

# ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Rev. Tuan Van Nguyen, Pastor



we Love because  
HE first  
loved US

1 JOHN 4:19

Sunday, February 13, 2022

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**Weekend Masses-** Saturday- 5:00pm  
Sunday- 7:30am, 9am Livestream and 11am

**Weekday Masses-** Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri- 8:30am  
**Communion Service-** Wed- 8:30am  
**Confession-** **Saturday's 4pm-4:45pm in the Church**

**Anointing of the Sick-** Fr. Tuan is available for personal anointing at home, nursing home, hospice etc. Please call the rectory 815-467-2233.


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# MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

## DATE

## TIME

## MASS INTENTION

## FROM

**The Rosary will not be prayed before 8:30am morning Mass starting January 1st for the winter months.**

|                                |         |                            |                          |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Saturday, February 12          | 10:00am | Anointing of the Sick Mass |                          |
|                                | 5:00pm  | Bill Stafford              | Bob & Robin White        |
| Sunday, February 13            | 7:30am  | Dan Caruso                 | Sestak Family            |
|                                | 9:00am  | Jerry Hannon               | Cathy Glover             |
|                                |         | Janet Clennon              | The Family               |
|                                | 11:00am | Sanctity of Life           |                          |
| <b>Monday, February 14</b>     | 8:30am  | Larry Nelson               | Cheryl Nelson & Family   |
| <b>Happy Valentine's Day!!</b> |         | Leonard & Winona Bols      | The Family               |
| Tuesday, February 15           | 8:30am  | Bill Stafford              | Judy Stafford            |
| Wednesday, February 16         | 8:30am  | Communion Service          |                          |
| Thursday, February 17          | 8:30am  | Walter & Mary Lou Friant   | The Family               |
| Friday, February 18            | 8:30am  | Madeline Brannick          | The Noble Collins Family |
| Saturday, February 19          | 5:00pm  | Raymond Noel               | The Noel Family          |
|                                |         | Josephine Quilter          | Sharon Gaydula           |
| Sunday, February 20            | 7:30am  | Verna Chapello             | KC's                     |
|                                | 9:00am  | Scott Tezak                | The Family               |
|                                | 11:00am | Sanctity of Life           |                          |
|                                |         | Lorraine Davidson          | Craig & Kathy Williamson |

### This week candles were lit for :

- Leonard Bols (January 30th)
- Leonard & Winona Bols ( February 14th)
- Lois Anzalone
- Gloria Ziebler
- Police & Firefighters
- An end to the Corona Virus
- Sanctity of Life from Conception until Natural Death

If you would like a candle lit outside for a special intention, please call the Parish Office at 815-467-2233.



## Parish Sick List

Denise Tonarelli  
Kimberly Gaydula  
Dylan Pickett  
Paul Thien Phu  
Fr. Jim Lennon  
Deidra Hogan  
Lonnie Barutello  
Jerry Davidson  
Kevin McEvilly  
Lorenzo Benitez  
Marlena Benitez  
Kelly McCormick  
Rosalie Jostes  
Gerald Boucher

### LORD, HOLD ME...



Taryn Schrader  
Dominic Boblak  
Robyn Bumgarner  
Pat Olsen  
Judy Stafford  
Special Intentions  
Sara Lovell  
Elaine Troutman  
Roger Dollinger

# From Fr. Tuan

Dear Parishioners,

Here is a reflection for this weekend:

When one is younger, the dream is to earn a college degree or even a doctorate degree, land a high paying job in a multinational company or own a profitable business and travel the world. As one grows older, the dream may have come true or it may have faded away. Whatever happens, the standard of this world which many of us is accustomed with is to be successful in the eyes of men and success here means accumulation of worldly goods.

In the gospel reading Jesus presents a totally different standard of living, in fact, the opposite of the world's standard. He says that the poorer you are, the more blessings you will receive. When you are hungry and in grief, a great blessing is coming your way. On the other hand, if you are rich and laughing at the moment and when people speak well of you, your life is in trouble.

Indeed, the teachings of Jesus can only be described as radical. It turns upside down all that the world hold dear. That is why, some of the people who heard Him asked, "Who then can be saved?" and many of them left.

We must always remember that Jesus came for the last, the least and the lost. He came to bring glad tidings to the poor and freedom to the oppressed. He provided hope for the hopeless and taught the people the importance of faith. Then He asked them to be servant of all if they wanted to be the greatest. In short, He wants all of followers to be like Him and to walk in His path. That is the life that is truly blessed.

