MARCH 10, 2024 • FOURTH 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

RECONCILIATION

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

HOLY DAYS

Mary Mother of God	Jan. 1	
Assumption	Aug. 15	
All Saints	Nov. 1	
Immaculate Conception	Dec. 8	
Christmas	Dec. 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

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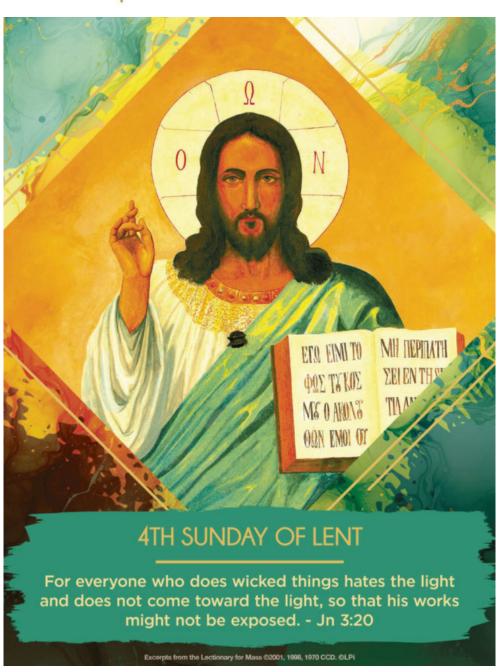
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New Young Adult Group Starting March 11th!

Those in their 20s and 30s (married or not) are welcome to join our first Young Adult event on Monday, March 11th at 7pm. We'll begin with Adoration and Benediction in church and then move to the Atrium at 7:30pm. Our first event will be hosted by Fr. Philip Schumaker himself, both bartending and giving a talk. You won't want to miss it!



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.



THE MASS COMES ALIVE

SAVE THE DATE: VBS IS JUNE 24-28

This year's Vacation Bible School, *Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive*, will take place June 24-28 from 9am-12pm at SMV. All rising K3-4th graders are invited to participate, all K3 students must be potty trained. Registration will take place later this month. We're also looking for volunteers who are 5th-12th graders, as well as parents. Watch for more information soon! Contact Erica Nelson, 262-782-4575 or enelson@stmaryeg.org with questions.

ATTENTION MEN OF ST. MARY'S

The SMV Catholic Men's Group began a new program this year from *That Man Is You* that focuses on the Joyful and Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. This is an excellent program filmed 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 give some extra time to Our Lord during Lent! We meet Mondays at 6:30pm in the Senior Center. Please join us!



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 11, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † Zachary Lutes

Tuesday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † JoAnn Murphy 8:00am † Patricia Lechtenberg

Wednesday, March 13, Lenten Weekday

6:30am The Intention of Carol Galligan

Thursday, March 14, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † Harry and Kioko Nakata

Friday, March 15, Lenten Weekday

6:30am † August Harboway 8:00am † Donald Watzka

Saturday, March 16, Lenten Weekday

8:00am † Ursula Klutz 4:00pm † Stephen Shiely

Sunday, March 17, Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30am Parishioners 9:00am † Thomas Moran 10:30am † Sandy Carroll

READINGS

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/ Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21; *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53 Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3 -4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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, May 4th from 10:30-11:30am in church Saturday, July 6th 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, March 10

Feed the Hungry Weekend 7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass

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

Monday, March 11

6:30am Mass

9am Thrift Shop Open

6:15pm Men's Group, Senior Center 7pm Young Adult Group

Tuesday, March 12

6:30am Mass 8am Schoo

8am School Mass 9am Thrift Shop Open

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

7pm Women's Bible Study, Atrium

Wednesday, March 13

Thrift Shop Closed

6:30am Mass

7amReconciliation9amPatriotic Rosary2:30pmChoir Rehearsals6:30pmRCIA, Attic

Thursday, March 14

6:30am Mass

9am Thrift Shop Open

9:30am Visitation Institute Book Study, Senior Center

7pm Christian Women Game Night

Friday, March 15

6:30am Mass

8am School Mass

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

Saturday, March 16

7am Recovery Meeting, Senior Center

8am Mass

9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 10am Confirmation

4pm Mass

Sunday, March 17

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

12pm CF Teen, Attic 4:30pm Kids Choir Practice 5:30pm Adult Choir Practice



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 8:45am: Mar. 23

Wednesdays, 7am: Mar. 13, 20, 27

Fridays, 2pm: Mar. 15, 22

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 6pm: Mar. 15, 22, 29

LENTEN BOOK STUDY

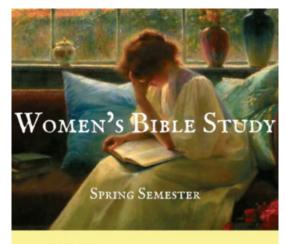
Thursdays, 9:30am, Senior Center

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. For more information contact Josh Dieterich, jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

PRAY, RECONCILE AND REJOICE

12 Hours of Reconciliation

On Wednesday, March 20, area priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese. For a complete schedule, visit www.archmil.org/pray-reconcile-rejoice.



