



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

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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

5th Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021



SAINT MARY PARISH

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 21

9:00am The Priests & Staff of St. Mary
& St. Augustine Parishes

12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

Monday, March 22

8:00am † Bob & Ila Belle Heinrichs

Tuesday, March 23

8:00am Gary Bizbud & Louise Caldie

Wednesday, March 24

8:00am Justine Wiker

Thursday, March 25

8:00am † John Klaas

Friday, March 26

8:00am † Mother of Edwardo Rodriguez

Saturday, March 27

8:00am Julius Thome (TLM)

4:00pm Jonathan Hess

Sunday, March 28

9:00am Helen Juergens

12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

St. Mary Parish Giving March 14

Weekly Envelopes	\$2654.00
Offertory	\$ 579.00
Weekly Average Electronic Funds	\$ 800.00

Sunday Readings

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-33

Bulletin Deadline Changes

10am; March 23 for the March 28 Bulletin (Palm Sunday)

10am; March 29 for the April 4 Bulletin (Easter)

Additional Confession Time

Thursday, March 25: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

The Word Among Us

The Word Among Us has returned! The Easter edition is located on the back tables along with Easter Magnificat's.

Please Continue to take one and keep your copy.

Donations towards this are appreciated.

St. Mary Calendar

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
8:30 - Noon or by appointment

Sunday, March 21

SW WI Catholic Men's Conclave:

7:00 PM Speaker - **Msgr. Bartylla**

7:40 PM Adoration/Prayer/Confession

8:20 PM Social with COVID Precautions

SWAT (SW Area Teens)

7:00 PM @ St. Mary's School

(more details on back inside cover)

Tuesday, March 23

Women's Group:

6:00 PM Speaker - **Daniela Saldana**

(Principal at St. Aloysius in Sauk City &

Consecrated Member of the Society of Jesus
Christ the Priest)

6:30 PM Adoration/Confession

7:15 PM Social with COVID Precautions

Wednesday, March 24

Religious Education:

Grades 1-8: 6:30 PM

Confirmation: 7:15 PM

Thursday, March 25

Confession: after 8:00 AM Mass for 30 Minutes
& 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Adoration: Begins after 8:00 AM Mass

Rosary & Benediction: 7:30 PM

Friday, March 26

Stations of the Cross: After morning Mass

Boys Group: 3:30-5:00 PM

Saturday, March 27

Theology & Wine: 5:00 PM

Lost & Found

If you lost some gift cards, contact Cindy in the office.

Readings for the week of March 22-27, 2021

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps
23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/
Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
[52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11
[8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/
Jn 11:45

Pastoral Articles

Pastoral Council Column

Feelings and Morality

I have often pondered how funny, how ridiculous, the sexual sins are. What makes them worthy of ridicule is the fact that we are drawn by their promise of goodness, our doubts removed by the strength of our feelings. And then, when we discover that the goodness they promised was empty and what little they did deliver too fleeting – we go back for more. If we do feel remorse, the power of the urge buries our tears. As one sexual predator once said to me, “How can something that feels so good be wrong?”

At the time I had no answer, but I was not convinced, even at the callow age of 18, that physical pleasure should equal moral goodness. In truth, I didn’t want to think about morality unless I began, against my will, to find fault with pleasure.

Yet even our Catholic culture has come to equate good feeling with morality. In most circles, even saying that sex outside of male-female marriage is objectively wrong brands one a zealot, and many – many! – think that male-male unions can bear “spiritual” fruit. I have not yet heard what sort of fruit that might be, but I suspect it is, at bottom, license to do whatever feels good. Foxes making rules for the henhouse.

If we are, as Christ says, the light in the world, our bulb is growing dim. Vast swathes of Christians have joined the world, maybe not realizing they have chosen feelings (of any sort but particularly sexual) over the Cross. But just when I begin to fear the dark wave of sin about to extinguish the light, something like the following comes into my inbox, taken from an article, *Ireland in Exile* by Patrick J. Walsh, in *Crisis Magazine*:

The World is trying the experiment of attempting to form a civilized but non-Christian mentality. The experiment will fail; but we must be very patient in awaiting its collapse; meanwhile redeeming the time: so that the Faith may be preserved alive through the dark ages before us; to renew and rebuild civilization, and save the World from suicide.

Yes! We can wait for God. And we can redeem time if we, like St. John on Calvary, remain steadfast with Christ; if we do not join the world in its pursuits, if we bear what comes with love, gentleness, and forbearance; without giving in to bitterness and without compromising the

truth. And if we do so with confidence and joy – true joy – that comes from knowing Jesus Christ, inspired by the hope of the Resurrection on Easter morning.

(Gregory Merrick is on the Evangelization Committee.
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Catechism of the Catholic Church

The entire power of the sacrament of Penance is directed toward restoring God’s grace in us and to uniting us with Him in intimate friendship (CCC 1468, Roman Catechism II, V, 18). It is important to know that no matter how disobedient we have been to the laws of God, we can be forgiven by the merciful love of God.

