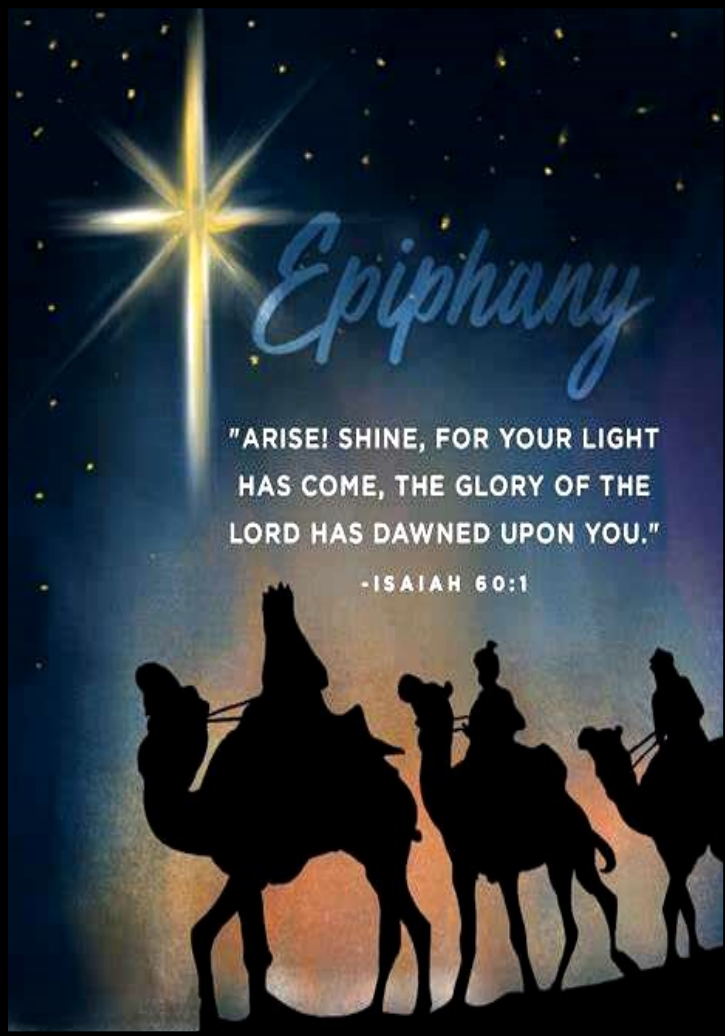


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



Sunday, January 7th, 2024

Saturday, January 13th 5:15 pm

Lector: Stephanie Worthington

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Avery & Daryn Kepler, Andrew Mata,
Brielle Weeden

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family **Scrip:** Colleen Pulvermacher

Sunday, January 14th 8:00 am

Lector: Mary Ellen Boak

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Thomas Honer, Easton & Emma Jelinek
Blake Parker

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Brian Parker Family **Scrip:** Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, January 14th, 10:30 am

Lector: Cheryl Blankenship

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Brayden & Tristan Arms
Lydia & Olivia Durst

Gifts: Aharon Zorea Family **Scrip:** Emily Zorea

Mass Schedule

Monday, January 8th **The Baptism of the Lord**
No Mass

Tuesday, January 9th
Mass 8:15 am
† Gordon Moore

Wednesday, January 10th
Mass 8:15 am
Christy & Jessie Douding SP.I.

Thursday, January 11th
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following**
Ed Leineweber SP.I.

Friday, January 12th
Mass 8:15 am
† Albert & Mercedes Leineweber

Saturday, January 13th **St. Hilary**
Confessions 4:15 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Janice Marie Bauer

Sunday, January 14th **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Confessions 7:30 am
Mass 8:00 am
Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:30 am
Mass 10:30 am
† Reg Nankee

Parish Calendar Events

01/13 Saturday ... Pre-Cana at Viroqua

01/18 Thursday, Registrations due for
Return to the Upper Room

01/20 Saturday, Knights of Columbus Bingo
6:30 pm at the Community Center

01/27 Return to the Upper Room , St Francis, WI

01/28 Sunday... Knights of Columbus
Pancake breakfast

02/16 Friday ... Drive Up Fish Fry, 4:30 – 7:00 pm

Epiphany comes from the Greek epiphaneia, meaning "appearance" or "manifestation," and refers to the manifestation of Jesus Christ to the world. Feast of the Epiphany, or Three Kings' Day.

From your pastor . . .

I hope you had a spiritually fruitful Christmas season, which concludes this Monday with the celebration of the Baptism of our Lord. I again wish to thank all who were involved in the various liturgical ministries during the Christmas Masses, the octave, and the season, as well as those responsible for decorating the church, inside and outside. I thank Mary Lou Marshall, Elizabeth Peckham, Cheryl Blankenship and Patrick Schwingle, who will also be involved in taking down the decorations over this next week.

