CELEBRATIONS OF THE SEASON

First Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 3 | Beginning of the New Church Year
Regular weekend Mass St. Bruno at 10:30 a.m. & St. Paul at 9:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday, December 8 | Holy Day of Obligation
St. Paul at 8:45 a.m., St. Bruno at 6:30 p.m.

Advent Communal Penance Service | Tuesday, December 12
St. Bruno at 6:30 p.m.

St. Bruno Parish School Christmas Concert
Monday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m.

4th Sunday of Advent | Christmas Eve | Sunday, December 24
Regular weekend Mass St. Bruno at 10:30 a.m. & St. Paul at 9:00 a.m.
Christmas Eve at St. Bruno 4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Christmas Eve at St. Paul 4:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day | Monday, December 25
St. Bruno at 10:30 a.m. & St. Paul at 9:00 a.m.

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Monday, January 1 | Please Note: Not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2018
St. Bruno at 9:00 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord | Sunday, January 7
Regular weekend Mass St. Bruno at 10:30 a.m. & St. Paul at 9:00 a.m.

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 appt.

Parish Office Hours:
8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Monday—Friday

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262-965-2332

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www.stbrunoparish.com
To all the parishioners at St. Bruno and St. Paul Parish:

I write this letter to all of you with many mixed emotions. I would like to inform you as of 1/8/18, my new assignment of Diaconal Ministry will be at St. Jerome Parish in Oconomowoc, WI.

While I am excited to take on the challenge of a new Parish and various duties and responsibilities, it is with heavy heart that I am leaving the parishes and duties at both St. Bruno and St. Paul Parishes.

St. Bruno's has been the home parish for myself and my family for the past 20+ years. Although my involvement at St. Paul parish has only been for the past 3+ years, we have developed and enjoyed many close relationships in that time.

This decision / discernment was made after a lengthy time period and with much prayer. I will continue to fulfill all my current obligations at both parishes, which will end with my most anticipated act of service that being the Baptism of my twin granddaughters on 1/7/18 during the 10:30 am mass at St. Bruno.

I want to thank all of you from the “bottom” of my heart for all the prayers and support that you have given me and my family over the years.

I don’t want to say “goodbye” because I know our paths will continue to cross. Please know I will continue to keep all of you in my prayers and I ask for your prayers in return. God bless all of you always.

In Christ,
Deacon John C. Mezydlo
Support our School Scrip Program!

If you have ever wondered if SCRIP is available for Sendik’s, Festival Foods, and Woodman’s, it is! We have begun keeping cards in stock for these grocery stores. This is in addition to Pick n Save, Sentry, Piggly Wiggly, and Sam’s Club / Walmart. We also keep a regular inventory of Amazon and Target stores for your general pantry needs. See a SCRIP volunteer after mass or submit your Grocery Green Order Form to be filled in about a week. Thank you for “painlessly” supporting our Parish and School by using SCRIP for all your routine shopping! Ask a SCRIP volunteer or write to Eva at tammy.price@stbrunoparishschool.com for more information.

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!

Catholic Memorial High School
Invites students in grades 1-8 to audition for the Winter Musical Nice Work If You Can Get It. Auditions will take place on Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017 from 8am-12pm in the Catholic Memorial High School Auditorium. Rehearsals are Saturday mornings from 8am-12pm (no rehearsals over Christmas break), and performances in February. All are welcome, no experience necessary. Email Mr. Chris Andacht at candacht@catholicmemorial.net if more information is needed.

A Place For You
Welcome! Maybe you have been away from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now you feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church. Listen to that tug. It’s your Heavenly Father reaching His arms out to you, the Holy Spirit whispering in your ear, hoping to draw you home.
We hope you accept this as your invitation to discover the truth, wonder and mystery of the Catholic faith. As your brothers and sisters in our worldwide Catholic family, we want you back. We’ve missed you, and our Parish is not the same without you.
If you are a practicing Catholic and have decided to make St. Bruno your church home, simply call 262-965-2332, come by or visit www.stbrunoparish.com to get registered.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for NOVEMBER Christians in Asia.
That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.
Stewardship is not intangible of our sinfulness so that we seek God’s forgiving and healing love. Becoming desensitized to sin in our lives, unaware of the harm it does to our own lives, hearts, and souls. They teach us to guard against it’s you!

Why do we do that?

CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question: Our prayer group has been reading the lives of some saints and we were struck by how some of them thought they were such sinners. Why would such holy people think they had such serious sin?

Answer: Professional athletes practice the fundamentals of their sport over and over again, reaching for better form, consistency, and performance. They focus on the basics, review past performances, and visualize greater success. Practice makes better, if not perfect!

