Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Catholic Church

St. Mary Parish

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First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

St. Joseph Parish

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Masses This Week				
Sat. Nov. 26	4:00 p.m.	(St. Joseph) Bob & Phyllis Barrett		
	5:45 p.m.	(St. Mary) Hanauska & Kennedy Families		
Sun. Nov. 27		(St. Mary) St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishioners		
	10:30 a.m.	(St. Joseph) <i>Melissa Haverley</i>		
Mon. Nov. 28		No Mass		
Tues, Nov. 29	8:30 a.m.			
Wed. Nov. 30	8:30 a.m.			
Thurs. Dec. 1	8:00 a.m.			
Fri. Dec. 2	8:00 a.m.	(St. Joseph) Dick Saunders		
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Sat. Dec. 3	4:00 p.m.	(St. Joseph) St. Joseph & St. Mary Parishioners		
	5:45 p.m.	(St. Mary) Marie Albanese		
Sun. Dec. 4	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) Peggy O'Leary		
	10:30 a.m.	(St. Joseph) Mary Linsley		



All Masses are in-person

Live-streaming available:

- St. Joseph on Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
- St. Mary on Sunday at 8:30 a.m.



Join us on Facebook to view Mass streaming live (access available from each parish website):

- St. Mary: <u>www.saintmarymilton.org</u>
- St. Joseph: <u>www.stjoeedgerton.org</u>

Pray for the Sick

Please keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers:

Rich Addie **Delores** Alm Dorothy & Ken Bomkamp William Burdick William Butzke Frank Daniels *Iovce DeMott* Bart DiMattina Aaron Ellis Carole Evans Pat Finucan Esther Folk Iane Folk Elizabeth Frve Anna Furlano lim Furlano Helen Goerke Lynette Hammil Jared Hanson Duane Hendricks **Bud Hoff** Nick Hoff Bill Hupp Don Hying Trish Jarzynski Marion Kaiser

Barb Keefe Matt Keller Kathleen Knight Jeff Kraus Loren Krueger Mary Ann Langer Lisa Meyers Lillian Moreno Mary Kay Mullen **Bob Murphy** Scot Nelson Jeffrey Pipitone **Bill Rice** Diana Riesterer *Ioe Riesterer* Phil Riesterer Rob Rosa Mike Ryder Rosemary Schafer Kathv Trimberger Bob Urban Paul Warren Ron Yoss

Stewardship: A Way of Life

1st Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues near-death or experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when vou start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

WORD OF LIFE: "Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Respect



This Week at St. Joseph

Sun. Nov. 27:NO Junior DisciplesTues. Nov. 29:

- 6:00 p.m. Small Group: Signs & Wonders Wed. Nov. 30:
- 3:30 p.m. Faith Formation Gr 1-5
- 6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Gr 6-9 **Thurs. Dec. 1**:
- Office Closed
- 6:30 p.m. RCIA
- 6:30 p.m. Advent Bereavement Service **Fri. Dec. 2**:
- Office Closed
- 8:30 a.m. Adoration

Sat. Dec. 3:

- 8:00 a.m. Rosary Cenacles of Life
- 3:00 p.m. Confessions

Sun. Dec. 4:

- 10:30 a.m. Junior Disciples
- 11:30 a.m. Donut Sunday



^PPlease keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers.

Gracie Theresa Amundson Fran Barrett Lois Bongle Betty Bosben John Bovard Larry Burns Joan Chesmore Pat Chiumenti Donna Dahl Sue Dahms Grace Farrington Judy Fugate Mya Harwood Rosie Hatlen Linda Hatton Julie Hoff Marge Hollenberger Marian Jacob Christian Kelsey Robert Koch John Kociolek Annanell Krausse Annette Nagle Jeanne N. Marilyn Nielsen Maureen Plautz John & Mary Pratt Jane Raatz Elliot Rademacher Bob (Seamons) Siemienkowicz Jacinta Tinoco Serrano S. Severson Sonja P. Pat Spray Frank Vogl Darnell Ziegler



Collection from November 20, 2022

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Thank you for your continued financial support of our parish! If you would like to contribute electronically, please sign up at <u>https://giving.parishsoft.com/</u> <u>app/giving/stjoeedgerton</u>

November after 10:30 a.m. Mass

months prior to the wedding date.