In the *Our Father*, which our Lord Himself taught us to pray, we know that the forgiveness of our sins is linked to our forgiveness of one another’s offenses; “And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us” (Luke 11:4). This is to be taken quite seriously and literally. Perhaps to some this may be a difficult truth, but we must know and deeply understand that forgiveness from Almighty God is conditional on our willingness to forgive others. When Peter asked the Lord: “how often shall my brother offend against me, and I forgive him? Till seven times?” Jesus saith to him: “I say not to thee, till seven times; but till seventy times seven times” (Matthew 18:21).

Augustine of Hippo shared the following about forgiveness from the heart: “A person who pleads with one against whom he has sinned, if he is moved by his own sin to make his plea, should no longer be thought of as an enemy whom it is as difficult to forgive as it was when he was behaving as an enemy. But anybody who refuses to forgive from his heart one who asks forgiveness and repents of his sin should not think that the Lord forgives his sins, since the Truth cannot lie. What hearer or reader of the gospel does not know who said, *I am the truth*? (Jn 14:6) When he had taught us his prayer, he strongly emphasized the thought it contains by saying, *For if you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins* (Mt 6:14–15). Anybody who does not wake up on hearing such a clap of thunder is not asleep but dead; and yet he is able to raise even the dead to life” (The Augustine Catechism, 74).

St. Augustine's Calendar

Tuesday, March 23

Game Night: 7 PM

Wednesday, March 24

Pro-Life Panel: 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Thursday; March 25

Aquinas on Law: 7:00 PM

By Dr. Dre Talk

Friday, March 27

Stations of the Cross: After 5pm Mass

Women's night on Beauty: 7:00 PM

By Haley

Weekly Events

Wednesdays

Newman Dinner: 5:45

Fridays

Friday Night Ballers: 6 - 8 PM

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 on www.saintmaryplatteville.com.

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 21

8:00am Souls in Purgatory (TLM)

10:30am President Joseph Biden &
Vice-President Kamala Harris

6:00pm For the People

Monday, March 22

6:30am Isabel Howard (TLM)

Tuesday, March 23

6:30am † Souls in Purgatory (TLM)

5:00pm Jenna Wiker

Wednesday, March 24

6:30am Quinn Brummel (TLM)

5:00pm Justine Wiker

Thursday, March 25

6:30am Brianna Brummel (TLM)

5:00pm Megan Wiker

Friday, March 26

6:30am Elizabeth Brummel (TLM)

5:00pm Jackson Wiker

Sunday, March 28

8:00am Lexi Neumann (TLM)

10:30am Joseph "Jay" Squillace

6:00pm For the People

St. Augustine Parish Giving, March 14

Weekly Envelopes \$155.00

Offertory \$435.00

Mass Online Suggestions

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

Bishop Donald Hying

<https://madisondiocese.org>

Money Counters

March 21: Mary Jo Hennessy

March 28: Gina Pitz



The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Helping Christians in the Holy Land



Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.



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.

Easter Flower Memorials

Donations to decorate St Mary's church during Easter can be made in memory of a loved one. Envelopes can be found at the church entrance tables.



Holy Week Mass Times

	St. Mary	St. Augustine
Holy Thursday:	7 PM (English)	5 PM (TLM)
Good Friday:	1 PM (English)	3 PM (TLM)
Easter Vigil:	8 PM (English)	8 PM (TLM)
Easter Sunday:	9 AM (English) 12 Noon (Spanish)	8 AM (TLM) 10:30 AM (English)

6 PM MASS CANCELED

Cemetery Notice

As in the past, weather permitting, the SPRING Clean-up of Calvary Cemetery is scheduled for Saturday, April 3 at 9 AM. Please remove any decorations you want saved the week prior to that date. Any items left may be removed and disposed of. Please do not put out any new decorations until after Wednesday, April 7. If you would care to help out, be at the tool shed around 9 AM that morning.

St. Augustine Volunteer Work Day

St. Augustine's service team is looking to serve our local community more intentionally. We are leading a group of students on a **service project for St. Mary's parishioners**. On March 27, from 9 am-Noon, we would like to go to parishioners homes and do extra cleaning indoors or outdoors if needed. Especially for parishioners who might be homebound and need the extra help. If you would like us to come to your home, we will make it happen!

Contact Jacqueline Valderas (479)616-7060
or Jacqueline@pioneercatholic.org

S.W.A.T.

Southwest Wisconsin Area Teens

"Catholic Teens on Fire for their Faith"

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

March Topic: Easter Fun & Games!

Includes Easter Egg Hunt, Games, and More!

Sunday, March 21st

7:00p-8:30p

St. Mary School- Youth Room, Platteville

FREE Pizza, Drinks, and Dessert

Bring a Mask!

Advertiser of the Week

Mary Kay-Diane Drefcinski

Please consider this business and thank them for their support.

Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Tuesday, March 23

Please email to

info@saintmaryplatteville.com