

St. Francis & St. Mary Parish



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Holy Day—Check Bulletin

Contact Information

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Parish Office

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Religious Education

For all children attending public school in grades 5K through 12.

Sacramental Preparation: Students celebrate Reconciliation and First Communion in 2nd Grade and Confirmation in 12th Grade.

New Members

Please call the Parish Office or visit our website to establish membership.

Baptism

For Baptism preparation and to set a date for the Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

- Sunday 8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
- Wednesday after daily Mass
- Or by appointment

Marriage

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as you decide to marry to insure availability of the church and to allow time for preparation. A minimum of 6 months before the date of the marriage is necessary.

Care For the Homebound or Sick

- We are happy to make arrangements for visits to the homebound or sick, but, we need to be aware of these folks. Please advise the Parish Office.
- **Anointing of the Sick** If you are anticipating a surgery or are in declining health, you may request the Anointing of the Sick or stay after Mass on the first full weekend of the month. If a member of your family is homebound and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

St. Francis & St. Mary Parish
9716 Cemetery Road
Brussels, WI 54204

OUR FRONT ENTRANCE IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Masses

Saturday, January 13

4:00 p.m. **Mass in Rosiere**
 5:30 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Kilton Vandenhouten

Sunday, January 14

8:30 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 Living and Deceased Members of
 Brussels, Lincoln, & Rosiere
 10:15 a.m. **Mass in Lincoln**

Monday, January 15

No Masses

Tuesday, January 16

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Dwayne Tebon
 Virlee & Tebon Families

Wednesday, January 17

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Patricia Eckert

Thursday, January 18

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Lincoln**

Friday, January 19

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Rosiere**

Saturday, January 20

4:00 p.m. **Mass in Rosiere**
 5:30 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † George & Laura Vandertie
 † Frank & Laura DeKeyser
 † Joyce & Lloyd Vandertie

Sunday, January 21

8:30 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Gilbert Spude
 10:15 a.m. **Mass in Lincoln**



Sanctuary Light- Week of January 14

Tebon & Virlee Families

SHEPHERD HOURS (IN THE RECTORY)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 9:30 A.M. - 12 P.M.
 WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 9:30 A.M. - 12 P.M.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS -- WEEK OF JANUARY 14

Monday, January 15 9:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, January 16 9:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Liturgical Roles

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, January 20 – 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Sue Johnson
Eucharist: Deacon Ray
Server: Volunteers
Ushers: Jason Jeanquart & Joey Jeanquart

Sunday, January 21 – 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Beth Hanson
Eucharist: Deacon Ray
Server: Malaina Vesser & Volunteer
Ushers: Brian Renard & Cody Renard

Parish News

Financial-January 1-7, 2024

Mass Collections: \$ 303.00
 Offertory Commitments: \$ 1,787.00

OUR SUNDAY SCRIPTURE



~The Body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ~1 Corinthians 6:13c-14

Formed

Formed will continue to help you grow with new content this New Year for both adults and kids. For the adults, grow your faith with two great options: *New Year, New You?* and *Hope & Rest*. For the school children in your life, help them explore more about the faith. Try *The Faithful: Stories of Courage and Classroom Content* for each school level.

Matthew Kelly Lessons

Matthew Kelly takes a deeper look into our faith on YouTube or with Dynamic Catholic. He poses questions and reflects to make you think deeper. This week look at your own life and ponder these two: *There is a Light in YOU! Let it Shine*, and *7 Ways to Move from Being Selfish to Selfless*.

Religious Education News



*Religious Education Classes Continue
 -Kindergarten-5th:6:00-7:15 p.m. at church
 -6th-8th Grade: 7:30-8:30 p.m. at church
 -9th-11th Grade: 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Brussels Community Center

*Reminder: Confirmation will be January 14 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's in Luxemburg

*Any questions regarding the Religious Education Program, Please contact Penny at 920-495-7404 or 4saintsre@4saintsre.org

SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

There are still dates open to help with snow blowing and shoveling to keep our church approaches and sidewalks clean. Please consider helping us with this task, maybe as a family or with friends. Equipment is provided. There is a sign-up calendar inside the front entrance to record your choice of week(s).



