St. Mary's Church

303 W. St Mary's St. Minooka, IL

MASSES:

Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am (simple chant)

9am and 11am

Weekday - daily at 8:30am

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Wed 8am-4pm

Thurs- 10:30am-4:00pm Fri- 8am-12pm

OFFICE PHONE: (815) 467-2233

NEW PARISHIONERS:

St. Mary's Parish warmly welcomes everyone to our community. Please call the Parish office to register at 815-467-2233 or Office@stmarysminooka.com

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays at 4:00pm - 4:45pm And upon request

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursdays - 7:30am-8:30am Saturdays - 4:00pm-5:00 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

2nd & 4th Sunday of each Month

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Six months preparation required. Visit the website for more information.

SICK, HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITAL VISITS:

Contact the parish office if you would like communion, if you would like someone from St. Mary's to visit you in the hospital, or if we can help you in any other way. Privacy policies do not permit the hospital to contact us directly.

<u>ANNOINTING OF THE SICK</u> - Please call the parish office at 815-467-2233.



<u>James Tissot</u>, Healing of the Lepers at Capernaum (Guérison des lépreux à Capernaum), <u>1886-1894</u>, <u>France</u>

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11th, 2024

Meditations on Sunday Readings and Famous Art

The painting "Healing of the Lepers at Capernaum" by James Tissot depicts a biblical scene from the Gospel of Luke (17:11-19) where Jesus heals ten lepers.

Miracle and Divine Healing: The painting captures the miraculous healing power of Jesus, showcasing his divine authority over illness and disease. A Catholic interpretation would underscore the belief in the supernatural and the recognition of Jesus as the Son of God capable of performing miraculous acts.

Gratitude and Faith: The story involves the healing of ten lepers, but only one returns to express gratitude to Jesus. A Catholic perspective might highlight the importance of gratitude and faith as essential responses to God's blessings. The healed leper who returns to thank Jesus serves as a model for believers to acknowledge and appreciate God's grace in their lives.

Salvation and Faith in Christ: The act of healing extends beyond physical well-being; it symbolizes spiritual healing and salvation. Catholic teaching often emphasizes the centrality of faith in Christ for salvation. The healed leper's faith in Jesus as the source of healing is a testament to the importance of faith in the Catholic worldview.

Obedience to God's Will: The lepers' initial approach to Jesus, calling out from a distance, reflects their recognition of Jesus' authority and their obedience to his commands. A Catholic Interpretation may highlight the significance of obedience to God's will as demonstrated by the lepers' response to Jesus.

Social and Moral Implications: Leprosy was not only a physical ailment but also carried social stigma in biblical times. The healing of the lepers underscores Jesus' compassion for the marginalized and his ability to restore not only physical health but also social dignity. This aspect might be interpreted in light of Catholic teachings on social justice and the dignity of every human being.



Lenten Regulations

- 1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- 2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast and to abstain on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 3. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
- 4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
- 5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year; all, in addition to following the Lenten regulations, are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.





St. Mary's CCW invites all members of the Parish to attend

Stations of the Cross Through the Eyes of Mary

Join us for this beautiful and meaningful presentation of the

Stations of the Cross, focusing on the thoughts of our Holy Mother

as she bears witness to her Son's suffering.

Thursday, March 14, 2024, 6:30 PM in the Church

Light refreshments to follow in the Parish Center

Senior Lunch

Senior Lunch is Returning Wednesday February 21st, please call 815-467-2322 to make your reservation. Please leave a message if no one answers. If you are interested in helping at the senior lunch please text or call Jeanne Rapp at 815-545-2354.



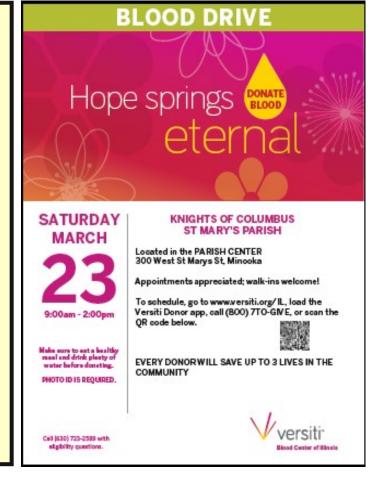
St. Mary's Quilters



Not Actual Quilt

This years theme - Seasons of St. Mary's

St. Mary's Quilters will be selling Raffle Tickets
for the 2024 quilt at the
Knights of Columbus' Breakfast
on February 25th. For more information
please call
Robin White at 815-671-6008 or
Carole Fremarek at 815-514-3754.







Calling All Bakers

The Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner Committee is looking for volunteers to donate baked goods for the Corned Beef Dinner on Sunday, March 3rd. We are in need of cakes, pies, cookies, cupcakes or your favorite dessert. Please do not send items that need to be refrigerated.

If you can donate bakery please text Robin White at

1-815-671-6008 by February 27 so we can make sure we have enough desserts for everyone.

Bakery can be dropped off at the Parish Center Saturday, March 4th before Mass from 4:30pm until 5:00pm and also immediately following Mass or anytime time Sunday after 7:30am.

Please put your name on your dish so we can return your containers.

We are also looking for volunteers to help cut and plate desserts during the dinner. Please contact Robin if you can help.

Thank You in advance for your help!

February CCW Meeting



All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join us on Feb. 15th at 6:30 pm.

Our program for the evening is "Preparing for Lent – Mind, Body, and Spirit"

In addition to a soup and salad bar, we will be sharing recipes for our favorite Lenten meals and soups. Please bring your favorite recipes, and they will be displayed on a table so everyone can take pictures of the recipes they like. We will also be offering tips for a holy Lenten journey.

