

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Fr. Tuan Van Nguyen

*May The Lord
bless and protect you*

*May The Lord Shine
His face upon you
and be gracious to you*

*May The Lord Turn
his face toward you
and give you Peace*



Sunday, September 11, 2022

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A Message from Fr. Tuan

Dear Parishioners,

Here is a reflection for this weekend's readings the Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C:

Moses had spent forty days on Mount Sinai, a length of time associated with trial and testing, but it is the Chosen People who have been tested, and they have failed. In Jesus' parable, a single sheep wanders off, failing to stay with the Chosen People (after Moses' eloquent plea): with love and forgiveness for all those in his care. The Chosen People, who committed sacrilege in Moses' absence; Saint Paul, who admits he was "a blasphemer and a persecutor" (1 Timothy 1:13); the wayward sheep, who wandered away, the prodigal son, who forsook his father: all are sought out, all are rescued, all are brought back to the fold. No matter how lost we are or how sinful we are, God will forgive us, welcoming us back and rejoicing in our return. Recall that the parables Jesus tells today are his response to the complaint that he "welcomes sinners and eats with them" (Luke 15:0). Here we are today, sinners all, welcomed to eat at the table of the Lord.

Whom do you need to seek out and forgive?

Love and Prayers,



Fr. Tuan



Euchre is back!
SATURDAY, SEPT 17
After the 5:00pm Mass



September 25th Mass at 11:00am at
Dollinger's Farm.
Parish Picnic to follow with hamburgers,
hotdogs and water provided.
Please bring a dish to share.

Please welcome our new Music Director

Rebecca Carmack-Regennitter

My name is Rebecca Carmack-Regennitter and I am so pleased to be your new Director of Music! I have been cantoring and playing piano for mass since I was about 15 years old. As I have moved around the state for my education and career, I have continued to volunteer or work part-time in music ministry. I spent five years teaching music at a small community college in southeastern Illinois, which I enjoyed. It wasn't until last year that I was able to work in music ministry full-time and I loved it. I am newly married, and my husband and I recently moved to Coal City for his work. My Catholic faith has been a vital part of my adult formation. Recently, I have found an even deeper relationship with Jesus and a greater respect for the Eucharist. During this time, I have become even more aware that while music is a love of mine, it is when my faith and music meet that I am truly using my gifts in the way that pleases God most. I am so excited to serve St. Mary's Parish! I look forward to meeting you!



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or need to finish Sacraments, we have a program at St. Mary's for that.

It is called RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

The program will go through what it takes to become Catholic and what it means to be Catholic. Classes will begin in September and go through the Easter Vigil where you will receive your Sacraments.

If you have any questions or would like to register, please call:

815 467-2769

Peace and Blessings,

Deacon Fred

*Adult Faith Formation
starts September 12th*



MONDAYS AT 4 30PM IN THE PARISH CENTER

We will be studying the Liturgy of the Eucharist, based mainly on Edward Sri's "A biblical walk through the Mass" and Bishop Robert Barron's "The Mass"

Ad Gentes Missionaries

Visiting St. Mary's September 17th and September 18th

Ad Gentes is a Roman Catholic Missionary Congregation founded in 2003 in Archdiocese of Omaha, Nebraska; they are consisted of priests, brothers and sisters under vows which embraces a life of prayer, community living, and service through ministries in literacy programs: education, healthcare, community development, inter-religious and cultural dialogue especially among Catholic and other people of faith to create communities of mutual respect and tolerance.

The life of the community is characterized by contemplation, liturgy of the hours, Eucharistic Adoration, and apostolic activities with strong emphasis on humility and generosity, Ad Gentes work in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Nigeria amidst Christian minority in areas densely populated by Islamic sects; and U.S.A.

Our Missionaries help to provide oases of hope in the midst of human misery, loneliness, violence and hunger, which indiscriminately and often disproportionately afflict children, women, men and the elderly. We are dedicated to the total development of the human person through liberating gospel teachings of Christ and his Church. Ad Gentes Missionaries are focused on serving the pastoral needs of those in rural/inner-cities; and others with limited resources, such as new immigrants, migrant workers and refugees. Ad Gentes is committed to the development of peoples

Our mission takes us right to the people where too many are suffering. It is time to tear down the walls of poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy and indifference and be aware that excessive economic, social, and cultural inequalities among peoples arouse tensions and conflict, and are a danger to peace.

Next weekend we will welcome Rev. John Paul Ezesuokwu. He will share with us information about the mission and how we can help the less fortunate.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet's Will County Senior Expo

The Aging and Disability Division at Catholic Charities together with the Joliet Park District and Aetna are hosting the Will County Senior Expo. The event will be held September 22nd at the Nowell Recreation Center from 9:00am-1:00pm at 199 Mills Rd., Joliet, IL 60433. Learn more about local services and resources for older adults and their loved ones. Free resources, giveaways, and more! Flu shots and COVID vaccines will be available on-site! If interested, please bring insurance and vaccine cards. Most insurance will cover the flu shots. Health and hearing screens will also be available.

Contact: Deb Sirek- 815-221-6013 dsirek@cc-doj.org



Week 25

"I am growing more slowly, yet still steadily, and I'm looking forward to the day that I am born into the world. If my parents were to take a peek inside the womb right now, they would see that I have already started to suck my thumb. What a soothing sensation! I could even cry, if I felt like it. But, for now, I am safe and happy. I'm looking forward to being held in the arms of someone who loves me. Please pray for me."

Question of the Week

Q. Do people of different denominations go to the same heaven? Or is there any difference after death where different faiths go?



A. The simple answer to your question is pretty straight forward. There is only one Heaven and everyone who goes to Heaven goes to the same Heaven. So, no matter what your faith may be, if you go to Heaven you go to the one and only. But allow me to explain a bit about the beautiful reality of Heaven and what we actually believe about it.

Heaven is not a “place.” Rather, Heaven is a “state of being.” Now that may, at first, sound a bit deep and philosophical. But it makes perfect sense when understood properly.

When speaking about Heaven we often use language that implies it is some place we go to. Somewhere up there! But Heaven is not some location in this universe. It is, properly speaking, a state of being completely and totally united with God! Heaven, in a real sense, is a Person. The Person is Jesus Christ. Our goal in life is to enter into complete union with Him now and for eternity. Heaven, therefore, is simply the final state of complete union with Jesus after death. It is the permanent unbreakable bond or unity and oneness we will share with Him. And since He is completely united with the Father and the Holy Spirit, Heaven is a state of being fully immersed in the life the Most Holy Trinity.

Diocese of Joliet Office of Pastoral Outreach

presents

a Mass celebrating
Persons with Disabilities

with

Bishop Ron Hicks



Sunday, September 18
12:30 p.m.

Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus
Joliet, IL 60435

Register by Sept. 12 with the QR Code or
<https://forms.office.com/r/RaySC43JLt>

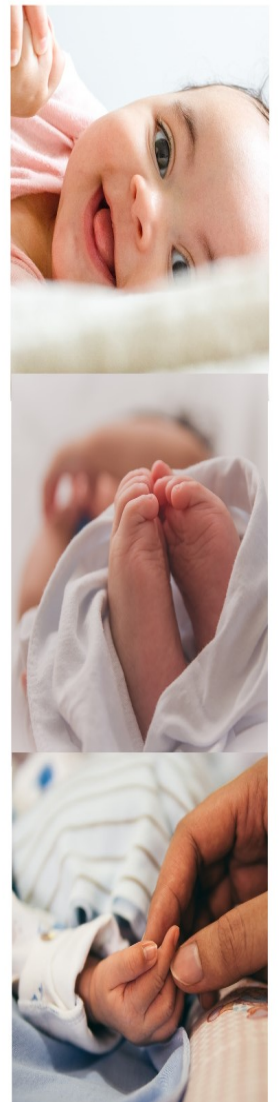


LIVING ALTERNATIVES
PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH
LIVING ALTERNATIVES PREGNANCY RESOURCE
CENTER
ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET, MOMENTS OF
MERCY.

IT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE MORRIS COUNTRY
CLUB, 2615 W. ROUTE 6, MORRIS, IL FROM 6:30-
8:00 PM. DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM. THE
KEYNOTE SPEAKER WILL BE MARK SCHULTZ
WHO IS A CHRISTIAN ARTIST AND ADOPTIVE
PARENT. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS
EVENT HOWEVER IT IS A FUNDRAISER SO
DONATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED.

LAST YEAR ST. MARY'S HAD TWO TABLES WITH
14 PEOPLE ATTENDING. IT WAS A VERY
ENJOYABLE AND INFORMATIVE EVENING WITH A
VERY DELICIOUS MEAL. IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN ATTENDING PLEASE CALL OR
TEXT CATHY GLOVER AT 815-409-8145 AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THE APPROPRIATE
NUMBER OF TABLES CAN BE RESERVED. THE
DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS AUGUST 30TH.