Spiritual masters such as the saints also looked for perfection. They practiced their faith in the search for holiness, grace, and virtue. Through sacraments, prayer, study, good works, and penance, they raised their sensitivity to the presence of God, the demands of the Gospel, and the workings of the Holy Spirit. They examined their consciences daily, reviewing the day for moments of failure and times they could have been more virtuous. Therefore, anything that would interfere with their relationship with God would be like a small black spot on a bright white wall—you can’t miss it! The great saints were aware of sin and the presence of evil because they were so tuned in to the struggle between good and evil fought in their own lives, hearts, and souls. They teach us to guard against becoming desensitized to sin in our lives, unaware of the harm it causes us. A goal of any spiritual practice is to become more aware of our sinfulness so that we seek God’s forgiving and healing love. Stewardship is not intangible—it’s you!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE BASILICA AND NATIONAL SHRINE OF MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS AT HOLY HILL

Come join local bands and choirs at Holy Hill as they offer their hearts and voices in joy at the coming of the Divine Child. Hartford Community Band—Dec. 3 at 3:00 PM; Lakeshore Symphonic Band—Dec. 10 at 6:00 PM; Hartland Community Chorus—Dec. 16 at 7:30 PM

Holy Hill will be hosting a Live Nativity Scene on December 17th from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Prepare for the feast of the Christ Child by meditating on His entrance into our poverty in the stable at Bethlehem. Live animals, caroling, recitations of the “Infancy Narratives” from Holy Scripture, hot chocolate, cider, and even a visit from St. Nick!

The Mass Schedule at Holy Hill for Christmas is as follows: December 24th: 4:30PM & Midnight; December 25th: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM.

On New Year’s Eve, Holy Hill will celebrate Mass at Midnight, preceded by an hour of Eucharistic Adoration at 11:00 PM. On January 1st, Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 AM & 11:00 AM.

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday, November 27: No School-Teacher In-Service
8:00 a.m. Mass/Church
8:45-10:15 a.m. Alpha/Gathering Place
5:00-6:30 p.m. 6th & 7th Girls Basketball/Gym
6:30-8:00 p.m. 5th & 6th Boys Basketball/Gym
6:30-7:30 p.m. Girl Scout Mtg/Family Room
7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous/Staff Work Room

Tuesday, November 28:
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Paul Church)
1:00 p.m. Bible Study/Three Pillars Learning Center
2:00-9:00 p.m. Adoration/Chapel
5:45-7:30 p.m. Alpha/ Mtg (St. Paul)
5:00-8:00 p.m. Cub Scout Troop 73/Gym
6:30-8:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Mtg (SP)/Science Lab
7:00-9:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Mtg (SB)/Parish Room

Wednesday, November 29:
8:45 a.m. Mass/Church
3:30-4:30 p.m. School Choir Practice/Church
5:00-6:30 p.m. 6th & 7th Girls Basketball/Gym
6:30-8:00 p.m. 5th & 6th Boys Basketball/Gym

Thursday, November 30: NOTE: Bulletin due Dec. 17
5:30-7:00 a.m. Dynamic Men’s Group/Gathering Place
9:00-11:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry/Family Room
5:30-7:30 p.m. Pickle Ball/Gym

Friday, December 1:
8:45 a.m. Mass/(St. Paul Church)
10:30 a.m. Rosary & Devotions/Three Pillars Chapel

Saturday, December 2:
10:00 a.m-Noon First Reconciliation/Church & Gathering Place
3:00 p.m. Reconciliation/Church
4:00 p.m. Mass/Church

Sunday, December 3:
9:00-10:15 a.m. Faith Formation/School
10:30 a.m. Mass/Church
4:30 p.m. Hispanic Mass/Church
7:00-9:00 p.m. Adult Basketball/Gym

UPCOMING ST. BRUNO EVENTS

Nov. 25—Dec. 17 Giving Tree collections
Dec. 2 & 3—Annual Fruit Sale PICK UP!
Dec 9 & 10—Cookie Sale! More details TBA
Dec. 16 - Helpers Needed for Christmas Décor at 10am
Apr. 21, 2018—Men Who Cook Dinner & Auction!

BEYOND OUR PARISH

Dec. 2—Magnificat Pilgrimage by bus to Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI—men & women invited, see website for details and registrations.
www.magnificatwb.com or call Terri Biertzer (262) 853-3349 or Cindy Thomae (262) 227-4590

HOLY DUSTER NEEDED

The Holy Dusters need a volunteer. Can you give the Lord approx. 1 ½ to 2 hours to help with light cleaning of our worship space? You will clean with 2 others once every 5 weeks. Please call Eileen Rudnick at 262-490-9310 for more information, or email her at elileenrud@aol.com. Thank you!!
The brown scapular is also known as the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It is the external sign of the relationship with the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Miraculous Medal was created in response to a request from the Blessed Virgin to St. Catherine Laboure’ in 1830.

St. Bruno Book Club
Next meeting of the Book Club
Tues., December 12th at 9 a.m. St. Bruno Family Room. The book for DECEMBER is:

The Widow
By Fiona Barton
The Widow is an electrifying debut thriller that will take you into the dark spaces that exist between a husband and a wife.

Did you know? Our parish website has a link to Fr. Dan’s past homilies. If you wished you would have been taking notes during his homily, you can go back to listen to Fr. Dan’s message again after mass. The link is on the right hand side of the front page of the parish website. www.stbrunoparish.com

St. Vincent De Paul
Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say: “...whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

Knowing that we find the face of Christ in the poor, this month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to serve many families, providing food, money for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

Sharing the Gospel For the Kids
Share food with the hungry. Give clothes to the poor. Visit people who are sick. Share the good news about Jesus with people who have made bad choices. Jesus came to forgive them. God will see the loving things you do. He will reward you one day in heaven.

Prayer
God, help me to share what you have given to me.

Mission for the Week
Read Matthew chapter 25, verses 31 through 46 with your family. Decide how you will make a difference. Share as Jesus asks.

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
WELCOME!
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.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

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.