Sunday after 10:30 am Mass.

Baptism: Scheduled after weekend Masses.

Baptismal Preparation Class is required. They

are offered the first Sunday of March, July, and

Marriage: Please contact the priest at least 6

Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 3:00 pm before 4:00 pm Mass and the second and third





Financially Speaking

Collection From Last Week (November 20, 2022)

7,788.00
20,181.96
102.00
920.00

Fiscal Year-To-Date Contributions

YTD Envelopes & ACH	163,258.09
YTD Offertory	3,515.79

Collection from last year (November 21, 2021)

Envelopes	4,156.00
Offertory	87.01
ACH & Online Giving	810.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!

This Week at St. Mary Parish

Sun. Nov. 27:

• 8:30 a.m. Seeds

Tues. Nov. 29:

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary following Mass
- 4:00 p.m. K-6 class
- 5:00 p.m. Confessions

Wed. Nov. 30:

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 9:00-11:00 a.m. Wrapped in Love Sewing Group
- 4:00 p.m. K-6 Class

Thurs. Dec. 1:

- 5:00-8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration **Sun. Dec. 3:**
- 8:15-10:30 a.m. Family Ministry Class
- 8:30 a.m. Seeds
- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Christmas Basket Distribution

• 9:30 a.m. Small Group: With Jesus in cry area after Mass

In Sympathy:

Heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of those who recently died:

- Gloria Huschka mother of Wendy Kraus
- Mary Wacha
- Dan Calhoon, son of Cal & Elaine



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ROSARY AT ST. MARY ON MONDAY MORNINGS: Our rosary group is

still going strong. The rosary will be said outside by Our Lady (corner of Parkview and St. Mary St.) at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting. Time commitment is only 15 minutes. Please bring your own chair. If raining or

other bad weather, we will meet inside church

MILTON FOOD PANTRY: The Milton Food Pantry seeks monetary donations in order to distribute Christmas gift cards for Piggly Wiggly to parents and one Target gift card for each child. Please mail donations to Milton Food Pantry, Box 171, Milton, WI 53563 or drop at the Pantry, 36 Hilltop Drive, Wednesdays 9:00-11:00 a.m. or 2:00-4:00 p.m.

SSM LIGHTS OF LOVE: You are invited to attend the SSM Health St. Mary Hospital-Janesville Lights of Love program on Sunday, December 4 at 4:00 p.m. The 1-hour program will be held at the St. Mary Hospital Prairie Cafe. In addition to lighting the Christmas tree, the Nativity story will be re-told and familiar Christmas songs will be sung by local community members. This beautiful program has become a tradition at the hospital and enjoyed by many people.

ST. MARY SENIOR **STOCKBOX VOLUNTEERS:** Stockbox distribution needs helpers. This is a great program for seniors who run out of food and money toward the end of the month. The distribution happens on the fourth Thursday each month. Through ECHO (Janesville) we receive pre-filled boxes of nice food items to distribute to a dozen or so families. The clients pick-up their own box from our parish center. Each box weighs approximately 20 lbs. We need someone who can carry the box to the waiting cars.

Clients are called on the Wednesday prior to pick-up. This takes about 15 minutes. It is just a reminder to pick up their box the following day.

Helpers arrive at the parish center about 10:15 a.m., check to see if there are items in the refrigerator and prepare to greet the clients. Clients pick-up their box between 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. You are finished and ready to leave, to perhaps enjoy a nice lunch, by noon.

Can you please help a few months out of the year? Our helpers are dwindling due to age and relocation. If you would like to help, please contact Vicki at 608-449-6530. You are not only helping others, but you are being a disciple in a very quiet way!



