

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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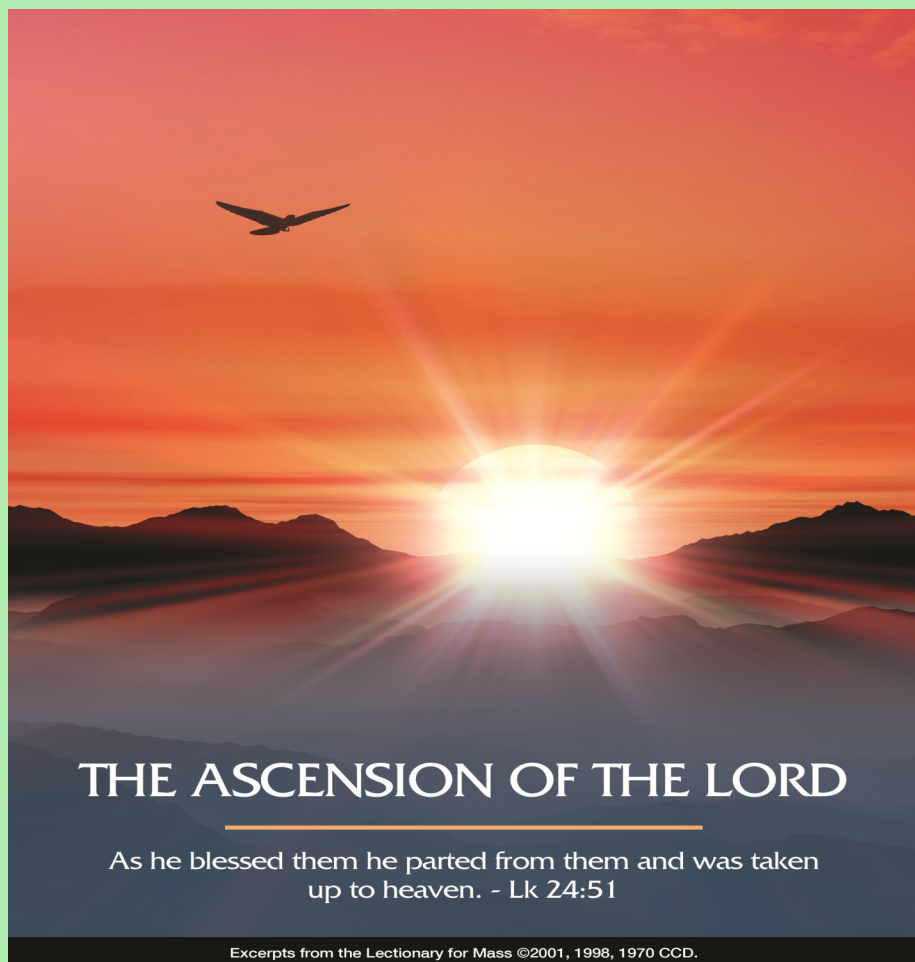
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## VISION:

Love God, Love others, and form disciples for Jesus.

## MISSION:

To build a Catholic Community that discovers Jesus, follows Jesus, worships Jesus, and shares Jesus with others.



## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. - Lk 24:51

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## June 2, 2019

### Call Parish Office For Sacramental Prep

Baptism • Marriage • RCIA

(920) 487-5005 Ext#100

### Confessions according to schedule

and Confessions and Sacrament of Anointing anytime by request.

Contact Father Amadi (920) 487-5005 Ext# 3

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Parish Access  
Code:

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## St. Mary Mass Schedule



### Saturday, June 1

7:00 am **Adoration**  
 8:05 am † Gilbert Meister  
 8:45 am **Confessions**  
 5:30 pm For the People of the Parish

### Sunday, June 2

8:15 am † Leonard & Marie Feuerstein

### Tuesday, June 4

7:00 am **Adoration**  
**8:05 am** † Special Intention

### Wednesday, June 5

**8:05 am** Mass at Holy Rosary, Kewaunee

### Thursday, June 6

7:00 am **Adoration**  
 7:40 am Pray the Rosary  
 8:05 am † Iona Massey  
 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Adoration & Confessions

### Friday, June 7

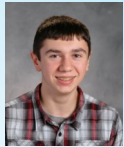
7:00 am **Adoration**  
**8:05 am** † Erwin LaLuzerne

### Saturday, June 8

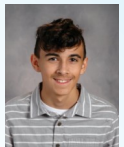
7:00 am **Adoration**  
 8:05 am † Jean Krueger  
 8:45 am **Confessions**  
 5:30 pm † Bradley Delahaut

### Sunday, June 9

8:15 am For the People of the Parish



Hi, my name is Leyton Haegele, and I have been at St. Mary School since kindergarten. When I came to this school I was very shy, but St. Mary School helped me with socializing and learning to do the right things. I have learned a lot of things and made a lot of friends during my nine years here. The small classes helped make it easier for me to learn since the teachers don't have to focus on so many kids. Thank you to everyone who helped to provide me with my education.



Hi, my name is Alex Kaminski and I've been going to St. Mary School for 12 years. In these years I have been taught and religiously guided by the teachers and the priests. The fact that everyone is close enough to be friends with each other helps a lot. Thank you to all of the school's staff and St. Mary parish community for helping me through the years.



