

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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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.



March 14, 2020 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

Working with the Scriptures (Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)

Mr. Goldstein was a pharmacist, the owner of a small pharmacy on the north side of the city. Over the years he had mentored many pharmacy students. Some went on to become storeowners themselves; others stayed on after graduation, working as pharmacists in the store where they had once been apprenticed. But even years after Mr. Goldstein had died his students would still get together. It might be a holiday party, or a summer barbecue, or maybe a get-together at a neighborhood restaurant. Eventually the conversation would always come around to “Remember when...”, and they would retell the stories. Often, since Mr. Goldstein was not only their employer but also their teacher, the stories would contain some words of wisdom. “Remember when Mr. Goldstein told us that we should treat our employees as assets and not as liabilities? Even if we made a mistake he would manage to find some way to help us learn something from it instead of getting mad at us. And when we did something right he was always the first one to call for a celebration!”

How might the story of the prodigal son have turned out if the father had reacted differently? Certainly he would have had every right to be angry. His son had insulted him, turned his back on him and walked out of his life. But the father, who was also a prodigal of sorts - giving away compassion and understanding without counting the cost - chose to use the moment differently. Like Mr. Goldstein this prodigal father saw only the goodness of his son’s return, and he called for a celebration.

How do we see the people with whom we work? Do we appreciate them as assets? Or are we more concerned with what they might cost us in terms of time or money? Do we value our employees and encourage them? Do we recognize the value of the mentors in our lives? Do we celebrate the successes of those who look to us as mentors? Who have been the prodigal mothers and fathers in our lives?

Vinal Van Benthem

Congratulations to Our Weekly Calendar Raffle Winners

- February 26—Bill Fischer—\$25.00
- February 27—Sandy Nichols—\$25.00
- February 28—Dennis Douglas—\$50.00
- March 1—John Verkuilen—\$25.00
- March 2—Jim Krueger—\$25.00
- March 3—Peter Heck—\$25.00
- March 4—Chuck and Nancy Palmer—\$25.00

Welcome

We welcome into the community of St. Joseph’s through Baptism...

Olivia L. Berger



Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: Yvonne Kokke Bauer, Gladys Meis, Erin Pelkey.

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

Religious Education

Confirmation candidates will meet on Sunday, March 21 at 7:30PM in Holly Hall at St. Joseph Church. There will be a blessing at the 6:30PM Sunday night Mass.

Religious education calendar change: There will be regular religious education sessions on March 24 instead of the Lent family night that was scheduled. Please also note that Inter-Parish Religious Formation offices will be closed March 29-April 5 for Holy Week/Spring Break.

Youth Ministry

Pray for us as we spend time learning about Saints of Lent this Sunday, March 14 from 12-6:15PM at St. Joseph.

High School students - join us for PRAYING Twice mini conference on Saturday, March 20 from 4-9PM at St. Edward in Mackville. Explore various prayer experiences, pray through drumming, learn basic swing dance, enjoy games with your peers. The Youth Advisory Board is planning and leading a portion of the evening. Friends welcome!

Contact Celia for more information at 738-7413 or ijprf@inter-parish.org.

Plant and Flower Sale Coming Soon

Can you feel it? Spring is just around the corner! Now is the time to start thinking about your flowers and plants. The St. Joe’s annual sale will be taking orders in April and have your beautiful selections ready for pick up in mid-May. Watch the bulletin for more information and order forms.

Bishop’s Appeal

Bishop’s Appeal Goal	\$63,000.00
Amount collected	<u>\$44,803.00</u>
Balance	\$18,197.00

Thank You!

What Does it Cost to Run the Bishop’s Appeal?

The Bishop’s Appeal fundraising costs are between 5% and 10%. These funds are used to support the office staff responsible for planning, developing materials and carrying out the campaign with the help of parish volunteers and staff.

The Bishop’s Appeal is an opportunity for the faithful to support the Church of Green Bay. Through the Appeal, the Church is able to fund ministries and programs that share the Word of God with people of all ages. The Appeal helps bring the face of Jesus to over 340,000 people every year.

Adult Education

Lenten Study on Luke's Gospel - Join Fr. Augie Seubert, OFM Cap, this Lent as we learn more about the Gospel of Luke. Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30PM, St. Joseph, Holly Hall. Two more Tuesday evenings, March 16 & 23. You can come for one or both of these sessions. Fee: \$3.00 per session. Please pre-register by calling Carol at 739-5119 or e-mail: cjensen@stmaryparish.org. Fr. Augie has spent many years in Central America training lay church leaders to understand and share scripture. He has a licentiate in Biblical Theology from Gregorian University in Rome.

Christ Renews His Parish

Men's Retreat - This Weekend: March 13/14 at St. Joseph. Please keep the men attending this weekend's retreat in your prayers.

Women's Retreat - April 10/11 at St. Mary. Do not delay in registering. We have room for 30 participants on each weekend. Bright Green registration forms are available at the back of church. They can be returned through the weekend collection, dropped off or sent to St. Mary or St. Joseph parish offices. If you have questions, please call Carol at 739-5119.

Lenten Faith Sharing Groups

Monday afternoons, 1:00-2:30PM, "**Lent with Bishop Morneau**" (book discussion on Bishop Morneau's Lenten reflections), group led by Laurie Richter. Book can be purchased at St. Patrick Bookstore. Meets Mondays through March 29. Please pre-register (Carol, 739-5119 or cjensen@stmaryparish.org) St. Mary, Room LL07.

