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.

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

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

St. Bruno Parish School Christmas Concert
December 17 at 6:30 p.m. in Church

Christmas Eve | Tuesday December 24
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 | Wednesday, December 25
St. Bruno at 9:30 a.m. & St. Paul at 9:00 a.m.

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Wednesday, January 1 | Holy Day of Obligation
St. Bruno at 9:00 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord | Sunday, January 5
Regular weekend Mass St. Paul at 9:00 a.m. & St. Bruno at 10:30 a.m.
GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Who did you come to see? A version of this question is posed by Jesus many times in the Gospels. He asks it of Andrew and John when they begin to follow him. He asks it of Mary Magdalene in the garden of the resurrection. He asks it in today’s Gospel. “What did you go out to the desert to see?” There is something innately human about “seeing.” Animals have eyes — some with much more powerful vision than our own — but that’s not the kind of seeing Jesus is talking about. We could phrase the question several other ways. “What are you looking for?” “What are you longing for?” “Whom do you seek?”

It is in seeing for ourselves that our suspicions or hypotheses are confirmed, that our desires discover their fulfillment, and that we can rest for a moment in certainty. John the Baptist sought certainty of Jesus’ identity. “Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?” Jesus sends word to him based on the testimony of sight, observations of the mighty deeds Jesus has begun to work. “Go and tell John what you hear and see.”

God recognizes our desire to see. In the Incarnation, the Word is made flesh. The invisible is made visible. The supernatural is made manifest in an infant who can do little more than the most natural of movements as he feeds, cries, sleeps. We don’t need to wait for Christmas to see God. The work of God is all around us. Those blinded by sin “regain their sight.” People overcome backgrounds of poverty and violence to make world-changing contributions. Addicts grow and heal. Truth is spoken, and people listen. Let’s pray for the grace to see God’s movement in our lives this week. How have you seen the work of God?

Did you know? Our parish website has a link to Fr. Dan’s past homilies. You can go back to listen to Fr. Dan’s message. The link is on the right hand side of the front page of the parish website.

www.stbrunoparish.com

HELP NEEDED!
The Art & Environment committee needs help with décor and climbers for the upcoming holidays!
★ December 22nd — climbers needed after 10:30am mass!
★ January 11th — Christmas take down at 10:00am!
★ January 12th — climbers needed after 10:30 mass!

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

EARLY BULLETIN CUT-OFFS

Thanks in advance for your help!

| Bulletin Due Date | Bulletin Jan 5 |

Catholic Quotes—Words to Inspire the Faithful

"Our world has been filled with noise? It is time to enter into the classroom of silence." — Matthew Kelly

WELCOME TO ST. BRUNO PARISH!

This is Welcome Weekend! We will have coffee & juice after all of the Masses, along with cookies on Sat and donuts on Sun. This is also the weekend that we register New Parishioners. We welcome everyone to take this opportunity to socialize with each other.

VALET PARKING

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to provide Valet Services for those in need, from Advent through Easter. Questions, call: Arnie Uglum (262) 965-3401 or Scott Vandenhouten (262) 470-3094

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Parish Support: —November 23, 2019—November 29, 2019

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*Mortgage Balance as of 11/15/19 

St. Bruno Parish 2018-19 Annual Report: Copies of this report are available in the Parish Office. We thank God for all the gifts given to us as a Parish!

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1Peter 4:10)
ANNUAL FRUIT SALE - PICK UP IS TODAY!
Thank you for stopping by after Masses to pick up your fruit! The students thank you for your generous support! For questions, contact Tammy Price at tammy.price@stbrunoparishschool.com.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Join us for our Christmas Concert celebration in church on Tuesday, December 17th, at 6:30 PM. Come hear our St. Bruno Students sing the praises of Jesus’ birth. Our band will also be performing. Come and celebrate the season with YOUR Parish School!

NEED A STOCKING STUFFER?
Marcus Ticket and Gift Card sales are in full swing to support St. Bruno Home and School. Keep this in mind as you think of Christmas gifts. They make great stocking stuffers and a portion of sales comes back to the school. Thank you for your continued support. For the Christmas season, we will be doing weekly order and delivery. The last date to order will be December 13th delivery on December 20th.

