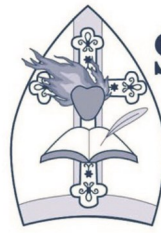




## SAINT MARY PARISH

130 West Cedar St., Platteville, WI



## SAINT AUGUSTINE University Parish

135 South Hickory St., Platteville, WI

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULES

#### St. Mary - (608)496-1058 or (800)711-4960

Saturday: 4:00 PM - English  
Sunday: 9 AM - English  
12:00 Noon - Spanish

#### St. Augustine - (608)383-5574

Sunday: 8:00 AM - Traditional Latin Mass  
10:30 AM - English  
6:00 PM - English

#### ST. MARY CONTACTS

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### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULES

Monday - Friday: 8:00am

Saturday, 8:00am (TLM)

Monday - Friday: 6:30am (TLM)

Tuesday - Friday: 5:00pm

### CONFESSION

Monday - Friday: 7:00 - 7:50am

Saturday: 7:00 - 7:50am & 3 - 3:50pm

Sunday: 8-8:50am

Monday - Friday: 6:00 - 6:30am

Tuesday - Friday: 4:15-4:55pm

Sunday: 7:15-8am, 5:15 - 6:00pm

### ADORATION

Every Thursday: 8:30am - 7:30pm

Monday - Friday: 7am - 5pm

*The Ascension of the Lord*

**May 16, 2021**



# SAINT MARY PARISH

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, May 16

9:00am Living & Deceased Members of the  
Gilbert & Irene Tranel Family

12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

### Monday, May 17

8:00am † Robert & Alverna Kopp

### Tuesday, May 18

8:00am Special Intention (SM)

### Wednesday, May 19

8:00am † John Karsten

### Thursday, May 20

8:00am † Georgia Hess

### Friday, May 21

8:00am Special Intention (JM)

### Saturday, May 22

8:00am † Gilbert & Irene Tranel

4:00pm President Joe Biden &  
Vice President Kamala Harris

### Sunday, May 23

9:00am † Justin Tranel

12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

## St. Mary Parish Giving May 9

Weekly Envelopes \$2829.00

Offertory \$ 414.00

Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$ 800.00

## Sunday Readings

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

Ephesians 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13

Mark 16:15-20

## Memorial Rose

The red rose by the Mary statue was donated  
to heal Samantha's addiction.



## Memorial Day Mass

Due to the issues with COVID, weather and staffing, we  
will be unable to have a Mass at the cemetery on  
Memorial Day this year. A regular Mass will be held at  
8:00am on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.

## St. Mary Calendar

### Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

8:30 - Noon or by appointment

### Sunday May 16

#### SW Wisconsin Catholic Men's Group

7:00 PM Talk by Fr. Eric Sternberg

St. Cecelia's, WI Dells

7:40 PM Adoration, Prayer, and Confession

8:20 PM Social time

Contact: Jacob Rosemeyer (732-2256)

Jacob@rosemeyermg.com

### Southwest Wisconsin Area Teens

7:00-8:30 PM: St. Mary School Youth Room

### Wednesday, May 19

#### Religious Education:

Grades 1-8: 6:30 PM

### Thursday, May 20

**Confession:** after 8:00 AM Mass for 30 Minutes

**Adoration:** begins after 8 AM Mass

**Rosary & Benediction:** 7:30 PM

### Friday, May 21

**\*TIME & LOCATION CHANGE!**

**Boys Group:** 1:30-3:30 @ St. Mary Fennimore

Fr. Faustino will give a talk to the boys.

A game of kickball will follow. Fr. John's  
team vs. Fr. Faustino's team!

## National Combined Collection

This weekend the National Combined Collection is being  
conducted across the diocese. In the pews are envelopes  
to make your donation. Please consider how you can  
make a difference in the lives of so many across this  
country.

