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.

All Masses and activities have been cancelled. Please visit our website www.stbrunoparish.com for additional updates.

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Circle of Life
Please pray for our friends and fellow parishioners who have entered into ETERNAL LIFE during the month of April.

Craig Matysiak  Richard McDonald
John Beres, Sr.  Jeff Runingen
Michael Shaske  Leo Wondra
Robert Ricciardi  Dan Reardon
Kaitlin Condon  Andrew Giesen
Michael Jones  

Monitoring the Corona Virus
Our number one priority is the safety and well being of all our community members. We will continue to update our WEBSITE with changes as new developments arise here at St. Bruno’s. Please note: our website will be the most up to date, information in this bulletin is subject to change. Our Lady, pray for us.

Office Manager Steve
There is no question that everybody’s world has been in significant turmoil since the outbreak of the Covid19 virus. Individuals and families are having to make significant changes and accommodations to their everyday life. These changes have affected both the lifestyle habits and finances of the family. At St. Bruno, although the church and school are closed to the public, there continues to be much activity behind the scenes by the staff to maintain a connection with the school and parish families. The School Staff continues to work to provide online educational materials and service to the students. The Parish Staff members are working to provide current information to our parishioners through our website, Facebook, Flocknote and mailings. We have been providing broadcasts of masses and information for continued spiritual growth. Much of the staff is working from home to help maintain social distancing. Our maintenance personnel have been continually working to keep our facility sanitized and clean, which is still a significant effort even with the small amount of staff in the building. They are also sanitizing the Adoration Chapel multiple times a day.

Because of all of this activity, St. Bruno, like all of you, is continuing to experience expenses that are necessary to keep our school, parish and faith community active. Beyond the payroll and benefit expenses, we still have the utilities, mortgage and other fixed expenses that do not stop because we have closed our facility to the public. We would ask that, if you are able, to continue to support St. Bruno with your donations. In the previous article, we outlined the possible ways for you to continue to financially support our church family. Please give this prayerful consideration.

Pastor Dan’s Message

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

As we continue on during this pandemic, communication is very important. Our team has started publishing the weekend Mass and a Wednesday Mass. Last week, we also started posting daily videos with the theme “Stay Spiritually Strong.” The videos are about a variety of relevant topics to think, pray, and talk about with family and friends. The bulletin continues to be a source of information and our parish staff are also utilizing a wide variety of ways to communicate with their ministries. It is the first time many of us have used apps like “Zoom” to stay connected and meet virtually.

In light of our current social isolation, it’s important to help each other remain connected to our faith community and most importantly to Jesus Christ. Please continue to visit our www.stbrunoparish.com for the latest information. And reach out to any pastoral staff with your questions and concerns. We are praying for you during this time!

Stay Spiritually Strong,
Fr. Dan

Born To Eternal Life
Elaine Ottman  Robert Polster
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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School News

We have begun our third week of remote learning. We are seeing great things and recognizing challenges. The great things include that we got up and running right away to keep our students learning from home. Among the challenges are: motivating all students to do their work, and to do their best work. The teachers feel they can influence their students more when they are in the same square foot of space! We are also working creatively to support parents with their challenging job of double or triple duty.

In the interest of student progress on core academics, the expectations for special area classes - art, music, physical education and Spanish for grades 4-8 have been temporarily reduced. After Easter we will reevaluate the progress of core academics - Math, Reading, Writing, Science, Social Studies, Religion - and see if the special classes can again be more active. We DO maintain the importance of those classes!

St. Bruno teachers and parents are working very hard AND creatively, making use of multiple forms of technology. Teachers meet twice weekly through Google Meet to share needs and solutions. Daily prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, announcements and reciting of our daily school pledge, ‘The Wildcat Way,’ are alternated by Mrs. MacDonald and Mrs. Price. Our character trait for April, Empathy, begins on Thursday. Example: “I have empathy for our school parents who are working hard to add ‘teacher’ to their job description!” And, from the parents’ point of view: “Oh man, I have empathy for how hard our teachers work all the time!”

Mary MacDonald, Principal, St. Bruno Parish School
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Child and Family Ministry

“While the world changes, the cross stands firm”

What powerful words for us to ponder from our patron Saint Bruno! Life feels so different right now, but the great love that Jesus has for all of us will never falter.

After a week in my home office, the routine is feeling good. Setting a daily schedule has been essential. Finding new ways to minister to my families has been challenging but am finding success. Thank goodness for technology.

Last week the report that we were still planning on May 2 for First Communion. The Archbishop told us that reception of all sacraments is postponed until the health crisis is over. If you picked a prayer partner, please continue to pray for that child. You will be contacted with the child’s home address so that you can send a card through the mail.

As we get ready to celebrate Holy Week in a new way, let us remember the difficult road Jesus walked during his last week on the Earth. These are words shared by Fr. Luke Strand: “In suffering you tend to see the darkness, but when you walk with the Lord he reveals the light in His time.” Keep your focus on Jesus, it’s okay to feel scared, frustrated or whatever emotion you are feeling—just tell Him—He is walking with you!

As always, keeping the Saint Bruno families in my prayers. What a celebration it will be when we gather together at the banquet again!

Be sure to check the parish website for updates: stbrunoparish.com

We also have an official parish Facebook Page which offers practical tips to help your family remain faithful. You can access the Facebook Page through the parish website.

