Have you noticed the red posters and question marks that say **Alpha is coming?** Have you ever wondered **"Why am I here? Where am I heading? Is there more to life than this?"**

Visit: alpha.org

**ST. BRUNO PARISH**

“While the world changes, the cross stands firm.”

**Twenty-fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time † September 24, 2017**

**MISSION STATEMENT**
St. Bruno Parish is a community of people sharing a common faith in the teachings of the Catholic tradition. We come together to worship God and to spread the Good News that Jesus gave us. Through celebrating Christian unity, we provide emotional support and practice the works of mercy.

**Schedule of Liturgies**

**Weekday**
Monday 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday 8:45 a.m.

**Weekends**
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

**Hispanic Mass**
Sunday 4:30 p.m.

**Reconciliation**
1st & 3rd Saturday 3:00 p.m. or by appointment

**Parish Office**
**Hours:** Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
**Phone:** 262-965-2332
**Address:** 226 W. Ottawa Avenue
Dousman, WI 53118
**Email:** stbruno@wi.rr.com
**Website:** www.stbrunoparish.com

Come and see….Starts the first week of October!

**Monday—October 2: 8:45am** at St. Bruno (continental breakfast served)
**Tuesday—October 3: 5:45pm** at St. Paul. (light dinner served)

It’s about 90 mins every week for 11 weeks, come to as many as you can!

Contact Mary Kral with any questions! mary.kral4@gmail.com
**Praying with the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mothers see things in their children that others often miss. The Blessed Virgin Mary sees Jesus from a perspective that is unique. Praying with Mary, asking her companionship as we pray, opens up knowledge of Jesus we can have only through her and with her. She knows Jesus profoundly not only as her savior but also as her Son. “She has more insight than anyone into the profound intentions of Jesus.” This intuition of Pope John Paul II is behind his invitation that we look at Jesus, contemplate the mysteries of his life, death and resurrection, while attending “Mary’s school.”

What does one learn while at “Mary’s school,” praying the Rosary? What does she teach us? The genius of the Rosary is that it brings us to the heart of the Gospel. In the grotto near the Basilica of the Annunciation at Nazareth, an inscription reads: “The Word was made flesh in this place.” The Son of God became incarnate in a particular spot; the uncontainable one was contained in Mary’s womb. The particularity which marks human life becomes the object of contemplation in saying the Rosary. In what Pope Paul VI called the “quiet rhythm” and “lingering pace” of the Rosary, we put ourselves into the fundamental mystery of Christianity: God was made man so that we could live in God. Mary’s womb is the place where the Word of God was made flesh; Mary’s mouth the place where that perfect “yes” that changed our relationship to God was spoken.

If we have faith and if we are willing to compose our mind and remain quiet for a little while, the Rosary becomes our entrance into the person and life of Christ and his mother. She can bring us very close to her Son by forcing us to move beyond words and ideas to the reality they are meant to convey. She can “make us pray,” despite our own readiness to be distracted and all the pressures of lives plagued by a surfeit of information and entertainment designed to take our time and dissipate our attention.

Fifty times, in praying five decades of the Rosary each day, we ask the Blessed Virgin Mary to be with us “now and at the hour of our death.” Contemplating our death puts our lives in perspective. Contemplating with Mary the joyful, the sorrowful, the glorious and now the luminous mysteries of Jesus’ life, we gradually sort out what is essential to our own. In the end, we bring into eternity only our relationships. Relationships grow with familiarity, and praying the Rosary makes us familiar with the various dimensions of Christ’s life. As Pope Paul VI wrote, “The Rosary is a compendium of the whole Gospel.”

In the Gospel, Mary is there at the beginning of Jesus’ life, as every mother is present at her child’s birth; she is there standing at the foot of the cross at the end of Jesus’ life; and she is there with the apostles on Pentecost, when Jesus sends the Holy Spirit at the birth of the Church, which is her Son’s body in space and time until he returns in glory. The sense that Mary protects our lives here, on our way to eternity, is summed up in a prayer from the second century, the earliest prayer to Mary that has come down to us: “We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.”

—Fr. Dan
Help Still Needed...  
Do you love to spend time with youngsters sharing your faith and the stories of Jesus? We are still in need of one or two people to lead Children’s Liturgy of the Word. This is a once a month commitment, during the 10:30 Mass. The children leave Mass with the leader, and hear the Gospel, do an activity to help them understand the Gospel, and have time to pray together. It’s a GREAT ministry, and you receive all of the materials you need to do this! Please contact Amy Golden at aldgolden@gmail.com or 262-402-8229 today.

Ladies Retreat November 3-5
This retreat is directed by Joyce Brahm and is for women of all ages. In past years it was held at St. Norbert Abbey in Green Bay, but this year will be at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein, IL. Participants will have private rooms with private baths, queen sized beds, and excellent meals. This is a great chance for ladies to take a break and renew their souls through group sessions, private meditation and prayer, yoga sessions, and fellowship with other women.
For more information, Amy Golden at aldgolden@gmail.com.

