

January 31st, 2021 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

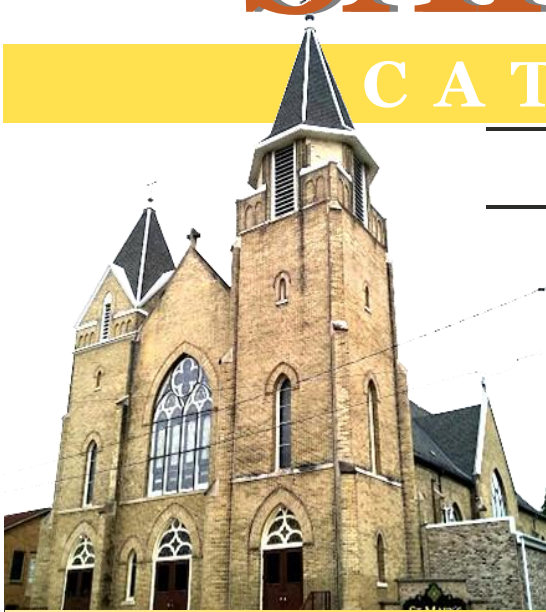
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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends

Saturday 7:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

Adoration

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

Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Saturday 6:35 pm

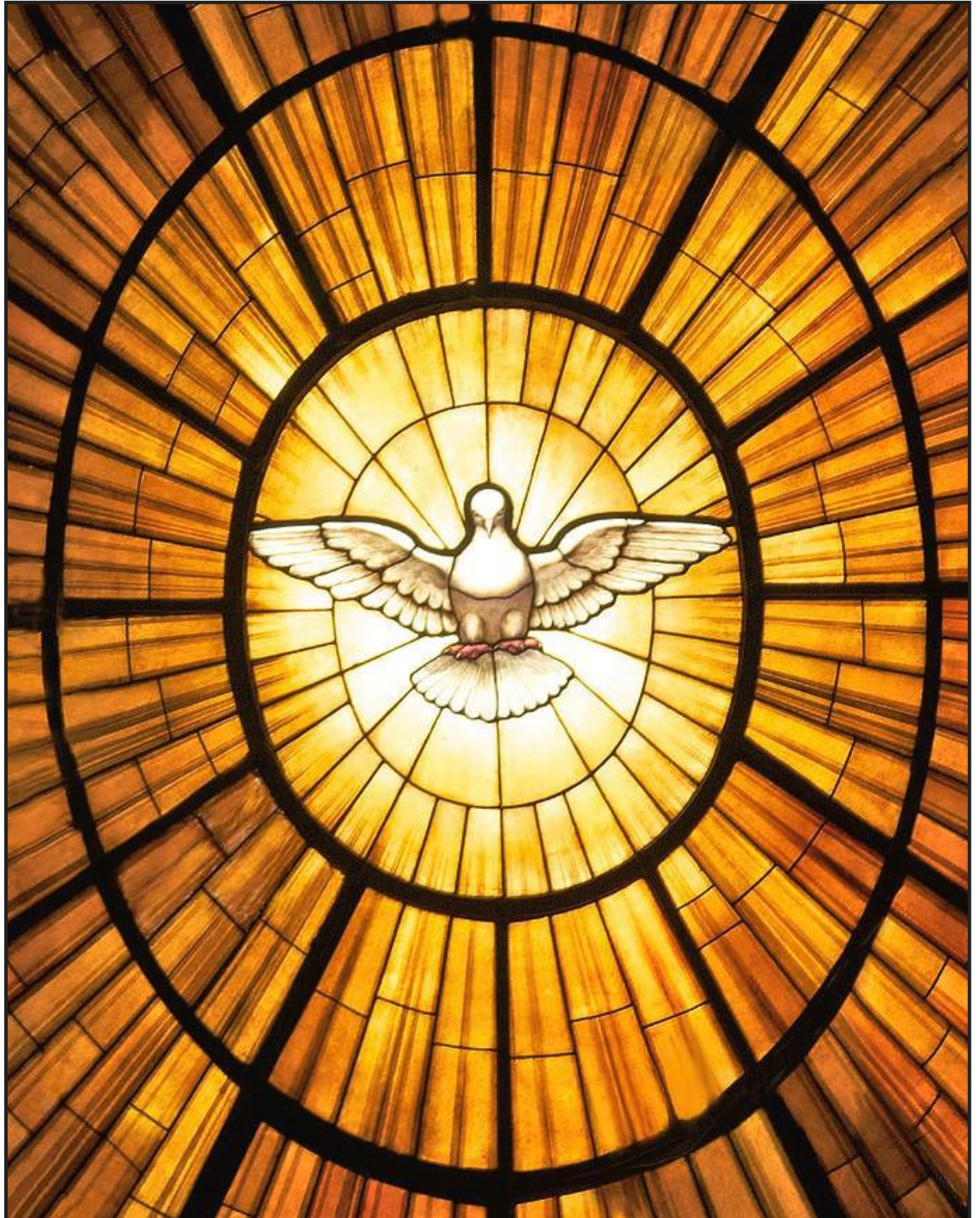
Sunday 8:35 am

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"Brothers and sisters:

I should like you to be free of anxieties."

1 Cor 7:32

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 2

Private Special Intention

Mass By: Fr. Clayton

Wednesday, February 3

8:30 a.m. Jennifer Sparby

By: Sauter Sisters

Thursday, February 4

8:30 a.m. † Witold Szawlowski

By: Family

Friday, February 5

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

By: Ostrowski Family

Saturday, February 6

7:00 pm Spec Int Fr. Clayton

Elmhurst

By: Jim & Judy Hall

Sunday, February 7

9:00 am † Bobby Peters

By: Jasan & Shannon
Franeck

1:00 pm Parishioner Mass



Presentation of the Lord
February 2nd

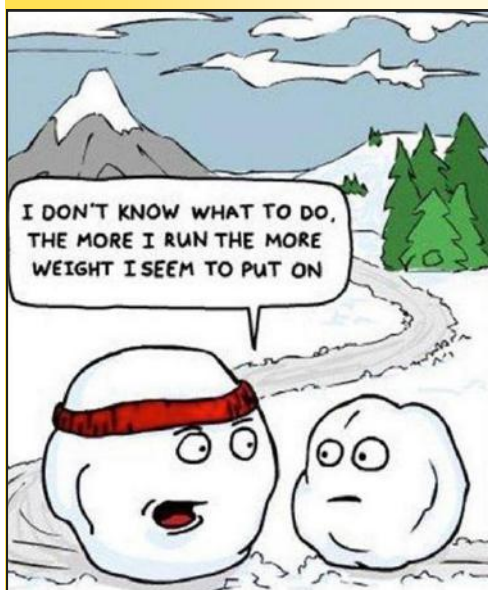
Upcoming Events

Parish Pastoral Council

Canceled: Future date coming

Parish Finance Council

February 9th at 6:30 pm



Jesus Rebukes the Unclean Spirit

'Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him.' Mark 1:25–26

This passage from Mark's Gospel could be the scene from a horror movie. Well, at least if Hollywood were producing the film. In truth, it's the scene of an act of great love and mercy and reveals the power and authority of Jesus!

It's the story of a man with an unclean spirit, a demon. The demon is tormenting him. So, Jesus looks at the man with great love and compassion and expels the evil spirit, setting him free. This truly is an act of love.

But one question this clearly brings up is the role of the evil spirits in our world and their ability to control, manipulate or, at least, tempt us. They are powerful spiritual beings created by God with free will, and they exercised that free will to turn away from God. One of their primary duties, granted them at the moment of their creation, was to care for humanity. Those spirits who fell from grace by their pride and sin still retain their natural spiritual power. But because of their fall, they now only have hatred for mankind and seek to destroy us. This is real. And this is something we should be keenly aware of.

