# St. Mary's Visitation Parish First Holy Communion May 1, 2016

We congratulate the children and families who today will celebrate the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time.

Katelyn Anglim

Benjamin Bausch

Thomas Bolger

Nora Brazauskas

Brandon Breest

Carmella Broerman

Catherine Carnell

John Conners

Owen Counsell

Chloe Doll

Ella Domask

Matthias Ericksen

Allie Falci

Leo Giampietro

Ryan Griffin

Tess Hansen

Kayden Harmon

Norah Hill

Leandro Jimenez

Elise Kleinmann

Andrew Kustner

Carter Mantei

Maxwell Martin

Emma Maslowski

Alaina Matola

Callum Mayne

Thomas McGuire

Luke Merrick

Jenna Metz

Clifford Oberst

Callaghan Olbrantz

Andrew Pentler Caroline Raster

Madilyn Richlen
Andrew Schmidt
Elizabeth Schmidt
Emma Schmidt
Liam Spahr
Eli Staude

Teresa Steigerwald

Nolan Steinle

Mathias Stich

Natalie Surges

Lucy Swietlik

Sarah Walters

Bradyn Weigel

Michael Wroblewski



### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 2, Saint Athanasius, Bishop

6:30 am † Donald and Lenore Lodl Sacrament of the Sick available after Mass

Tuesday, May 3, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

6:30 am † Frank and Ann Brezonick

Wednesday, May 4, Easter Weekday

6:30 am † L. Wallace Bruce

Thursday, May 5, Easter Weekday

6:30 am † Eleanor Piontek

Friday, May 6, Easter Weekday

6:30 am † Thomas Malloy

8:00 am † Richard Ellis

Saturday, May 7, Easter Weekday

8:00 am † Mary Tillman

5:00 pm † Michael Schoos

Sunday, May 8, The Ascension of The Lord

7:30 am † Stanley Ostrowski 9:00 am Parishioners 11:00 am † Pat Witterholt

### Daily Mass Schedule

6:30 am Monday thru Friday

8:00 am Tuesday & Friday, School Days Only

### **Exceptions**

There is no 8am Mass on Tuesday, May 3rd There is no 8am Mass on Friday, June 3rd There is a 9am Mass on Friday, June 3rd

### Summer Weekday Mass Schedule Wednesday, June 8th thru Monday, August 29

6:30 am Monday thru Friday

8:00am Saturday

### Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:30am - 4pm Friday 8:30am - noon

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is available every Monday after the 6:30am Mass. Members of the parish facing surgery or other medical procedures or tests are invited to receive this sacrament prior to their medical procedures.

If you know of someone who is in the hospital, or who would like a visit from the parish staff, please call the parish office and let us know.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

St. Mary's is always happy to welcome new members. If you are interested in parish membership, it would be most helpful if you would call to make an appointment to register (262-782-4575). An appointment will guarantee the presence of a staff member to answer your questions and walk through a welcome packet with you.

We will also be registering new parishioners after all the Masses on June 18 and 19.

Please stop by and see us in the Atrium!

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

**Children ages 6 and under**: Those seeking to have children baptized should be registered, active members of St. Mary's Visitation Parish. Parents who request baptism for a child are expected to complete a preparation class. It is offered bi-monthly. The scheduled classes for this year are:

Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church

It is generally easier if the preparation is done before the birth of the child. If you have attended a session within the last five years, it is not necessary to retake the class.

To schedule a baptism, please view the baptism dates on the parish website, www.stmaryeg.org/baptism.

Please contact Jenny Dascoli in the Liturgy & Music office at 262-782-4485 or jdascoli@stmaryeg.org for more information or to register for the baptism class.

Children ages 6-12: Please call the Liturgy & Music Office.

Adults ages 12 and up: Adults who wish to join the Catholic Church and were not baptized can participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please call Josh Dieterich, Co-director of Christian Formation - Middle School, Adult and Family Ministry, for more information.

### THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Catholic Church takes preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously. Generally at least 6 months should be allowed for this preparation. Engaged couples themselves should call the parish office to schedule an appointment to discuss their plans. Marriage can take place any day of the week, although Saturday is generally preferred by couples. Sunday weddings are possible, but a wedding Mass is not allowed for such occasions.

# Postings from Fr. Peter

# Seat of Wisdom

About a month ago, as you know, our new statue of the Blessed Mother arrived for the center of the Atrium Gardens! I want to once again thank the parishioners who donated her, along with those who donated the beautiful new granite benches and those parishioners who have donated for the landscaping - we are blessed to have tremendously generous parishioners here at St. Mary's and the fruits of that generosity can be seen very clearly.

