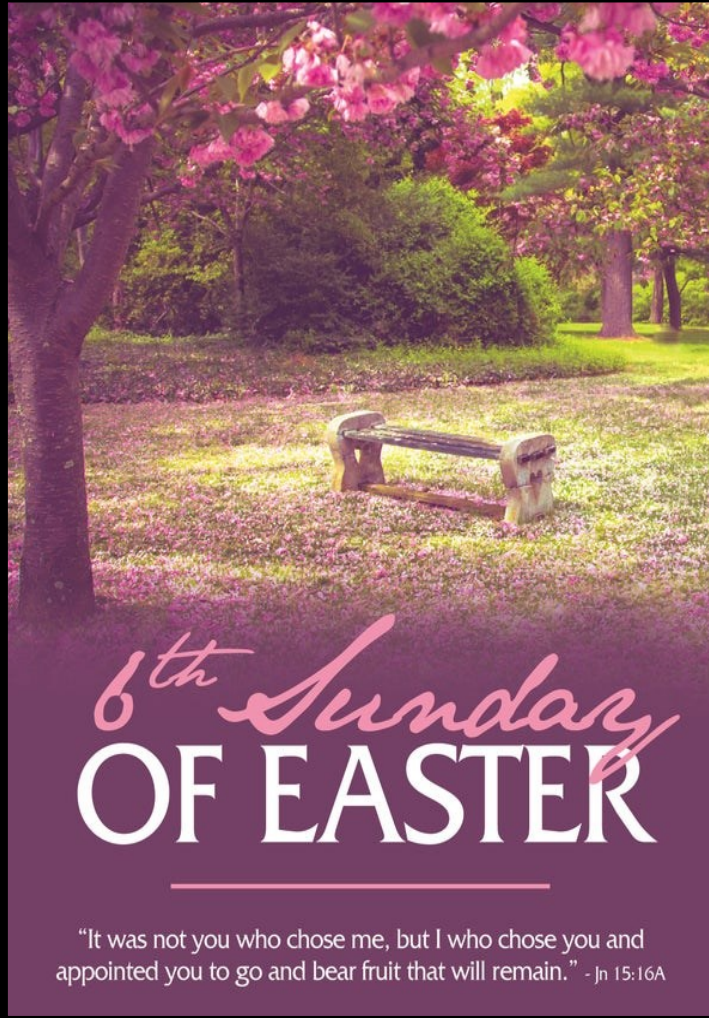


# Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



## Mass Schedule

Monday, May 10th **St. Damien de Veuster**  
No Mass

Tuesday, May 11th  
Mass 8:15 am  
† Merle Hierlinger

Wednesday, May 12th **Sts. Nereus and Achilleus**  
Mass 8:15 am **St. Pancras,**  
† Marian Davis Sutton

Thursday, May 13th **The Ascension of the Lord**  
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following Mass**  
† Marge Wallace **Our Lady of Fatima**

Friday, May 14th  
Mass 8:15 am **St. Matthias**  
† Francis Bradford

Saturday, May 15th **St. Isidore**  
Confessions 4:20-4:50 pm  
Mass 5:15 pm **Armed Forces Day**  
† John & Gladys Bauer

Sunday, May 16th **The Ascension of the Lord**  
Confessions 7:30 -7:50 am  
Mass 8:00 am **7th Sunday of Easter**  
† Charlie Ray

Confessions 9:50 -10:20 am  
Mass 10:30 am  
Our Parish Family

### Readings for the week of May 9, 2021

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17  
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/ Jn 15:26—16:4a  
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/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 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20  
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/ Jn 15:9-17  
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28  
Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/ Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20  
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 19a/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19



On this day, O Beautiful Mother  
Let us wish you with all our love  
A Very Happy Mother's Day.

From the depths of our hearts, we Thank You  
For Your unfailing love for all of God's children,  
For your graceful patience  
And powerful intercessions on our behalf.

Lead us to your Son, Jesus,  
That we may build with Him,  
the Kingdom of love, joy and peace.

Amen.



