. Jenny Genskow Girl Scout Troop #6207 Leader