Area News

Soup Social

Join the Holy Name of Mary Parish in Maplewood for their Soup Social Saturday January 27. It will start with Mass at 4:00 p.m. and run until 7:00 p.m. Adults \$10, Children \$5, and To-go Quarts \$10

Pope Francis' Intentions January 2024

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church:

Let us pray that the Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms with the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Bishop Ricken's Intentions January 2024

For a Heightened Awareness of the Power of the

Eucharist: May Jesus Christ help us recognize each encounter of his presence and love in the Eucharist and deepen our commitment to live a faithful disciples.

Faith Growth

Cursillo provides an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Christ, and to live a more authentic Christian life. The three-day weekend features an encounter with Self, with Christ, and with Others. Please prayerfully consider attending a Cursillo. It will be a weekend of learning and growing deeper in your relationship with Christ and others.

*2023 Men's Fall Cursillo #265: February 29 – March 3
Most Precious Blood Parish, New London

*2023 Women's Fall Cursillo #266: April 4 – April 7
St. Francis Xavier Middle School, Appleton

For more information on Cursillo visit:

www.natl-cursillo.org/Greenbay/



Shepherd's Thoughts

God is good, all the time! All the time God is good!

God calls us in so many ways. But how can we know that we are called by God?

This Sunday's first reading speaks of God's call to Samuel. He was unaware of this calling and he just thought that it was only his father calling him three times. The last time the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." (1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19). Yes, we can hear his call from the innermost of our heart and mind. He also speaks in silence. And He is telling us something through the dictates of our conscience.

Today's Responsorial Psalm continually invites us to respond to God's call: here am I, Lord; I come to do your will! It is indeed a psalm of readiness and promptness to follow the will of God. There is a beautiful song composed by Fr. Cielo Almazan, OFM that may encapsulate our desire to follow and serve him in our own little way. The song goes this way:

Lord, here I am to answer your call,
Lord, here I am to serve and love you
I have left everything just to follow you
Here is my heart, here is my mind,
Here is my soul, here is my whole self,
I am for you and you alone.

We may not serve him in a consecrated life but can still say "yes" to his call by following and serving him in the different ministries offered in our parish.

Following God's call is also our act of glorifying him and sanctifying our bodies as in the second reading is telling us, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, Therefore glorify God in your body (1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20)

In our journey of following and serving Christ, it is important that there is someone who could accompany us to our encounter with Christ. Like Eli, he guided his son Samuel how to respond to God's call. John in the Gospel did the same, he introduced his two disciples to Jesus and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. (Jn 1:35-42).

Our daily or weekly attendance in our liturgical celebrations already speaks of our initial steps in following Jesus. If He asks "What are you looking for?" What would be your answer? Do you also want to know "where is he staying?" I tell you, by coming here in our Church you already know that Jesus is here present all day and night. He never sleeps waiting for us. Always "Come, and you will see." He is present in the Holy Eucharist and our Church is his dwelling place. In our encounter with Jesus, we will discover many things that could change our way of life. Like Andrew to his brother Simon, let us also lead our brothers and sisters, our sons and daughters to this encounter with Jesus and say, "We have found the Messiah," Bring them here to Jesus. Let this encounter with Jesus change their lives. Like what Jesus did to Peter as he looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas," which is Peter. From then on, he became a great follower of Jesus and became the prince of the Apostles.

As we continue with the Mass, let us pray that as we continue to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist we may also be renewed with the grace of God and be more responsive in following and serving him in our lives.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya

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Mass Schedules

Maplewood Sunday 9:00AM
 Lincoln/Rosiere.....Saturday 4PM Rosiere & Sunday 10:15AM Lincoln
 Dyckesville: Saturday 4PM Sunday 8:30AM & 10:00AM
 LuxemburgSaturday 4PM & Sunday 7:30AM & 10:30AM
 Casco Saturday 7:30PM & Sunday 9AM

Please continue to pray for . . . **Home-bound parishioners:** Sandy DuBois; **those in assisted living & nursing homes:** Marge Columb, Allen Moore, Howard Renard, Shirley Simon, and Monica Vandenhouten; **others in need of healing:** McCoy Vandenhouten, Cleo Franda, Donald Spude, and Laurie Bouche Malcore; **all who are suffering;** and **the poor souls in purgatory.**