

# Catholic Faith Communities of



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The weekly bulletin can be found on the website

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### MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Clarks Mills, and St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Whitelaw, in union with the Roman Catholic Church, inspire all to grow as followers of Jesus Christ through the sacraments, faith education and social outreach to our members and the wider community.

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 29, 2020

### Mass Schedule

#### ST. MARY

Saturday: 5:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:30 AM (Confessions 7:45-8:15)  
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:15 AM

#### ST. MICHAEL

Saturday: 4:00 PM (Confessions 3:15-3:45)  
Sunday: 10:30 AM  
Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 AM

Confession also available upon request

St. Mary Parish – 775-4365

For Emergency – (920) 629-9770 – Fr. Dick's cell  
Parish Secretary: Casey Braun - 775-4365  
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 11-3  
St Mary/St Michael Principal: George Smith 775-4366  
Director of Religious Education:  
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876  
Parish Council Chair: Lisa Sherman - 629-0013

St. Michael Parish – 732-3901

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Director of Religious Education:  
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876  
Parish Council Chair: Lois Kiel – 973-0290

**GETTING MARRIED?** Please call the parish office soon after you are engaged to begin the marriage preparation process, which is geared for your married life together, not simply the wedding day. Preparation is to begin at least nine months before the wedding, according to diocesan policy.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Parents are asked to begin preparing for their child's Baptism early. Please contact Fr. Dick for an appointment to facilitate the preparation.

**COMMUNION/VISITS FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Please contact the parish office to arrange for Communion to be brought to the homebound and for regular visits by Fr. Dick.

**PLEASE USE SCRIP: Available – St. Mary:** At all weekend masses; in the school office: Mon.- Fri. 8:00-3:00. For large or special orders call Jean Shimon at 758-2276 by Saturday evening. Order form is available on website.

**St. Michael:** ½ hour until 10 minutes before weekend masses and after mass; in the parish office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9-noon; or by contacting Colleen at 732-3115. Order form is available on website.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Nov 28 – DEC 6**

### Saturday, November 28

4:00 PM (SM) Howard  
Brunner

5:30 PM (IC) Living &  
Deceased Members of  
Reedsville Knights of  
Columbus #5798

### Sunday, November 29

8:30 AM (IC) Florence  
Conway & the Living &  
Deceased of St. Mary's  
Parish

10:30 AM (SM) George,  
Jeanette, Diana Preston &  
the Living & Deceased of St.  
Michael's Parish

### Tuesday, December 1

8:15 AM (IC) Hank Shimek

### Wednesday, December 2

7:00 AM (SM) Walter Meyer

### Thursday, December 3

8:15 AM (IC) Vernon  
Lemberger

### Friday, December 4

7:00 AM (SM) David &  
Jeanne Charles

### Saturday, December 5

4:00 PM (SM) Bob Grall

5:30 PM (IC) Diane  
Isselmann & the Living &  
Deceased of St. Mary's  
Parish

### Sunday, December 6

8:30 AM (IC) Harold Sheehy

10:30 AM (SM) Welch &  
Zipperer Families & the  
Living & Deceased of St.  
Michael's Parish

IC – St. Mary SM – St. Michael

## MINISTRIES

**DECEMBER 5-6**

### Lectors:

4:00 PM (SM)  
5:30 PM (IC) Chris Pritzl  
8:30 AM (IC) Frank  
Burke  
10:30 AM (SM)

### Extraordinary Ministers:

4:00 PM (SM)  
5:30 PM (IC) N/A  
8:30 AM (IC) Deacon  
Randy  
10:30 AM (SM)

### Servers:

4:00 PM (SM)  
5:30 PM (IC) Alex Leist,  
Jesse Jetton  
8:30 AM (IC) Eli & Ethan  
Staudinger  
10:30 AM (SM)

### December Ushers:

4:00 PM (SM)  
5:30 PM (IC) Tom  
Wetenkamp  
8:30 AM (IC) Sue  
Bodart, Karen  
Schweitzer-Olson  
10:30 AM (SM)

**St. Mary's/St. Michael's Parishioners:** We just started selling our 2021 calendars. This has been our major fundraiser for the past 32 years for St. Mary's and it would be greatly appreciated if everyone would either buy or sell some. There are 365 winners for this raffle. Thank you in advance for your help and efforts to make this fundraiser a success!

**St. Michael's & St. Mary's Scrip:** Both have Dunkin' Donuts in \$10 cards. \$25 cards are available for order if requested. Baskin-Robins is not available at this time.

**St. Mary's Parish:** Will start accepting donations for our upcoming Christmas flowers and decorations. We are asking \$10 toward a Poinsettia.

