If there is an Emergency you may call Corinne at 715-250-0567 or Father David at 920-228-1814. Thank-you.

St Mary's Mass schedule in Black Creek: Saturdays @ 4 PM, Sundays @ 8 AM, Tuesday—Friday @ 7:30 AM

Father David Greskowiak Administrator

Sunday 07/27/25 = \$1.109.00 Atttendance = 58 Amount needed per week - \$ 1,401.54

Mass Intentions

08/03/2025 — Memory of Leroy & Lois Hartlaben by Karen VanLanen 08/10/2025— Remembrance of Leonard & Mayme Nowak by Dave & Pam

Mass Servers -

08/03/2025— Malachi Gray & Jamesen Boerst

08/10/2025 — Ava & Jared Peters, Mallory Short

Ministers of the Word -

08/03/2025— Mary Peeters

08/10/2025— Jerry Nowak

Hospitality

08/03/2025 — Rene LaFond, Anita Wegner, Karen VanLanen

08/10/2025 — Amy Guyette, Bernie Weier, David Nowak

Annual Meeting—Next Sunday

Next Sunday, 10 August, is our parish Annual Meeting, which will take place downstairs in the Parish Hall after the 10 A.M. Mass. Everyone is invited to come and hear what has been going on in our parish the previous year and what our plans are for this year. This is your opportunity to come and ask questions and offer suggestions; and it's always good to have a big crowd there. The meeting should last no more than one hour. Some light refreshments will be served. So please come. We look forward to seeing you!

RE NEWS: Parents, please notify Lori Mackowiak soon with any new 1st grade student registrations for this fall. A big Thank You to Melissa Hutter who volunteered to teach the 10th/11th grade Confirmation class. Also, to Linda Beschta and Sammie Anderson who will co-teach the 2nd grade Reconciliation class. We are still in need of an 8th grade RE teacher. (7 students). Contact Lori Mack at macklj18@hotmail.com or text 920-428-6240. RE 1ST CLASS AND PARENT ORIENTATION IS SCHEDULED FOR WED. SEPT. 24, 2025 STARTING AT 630PM.

Mass Schedule for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary A Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, 14 August Friday, 15 August

5:30 P.M. St. Lawrence in Navarino 7:30 A.M. St. Mary's in Black Creek

12:00 P.M. St. Lawrence in Navarino 5:30 P.M. St. Mary's in Black Creek

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

Wednesday, August 20 4—6 PM July Report = 37 Families Saturday, August 23 9—11 AM 87 Individuals

Thank you so much for the generous donations for our Food Pantry

Summer Fund Raiser! God Bless you All!!

August 06 Core Vision Meeting @ 1 PM Envelopes at the North Entrance

Happy Birthday!

August 3 Emily Hodkiewicz, Mary Loney; 4 Tony Letter; 6 Jaden Bohm; 7 Linda Beschta; 10 Taylor Maroszek; 11 Pam Nowak; 12 Marcus Gray, Allen McCoy; 13 Madalyn Balthazor; 14 Kyle Hanus; 16 Karen Patza; 20 Ann Bierhals; 21 Kathy Dollhopf 22 Randy Short; 25 Mallory Short; 27 Shelly Kent; 28 Keith Zuleger, Judy Nelson; 31 Billy Reif, Quinn & Eli Vanden Heuvel, Kristin Evenson

FORMED

As you know, we have a joint subscription to the FORMED website between St. Lawrence and St. Mary's Parishes. We got this subscription so that any member of our parishes could access infor mation on the Catholic Faith, conveniently any place and any time on their internet devices. So, what is FORMED?

- "FORMED is a subscription-based website that provides essential resources parishioners need to understand, live, and share the Catholic Faith"
- "FORMED can be compared to Netflix for Catholics... but s much more! It has the best Catholic study programs, movies, podcasts, audio presentations and eBooks from the most trust ed apostolates, just a click away!"
- "A 24/7 unlimited online access to these transformative video based programs, audio presentations, movies, and eBooks."

In simple words; this is an AWESOME website to find ways for us to discover so much about our Catholic Faith, for all ages, anytime of the day, on our computers, Laptops, Tablets and Smartphones. AND it costs nothing; it's a gift to you from our parish.

How to sign on and create your own account on FORMED:

- Go to Google, or whatever your search engine is, and type in FORMED, in either upper or lower case.
- Click on "Formed | On-Demand Catholic Movies, Audio Books...'
- It will then bring up the next screen that will give you two blue buttons to select
- Click on "FORMED FOR PARISHES"
- It will then bring you to the next screen with two blue buttons again.
- Click on "FIND YOUR PARISH SUBSCRIPTION"
- It will then take you to the next screen with a blue button that says "Continue to Sign up/Login"
- Click on it.
- Type in your email address, and click "NEXT"
- A 6-digit code will be sent to your email in-box.
- Go to your in-box, retrieve the code and copy or type it in the box.
- Click on "SUBMIT."
- You will then be directed to a screen that says "Join your parish" followed by "Find your Parish or Organization"
- Type in: "St. Lawrence-St. Mary's"
- - If that doesn't work type in zip code: "54106"
- You will then see in the box below:
- "St. Lawrence-St. Mary's 301 E Burdick St. Black Creek WI"
- Click on that.
- Then click the "Submit" blue button.
- The website will now come up and you will be able to use it with its variety of pull-down menus.
- The website will also give you the option of creating a password

