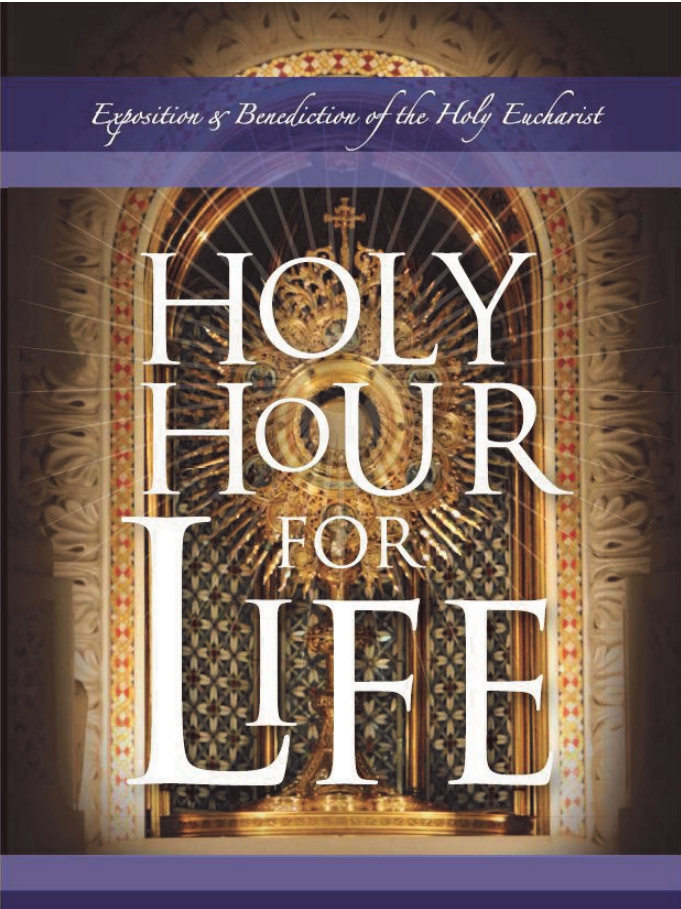


Exposition & Benediction of the Holy Eucharist



HOLY
HOUR
FOR
LIFE

Holy Hour For Life

St. Mary's Visitation Parish
Sunday, January 22nd
7:00pm to 8:00pm

This annual vigil
of the National Day of Penance & Prayer
precedes a particular day of penance
for violations of the dignity
of the human person
committed through acts of abortion,
and the prayer for full restoration
of the guarantee to the right to life.

Please come and spend an Hour of Prayer with Exposition of the Holy Eucharist



National Day of Prayer & Penance

Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass
Monday, January 23rd

7:00pm Mass, Archbishop ListECKI presiding
6:30pm Rosary for Life preceding Mass

St. Jerome's Catholic Church
995 Silver Lake Street, Oconomowoc

St. Mary's Visitation Parish
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 15, 2012



ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 16, Weekday

6:30 am † Howard Heinen (Anniv)

Sacrament of the Sick available after Mass

Tuesday, January 17, Saint Anthony, Abbot

6:30 am Special Intention

8:00 am † Bea O'Konek

Wednesday, January 18, Weekday

6:30 am † John and Dolores Trecek

Thursday, January 19, Weekday

6:30 am † Elizabeth Deringer

Friday, January 20, Saint Sebastian, Martyr

6:30 am † Benedict Pfister

8:00 am † Joseph Auer

Saturday, January 21, Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 am † Jack Trumble (Anniv)

5:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am † Robert Ostrowski

9:00 am † Faithful Departed

11:00 am † Patricia Meeker

Daily Mass Schedule:

6:30am Monday thru Friday

8:00am Tuesdays & Fridays, school days only

8:00am Saturday

Exceptions:

There is no 8:00am Mass on Friday, February 3rd.

Stewardship Giving Thru Week 28

Collections last week:	\$ 22,972
Actual to Date:	735,449
Budgeted Needs to Date:	786,970
Budget Shortfall	(51,521)

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, rather than just stopping in, it would be most helpful if you would call to make an appointment to register (262-782-4575) and bring with you information on when and where you (and any family members) received sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Matrimony (as applicable). An appointment will guarantee the presence of a staff member to answer your questions and walk through a welcome packet with you.

Registration guarantees you all the privileges of membership.

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 next class is:

Wednesday, February 8th from 7-8:30pm 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.

Since baptism means being initiated into the Christian community, the preferred time for the celebration of Baptism is within the weekend celebration of the Eucharist. Please contact Jenny Dascoli in the Liturgy & Music office at 262-782-4485 for more information or to register for the baptism class.

