

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

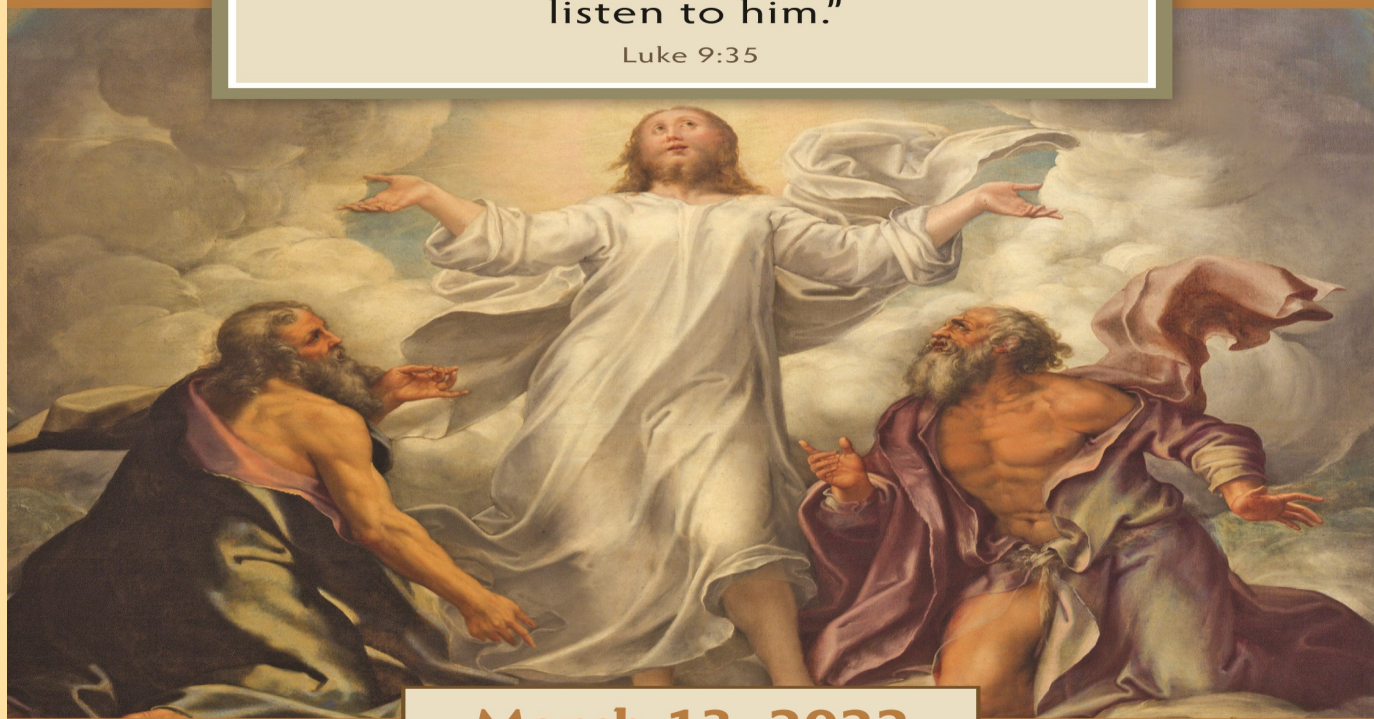
Rev. Tuan Van Nguyen, Pastor

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Second Sunday of LENT

Then from the cloud
came a voice that said,
"This is my chosen Son;
listen to him."

Luke 9:35



March 13, 2022

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MASSSES

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ST. MARY'S COMMISSIONS

A word cloud for Lent, featuring terms like 'repentance', 'sacrifice', 'fast', 'Ash Wednesday', 'Good Friday', 'Easter', 'Jesus', 'Savior', 'Lord', 'forgiveness', 'prepare', 'confession', 'pray', 'cross', 'repent', 'holiness', 'tempted', 'ashes', 'sins', 'abstain', 'moderate', 'eat', 'drink', 'wear', 'live', 'work', 'play', 'sleep', 'study', 'travel'.

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

DATE

TIME

MASS INTENTION

FROM

Attention: Morning Rosary has resumed before daily Mass at 8:00am.