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August 28 @ 6:30 PM Social Concerns Meeting

Email: stlawrencenavarino@gmail.com Website: stlawrencenavarino.org

Reflection on the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Here is an excerpt from an article titled: "18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Sunday August 3, 2025," found on the "Young Catholics" website—*young-catholics.com*:

The Emptiness of Relying on Wealth

The first reading for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C reminds us that chasing after wealth and success alone can feel empty. Ecclesiastes describes how our accomplishments and hard work may bring satisfaction, but only for a while. Earthly things, no matter how much we gain, eventually lose their meaning. We might find ourselves asking, "Is this really all there is?"

This reading challenges us to think about what truly fulfills us. Material success, money, and achievements might seem important, but they are not lasting. They can make us feel good temporarily, but they cannot give us real purpose. True purpose comes from living for something greater than ourselves—living for God. When we put our faith in God, we find that our lives feel fuller and more meaningful.

This call from Ecclesiastes teaches us to build our lives around things that last. Loving God, serving others, and acting with kindness are the real riches in life. By letting go of our attachment to worldly success, we open our hearts to what God has in store for us. The message for this Sunday encourages us to focus on God's purpose, finding peace and joy in what really matters.

Choosing to Live for Eternal Life

The second reading for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C invites us to live for what is eternal. Paul tells us to set our hearts on things above, meaning on God's kingdom. This calls us to live with faith, love, and kindness, reflecting God's teachings in how we treat others. When we act with honesty, compassion, and forgiveness, we are living beyond just the present moment.

Paul's message helps us to think about what it means to follow Christ in our daily lives. Living for eternal life does not mean ignoring the present, but rather bringing God's values into everything we do. We live with faith by being patient, by showing love, and by putting others before ourselves. In this way, we prepare our hearts for eternity.

Each day, we have a choice to focus on things that last. By following God's path, we find that our lives become richer in love and purpose. These actions don't just affect us; they also inspire and bless others. The message of the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C encourages us to make choices that lead to a life of true, lasting joy with God.

Letting Go of Greed

In the Gospel for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Jesus tells a parable that warns us about the dangers of greed. He describes a man who stores up many possessions, thinking he has secured his future. However, his wealth is ultimately meaningless, and his life ends with nothing to show for it. The parable teaches that greed can lead us away from God and isolate us from others.

Greed makes us focus only on ourselves, which keeps us from truly loving others. When we become consumed by a desire for more, we may lose sight of what God wants for us. Greed pulls us away from the happiness that comes from caring and sharing. Jesus calls us to let go of greed so that we can open our hearts to others and to God.

The Gospel this Sunday encourages us to place our trust in God rather than in material things. By letting go of our desire for more and choosing to live simply, we can find peace. This doesn't mean we can't enjoy what we have, but it reminds us that God, not wealth, is our true source of joy. The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C calls us to find that joy by putting God and others first in our lives.



Raising Vocations for Tomorrow, Help them say Yes!

This weekend is the kickoff for the Raising Vocations Collection. Raising Vocations Is Counting on You: A spiritual family needs spiritual leaders. That is why the Raising Vocations Collection is so important. Perhaps you have, or will likely receive a letter from Bishop Ricken requesting your help in supporting young men and women on their faith journey. Please return your generous contribution to this collection, using the pledge card and return envelope you receive in the mail. Every gift makes a difference. Friends and followers of Jesus support one another!

Please Note—This collection is a direct mailing. Every family in the Diocese of Green Bay will be asked to participate in this collection

through direct mail. There will be no second collection taken up at any of the Masses. To make your gift please use the materials that have, or will be, sent to you, or visit www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give or call Tammy Danz at 920-272-8123.

How does your gift to the Raising Vocations Collection support vocations?

This important collection supports ministries that help young men and women discover Christ and accompany them on their vocation journey. The collection is supporting ministries and is sending youth to events like Steubenville Conferences, Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Day, SEEK conferences, and even more. This collection will help us reach our Diocesan goal of 30 men in seminary formation.

What is the Called by Name card?

The intention of this card is to have individuals fill out the card with the name(s) of someone they believe would make an excellent priest or religious. Cards can be returned in the yellow return envelope along with your gift.

Seminarian Speaker—This Sunday!

We welcome Nicholas Huza, from St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Greenville, and a seminarian for the Diocese of Green Bay, to speak at Mass this Sunday—3 August as a part of the Raising Vocations Collection effort. We are grateful for him to be here and to share his vocational story with us. Having someone like Nicholas with us gives us a chance to see how both our prayerful and financial support of the young people of our diocese can help form the future priests and religious for our diocese in the years to come. Welcome Nicholas. It's good to have you here. God bless your vocational journey.