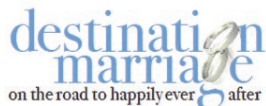
THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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.



In your charity and prayers,
please remember the souls of those who
have recently died and their families.

Michael McEvoy, brother of Maureen Dohr



Valentines' Date Night for Married Couples

February 11th from 7 to 9pm in the Parish Atrium with Fr. Nathan Reesman!
"You're Only Together For Life"

Join us for desert and coffee in a kid free night supporting your marriage. **Babysitting provided.**

Do you think people will be married in Heaven? And what can spouses do to help get each other there in the meantime?

Father Nathan will talk about why a good marriage matters in this life...and in the next.

Please register, especially for babysitting. For more information contact Dave Braun: dbraun@stmaryeg.org or 262.782.4575 x109.



Looking for a Few Good Men!

The Men of Christ Conference early bird sign up is now!
Please check the website: www.menofchrist.net for more information.

This conference will deepen your Catholic faith and equip you to be a man after God's own heart and so much more.

Please contact Dave Braun - Co-Director of Catholic Formation if you are a parish captain and/or if you are interested in attending at dbraun@stmaryeg.org or 262.782.4575 ext. 109.

Interested in Helping in Marriage Preparation?

Sponsor Couples are married couples who assist in the marriage preparation of couples preparing for marriage. If you are a happily married couple living out a strong Catholic marriage, you might like to assist others in their preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony. You will meet with them, share your experiences and help them on their journey.

For further information, contact Deacon Chuck Kustner at 262-792-0865 or cjkustner@gmail.com.

Children's Borrow a Book for Mass

On the kiosk in the atrium, you'll find brightly colored tote bags with books that the children can borrow for Mass. This is geared toward the 1 to 4 year olds. The weekly Children's Bulletin sheets for 3 to 8 and 8 to 12 year olds are located just above these totes. This book program is sponsored by Christian Women.

Please borrow a tote and return it after Mass to the hooks!



Lolek is an area Catholic Young Adults Group ages 18-35 that meets here at St. Mary's. Our next Lolek is January 24, but check out our other events.

Find us on Facebook, keywords: Lolek Young Adults or sign-up for our email for more information: www.lolekyoungadults.com.



Blood Drive ~ Monday, January 16th ~ 3 to 7pm ~ Senior Center

!!! Walk ins Welcome !!!

St. Mary's Visitation to Add K3 Program

We are pleased to announce that St. Mary's Visitation will introduce a K3 Program for the 2012-2013 school year.

SMV will offer a two-day K3 option on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:30am

or a three-day option on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30-11:30am.

Before school care will also be available. Students must be three years old by September 1, 2012 to attend.

Please spread the word to your family and friends, and encourage them to attend our upcoming Open House on Sunday, January 29 from 10am to 1pm.

Families will be able to tour the school and find out more about what St. Mary's has to offer at all grade levels. Registrations will be accepted beginning in January for existing families, all other registrations will be accepted during Open House.

Class size will be limited. If you have any questions, please contact SMV Principal Mary Tretow at 262-782-7057.

School Calendar

"Encourage one another, and build each other up."

Monday: In Service - No School

Tuesday: 8am All School Mass

- End of 2nd Quarter
- Study Buddies; 2:40pm
- School Committee Mtg; 6:30pm

Wednesday: 5:11 \$1 Jeans Day

Thursday: Noodles Night; 5-9pm, Bluemound

Friday: 8am All School Mass

Saturday: Gr. 1 Daisy Scout Outing



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



Valentine's Day Items
Now Available.

Weekday Ministers The Week of January 15th

Servers	Jim Durand
Sacristan	Kraig Klapperich
Lector	Jerry Shimek
Eucharistic Minister	Kraig Klapperich



Visit St. Mary's Book Fair School Library

Buy the children in your life that perfect book
while raising funds
for the St. Mary's Visitation School Library.

Friday	1/27	5pm to 8pm
Sunday	1/29	8:30am to noon
Mon. thru Wed.	1/30 thru 2/3	11am to 12:30pm

Parish Calendar

Sunday (1/15): Hand out Baby Bottles

- Confirmation Retreat Mtg; 10:15am, Atrium
- Youth Ensemble Practice; noon,+
- Life Teen; 7pm, Atrium

Monday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm

- Blood Drive; 3-7pm, SC

Tuesday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm

- Al-Anon Mtg; 7-8pm, SC

Wednesday: Edge (Gr. 6-8); 6:15pm, Atrium

- Catholic Formation Classes (K5 thru Gr. 5); 6:15-7:30pm, S
- ATTIC Youth Night; 7pm

Thursday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-7pm

- Adult Choir Practice; 7-8:30pm,+

Friday: Thrift Shop Open; 9am-4pm

- Kiwanis Golden K of EG. Coffee served until 9:30am mtg. with Stephen Hauser on "Local Historical Projects"; SC (Visitors are Welcome)

- Handbell Choir Practice; 10-11:15am,+

- Holy Dusters; 11am,+

- Reconciliation; 2-5pm,+

Saturday: AA Meeting; 7-8am, SC

- Reconciliation; 8:45-9:15am,+

- Thrift Shop Open; 9am - noon

- Youth Ensemble; 4pm,+

Sunday (1/22): Holy Hour For Life; 7pm,+

Attention St. Mary's Knitters!