## Readings for the week of May 17-22, 2021

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/  
Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/  
Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-  
36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8,  
9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/  
Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/  
Jn 21:20-25

## Message from Father

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to congratulate our confirmandi once again. It was a beautiful ceremony last Sunday. And now they are soldiers of Christ. Thank you to so many who helped them along the way through the years: parents, teachers, family members supporting their Faith, etc. But a special thanks to those who have helped them this year: Patti and Nekole, who have done incredible work teaching our confirmation students and who have not allowed the most adverse conditions to stop them at all or even slow down. You have taught not only with your knowledge and words but with your example and self-sacrifice, and that is the only way to truly bring Christ's light and life to others. We are blessed to have both of you!

I would also like to give a heartfelt thanks to Connie and Jerry McCabe. They will be taking a year in which they slow down a bit and will not have so many responsibilities around the parish. They are not leaving and will always remain an integral part of our parish family here. But I did want to extend my appreciation to you both for the incredible dedication to God you both have had for many years. I, personally, and the people of St. Marys are very grateful to you both and only God knows how many selfless hours you gave him without asking for anything, not one penny, in return. That generosity we can try to repay, but God will be the one to give you the greatest reward. I am sure there will be many other parishioners who will express their gratitude to you.

Keep enjoying the beautiful weather! Wisconsin can be incredibly beautiful when she wants to be.

God bless!

Fr. John Blewett

## Pastoral Council Column

### The Homily

Is there such a thing as too long a homily? Perish the thought! ...although I do admit to having been caught up – only on the *very rarest* occasions – in a kind of dreaminess...

But what about St. Paul's discourse, begun on a Sunday that extended even until the sun rose Monday morning? St. Luke reports:

And on the first day of the week, when we were assembled to break bread [say Mass], Paul discoursed with them, being to depart on the morrow: and he continued his speech until midnight (*Acts 20:7*).

Paul had a lot to say! Midnight, in fact, did not end it, but

he was interrupted by a young man's falling asleep and then out the window – to his death, says Luke, and being a physician he should know.

Eutychus, sitting on the window, being oppressed with a deep sleep, (as Paul was long preaching,) by occasion of his sleep fell from the third loft down, and was taken up dead.

But just before writing that sentence, he added a curious detail: "And there were a great number of lamps in the upper chamber where we were assembled."

Some commentators – because, as you know, people have scraped every single word of scripture to glean some meaning from it – have suggested that Luke included the lamps by way of a medical explanation, that the fumes made Eutychus drowsy.

But why blame the lamps? Depending on which translation is used, Luke is succinct; in the Douay-Rheims translation, "...as Paul was long preaching." Other translations hold long preaching as more of an aside, but nowhere are there reports of general asphyxiation.

Another commentator said that the evangelist was warning us against the evils of becoming spiritually sleepy, but... I cannot help but think that his was the voice of experience, an exasperation with his flock's snoozing in the pews. And is it not possible that Luke pointed to the brightly lit room to dissuade from the notion that dim lighting lulled Eutychus to sleep?

But no matter the reason. Paul climbed down the three flights and brought Eutychus back to life. And then he went back up, and "having talked a long time to them, until daylight, so he departed."

Perhaps what is most extraordinary – the boy returned to life excepted – is that the news of Jesus Christ was so enlivening to the assembled group that they stayed up all night to listen, to hear more about this astonishing hope, this deeper dive into the mystery of God's design – and our participation in it. Imagine their joy and fascination at the scriptures become newly alive. I sometimes think that our impatience to get back to our mundane lives is that we have heard these things too many times; and with insufficient identification with the depth of our Jewish traditions, are cut off from our divine roots and take salvation for granted. The world, obviously, has found more excitement in denying that there is any such thing, blaming religious conviction for the evils afflicting themselves and mankind. But the times are rapidly changing, and I sense that even though – or rather precisely because – darker times are coming, we are experiencing a reawakening of our desire to know the truth of God's love, and to hear the news of Christ crucified, Risen from the dead, and Ascended into Heaven, body and soul! – proclaimed.

(Gregory Merrick is on the Evangelization Committee.  
He can be reached at [mgm@oldpowerhouse.com](mailto:mgm@oldpowerhouse.com).)

## St. Augustine's Calendar

### Sunday, May 16

Brunch: 11:30 AM

### Monday, May 17

Study Day: All Day

Live Music & Dinner: 5:45 PM

### Pro -Life Quotes

"The largest marginalized group in the world can be found in the U.S. They are the unborn."