Thursday evenings, 6:00-7:30PM, **Breaking Open the Lenten Sunday Readings.** Group led by CF Dedman. Meets through March 25. Please pre-register (Carol, 739-5119 or cjensen@stmaryparish.org), St. Joseph, Room LL09

St. Mary & St. Joseph Women's Day - Saturday, March 20, 2010

The Heart of a Woman: Sharing God's Love - Sharing Our Lives is our theme this year. Plan to join us for this great day! Women's Day brochures can be found in your bulletin this week. **Registration deadline is this Wednesday, March 17.**

Wednesday Evening Discussion, Myths, Mysteries, Misunderstandings

During Lent we will host a one hour discussion group on areas of the Catholic Faith that are often misunderstood. Discussion group will continue to meet on March 17 and 24, 6:30-7:30PM, St. Mary Parish Center, Room LL07. **YOU get to help set the topics and discussion** for the week. Questions, contact Carol at 739-3700 x 22 or cjensen@stmaryparish.org. **Each of our parishes has a Purple Box for Faith Questions in Church.** Submit your questions at our sessions or any time you are in church. **This week our topic is the Holy Spirit and the Charismatic Prayer.**

Head Start, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

Looking for a quality preschool program for your 3 or 4 year old? Head Start, a preschool program at NO COST TO YOU is in your community and taking applications for the 2010-2011 school year. Please call 1-800-624-4436 for more information.

Host an Exchange Student

Caring families are needed to open their hearts and home to 4 students who will be attending high school in the Appleton area next school year. These students are from Ukraine, Kazakstan, Pakistan and Lebanon. They are part of the YES and Flex Program and need host families for the school year. They come with their own spending money and health insurance and teach your family about citizen diplomacy and their country. Call 920-471-5610 or email: ayusagbwi@gmail.com

Financial News

Tithing Needed \$15,692.00
 Last Week's Tithing \$29,076.44
 Children's Collection \$60.05

Thank You!

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

Readings for the Week of March 14, 2010

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2
 Cor 5:17-21/
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Monday: Is 65:17-21/
 Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/
 Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/
 Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/
 Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/
 Jn 7:40-53
 Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

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"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned

against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass
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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Monday, March 15

12:05 pm Dec. Roy Brodnicki

Tuesday, March 16

12:05 pm Dec. Betty Weber
12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, March 17, St. Patrick, bishop

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Thursday, March 18

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Friday, March 19, St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 pm Dec. Margaret Bunker
4:30 pm Taize Prayer Service in church

Saturday, March 20

4:30 pm Dec. Marie Klippstein

Sunday, March 21

7:30 am Dec. Jean Kucinski
9:00 am Dec. Florence Butler
10:30 am Dec. Margaret Tseffos
6:30 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Monday

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

Tuesday

Prayer Shawl, 1:00-3:00PM, Rm. LL09
Chime Choir, 5:45PM, church
Scripture, 6:30-8:30PM, Holly Hall
Parish Council, 7:00PM, Rm. 214

Wednesday

IPRF Classes
Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Thursday

Faith Sharing, 6:00-7:30PM, Rm. LL09
Choir, 6:30PM, church
Finance, 7:00PM, Rm. 205

Friday

Taize Prayer Service, 4:30PM, church

Saturday

CLC, 9:00AM, Rm. LL09
Scrip sold after 4:30PM Mass

Next Sunday

RCIA, 9:00-11:15AM, Rm. 209
Confirmation class, 7:30PM, Holly Hall
Scrip sold after all Masses

Hospice Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, please contact Kristyna Williams, volunteer Coordinator at 866-236-8500.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Women's Day reservations are due Wed., March 17th.
2. Senior Bus Trip reservations are due Mon., April 5th. We need a minimum of 40 people.
3. **Reminder:** Please return your purple Stewardship form by March 21st.
4. Taize Prayer Service, 4:30PM, Friday, March 19th.



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Thank you!

Catholic Central

Do you have an upcoming kindergartner for the 2010-2011 school year?

Come and see the great program we can offer you and your child at Catholic Central. Join us at one of our Curious about Kindergarten sessions: March 16 at 8:45AM or March 18 at 5:45PM. Please call the school office to let us know you are coming, 733-3709. We hope to see you there!

Catholic Central Campus will be hosting Peek into Preschool on March 26 from 9:00-10:30AM. Parents and their 2, 3 or 4 year old children are invited to attend. This morning will allow parents to experience our wonderful early childhood program and to meet our teachers. Please call the school to let us know you are coming, 733-3709.

Monte Alverno Retreat Center

How about a retreat during Lent?

Consider coming to Monte Alverno Retreat Center for a one day retreat Saturday, March 27th on the theme, "When the going Gets Tough: Franciscan Helps for the Journey." Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi have provided the world with a tradition of dealing with tough times. Their lives and writings offer helps in dealing with self, with God, with other people, and with creation itself. This retreat will share this great Franciscan tradition with participants. Sacrament of reconciliation available. Begins with check-in at 9:00AM, a noon meal and concludes with Sunday Eucharist at 4:00PM. Suggested offering: \$45/person. Pre-registration required. Contact Monte Alverno, 733-8526, montealverno@juno.com. Information also on website, www.montealverno.org.