The St. Mary's Christian Women Society is grateful to the many parishioners who have supported the Prayer Shawl Ministry by knitting and providing financial contributions. To date we have distributed over 150 shawls to the sick, elderly, home bound and hospice patients in our parish and our community. We have many in stock in the Parish Office, please contact Mary Sue Protz if you know of anyone who is in need.

We are starting a new ministry for our youngest parish members. We would like to have our knitters make white baby blankets that would be presented to the children at their Baptism.

If you are interested in helping us with this new project, please contact Lynne Miller at 262-786-9433. White yarn is available in the Parish Office. Donations can be made to the St. Mary's Christian Women for the purchasing of yarn.

Thank you for supporting the many ministries of the Christian Women's Society.



Parish Pancake Breakfast ~ January 29th

8am to 11am ~ School Cafeteria
\$6/Adults, \$4/Ages 12 & under

All you can eat pancakes, 2 sausage links, applesauce, orange juice or milk and coffee.

Readings for the Week of January 15th:

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/
Jn 1:35-42
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

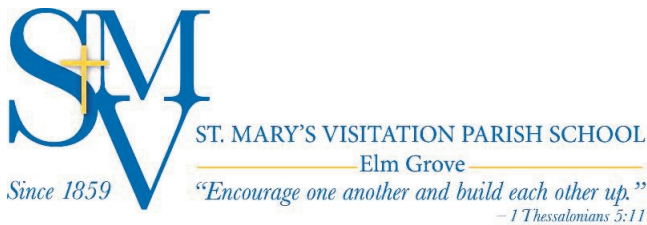
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**Save The Date
SMV Open House and Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, January 29th ~ 10am to 1pm ~ St. Mary's School

Find out more about St. Mary's Visitation School. Meet our principal, Mary Tretow and our faculty members. Learn about our academic program and take a tour of the school with a parent and student. Enjoy a hot pancake breakfast and visit our Book Fair. Find out why you and your children should be a part of our wonderful, faith-filled community. Registration materials for the 2012-13 school year will be available.

Please mark your calendar and join us!



Adoration Chapel

Prayer of St. Catherine Labouré:

Whenever I go to the chapel, I put myself in the presence of our good Lord, and I say to Him, 'Lord, I am here. Tell me what You would have me do.' If He gives me some task, I am content and I thank Him. If He gives me nothing, I still thank Him since I do not deserve to receive anything more than that. And then I tell God everything that is in my heart. I tell Him about my pains and my joys, and then I listen. If you listen, God will also speak to you, for with the good Lord, you have to both speak and listen. God always speaks to you when you approach Him plainly and simply."

Make good use of the St. Mary's Perpetual Adoration Chapel to communicate to Our Lord what is in your heart. Visit it often--and take a friend to share this awesome blessing for our parish.

Are you willing and able to help fill in for some of the hours listed below? Please give this prayerful consideration--and call the person listed for whichever hour or hours you are willing to spend with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The rewards are plentiful and everlasting!



We need Coverage:

Sundays	2-3 pm	Call Nicole Sayas, 262-844-1933
	3-4 pm (2nd & 4th)	" "
Tuesdays	8-9 am	Call Rita Lorenz, 262-786-0570
Fridays	1-2 am	Call Rita Dragani, 262-796-1162
	9-10pm (January thru April)	Call Kathy Stapleton, 262-782-2658
	6-7 pm	" "
Saturdays	9-10pm	Call Nancy Frazer, 262-786-0617



LIFE TEEN High School:

Sunday, TONIGHT, January 15th from 7 to 9pm; SMV Atrium - All High School teens invited to come!
Theme: "In Pursuit"; God's Plan for our Happiness

LIFE TEEN Is Going Bowling!!!

ATTENTION 8th-12th graders:

Join us for a night of bowling on Friday, February 3rd. To download a permission slip, go to our website or pick one up in the Atrium kiosk or at a LIFE TEEN event. Feel free to bring a friend. Questions, contact Brian Magliocco at 262-782-4575 x108.