St. Bruno is a School Choice School
Now is the time to check out St. Bruno Parish School for your child’s education next year. We offer small class sizes and teacher-led instruction in a faith-filled environment. Call the school office (262-965-2291) to schedule a tour, or for more information on the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

ROOTED WOMEN’S GROUP
Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Family Room at St. Bruno. You are invited to join a group of women interested in exploring their Catholic faith. Contact Ellen Knaflic at 262-689-7938 or Aimee Daniels at 262-993-4003 for details. Next Meeting is Tuesday, January 14th

“Help Support St. Bruno School and buy SCRIP!
Scrip is an easy way to raise money for our school without spending any extra. We have set a goal to earn $10,000. This program helps fund our great Theatre Arts program! There are several ways to order scrip including using the MyScripWallet.com website using our school’s enrollment code: 79F86E47777. Contact Mary Taggett with questions at 262-402-8323 or stbrunoscrip@gmail.com

The holidays are a big fundraising time for our school, and this year you can raise money just by giving gift cards for Christmas or just by paying for your holiday shopping with gift cards!

The Giving Tree
From November 30 – December 15 the Human Concerns Committee will be collecting gifts for the needy in our area. Look for a Christmas tree in our Gathering Place. Choose an ornament with a list of needs and then provide a gift no later than Dec 15th. Please put gift cards in the collection basket at mass or in the box on the scrip table. Place other unwrapped items in a large decorated box by the tree. Thank you for your generosity.

REMINDER: MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE ADVENT Penance Services

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITION EXPLAINED

Question: The Church teaches that, through our baptism, we are made priest, prophet, and king like Christ. What does it mean for us to be prophets in the world today?

Answer: We are indeed sharers in the threefold mission of Christ. We live our “kingship” when we serve others in justice, work for the common good in society, and overcome sin in our own lives. Our “priestly” mission is lived when we unite our lives to Christ’s sacrifice on the cross, offering them up as a gift of love. We are also called to be prophets. Our lives may not look like Isaiah and Jeremiah of old — and perhaps desert living and locust eating like St. John the Baptist might feel out of reach — but this doesn’t nullify our invitation and obligation.

As baptized Christians, we have accepted the Gospel in faith. We’re also called to proclaim the Gospel as well. This may mean by giving Christ-centered advice to another person or defending truth when it’s threatened. It also means living our faith in deeds.

St. John Paul II writes that we are “called to allow the newness and the power of the Gospel to shine out every day in [our] family and social life” (On the Lay Members of Christ’s Faithful, 14). A prophet points to a higher truth beyond himself or herself. We live prophetically when we treat others as Christ treated people and when we arrange our schedule to prioritize those to whom we have the greatest obligation, including our families, as well as the poor and vulnerable around us. We live prophetically when we think critically about the culture around us and we allow our faith to inform our public life.

Check out Relevant Radio, the Catholic talk radio station, at 100.1FM or 1640 AM.
Christmas Meal for the Homebound and Needy
Most of us are fortunate to have family and friends to share the holidays with. But there are many individuals in our area who are either homebound or alone, or just having a hard time making ends meet. On Christmas Day, we will be delivering a FREE Christmas meal to anyone who may be in this situation. Meals are prepared at St. William’s Church and available to be delivered or picked up between 11am and 1:15pm. If you or someone you know is in need, contact Marcia Slowinski at 262-798-1520 to arrange a warm meal, and a friendly visit. Requests accepted through Sat., December 14.

