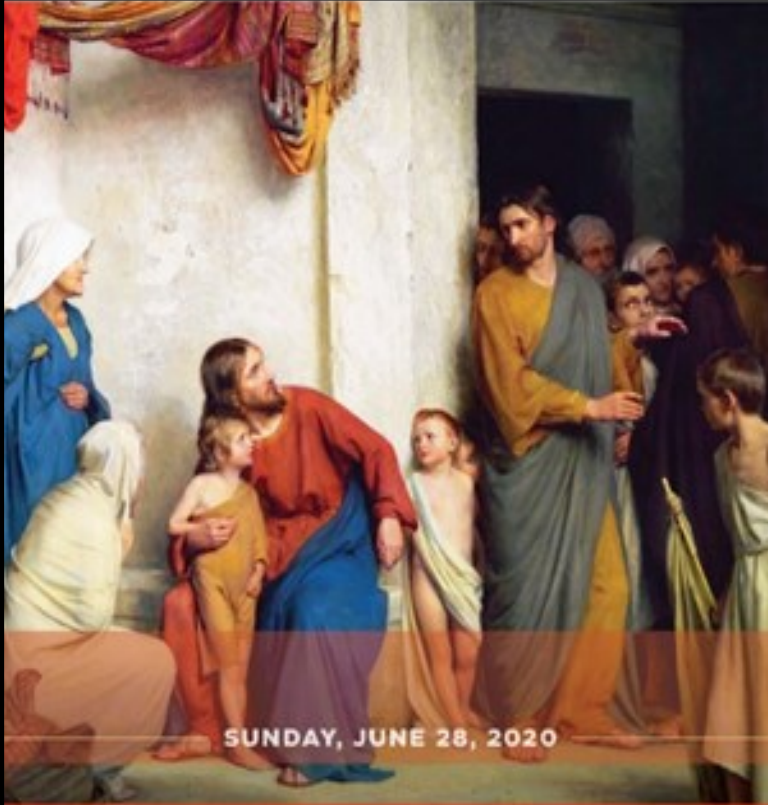


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2020

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

Excerpts from the calligraphy for Mass 02001, 1996, 1979 CCD

Readings for the week of June 28, 2020

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42
Monday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8 [9a]/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17 [23b]/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10cd]/Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29
Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.

John Paul II



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Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 4th

Confessions 4:15-4:50 pm

Mass 5:15 pm

Sara & Jason Schultz SP.I.

Sunday, July 5th

Confessions 7:30-7:50 am

Mass 8:00 am

Alex & Ellie Stanek SP.I.

Confessions 9:30-10:20 am

Mass 10:30 am

Our Parish Family

O Mary,

You always brighten our path.
as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,

you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son, Jesus,
the Divine Physician,

For those who have fallen ill.

For those who are vulnerable,

And for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father

As to do as we are told by Jesus.

who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
To the glory of the Resurrection. Amen

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire to receive Thee unto my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace Thee as if Thou wert already come,
and unite myself wholly to Thee;
never permit me to be separated from Thee.

Amen

From your pastor . . .

We received the good news this past week that Bishop Callahan is anticipating our Catholic Schools to be open on their scheduled opening dates with person to person instruction in the classrooms. To that end, the administrators (principals) and pastors were invited to be part of a ZOOM meeting this past week which linked all of us together throughout the Diocese by the audio and video in our computers. We discussed for close to three hours the various directives that we will be expected to follow for the opening of our schools. We studied together a seventeen page document that began with the recognition that Bishop Callahan has dedicated this year (beginning May 1) to Saint Joseph, the patron saint of our Diocese. We were reminded to “turn to Joseph” during these challenging days and as we get ready for this next school year.

We covered a myriad of issues with a special emphasis on hygiene and cleanliness, how to handle situations if sickness due to the Coronavirus were to appear, the cooperation we must have with our local public school district and the County Health Department. We spent a considerable amount of time on Mass, hot lunch, playground activities and student transportation. Also, the faculty and staff are being asked to be ready to transfer to a virtual teaching methodology if (God forbid) the schools were to be shuttered completely or partially in the future. While it was a long and somewhat tedious meeting, it was a necessary one to have, with the Diocese giving us important information as well as the parishes/schools passing on our various perspectives.

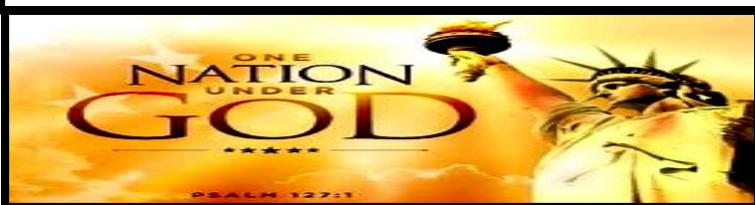
I have been asked if we will be having our parish festival this fall. What we will have for certain is our parish drawing with the \$5,000 first prize. We will have that drawing on September 12th, which is the presently scheduled date for our festival. Whether or not we have a gathering on the school grounds will be dependent on whether or not we are allowed to have public gatherings on the parish premises. At this time we are not allowed to have social gatherings, such as receptions for funerals and weddings. We will be communicating more about the festival as we get closer to September 12th. In the meantime, know that tickets for the annual drawing will be distributed in the near future.

