FEBRUARY 18, 2024 • FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Monday- Friday	6:30am
Tuesday and Friday	
(during school year only)	
Saturday	8am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays7	am
Fridays	pm
Saturday	am

HOLY DAYS

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

PARISH ADDRESS

1260 Church Street, Elm Grove, 53122 Phone: 262-782-4575 Website: stmaryeg.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

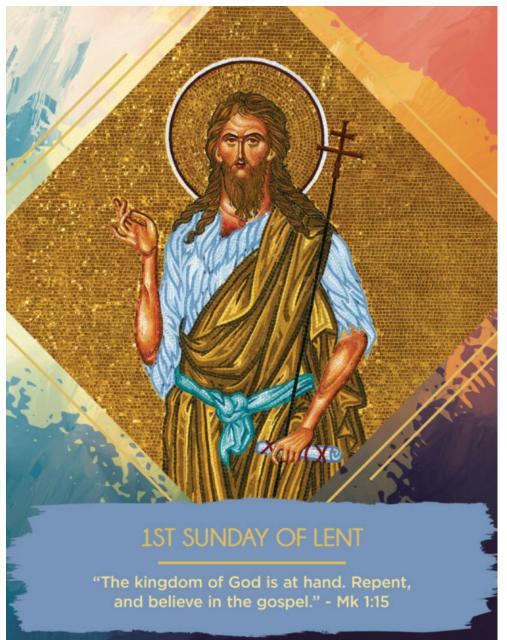
Monday-Thursday9am-3:30pm Friday....... 9am-noon

SCHOOL ADDRESS

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ST. MARY'S THRIFT SHOP

262-784-6644 Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri..... 9am-4pm Saturdays. 9am-1pm



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MISSION STATEMENT

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.

THE PARISH

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ATTENTION MEN OF ST. MARY'S

The SMV Catholic Men's Group began a new program in January from *That Man Is You* that focuses on the Joyful and then the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. This is an excellent program that is filmed on site in the Holy Land and helps men to not only better understand and appreciate the powerful prayer that is the Rosary, but also how our meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary will help us grow

and strengthen our Catholic Faith. Attending the SMV Men's Group is a great way to begin the new year and also give some extra time to Our Lord during Lent! We meet Mondays at 6:30pm in the Senior Center. Please join us!

MEN OF CHRIST CONFERENCE

Saturday March 9th the SMV Catholic Men's Group will be attending the annual Men of Christ Conference, which will be held this year at St John Vianney Parish along with other parish men's groups in the area. We expect 300 men at this location. The theme this year



is *Mastering What Matters*. The morning will feature four well-known speakers on the topics of organizational self mastery, mental preparedness and focus, self mastery in the spiritual battle, and practical ways to strengthen and grow our Catholic faith. We begin with the Rosary followed by Mass, Adoration, Confession and Catholic fellowship. Get all the details and register at https:// menofchrist.net/st-john-vianney-brookfield/. Attending the Men of Christ Conference is a great way to give some extra time to Our Lord during Lent!

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.



LAST YEAR'S BLESSED PALMS

For your convenience, there is a container in the Atrium if you need to discard last year's blessed palms.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 19, Lenten Weekday 6:30am † Raymond Yank

Tuesday, February 20, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † Joseph Schwarz 8:00am † Dr. Gerald Auger

Wednesday, February 21, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † Helen Wallenfang

Thursday, February 22, The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle 6:30am † Art and Donna Van Asten

Friday, February 23, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30am The Intention of Carla Stolowski 8:00am † Poor Souls in Purgatory
- Saturday, February 24, Lenten Weekday

8:00am † Maria Saenz 4:00pm † Charles and Martha Kustner

Sunday, February 25, Second Sunday of Lent

7:30am † Jeanette Nuckolls
9:00am Parishioners
10:30am † Clarabelle Pryor

Readings

Readings for the week of February 18, 2024: Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48 Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10



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 2nd from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, May 4th 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 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

Monday, February 19

6:30am	Mass
9am	Thrift Shop Open
6:15pm	Men's Group, Senior Center
7pm	Opus Dei Evening of Recollection for Men

Tuesday, February 20

6:30am	Mass
8am	School Mass
9am	Thrift Shop Open
9am	Christian Women Mom to Mom, Sr. Ctr.
5pm	Finance Council, Senior Center

Wednesday, February 21

Thrift Shop Closed		
Mass		
Reconciliation		
Patriotic Rosary		
Choir Rehearsals		
Little Flowers Group, Senior Center		
Server Training		
RCIA, Attic		

Thursday, February 22

6:30amMass9:30amVisitation Institute Book Study, Senior Center9amThrift Shop Open