But there is no reason to lose hope or to give in to fear. These beings are, of course, ultimately subject to the power and authority of God. They can do nothing without God permitting it—and, in the end, they can have no power over our lives.

But for now, we need to be aware of their natural spiritual power and influence. We need to understand that they can and will try to wreak havoc in our lives. When we let fear weaken our faith, and lack trust in God's almighty power, we slowly allow them to have more influence over us. But when we allow the grace and mercy of God to overshadow their evil influence, we hear Jesus rebuke them and order them to cease.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that the spiritual battle is a real one. However, the victory is assured if we only humble ourselves before God and trust in His power and authority. Humility is the key to this spiritual battle. It's the key to overcoming the attacks and temptations of the evil one. So, humble yourself before God when you feel oppressed or tempted. Humble yourself by admitting your weaknesses. Acknowledge that only God has the authority to strengthen you. Put your trust in Him. He will not let you down!

Lord, I am weak and nothing without You. Help me to know and believe that. Help me to humble myself before You and to be strengthened in that humility to overcome the temptations and influences of the evil one. Jesus, I trust in You!

-Taken from *Catholic Daily Reflections - My Catholic Life!*

Father Clayton wants everyone to know he is doing well and ready to come back from his medical leave next week. He will celebrate Masses as normal starting Wednesday morning, February 4th, at 8:30 a.m. Come for adoration starting at 8:00 a.m.!



“Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” National Catholic Schools Week January 31-February 6



Catholic schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel and by example of faith. As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning. During this week, please continue to offer your prayers for all Catholic Schools, their staff and students. Your spiritual support is always appreciated and needed. Also consider enrolling your children at a Catholic School if they're not. St. Patrick's in Mauston is just down the road and you'll certainly see the benefits of a Christ-centered education!



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in parishes on the weekend of February 6- 7, 2021. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Vinnie Bellock, Joan Burch; Jamie Donnelly; Joan, Henry, Bill, William, Clayton & John Elmhorst, Jim & Adela Hagen, Elizabeth Hall, Roseanne Kenneth, Gloria Kramer, Helena Kwit & Family, Mary Claire Marshall, Courtney Miller, Lizzie Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Lucille Ryczek, Charlotte Rybicki, Marjorie Senzig, Jeri Smith, Jane Torgerson, Rosalee Verette, William & Jackie Zenk, Nancy Zingsheim, Bob Walsh, those who are sick, unemployed, in need & all



families who are suffering in any way; from illness, cancer, uncertainty, anxieties & to the end of the COVID-19 pandemic; Families & Friends please...

PRAY THE ROSARY!!

Financial Stewardship

January 24, 2021

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2583.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$7.00
Offertory.....	\$161.00
Utility Envelopes.....	\$295.00
Votive Candles.....	\$36.50
Christmas.....	\$20.00
Easter.....	\$20.00
Holy Days.....	\$105.00
Total	\$3227.50

Weekly Budget \$2,548.07
(164 registered families)

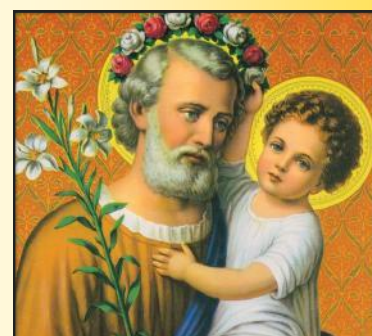
Year-to-date*

Budgeted	\$76,442.73
Contributed	\$86,858.21

Time to go to St. Joseph

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family & we can trust ourselves, to him at a time when fatherhood is so needed. We can ask him to help strengthen our families – as well as the bonds of our parish during this time of hardship.

-St. Joseph, Pray for us!



St. Mary's Floor Project

Parishioners' Goal:	\$75,000
Total Received:	\$72,650.00
Percent of Goal received:	96.87%


2020-21 Annual Appeal

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