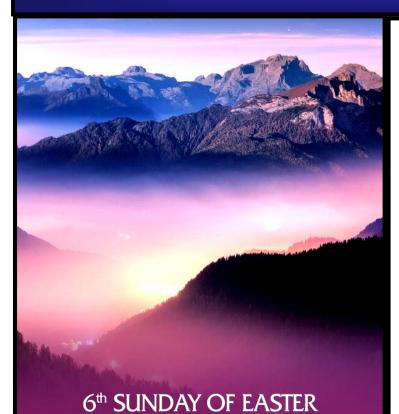
Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the

world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." - Jn 14:27

May 22, 2022

Saturday, May 28th @ 5:15 pm Lector: Candace McGrath Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jolene Frawley Servers: Avery & Daryn Kepler, Aubrey Kohlstedt Fynn Lemke Ushers: Knights of Columbus Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family Scrip: Jolene Frawley

Sunday, May 29th @ 8:00 am Lector: John Tennant Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Joyce Tennannt Servers: Thomas Honer, Alexander & Carter Kloehn Laif Morris Ushers: Knights of Columbus Gifts: Timothy Honer Family Scrip: Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, May 29th @ 10:30 am

Lector: Sara Schultz Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Aharon Zorea Servers; Blake & McKenna Mueller, Baylee & Taylor Wertz Ushers: Knights of Columbus Gifts: Jeff Joseph Family Scrip: Shelly Schmidt

Mass Schedule

Monday, May 23rd No Mass

Tuesday, May 24th Mass 8:15 am † Jane Schwabenbauer

Wednesday, May 25th Mass 8:15 am † Darrel Tennant St. Bede St. Gregory VII St. Mary Magdalene

Thursday, May 26th St. Philip Neri Mass 8:15 am Adoration following Mass † Jeanette Homb

Friday, May 27th Mass 8:15 am † John Ryan St. Augustine

Saturday, May 28th Confession 4:00 - 4:50 pm Mass 5:15 pm Reed & Janie Manke SP.I.

Sunday, May 29th The Ascension of the Lord Confessions 7:30 - 7:50 am Mass 8:00 am St. Paul VI † Richard Ziaja

> Confessions 9:30 -10:25 am Mass 10:30 am Our Parish Family

Parish Calendar of Events

05/31 Tuesday, St Mary's 4K Graduation 5:00 pm

- 05/31 Tuesday, St Mary's 8th Grade Graduation 7:00 pm
- 06/04 Saturday, Richland Center Deanery Assembly, Hillsboro at Noon

06/06 Monday, PCCW in the Park 6:00 pm

06/19 Sunday, Father's Day

God Bless You!

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel On your 38th Anniversary to the Priesthood May, 26, 2022 "Your are a Priest forever, by the order of Melchizedek"

Ps 110:4

From your pastor ...

One of the issues that the Diocese of La Crosse is studying is Gender Theory. It involves a certain complexity in that it concerns itself with the order of God's creation as revealed in Sacred Scripture and the natural law and the claimed suffering of certain individuals who report possessing a different gender identity from their biological gender established in their birth. At the last Presbyteral Council meeting that includes the Bishop and a certain number of priests of which your pastor is one, this matter was considered raised based on a document that has come from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, where the former bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse, Bishop Jerome Listecki now serves as archbishop.

Over the next couple of weeks through this column I will be sharing with you the content of Archdiocese of Milwaukee's document. There is no certainty that the Archdiocesan document will be reproduced in the Diocese of La Crosse document, but in all likelihood, it will follow it closely.

The range of the policy that will be eventually promulgated will be significant, particularly in terms of our school and all our pastoral programs. As I have done in the past, I will use the *italic* script when reproducing the text.

Principles and Policy on Questions Concerning Gender Theory

We experience authentic freedom only when we embrace the truth about ourselves.

"The truth will set you free." (1) Christ's words to his disciples call Christians in every age to embrace the truth of who we are as children of God, for only in embracing this truth can we be set free. This is Christ's promise to which Catholics assent with mind and heart, and this promise is the foundation of the Church's moral teachings.

In every age, the Church must read the signs of the times and witness to the truth in the light of the gospel. The Second Vatican Council stated that, "inspired by no earthly ambition, the church seeks but a solitary goal: to carry forward the work of Christ . . . [who] . . . entered this world to give witness to the truth, to rescue and not to sit in judgment, to serve and not to be served. To carry out such a task, the Church has always had the duty of scrutinizing the signs of the times and of interpreting them in the light of the Gospel. Thus, in language intelligible to each generation, she can respond to the perennial questions which men ask about this present life and the life to come . . . We must therefore recognize and understand the world in which we live, its explanations, its longings, and it often dramatic characteristics." (2)

1.3 Today, gender dysphoria is a particular challenge to which the Church must respond with charity and truth.

Each generation presents moral challenges to which the Church must respond as mother and as teacher. (3) It is ever the duty of the Church both to listen patiently to the struggles of her children and also to instruct them clearly on the path to the fullness of life and freedom (4). As St. Paul VI writes, "It is an outstanding manifestation of charity toward souls to omit nothing from the saving doctrine of Christ" (5). In the past decade, there has been increased attention paid to gender dysphoria and gender discordance, especially among young children and adolescents. Too often, the proposed solution is to affirm one's "experienced gender," even when it contrasts with one's biological sex. This prompts the Church to provide principles and policies for all the faithful, and especially for church employees, personnel, and all others who work in parishes, organizations, and institutions of the Catholic Church in the Diocese.

John 8:32. Gaudium et Spes, 3-4 St. John XXIII, Mater et Magistra, 1. St. John Paul II, Vertitatis splendor, 4; Congregation for Catholic Education, "Male and Female He Created Them" Towards a Path of Dialogue on the Question of Gender Theory in Education" (Vatican City, 2019), 30.

In the next installment, principles from Church teaching will be considered. Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



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Richland Center Deanery Spring Assembly "The near occasion of sin" Presentation by Deacon Tony Shay

Saturday, June 4, 2022, at Noon St. Aloysius Parish 545 Prairie Avenue, Hillsboro, Wisconsin 54634 Join Your Sisters in Christ with a Fellowship of a Potluck Dinner! For more information, please contact President Joyce Humfeld (608) 606-0873

Congratulations to the 2022 First Communicants

Ben Bosworth Oliver Cosgrove Evan Drier Olivia Durst Alexia Garcia Carter Jelinek Charlotte Johnson Rya Lemke

Addvline Marshall Landon Myers Mark Olson Andrea Ortiz Liam Salisbury Harper Schell Madalyn Stadele Cameron Wertz

FIRST COMMUNION 2022



May 7/8, 2022 Stewardship

Adult Tithe	\$5,037.00
Offertory	437.26
Student Offertory	36.70
Pastoral Care	5.00
Holy Days	25.00
Festival	1.00
Building & Maintenance	230.00
Total	\$5,771.96
February (ACH) Automatic Contributions	\$6,275.00





Readings for the week of May 22, 2022 Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/ Rv 21:10-14,22-23/Jn 14:23-29 Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn Monday: 15:26-16:4a Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 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 Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ /Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23 Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28 Saturday: Next 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

ST. MARY PCCW IN THE PARK

Monday June 6th 2022 Eunice Keepers Shelter 6pm Social 6:30pm Meeting

With sorrowful hearts, we express our profound condolen to the family of

Daniel Eugene Berns,

Who entered into eternal rest May 9th, 2022 Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and May perpetual light shine upon him May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed theor The mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen St Mary School Employment Opportunities Part time School Secretary also a Part time Music Teacher Inquire with Stacia Kohlstedt (stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com



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