Saturday, March 12	5:00pm	Lorraine Davidson Bill Stafford John Crowley	Peg & Jim Furto Bob & Robin White Jim & Joanne Zupancic
Sunday, March 13	7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 12:00pm	Raymond & Audrey Tierney Rob Tonarelli Sanctity of Life Clementina Jimenez Baptism	The Family Denise Tonarelli Maria Atilano
Monday, March 14	8:30am	Ken Kinsella	Leann & Bill Kinzler
Tuesday, March 15	8:30am	Leonard & Winona Bols	The Family
Wednesday, March 16	8:30am	Communion Service	
Thursday, March 17	8:30am	Ken Kinsella	Leann & Bill Kinzler
Friday, March 18	8:30am 3:00pm	Walter & Mary Lou Friant Stations of the Cross	The Family
Saturday, March 19	5:00pm	Bill Stafford Ron Foster Barbara Munsell Phillip & Terese Kerr Mom & Dad Staskiewicz Jack Macey	Knights of Columbus Tom & Pat McHugh Knights of Columbus The Kimble Family The Family The Foster Family Knights of Columbus The Family The Family
Sunday, March 20	7:30am 9:00am 11:00am	Verna Chiapello Raymond Noel Jerry Hannon Sanctity of Life Ken Kinsella	Craig & Kathy Williamson

This week candles were lit for :

- Gloria Ziebler
- Police & Firefighters
- An end to the Corona Virus
- Sanctity of Life from Conception until Natural Death
- Scott Tezak

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	Taryn Schrader
Kimberly Gaydula	Robyn Bumgarner
Dylan Pickett	Pat Olsen
Paul Thien Phu	Judy Stafford
Fr. Jim Lennon	Special Intentions
Deidra Hogan	Sara Lovell
Lonnie Barutello	Elaine Troutman
Jerry Davidson	Roger Dollinger
Kevin McEvilly	Piero Setta Sr.
Lorenzo Benitez	Wren Wagoner
Marlena Benitez	
Rosalie Jostes	
Gerald Boucher	
Alesia	



Second Sunday of Lent - From Fr. Tuan

Dear Parishioners,
Here is a reflection for this weekend's readings from JS Paluch:

AHA!

We can imagine the splendor of the Transfiguration in our Gospel, and in a manner similar to the Baptism of the Lord, we hear the voice of God booming down announcing Jesus the Son. It is another of the great epiphanies. But if you think about it, each reading this weekend has a sort of "Aha" moment to it. A moment of mutual commitment, of trust. In Genesis, God makes a covenant with Abram, promising him descendants numerous as the stars in the sky. The Psalmist professes his faith and hope: "I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD in the land of the living." Paul's letter to the Philippians lays it out simply in "drop the mic" fashion: "Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." That's it. Boom.

THE RECAP

When you watch a TV series, they will often provide a quick synopsis of key events from the last couple of shows to set the stage for the current episode. If we do a quick review of the Gospel of Luke, earlier in chapter nine Jesus was sending the disciples out in ministry for the first time, and we had the feeding of the five thousand. Peter realizes that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus gives us the first hint of his own death and tells the disciples to take up their cross and follow him. After all that physical, spiritual, and emotional stress Jesus goes out to pray on the mountain, taking Peter, John, and James with him.

THIS WEEK'S EPISODE

Once they were settled on the mountaintop, Jesus began to pray in earnest and, as usual, his wingmen fell asleep. The disciples did not yet have the strength or insights of the Master. Peter, James, and John did not yet have the stamina or the depth to be able to focus during long periods of silent, contemplative prayer, especially after their long hike. One might see visions simply due to exhaustion! As Jesus was transfigured before them, Peter might have bumbled around it in typical Peter fashion, but he realized the significance of what they saw, and he wanted somehow to capture the sacred, to capture the moment, so he asked to build some tents. If we imagined this today, we'd all be there with our phones and selfie sticks trying to get an amazing picture of it, to capture the moment, and to share with everyone on social media. But all the disciples could do was remember it, capture it in their hearts—and tell no one at the time. They were silenced by the sacred. We too must let our busy worlds and minds and hearts enter into the silence. Start out with a few minutes daily and continue to add a minute or two more each day. Listen for the sacred in the silence, and let the voice of God fill your heart.

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 15:5–12, 17–18
Psalm 27:1, 7–8, 8–9, 13–14
Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]
Luke 9:28b–36

Love and Prayers,



Fr. Tuan

Congratulations - Confirmation 2022



Thank You Kindly

Our most sincere thanks to the many people who worked to make our St. Patrick's Day Celebration the success it was. To the ladies in the Rectory, the nine men who cooked, sliced and prepared for three days, to the ladies that called and organized the many women that most graciously baked all the desserts, to all that worked inside the hall, to all that tended bar, to the outside crew who set up the inside and outside of the tent, to the music organizer, musicians and dancers, to Jason Smith, a professional cook, who organized and helped serve the meals on Sunday, to the Village Public works for the cement blocks, street barricades and heaters, and especially to Fr. Tuan for his unending support and for all the activities that bring people together to enjoy this life we are blessed with. May God Bless all you good kids.