Sharing the Gospel With Kids
Jesus was the Messiah that the prophets said would come. The blind could see. The lame could walk. The deaf could hear. The dead were raised to life. Jesus performed many miracles to show that he was the Messiah. He was the one sent to save the world from sin. John expected Jesus to save himself. But Jesus knew that he had to die, be buried, and rise again to save you and me from our sins.
Prayer  Lord, thank you for dying on the cross for me.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE BASILICA AND NATIONAL SHRINE OF MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS AT HOLY HILL
Join us for 2 Christmas Concerts here at Holy Hill: Lakeshore Symphonic Band is on December 15th at 6:00PM. Hartford Community Chorus is on December 14th at 7:30PM.
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

Online Parish Photo Directory
FINAL Dates
Please stop by our Photo Booth in the family room before/after Mass during the following dates to have your family picture taken for our new online photo directory. We will begin at 3:00pm on Saturdays and 9:30am on Sundays. No pictures will be taken during Mass but we will resume after Mass.
★ Dec. 21/22
★ Dec. 28/29
★ Jan. 4/5
These will be the FINAL dates that we will be taking photos. If you are unable to have your picture taken you can always submit your own photo by visiting our website to upload your family picture. (The photo directory is accessible by visiting our website. Only parishioners that are presently in the directory can access it.) Questions-email Jan at janlamparski@gmail.com

UPCOMING ST. BRUNO EVENTS
Dec 21/22, 28/19, Jan 4/5 Church Directory Portraits
Nov 30-Dec 15—The Giving Tree gift collection.
Apr 25, 2020—Men Who Cook Dinner Auction. Mark your calendar!

UPCOMING ST. PAUL EVENTS
Feb. 15, 2020—St. Paul Annual Auction Dinner, Legend at Brandybrook, Wales, Register now by calling the Parish Office 262-968-3865

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS
Dec 15 Pancake Breakfast, St Peter’s School, East Troy. 7am-12pm enjoy pancakes and pictures with Santa.3001 Elm St. East Troy
Jan 10 St. James, Mukwonago Fish Fry. Every 1st Friday of month. (This being the exception.)
Jan 10 St. Theresa, Eagle Fish Fry. Every 2nd Friday of the month.
Jan 18-19 CMH Junior Crusader Boys Basketball Shootout! Open to all 5th and 3rd grade junior boys basketball teams! Full Details & Registration at: www.catholicmemorial.net and click on Youth Programs.

ST. BEN’S MEAL PROGRAM
It’s Cookie Time! These days, more people than ever are seeking assistance from the St. Ben’s Meal Program! Please bake or buy, but bring your cookie donations to The Gathering Place Kitchen on or before Sunday, Dec. 22nd before or after Mass. Thank you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK
Monday, December 16:
8:00 a.m. Mass/Church
8:30-10:30 a.m. After Alpha/Family Room
4:30-6:00 p.m. 2/3rd Grade Girls Scout Mtg/Parish Room
5:30-7:00 p.m. 6th grade Girls basketball practice/Gym
7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous/School Oasis

Tuesday, December 17:
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Paul Church)
2:00-4:00 p.m. Adoration/Chapel
5:30-7:00 p.m. 8th grade Boys basketball practice/Gym
6:30 p.m. School Christmas Concert/Church

Wednesday, December 18:
8:45 a.m. Mass/Church
3:30-4:30 p.m. School Mass Chorus/Church
5:30-7:00 p.m. 6th grade Girls basketball practice/Gym
7:00-8:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, December 19:
9:00-11:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry/Family Room
4:00-6:30 p.m. Pickle Ball/Gym

Friday, December 20:
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Paul Church)
11:30 a.m. KM Orchestra Concert/Church
5:30-7:00 p.m. 8th grade Boys basketball practice/Gym

Saturday, December 21:
3:00-6:00 p.m. Photo Booth for Parish Directory/Family Room
3:00-3:30 p.m. Reconciliation/Church
4:00 p.m. Mass/Church

Sunday, December 22:
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Photo for Parish Directory/Family Room
10:30 a.m. Mass/Church
11:30 a.m. Environment Christmas Decorating/Church
Noon-1:00 p.m. 6th Grade Basketball/Gym
3:15 p.m. St. Ben’s Meal Program/off site
THE WORD OF THE LORD

Monday, December 16, 2019
Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a, Matthew 21:23-27