I wish that I did not have to share this next matter with you, but it is necessary, insofar as our Parish Pastoral Minister, Mary Ellen Boak has decided to retire. This is not a recent decision on her part, but one that she shared with me last fall. Now that her husband, Joe is retired, they desire to spend their remaining years doing together the things that they love to do. Mary Ellen has been an important member of our parish staff for over the past thirty years. She has provided Christ’s compassionate presence on behalf of our parish to countless parishioners, particularly for those confined to their homes, nursing homes as well as for the sick and dying.

On behalf of our parish I thank Mary Ellen for all the good she has done for so many people. She is going to be greatly missed. She has indicated that she and Joe will still be members of Saint Mary’s and she will volunteer on certain occasions in the future. When we are allowed to gather socially without restrictions, I hope to organize a public display of gratitude where you can thank Mary Ellen personally.

In the meantime, we need to consider expanding the pastoral outreach in an attempt to replace Mary Ellen’s good work – especially making Holy Communion available to those who are unable to come to Mass. If you think you may wish to visit a parishioner (and it can be more than one) taking the Holy Eucharist to their home or to the nursing home, would you make yourself known to me? Before you would be assigned anyone, you would receive preparation for how this is to be done. This can be a most wonderful way for you to live your faith through a practical love shown to your neighbor. Visitations would not begin until all restrictions have been lifted concerning the Covid 19 pandemic, particularly the restrictions concerning the nursing homes. In the meantime, we can use this present time to prepare for when we are back to a normal situation. Please take some time to pray about this matter and then if the Holy Spirit moves you to this ministry, please contact the rectory.

Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary’s Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



June 20/21, 2020 Stewardship

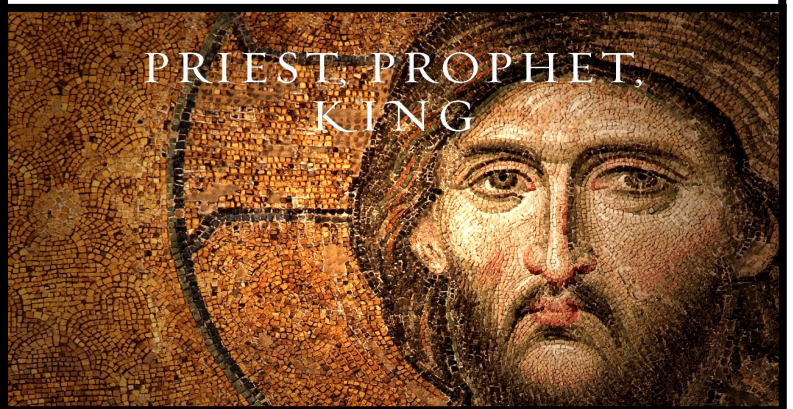
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MEMORARE TO ST JOSEPH
 Remember, O most pure Spouse of the Virgin Mary, My noble protector Saint Joseph, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I come to you, my spiritual father, and fervently commend myself to you. Despise not my petitions, O Guardian of the Redeemer, but in your goodness hear and answer me. Amen

From **The Litany of St Joseph**
 St Joseph, *Pray for us.*
 Patron of the Universal Church, *Pray for us.*
 Spouse of the Mother of God, *pray for us.*
 Pillar of Families, *pray for us.*
 Model of Workers, *pray for us.*
 Comfort of the Afflicted, *pray for us.*
 Hope of the Sick, *pray for us.*
 Patron of the Dying, *pray for us.*
 Terror of Demons, *pray for us.*



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Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church
please notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged,
but not less than six months
prior to the proposed wedding date.

WEEK FIFTEEN



This week I've become a very playful little lady and have discovered my first toy—the umbilical cord! The umbilical cord, which connects me to the placenta, has three blood vessels in it. Two bring me nourishment and oxygen, and one takes away my waste products. It's fun to grab and pull, but sometimes I get a little carried away and clutch so tightly that I get less oxygen than normal. But don't worry, I can't hold on to it long enough to hurt myself. And, I'm doing a fine job working my lungs. I inhale and exhale the amniotic fluid to develop my respiratory system. I will continue to do this until I'm born, when I'll get my first breath of air. By the way, I've grown another one-half inch and have gained one-half ounce. That puts me right about five inches long and six ounces for my fifteen weeks of life. They say I'm getting ready to go through a major growth spurt and I'll double my weight in the next few weeks. Imagine that!

*"In his hand is the soul of every living thing,
and the life breath of all mankind."*

—JOB 12:10

I'm real busy growing and developing, so I'm sure to have some more exciting news next time.

Love,

Baby Margaret Mary

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Join Pro-Life Wisconsin in the spiritual battle to end abortion in our great State! We have joined forces with the Ave Maris Stella Group to encourage the Catholic Bishops of Wisconsin to consecrate Wisconsin to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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MONTH THREE



Your baby is quite active in the womb now -- although her mother won't feel her for another couple of months. If her mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move her tongue. She can make a tight fist if you touch her palm. She is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although she obtains the oxygen her body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce.