

St. Francis & St. Mary Parish



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:45 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
Holy Day—Check Bulletin

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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 7:15 a.m.
- 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, October 18

4:00 p.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**
 5:45 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 Barb & Pat O'Hern Anniversary

Sunday, October 19

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Howard & Angela Renard

10:00 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Monday, October 20

No Masses

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 Living and Deceased Members of
 Brussels & Dyckesville

Wednesday, October 22

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Eugene & Mary Ann Spude
 Milt & Sue Jonhson

Thursday, October 23

8:30 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Friday, October 24

8:30 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**

Saturday, October 25

4:00 p.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**
 5:45 p.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † Marney & Sharon Rass
 † Dan Kroll

Sunday, October 26

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**
 † George & Laura Vandertie
 † Frank & Laura DeKeyser
 † Joyce & Lloyd Vandertie
 10:00 a.m. **Mass in Dyckesville**



 **Sanctuary Light-Week of October 19**
 Donald LaLuzerne

SHEPHERD HOURS (IN THE RECTORY)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 9:30 A.M. - 12 NOON
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 9:30 A.M. - 12 NOON

PARISH OFFICE HOURS -- WEEK OF OCTOBER 19

Monday, October 20 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, October 21 9:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.
 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study Group will meet Monday evening October 20 from 6 to 7 in the basement. Join us for a spiritual discussion of the Bible. All are welcome.

● **Administrator:** Fr. Antonio Rex Palaya

Liturgical Roles

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, October 25- 5:45 p.m.

Lector: Bridget Spude
Eucharist: Julie Engebose
Server: Emma Engebose & Will Spude
Ushers: Kelly Chaudoir & Brian Engebose
Sunday, October 26- 8:00 a.m.
Commentator: John Alberts
Lectors: Mary Monfils & JoAnn Guilette
Eucharist: Jane Anderson
Server: Madeline Alberts & Ashton Pichette
Ushers: Dick Kinnard & Norbert LeGrave

Parish News

Financial-September 29-October 5, 2025

Mass Collections: \$ 427.01
 Offertory Commitments: \$ 1,602.00

Financial-October 6-12, 2025

Mass Collections: \$ 309.50
 Offertory Commitments: \$ 1,424.00
 Online Giving for September: \$ 8,400.00

OUR SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

~I Charged you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power: proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching. ~2 Timothy 4:1-2

Religious Education News

***Religious Education continues this Week!**
 *Confirmation classes will take place in Rosiere
 *Middle & High School will be having a speaker, Deacon Scheur from 7:30-8:45 at church.
 If you have any questions, contact Penny stfrancis.stmaryre@gmail.com
 ***Children's Liturgy of the Word:** next one will be November 2

A GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN ON EARTH

Plan to attend an evening presentation by Deacon David Scheuer, a Denmark, WI native, as he shares his faith and intimate encounters with the Divine; he tells how miracles unfold when we make space for God in our hearts. Deacon Scheuer will be here on Wednesday, October 22.

● **Parish Bookkeeper:** Ann Kleist

Shepherd's Thoughts

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

In our daily undertakings, to have a good outcome, we need personal and communal discernment. We cannot resolve our tasks by simply engaging in them without God's protection and guidance.

In the first reading, Moses showed us how He instructed Joshua to select men to fight the Amalekites while invoking help from God. As it is written, "In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel. Moses, therefore, said to Joshua, pick out certain men, and tomorrow go out and engage Amalek in battle. I will be standing on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand" (Ex 17:8). This reflects the value for discernment and wisdom in leadership. The selection of men indicates a strategic approach to warfare, emphasizing the importance of preparation and readiness especially in spiritual battles.

In addition, this story is often interpreted as a lesson on the power of prayer and faith in achieving victory, as well as the importance of persistent intercession and community support. "As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight.

In our parish, we also need committed individuals and a prayer - based community of disciples to become more responsive to the call of God. Your presence may be enough but if we really want a vibrant parish, your unprecedented efforts and commitment is necessary. Our personal contributions and support will truly bring a strong community in the future. Thus, the success of our endeavors as one parish lies on how we help one another build a strong community of believers in prayers.

Moreover, our Responsorial Psalm tells us to take courage in God's protection for He never fails to help us. "The Lord is your guardian; the Lord is your shade; He is beside you at your right hand. The sun shall not harm you by day, nor the moon by night" (Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8). Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. It is a reminder for all of us that our Father is our best fortress shielding us from all forms of harm. He is close at hand whose presence and protection is constant.

Meanwhile, in our second reading Paul provides us with a readymade set of inspired thoughts, the Word of God and possible solutions that would help us in every process of our personal and community discernment so that we can achieve wholesome and meaningful outcomes. "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work" (2 Tm 3:16-17). It also places emphasis on the role of Church's leaders in teaching the people about what is essentially true to our faith.

Many times we have been struggling and fighting for justice. The same scenario is presented to us in the Gospel today, "While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me, I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me. The Lord said, 'Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says.' Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them?" Lk 18:1-8).

In this passage which is known as the parable of the persistent widow, we are faced with the reality that God has His own time in answering our prayers and it may not be according to our timeframe. However, He wants us to trust in His process for surely He will respond in a way that is best for us.