Adult Formation Event  
Art & Prayer, Saturday—Oct. 7th  
(1 Thess 5:11) Ladies (ages 12+), join us Saturday, 10/7, 9-11am at St. Bruno’s gym. We will be talking about prayer, creating two pieces of framed alcohol ink art, and sharing fellowship, food, and of course prayer, cost is $10. This opportunity is limited to 25 participants.
Please see the parish website for more information and samples of finished artwork as well as the SignUpGenius link to register.
For more information: marykral4@gmail.com.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September
That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

For a variety of Catholic resources for all interests and ages, see this website. Movies, books, bible studies, etc. Go to FORMED.org - the parish code is 274255

Dynamic Mens Group
St. Bruno’s program Thursday mornings, from 5:30-7am in the Gathering Place Contact Jerry Strand for more information, jerrystrand52@yahoo.com or 262-965-3436.
St. Paul’s program Wednesdays beginning Sept. 13 at 6am in the cafeteria or 7pm in the family room for about an hour. Contact Tim Weske for more information, 262-968-9170.

Schoolastic Book Fair Hours:  
- Friday 9/29 2:00-4:00pm  
- Saturday 9/30 3:30-5:30  
- Sunday 10/1 10:00am-Noon  
- Monday 10/2 – Wednesday 10/4 9:00-11:00am & 2:00-4:00pm  
**Grandparents Day is Wednesday!!**

SECRET SANTA  
Every child should be able to surprise their mom, dad, grandparent or sibling with a Christmas present! Home and School is looking for gently used or new low priced items for our annual Secret Santa Shop. If you have an item to donate please place it in the Christmas box located in the coat room in the gathering place. This is a year round initiative and items needed are for all ages (baby to adult). Kids age 3-14 will be “shopping” for their families around Christmas. Your generosity is greatly appreciated – thanks for helping!

Save the Date... Walk with us!  
Saturday, October 21, 2017 at Mount Mary University  
The Annual Soles for Catholic Education Walk is taking place on Saturday, Oct 21, at Mount Mary University. To register or donate, go to www.catholicschoolswalk.org. Once you have logged on, find St. Bruno Parish School and complete the process. LAST DAYS TO REGISTER FOR FREE - through Sept 25th. More information will be available in the bulletin and on our school website. 100% of funds will be used for Tuition Assistance.

Your Help is Needed!!  
We are looking for help with the coordination and execution of this event – all are welcome and the possibilities are endless! We are looking for help recruiting and following up on donations, data entry, marketing, selling tickets, classroom gifts, creatively displaying boards and items, coordinating and volunteers for the night of the event, and more.
We are looking for chefs who are willing to prepare/host a meal for 10 appreciative friends, family or parishioners.

Please contact: Ben Holzem at (262) 965-2291/ ben.holzem@stbrunoparishschool.com or Michelle VandenHouten at (262) 968-1741 smvandenhouten@wi.rr.com with any questions or if you would like to help but are unable to attend the planning meeting.

2018 Men Who Cook Planning Meeting  
Join us on September 26th, from 6:30-7:30 PM, in the school Teacher Oasis, for our first planning meeting for our annual Men Who Cook Dinner and Auction.
The Auction event will take place in our gathering place and gym and will include a dinner cooked by St. Bruno’s fantastic MEN (who cook!) Each chef prepares a meal for a table of 10 people. The evening also includes a silent and live auction. Tickets will go on sale after the first of the year. Please watch for the ticket sale dates as this has sold out very fast in the past.

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**Grandparents Day is Wednesday!!**
On September 27, we celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, patron of all charitable societies. St. Vincent DePaul was born in
a) Germany
b) Italy
c) France
d) Belgium.

**Why do we do that?**

**Catholic Traditions Explained**

**Question:** Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday? Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

**Answer:** St. Jerome (345-420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome’s correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus’ (366-384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

**Upcoming St. Bruno Events**

- **Sept - 24— Resisting Happiness Chat, 9am St Bruno**
- **Sept 29-Oct 4—Book Fair!**
- **Oct 1—St. Bruno Annual Turkey Dinner! Take out only 11am-5pm**
- **Oct 2—ALPHA gatherings will begin 8:45 a.m.**
- **Oct 21—Soles for Catholic Education Walk, Mt Mary University**
- **Oct 21—Harvest Dance, 6-9pm in the gym**
- **Oct 21—Pot Luck for Grief Support Groups 2014 to 2017, 5:00 p.m. in Gathering Place, contact Peggy Kneprath 262-965-3551 for more info.**
- **Nov. 6—Remembrance Mass 7p.m., refreshments to follow.**
- **Apr. 21, 2018—Men Who Cook Dinner & Auction!**

**Upcoming St. Paul Event**

- **FRIDAY, Oct 13 from 8:00am to 4:00pm - SATURDAY, Oct 14 from 8:00am to 1:00pm.**