Love and Prayers,



Fr. Tuan



St. Valentine, the patron saint of lovers, was a Roman priest, physician and martyr who was put to death sometime around 270 A.D. A basilica was built on the spot where he was buried some years later after the emperor Constantine made Christianity the official religion of the empire. The custom of sending a "Valentine" to a loved one stems from the medieval belief that birds choose their mates on this day. Sometimes we need reminders to tell those we love that we love them. Married couples, please tell one another that you love each other more often.

## February 19 & 20

| <u>Date</u>                 | <u>Lector</u> | <u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>  | <u>Altar Server</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Saturday, Feb. 19 at 5:00pm | Kathy Sabuco  | Mike Healy                    | Brooklyn Lehner     |
| Sunday, Feb. 20 at 7:30am   | Terry Danek   | Debbie Bols                   | Bridget Phillips    |
| Sunday, Feb 20 at 9:00am    | Sue Gregory   | Alice Mayr<br>Sydney Yunker   | Keighera Fleming    |
| Sunday, Feb 20 at 11:00am   | Benda Rittof  | Cheryl Nelson<br>Glenda Smith | Sarah Folsom        |

## Our Saint for this week is The Seven Holy Founders:

The groups of the medieval world were called guilds. Craftsmen of similar skills and professions organized in guilds to learn, promote, and protect their trade. Guilds offered mutual assistance to their members that no individual could replicate. There was power in numbers. Today's feast commemorates seven young men who belonged to a merchant guild in Florence, Italy, in the 1200s. These seven men were serious Christians. They loved God and the Church. And in addition to protecting their commercial interests by joining a guild, they also protected their souls by joining a local spiritual guild called the Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin, where their spiritual exercises were guided by a wise and educated priest who encouraged their devotion.

The names of the Seven Holy Founders are known. But the Church celebrates them as a group, with their individuality ceding to their group identity. Together they accomplished more than seven men working separately could ever have accomplished. Their confraternity became an Order, and that Order still exists for the mutual spiritual benefit of all, a theological guild holding its members to high standards of spiritual perfection. Servite priests and brothers are still active in various countries around the world, hundreds of years after the Order's founding. This is a testament to the immovable, rock solid, foundation on which its Seven Holy Founders constructed their home.





# RE NEWS

Good Morning RE Families,

Last week in RE Fr. Tuan celebrated the Mass of Explanation with the children. He focused on the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It was great to see all of our children in Mass to hear Fr speak about the Eucharist.

Next week our 8th Graders will be receiving their Confirmation at St Ann Channahon along with St Ann's students. Please keep all St Mary's and St Ann's 8th Graders in your prayers as they move forward with their faith.

As a reminder our next Parent Meetings are coming up in March;

2nd Grade Parent Meeting Tues. Mar. 22nd

3,4,5 Grades Parent Meeting Wed. Mar. 23rd

6,7 Grades Parent Meeting Wed. Mar. 23rd

Parent Meetings are held during your child's class time.

Have a Great Week,

Peace,

Deacon Fred Ban



## Question of the week

Q: Is the perpetual virginity of Mary biblical?

A: It is the official position of the Roman Catholic Church that Jesus' mother Mary remained a virgin for her entire life. Is this concept biblical? Before we look at specific Scriptures, it is important to understand why the Roman Catholic Church believes in the perpetual virginity of Mary. The Roman Catholic Church views Mary as "the Mother of God" and "Queen of Heaven." Catholics believe Mary to have an exalted place in Heaven, with the closest access to Jesus and God the Father. Such a concept is nowhere taught in Scripture. Further, even if Mary did occupy such an exalted position, her having sexual intercourse would not have prevented her from gaining such a position. Sex in marriage is not sinful. Mary would have in no way defiled herself by having sexual relations with Joseph her husband. The entire concept of the perpetual virginity of Mary is based on an unbiblical teaching, Mary as Queen of Heaven, and on an unbiblical understanding of sex.

