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**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.

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

He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them.” - Mk 1:44
GRACE—PART 1

Recently, I read a book called Christian Philosophical Theology, which includes a chapter contrasting two basic approaches to religion throughout the world. The first—which can be found in much of the East—is a religion of karma, and the second—prominent in the Abrahamic religions of the West—is a religion of grace.

The first approach has a lot to recommend it—which explains its great endurance across the centuries. A karmic approach says that, by a cosmic spiritual law, we are punished or rewarded according to our moral activities. If we do bad things, we will suffer, either in this life or a life to come. And if we do good things, we will be rewarded, again either here or in the hereafter. Karma might not be immediate, as is the law of gravity (remember John Lennon’s playful song “Instant Karma”), but in the long run, people are rewarded or punished according to merit. And this satisfies our sense of fairness and justice.

Now a religion of grace is different. It teaches that all people are sinners and hence deserving of punishment, but that God, out of sheer generosity, gives them what they don’t deserve. Think of one of the most popular lines in Christian poetry: “Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.” In terms of a karmic religion, wretches deserve a wretched fate, and it would be unfair for wicked people to be given a great gift. But devotees of a religion of grace exult in this generosity. Think in this context of the parable of the workers hired at different times of the day or the story of the Prodigal Son. Those make sense only in a religion-of-grace context.

We must keep in mind that there is a serious objection indeed to such a understanding of religion. If grace is a gift, and if there is no real warrant for the gift, then how come only some get it and others don’t? How could it possibly be fair that some people receive the gift of eternal life—through no merit of their own—and others don’t? This complaint becomes even more acute when we realize that the Bible—from beginning to end—presents a God who chooses. God selects Abel and not Cain, Abraham and not Lot, Jacob and not Esau, David and not Saul. In fact, one of the most basic truths of the Biblical revelation is that Israel itself is a chosen people, a holy nation, a people set apart. And God insists—just to make the point clearly—that Israel was not chosen because it was the greatest, most just, most accomplished of all the peoples of the world, just the contrary. *Stay tuned to Part 2 next week*
A Night For The Arts
Support our theater arts and art programs with this unique fundraiser. Ask your friends, neighbors, uncles, aunts, grandparents and relatives to come enjoy a night of laughs. St. Bruno Parish School students will shine on stage as they perform hilarious improv acts, magic acts, music and creative acting skits.

Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 6:30pm
Waukesha Civic Theater – 264 West Main Street, Waukesha
Ticket Price - $7.00 per person
To help support our fundraiser, there will be art for sale created by St. Bruno Parish students and staff. There will also be a joke booth ($1/joke) featuring some future comedians and cookies for sale. Checks/cash only.

Save the Date
Men Who Cook Dinner & Auction
April 21, 2018
Our St. Bruno Parish School Men Who Cook Dinner/Auction themed “There’s no place like home” is being planned for April 21, 2018. This event will take place in our gathering place and gym and will include a dinner prepared by St. Bruno’s fantastic MEN (who cook!) Each chef hosts a meal for a table of 10 guests. The evening also features a silent and live auction. Please watch for the ticket sale dates as this event sells out quickly. Your Help is Needed!!

For more information, please contact: Michelle Vandenhouten at (262) 968-1741 or stbrunomwc@gmail.com or Ben Holzem (262) 965-2291

Fundraising
Ask a Scrip volunteer for information on ordering SCRIP online.
Pick-up each weekend after mass. Thanks for making your generosity part of our year-long fundraising efforts. Each SCRIP purchase helps to keep school tuition affordable.

Let us pray...
You are invited to gather for prayer on Friday evenings in Lent: Adoration begins at 5:00 pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm. Come for part or all of these Lenten traditions. This year, we will alternate parish locations, please see the schedule below.
After praying together, you are invited to stay for fellowship and food.

Soup and Stations
If you have a favorite meat-free soup recipe, you’re invited to make a big batch of it for fellowship after Stations of the Cross at St Bruno’s on February 23, March 9 or March 23. Please contact Mary Kral to pick a date that works for you.

Please note: February 23 you can also attend Living Stations of the Cross at St Bruno from 7:00-8:30 pm.

Jesus is always inviting you to go deeper in your relationship with Him. Here are some suggestions at St Bruno, St Paul (and beyond). Ask the Holy Spirit to help you choose at least one for this Lenten season. Visit our website for more details:

www.stbrunoparish.com (under Faith Formation tab)

“Catholicism”
“Discovery”
Come to mass
Dynamic Men’s Groups
Divine Mercy Cenacle
Friday night PRAYER
Living Stations of the Cross
Holy Week services
Walk the Labyrinth
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Pray in solitude
Best Lent Ever - Dynamic Catholic
FORMED.org
1% Challenge
Make a SILENT weekend retreat

Jesus is calling you, how will you answer Him this Lent?

If you’re not sure about Alpha, come and see.
♦ Tuesday mornings at 8:45am at St Pau
♦ Thursday evenings at 5:45pm at St. Bruno.
Contact Mary Kral for more information.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February
Say "No" to Corruption
That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.
Why do we do that?

CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

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Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God’s mission. Relying on God’s providence and care, no matter how difficult life becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially stricter, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish, or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning “goodbye to meat,” or Mardi Gras, literally meaning “Fat Tuesday.” The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday. Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern the poor. What are you doing for the poor this Lent?

ERAs Senior Network

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THE WORD OF THE LORD

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James 1:1-11, Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday, February 13, 2018
James 1:12-18, Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday, February 14, 2018
Joel 2:12-18, 2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, February 15, 2018
Friday, February 16, 2018
Isaiah 58:1-9a, Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday, February 17, 2018
Isaiah s 58:9b-14, Luke 5:27-32
Sunday, February 18, 2018
Genesis 9:8-15, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:12-15
www.usccb.org/nab/

WHAT IS YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?
The answer is: c
A Vicar General assists the archbishop and is responsible for a specific geographic area. He will conduct oversight in the area of governance and pastoral support to deans, pastors and parish staff. The Archdiocese of Milwaukee has 8 Vicar Generals at this time.

ST. BRUNO BOOK CLUB
Next meeting of the Book Club
Tues., February 13th at 9 a.m. St. Bruno Family Room. The book for FEBRUARY is:

The Leper Spy
by Ben Montgomery

Does your child need to be Baptized?
Please remember that all parents must attend a preparation class before their child can be baptized. If you need to attend a baptism class or need information regarding baptism, please call 965-2332 or email Mary Kral, marykral4@gmail.net

LITURGICAL PRAYER

Monday, February 12
8:00 a.m. † Maria Reuto
Tuesday, February 13
Mass at St. Paul 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 14
8:45 a.m. Mass † Elaine Schwister Marks
Thursday, February 15
8:00 a.m. Prayer with Communion/Chapel

Friday, February 16
Mass St. Paul 8:45 a.m.
Saturday, February 17
4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Bruno & St. Paul
Sunday, February 18
10:30 a.m. † Donald Dupies

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal.
Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

Sharing the Gospel For the Kids
It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school.
You can’t go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don’t feel well at all.
The man with leprosy in today’s Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

Prayer
God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I’m sick.

Mission for the Week
Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share. Give them something to read.
Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

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

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK
We never marginalize or turn our backs on those who suffer violence, oppression from unjust systems, poverty, illness, or disease. Jesus never turned anyone away, but always extended a hand of healing and compassion. He would insist on extending God’s merciful and unconditional love to all, even if it meant breaking the Sabbath or civil law. Does the way we treat others, especially those who are different than us, reflect the freedom, joy, love, and good news of the Gospel?

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018
7:00 PM

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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
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.

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.