Tuesday, December 17, 2019
Genesis 49:2, 8-10, Matthew 1:1-17

Wednesday, December 18, 2019
Jeremiah 23:5-8, Matthew 1:18-25

Thursday December 19, 2019

Friday, December 20, 2019
Isaiah 7:10-14, Luke 1:26-38

Saturday, December 21, 2019
Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a, Luke 1:39-45

Sunday December 22, 2019
Isaiah 7:10-14, Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

www.usccb.org/nab/

ST. BRUNO BOOK CLUB

Our Next meeting of the St. Bruno Book Club
Tues, January 14th
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
A classic since its immediate success in 1813! The romantic clash between the opinionated Elizabeth and her proud beau, Mr. Darcy, is a splendid performance of civilized sparring. This is a most superb comedy of manners of Regency England.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Vincent de Paul has so much to thank St. Bruno Parish for.... September “Thank You”

Thank you everyone who donated to our “Back-to-School” Drive. We were able to distribute 649 backpacks in Waukesha County, 400 kids received $15 Shoe Gift Cards, 21 kids received backpacks, cards & school supplies in the Dousam Area!

God Bless, The SVDP Committee

LITURGICAL PRAYER

Monday, December 16
8:00 a.m. † Steven Kuenzli
Tuesday, December 17
Mass at St. Paul 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday, December 18
8:45 a.m. † Ted DeMaire
Thursday, December 19
8:00 a.m. Prayer with Communion/Chapel

Friday, December 20
Mass at St. Paul 8:00 a.m.
Saturday, December 21
4:00 p.m. † John Matt
Sunday, December 22
10:30 a.m. † Patrick Kulinski
Parishioners of St. Bruno & St. Paul

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 8:15 a.m. Mass.
The Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel is open 24/7 for private prayer.
Eucharistic Adoration is every Tuesday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Third Sunday of Advent
In today’s Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched felt and heard through the lives of God’s people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus’s, but we can’t just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor can know the good news of Jesus.

SVDP NEEDS YOU!
St. Vincent de Paul is desperately in need of volunteers to help out at their 2 stores in Waukesha County, one hour or one day whatever you can offer.

You can use hours for:
• Confirmation service hours
• Community service hours
• Just to help others!

Call SVDP Coordinator: Amber Fischer (262) 563-0761 or the store at (262) 354-8584

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Do you ever feel inwardly dry and parched? Where do you turn to gain a refreshed sense of being and purpose? Just as we often do not refresh our physical bodies with what is healthiest, we make the same mistake with our soul. We do not always reach for the healthiest spiritual food. We confuse our inner dryness with something else and reach out for the wrong thing. It is no wonder why so many people are lost and confused. We will never be completely satisfied or whole this side of our journey. A good measure of patience and waiting is needed as we hope for the rain water of God’s presence to fall upon us. When are we going to finally realize that Jesus is the One who has come to refresh us, and we no longer have to search for another? Our souls will find refreshment and rest only when they rest in God.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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Email: jim@jconstruction.net
www.jconstruction.net

Please support our Advertiser of the Week, J & J Construction
See their full sized ad in this bulletin.

DAILY ADVENT CHALLENGE

Today, send a Christmas card, a personal note, or an email to someone you haven’t spoken to in awhile and tell them you are praying for them during this season. Then, of course, begin praying for them.

ST. PAUL MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Weekdays:
Tuesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.
Reconciliation: 2nd & 4th Saturday
10:00 a.m. or by appointment

Pray for all military, first responders and their families. May God keep them
We are delighted that you have come to join us in the celebration of the Mass. We invite you to join our faith community and become members of St. Bruno Parish.

For your convenience we have a Welcome Weekend every third weekend of the month. It is an opportunity for interested individuals to discuss becoming a member of St. Bruno Parish. If you would prefer, we also invite you to call our Parish Office at 262-965-2332 to set up an appointment with one of our staff members to discuss becoming a St. Bruno Parishioner Member. We sincerely hope you give serious consideration to becoming a member of St. Bruno Parish.

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE & ASSISTANCE INFORMATION**

**Mass – The Eucharist**
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Daily Mass: Monday: 8:00 a.m. & Wednesday 8:45 a.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 mkral@stpaulgenesee.net

**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

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**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.