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## January 15, 2017

### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### FROM OUR PASTOR...

Dear friends,

I hope you are doing well and surviving the Wisconsin weather. I am trying hard enough to keep up with that and to stay warm.

Now that we have completed the celebration of Christmas with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which fell on the 9<sup>th</sup>, we are waiting for another important celebration in the Catholic Church, Ash Wednesday. Let us prepare during these days in between to celebrate it meaningfully.

One of the many advancements in technology is social media like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, LinkedIn, Tumblr, YouTube and many more. Social media was invented for the common interest of connecting people by the use of technology. Of course, social media still serves this purpose. This is right as long as people use it wisely and rightly. Unfortunately, this does not happen with many who use social media.

Social media is not used for connecting people all of the time. Sometimes it also disconnects people. We can have hours and hours of discussion and debate over this. What I wanted to bring out is different.

We see many times people asking others to like, comment or share a religious picture promising that they would get a favor from God, sometimes even going to the extent of saying that those who ignore that post would get some evil happening to them. If God could do some favor to those who like or comment or share those religious picture on Fb or other social media, is it that God won't do any good things to those who do not use Facebook or other social media? Or what about those times when there was no social media? Did God abstain from doing any good thing to people because they did not have their social media to like, comment or share? No, God has been always good to everyone. Our Facebook likes, comments and shares do not change God or His plans for us.

What I would like to emphasize is that our faith should not be shrunk to social media activities. Sometimes there are people who say, 'like/comment/share if you believe....' and post some information on their timeline. While we may post some religious facts or anything that may enhance the knowledge and faith of people, it is not reasonable to determine their faith by their activities on social media. Let us not shrink our faith and God to man-made social media. There are many useful ways to help people develop their faith in God and, of course, people avail those means and are benefitted by them.

Our faith is far greater than the activities on social media and God is much greater than our faith can perceive. So let us keep social media as social media not as determinants of our faith. Let our faith be faith not decided by social media.

Your faith has saved you, go in peace, (Lk: 7:50), not social media. God bless.

Fr. A. Antony

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 7:30 AM & 11:00 AM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 5:30 PM  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM  
First Saturdays 8:00 AM

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

#### **HOLY HOUR**

Mondays at 3:00 PM

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

#### **EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION**

First Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM  
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM  
Benediction at 4:00 PM

#### **ST. PATRICK GRADE SCHOOL**

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#### **St. Mary Parish ~ Lyndon Station**

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Wednesday 5:30 PM  
Sunday 9:00 AM

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Wednesday 5:00—5:20 PM

**Mass Intentions for the week of January 15, 2017**

Sat. Jan. 14	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Jan. 15	7:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jack Koca</i>
	11:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Leo Steiner</i>
Tues. Jan.17	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Natalie Steiner</i>
Wed. Jan.18	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Conrad Lobenstein</i>
	2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For <i>Dorothy Wojick</i>
Thu. Jan.19	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Mary Ebend</i>
Fri. Jan. 20	8:00 AM	For <i>The Living &amp; Deceased Members of the John Noga Family</i>
Sat. Jan. 21	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Bernice Bohen</i>
Sun. Jan. 22	7:30 AM	For our Parishioners
	11:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Joseph &amp; Phyllis Pochop</i>

**Pray for the health of** Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Jeri Delgado, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Bonnie Norton, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, John Kueppers, Shirley Mills, Ruth Clark, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Maxine Greffe, Mary Ann Witcraft, Denise Dean, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kevin L., Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Jon Waalk, Helen Eucolono, Rita Burdick, Ethel Passer, Bill Eisch, Sid Mead, Steve, Art Randall, Ruby Steiner, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Dale Dolata, Therese, Gale Ryczek, Sandy Sarazin, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Margaret Gabay, Mary Allaby, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Mary Jane Pfaff, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Judy Schoettler, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, Connie Lechleiter and the Moore Family.

**Pray for those in the military serving our country:** Jason Witkowiak, John Miller, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland and Jessica Tremain.

**There will be an hour of Eucharistic** adoration conducted by our Deacon on 22nd January from 7-8 in the church in view of the March for life. All are requested to come and participate in that adoration and pray that people may understand the value of life and preserve it.