Religious Education

Dear RE Families,

Well the time is finally here!!

RE begins next week!! We are still taking registrations if you have not turned one in yet. Please stop by the Rectory and pick one up or download one from our website.

Looking forward to seeing you here next week!!

Deacon Fred Ban
Director of Faith Formation
St. Mary's Minooka

**Growing
Together
in Faith**

*Wanted all ladies 18yrs
and older come enjoy the
CCW
Kickoff Dinner.*

Thursday, September 15th
Appetizers and Sangria at 6pm
Dinner at 6:30pm in the Parish
Center

*Please text or email Jeanne
(CCW President)*

*by Friday, September 9th
if you will be joining us.*

*jeanchuck73@gmail.com or
text/call 815-545-2354.*

Hope to see you there!



Teen Group Kick Off!!

When - Sunday, September 18th at
6:30pm

Open to all High School Teens
Back Parking lot of Parish Center.
Fire pit, snacks, games and more!!

Looking forward to seeing you!!



SAVE THE DATE

St. Mary's Chili Cook-Off

And

Ice Cream Social



Saturday, November 12th

In the Parish Center

Taste Testing and Voting will Begin at 6:00pm

Winner will be Announced at 8:00pm

Enjoy a FREE Ice Cream Sundae

And Kids Activities

While you wait to hear the winner announced

For more info or to sign up to be a contestant

Please Email JeanChuck73@gmail.com

Start Perfecting Those Recipes!

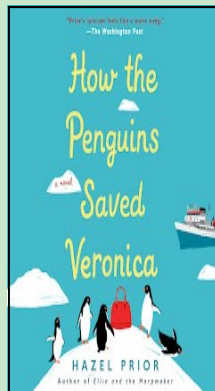
St. Mary's Book Club

"How the Penguins Saved Veronica"
by Hazel Prior.

This novel is the story of a cranky, lovable, old woman, her estranged grandson, an orphaned baby penguin. It is a heartwarming story of love, loss, and forgiveness. Copies of the book are available at the Minooka Public Library.

Please plan on joining us in our discussion on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. Weather permitting, we will meet outside at Peg Furto's

Questions? Please call Mary at 815-467-9577



SENIOR LUNCHEON

SERVED AT ST. MARY'S PARISH CENTER

SEPTEMBER 21ST SIGN IN
STARTS AT 11 30AM LUNCH
SERVED AT 12 15PM

Please call 815-467-2322
between 9am - 1pm to make
your reservation



St. Mary's Church

3rd Annual



Oktoberfest

Live Bavarian Band! STARTING AT 2PM

SUNDAY, 2ND
OCTOBER
from 12PM - 6:30PM

1 Brat Dinner - \$10
2 Brat Dinner - \$15
Kids Meal - \$5

* Includes Offerman's Famous
Homemade Potato Pancakes

Parish Hall

300 W. ST. MARY'S ST.
MINOOKA, IL 60447
Outside Beer Garden & Music
on St. Mary's St.

Local Beer Sponsors:

2 Fools Cidery • Penrose Brewing
Hailstorm Brewing Co.

Will County Brewing • Werk Force Brewing

KIDS GAMES | FOOD | MUSIC | BEER



Blood Drive

Turn a new leaf
Fall into giving

Saturday
September

24

7:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal
and drink plenty of water before
donating.



Community Blood Drive at
St. Ann's Catholic Church

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of St. Ann's
Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church

Parish Hall (Use the East Entrance)
24500 S. Navajo Drive, Channahon, IL

Please call Ron at 815-467-6916 to reserve your
preferred donation time or sign up on-line at
www.versiti.org

Appointments preferred; walk-ins welcome.

Rush in to donate and be entered for a chance to win 2 tickets
and a VIP experience to your favorite hometown football team.
Official sweepstakes terms & conditions at versiti.org/rush-in-to-donate-sweepstakes.

*NO PURCH. NEC. U.S. res., 18+. Ends 9/30/22. 10 sep. drawings (IN, IL, MI, OH, WI)
through 9/30/22. Enter by blood donation or mail. See Official Rules at versiti.org/rush-in-to-donate-sweepstakes. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233

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Blood Centers

Volunteer Schedule

	Altar Server	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector
Saturday, Sept 17 5:00pm	Brooklyn Lehner	Mike Healy	Carolyn Healy
Sunday, Sept 18 7:30am	Antonio Esquivel	Carole Fremarek	Terry Danek
Sunday, Sept 18 9:00am	Keighera Fleming	Erica Schramm Sydney Yunker	Chris Gregory
Sunday, Sept 18 11:00am	Sarah Folsom	Jessica Folsom Jane Spray	Bruce Ukockis