## **From your pastor . . .**

I take this occasion on this Mother's Day to ask God's special blessings on all mothers, living and deceased. Thank you for all the good you have carried out for your families. May God richly reward you for your love and generosity.

A baccalaureate service for the 2021 Richland Center High School senior class will take place on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Attendance is limited to graduates and immediate family members.

Guest speaker for the evening is Dr. Andrew Wright, local physician and family practitioner.

The baccalaureate service is sponsored by the Richland Center Ministerial Association which provides a \$300 scholarship to a graduate who must be in attendance at the service. I encourage all of our graduating seniors from our parish to attend.

I wish to continue with the teaching that was begun in last Sunday's column concerning the Church's response to the issue of racism which is a provocative issue at this time throughout the nation. The document that I am reproducing in *italic* type is from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, entitled, *Open Wider Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love – A Pastoral Letter Against Racism*. This statement was promulgated in 2018.

*Racism comes in many forms. It can be seen in deliberate, sinful acts. In recent times, we have seen bold expressions of racism by groups as well as individuals. The re-appearance of symbols of hatred, such as nooses and swastikas in public spaces, is a tragic indicator of rising racial and ethnic animus. All too often, Hispanics and African Americans, for example, face discrimination in hiring, housing, educational opportunities, and incarceration. Racial profiling frequently targets Hispanics for selective immigration enforcement practices, and African Americans, for suspected criminal activity. There is also the growing fear and harassment of persons from majority Muslim countries. Extreme nationalist ideologies are feeding the American public discourse with xenophobic rhetoric that instigates fear against foreigners, immigrants, and refugees. Finally, too often racism come in the form of the sin of omission, when individuals, communities, and even churches remain silent and fail to act against racial injustice when it is encountered.*

*Racism can often be found in our hearts – in many cases placed there unwillingly or unknowingly by our upbringing and culture. As such, it can lead to thought and actions that we do not even see as racist, but nonetheless flow from the same prejudicial root. Consciously or subconsciously, this attitude of superiority can be seen in how certain groups of people are vilified, called criminals, or are perceived as being unable to contribute to society, even unworthy of its benefits. Racism can also be institutional, when practices or traditions are upheld that treat certain groups unjustly. The cumulative effects of personal sins of racism have led to social structures of injustice and violence that makes us all accomplices in racism.(3)*

*We read the headlines that report the killing of unarmed African Americans by law enforcement officials. In our prisons, the number of inmates of color, notably those who are brown and black, is grossly disproportionate.(4) Despite the great blessing of liberty that this country offers, we must admit the plain truth that for many of our fellow citizens, who have done nothing wrong, interactions with the police are often fraught with fear and even danger. At the same time, we reject harsh rhetoric that belittles and dehumanizes law enforcement personnel who labor to keep our communities safe. We also condemn violent attacks against the police.*

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<sup>3</sup> See *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1869

<sup>4</sup> The Pew Research Center reports: "The racial and ethnic makeup of U.S. prisons continues to look substantially different from the demographics of the country as a whole. In 201, blacks represented 12% of the U.S. adult population but 33% of the sentenced prison population. Whites accounted for 64% of adults by 30% of prisoners. And while Hispanics represented 16% of the adult population, they accounted for 23% of inmates." See John Gramlich, "The gap between the number of blacks and whites in prison is shrinking. January 12, 2018 [www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2018/01/12/shrinking-gap-between-number-of-blacks-and-whites-in-prison/](http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2018/01/12/shrinking-gap-between-number-of-blacks-and-whites-in-prison/) (accessed May 31, 2018).

This brings to a conclusion this week's installment.  
May God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

**Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel**





**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 every Thursday following the 8:15 Mass  
 “You could not watch with me one hour?”  
 MT 26:40

**CPR Training Kits available**  
 Our local EMTs received a grant and have numerous personal CPR training kits to get into the community.

Group CPR trainings have greatly decreased due to Covid, and so they have a new way to get people informally trained. This is not an official training where the person is tested and receives an official card, but it's a great training for families and others in the community to get some basic CPR experience. Each kit, which is not much bigger than a binder, includes a DVD training video, as well as other information and an actual practice dummy. Interested parties can watch the video and go through the training and feel better prepared in emergency situations.

