

# ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 7:15 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am - Noon

St. Joseph Parish is a member of  
ACES/Xavier Educational System 735-9380

Inter-Parish Religious Formation 738-7413

Director/Gr. 11/Sacraments, Andrew Russell

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## Celebration of the Sacraments

### Eucharist

Please note the schedule in this bulletin.

### Marriage

Active parish membership of 6 months is  
required before a wedding date may be set.

### Reconciliation

Saturday at 9:30 am, or call for an appointment.

### Baptism

Please call the parish office 2 months in advance.

### Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office anytime.



January 10, 2010 • Baptism of the Lord

**Working With the Scriptures** (Lk.3:15-16, 21-22)

Every office, every shop and every business enterprise has one. He or she is the person that everyone depends on, even though most folks may not even know they exist. Maybe it's the maintenance man - the one who makes sure that all of the lights are working, that there's plenty of salt available for the sidewalks in icy weather, and that the heat and air conditioning are set to the right temperature for the right time of year. His office is generally out of sight in the back of the plant or in the basement, but while most employees may never see him they certainly notice when he's NOT there.

Or maybe it's the secretary - the one who answers the phone with a smile and assures a good first impression when customers or clients come in the front door. The first one in every morning and the last one out at night, she's the one who keeps the copier working, the coffee flowing, and the office calendar coordinated and up to date.

Or maybe it's the cleaning crew - those folks who come in at night to empty wastebaskets, vacuum offices and clean the bathrooms. Most employees never see these folks at all but the work environment would be a lot less inviting - not to mention less healthy - without them.

It can be easy to ignore the behind-the-scenes people, the people who prepare the way for those who will come after them. But the doctor could not function without the preliminary information gathered by the nurse; the lawyer could not try a case without the paralegal's research; and the president of the company could not conduct a meeting without the availability of a clean, comfortable and well-equipped office or conference room. Yet it is generally accepted that the behind-the-scenes jobs will be performed with little or no recognition given to those who perform them.

John the Baptist knew who he was in relation to the one who would come after him. His job was only to prepare the way for Jesus. But how different things might have been had he not been there.

*Vinal Van Benthem*

### **Congratulations to Our Weekly Calendar Raffle Winners**

December 24—Tom Lanari—\$25.00  
 December 25—John Cerva—\$200.00  
 December 26—Paul and Stacy Shrode—\$25.00  
 December 27—Lindsey and Dan Radloff—\$50.00  
 December 28—Robert Hoersch—\$25.00  
 December 29—Delores Bissing—\$25.00  
 December 30—Edward & Theresa Gierl—\$25.00  
 December 31—Sarah Bernstein—\$25.00



### **Please Pray For...**

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill:  
 Jane Schmit, Ruth Murphy, Yvonne Kokke-Bauer,

Bea Hagman.

Please also remember our nursing home residents and shut-ins.

**Religious Education**

**Confirmation:** There is a sponsor/teen meeting Sunday, January 10, **10:00AM** at St. Mary, St. Anne room, or **7:30PM** at St. Joseph, Holly Hall. Juniors in high school who attended the parent/teen meeting last week are invited to attend this meeting. Please turn in all completed forms (distributed at the parent meeting) to the religious education office as soon as possible.

**First Eucharist:** Parents of First Communion candidates, please remember that various forms and copies of baptismal certificates (if applicable) are due in the religious education office by January 27. Anything that you did not turn in at the parent meeting is due before First Eucharist enrollment.

**Youth Ministry**

Come and reflect on relationships! Friday, January 22 from 1-7PM at St. Thomas More. Drew Mulloy will be with us, as well as other young adults who appreciate relationships in their lives.

We are going to be baking bread at Bridge Between Retreat Center on January 23 as a day of reflection with the youth. Please keep us in prayer!

For more information about Youth Ministry, please contact Celia at 738-7413 or [iprf@inter-parish.org](mailto:iprf@inter-parish.org).

### **ACES Xavier Educational System: Peek Into Preschool**

January 15 and March 26, 9:00-10:30AM

Peek into Preschool is an introduction to ACES Xavier's preschool environment. The sessions run 90 minutes and are filled with fun seasonal activities geared towards children 5 years and younger.

Parents will remain in the room to assist their child. Younger siblings are welcome to attend and be with their older brothers and sisters.

We realize that preschool is the first formalized educational setting for many children, and ACES Xavier's goal is to create a love of learning for your child in a Christian based, child-orientated environment.

We believe that each child is a gift from God.

**Area Ecumenical Network**

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, we have the privilege of hosting the Area Ecumenical Network-Week of Prayer soup luncheon and need volunteers to bring in soup and/or desserts by 10AM on that day. Please call Sheila Hallada, 734-5898 for details.

**Adult Education**

**Fathers of the Early Church** - What do you know about the earliest teachers of the church? How the early church celebrated Mass and Sacraments? What heresies about Jesus existed? How early Christians understood the Eucharist? How our understanding of the Trinity was formed? Dr. John Craghan will lead us in four nights of exploration on Ignatius of Antioch (cir. 110), Justin Martyr (165), Tertullian (160-220) and Augustine (354-430) on four Tuesday evenings, Jan. 12-Feb. 2, 7:00-8:30PM, St. Joseph Parish Center. Check out registration forms available in clear plastic stands available at the back of both St. Mary and St. Joseph churches.

**Evenings for Parents:**

**Family Resiliency**, Wed., January 20, 6:30-7:30PM, St. Mary Parish Center, Room LL07.

Find out if your family deals with crisis like a rubber band or a toothpick. Research tells us there are key elements that are critical to building strong families. This session will give you ideas of how to start to build on your strengths to make even stronger family relations.

