

Aug 9th, 2020 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

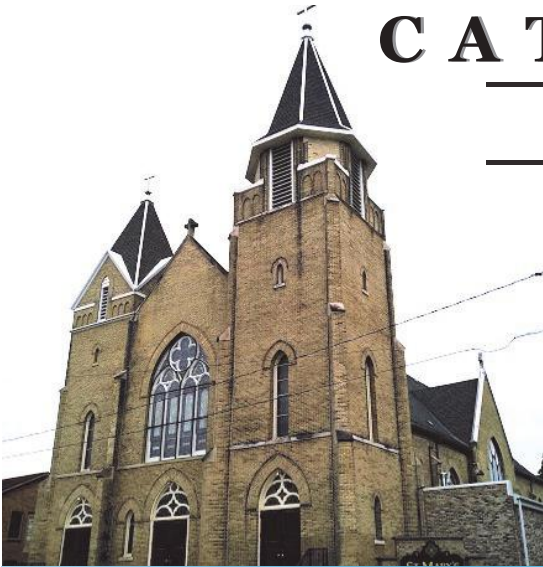
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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Tuesday 5:30 pm

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends

Saturday 7:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

St. Mary's Church & 1:00 pm

Adoration

Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:00 - 8:30 am

Confessions

Tuesday 5:00 pm

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Saturday 6:35 pm

Sunday 8:35 am

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Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 11

5:30 pm † Gerald Ryczek
By: Ilene Ryczek

Wednesday, August 12

8:30 am "Special Intention"
By: Ostrowski Family

Thursday, August 13

8:30 am † Holy Souls in Purgatory
By: Angela Dziewior

Friday, August 14

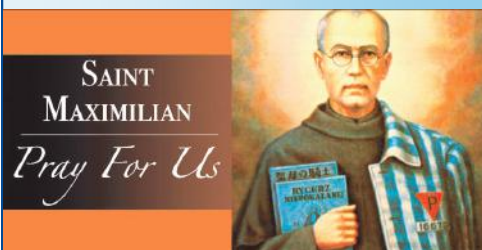
8:30 am † Leo & Florence Drea
By: the Drea Family

Saturday, August 15

7:00 pm † John Hall
By: Rita Hall & Family

Sunday, August 16

9:00 am The Parishioner Mass
1:00 pm † William P Blank
By: Bill & Raymonda Blank



Upcoming Events

St. Philomena's Mass
@ St. Mary's, Briggsville, WI
Aug 11th, at 11 am

Parish Finance Council
Aug 11th at 6:30 pm

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin:
Aug 15th at 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Cemetery Mass
Sept 6th at 9:00 am

Donut Sunday!
Sept 6th, after Cemetery Mass

Parish Pastoral Council
Sept 8th at 6:30 pm

R.C.I.A Classes Begin
Sept 20th at 10:30 am



Within the Word – Faith to walk on Water

Folks, in the period that follows the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus heals many and then calls his disciples to do the same. He teaches in parables, learns of the death of His cousin John, and then feeds more than five thousand men, using only five loaves of bread and two fish; not including their families. What a crazy scene...After hearing of the death of John the Baptist, Jesus seeks solitude and yet the people follow anyway. Evening approaches and Jesus sends his disciples toward the other side of the Galilee. He dismissed the crowd, and finally retires to pray; and apparently for many hours, because he didn't approach the disciples' (in their boat) until "the fourth watch," which is somewhere between 3 and 6 a.m. What a strange situation...They're all in the boat, Jesus is nowhere to be found. The disciples' see some figure out at sea, and imagine that it's a ghost. And common sense would follow, that no ordinary human could do such a thing, so they assume a spirit. Their cries of fear prompted Jesus' response, to be not afraid. Upon hearing Jesus' voice, Peter asks if he can join Him. Again, what a strange situation...

As he concentrated on Jesus, he walks on water. But we learn that when he focused on the wind and the waves, he starts to sink and drown. This is a great lesson for all of us in life. We too need to always keep our eye on the prize; whom is God, the Pearl of Great price, the greatest prize of them all. And as Jesus always does, He comes and saves Peter. After pulling him out from the waves, Jesus replies, "Oh you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Friends, we must be sympathetic to Peter. We can all relate to his experience. Almost all of us, to some degree understand how hard it is to keep focus on Christ, especially when the world is trying to distract & throw many storms our way. Remember the devil loves to distract us from what's important...Some consider this a rebuke by Jesus. However, it was more likely a gentle encouragement for Peter to have more faith. After all, Peter was the only disciple who had enough faith to step out on the water in the first place!