Christmas Giving Opportunities at St. Mary

ROCK HAVEN: The "Giving Tree" includes an envelope for each resident at Rock Haven Nursing Home with a gift suggestion or two. You are asked to take an envelope, purchase a gift, place inside a gift bag -(wrapped gifts are difficult for residents to open) - and bring back to St. Mary before **December 4** (next weekend). This may be the only gift some residents receive this Christmas season. Spread some Christmas cheer!

DONATIONS FOR GIFTS MEN'S SHELTER: St. Mary is collecting donations from GIFTS Wish List: Cereal, bike locks, copy paper, long underwear, wireless ear buds. workout pants XL, Woodman's gift cards, bikes (men adult sized), lotions (hand & body), hand/feet warmer packets, insulated coffee/ water mugs, scarves, hats, gloves (XL), powdered drink mix (sugarfree), Walmart/Sam's Club gift cards. Please drop your donations in the basket in the Gathering Space before December 4.

CRIB FOR LIFE: St. Mary Knights of Columbus are collecting a wish list of items to benefit the Janesville Pregnancy Helpline. A crib will be in the Gathering Space from December 1-15 to collect donations: diapers (any size but esp. 3, 4, 5, 6) wipes, bottles, sippy cups, infant bath towels and wash cloths, infant socks to size 2T, potty training seats, training underwear, diaper cream, baby wash, shampoo, lotion, safety items like drawer latches, outlet covers, etc) board books.

Whatever you are able to contribute is greatly appreciated!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 8

MASSES St. Joseph 8:00 am St. Mary 6:30 pm



Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph & St. Mary

ST. JOSEPH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Friday, December 2 after 8:00 a.m. Mass
Tuesday, December 6 5:30-8:30 p.m.

ST. MARY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday, December 1 5:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 7 after 8:30 a.m. Mass

As we adore Jesus, please also ask for his help in our two parishes' evangelization efforts.



REGISTRATION FOR LIGHTING THE WAY FOR WOMEN IS OPEN! Women are invited to join us for this annual advent-by-candlelight event. This year's Lighting the Way will be on Thursday, December 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. John Vianney Gym. This is a beautiful evening of peace, prayer, and fellowship that helps busy women slow down (at least for a night!) to meaning of focus on the real Advent. Visit with friends and make some new ones as you eniov beautifully decorated tables, delicious desserts, and seasonal pravers and music-all in the warm glow of candlelight. Invite a friend, neighbor, family member, or any woman you think could use an evening of peace and preparation for Christ. You can register as an individual or sign up to host a table of 8 women. For more information and to register online visit sjv.org/ltw

EDGERTON CARE CENTER TREE at ST. JOSEPH: Starting next weekend, the Christmas tree will be available with tags for presents for our longterm residents at Edgerton Care Center. Most aren't able to get out anymore and really look forward to a small gift. Please let them know that they haven't been forgotten. The Care Center requests the items be placed in gift bags only (no wrapped boxes), attach the tag and **return by December 18th**. Thank you, so much and Merry Christmas.

SMALL GROUP AT ST. MARY IN DECEMBER: "With Jesus", Small Group will meet the first three Sunday's in December immediately following Mass in the cry area. The topic of discussion is the Little Blue Advent Books. Pick-up your copy at any of the church entrances and join the group for their first meeting on Sunday, December 4.



"Lights for Loved Ones" at St. Mary, Milton

This Christmas, remember family, friends and all those we love and miss in a special way by including their names in a place of honor by our Christmas tree in the Gathering Space, as well as in the bulletin. The suggested donation is \$10 for each memorial, but any amount will be accepted. Contributions will be used to purchase poinsettias and live trees to decorate our church for the Christmas season.

Forms are available in the Gathering Space and will be accepted through December 4. Questions? Call Becky at 608-868-3335 or email at: <u>becky.kreier1@gmail.com</u>

CAN YOU HELP MOMS IN NEED? The Walking with Moms in *Need* initiative in our diocese and all over the US aims to assist pregnant and parenting moms who could use help. The diocese provides simple instruction. Direct moms to local assistance, social services, material resources. Maybe you are a mother or a nurse or maybe not. We want every Catholic parish to have a contact person. If you can help, contact Fr. David.