**Rules, Rituals and Routines**, Wed., Jan. 27, 6:30-7:30PM, St. Mary Parish Center, Rm. LL07.

Children need to have structure in their life. To add to the structure of family life, research tells us it is important to establish rules, rituals and routines. Examples of everyday living will be shared and how to make applications in our families.

Presenter for both family sessions will be Karen Dickrell, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension, Outagamie County. Karen is also chairperson of St. Pius X Parish Council. **Please pre-register by calling Carol at 739-5119 or e-mail [cjensen@stmaryparish.org](mailto:cjensen@stmaryparish.org).** Seating limited to 25. Babysitting available for up to 10 children, if pre-registered before Jan. 15.

Beginning February 16 (evenings) and February 18 (mornings), **scripture** study on the **Gospel of Luke!** Watch future bulletins for details.

**Christ Renews His Parish**

Our first team of men from St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishes will experience a Christ Renews His Parish retreat this weekend, Jan. 8-10. Please keep them in your prayers.

**St. Patrick's Bookstore Supports Youth!**

St. Patrick's Bookstore will donate a portion of its sales to the St. Joseph and St. Mary Youth Ministry Program if you request that your purchase goes toward our ministry. Please mention us when you check out!

**Choose Life**

1973's *Roe v. Wade* decision was billed as a way to guarantee women's rights—but what about the right to be free from the coercion to abort their offspring? Scientific surveys have confirmed that most women are having abortions they don't want. Is that a mark of women's freedom?" Maria Vitale, public relations director for Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation.

**Catholics Come Home**

This Lent, the Diocese of Green Bay will be part of the Catholics Come Home campaign. Beginning the Friday before Lent and going through Holy Week, TV commercials will air on all local channels inviting people to reconsider our faith. Visit [www.CatholicsComeHome.org](http://www.CatholicsComeHome.org) for more information and to preview the three ads.

**Financial News**

Tithing Needed ..... \$15,692.00  
 Last Week's Tithing ..... \$16,610.37  
 Children's Collection ..... \$69.46  
 January 1.....\$1,170.16

**Thank You!**

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish ministries.

**Readings for the Week of January 10, 2010**

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or 40:1-5, 9-11/  
 Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/  
 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
 Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/  
 Mk 1:14-20  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/  
 Mk 1:21-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/  
 Mk 1:29-39  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/  
 Mk 1:40-45  
 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/  
 Mk 2:1-12  
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19;  
 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17  
 Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/1  
 Cor 12:4-11/  
 Jn 2:1-11

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*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus*

*also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a*

*Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass*  
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**Weekly Liturgical Calendar****Monday, January 11**

12:05 pm Dec. Margaret Bunker

**Tuesday, January 12**

12:05 pm Marie Jacobs

12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

**Wednesday, January 13**

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

**Thursday, January 14**

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

**Friday, January 15**

12:05 pm Dec. Robert Stoeger

**Saturday, January 16**

4:30 pm Dec. Lloyd and Dolores Jack

**Sunday, January 17**

7:30 am Members of St. Joseph Parish

9:00 am Dec. Le Roy Melzer

10:30 am Dec. Eugene Hipp, Susan, Chris and  
Patricia

6:30 pm Dec. Nick Stricker

**This Week in Our Parish****Monday**

Faith and Light, 7:00PM, Rm. LL11

**Tuesday**

Chime Choir, 5:45PM, church

Baptism Session, 7:00PM, Rm. 209

Worship and Spirituality, 7:00PM, Rm. 205

Fathers of the Church, 7:00PM, Holly Hall

Parish and Family Life, 7:00PM, Rm. 214

**Wednesday**Senior Citizens Committee Mtg., 1:00PM,  
Rm. 205

IPRF Classes

**Thursday**

Choir, 6:30PM, church

Stewardship, 7:00PM, Rm. 210

The Natural Step, 7:00PM, Rm. 214

**Saturday**

CLC, 9:00AM, Rm. LL09

**Next Sunday**

RCIA, 9:00-11:15AM, Rm. 209

**Ministry of the Week****Marriage Preparation**

Married couples willing to help prepare engaged couples for marriage through a variety of ways: participate in the Pre-Marriage Day for engaged couples. Commitment: Dependent on area of involvement.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Reminder: Senior Citizens Committee Mtg. Wednesday, January 13, 1:00PM.

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**Annual Pro-Life Rally featuring Guest  
Speaker Melissa Ohden**

The annual Fox Valley pro-life rally will be on Sunday, Jan. 17 at St. Joseph Middle School in Appleton from 1:00-3:00PM. Melissa Ohden is the survivor of an abortion attempt in 1977. Despite the concerns regarding Melissa's chances of surviving past her infancy and living a "normal" life, she was adopted as an infant by a family in the Midwest. Melissa is the Founder and Director of For Olivia's Sake, a non-profit organization which seeks to peacefully raise awareness of the intergenerational impact of abortion on men, women, children, families, and communities. Pro-life organizations will have booths before and after the rally. Pro-life merchandise will also be available for purchase.

**Reporting Sexual Abuse**

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, please report it to Ms. Ann Fox, Diocesan Assistance Coordinator of the Diocese of Green Bay, at 1-877-270-8174 or 920-272-8174

If you prefer to report an incident to someone not employed by the Diocese, please call Mr. Bob Johnson, executive director of American Foundation of Counseling Services in Green Bay and a facilitator who can assist you in filing a report. Phone 920-437-8256.

We also encourage you to report the incident to local civil authorities.

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