Hi, my name is Emily Kirchman, and I am an eighth grader at St. Mary School. I have been going to St. Mary for 11 years, since preschool. In the past 11 years, I have been taught many things that are enhancing my education and friendships with the people around me. I would like to thank the parish community of St. Mary School and the teachers who have put so much effort into the growth of the students.



## Saint Mary Parish Lights June 2 - 8

Steeple: John & Rosie Meyer  
 Tabernacle: John & Rosie Meyer  
 Grotto: John & Rosie Meyer

## This Week at St. Mary

### Wednesday, June 5

**6:30 pm Adult Catholic Christian Formation** in the Knights of Columbus room.

### Thursday, June 6

**6:00 pm Rosary Society Meeting** in the Rosary Society Room.

Pot Luck following the meeting.

Committee Chair Persons: Leanne Classon & Jean Rankin

Committee members: Bonnie Junio, Karen Jakimczyk, Jamie Stangel, and Cindy Vertz

New members are always welcome to come.



## Readings for the Week of June 1 & 2

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53  
 7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26  
 Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33  
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a  
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19  
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26  
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19  
 Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [cf.7b]/Jn 21:20-25  
 Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39.  
 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [12]/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 55, 56 [52b] or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf.30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39.  
 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26



### May 25 & 26

Stewardship & Loose Collection	\$	3050.46
School Operating Support	\$	0.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	\$	0.00
Missionary Cooperation Plan	\$	354.50

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on your graduation! This is a beautiful and deeply gratifying moment in your lives and in the lives of your loved ones as, indeed, it should be. It is the end of a chapter and the beginning of another in the amazing story of your lives. I want you to know that your families and this community of faith love you and are so very proud of you.

As you come to this significant moment in your lives, do not forget to take the time to thank your parents and loved ones. They have stood by you and surrounded you with their love, support and encouragement. They have also made sacrifices for you in so many ways so that you can experience the joy of your graduation. Please do not take their love for granted.

As you move on to the next phase of your lives, I would like to share a few words with you, to help you along your journey. Speaking of journeys, a verse from one of my favorite hymns called *the Servant Song* has these memorable lines: "We are pilgrims on a journey/We are travelers on the road/We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load." Isn't that why we belong to a community of faith?

Do not forget to use your gifts and talents to serve God and others. Service to God and others are the keys to joyful and meaningful lives. A German theologian, Albert Schweitzer, addressing his students as they are about to graduate, has this to say: "I do not know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve." Put simply, the most joyful people in the world are those who have sought and found ways to serve. Self-centered and stingy people are among the most miserable. Moreover, when we give of our time, talent and treasure, we receive infinitely more. "It is in giving that we receive," St. Francis of Assisi wrote in his inspirational prayer, "Lord make me an instrument of your peace."

Remember that from the person to whom much is given, much is expected. When I was a youngster, my mother never tired of saying those words to me and my siblings. You have been given so many wonderful opportunities in this beautiful country you have been fortunate to be born in, to become absolutely anything to which you set your mind. Do not forget how privileged you are! Please use the many advantages and opportunities that life in this country offers you to make the world a better place.

Take the time to appreciate the little things in life. This almost sounds like a cliché but it is important. God is often to be found in the seemingly insignificant and ordinary details in life, the small things. "*The God of Small Things*," is incidentally the title of an award-winning novel by the acclaimed Indian novelist, Arundhati Roy. I recommend it.

Take the time to grow in your faith and to cultivate a relationship with Jesus Christ. Why is this important? It is because you will need the inner light, guidance and strength that only God can give, for the times in your life when challenges and difficulties arise. You will need your faith as an anchor of stability when storms and tempest come,

### Saint Mary Parish Summer Office Hours (June 11 to Aug. 26)

Mon. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

Tues. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

Wed. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

Thurs. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

**Parish Office will be closed on Friday, Saturday,  
Sunday and Holidays.**

as they surely will, at some point in your life. This is one of the few guarantees in life.

Having a relationship with God sustains you and keeps you grounded. You will feel lost without it. How do you build this relationship? Through prayer, study and doing the works of mercy. There is no better way to grow in prayer than by making the effort to come to Sunday Mass. You cannot do it on your own. None of us can. Reading about the faith is also a great way to continue to learn and grow in it. It is a great sadness that many Catholics today, who are advanced and sophisticated in many other aspects of their lives, still have a six grade level of religious education. Little wonder that they sooner or later cast it aside. As one of my former seminary professors used to say, "Faith won't grow, if you don't want to know." Do not be indifferent to the lives of others. Do something to help those less fortunate than you. Be involved. You will be surprised by how much your faith will grow in the process.

Finally, I will end this letter with a poem by an unknown author, entitled, "Take Time."

*Take time to think;  
It is the source of power.  
Take time to read;  
It is the foundation of wisdom.  
Take time to play;  
It is the secret of staying young.  
Take time to be quiet;  
It is the opportunity to seek God.  
Take time to be aware;  
It is the opportunity to help others.  
Take time to love and be loved;  
It is God's greatest gift.  
Take time to laugh;  
It is the music of the soul.  
Take time to be friendly;  
It is the road to happiness.  
Take time to dream;  
It is what the future is made of.  
Take time to pray;  
It is the greatest power on earth.*

May God richly bless you as you conclude this exciting chapter of your life stories and begin another. May it be even more exciting and life-giving. Please know of my love, prayers and best wishes. Once again, Congratulations!

In Christ,  
Rev. Fr. Alvan Amadi