Sanctuary Candle at St., Joseph

is burning this week In Memory of Mark Jacob



Welcome New Parishioners at St. Joseph:

- Jim and Kat Slatter and their daughter Anika
- Kaleb and Julie Windl

MEALS ON WHEELS—ST. JOSEPH: Meals on Wheels Delivery December 19 – January 15. It takes about 30-45 minutes to deliver. All the meals deliveries are within the city limits of Edgerton. Pick up the meals at Edgerton Care Center at 11:00 am. If you can help for 1 day or more, please call Mary Barrett at 608-921-5912. Thank you! DIOCESAN CONTACT PERSON **NEEDED:** Do you get distracted by the cute smiles and coos of babies at Mass? You are not alone! We are looking for someone to serve as a point of contact for new parents and/ or young families in our parish. Perhaps that is you. The goal for this volunteer position could include any of the following: connecting new parents with other families or existing family events in the parish, welcoming new parents who come to the parish seeking Baptism for their child, share parenting resources, set up meal trains for expecting mother, or more! You don't need any experience whatsoever. If you're interested, let's chat about the gifts that you bring to the table and how we can serve new parents and young families. Contact the parish office or Amy Klarkowski at the Office of Marriage and Family for more information. Amy can be reached at

amy.klarkowski@madisondiocese.org

CHRISTMAS WALTZ DANCE INTRODUCTION! Impress everyone at your company or family Christmas party by dancing the Waltz! Christmas music is mostly in '3/4 time', which is 'code' for Waltz! Dance to your favorite songs: White Christmas, Away in a Manger, The First Noel, Silent Night, Silver Bells, and more! And it won't take weeks to master. With two introductory Waltz dance lessons Friday, December 9 and Friday, December 16 starting at 6:30 p.m. you will be traipsing across the dance floor

with confidence and style. No prior Waltz experience is necessary. Lessons are free, and any age is welcome. Come with your partner...or by yourself –



we teach lessons either way. Contact Michael and Tracy at 309-229-0929 to sign up. We look forward to seeing you at St. Joseph-Edgerton!

ST. JOSEPH FUNERAL LUNCHEON **COMMITTEE:** Thank vou to everyone who has contributed in some way to serve lunch after a funeral; either by setting up, cleaning up, serving, or making food. However, with that, we have accumulated several casserole dishes, bowls and pans that are still in the kitchen. If you think one may be yours, please pick it up as soon as possible. And again, thank you for your time and efforts for this much appreciated service.

> "Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it." Martin Luther King, Jr.



SAVE THE DATE: December 10 Annual COOKIE WALK. Cookie donations can be dropped off on Friday, December 9 from noon-4:00 p.m. or Saturday, December 10 from 6:00-8:00 a.m. Volunteers to help sell still needed. Sign-up here: <u>https://</u> www.signupgenius.com/

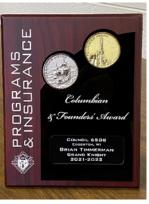
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ST. JOSEPH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL was honored this week as Deputy District Rob Thomas

presented the Council with a formal plaque in celebration of the Chapter's many activities, along with an increased use of KC benefit programs, like Life Insurance. The award recognizes the Council for hosting a number of activities in major each of 4



categories: Community Service, Faith Formation, Family Programs, and Support of Life.

Congratulations to the \sim 70 men of our Council who made our activities a success! The plaque can be viewed in the KC meeting room. If you'd like to help at a KC event, or join the Knights, please contact Brian Timmerman 608-212-1788.

ST. MARY, MILTON SEEKING **VOLUNTEERS** TO TAKE **COMMUNION TO MERCY HOSPITAL:** There are currently 5 days where volunteers are needed to take communion to Mercy Hospital. Can you help? Please call Clarence Lornson at 608-289-7085.