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 _____

Phone: _____

☐ New Parishioner

☐ New Email

☐ New Address

☐ New Phone Number

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

DATE

TIME

MASS INTENTION

FROM

**** The Rosary is Prayed every weekday morning at 8:00am****

Saturday, Sept 10	5:00pm	Bill Stafford Fr. Mark Fracaro Living & Deceased Members of the Golubiak family	Virginia Mysliwiec The Kimble Family
Sunday, Sept 11	7:30am	Helen Mackay	Mr. & Mrs Thomas Magolan
	9:00am	Carol Horvat	Gloria Maxwell
	11:00am	Kata Eric	Grandchildren
		Laly Cyr	The Family
Monday, Sept 12	8:30am	Clementina Jimenez	Marie Atilano
Tuesday, Sept 13	8:30am	Ed & Helen Vercelli	The Family
Wednesday, Sept 14	8:30am	Audrey Tierney	The Family
Thursday, Sept 15	8:30am	Communion Service	
Friday, Sept 16	8:30am	Communion Service	
Saturday, Sept 17	5:00pm	Barbara Munsell	Knights of Columbus
		Helen Mackay	Mr. & Mrs. John Gianino
Sunday, Sept 18	7:30am	Raymond Noel	The Family
	9:00am	Scott Tezak	The Family
	11:00am	Mary Querio	Al & Pat Smania

This week candles were lit for :

- Police & Firefighters
- An end to the Corona Virus
- Pat & Mickey McDonald and John Brown

**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	Sara Lovell	Lorenzo Benitez
Kimberly Gaydula	Elaine Troutman	Marlena Benitez
Dylan Pickett	Wren Wagoner	Gerald Boucher
Paul Thien Phu	Sue Burich	Gerry Loucks
Deidra Hogan	Jerry Davidson	Judy Stafford
Joe Thomas	Linda Bradley	Karen Tweet
Steve Clennon	Baker Family	Irene Davidson
Robert Fonck		

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

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815-467-2233 ext. 109

MASSES

Weekend Masses-

Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am, 9am Livestream and 11am

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Fri- 8:30am

Communion Service-

Wed, Thurs - 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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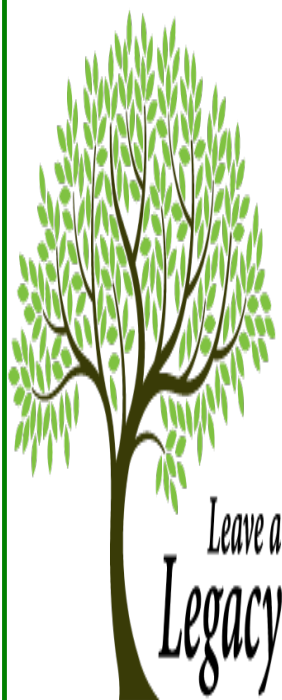
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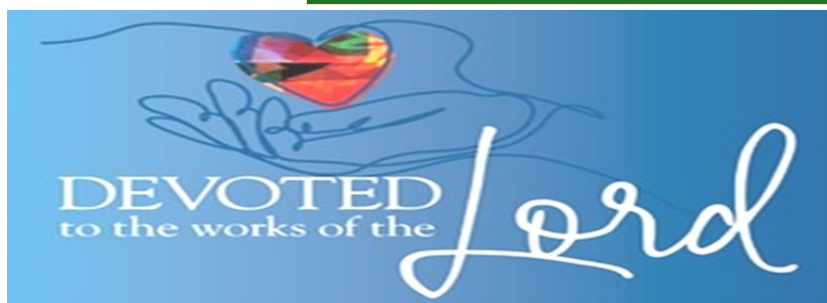
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Thank you for your financial support to St. Mary's



**Please Remember St. Mary's
in your will or trust**

As Catholics. We are called to plan ahead and share the blessings of our lives with our loved ones and future generations. To help you be a steward of everything God has entrusted to your care, the Diocese of Joliet is sharing free, online will writing tools. It is cost-free and takes 20 minutes or less to protect your family and your assets and create a gift to pass the Catholic faith onto future generations. Get started at FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet.



Thank you for your financial support to the good works of our Diocese.

PLEDGE REPORT: 09/04/2022

Parish Goal: \$44,600.00
Amount Pledged: \$49,635.00
Balance Due: \$ 3,996.00

Please continue to make your 2022 pledge payments. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

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