<p><b>DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL</b>  <b>Our goal for this year is \$42,209.</b>  <b>Our Pledges to Date—\$26,608.00 (100 Families)</b></p> <p>You may return your pledge cards by dropping them in the weekend collection or by mailing them to: St. Patrick Parish, 401 Mansion Street, Mauston WI 53948. Thank you to all who have already returned their pledge cards!</p>
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<b>Stewardship Corner ~ January 7th &amp; 8th, 2017 (526 Registered Families)</b>		
	<b>BUDGETED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$ 8,134.61	\$ 5,943.00
On-Line Giving		840.00
Children's Envelopes	28.84	15.23
Loose Offering	615.39	306.50
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 8,778.84	\$ 7,104.73
Budget Contingency Fund		200.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$245,807.52
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$210,326.51
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to current date		
We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.		

**INTERESTED IN ON LINE GIVING?** There are post cards in the pews with instructions on setting up your On-Line Giving Account. Need more help? Just call the rectory. Or you can visit our website, [www.stpatrickismauston.com](http://www.stpatrickismauston.com) and click our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. This is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation.

<b>Weekly Calendar</b>			
Monday	Jan 16	3:00 PM	Holy Hour
Tuesday	Jan 17	7:00 PM	KC's—Reardon Hall
Wednesday	Jan 18		CCD CLASSES
Thursday	Jan 19	11—1	Rosary Makers
		6:00 PM	Parish Council Mtg.—RH
Friday	Jan 20	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

**Attention Cub, Boy & Venture Scouts**—Would you like to earn your Religious Emblem but don't know how? For information, contact Cindy Sjolander, Diocesan Religious Emblems Chairman, at 608-783-4911 or email: [scouting@diolc.org](mailto:scouting@diolc.org) to find out how.

**Diaconate Discernment Retreat February 3-4, 2017:** NEW Class for Deacon Formation begins in Fall of 2017. A Discernment Retreat for men who feel they may be called to the permanent diaconate will be held Friday-Saturday, February 3-4 at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center. For information and a registration form, visit [www.diolc.org/deacon-discernment](http://www.diolc.org/deacon-discernment). See general information about the Permanent Diaconate on the diocesan website. For more information, contact Christopher Ruff, Office for Ministries and Social Concerns, [atcruff@diolc.org](mailto:atcruff@diolc.org) or (608) 791-2664. The Discernment Retreat is mandatory for those considering applying for the class beginning fall 2017.

**There has been some talk and excitement** for a woman's bible study. It is in the planning stages now, so please call or email Cassandra at [re@stpatrickismauston.com](mailto:re@stpatrickismauston.com) if you are interested in joining and what days and times work for you. We are looking to start this up around the end of February.

**As we have heard, St. Mary Parish** in Lyndon Station will be separating from St. Patrick Parish. Rev. Clayton Elmhorst, who is currently the Associate Pastor at Queen of the Apostles Parish in Tomah, will be the new Parochial Administrator of St. Mary's beginning March 1st. We hope and pray that his presence among the parishioners at St. Mary's will be of great help to the parish and to the spiritual welfare of their parishioners. Father Antony will remain here at St. Patrick as our full-time pastor. He looks forward to expanding and dedicating his time our parishioners. We pray for Father Antony's ministry in our parish.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 14th & 15th  
Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lectors: Gracie Footit  
Extraordinary Ministers: Donna Bollig  
Servers: Lydia Chapman, Haley Marini, Aedyn Lubinski  
Greeters: Donna Bollig, Joan Potter, Marge Tremain  
Musicians:  
Gift Bearers: The Bill Powers Family  
Scrip Seller: Kris Footit  
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Gerald Gardner, Fran Lunenschloss

**Sunday, 7:30 AM**

Lectors: Millie Hovde, Veronica Sustar  
Servers: Marshal Skiles, Matthew Gunther, Dylan Demaske  
Greeters: Jerry & Marie Boehm  
Musicians:  
Gift Bearers: Marion Koca  
Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther  
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Tremel,  
Arnie Penzkover

**Sunday, 11:00 AM**

Lectors: Paul Curran  
Extraordinary Ministers: Donna Elosh  
Servers: Anna & Eli Boppert, Allie Roose  
Greeters: Barb & Shannon Cowan, Jeanne Walsh  
Musicians:  
Gift Bearers: Howard & Gina Boppert  
Scrip Seller: Gina Boppert  
Ushers: Jon Field, Kurt Salverson, Greg Cowan