I wanted to give a brief background on the statue itself. This particular statue is based on a statue known as Sedes Sapientiae, which is Latin for "Seat of Wisdom," one of the titles given to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The original statue was carved in Italy in the 1930s for St. Edward Seminary in Kenmore, Washington. When that seminary closed in the 1970s, the original was transferred to the Cathedral of St. James in Seattle where it is placed in a courtyard near a flowing fountain. The company which manufactured our statue has done three reproductions throughout the country prior to ours. She is made of granite, stands life-size at 5' 10" tall and weighs in at a very "un-life-size" two thousand pounds!

We are going to dedicate the statue on the evening of our annual May Crowning and everyone is invited to attend. May Crowning is a beautiful tradition throughout the world and at St. Mary's and begins at 6:30pm on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Following the May Crowning in church we will process to the Atrium Gardens and the statue will be dedicated, please mark your calendars and plan to join us!

This weekend we are also celebrating First Communion for our parish second graders, please be sure to keep them in prayer! This is also the final month of school for our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders, please pray for them as they complete their time in grade school and prepare for graduation and high school. Finally, as I mentioned last weekend, please keep the priests of the Archdiocese in prayer over the next few days as we head out for our annual Spring Assembly of Priests.

#### Trustee Nominations

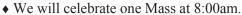
In accordance with Wisconsin State Law, each parish has two lay trustees - the Trustee Secretary and Trustee Treasurer. They serve as the legal Board for the parish along with the pastor (Administrator), the Archbishop and the Vicar General of the Archdiocese. Each lay trustee serves a two year term, which is renewable. Our current trustees are Mr. Ignatius Smetek (Secretary) and Mr. Gordon Giampietro (Treasurer). Fr. Peter has nominated Mr. Ignatius Smetek as Trustee Secretary for a renewal of term beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2018. The parish charter also allows any practicing baptized and confirmed Catholic member of the parish, at least 25 years old, to be nominated in writing by ten or more parish members. Nominations need to be received in the parish offices by Saturday, May 21, 2016.

### The Family Rosary 5:00pm May 8 Church The Family Rosary will take place

the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month at 5:00pm.

### Please Note:

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th,



♦ The Parish Offices are closed.



# May Crowning Thursday, May $12^{th} \sim 6:30$ pm

During the month of May, we as Catholics traditionally honor Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth. To celebrate Mary's devotion to Christ, we will once again be crowning her.

This is taking place in the evening so that parents can accompany their children and share in this devotion!

St. Mary's Christian Women will be sponsoring this 30 minute devotion.

May Crowning will feature special participation by our 8th graders as they take their first step in farewell to St. Mary's. Our parish second graders will also participate in recognition of their First Holy Communion.

We look forward to seeing you there.



## School Calendar

Tuesday: Advancement Mtg.

Wednesday: Planning Committee Mtg; 8am
• Gr. 3, Gr. 5-8 to Discovery World

Thursday: Faith-A-Thon Friday: 8am All School Mass

• Father/Daughter Dance; 6:30pm, G

Readings for the Week of May 1st:

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Rv 21:10-14,

22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Jn 15:26--16:4a

Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22--18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/

Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-7/Jn 16:20-23 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10/Jn 16:23b-28 Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/

Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 or Eph 1:17-23/

Lk 24:46-53

Weekday Ministers ~ The Week of May 1st

Server Greg Eberle

Sacristan Mike Eder

Lector Sr. Dorothy

Eucharistic Ministers Sr. Dorothy and Arlene Sarnowski

### Parish Calendar

**Sunday (5/1)**: First Holy Communion; 1:30 **Monday:** Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm

- St. Mary's Seniors 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Luncheon; Alioto's
- Mary's Angels Children's Choir (Age 6-11) Rehearsal; 4:15pm,+
- Musicâ Oramus (Age 12 and up) Rehearsal; 5:45-6:45pm,+
- Visitation Choir Rehearsal (Age 12 and up); 7-8pm,+

Tuesday: St. Ben's Meal Program

- MACCW; 8:30am, Atrium
- Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm
- Finance Council Mtg; 5:15pm, SC
- Parish Pastoral Council Mtg; 7pm, SC **Wednesday:** *Good Grief*; 10am, Atrium Library

