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

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.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD | DECEMBER 25, 2019

Merry Christmas
Pastor Dan’s Weekly Message

Christmas Blessing

We thank and praise God today for the miracle of Jesus Christ’s birth. His birth is the source of our great joy for the whole world! We thank God for giving us the assurance that because Jesus came to us in the form of a human being, we who believe in Jesus can know with absolute certainty that we’ll spend eternity with Him. May you and your family be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. May the timeless message of Christmas fill your heart and home with joy now and throughout the coming year.

Merry Christmas!

Fr. Dan

Special Thank You from Fr. Dan

I want to extend a very special thank you to all the people who helped to make our Advent Season as well as our Christmas Masses a great spiritual experience. Everything about the Advent Season, as well as Christmas was so well done because so many people shared their prayers, talents, and treasure, which is Stewardship in action! I also want to thank all the members of our Prayer and worship Committee as well Art and Environment for all their hard work in planning for Advent as well as for Christmas.

~Fr. Dan

Holiday Parish Office Hours

Tuesday December 24th: Office Closed
Wednesday December 25th: Office Closed

Merry Christmas!

Tuesday December 31st: Office Closed
Wednesday January 1st: Office Closed

Happy New Year!

End of Year Notice:

Parish Books will close on December 31st, 2019. Federal law prohibits churches from crediting donations received in 2020 back to prior calendar year. Donations must be postmarked by December 31st, 2019 to be credited to your 2019 donations. Thank you for your faithful support of our Parish.

Catholic Quotes—Words to Inspire the Faithful

"The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.”

— John 1:14

Christmas 2019

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father’s only Son, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This verse from John’s Gospel beautifully depicts the wonder, awe and joy of Christmas, for God has made his dwelling among us. What we celebrate is truly remarkable. Our God is not distant, removed, or even unfamiliar to us. Rather, our God is personal, interested and devoted to each one of us.

The scene at Bethlehem on that first Christmas night may appear to be quite different from the Christmas scenes you and I will celebrate with family and friends, but little has changed in 2,000 years. Our world is still marked by suffering and pain; people are still swept away from believing by doubt and despair; and the business and distractions of this life still offer little room for faith and devotion. Yet, God still dwells among us; we still see his glory … full of grace and truth. Each Christmas, our hearts become the little manger in Bethlehem, welcoming God in the most humble of surroundings.

There is not a more worthy place for God to dwell than in a heart fully given to Him. This is the greatest “gift-exchange” imaginable: He offers us His life and we offer Him our love. During this blessed Christmas season, I pray that all of us, together, can more fully enter into this exchange. Let us approach the sacraments with new fervor and devotion. Let us reach out of our comfortable lifestyles and give to those less fortunate. Let us, united in the love of Christ, seek to share that love with those who have yet to encounter it. May God bless you and your families this Christmas.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki
Archbishop of Milwaukee

Giving Online is available through We Share!
Visit our Parish website www.stbrunoparish.com and click the online GIVING box.

Stewardship Corner

Parish Support: —November 30, 2019—December 6, 2019
Regular Parish Support (envelopes/electronic, etc.) ........... $12,430
Offertory .................................................. $709
Children’s Offertory ........................................... $7
Total .................................................................... $13,146

*Excludes any form of extraordinary income for both years.

Year to Date Last Year to Date
7/1/19-12/06/19: .................................. $253,698 .................. $248,801
Regular Parish Support*............... $206,146 .................. $206,873
Offertory:........................... $11,964 .................. $11,866
Children’s Offertory:............. $282 .................. $206
Total: ...................................... $265,944 .................. $260,783

Mortgage Balance as of 11/1519 ............... $248,391

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)
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!

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!

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.

SANTA SHOP – THANK YOU!
The children had a great time shopping for their family members for Christmas and are excited to see their faces when they open their gifts. Thank you to the school and parish families who donated items for the students to have this experience. We are already accepting items for next year’s event. You can place donations in the box located in the coat room off of the Gathering Place. Thank you again to everyone and have a great Christmas!