Friday, February 23

6:30am	Mass
8am	School Mass
8:30am	Kiwanis, Senior Center
9am	Thrift Shop Open
11am	Holy Dusters
2pm	Reconciliation
6pm	Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 24

7am	Recovery Meeting, Senior Center
8am	Mass
8:45am	Reconciliation
9am-1pm	Thrift Shop Open
4pm	Mass

Sunday, February 25

7:30am	Mass
9:00am	Mass
10:30am	Mass
5:30pm	Adult Choir Practice

HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING RITE

Twelve volunteers are needed to participate in the foot washing ceremony during the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm on Holy Thursday. Parishioners 12 years and older are invited to participate. Please contact Liz Steybe, lsteybe@stmaryeg.org or 262-782-4575 to volunteer.





Adoration Chapel

"Love to pray — feel often during the day the need for prayer and take trouble to pray. Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself. Ask and seek, and your heart will grow big enough to receive Him and keep

Him as your own." (words of St. Teresa of Calcutta)

Prayer is one of the pillars of Lent (fasting and almsgiving, the other two) — and St. Mary's provides the ideal spot for prayer 24/7 — the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. "We must pray without tiring, for the salvation of humankind does not depend on material success nor on sciences. Neither does it depend on arms and human industries, but on Jesus alone." (words of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini) According to St. Charles Borromeo, "The Rosary is the most divine of devotions." Heed the words of our Blessed Mother and say it daily during Lent and after! Make frequent visits to the Chapel. Could you cover one of the hours listed below during Lent (and perhaps, even after)? Take advantage of all the ways for praying that St. Mary's offers — daily Mass, Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, Family Rosary, etc. May you have a blessed Lent!

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.
- 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.





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

Vincent Canino





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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 20 8am School Mass

Friday, February 23 8am School Mass

SCHOOL NEWS

AUCTION TICKET SALES ARE LIVE!

All parishioners are welcome to attend our Wisconsin Tailgate and a night of fun at the St. Mary's Visitation School Auction! Buy your tickets and book your babysitter now for March 23rd. Auction tick-



ets are \$70 for an individual, \$65 for a grandparent, or \$650 for a table of ten. Purchase online at https://one.bidpal.net/ smvwisconsin.

And, if you or someone you know would like to donate something special for our silent auction or become a sponsor, you can still do so through our website at https:// one.bidpal.net/smvwisconsin. Just fill out the form and drop off your item — it's that easy! Or simply contact Jess Pinon at auction@stmaryeg.org. Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone at this year's *I Love Wisconsin* Auction!

Auction for Education 2024 Get your tickets NOW:

https://one.bidpal.net/smvwisconsin \$70 per person or \$650 for a table of 10

Join us for

Dinner, Drinks, and Dessert

- > Wine Pull, Gift Card Wall, and WI Tailgate Games
- Cash Purse Raffle Beautiful Kate Spade purse filled with gift cards
 - and CASH for the ladies! (Bring \$50 cash or check to play!)
- Live and Silent Auctions featuring returning favorite items and NEW

items you won't want to miss!

Doors open at 5:30 PM. See you on March 23rd! Email auction@stmaryeg.org.



Upcoming Choral Offerings at St. Mary's Visitation Parish

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 (IHUEBNER@STMARYEG.ORG)



EASTER LILY SALE

The Environment Committee is taking orders for Easter Lilies. For a \$15 donation, these lilies will be part of our church sanctuary decorations this Easter. You may designate the lily as a



memorial or a simple gift for a loved one, friend or neighbor. Please fill out the form below and mail or drop it off at the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office, 262-782-4575.

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	Easter Lily Order Form												

I would like to order an Easter Lily at \$15 each in honor of the following people.

Print the name(s) as you would like it to appear in the bulletin (Please note: must be received by Mar. 15 for the bulletin.)

Total # of Lilies ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. =

Your Name_____

Telephone

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Parish.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

DE CHANTAL GATHERINGS FOR WOMEN

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!

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.

E-GIVING

St. Mary's Visitation offers convenient, easy electronic giving options. Donations made via Venmo are fee-free for the Parish. Additional online giving options include Give Central, which is our credit card portal for one time or on-



going donations, as well as PayPal. The Venmo, PayPal, and Give Central donation link is available on the parish website: www.stmaryeg.org/donate.

Recurring donations may be made via direct debit from your checking or savings account and are also fee-free to St. Mary's Visitation. Please complete the form on the SMV website and return it to the Parish Office: www.stmaryeg.org/donate.

Recurring or one-time credit card donations may also be arranged by contacting the Parish Office at 262-782-4575. Thank you for your generosity to St. Mary's Visitation!





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