

SAINT MARY PARISH

130 West Cedar 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

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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

ADORATION

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

Tuesday - Friday: 4:15-4:55pm Sunday: 7:15-8am, 5:15 - 6:00pm

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

Monday - Friday: 7am - 5pm



SAINT MARY PARISH

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 14

9:00am † Loretta "Sis" Duggan 12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

Monday, March 15

8:00am † Florence Tashner Pahnke

Tuesday, March 16

8:00am Jan Wunderlin

Wednesday, March 17

8:00am † Frances Brendemuehl

Thursday, March 18

8:00am † Francis & Christine Vosberg & Mary Kruckenberg

Friday, March 19

8:00am † Buzz Verry

Saturday, March 20

8:00am Elizabeth Smith & Mary Beth Valentine (TLM) 4:00pm † Georgia Hess

Sunday, March 21

9:00am The Priests & Staff of St. Mary & St. Augustine Parishes 12:00pm For the People (Spanish)

St. Mary Parish Giving March 7

Weekly Envelopes \$4125.00
Offertory \$670.00
Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$800.00

Sunday Readings

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21

Memorial Rose

The red rose by the Mary statue was donated in memory of Fred Oomens.



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. Mary Calendar

Office Hours:

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

Wednesday, March 17

Religious Education: Grades 1-8: 6:30 PM Confirmation: 7:15 PM

Thursday, March 18

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 19

Stations of the Cross: after morning Mass

Boys Group: 3:30-5:00 PM

Looking Ahead

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

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

Extra Confession Times

Thursday, March 18 & 25: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Readings for the week of March 8-13, 2021

Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday:

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/ Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Message from Father

ear Parishioners,
Come to our fish fry at St. Augustine this Friday,
March 19. I wanted to mention that at the beginning but
enough marketing.

Today is Laetare Sunday, the Sunday of rejoicing we have every fourth Sunday of Advent and Lent. We are reminded of the importance of joy in our lives and the great vocation to full, fulfilled lives God has called us to.

For all of us, in some way, it is hard to hear this because we don't feel "full of joy" or overjoyed. We have problems in our lives, and in some way or other, life has not turned out like we would have wanted it to. Maybe others make us feel small or ugly. Maybe we see ourselves as small or ugly or both, and God did not make us as great as he could have.

This is especially difficult because it is all true. We do have difficulties, and we are ugly and small. But we are also loved, and that is the only thing that matters. That sounds cliche, but it must stand, and if we understand it, we have understood everything. Beloved sons and daughters of God is what we were before we had any problems, enemies, pains, or crises, and it is what we will be when all these things and all other things cease. It is the only reality worth spending time and effort on and the only thing that should worry us, though if we are doing it right, we shouldn't worry at all.

You will find this type of person every once in a while. There is something about them that is special and instantly attractive. You find them in convents, hospitals, chapels, and soup kitchens. If you are really lucky, you'll find them in rectories. They have found their treasure, and no worldly thing can touch them because they already have what they want, and it can't be taken away from them. They know who they are.

Lent is about rejoicing. It is counterintuitive, but it is true. Eliminating sin and vice in our lives is life-giving and will fill our lives with the clarity of knowing we do not need anyone to validate us because someone already gave everything for us. Let us end these last weeks of Lent strong.

Keep praying for St. Augustine. We continue to work with the students during the Covid era and need your prayers. Pray especially for men discerning the priesthood!

God bless.

Fr. John Del Priore

Pastoral Council Column

The Spilling of Spikenard

he connection between the woman's pouring "precious ointment" over Jesus' head and Judas' betrayal of Jesus

had never been apparent to me, but St. Matthew hooks them together (*Matt. 26*), one thing following the other in a way that portends more than a mere sequencing of events.

The disciples – and not just Judas Iscariot– were indignant: What purpose is this waste? A good question and, if one's thinking tends toward earthly purposes as the disciples' no doubt did, scandalous: For this might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.

And what of Jesus' response? *The poor you have always with you. but me you have not always.* It takes but little imagination to see the shaking of celebrity heads – they're such scolds, are they not? – the Rachel Maddows, the Don Lemons, the Chris Cuomos? – reporting with polished disdain: "He cares more about himself than the poor. A year's wages...and on his hair!"