The **FREE CLOTHING SHARE** held in our Parish Life Center/ lower level. Donations may be dropped off on Thurs., Oct 12 from NOON-8pm OR anytime during the hours on Friday. Tax receipts are available upon request. Items include but by no means limited to: clothing for women, men & children, baby items, coats, shoes, toys, books, small house hold items, holiday decorations, purses. (NO large furniture), and all is FREE! Bring your own bags to use. **Please contact Jerie @ 262-968-3474 for more information.**
**The Word of the Lord**

Monday, September 25

Tuesday, September 26
Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:1-6

Wednesday, September 27
Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a; Luke 9:43b-45

Thursday, September 28
Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5

Friday, September 29
Matthew 21:28-32

www.usccb.org/nab/

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**St. Vincent de Paul**

On September 27, we will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, the patron of our parish St. Vincent de Paul conference. Vincent was a priest during the 17th Century renowned for his compassion, humility, and generosity and is known as the “Great Apostle of Charity.” His teachings about God’s special presence in the poor are revolutionary even in our day. Our SVDP conference will attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass together this weekend as a witness to sharing his beliefs.

**Sharing the Gospel For the Kids**

Whether you work for God your whole life, or whether you just got started, God will reward you in heaven. God doesn’t want you to compare yourself with other people. God just wants you to love him with your whole heart.

**Mission for the Week**

Say a special prayer for each person in your family.

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**Mass/Devotion Times**

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday 10:30 a.m.
We pray the Rosary at 7:40 a.m. when there is 8:00 a.m. Mass.

*The Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel is open 24/7 for private prayer. Eucharistic Adoration is every Tuesday from 2:00-9:00 p.m. in the Chapel.*

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**Liturgy of the Word**

Monday, September 25
8:00 a.m. † Steven Kuenzli & Dave Burt

Tuesday, September 26
Mass at St. Paul 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, September 27
8:45 a.m. Mass † Dick Laufenberg

Thursday, September 28
8:00 a.m. Prayer with Communion/Chapel

Friday, September 29
Mass St. Paul 8:00 a.m.
Saturday, September 30
4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Bruno & St. Paul
Sunday, October 1
10:30 a.m. † Gregory Vock

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**St. Bruno Custodial Position**

St. Bruno’s is looking for a person to work a flexible schedule approx. 20hrs/week to sweep, vacuum, empty wastebaskets, general clean-up, and miscellaneous duties for parish and school including possible snow shoveling, chair/table moves, etc. Applicants should be able to lift and/or carry up to 35lbs. Hours worked across 3-4 days of the week with Sundays as needed. Please contact the parish office at (262) 965-2332 for more information.

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**St. Bruno Book Club**

Next meeting of the Book Club: Tues., October 10th at 9 a.m. St. Bruno Family Room. We always welcome new members. "Even if you haven’t read the book, come to share with us!"

The book for OCTOBER is: *Lost City of the Monkey God* by Douglas Preston

The #1 New York Times and #1 Wall Street Journal bestseller!

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**St. Paul Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

**Weekdays:**

Tues. 8:00 a.m. & Fri. 8:45 a.m.
Reconciliation: 2nd & 4th Saturday
10:00 a.m. or by appointment

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Mexican & American Brunch Buffet
Made to order Eggs & Omelets
Sundays 7am-1pm
159 East Wisconsin Ave.
Downtown Oconomowoc
262-569-9740
www.fiestacancun.com

Visit our sister restaurant in the WI Dells!

Please support our Advertiser of the Week, *Fiesta Cancun*

See their full sized ad in this bulletin.
If you are a visitor to St. Bruno Parish, or are new to our area, we welcome and thank you for praying with us. We are a church family and care about each other, our church, our community and our world. You are invited to become a member of the St. Bruno Parish Family. New Parishioners can register on the weekend of the third Sunday of the month, or call the Parish Office at 262-965-2332.

Mass – The Eucharist
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Hispanic Mass–Sundays at 4:30 p.m.

Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd or by appointment

Baptisms
To arrange Baptism, please contact Mary Kral at least one month in advance, at 262-968-2276 x202, or 262-965-2332 or marykral4@gmail.com.

Marriage
Please contact the Pastor at least six months before the anticipated wedding date. At least one of the parties must be a registered, practicing Catholic member of our parish community.

Anointing of the Sick
We encourage parish members to celebrate the Anointing of the Sick for healing and strength at the time of serious illness or before surgery.

Communion to the Sick
Parish members bring Holy Communion to the homebound. If you are unable to attend Mass for a few weeks because of health or weather, please call the Parish Office.

Danny’s Helping Hands
If you need occasional help with errands, companionship, transportation or meals, contact Rita Mezydlo at 602-885-0299 or rmezydlo@sbcglobal.net.

Prayer Network
If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, we have a group of parishioners at St. Bruno’s who would like to pray for your special needs. Call Donna at 262-965-3224, or Ruth at 262-965-2329.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)
Contact the Parish Office for assistance from SVDP: 965-2332

The Endowment For St. Bruno
We have established a permanent endowment fund for the future of our church and school. We invite a contribution in honor of family members, friends, or in memory of a loved one. Information and contribution envelopes are in the Gathering Place.