• Christian Women Board Mtg; 1pm, Atrium Library

Thursday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-7pm

- Cantor Rehearsal; 5:30pm,+
- Visitation Institute; 6:30pm, Atrium

Friday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm

- Kiwanis Golden K of EG. Coffee served until 9:30am mtg; SC (visitors are welcome)
- Holy Dusters; 10am,+
- Reconciliation; 2-5pm,+
- Musicâ Oramus (Age 12 and up) Rehearsal; 5-6pm,+

Saturday: AA Meeting; 7-8am, SC

- Reconciliation; 8:45-9:15am,+
- Cantor Rehearsal; 9am,+
- Thrift Shop Open; 9am noon

Sunday (5/8): Happy Mother's Day

- Mother's Day Rose Sale; After All Masses
- Feed The Hungry Sunday
- Family Rosary; 5pm,+

### Attention Seniors!

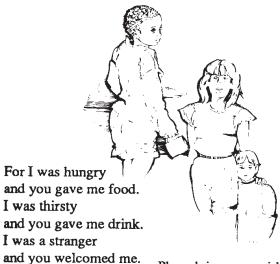
Please join our SMV students at their Spring Concert dress rehearsal, "*Through the Decades*" on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at school. Songs from the 50"s, 60's, 70's and 80's will fill the air. Our music teacher, Mrs. Dubinski, and the children will look forward to seeing you! The concert will be held in the gym.

# The Catholic Response to Climate Change Tuesday, May 3rd ~ 6:30 to 8pm

Register now! Join us at Notre Dame of Elm Grove (13105 Watertown Plank Road.) Steven Coleman will present '*The Catholic Response to Climate Change*.' He will discuss Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'* and previous papal statements, plus the science of global warming, and possible solutions. Event is free. Registration suggested. Contact Sister Paul-Mary Draxler, SSND at 262-787-1345 or pmdraxler@ssndcp.org, or Mike Arney at 414-771-8850 or iammike2350@gmail.com.



# Next Sunday is "Feed the Hungry Sunday"



Thrift Shop

- Matthew 25:35

St. Mary's Thrift Shop 262-784-6644

Please bring non-perishable items

to the vestibule of the Church.

### HOORAY! HOORAY! IT'S FINALLY MAY!!

SEE OUR BEAUTIFUL SPRING/SUMMER ITEMS!

Enjoy 20-50% off all BLUE priced items this month!

### FEAST DAY SPECIALS

May 5 Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord 50% OFF EVERYTHING!!\*

\*no other discounts apply



### Mother's Day Rose Sale

St. Mary's Visitation Respect Life Committee volunteers will be offering Mother's Day roses for a donation of \$2.50 each all Masses the Weekend of May 7th & 8th.

Please honor Mom and Our Lady and support life.

### Adoration Chapel

In this month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, intercede with her to help you grow in your reverence, love and adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. "To Jesus through Mary."

Spend time with Him in the St. Mary's Perpetual Adoration Chapel. He is there 24/7 awaiting your visit, and anxious to bestow His blessings on you. While there, please remember in your prayers those who are receiving First Holy Communion on May 1st.

Mother's Day is May 8th. Are you still looking for that perfect gift for your Mother? (or Grandmother, Godmother, Aunt, etc.?) Why not spend an hour in the Adoration Chapel and offer it for her? All this will cost is an hour of your time. Can't you spare that much time for one who has dedicated endless hours to you? Take a "Gift of Love" card (they are free and available in the

vestibule of the Chapel) and present it to your Mother, or someone dear to you, next Sunday.

The benefits for her (and you) will be endless and everlasting. Everyone can use prayers, whether living or deceased, and you can never have too many of them!



#### We Need Coverage:

Sundays 1-2 am Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153 Mondays 3-4 am Call Mary Rhomberg, 262-786-1974 Tuesdays 4-5 am Call Mary Schwarz, 414-771-8738

Thursdays (2<sup>nd</sup>& 4<sup>th</sup>)

2-3 am Call Jack or Pat Morien, 262-786-6490

Fridays 2-3 am Call Rita Dragani, 262-796-1162

Fridays 3-4 am

### Visitation Institute is Back! Thursday, May 5th • 6:30 to 8pm • Atrium

Catholicism in Music and the Arts • Mike Mangione



Mike Mangoine has toured the world over the past 10 years as a singer-songwriter.

He has released four albums and is currently working on a 5th.

He has a deep passion for living the Faith through music and the arts.

He is also a contributor for faith and culture website, patheos.com.

