### FEBRUARY 11, 2024 • SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic Parish | Elm Grove, WI

### **OUR PARISH**

### **MASSES**

### **Sunday Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil......4pm Sunday.....7:30am, 9am, 10:30am

### **Daily Mass Schedule**

### RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays	7am
Fridays	2-5pm
Saturday	8:30am

### HOLY DAYS

Mary Mother of GodJan. 1
AssumptionAug. 15
All Saints Nov. 1
Immaculate ConceptionDec. 8
ChristmasDec. 25
Mass schedules for Holy Days are
announced in the bulletin.

### PARISH ADDRESS

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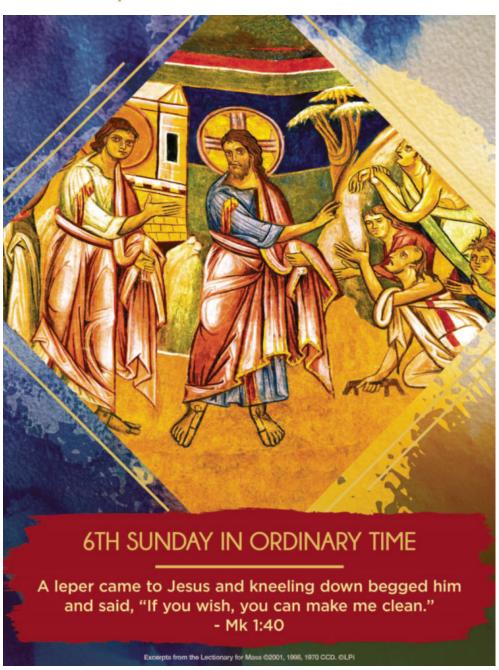
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We are a community of believers who strive to be faithful and to teach the truth of the Roman Catholic Church. We see beauty in the sacramental life of the Church, especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and in adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We promote goodness in this world, following the example of our Blessed Mother, our Lady of the Visitation, by serving the needs of others.

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ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The ministry of student Altar Servers at school and weekend Masses is now open to anyone who has received their First Communion. Fr. Schumaker is implementing new changes in the server program and will be holding a serving training



on Wednesday, February 21 from 6-7pm. Anyone interested in becoming or continuing as a server is required to attend the training session. The training will be followed by an optional pizza party for all participants. To sign up to attend the training, please fill out the form on our website, www.stmaryeg.org. Please contact Liz Steybe with questions, 262-782-4575 or email lsteybe@stmaryeg.org.

### LENTEN BOOK STUDY

Please join us this Lenten Season for our Book Study beginning on February 22. We will continue participating in the USCCB's Eucharistic Revival by reading Dr. Scott Hahn's modern classic. *The Lamb's Supper*.



Join other adult parishioners in learning how to read the mysterious symbols of the Book of Revelation in light of the Holy Eucharist. Classes will be held on Thursdays from 9:30am-11:30am in the Senior Center. An evening class from 6:30pm-8:15pm on Thursdays will also be offered if there is enough interest. For more information and/or to register, please contact Josh Dieterich, jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

### TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

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, the Archbishop and the Vicar General of the Archdiocese. Each lay trustee serves a two-year term, which is renewable. Fr. Schumaker has nominated Mr. James Carrig as Trustee Secretary and Mr. Gordon Giampietro as Trustee Treasurer. 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 Office by Monday, February 26.

All men and women are invited to attend:



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Noon | St. Mary's Visitation Parish
Sponsored by SMV Christian Women | \$15/person or \$25/couple

Ancludes: Mass · Light Breakfast · Reflection by Fr. Philip Schumaker · Stations of the Cross · Soup and Salad Lunch

Register online or via flyer, available in the parish office, by February 9.

ONLINE: givecentral.org/CW ashwednesday

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 12, Weekday

6:30am The Intention of Sue Klaiber

Tuesday, February 13, Weekday

6:30am † Lois Pittman

Wednesday, February 14, Ash Wednesday

6:30am Parishioners 8:00am Parishioners 6:00pm Parishioners

Thursday, February 15, Thursday after Ash Wednesday

6:30am † Richard Hinchcliffe

Friday, February 16, Friday after Ash Wednesday

6:30am † Lorraine Reinders

8:00am The Intention of Robert Behnke

Saturday, February 17, Saturday after Ash Wednesday

8:00am † Paul Karpfinger

4:00pm † William and Luvina Kleinmann

Sunday, February 18, First Sunday of Lent

7:30am Parishioners 9:00am † Ken Smith 10:30am † Frank Gentile

### READINGS

Readings for the week of February 11, 2024:

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor

10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-

13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-

21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,

12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25 Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32 Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt

3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



### **REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS**

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

St. Mary's Visitation is always happy to welcome new members! If you are interested in joining the parish, please visit www.stmaryeg.org/grow-with-us.html and complete our registration form. Please contact nmihm@stmaryeg.org with any questions.