So, what does the Bible say about the perpetual virginity of Mary? Using the New American Bible, which is a Catholic translation, we can see that the perpetual virginity of Mary is not taught in the Bible. Matthew 1:25 NAB tells us, "He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus." He, Joseph, did not have sexual relations with her, Mary, UNTIL after she bore a son, Jesus." The meaning of this Scripture is abundantly clear. Joseph and Mary did not have sexual relations until after Jesus was born. Matthew 13:55-56 NAB declares, "Is He not the carpenter's son? Is not his mother named Mary and his brothers James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas? Are not His sisters all with us?" Catholics claim, correctly, that the Greek terms for "brothers" and "sisters" in these verses could also refer to male and female relatives, not necessarily literal brothers and sisters. However, the intended meaning is clear, they thought Jesus to be Joseph's son, the son of Mary, and the brother of James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas, and the brother of the unnamed and unnumbered sisters. Father, mother, brother, sister. It is straining the meaning of the text to interpret "brothers" and "sisters" as "cousins" or "relatives" with the mentioning of Jesus' mother and father.



**Teen Group News  
St. Mary's Knights of Columbus & Youth  
Ministry's  
Annual Spaghetti Dinner**



**Friday, February 18th at 5pm – 7pm held  
in St. Mary's Parish Center  
Donations help support St. Mary's Teen  
Group  
Thank you for your continued support!**



**When: February 16<sup>th</sup>  
(Wednesday)  
Where : Methodist Church**

**Please call 815 467-2322 to  
make a reservation**

**Welcome to St. Mary's  
Church!**

**Would you like to be-  
come a  
Registered Parishioner?**

We are so blessed to have you with us today and every day! Our liturgies are made better by your presence and participation. We hope that you find the experience here at St. Mary's to be a warm and inspiring experience of the Eucharist and the faith that we profess.

If you are not registered and would like to be, please fill out the form below and mail it to the Parish office at St. Mary's, P.O. Box 456, Minooka IL 60447.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## Parish News

### CCW Meeting

**Please Join Us for CCW Meeting  
Thursday February 17th at 6:30pm  
In The Parish Center  
We will be having a presentation by  
the Minooka Police Department  
Followed by a brief meeting.  
Hope to see you there.  
Officer Matt Juras will be pre-  
sents information on Canine Rueger,  
and introducing Rueger**



St. Mary's Adult Faith Formation

### The Mass Where Heaven and Earth Meet



We sit in the pews and listen to our Father's words  
through the words of the lector.

In the First Reading from the Bible,  
our Father tells us of His love for His Chosen people and  
how they respond to His providence.

Hearing the backstory  
makes learning about the ministry of Jesus more interesting.

AFF (Adult Faith Formation) meets from 4:50 to 5:50 in the  
evening each Monday in St. Mary's Parish Center.

We meet on Zoom each Monday from 7 to 8 pm.  
Check St. Mary's website for videos and the  
Zoom invitation.

Join us whenever you can!  
Join us, even if you've never come before!

Each session, you'll learn something new and exciting  
about the sacrifice and the celebration  
of the Mass!

### St. Mary's Music

## HELP WANTED

St. Mary's is looking to hire some  
additional sub-musicians and sub-cantors.  
This is a paid professional opportunity.

Substitute musicians fill in when the music  
director is unavailable for weekly masses,  
holy days, funerals, and weddings. These  
masses would be scheduled with advance  
notice, unless there is a case of illness or  
emergency. Our music director works with  
you according to your needs and schedule.

If interested, please contact our music  
director, Kaleigh Mattson:  
kaleigh.stmarysmusic@gmail.com  
815-277-6363



## CALLING ALL CHILDREN! COME MAKE SOME MUSIC!

any children who are interested in singing as part of our  
children's choir during children's mass are invited to come  
rehearse in our choir loft at 10:15 before mass on February 13th

all ages welcome - reading skills are a plus!

for questions or more information:  
kaleigh.stmarysmusic@gmail.com



## Parish News

### Family Bowling



The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus is holding a bowling event on Sunday, February 27th at the Channahon Lanes. Pizza will be served at 1:30pm followed by bowling at 2:00pm. The Knights of Columbus are covering the cost for children 12 yrs. of age and under. The cost for anyone over 12 is \$10.00 per person. The \$10.00 fee includes 2 games of bowling, shoes and pizza. NO OUTSIDE DRINKS ARE ALLOWED.

# CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022

*St. Mary's Parish Center*

300 W. ST. MARY'S ST. MINOOKA, IL.

SERVING FROM NOON - 6:30PM

### QUILTERS' RAFFLE

\$1 per ticket 6 for \$5

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## ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP

**Hatfield Sisters  
w/ Gavin Coyle & Max Dunne**

12:30pm - 3:00pm

**Keigher Academy of Irish Dance**

3pm - 4pm (In parish hall)

**St. James Gate - Irish Rock Band**

3:30pm - 6:30pm



*Live music tent on  
ST. MARY'S ST.*



## St. Mary's Book Club

Our next selection is "The Vanishing Half" by Brit Bennett.