God wants us to continue to always pray and not give up. He will surely bring about justice for his people who cry out to Him day and night, despite enduring some hardship while waiting. Thus, our Gospel for this Sunday presents to us the virtue of persistence in prayer and the fruits it brings us.

We are two months close to the end of our Jubilee Year of Hope but this does not mean hope must end too, we, as a parish, must strengthen our persistence towards the achievement of our goals. We, as a community of God must continue to respond to His call for faith preservation and genuine brotherhood that we may be successful in facing the challenges of everyday life.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya -Administrator

Formed

Check out what is new for Formed this week. Check out what is new for kids with *God's Knights*. Other episodes to explore: *Why Is Prayer So Hard? And The Rosary*. *Liturgical Calendar: 17-St. Ignatius of Antioch, 18-St. Luke the Evangelist*.

Dynamic Catholic

Find inspiration from fellow Catholic worshipers, like Matthew Kelly and others, as we journey through our life. Explore Dynamic Catholic looking for *Faith Formation: Blessed* to share with children. Review the Gospel Reflection with *The Power of Persistence*.

Area News

Traditional Wooden Shoe Carving Demo

Belgian Heritage Center will welcome Luke Traver with a live Traditional Wooden Shoe Carving Demo. The event will take place on Saturday October 25 from 10:00 a.m. until Noon.

Trick-or-Treating with the Saints

Come join us for a fun and educational trick or treating event with the Saints at St. Louis In Dyckesville Hall. Walk with St. Louis, St. Theresa, St. Felix, & more. Learn about their commitment to God and how they can be such great role models for our youth ages 0-12. It is a come and go as you please event running from 6-7:30 p.m. on October 31st.

Southern Door Craft Show

Come support our local school with the Southern Door Craft Show. It will be taking place on Sunday November 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come look for some Christmas presents or crafts for yourself.



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Mass Schedules

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

Please continue to pray for, Homebound Parishioners: Sandy DuBois. **Those in Assisted Living and Nursing Homes:** Marge Columb, Shirley Simon. **Others in Need of Healing:** Janet Kaye, Laurie Malcore, Donald Spude, McCoy Vandenhouten. **All who are Suffering; and The Poor Souls in Purgatory.**

Tumba (toom-bah)

Burial site

- a. grave
- b. tomb

A Filipino or Tagalog word “puntod” comes from the Spanish word “tumba” which means tomb, grave, sepulcher or burial place (a term which is also used in British, English and other European Countries).

This innovative and commemorative event is an annual remembrance of our beloved dead who passed away not only during the past year, but also to pray for our departed brothers and sisters who died a long time ago – especially those who have already been forgotten by their families and loved ones.

We make use of this “tumba” where we can put all the names of our departed brothers and sisters on a sheet of paper to remember them especially within the Mass with the responsory for the dead.

This demonstrates how we combine our cultures and subcultures’ traditions and practices in honoring our beloved dead. The Tumba will stand in our sanctuary and will remain there throughout the month of November so we have enough time to pray and remember our loved ones who have already gone to their rest.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya



Gain Plenary Indulgences for the Souls in Purgatory

For the Souls in Purgatory – Plenary Indulgence Grant #29.1.1

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted each and every day from Nov 1 to Nov 8, who devoutly visit a cemetery and there pray, if only mentally, for the departed.

All Souls' Day – Plenary Indulgence Grant #29.1.2

A plenary indulgence is granted the faithful who, on All Souls' Day (or according to the judgment of the bishop, on the Sunday preceding or following it, or on the solemnity of All Saints), devoutly visits a church or an oratory and recites an Our Father and the Creed.

Requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence:

- Do the work while in a state of grace,
- Receive Sacramental confession within 20 days of the work (several plenary indulgences may be earned per reception),
- Receive Eucharistic communion (one plenary indulgence may be earned per reception),
- Pray for the pope's intentions (Our Father and Hail Mary, or other appropriate prayer, is sufficient),
- Have no attachment to sin (even venial) – i.e., it is sufficient that the Christian makes an act of the will to love God and despise sin.

Requirements for a partial indulgence: The work must be done while in a state of grace and with the general intention of earning an indulgence.

Notes:

- Only baptized persons in a state of grace who generally intend to do so may earn indulgences.
- Indulgences cannot be applied to the living, but only to the one doing the work or to the dead.
- Only one plenary indulgence per day can be earned (except for prayer at the hour of one's own death).
- Several partial indulgences can be earned during the same day.
- If only part of a work with plenary indulgence attached is completed, a partial indulgence still obtains.
- If the penance assigned in confession has indulgences attached, the one work can satisfy both penance and indulgence.
- Confessors may commute the work or the conditions if the penitent cannot perform them due to legitimate obstacles.
- In groups, indulgenced prayer must be recited by at least one member while the others at least mentally follow the prayer.
- If speech/hearing impairments make recitation impossible, mental expression or reading of the prayer is sufficient.
- For an indulgence attached to a particular day requiring a church visit, the day begins at noon the day before and ends at midnight.

Also recommended:

1. Pray the Eternal Rest Requiem:
Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the Perpetual Light Shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.
(Pray this Prayer all year long, and particularly when passing by a cemetery. When these souls in Purgatory are in Heaven, they will intercede for souls on earth.)
2. Sprinkle the grave with Holy Water.