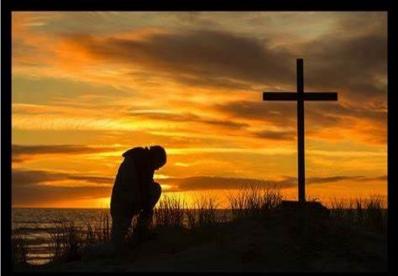
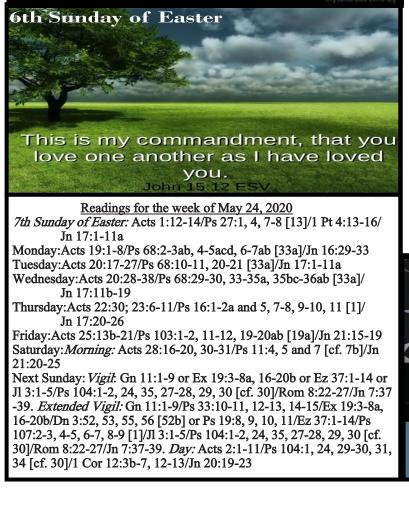
Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

John 17:3 (KJV)



Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 30th Confessions 4:15-4:50 pm Mass 5:15 pm + Juanita Tully

Sunday, May 31st Confessions 7:30-7:50 am Mass 8:00 am Living and deceased member of the Carberry, Marshall, Vorndran families

> Confessions 9:30-10:20 am Mass 10:30 am **Our Parish Family**

O Mary, ou always brighten our path s a sign of salvation and of hope. e 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 and 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.

Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Franci

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From your pastor:

I hope this column finds all of you in good health and persevering during this challenging time.

I wish to share with you the joyful news that we have two new adult members at Saint Mary's – Amy Jo Hill and Michael Decot. Amy and Michael were baptized, confirmed and received their first Holy Communion this past Sunday at a private Mass in the Church. (A photo memorializing this event is found elsewhere in the bulletin). Both of them had received instruction in the Catholic Faith beginning this past summer and fall and were scheduled to be initiated into the Faith on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil. That did not take place due to the pandemic. Recently, Bishop Callahan gave his permission for the initiation to take place at a private Mass. We welcome Amy and Michael to the Faith and look forward to worshiping with them in the future.

Concerning the future, we seem to have made some progress in determining when public Masses will resume. If you have been able to watch the video I made and placed on our new parish website, you know that Bishop Callahan has designated Pentecost Sunday, May 30-31 to be the time that public Masses will resume. His letter dated May 14 appears on the Diocesan website for your reading.

Knowing that not everyone has the means to access that website, I will reproduce parts of his letter so that you can know his mind on this matter. What appears in *italics* comes directly from his letter.

"... The good news is that a plan for a gradual reopening of our churches has now taken shape, as I note in this letter. Yesterday (13 May, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima) the Wisconsin State Supreme Court struck down the extension of the "Safer at Home" order of Governor Evers. This shifts much decision regarding COVID-19 safeguards to the county level. It allows me to speak clearly and with a bit more freedom concerning our return to the public celebration of the Holy Mass. I, like most of you, have longed for this return to some resemblance of normalcy, but I am also responsible for the safety of all who enter our Churches and participate at the Mass (including our priests). The corona virus is real and has severe consequences for those infected by it, particularly those of advance years and those with underlying health conditions.

... Because of the Supreme Court's decision, we may not be able to have a unified return throughout the whole Diocese since each county will be responsible to make its own orders based on the local circumstances in that county. Regrettably, therefore, I cannot make a decree for the whole of the Diocese of when things will definitely be open. I can and am stating that we **will not** have public celebrations any earlier than 31 May2020 (the Solemnity of Pentecost), and only when I am assured that:

The proper supplies are on hand,

- Training of sufficient and non-vulnerable volunteers, has occurred, and that
- The 25% of occupancy standards will be kept along with social distancing requirements.

I ask, that for now, we also restrain from congregating before or after the Mass any place on church property we should maintain a six to eight-foot distance from all who are not from the same household.

As we roll back into these public celebrations, I must highlight that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays remains dispensed. No one is required, under the pain of mortal sin, to attend Mass until further notice. In fact, at this time I encourage those over 65 and particularly those with underlying health conditions to stay home. I ask those parishes that have the ability to livestream the Mass to continue to do so for the sake of those who will not be able to attend. Sunday Mass will continue to be televised for the sick and homebound. Please be assured of our continued prayer for you. I share prayer and thanks to my brother Bishop in the Province of Wisconsin. We have been meeting, discussing, and trying to dialogue about this entire time of pain and struggle for all of us. We share continued strength and our sincere prayers for all of you, our people.

... Very truly yours in Jesus and Mary, I am William Patrick Callahan, Bishop"

As I mentioned above, if you desire to read the Bishop's entire letter please do so on the Diocese of La Crosse website, which can be access through a link that appears on our parish website.

Little by little, things seem to be progressing so that soon we can meet together in person in the church to worship. Until that time, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

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Deacon Tully, Amy Jo Hill, Michael Decot , Msgr Scheckel May 17, 2020

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

Adelaide Rose Anderson

Who passed away on May 5th, 2020 Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her.

May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

Congratulations St Mary's Class of 2020



Kailey Durst Katherine Hall Thomas Honer Roman Johnson Carter Kloehn Avery Miller Brady O'Neill Clara Shannon Alex Spencer

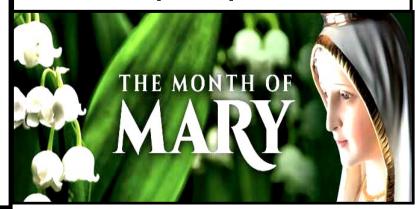
" For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come to pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart" Jeremiah: 29–11-14

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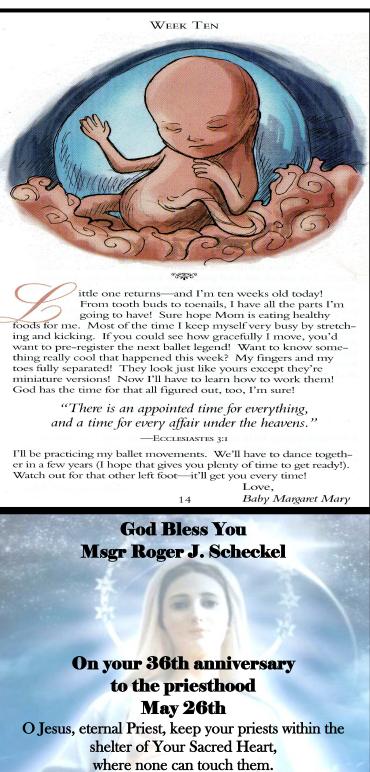
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Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch your Sacred Body.

Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with your Precious Blood.

Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood.

Let your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion.

Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown.

> Amen by St. Therese of Lisieux