There is a recent development the I have learned of that I wish to communicate to all parishioners, that may have a bearing on your receiving pastoral care in Madison Hospitals. As you may know, the Diocese of Madison has gone through an extensive reorganization of its parishes and the priestly assignments pertaining to the service in those parishes. I recently learned that if a parishioner outside the Diocese of Madison were to be taken to a hospital in Madison and during their stay request that a priest from the Diocese of Madison come to their bedside to provide the sacraments, a priest would not be contacted unless that person were in immediate danger of death. Instead, the family would be told to contact their parish priest to come and provide for their parishioner's sacramental care. For example, if a person were to be undergoing a serious but rather routine surgery, and that person were not from the Diocese of Madison, a priest from outside the diocese (normally his or her pastor) is to be contacted. It appears that hospital personnel (chaplains office) will determine if death is imminent and makes the decision as whether a Madison Diocesan priest will be contacted.

I bring this to your attention because many Saint Mary's parishioners, in matters of serious medical procedures use the Madison hospitals. If you or a family member know that you will be hospitalized in Madison and you will be seeking the sacraments, if possible, please contact your pastor to receive the sacraments before you leave Richland Center. If it is not possible for you to request or receive this spiritual care before you leave, please don't hesitate to contact me after you have arrived in Madison. However, due to the distance and other unforeseeable obstacles, my arriving in a timely manner could be affected. Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Several of you have been asking if I have had any luck in getting a deer this season. Unfortunately, the answer is "no." I did not once raise my gun to eye level to take a shot, in that I did not see any deer all season long. This was very unusual, but it is bound to happen from time to time. I do have a few weeks left on my bow license, so there is still a possibility that I may get one, (I would estimate that chance to be about the same as the Packers making it to the Super Bowl this year.) Who knows?

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



“ O sublime humility! O humble sublimity! That the Lord of the whole universe, God and the Son of God, should humble himself like this and hide under the form of little bread, for our salvation.”

St Francis of Assisi

Eucharistic Revival

2022 - 2025

Prayer for a Deeper Love of Jesus in the Eucharist
Jesus, You came into the world to save us and to give
Yourself to us in the Eucharist, saying

“I Am the Bread of Life”

You love us unconditionally and want to remain with us, to dwell within our hearts. Strengthen our understanding and love of You, truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

If you, or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your prayer request to prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com

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

Mary A. Laubmeier

Who entered into eternal rest
December 21st, 2023

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

SCRIP NEWS

New year, new beginnings. Make a resolution to buy Scrip cards to use for all your shopping and travel needs. Visit the Scrip-to-go table in the vestibule after Mass. Better yet, sign up to do your scrip shopping online or on your phone.

Contact your scrip coordinator at scrip@stmarysrc.com to receive an invitation.

Thank you to all those who bought gift cards from the St. Mary Scrip Program this past year. We were able to apply over \$4,000 to school tuitions and contribute over \$10,000 to the Parish. We appreciate all the participants and especially our volunteer Scrip sellers. Let's make 2024 a banner year for St. Mary Scrip.

Once you understand the Eucharist, you can never leave the Church. Not because the Church won't let you but because your heart won't let you.



"Return to the Upper Room"

with Dr. Mark Nemo

Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral

January 27th, 2024, 10-3pm.

\$50.00 per person

Registration due by January 18th

Registrations found on the back of church (bulletin board)

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

3501 South Lake Drive,
Milwaukee, WI 53235

“The wind blows where it wills, and you can hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

John 3:8

Readings for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9 /Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/ Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42

2024 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal ...	\$33,800.00
Amount Received (as of 1/3/24)	\$39,530.00
Exceeding Goal ...	\$5,730.00

December 23/24, 2023 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$4,470.00
Offertory.....	341.00
Student Offertory.....	23.18
Religious Ed.....	2.00
Pastoral Care	119.00
Building & Maintenance	50.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care.....	100.00
Total.....	\$5,105.18

Christmas

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,216.00
Offertory.....	975.73
Total.....	\$4,191.73

ConsiderAutomatic Tithing

15th of every month

No checks to write ..Save time and money !

Contact the rectory 608-647-2621

PCCW Scholarship

Scholarship applications for high school seniors are due March, 1, 2024.

Contact your school guidance office or
Pick up in the church vestibule.



Already have a
FORMED Account ?

1. Visit FORMED .org
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email
4. Click link in email
5. You're in!

Want to create a new
FORMED account?

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign-up
3. "I belong to a Parish
4. Find St Mary's by zip
5. Enter your email, done!

SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR SALE !

The 8th annual St. Mary All-School Calendar is on sale now!
Created specially by our 8th grade students in computer class,
it includes pictures of our school students and
staff. Calendars are \$10 each. If interested,
contact the school office, 647-2422.

Thanks for your support!

December 30/31, 2023 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,698.00
Offertory.....	382.86
Pastoral Care	10.00
Holy Day	46.00
Holy Christmas.....	101.00
Christmas Flowers.....	100.00
Parish Festival.....	20.75
Cemetery Perpetual Fund.....	1.00
Total.....	\$4,358.81

12/15/2023 ACH Contributions \$6,205.00

Thank You & God Bless You!

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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.