Contact me:
Amy Golden—aldgolden@gmail.com

Hello Everyone,

Our high school students are busy exploring online opportunities to stay rooted in Christ and here are a few of the things we have going on:

- On Sunday evenings we will continue to join Project YM Live.
- New this week we will connect with Life Teen on Wednesday evenings for Lectio Live to pray through one of the upcoming Sunday readings.
- Ascension Presents with Father Mike Schmitz is a great resource. Father Mike addresses a wide range of topics and answers questions pertaining to our faith, the Catholic Church and some of life’s big questions.
- Praying daily the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- We joined Pope Francis in prayer.

We continue to hold all of you in our prayers! If you have any questions, please let me know.

Blessings, Jennifer Geisler, jgeisler@stpaulgenesee.net

We BELONG to a parish and we can all use FORMED.org. There are so many movies, books, studies for adults as well as many opportunities for children to help us deepen what we

BELIEVE. SIGN IN at upper right corner, "I am part of an organization", enter our parish code 274255. If want to enter the parish name, it is St Paul (with a Waukesha listing and FYI, this account is shared by St Paul and St Bruno).

One of our small groups recently completed a study on the Holy Spirit entitled "Wild Goose," check it out! Another group studied our Blessed Mother using "The Bible and the Virgin Mary." Or tune in Brother Francis with your children (or via remote visits with the grandchildren, godchildren, nieces, nephews as you watch it together). What a way to help you all BECOME the ones God created you to be!

Mary Kral, mkral@stpaulgenesee.net
Praying the Rosary

Make the Sign of the Cross.
1. Holding the Crucifix, say the **Apostles' Creed**.
2. On the first bead, say an **Our Father**.
3. Say one **Hail Mary** on each of the next three beads.
4. Say the **Glory Be**
5. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery (perhaps followed by a brief reading from Scripture) then say the **Our Father**.
6. While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten **Hail Marys** while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a **Glory Be**. (After finishing each decade, say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.*)

After saying the five decades, say the **Hail, Holy Queen,**
Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to you we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

followed by this dialogue and prayer:

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Conclude the Rosary with the Sign of the Cross.

You can find more direction and the prayers on


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From Deacon Joe

**Making the most of a scary situation.**

Sisters and Brothers,

Walking through the grocery store these day can be more than you bargain for. I was with my wife Elizabeth Sunday evening doing our usual shopping when I passed by a couple going the opposite way. As we passed one of the other individuals looked at us and said in a clear and firm although concerned voice, “6 feet, stay apart 6 feet”. Well if you have been through Pick n’ save lately you know the aisles are only 6 feet from side to side so there really is no place to go that you can maintain 6 feet. The other person’s cohort realizing it said politely, “there is only 6 feet honey, we will need to make do”.

That’s our new normal these days but we can make do and even grow from all these challenges. Our time alone can allow us to expand our prayer life or allow us to catch up on some excellent faith filled reading. There is wonderful internet resources during our self-induced isolation that can be a faith retreat including the Archdioceses of Milwaukee’s personal spiritual retreat opportunities and many more.

In the end of all this crisis we have the opportunity to come away better for the time spent apart. How we spend it will be the deciding factor. Please find a productive way to make do with our current situation. Be productive and stay healthy while on this journey and we all will come away feeling better for the experience.

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**News from Archdiocese**

“Go to Archdiocese website for resources to keep you in touch with your faith, see [https://www.archmil.org/evangelization/Courageous-Communion/Resources--Inspiration.htm](https://www.archmil.org/evangelization/Courageous-Communion/Resources--Inspiration.htm)

The bishops of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will be offering “Daily Reflections,” beginning with Archbishop Listecki. The Archbishop explains: “We want to begin a moment of reflection every day … encouraging you, and having you understand the spiritual dimension of the crisis we are going through.” We hope that you will join us by watching these daily reflections and sharing them with your community. May God bless you!

[https://www.archmil.org/archdiocese-milwaukee/home.htm](https://www.archmil.org/archdiocese-milwaukee/home.htm)

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Masses for homebound Catholics air every Sunday at 5:30 a.m. on WITI, Channel 6 and 9 a.m. on WCGV, Channel 24.

Check out Relevant Radio, the Catholic talk radio station, at 100.1FM or 1640 AM.
THE WORD OF THE LORD

Monday, April 6
Isaiah 42:1-7, John 12:1-11
Tuesday, April 7, 2020
Isaiah 49:1-6, John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday, April 8, 2020
Isaiah 50:4-9a, Matthew 26:14-25
Thursday April 9, 2020
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-15
Friday, April 10, 2020
Saturday Vigil, April 11, 2020
Sunday, April 12, 2020

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The flesh is our old self of yesterday and the one we left behind in baptism. It is the self of doubts and fears, sin and error, reluctance, untamed passion, and errors in judgment. It is also the self of missed opportunities and roads untraveled. Although we were baptized many years ago, every day is another day to live, not according to the flesh of yesterday with its regrets and misgivings, but rather to live the life of the spirit of today and tomorrow. The burdens of our personal baggage and of life itself can weigh us down. The love of Jesus Christ and the life of the spirit can pick us up, refresh us, and provide us with the hope for new opportunities and discoveries. Because we have been baptized in Christ, we need not be anxious about what we did or did not do yesterday or anxious about what will come tomorrow. We need only to seek out the love that is before us, around us, and in us and learn.

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