SMV Youth Ministry is on FACEBOOK - Send us a friend request at "Smv Lifeteen."

EDGE Middle School:

Wednesday, January 18th from 6:15 to 7:45pm; SMV Atrium. All 6th-8th grade teens invited to come!
Theme: "@PraytoGod"; Importance of Prayer in our lives

11th Grade Confirmation Retreat 2012:

All forms for the February 18th-19th Confirmation retreat were sent home in early January. Please fill these forms out and return them by no later than February 5th. Numerous Adult Chaperones are NEEDED please! If you need more forms, check out the youth ministry page on the website or pick one up at the parish office.



The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord used to conclude the Christmas/Epiphany season. "Forty days after the birth of a child, Israelite parents presented the newborn at the temple in Jerusalem. Luke says that the parents of Jesus obeyed this law. In doing so, they revealed him as the fulfillment of the law." [Sourcebook 2005, p. 68]

It is Simeon's prophecy that connects the action of presenting the child Jesus to God to the symbol of candles on this feast. In the gospel from Luke, Simeon's words at seeing the infant Jesus are: "Now, Master, you can dismiss your servant in peace; you have fulfilled your word. For my eyes have witnessed your saving deed displayed for all the peoples to see: **A revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of your people Israel.**" Christ is the Light for all people.

In the past, Catholics often had blessed candles in their home - candles to light when someone was sick, when there was a bad storm or a special need. Candles are a reminder of Christ's presence. Candles for use in church are blessed on this day.

We have candle sets available in the parish office. If you wish, please stop by to pick up a set (we ask a nominal donation of \$2.00) and bring it to Mass on February 2 to be blessed. Or if you have a candle from home that you would like to have blessed, please bring it along to the 6:30am Mass on Feb. 2nd.

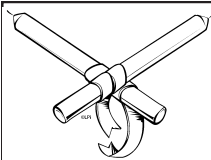


The Lord, my God
lights up my darkness

Reminder:

The deadline for filing Abuse Survivor Claims in the Milwaukee Archdiocese Bankruptcy is February 1, 2012.

More info is available at www.archmil.org/reorg/bardate.htm.



Blessing of Throats

The traditional St. Blaise Blessing of the Throat will be imposed during the 6:30am Mass on Friday, February 3rd.

Consider Adoption

Are you or someone you know looking to adopt a child? Catholic Charities' Adoption Program consists of domestic infant adoption, step-parent, and relative adoptions.

Adoption fees are based on services received.

For more information, please contact Megan Struve, Director of Child Welfare, at 414-771-2881, or email at mstruve@ccmke.org.

Thank You...Thank You

Dear Generous Parishioners of St. Mary's,
Your generous gifts to our Sisters who are in the health-care unit were deeply appreciated. Most of the Sisters received what we had suggested, but some of the parishioners seemed over-generous, and included even more! Of course, the Sisters do not know who sent them gifts, but we truly believe that God knows. Therefore, they all pray for the donors and ask God to be as generous with the donors as they have been with the Sisters!
Thank you, St. Mary's parishioners are very generous!

Catholicism from Word on Fire Ministries

This video pilgrimage will go in depth to answer your questions about who Jesus is, where He ministered and how that applies to our daily lives with beautiful scenery, art and music.

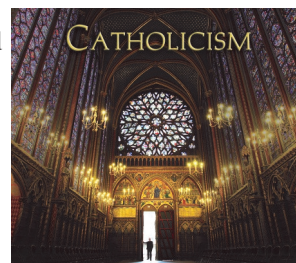
You may preview this online at www.wordonfire.org - click on the trailer for Catholicism.

We will watch and discuss this stunning video presentation - **next session:**

Monday January 23rd, noon to 2pm in the Senior Center, or,

Wednesday, Feb. 8th at 6:30pm in the school after care room (during Catholic Formation)

For more information contact Dave Braun at dbraun@stmaryeg.org or 262.782.4575 x109.



Pray for Future Priests During Vocations Awareness Week



More and more young men are thinking about the priesthood – across the globe, in the United States and right here in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

John Gibson is one of **32 seminarians** in the priestly formation program at our very own Saint Francis de Sales Seminary, (7 anticipate ordination to the priesthood in 2012!) John is in his diaconate year, meaning he will be ordained a transitional deacon in the spring of 2012 and a priest in 2013.

Along with three other Milwaukee seminarians, John studies for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, Italy. Before entering the college seminary program, John was studying to be a mechanical engineer. He is from Three Holy Women Parish in Milwaukee.

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Meet all of our seminarians at www.thinkpriest.org – pray for them and all men discerning their call to the priesthood.



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