#### **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 are expected to complete a preparation class, preferably before the birth of the child. The class is offered bi-monthly, upcoming classes include:

Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30am in church

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 Liz Steybe at 262-782-4575 or lsteybe@stmaryeg.org with questions.

*Children ages 7-12:* Please contact Josh Dieterich, 262-782-4575 or email jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

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 contact Josh Dieterich, 262-782-4575 or email jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

#### 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 visit our website, www.stmaryeg.org/contact-us.html and go to the weddings section to fill out a Marriage Request Form. Contact Liz Steybe for more information, 262-782-4575 or lsteybe@stmaryeg.org.

#### **FUNERAL MASSES**

The death of a loved one represents a deep loss, and at times, a tragic event. The Church recognizes the need both to remember the soul of the deceased and to assist in healing the human anguish of those who remain behind. At the time of death, the family, directly or through the funeral director, will contact the Parish Office to schedule the day and time of the funeral or Memorial Mass. Once the time has been set, the family will meet with the priest, at which time they will be given the necessary materials to help them plan the funeral liturgy. Contact the Parish Office, 262-782-4575.

#### COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

This ministry connects St. Mary's Visitation with parishioners who are unable to celebrate Mass with us due to age, illness or physical limitations. Family members are encouraged to participate. Please contact the Parish Office for more information, 262-782-4575.

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you know of someone who is in the hospital or is in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office for more information, 262-782-4575.

### **PARISH CALENDAR**

### Sunday, February 11

Christian Women Donut Sunday Feed the Hungry Weekend 7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass

4pm Family Rosary

### Monday, February 12

6:30am Mass

9am Thrift Shop Open

6:15pm Men's Group, Senior Center

### Tuesday, February 13

6:30am Mass

9am Thrift Shop Open

9am Christian Women Mom to Mom, Sr. Ctr. 6:15-7:30pm K5-4th Grade Catholic Formation, School 6:15-7:45pm 5th-8th Grade Catholic Formation, Attic

#### Wednesday, February 14—Ash Wednesday

Thrift Shop Closed

6:30am Mass

8am School Mass 9am Patriotic Rosary

9am Christian Women Morning of Reflection

2:30pm Choir Rehearsals

6pm Mass

#### Thursday, February 15

6:30am Mass

9:30am VIBE, Senior Center 9am Thrift Shop Open

#### Friday, February 16

6:30am Mass

8am School Mass

8:30am Kiwanis, Senior Center

9am Holy Dusters
9am Thrift Shop Open
2pm Reconciliation
6pm Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday, February 17

7am Recovery Meeting, Senior Center

8am Mass

8:45am Reconciliation 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open

4pm Mass

### Sunday, February 18

7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass

12pm CF Teen, Attic

12pm Confirmation Class, Senior Center

4:30pm Kids Choir Practice 5:30pm Adult Choir Practice



### Ash Wednesday Masses — February 14

Masses will be held at 6:30am, 8am (School Mass) and 6pm.

### **Lenten Regulations**

### Abstinence from Meat

Those wo are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

### Fasting

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18-59 years of age are allowed only one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that are not equal to a full meal.



### Children's Choir: Palm Sunday

- SINGS 9AM MASS ON PALM SUNDAY
- · TREBLE VOICES
- MUST BE ABLE TO READ TEXT
- Rehearses on Sundays starting Feb. 18th: 4:30-5:30PM
- NO REHEARSAL ON FEB. 25TH

### Adult/Teen Choir: Easter Sunday

- Sings 9am Mass on Easter Sunday
- Rehearses on Sundays starting Feb. 18th: 5:30-7PM
- Previous Choral experience preferred

Contact Julie Huebner by Feb 14th
(JHUEBNER@STMARYEG.ORG)
TO SIGN UP!



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

Dr. Gerald Govin Mary Roets, Mother of Joe Roets



### **ADORATION CHAPEL**

Wednesday, February 14th is not only Valentine's Day, but is also Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Lent should be a season of sacrifice and prayer. What are you going to do to show your love for God and atonement for your sins? Jesus spent

much time in prayer while on earth and He sacrificed His life for us. During this Lent why don't you sacrifice some of your time and spend it in prayer in the St. Mary's Perpetual Adoration Chapel? Get away from the busyness of the everyday world and spend quiet time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Why not sign up for a designated hour — even if you want to do it only during Lent? If, after Easter, you decide you want to continue doing it, that would be even better! As you can see below, there are a number of hours for which we need coverage. If you are unable to fill any of those hours, you choose the day and time that best fits your schedule. You can fill in and submit the form that is on the Parish website or contact any of the stewards who are listed. God will not be outdone in generosity.

The late Pope Benedict XVI said that Lent is like a retreat during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God. He said, "It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus...using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our baptism." Jesus Himself said, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." Heed His words this Lent (and always) and ask Him to help you carry your cross(es).