**St. Michael's Holy Hour** on Monday, December 7 at 2pm will hold "*America Needs Fatima, put Christ back into Christmas Rosary Rally.*" Please come pray with us for a Blessed Christmas, our catholic Church and our world. We need our Lord and Blessed Mother now. Thank you!

**St. Mary's and St. Michael's Parish:** During Advent starting Sunday, November 29 through Sunday, December 20 Father will be available for hearing confessions on Sunday mornings from 7:45-8:15am at St. Mary's Parish. And on Saturday afternoons from 3:00-3:45pm at St. Michael's Parish.

**St. Michael's** will be accepting donations for Christmas Flowers this season which will be \$10.00 for each Poinsettia. Thank you.

**Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass Times:** Due to Covid-19 we will not be having a Children's Mass this year. Please consider coming to a different Mass other than the 4:00pm Mass (typically the most attended) so we can spread out the attendance.

Thank you for your understanding.

**Christmas Eve:** 4:00pm (St. Mary's) and 8:00pm (St. Michael's)

**Christmas Day:** 8:30am (St. Mary's) and 10:30am (St. Michael's)

**St. Michael's Weekly Receipt 11/15:** All Support \$1520.00; Offertory 374.10; Bulletin Sponsors 30.00; Mass Stipends 270.00; Candles 39.25; Christian Mothers 150.00; Investment (Cemetery) 160.00; Purgatorial Society 98.00; Reimbursement St. Mary 72.25; Donation 50.00; Tree 25.00; CCD Tuition H.S. 110.00; Daycare Utilities 308.11. **Total: \$3206.71/Capital Imprv. \$892.00**

## Welcome Back

As we return to church, the following safety guidelines are in place. If you are experiencing any of the following, please stay home or return home and take care of yourself: Cough, Fever, Shortness of Breath, Sore Throat, Loss of Taste or Smell, Have been in contact with anyone diagnosed with or suspected to have COVID-19 in the past 14 days (without proper use of personal protective equipment)

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\*If you have bookmarked the website, you may have to re-add the website again.

**Braun Acres** is once again offering \$5 back to St. Michael's for each Christmas tree that is sold. Braun Acres scrip is available and tree certificates must be presented at that time of purchase. Certificates are available at the scrip window at the back of church and in the parish office at St. Michael's. Last year, the church received a check for \$40 for tree sales. They are open starting Saturday, November 21 from 9am-3pm and Sundays 10am-3pm until December 20. Also open Friday, November 27 from 9am-3pm. They also have wreaths, planters and greens available for sale.

**Food for the Poor** will be collected weekends and delivered to Faith Lutheran Pantry every Monday. This will be an ongoing mission. There are around 200 families that are in need of food in our area. Thank you and God Bless.

### **Reporting Sexual Abuse**

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is **now under the age of 18** by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer,

**PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.**

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, Please contact:

*Office of Safe Environment  
Diocese of Green Bay  
1-877-270-8174 (toll free)*

We always encourage you to report the incident to the civil authorities.

**YOU MATTER TO US – THERE IS HOPE!**  
Diocese of Green Bay

**RESPECT LIFE**

**Saving Human Lives:** This Article is in regard to a 1998 comic strip, B.C. Two little ants sitting on a rock by the ocean see the Statue of Liberty in the distance. One says, "That statue in the harbor-didn't it used to have a light?" The other one says, "Yes." The first one replies, "When did it go out?" Then the second one says, "1973." The trial of Roe vs. Wade that made abortion legal was 1973. Not only did America's light go out but our heart and our conscience died that day also. We should hang our heads in shame for having allowed this atrocity to happen. For a country to make legal the killing of our very own children - flesh and blood – is a country without morals, without pride, without conscience – a country headed for its own destruction. We're not talking about saving whales, or eagles, or the spotted owls here. We're trying to save human lives. We as a nation have conditioned our minds with so-called "reasons" and "excuses" and "choices." They are just smoke screens to hide our sins behind. Let's call abortion what it really is -- murder -- a sin against God's Fifth Commandment.

Our day of reckoning is coming. -- *Ruth Weber, Davenport Iowa*

**WORD OF LIFE:** "Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society." - *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary". [respectlife.org/gospel-of-life-summary](http://respectlife.org/gospel-of-life-summary).*

## **SCHOOL NOTE**

We at St. Mary/St. Michael School would like to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving. We hope that during this season you take time to thank God for the many blessings he has given you. We thank God for you, the parishioners and community members who are very supportive of our school. We are thankful for your monetary support and your prayers for our school, as well as those who give of their time to help out by listening to students read or by working in our office answering phones, etc. or by helping with projects such as Christmas cookie baking.