MARCH 12

MARCH 26 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS

APRIL 9 7 PM IN THE ATRIUM

APRIL 23 BRING YOUR BIBLE!

MAY 7

MAY 21 TEXT QUESTIONS TO 262-901-8643

ADORATION CHAPEL

In his work entitled, "The Great Means of Salvation and Perfection", St. Alphonsus Liguori wrote, "I say and repeat, and will keep repeating as long as I live, that our whole salvation depends on prayer; and



therefore, all writers in their books, all preachers in their sermons, all confessors in their instructions to penitents, should not inculcate anything more strongly than prayer. If you pray, your salvation will be secure, but if you leave off praying, your damnation will be certain." Jesus is in the Blessed Sacrament in the St. Mary's Perpetual Adoration Chapel 24/7 — the ideal place to do your praying at any hour of the day or night. St. Alphonsus also exhorts us to "Acquire the habit of speaking to God with familiarity and confidence — as to your dearest and most loving friend. Speak of your life, your plans, your troubles, your joys, your fears. In return, God will speak to you — not that you will hear audible words in your ear, but words that you will clearly understand in your heart." The peace and quiet that the Chapel provides will enable you to hear what God is telling you. Make use of it often, not only during Lent, but in all seasons of the year.

We need coverage:

- Sundays, 1-2am. Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
- Sundays, 10-11am. Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
- Mondays, noon-1pm, 4th and 5th weeks only. Call Mary Rhomberg, 262-786-1974.
- Wednesdays, 3-4am. Call Joleen Gordon, 262-719-6974.
- Thursdays, 2-3am. Call Mary Schwarz, 414-771-8738.
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Join us for a night of fun & tasty grazing table!

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 12 8am School Mass

Wednesday, March 13 Spirit Wear Day

Friday, March 15 8am School Mass

SCHOOL NEWS

GOLDEN TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Golden Ticket sales are active now. You pay \$100 and select a live auction item of your choice. If your ticket is drawn, you win the selected live item! You do not need to be present to win. So many



amazing choices for only the cost of your ticket! Only 75 tickets will be sold, increasing your odds. Golden tickets and cash raffle tickets will be sold after Mass this weekend, cash or checks are acceptable. If you would like to secure your Golden Ticket now, please contact Jess Pinon at auction@stmaryeg.org. At least 50 tickets must be sold, or your money will be refunded. Preview the live auction items at https://one.bidpal.net/smvwisconsin/browse/live.

Auction Ticket Sales are Live!

Get ready for a Wisconsin Tailgate and a night of fun! Buy your tickets and book your babysitter now for March 23rd. Auction tickets are \$70 for an individual, \$65 for a grandparent, or \$650 for a table of ten. The All-School Pool Party and many class parties are also live on the website! Purchase online at https://one.bidpal.net/smvwisconsin. Thank you for your ongoing support of Catholic education!





The International Exhibition, "The Eucharistic Miracles" will be at St. Mary's Visitation Parish May 24-26. Witness an amazing opportunity to delve deeper into your faith and witness the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist! The exhibition presents a selection of the main Eucharistic Miracles recognized by the Catholic Church which occurred in various countries over the centuries. Through this exhibit you can visit the places where the miracles happened.

Volunteers Needed! Are you interested in helping coordinate the Eucharistic Miracle display event at our parish? Please email Kathy Easter easterk859@gmail.com to get more information or to sign up to help with this event.

SMV Is Looking To Hire Director of Administrative Services

St. Mary's Visitation is looking to hire a full time Director of Administrative Services (DAS). The DAS would report directly to our Pastor and will have direct management responsibility for all parish operations. Working in partnership with parish and school staff, trustees and various committees, responsibilities include office administration, finance, HR/payroll, computers/IT, facilities and building management as well as communications and stewardship. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree and experience in business administration, accounting or finance and staff management. A practicing Catholic is preferred. If you or someone you know might be interested in this position, please send resumes to Cheryl Peters at the Parish Office, info@stmaryeg.org.

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.

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH

Each month we feature one of the various ministries, organizations and groups at St. Mary's Visitation. God has blessed us all with unique skills, talents, knowledge and abilities. Perhaps you'll consider getting involved and sharing those gifts within our parish community!



ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY

Prayerful thought, time and consideration is put into the beautiful seasonal décor at St. Mary's Visitation. Busy at work throughout the year, you will find a hardworking crew of volunteers. Our Environment Ministry works closely with the Parish Office to design a plan for each liturgical event. This ministry, which is led by Michelle Law and Anne Spaltholz, consists of parishioners who decorate the sanctuary, church and atrium throughout the liturgical year consistent with the various themes determined by each particular Church season. If you have an hour here and there and are called to share your time and talent, please consider joining our Environment Ministry. Students in need of service hours are welcome to help out as well. For more information, contact Liz Steybe, 262-782-4575 or lsteybe@stmaryeg.org.



We are glad to offer prayers for your intentions and consider it a privilege to pray for you and your needs. Please email your requests to smvprayerrequest@stmaryeg.org.

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