*Sister Deirdre Byrne*

"Abortion is a Violation of Providing Life to a Human Being"

*Charlotte Pence*

"In fact, tolerating grave evil within a society is itself a form of serious evil."

*Archbishop Charles J. Chaput*



### Bishop Hying's Video Message

Bishop Donald Hying is recording regular video messages called "A Moment with the Bishop." These short reflections are posted on the Diocesan YouTube channel and at [www.saintmaryplatteville.com](http://www.saintmaryplatteville.com).

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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, May 16

8:00am Ezra Miller (TLM)

10:30am Joshua Kunz

6:00pm For the People

### Monday, May 17

6:30am Godchildren of EMH (TLM)

### Tuesday, May 18

6:30am Melissa Cullen (TLM)

5:00pm Michael Kunz

### Wednesday, May 19

6:30am † Laura Riese (TLM)

5:00pm John Martin

### Thursday, May 20

6:30am † Laura Riese (TLM)

5:00pm John Dockery

### Friday, May 21

6:30am † Laura Riese (TLM)

5:00pm Special Intention (MJ)

### Sunday, May 23

8:00am The Klosiewski Family (TLM)

10:30am The John Dockery Family

6:00pm For the People

### St. Augustine Parish Giving, May 9

Weekly Envelopes \$ 150.00

Offertory \$1026.00

### Mass Online Suggestions

<https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online>

### Bishop Donald Hying

<https://madisondiocese.org>

### Money Counters

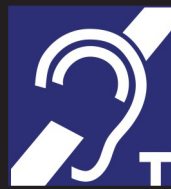
May 16: Mary Jo Hennessy

May 23: Gina Pitz



### ***Thank you Connie & Jerry!***

We can't thank you enough for all your years of dedicated service to St. Mary's!



St. Mary's Sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop.  
Have your hearing aid T-Coil activated or ask an usher how to use the Loop Listener.

### ***Formed***

St. Mary's parish is now subscribed to FORMED from the Augustine Institute. Please sign up and you will have access to some wonderful Catholic content for the entire family.

Here you have the instructions on how to sign up:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
4. Find **St Mary Church** by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

### ***Graduation Gift Ideas***

Do you know someone graduating this May? Why not get them gift cards? Stop into the hospitality room after both Masses to purchase \$5 or \$10 limited time scrip cards for those special graduates! Any questions contact Margaret Drefcinski ([margaretdrefcinski@gmail.com](mailto:margaretdrefcinski@gmail.com)).



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**S.W.A.T.**

Southwest Wisconsin Area Teens

*"Catholic Teens on Fire for their Faith"*

Come join us for  
Faith, Friends, Food, and Fun!!

**May Topic:**  
**Celebrating our SWAT Seniors!**  
Come dressed for a FUN Field Trip (shoes/Jacket)  
plus  
a trip to Culvers for dessert!

8<sup>th</sup> Graders are welcome to join us!!

**Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00p-8:30p

St. Mary School- Youth Room, Platteville  
**No Pizza this month**  
**but FREE Dessert and Snacks!!**

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### ***SW Wisconsin Area Men's Group***

**"How God made us better husbands,  
fathers and sons."**

*You have got to come to the next...*

**SW WI Catholic Men's Conclave!**

**Just come for the 'talk' if your time is limited!**

**Sunday May 16 @ 7pm @ St. Mary's Platteville**

**Our featured Speaker is Rev. Eric Sternberg.**

Father Sternberg is a dynamic speaker. He is pastor at St Cecilia in Wi Dells.

Our goal is to create a time Catholic Men can get together to expand our Faith and have a beverage.

### ***Prayer Line***

Anyone requesting prayer may call **348-6041** between 8am & 9am.

### ***Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)***

For information about the RCIA program or about joining the Catholic Church, contact Fr. John Blewett.

Advertiser of the Week

**Martin Schwartz Funeral Homes & Crematory**

Please consider this business and thank them for their support.

**Bulletin Deadline**

**8:00AM Wednesday**

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