We also thank God for our school leaders. We are very blessed to have an excellent principal like Mr. Smith overseeing our school, as well as our great priest, Fr. Dick, the supportive school board members, and Mrs. Casey Braun, our administrative assistant who we can't do without. We are also thankful for our very talented teaching staff and the great subs who fill in for us when we can't be here. Of course, we thank God for our students and their parents. We have some very hardworking students who love to learn. It is truly a gift to be able to watch them grow each day physically, intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually. For all this and much more, we thank you, God.

Mrs. Michele Arnold – 1st & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher

This week's winner from **Football Charity Mania** is Amy Weber who won \$25. Congratulations! Is Week #12 your time to win?

## **THINGS TO DO**

Drive-thru chili pick-up at St. Anne Parish in Francis Creek on Saturday, December 5 after the 6pm Mass. Sunday, December 6 chili will be available from 10am- until it is sold out. \$6 a quart and pick up is at the parish hall. If possible, bring your own containers.

## From the Pastor's Desk

As the Advent season begins on this weekend I wish all of you a happy advent which is filled with the blessing of God's love and peace. This year there will be a need for some changes due to the increase in observing safety for good health practices. I want to encourage you to plan on attending a Christmas Mass. However, I do need to let you know that in order to limit the number in attendance on Christmas Eve, that more of you consider coming to one of the Masses on Christmas day. Please keep this in mind as you plan for Christmas Mass attendance.

The annual meetings have been set up for both parishes. I do not expect you to attend if you are not on a Council or president of an organization. Since our diocese is under a critical alert to prevent the spread of the corona virus, attendees will be expected to wear masks and to keep a safe distance (6 feet apart) during the meeting. Minutes will be kept and published after these meetings. I pray that you stay healthy.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL

**Saturday, November 28**

Confessions 3:00-3:45pm at St. Michael's;  
4:00pm Mass at St. Michael's and 5:30pm  
Mass at St. Mary's

**Sunday, November 29**

Confessions 7:45-8:15am at St. Mary's;  
8:30am Mass at St. Mary's and 10:30am  
Mass at St. Michael's

**Monday, November 30**

Holy hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's

**Thursday, December 3**

Annual Meeting 6:30 at St. Mary's Church

**Saturday, December 5**

Confessions 3:00-3:45pm at St. Michael's;  
4:00pm Mass at St. Michael's and 5:30pm  
Mass at St. Mary's

**Sunday, December 6**

Confessions 7:45-8:15am at St. Mary's;  
8:30am Mass at St. Mary's and 10:30am  
Mass at St. Michael's  
Annual Meeting 11:30am at St. Michael's in  
Church basement

**Monday, December 7**

Holy hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's

### ST. MARY

November 22, 2020

Support	\$3,542.00
Offertory	172.15
Online Giving	330.00
Flowers	10.00
Advent Books	15.00
Purgatorial Society	<u>8.00</u>
	\$4,077.15

Weekly Avg. needed \$4,680.00  
(602.85)

Scrip Sales	\$2,556.00
Profit	90.76

### ST. MICHAEL

November 22, 2020

Support	\$2,524.00
Online Giving	562.50
Offertory	284.70
Online Giving	330.00
Mass Stipends	50.00
Wedding Stipend	75.00
Candles	11.85
Reimburse background cks.	6.50
Reimburse from Roncalli	656.25
Donation	50.00
Purgatorial Society	<u>403.00</u>
	\$4,628.80

Weekly Avg. needed \$4,300.00  
328.80

Scrip Sales	\$5,030.00
Profit	185.01

**Church Cleaning Families –December 5/6**

St. Mary: Gary & Joan Reindl, Donald & Jane Resar  
& Carl & Nicole Riederer

St. Michael: Sheryl O'Connor, Karen O'Hearn  
& Amy Olson

(Please call the office or Janet Braun at 732-3936 for  
phone numbers)

**Scrip Sellers-St. Michael:** Saturday, December 5;  
and Sunday, December 6; (Ken Brunner is currently  
working on the schedule.)

**ST. MARY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: WEEK #48 –  
11/22/20-11/28/20: \$500 Winner:** Dannielle Krepline,  
Kaukauna; **\$50 WINNERS:** Elena MacCormack, Flower  
Mound, TX, and Dick Vraney, Keshena; **\$25 WINNERS:** Ken  
Brunner, Whitelaw; Dan Stock, Newton; Jodie Groeschel,  
Black Creek and Lucy Vallard, Anoka, MN.

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

*Stewardship of our  
time and talent and  
treasure is not limited  
only to the Church.  
Many people give time  
and money to other  
groups in the  
community as well.*