These kits are available in the back of church; please consider taking one and learning more about these life-saving practices.  
 questions contact Stacia Kohlstedt  
[stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com](mailto:stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com) or 647-2422

**“St Marys’ Lending Library”**  
 Located in the south-west vestibule of St. Mary’s is a lending library. There are books, DVDs, and CDs about a wide range of topics from Scott Hahn, Matthew Kelly, Pope Benedict, Pope Francis, Pope John Paul II, on prayer, on saints, on teaching of the Church. Simply sign out the article and return it when you are through. Borrow and share with family and friends.  
**Check it out !!!**

**Prayer Chain**  
 If you, or someone you know,  
 is in need of prayer, please send your prayer request  
[prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com](mailto:prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com)

**April 24/25, 2021 Stewardship**

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,676.00
Offertory.....	181.00
Pastoral Care.....	55.00
Building & Maintenance .....	55.00
Religious Ed.....	50.00
Holy Day.....	85.00
Total.....	\$4,102.00
<i>March (ACH) Automatic Contributions...</i>	<i>\$6,270.00</i>
<i>April (ACH) Automatic Contributions</i>	<i>\$6,270.00</i>

**Please keep our Confirmandi in prayer**

Hannah Rose Bauer, Ezra Kay Cosgrove  
 Mallory Corinne Delagrave , Tekla Rose Donovan  
 Andrew Harold Honer, Ethan Joseph Jones  
 Alec James McDonald, Tianna Marie Marshall-Scott  
 Adelin Lee Miller, Hannah Bethany Miller  
 Michael Macgregor Nigl, Anna Rose Rynes  
 Isabel Rose Salisbury, Armando Sanchez  
 Grayson Gregory Schmitt, Benjamin Curtis Stowell  
 Tayah Johnnae Weber

**Confirmation Thursday, May 20th 6:30 pm**

With deepest sympathy,  
 we express our profound condolences  
 to the family of

**Mason Mark Fenton**

Who entered into eternal rest  
 April 26th, 2021

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 through  
 The mercy of God, rest in peace., Amen

**THE ROSARY IS A POWERFUL WEAPON TO PUT THE DEMONS TO FLIGHT.**  
 -POPE PIUS XI



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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.

**The Knights of Columbus**

are meeting

**Sunday May 16th**

at 7:00 pm

**In the basement of the Commons  
Please Pass the Word!**

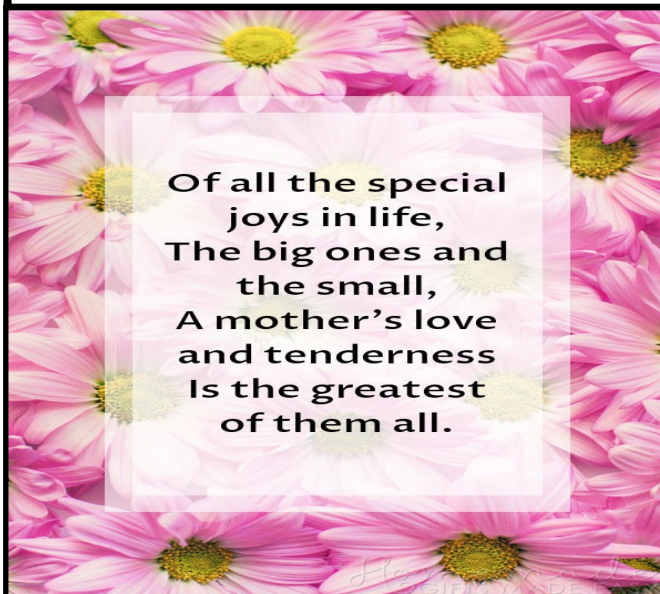


**2020-2021 Calendar Drawing Winners**

April 22, 2021 ... Brad & Donna Bay, Boscobel, WI

April 27, 2021 ... Robert Kremer, LaCrosse, WI

April 29, 2021 ... James Smith, Ogema, WI



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