### We need coverage:

- Sundays, 1-2am. Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
- Sundays, 10-11am. Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
- Sundays, 5-6am. Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
- Mondays, 5-6pm. Call Mary Rhomberg, 262-347-9004.
- Wednesdays, 3-4am. Call Joleen Gordon, 262-719-6974.
- Thursdays, 2-3am. Call Mary Schwarz, 414-771-8738.
- Fridays, 5-6pm. Call Mary Schwarz, 414-771-8738.

### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Wednesday, February 14—Ash Wednesday 8am School Mass

Friday, February 16 8am School Mass



# AUCTION FOR EDUCATION TAILGATE EXTRAVAGANZA

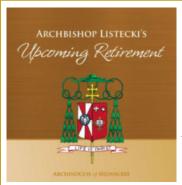
Planning for the annual Auction for Education is underway, and we need your help to make SMV's largest fundraiser of the year our most successful to date!



- Do you own a business? Or
  do you know someone who does? Do you want to get
  your name out there as a supporter of St Mary's Visitation? Consider becoming a sponsor of this year's
  event!
- Would you like to help us buy great auction items to complete auction packages? Consider making a monetary donation!
- Do you want to **donate something special or highly sought after**? We need tickets to sporting events, concerts, and other special events, week or weekend getaways (at a lake home, cabin, condo local or otherwise), and other fantastic items and experiences.

Visit the 2024 SMV Auction for Education website at https://one.bidpal.net/smvwisconsin to become a sponsor, make a monetary donation, and donate special and unique auction items. Alternatively, you may email Jess and Abe Pinon at auction@stmaryeg.org. All donations are tax-deductible. We so appreciate your consideration and generosity!

### **COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**



As required by Canon Law of all bishops who reach age 75, Archbishop Listecki will submit his resignation to the Holy Father on March 12. He will continue to serve as Milwaukee's archbishop until Pope Francis accepts his retirement and appoints a new archbishop for Milwaukee, a process that has no set timeline. Learn more at archmil.org/.Listecki.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls High School Scholarship Opportunity

Over the past several years, Milwaukee Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (MACCW) has supported Catholic Education. This year MACCW will once again be offering three \$1,500 scholarships to three



deserving young girls who are planning to enter a Catholic high school in the fall of 2024. Please help spread the word to any eligible daughters, granddaughters, nieces, and friends or relatives' children. The young ladies may have attended public or private schools or been home schooled for their elementary years. Requirements are: living in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and planning to attend an Archdiocesan Catholic high school, filling out the application form, writing a 500-word essay on a choice of one of the two questions offered on the application and a letter of recommendation from a non-relative. Application forms and details are available on our website, maccw.com. All applications must be postmarked by Friday, April 5, and winners will be notified by phone by May 6. Any questions call Beatrice Sikorski at 262-363-4312.

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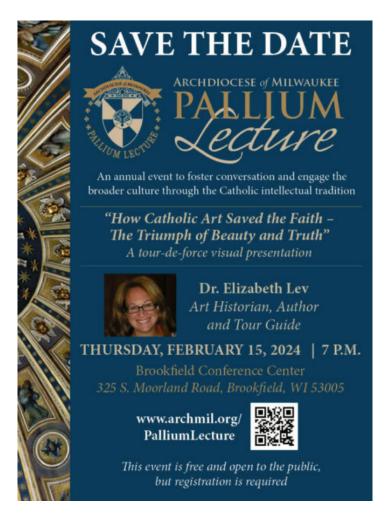
Women are invited to Saint Francis de Sales Seminary on Tuesday, February 27 to pray for vocations to the priesthood. The gatherings will be led by Fr. James Kubicki, SJ. The sessions include Eucharistic Adoration, spiritual formation, and hospitality. Gatherings will begin at 9:30am and 7:00pm at the Seminary, 3257 South Lake Drive, St. Francis. Please RSVP to lbrielmaier@sfs.edu or call 414-747-6463. Enjoy some quiet time with the Lord in the beauty of the Seminary!

### JOIN THE PRO-LIFE WISCONSIN PRAYER CARD ART CONTEST

Does your child love painting, drawing, photography, or graphic design? Submit your artwork for a chance to win the 2024 PLW Prayer Card Art Contest. Winning entries will be printed as a prayer card and distributed in your church and through Pro-Life Wisconsin. The contest is open to students in grades 1-12. One original 8.5" x 11" size entry per person. The theme must be pro-life and/or Christian. Entries must be postmarked by April 10, 2024. See www.prolifewi.org/art-contest for details.

### 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

The 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil will be held February 14-March 24 on the sidewalk in front of the Milwaukee (Water St.) and Waukesha (Main St.) Planned Parenthood locations. For more information or to sign up for a one-hour shift, visit www.40daysforlife.com/milwaukee or www.40daysforlife.com/waukesha or call Pro-Life Wisconsin, 262-796-1111 ext.111. PPWI has resumed killing preborn babies through abortion. Please help us have a good SMV Respect Life participation.



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