Respectfully,

The Corn Beef and Cabbage Committee
(Also known as the Oktoberfest Committee)



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Thank you to everyone who donated the delicious bakery and Irish Soda Bread for the corned beef and cabbage dinner.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help with the cutting, plating and serving.

Everyone enjoyed the wide selection of desserts.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



RE NEWS

Good Morning RE Families!

Spring Break is almost here. As a reminder we will not have classes Tues March 29th and Wed March 30th. Classes will resume Tuesday April 5th and Wednesday April 6th.

March 15th and March 16th Fr. Tuan will be celebrating Confession with the students during RE. Parents are welcome to take advantage of the Reconciliation service as well.

Tuesday March 22nd is a Communion Parent Meeting at 4:30 in the Parish Center. We will have a fun and informative meeting to learn and go over some information you will need to have for Communion.

Wednesday March 23rd is Parent Meetings for grades 3,4, and 5 at 4:30 in the Parish Center and Grades 6 and 7 at 6:30 in the Parish Center. Looking forward to seeing everyone!!

Peace and Blessings,

Deacon Fred Ban



If any children are interested in reading at Children's Mass. Please call Katrinka Kochanek at 708-369-6216. Thank you.



Parish Council Meeting
Monday, March 14th
6:30pm

Communion for the Homebound

If you or someone you know would like communion brought to your home, please call the rectory at 815-467-2233.



Volunteer Schedules

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Server</u>
Saturday, March 19 5:00pm	Carolyn Healy	Mike Healy	Brooklyn Lehner
Sunday, March 20 7:30am	Terry Danek	Debbie Bols	Xander Esquivel
Sunday, March 20 9:00am	Sue Gregory	Mike Schramm	Molly Schramm
Sunday, March 20 11:00am	Cathy Fouts	Cheryl Nelson Kathy O'Hagan	Keighera Fleming

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Server</u>
Saturday, March 26 5:00pm	Pete Quirk	Mike Healy	Lauren Klimchack
Sunday, March 27 7:30am	Rose Ruettiger	Nita Caruso	Kevin Looney
Sunday, March 27 9:00am	Mike Schramm	Erica Schramm	Molly Schramm
Sunday, March 27 11:00am	Bruce Ukockis	Jessica Folsom Cheryl Nelson	Emily Weinstock

Our Saint his week is St Cyril of Jerusalem:

The crises that the Church faces today may seem minor when compared with the threat posed by the Arian heresy, which denied the divinity of Christ and almost overcame Christianity in the fourth century. Cyril was to be caught up in the controversy, accused of Arianism by Saint Jerome, and ultimately vindicated both by the men of his own time and by being declared a Doctor of the Church in 1822.

Raised in Jerusalem and well-educated, especially in the Scriptures, he was ordained a priest by the bishop of Jerusalem and given the task during Lent of catechizing those preparing for Baptism and catechizing the newly baptized during the Easter season. His Catecheses remain valuable as examples of the ritual and theology of the Church in the mid-fourth century.



Question of the week

Question:

Christ instituted the Church as related in Matthew 16:18. Do you know what year that was?

Answer:

we can have a pretty good idea. For example, it is generally agreed among the Fathers and early Christian writers that Jesus was born around 2-3 B.C. and that Jesus would have begun his ministry in the same year [St. John the Baptist](#) began his, in about A.D. 29 (the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius; see Luke 3:1).

From there, it appears St. Matthew focused much of his Gospel on Christ's first year of ministry. You see this by the fact that he focuses on the genealogy (chapter 1); the Magi and flight into and return from Egypt (chapter 2); the preaching of John the Baptist and baptism of Jesus (chapter 3); the temptation of Jesus and his inaugural announcement in the synagogue that he is the Messiah, his beginning to call the apostles, and his first teaching and preaching, which leads to the Sermon on the Mount done very early in his ministry, which covers chapters five through eight.

Then, in chapter nine, we know it is still early because he calls St. Matthew. It isn't until chapter ten that he gets all twelve apostles together and gives them power to minister. In chapter eleven, St. John the Baptist is still alive, and Jesus finds out about the death of John in chapter fourteen, which means it must have just happened, and we know from Mark and Luke this happened early in Jesus' ministry. Then, the text of Matthew has things happening rapidly up to Matthew 16:18.

I say all that to say that it is not a stretch to say the promise of the keys was early in Jesus' ministry. Matthew is not known for telescoping like Luke. So, if Jesus began his ministry in A.D. 29, this probably takes place around A.D. 30—or 31 at the latest.