St. Mary Faith Formation









Advent Adventure









ST JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS MASS

Grades 5K - 12 are welcome! Song book and YouTube Music link will be sent home in late November Group will practice on Dec. 24 & join the adult cantor at our 4pm Christmas Eve Mass Send an email to Kim by 11/30 at CRE@StJoeEdgerton.org to sign up **FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST & PICTURES with SANTA AT ST. JOSEPH!** St. Joseph Knights of Columbus invite you to enjoy a hearty breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 11. Have your picture taken

with Santa and have some family fun Breakfast runs from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. There is no charge, however, a free will offering is gratefully accepted.





BULLETINS MAILED HOME: Would you or someone you know benefit from having our weekly bulletin mailed to your home? If so, please contact:

- St. Mary: Vicki at 608-449-6530 or email victoria.kersten1@gmail.com
- St. Joseph: Laura at 608-884-3038 or email admin@stjoeedgerton.org

TODAY BEGINS THE ADVENT SEASON. Advent

comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. While we typically regard Advent as a joyous season, it is also intended to be a period of preparation, much like Lent. Prayer, penance, and fasting are appropriate during this season.



Advent Week 1: Purple Advent Candle, HOPE

In the first week of Advent, we recall the Prophet Isaiah, who anticipated the birth of Jesus. This first candle also represents the anticipation of the arrival of the Messiah.

ADVENT BEREAVEMENT SERVICE AT ST. JOSEPH: St. Joseph, Edgerton, Advent Bereavement Service will be held on Thursday, December 1st at 6:30 p.m. in church. Anyone remembering and missing a lost loved one during this time of year is invited to attend. All members of St. Joseph and St. Mary are welcome.

ENCOUNTER NIGHT: St. Christopher Catholic Parish in Verona will host an Encounter Night, Sunday, December 4th from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Please join for an evening of prayer, music, adoration, testimony, confession, and fellowship. Through Encounter Nights, we hope to create a space for Jesus to meet each of us – where we are –



again and again. Come rest and be filled by Christ.

Pre-K through 5th grade students are invited to attend a

breakout session in the parish center during the Encounter Night. Students will begin and end in the church with their parents. Childcare will also be available for ages 1-3. Please RSVP to Margaret at mclark@saintchristopherparish.com

for childcare (ages 1-3). No RSVP is necessary for students Pre-K through 5th grade.

A Mote from Our Pastor ...

I wish everyone a blessed start to Advent! Let us enter into the wonder of the season as we prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of our Lord.



- Give your feedback about Into the Deep to the diocese before December 11. Please also include your reasons for your ideas, why you believe they would improve the present model. Before sending feedback, please review the information in the November 11 Catholic Herald. Please also read the answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at intothedeepmadison.org.
- Next weekend I will lead a short time of Eucharistic Adoration after each Mass. O Come Let Us Adore Him in the Eucharist. I promise that it will add no more than ten minutes to the usual Mass time.

Fr. David



Into the Deep Website: https://www.intothedeepmadison.org/

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) relating to Into the Deep: https://www.intothedeepmadison.org/ faq

Provide Feedback for Into the Deep: (Note that each feedback sent will receive a personalized response):

https://www.intothedeepmadison.org/ provide-feedback-specific-to-proposedparish-model

Readings for Week of November 27-December 4

Sunday, November 27 Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44 Monday, November 28 Isaiah 4:2-6 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9 Matthew 8:5-11 Tuesday, November 29 Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Luke 10:21-24 Wednesday, November 30 Romans 10:9-18 Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Matthew 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1 Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Matthew 7:21, 24-27 Friday, December 2 Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 Matthew 9:27-31 Sunday, December 4 Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12



FOUR HOLY HABITS

RECLAIM SUNDAY



A day to attend Mass, to rest and spend time with family & friends

FAST ON FRIDAY

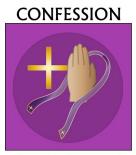


Fast from meat or spend the day with some type of penance/mortification

PERSONAL PRAYER



Pray and read the scriptures at least 15 minutes per day



Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation monthly