What happened after stuns everyone. The wind, that had been hindering the disciples all night suddenly stops. Jesus was capable of not only walking on water but calming the wind and waves as well. Later the disciples bowed in worship before Jesus, who was truly the Son of God. In this miracle, Jesus rescues Peter by showing his power over the elements, over the physical world itself. Friends, its true, that when you trust Jesus, you too can "walk on water." Jesus gives us the ability to accomplish the impossible. Weaving faith into our lives gives us the ability, to not only do the impossible but the phenomenal as well. Ask Christ for the faith of Peter, Jesus will respond to you, especially when we're in such need of His grace & mercy. Pray for the end of the pandemic, & use the rosary to do so. All it takes is a little faith. Have faith....you can walk on water even with a little. *Fr. Clayton*



St. Mary's Voucher Program:

Folks, if you know someone who's in need, unemployed, has low income, or is experiencing any type of hardship, please reach out & invite them to contact Fr. Clayton. Fr. Clayton has begun this small charity, with hopes to generate enough charitable income for those in need; and only directly for those in Lyndon Station. There's an open enrolment for the St. Mary's vouchers. If you know someone who's in need, please have them contact Terri at St. Mary's office or email Fr. Clayton.



Where's Father Clayton? Can you find him? He's hiding around here somewhere...and no it's not at the 1 pm mass or baptism... Good luck : P

Becoming a member of Christ's Church

First class is September 20th!

RCIA will meet most Sunday's after the 9 am Mass, (subject to change). We have two members of the faithful that have already signed up. If



you're interested in becoming a member of the Church, please ask Fr. Clayton for more info. The RCIA process is a long standing form of initiation. In order for one to confirm their faith in Christ, one must complete the rite of confirmation. It's always been from the beginning, how one enters the Church. Please consider joining the faith through the RCIA process.

Ever thought about being a Catechist?

Friends, we're in need of 2 new Catechism teachers for the St. Mary' Religious Ed program. We need someone to help with our 1-2nd grade religion class, and a substitute just in case of emergencies. If you feel called to teach, do more and/or want to help, please contact Fr. Clayton or Sandy Madland for more details. It's a wonderful gift to teach the church's young faithful. Please ask God for the grace to send us new Catechists. The work of those in the vineyard; will never outweigh the rewards that await those who teach the way..



To the Ladies Sodality, THANK YOU, Again!

A big thank you, to all the ladies and members of the Altar Sodality: thanks for supporting our parish & community. Last month, we received a check from the Ladies sodality for the Floor project; from the success of this years St. Mary's Ham Dinner, they've generated and donated **\$7000.00** for parish upkeep & maintenance. TY!

Fr. Clayton's in need, again..

St. Mary's still needs 2 more money counters; to help with Tuesday mornings. We had a few new persons, but circumstance happened & we're in need again. If you'd like to help, or could give an 1 hour every 3-4 weeks. Please contact Sheri Guyse for more details. She'd be happy to explain how it works. You can call her cell @ **1-608-547-2255**.

Secondly, the office is creating a list of folks, who'd like to help keep Fr. Clayton healthy. He's out of leftovers, (it took awhile) but he's ready for round two. If you'd like to contribute please contact either him or the office, for more information.

DON'T throw that away
I'll **EAT IT!**



Please keep in Prayer:

Mildred Blank
Vinnie Bellock
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Tony Oldigs
Lucille Ryczek
Charlotte Rybicki
Leo Schneider
George & Geri Smith
Rosalee Verette
William Zenk

& all the families who are suffering from CoVid-19

Financial Stewardship

August 2, 2020

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| Adult Envelopes..... | \$1685.00 |
| Student Envelopes..... | \$2.00 |
| Offertory..... | \$649.00 |
| Votive Candles | \$128.05 |

Total \$2,464.05

Weekly Budget \$2,548.07

(160 registered families)

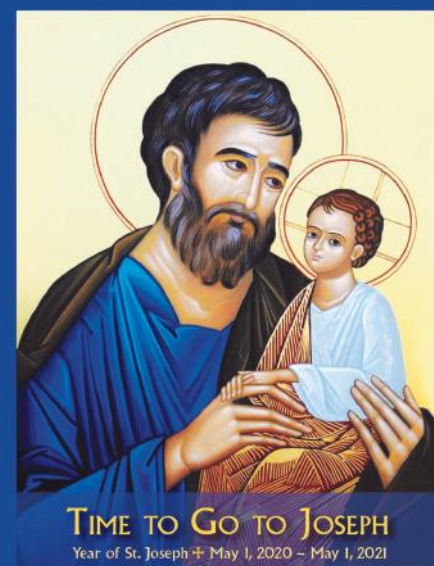
Year-to-date*

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| Budgeted | \$12,740.35 |
| Contributed | \$12,834.60 |

***Ministries are still postponed until further notice. Again, stay tuned for next month. TY**

The Fatherhood of St. Joseph

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family & we can trust ourselves & nation to St. Joseph at a time when examples of fatherhood and husbandry are so needed. We can ask him to help strengthen our families – as well as the bonds of our “parish family” during a time of hardship. St. Joseph Pray for us!



Floor Project

Goal: \$75,000
Total Received: \$67,574.20
Percent of Goal received: 90.10%

Annual Appeal

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