Do your holiday shopping with GI/G332 cards!
Giving GI/G332 cards for Christmas or just by paying for school, and this year you can raise money just by paying 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 (262-402-8323) to schedule a tour, or for more information on the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

YOUR Faith Life is a Story
Gatherings of family/friends during this Holy season often include memories and stories of people and past events which are kept alive in our hearts by the telling; they remind us of how we BELONG to each other. When you gather together in the next few weeks, share stories of your faith to let others know what you BELIEVE. We only know about faith because someone told us. Invite Grandma or your favorite aunt or your goofy uncle to share their faith story of God at work in their lives. Do your kids know why you chose those particular people to be your godparents? Have you shared a significant God moment with your brother/your parent/your friend? They won’t know how God touched you if you don’t tell them. And maybe YOUR story will help them grow closer to our Lord to help them BECOME the person God created them to be. Our parishes recently hosted a talk about how our faith lives are a story, see the video on the parish website. Use the reflection questions in your gatherings as springboards for conversation. Share the song Make Room by Casting Crowns (YouTube) about making room in your heart for God to write His story. Keep our faith alive by keeping Christ in Christmas with your stories of faith - if you don’t tell them, they won’t know. (Check back for story sharing for Lent.)

Is there more to life than this?
Alpha is coming, January 2020

Family Class
Each month our students enrolled in K-8 Faith Formation along with their PARENTS gather together for Family Class. For the December class, we learned all about St. Nicholas. Saint Nicholas was a Bishop who lived in the fourth century in the area now known as Turkey. Saint Nicholas did many good things for people. He offered money at the door of needy families. Whenever he did a kind act, he did it in secret. Throughout the years, many different countries have given their own take on Saint Nicholas, which includes the jolly elf that we know as Santa Claus. Students made red bishops miters (hats) to remind them of the generosity and kindness of St. Nicholas. In this precious season of Christmas, follow the example of Saint Nicholas, do a kind act in secret for someone.

All the best to you and your family,
from St. Bruno Faith Formation

December 22, 2019

Saint Bruno Parish
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In Memory of:  
Rob Nissen
Lorraine & Joseph Kusztal
Steve Daniel
Frank Kaul
Charles & Clara Drakos
Patty Ann Drakos
Ted Bares
Joe Foltz
Shane Foltz
Dan & Edna Lauer
Dan Lauer, Jr.
Tom Volkmann
Jean Von Bereghy
Joseph Hubery
Joannie Temple
Steven Kuenzl
Paul & Marlene Lagalbo
Frank Matysiak
Craig Matysiak
Gerald Romary
Lucille Romary
Thomas Romary
Carol Michel
Lillian Michel
Richard Petzke
William Sr & Martha Moskaluk
Harold & Ruth Clark
John & Myrtle Condon
William & Helen Neubert

By:
Mary Bacon
Barb Berke
Mary Daniel
Mary Daniel
Jim Drakos
Jim Drakos
Jim Drakos
Betty Foltz
Betty Foltz
Betty Foltz
Betty Foltz
Debbie Hendrick
Debbie Hendrick
Erna Hubery
Sue James
Joseph & Shila Kuenzl
Paul & Pam Lagalbo
Carmela Matysiak
Carmela Matysiak
Michelle Michel
Michelle Michel
Michelle Michel
Michelle Michel
Michelle Michel
Diana Petzke & Moskalux Family
William & Mary Ann Moskaluk
William & Mary Ann Moskaluk
Chuck & Barb Neubert
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In Memory of:
Race Family
Sabljak Family
Dragan Family
Ray & Mary Krumvieda
Carol Markhardt, Pats & Gerald Liebrich
Alvin & Florence Schwister
Elaine (Schwister) Marks
Ralph Schwister
Bob Wallis
Ron & Mary Siepman
Eugene Staacke
Eileen Robinson
Joan & Floyd Sutton
Ugum Family
Gregory Vock
Beaudoin & Welch Families
Mary Ellen Wiczynski
Susan O’Donnel
Angie Harris
Herb & Myrtle Mundschau

By:
James & Jeannie Race
James & Jeannie Race
James & Jeannie Race
Amy Ross & Terrisa Laurin
Amy Ross & Terrisa Laurin
Wayne Schwister
Wayne Schwister
Wayne Schwister
Jim & Sue Sieppmann
Jim & Sue Sieppmann
Ed Staacke Family
Ed Staacke Family
David Sutton
Arnie Uglum
Janice Vock
Juliette Welch
Robert & Florence Wiczynski
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Larry & Liz Williams

In a recent survey, 50% of “non-church-going” Americans said they would go to church on Christmas if they were invited. Please invite your loved ones to celebrate the birth of Christ with us. We’ll make sure they want to come back to hear the rest of His story. Please consider offering a smile (or your seat) to a visitor - let’s share our joy with those who may not know Him this Christmas season.