She has done it for my burial, Jesus adds. The disciples are silenced, for the mystery of Jesus' death is already hard upon them (Matt. 16:23), but the waste – not just of money – is apparently the final straw for Judas, who then goes to the chief priests to sell Christ for coin: What will you give me? What had clicked in his brain? Did he believe that for all his talk of brotherly love, Jesus was just one more on-the-take charlatan? Or had the teachings of Jesus simply become unpalatable? Had Judas begun to realize that his own vision of the kingdom — a kind of do-gooder sovereignty wherein he, as one of the elites (with fingers already in the till), could work things to his advantage — was not at all what Jesus had in mind? The spilling of spikenard coupled with the stark reminder of the Messiah's imminent death... a shock to his system; a wasted opportunity to do so much...good!

But the love of Jesus Christ is not based on any worldly standard of exchange. The woman (identified by tradition as Mary Magdalene) knew through divine revelation what was coming. Her gift was an expression of so many things: her broken heart brought to life in God's forgiveness, her understanding of worth, the value of possessed and passing things, her desire to invest her Lord with something she valued, a sign of her love and coming loss. I do not doubt that she was moved to tears as she tended our to our savior it is impossible to give away what you love to a greater love without terrific loss to self – and yet through her tears she gave gladly and abundantly: My Lord, you have given me everything, there is nothing I shall want!

And this giving of ourselves is what Jesus asks; not a show of alms and certainly not some systematized "economic reset" – poverty of spirit is something to be lived, not fixed – but a deeply personal abandonment of our cherished worlds for a Love that is far greater than ours could ever be.

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

St. Augustine's Calendar

Wednesday, March 17

Dart Tournament: 7:00 PM

Thursday; March 18

Source & Summit: 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Friday, March 19

Stations of the Cross: After 5pm Mass

Fish Fry: 4:30 - 7:00 PM

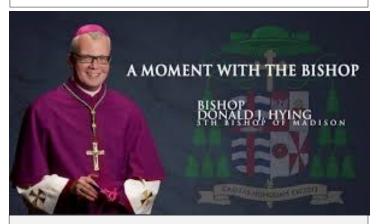
Weekly Events

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 14

8:00am Annella Cullen (TLM)

10:30am President Joseph Biden &

Vice-President Kamala Harris

6:00pm For the People

Monday, March 15

6:30am Don Jenkins (TLM)

Tuesday, March 16

6:30am Souls in Purgatory (TLM)

5:00pm Robert Kenney

Wednesday, March 17

6:30am Stephen Brummel (TLM)

5:00pm Linus Klosiewski

Thursday, March 18

6:30am Souls in Purgatory (TLM)

5:00pm † Charlotte McAfee

Friday, March 19

6:30am John Howard Family (TLM)

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St. Augustine Parish Giving, March 7

Weekly Envelopes

\$150.00

Offertory

\$761.57

Mass Online Suggestions

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

Bishop Donald Hying

https://madisondiocese.org

Money Counters

March 14: Gina Pitz

March 21: Mary Jo Hennessy



Friday, March 19th

4:30-7pm

Curbside available, Dining Room Open



To preorder email office@pioneercatholic.org

Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations should contact office@pioneercatholic.org

Food Pantry

The Second Harvest-Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry hosted by St. Mary's Parish will be at St. Mary's School on March 19.

Food distribution begins at 9:30 AM on Bonson St. and Cedar St. All food comes to us pre-boxed and distribution goes quickly. Only one set of food per household will be given out and placed in the rear end of the vehicle.

Questions can be directed to

Diane@saintmaryplatteville.com or

Connie 608-496-1055.

Mass for the Unborn

Thursday, March 25th
Church of the Resurrection,
4300 Asbury Rd. Dubuque Iowa
6:25pm Rosary, 7:00pm Mass

In honor of the Feast of the Annunciation and the International Day of the Unborn Child, DCRTL is sponsoring a *Mass for the Unborn*. This Mass will be held on Thursday, March 25 (exactly 9 months before Christmas) at Church of the Resurrection in Dubuque. The evening will open at 6:25pm with a special pro-life Rosary led by Duhawks for Life. Then, Mass will follow at 7:00pm. Please join us for this special evening. Everyone is welcome!

Advertiser of the Week

Blue Note Music

Please consider this business and thank them for their support.



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.



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

Easter Basket Gift Cards

Would you like to give towards a gift card for Easter dinner for a family in need? This year we'll again give gift cards so that people can shop for what is best for their family

Please take an envelope from the tables at the church entrances and drop your envelope in the basket or at the rectory.

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)	8 AM (TLM)
1:	2 Noon	(Spanish)	10:30 AM (English)

6 PM MASS CANCELED

Bulletin Deadline 10:00 AM Wednesday

Please email to info@saintmaryplatteville.com