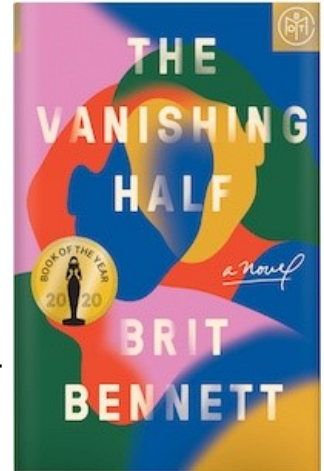
The Vanishing Half follows the lives of two identical twins, both light-skinned Black girls, who run away from home at the age of sixteen.

As adults, living in different parts of the U.S, one sister lives her life as a black woman and the other sister chooses to live her life as a white woman. This novel gives insights to and explores the challenges of racism.

Please plan on joining us at our Zoom discussion on Tuesday, Feb 15, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.(check your email for the Zoom link)

Copies of the book are available at the Minooka Public Library. All are welcome!

Questions? Please call Mary at 815-467-9577.



**Free to a new home...**

**Space Heater**

One of our Parishioners has donated 2 BRAND NEW STILL IN THE BOX space heaters. If you have a need for one, please call Kathy O'Hagan at 815-467-4228.



**EXPLORING PRIESTHOOD WEEKENDS**  
At Mundelein Seminary

MARCH 25-27, 2022

Congratulations on taking a big step in your discernment of the priesthood.

Your Bishop and Vocations Director have invited you to attend an Exploring Priesthood Weekend. These retreats are designed to help you further discern God's call to the diocesan priesthood, potentially through formation here at Mundelein.

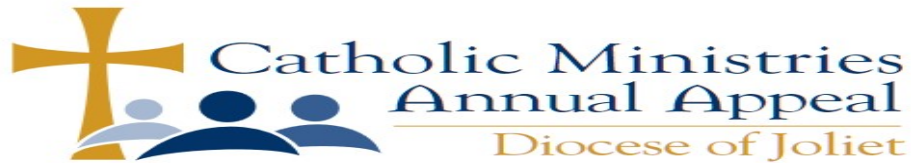
Throughout a weekend of prayer, discussions, fraternity, recreation, and presentations from current faculty and seminarians, you will better understand God's movement in your life as you experience life on campus.

During Exploring Priesthood Weekend, you will have the chance to learn about the steps for discernment, values of priestly life, and the structure of seminary formation. Current seminarians will share their vocation stories with you, and you will join them at Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Liturgy of the Hours. Our historic campus with its many chapels will also be open to you for your personal prayer and exploration.

Our prayer for you is that by fully engaging in the opportunities provided on the retreat, you will find more clarity on where God is leading you.

**REGISTER AT [USML.EDU/EPW](https://usml.edu/epw)**

NO COST - PRIVATE ROOM AND MEALS INCLUDED  
PICKUPS FROM O'HARE OR METRA PROVIDED



## Support the works of the Lord through the 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is now underway, and we are asking everyone to pledge their support to this important effort for our diocese, and our parish.

This year's CMAA theme, *Devoted to the Works of the Lord*, illustrates how the many ministries our annual appeal supports allow us to join together to do God's work throughout our diocese. From helping the poor and vulnerable to forming future priests and educating people of all ages in the faith, the ministries funded through your gifts are far more extensive than our parish could provide on its own.

Our parish's goal for the 2022 CMAA is \$44,600 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office to request one.

Collection Totals for the Weekend of: Feb 5/6, 2022

|                                  | Collected    | Online     | Total      |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| Weekly Offering                  | \$0.00       | \$2,705.25 | \$2,705.25 |
| Foundation for Faith             | \$0.00       | \$85.00    | \$85.00    |
| Major Maintenance                | \$0.00       | \$88.00    | \$88.00    |
| Needy in Community               | \$0.00       | \$288.00   | \$288.00   |
| Catholic Home Missions           | \$0.00       | \$10.00    | \$10.00    |
| Holy Land/Pontifical Good Friday | \$0.00       | \$10.00    | \$10.00    |
| YTD Weekly Offering Collected    | \$265,029.33 |            |            |
| YTD Weekly Offering Needed       | \$269,803.84 |            |            |

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