**10:00 AM Nursing Home Prayer Service:**

Deacon Delgado

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 21st & 22nd  
Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lectors: Roxanne Shragal  
Extraordinary Ministers: Rita Hamm  
Servers: Annah, Logan & Zach Lund  
Greeters: Ernie & Audrey Schmocker  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz  
Gift Bearers: The Lund Family  
Scrip Seller: Donna Miller  
Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Gerald Gardner, Fran Lunenschloss

**Sunday, 7:30 AM**

Lectors: Mary Ann Strack, Lois Lawton  
Servers: Braeden & Haley Heath, Noah Fry  
Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross  
Musicians:  
Gift Bearers: The Doug Fry Family  
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller  
Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Tremel,  
Arnie Penzkover

**Sunday, 11:00 AM**

Lectors: Sue Hollenbeck, Bill Curran  
Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Beth Crowley  
Servers: Ethan & Olivia Lulich, Naome Pouillie  
Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray  
Musicians:  
Gift Bearers: The Clinton Pouillie Family  
Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh  
Ushers: Jon Field, Kurt Salverson, Greg Cowan

**10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:**

Marcia Jakubik & Bonnie Duffy

**We welcome Lincoln John Brian Sonnenberg, son of Brian and Jessica (Roeker) Sonnenberg, who is being baptized this weekend.**

**JANUARY 18—25  
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

Please join us as we gather for the annual March for Life at the courthouse in Mauston on Sunday Jan. 22 at 1 PM., for prayers, a short talk, the March and refreshments afterwards at St. Patrick's. ~ Thank You,  
*Betty Lobenstein, Juneau County Life Chain.*

**January Holy Hours for Life** ~ Deacons will preside at a Holy Hour for Life to be held at various parishes throughout the Diocese on or around January 21st, which is the vigil of the National Day of Penance and Prayer for Life, which coincides with the tragic anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion. For dates and locations, visit [www.dioc.org/holy-hour-for-life](http://www.dioc.org/holy-hour-for-life).

**Would you like to see if the diocesan Lay Formation Institute (LFI) is right for you?** What better way than to sit in on part of this exciting formation experience and "catch the spirit"? This opportunity is being offered for a limited number of inquirers the weekends of Feb. 3-4, March 3-4, or March 31-April 1, 2017 at beautiful St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon. If you are interested in sitting in on part of a weekend, or even just one class, contact us at [ministries@dioc.org](mailto:ministries@dioc.org) or call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161 to discuss your options. There is no fee unless you choose overnight lodging or meals. For more information on the LFI, visit [www.dioc.org/lay-formation](http://www.dioc.org/lay-formation).

**World Day for Consecrated Life** will be celebrated in the Church on Thursday, February 2, 2017 and in parishes on the weekend of February 4-5, 2017. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

**On Saturday, February 4th, all men are invited** to a retreat titled, "Catholic Survival Guide: Keeping the Faith Alive in an Increasingly Secular World" at Durward's Glen. This year's featured speaker is Most Rev. Robert Morlino, Bishop of the Diocese of Madison. Activities during the day include Mass presided by the Bishop, small group discussion, Rosary, Confession, and free time. The Saturday retreat begins at 8:00am, and concludes by 3:30pm. There is an optional Friday night program beginning at 7:00pm for those who want to extend their retreat. Overnight accommodations are available. To register, visit [www.stjosephbaraboo.com](http://www.stjosephbaraboo.com) and click on the Donate icon, or contact Becky at the St. Joseph Parish office 356-5353. The cost for Saturday only is \$35 or \$40 (after 1/29/16) and includes continental breakfast and a grilled-steak lunch. Assistance is available.



**ST. PATRICK  
SCHOOL NEWS**

Gala 2017 is sure to be the best one yet! *James Bond - 007 Adventure* is the theme and the Gala Committee is shaking (not stirring) up all kinds of fun for this event on Saturday, Feb. 11th. Tickets are \$65.00 per person. Come and enjoy a gourmet buffet dinner from Elite Catering, and an evening of laughter and entertainment with emcee Tricia Demmin and auctioneer John Orton. A evening of adventure, AND we will raise some money for St. Patrick School! Stop by the school office or call if you would like more information ([608-847-5844](tel:608-847-5844)). Thank you!