Parish News

Attention High School Seniors



2 Scholarships available to our High School Seniors;

Our very own St. Mary's Scholarship – sponsored by our Parish, Corned Beef Dinner Committee, the Ladies of our CCW, and the men of our Knights of Columbus. Open to all St. Mary's parishioners that are High School Seniors. **Applications are due back no later than March 14.**

**Please pick up application for all the details
Available to be picked up off Porch of Rectory**

**Don't miss out on this opportunity
for A Scholarship**

Bishop Blanchette Scholarship

Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women have scholarship opportunities for you! If you are going to attend or do attend a Catholic High School you can apply for the Bishop Blanchette Scholarship. Applications are available on Rectory Porch. Please note these Scholarships have their own requirements. Please pick up application for all the details

applications are due back to the rectory by Friday April 1st.

Welcome to St. Mary's Church! **Would you like to become 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: _____

☐ New Parishioner

☐ New Address

☐ New Phone Number



Events

St. Patrick's Day Senior Luncheon

Wednesday March 16th
 Methodist Church Annex 11:30
 Menu: Corned Beef, Cabbage,
 Carrots, Potatoes
 Please contact Methodist
 Church at
 815 467-2322



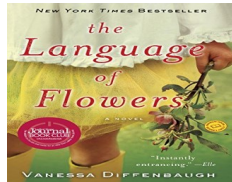
Minooka UMC's Fish Fry is back!
 Carry-out only from 4-7 p.m. in the annex
 beginning March 4th.
 Join us every Friday through April 8th.

Carry Out Menu For Fish Fry

Menu Item	Meal Cost	Side Item
Baked Cod	\$12.00	Fries
3 Pcs Fried Cod	\$10.00	Parsley Potatoes
7 Pcs Jumbo Shrimp	\$12.00	One side item is included with each meal
Fried Walleye	\$12.00	
Chicken Strips	\$8.00	Extra order of a side \$2.00
Every meal comes with cole slaw and a dessert		Extra order of a piece of fried cod is \$2.00

Call 815-467-2322 or
 email mumc2322@gmail.com to preorder.

St. Mary's Book Club



Our next selection is
"The Language of Flowers"
 by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

This novel is about Victoria, a girl in the Foster Care system, who grows up in 32 different homes. When she is 10 years old she is placed with a woman who teaches her that flowers have meanings. Through arranging flowers, Victoria finds a way to connect with other people and to create the community that she has always wanted.

Please join our discussion about foster care children, love, family, forgiveness, second chances, AND FLOWERS!!

We will meet on Tuesday, March 15, 2021. (watch future bulletins and emails for time and location). Copies of the book are available at the Minooka Public Library. Please have your library card available when you pick up. All are welcome!

Questions? Please contact Mary at 815-467-9577


THURSDAY MARCH 17TH

PLEASE JOIN CCW FOR

THE PRAYING OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS THROUGH THE EYES OF MARY

We will meet in Church at 6:30 for the Praying of the Stations. Following the Stations we will meet in the Parish Center for a brief meeting and refreshments. I hope you will be able to join us for this unique perspective of the Way of the Cross through Mary's eyes.





The Council of Catholic Women invite you to

A Garden Tea Party

Sunday, April 3rd

2:00pm-4:00pm

Parish Center

Come join us for a lovely afternoon of friendship, music,
and sweet treats.

Tea and other beverages will be served.

**Tickets will go on sale beginning March 12 after all
Masses until March 27th.**

You can also purchase your tickets at Donut Sunday and
the Knights of Columbus Breakfast, or by leaving a
message for Peg at (815) 467- 4493.

Tickets are \$5.00 per person

5 years old and under are free

Raffle Baskets and Door Prizes!

Music by Karen Isberg Sorbero will be our
entertainment for a fun afternoon!

St. Mary's Adult Faith Formation

The Mass

Where Heaven and Earth Meet



The Second Reading which follows the Responsorial Psalm often does
not "fit in" with the theme of the other three Biblical readings.

Here our Father tells us of the struggles faced by the Early Church.
We find our story in the story of the apostles who faithfully spread their
countercultural message in the face of controversies and "drama."

AFF (Adult Faith Formation) meets from 4:30 to 5:30 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.

LENTEN MUSICAL MEDITATION

FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH

7:30 PM

ST. MARY'S MINOOKA



join us for a musical
meditation to prepare for
Holy Week, focusing on the
breath, taize chant, simple
hymns, and quiet prayer



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:	March 5/6, 2022		
	Collected	Online	Total
Weekly Offering	\$0.00	\$2,582.25	\$2,582.25
Foundation for Faith	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Major Maintenance	\$0.00	\$88.00	\$88.00
Needy in Community	\$0.00	\$273.00	\$273.00
Easter Flowers	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Ash Wednesday/Central & Eastern Europe	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$110.00
YTD Weekly Offering Collected	\$308,661.53		
YTD Weekly Offering Needed	\$303,529.32		

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