During the meeting, we will be voting on St. Mary's Woman of the Year for 2024.

As part of our "almsgiving" for Lent, we would appreciate donations of dental hygiene supplies (toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, sugar free mints and/or gum) to be donated to the residents of Daybreak Shelter in Joliet.





	Mass Coordinator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
Saturday, February 17, 5:00pm	Pat Favero Jeanne Rapp	John Mooney	Mike Healy Mary Stith	Libby Nugent
Sunday, February 18, 7:30am	Doris Boehm	Ric Offerman	Nita Caruso Katie Liberatore	Bridget Phillips
Sunday 18, February 9:00am	John & Sue Hulbert	Mike Schramm	Phil Jostes Meagen Galloway	Sara Folsom Alex Folsom
Sunday 18, February 11:00am	Melina Lomeli Kathy O'Hagan	Cathy Fouts	Jessica Folsom Jane Spray	Teagan Saelens

Monday - Wednesday & Friday Rosary at 8:00am

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 10	5:00pm	+Bernice Thompson	The Family
		+Therese Kerr	The Family
Sunday, February 11	7:30am	+Dorothy Bickle	Dan & Kathy Friant
	9:00am	+Virginia Guertin	Mary Jane Borzym
	11:00am	+Bob Guedel	The Family
Monday, February 12	8:30am	+Susan Kuykendall	Peg & Jim Furto
Tuesday, February 13	8:30am	+William & Donna McClintock	Cathy Glover
Ash Wednesday, February 14	6:30am	Intention of our Pastor	
Mass w/Ashes	8:30am	+Mary & Tony Krnac	Ken & Jackie Bersano
Ash Distribution only	4:45pm In Church		
Mass w/Ashes	6:30pm	Parishioners	
Thursday, February 15	8:30am	+Nancy Reichen	The Family
Friday, February 16	8:30am	+Fr. Mark Fracaro	
Saturday, February 17	5:00pm	+Carissa Wascher	Leon Family
		+Nancy Reichen	Chuck & Pam Sheperd
Sunday, February 18	7:30am	+Bill Chiovatero Sr.	Ron & Jan Hibler
	9:00am	+Josephine Quilter	Sharon Gaydula
	11:00am	+Barbara Ketter	Al & Pat Smania
		Bishop Hicks	



Man Does Not Live By Bread Alone

Homilies from Fr. John

To listen to Fr. John's weekly homilies, search "Honiotes" on any major podcast app

40 DAYS FOR LIFE AURORA

PRAY FAST WITNESS

The Spring Campaign for 40 DAYS FOR LIFE will begin on Ash <u>Wednesday February 14</u> and end on Palm <u>Sunday March 24</u>. During this time, Christians from around the world will once again join together for the most powerful PRO-LIFE effort the world has experienced.

During these 40 days, parishes in our area will be asked to participate in our local effort of 40 DAYS FOR LIFE AURORA. Each day, one area church will commit to praying to end abortion. Prayer Vigils will be <u>from 8 AM to 5 PM Monday</u> through Saturday at Waterleaf Woman's Center at 3055 E. New York St. Aurora, IL, directly across from Aurora Planned Parenthood.

The vigil date for our parish will be Wednesday February 28th. Please join our parish in prayer at Waterleaf anytime between 8 AM and 5 PM. Father John Honiotes will be praying at the Center from 11:30 AM- 12:30 PM. To sign up for our vigil day, please go to 40daysforlife.com/aurorawebsite. If you are unable to attend, we ask that on the day of our parish vigil, please offer a ROSARY FOR LIFE to save a baby at risk of abortion. Also, please feel free to pray with any other church group on any day during the 40 Days for Life Campaign. You can also show your love and commitment through prayer and fasting.

For additional information or assistance please contact Cathy Glover at 815-409-8145.

Pledge your gift to the CMAA

This is commitment weekend for the 2024 Catholic Ministries Catholic Appeal (CMAA). The appeal is a beautiful way we can put our faith into action by supporting the mission and important ministries of the Diocese of Joliet.

This year's CMAA theme is *For the Glory of God.* Caring for our brothers and sisters in need is a magnificent way to celebrate His glory. Through our annual appeal, our parish joins with other parishes in the diocese to enrich the lives of those most vulnerable among us, grow our children in deep faith, and strengthen vocations. We could not foster these and the many other ministries the CMAA supports on our own. This is a diocese-wide effort.

Seventy percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us, a wonderful re-gifting of sorts, that affords us the opportunity to invest in the needs of our own parish.



Police & Firefighters Special Intention George Klinkner Bernice Thompson Lois Anzalone If you would like a candle lit outside for a Special Intention, please call the Parish Office At 815-467-2233.



Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish Family

Denise Tonarelli Kimberly Gaydula Paul Thien Phu Bill Reed Larry Goodwin Karen Lombardo Sara Lovell Wren Wagoner Baker Family Bayley Webb Aberie Skiba Kathy Ly Fred Lotarski

Lorenzo Benitez Marlena Benitez Judy Stafford Ruth Kesselring Olivia Arenella Lisa Pelton Dawn Dempsay Robert Fonck Marilyn Wilkens Gerald Magolan Joe Overbeck Sheila Tonger Jerry Moreno Connie Hamilton Jim Novotny Ralph Westbrook Phill Wizorek Warren Boehm

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email office@stmarysminooka.com or call the parish office at 815-467-2233.

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