Cost is just \$5/ talk, or \$20 for the whole semester.

### Courtesy Announcements

### Apostleship of Prayer Family Retreat ~ "Mercifying" in the Heart of Christ

All families welcome--any size, age, or combination! Saturday lunch thru Monday lunch, May 28-30 (Memorial Day Weekend.) Unplug, relax, and encounter your family members in a new way, all in a natural, prayerful, and private setting. Seven healthy meals included—no cooking! If you wish, enjoy opportunities for Mass, evening prayer, Reconciliation, and inspiring talks for children and adults.

Activities you might choose to enjoy include hiking in the woods, exploring Etter Lake's shoreline, playing foosball or ping pong, resting, playing music around the fire pit, playing kickball, baseball, or soccer, & praying.

For details & registration info, email parishioner Grace Urbanski at gurbanski@apostleshipofprayer.org or visit apostleshipofprayer.org.

### Knights of Columbus ~ Bishop Leo J. Brust Council #3702

Calling Catholic men, 18 years and older. Now is the time to join the most ethical non profit organization in the world that supports all facets of the Catholic Church. Initiation meetings will be held on Saturday, 6/4 at the Knights Clubhouse, 145th and Lisbon Ave. in Brookfield at 9am in the morning. Any questions, call Mike Ullrich at 262-786-1677 or email michaelullrich@yahoo.com.

### We're Gonna Knock Your Socks Off!!!

Is your family looking for childcare during the summer? St. Anthony School in Menomonee Falls, (N74 W13604 Appleton Ave.), will be having its Summer Extended Care Program which features art projects, outdoor games, movies and more. We offer flexible scheduling and competitive rates. Use us as little or as much as you want! It is run by teachers at St. Anthony and starts on June 13th. We would love to serve your childcare needs this summer!

Contact Kate Gilbert, kgilbert@stanthonyparishschool.org or www.stanthonyparishschool.org/summercare.cfm.

### Holy Doors of Mercy in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

During the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis invites us to contemplate the notion of a Holy Door, "a Door of Mercy through which anyone who enters will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons, and instills hope."

Archbishop Listecki has designated a church door in every deanery in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee as a Door of Mercy. These churches are sites where individuals, families and other groups may make a pilgrimage, a holy journey, seeking, remembering, and receiving God's mercy.

For the official list of these churches, please visit www.archmil.org/Our-Faith/Year-of-Mercy/Holy-Doors-pilgrimage-info.

### Attention! Young Men In High School

If you are discerning a vocation to the archdiocesan priesthood, join Fr. Luke Strand, Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee as he hosts our monthly High School Discernment Group at Saint Francis de Sales Seminary. All young men who are under the age of 18 must have a permission form filled out by their parents. There is no RSVP necessary. The remaining meeting is Friday, May 20.

For more information and to download a permission form, please visit the thinkpriest.org website or call us at 414.747.6437. We look forward to seeing you!

### Camp Erin ~ Where Children Learn to Grieve and Heal

Camp Erin is a free bereavement camp designed for children ages 6 thru 17, who have experienced the death of someone close to them. Led by grief professionals and trained volunteers from Season's Hospice, Camp Erin provides a unique opportunity for peer bonding between children and teens facing a similar life circumstance. This weekend-long experience is filled with traditional, fun camp activities combined with grief education and emotional support. Camp Erin will be held July 8-10 at the Covenant Harbor, located in Lake Geneva. For more information, contact Kevin Gahagan, 414-454-7029 orKGahagan@Seasons.org

### Calling all Baseball Players!!

If you are entering K4, K5, 1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade in Fall 2016, now is the time to sign up for our fun-filled summer T-Ball league! The season will begin on Wednesday, June 15th and will end on Wednesday, July 27th. All games will be held on Wednesday nights, from 6:30 – 7:30pm in the school fields. There will be no game on Wednesday, July 6th.

Little kids will play T-Ball and the big kids will play underhand pitch baseball. We'll need parent coaches for a successful season. The spirit will still be "T-Ball" for all ages, so coaches need to keep the players organized and may teach skills appropriate for the age group. For further information, call St. Mary's School, 262-782-7057.

### Did You Know You Can Help St. Mary's School & Parish Raise Some Extra \$ Just By Shopping?

And, you don't even have to leave your house to do it! Go to smile.amazon.com and select St. Mary's Visitation Parish and School. Do this every time you shop and SMV will get 0.5% of your order total.



If we all do it, it will add up quickly!

Thanks for your support!