In Honor of:
Charles Michael Drakos
Karen & Bill Freres
Jennifer Steczak
Cross Murphy
Diamond Murphy
Marks/Schwister Families
Teachers & Staff of St. Bruno School

By:
Jim Drakos
Taylor Moll
Taylor Moll
Steve & RJ Murphy
Steve & RJ Murphy
Wayne Schwister
School Friend

Christmas Flowers

In Honor of:                                       By:
Teachers & Staff of St. Bruno School
Marks/Schwister Families
Jennifer Steczak
Karen & Bill Freres
Charles Michael Drakos
Angie Harris
Herb & Myrtle Mundschau

In Honor of:
Bill & Mary Markhardt, Pats & Gerald Liebrich
Robert & Florence Wiczynski
Robert & Florence Wiczynski
Larry & Liz Williams

By:
Jane & Ron Race
Steve & RJ Murphy
Wayne Schwister
School Friend

UPCOMING ST. BRUNO EVENTS
Dec 21/22, 28/19, Jan 4/5 Church Directory Portraits
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.
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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday, December 23:
8:00 a.m. Mass/Church
8:30-10:30 a.m. After Alpha/Family Room
5:30-7:00 p.m. 6th grade Girls basketball practice/Gym
7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous /School Oasis

Tuesday, December 24:
2:00-4:00 p.m. Adoration/Chapel
4:00 p.m. Mass/Church
6:30 p.m. Mass/Church

Wednesday, December 25:
9:30 a.m. Mass/Church

Thursday, December 26:
9:00-11:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry/Family Room
4:00-6:30 p.m. Pickle Ball/Gym

Friday, December 27:
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Paul Church)
5:30-7:00 p.m. 8th grade Boys basketball practice/Gym

Saturday, December 28:
3:00-6:00 p.m. Photo Booth for Parish Directory/Family Room
4:00 p.m. Mass/Church

Sunday, December 29:
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Photo for Parish Directory/Family Room
10:30 a.m. Mass/Church
THE WORD OF THE LORD

Monday, December 23, 2019
Tuesday, December 24, 2019
2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Luke 1:67-79
Wednesday, December 25, 2019
Isaiah 52:7-10, John 1:1-18 or John 1:1-5, 9-14
Thursday December 26, 2019
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Matthew 10:17-22
Friday, December 27, 2019
1 John 1:1-4, John 20:1a, 2-8
Saturday, December 28, 2019
1 John 1:5—2:2, Matthew 2:13-18
Sunday December 29, 2019
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14, Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23
www.usccb.org/nab/

LITURGICAL PRAYER

Monday, December 23
8:00 a.m. † Maria Reuto
Tuesday, December 24
4:00 p.m. † Marilyn Bianchi
Wednesday, December 25
9:30 a.m. † Charles & Clara Drakos
† Patty Ann Drakos & Ted Bares
Thursday, December 26
8:00 a.m. Prayer with Communion/Chapel
Friday, December 27
Mass at St. Paul 8:00 a.m.
Saturday, December 28
4:00 p.m. † Ray Russ
Sunday, December 29
10:30 a.m. † Donald Riesner

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. 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....
October “Thank You”
God Bless everyone who contributed to our “Baby Bottle” Drive. We donated $2,600 To “SAVE our BABIES” Life Connections!
God Bless, The SVDP Committee

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

Pray for all military, first responders and their families. May God keep them

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Fourth Sunday of Advent
In today’s Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like him: more humble, more holy, more happy and more full of God.
Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul helped those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel and they also came to know that “God is with us.”

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever asked God for a sign? What were you hoping to see? Signs validate our experience and give us assurance and direction. We tend to equate God’s signs with miraculous or marvelous events. We even sometimes look for small gestures as signs that God is confirming a particular experience or choice we are making. Being overly preoccupied with receiving these kinds of signs from God can often signal a lack of faith. Is there anything that can convince us that God is real and with us on our journey? Yes. God’s sign has already been given: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall name him Emmanuel. Emmanuel, God with us, is God’s most perfect sign and the only one we need. Our incarnate God is all we need to set us straight and validate our experience. Only Jesus can direct us to the Father, to our self, one another, and our world. When our lives are conformed to His, nothing else is needed.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Please support our Advertiser of the Week, G-Brock’s Auto Repair
See their full sized ad in this bulletin.

December 22, 2019
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SAINT BRUNO PARISH


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Paul Tabat: 262-965-3453

**Maintenance**
Kurt Hendrick: 262-965-2332

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**FORMED.org** Free Resources!

Our parishioners/families are able to find, FOR FREE, children’s movies, family movies, study guides, podcasts, downloadable books, and so much more. www.formed.org parish code 274255.

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**Welcome!**

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.

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**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.