

January 22, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR

Juneau County March for Life is at 1 pm at the Courthouse. It is a little different than in the past with Roe v. Wade being overturned. We, as a people of faith, now must not only walk to show the value of life but step forward to help life where it is needed. I thank the Knights of Columbus who nationally and locally have done many things to support life.

We are reminded that life is a gift. From conception to natural death, each moment is a gift from our heavenly Father. So giving thanks for such a gift is just and right. Supporting such a gift is just and right also. For each of us how we do that is the question we face each day. All over social media how expensive kids can be is a lively topic. Many families struggle on the other end of life when considering how to care for their parents who are failing health-wise. Then there is everything in between for individuals and families who need others in their lives to thrive in difficult times. These are moments that allow us to respond to them in charity.

Looking ahead we have some beautiful saints that model a response in different ways. Pope Francis wrote recently on St. Francis de Sales, a doctor of the Church. His book "Introduction to the Devout Life" is one that can guide all of us in living more deeply the faith. St. Paul and his conversion is a feast this week. As he wrote, he was against the faith and persecuted those who followed Jesus. But we know the rest of the story. God's mercy is infinite and He will call who He wants giving them the grace they need. Sts. Timothy and Titus give us great examples of being a disciple and being a leader. St. Angela Merici reminds us of the Church offering an education to young women when the world said that was a waste of resources. Finally St. Thomas Aquinas is a wonderful example of learning and teaching.

All of that leads us to the Beginning of National Catholic Schools Week. Earlier in the month we celebrated the feast of Elizabeth Ann Seton. She established Catholic parochial schools and from there we have our Catholic school here in Mauston. We have a number of generations that have been here as students. We are also blessed to have students that come back to us to teach. What a beautiful expression of living the faith and passing it on by word and deed.

There are many wonderful things we can point to in having a Catholic school in our parish. Unfortunately some see only the negative or the expense. Since the school is ours and none of us are perfect neither is our school. Which is a wonderful thing that challenges all of us. That we all need to pray for our school, staff and families involved. Also that we all need to step up and offer our time and talent along with our own example of how important faith is to each of us.

I do encourage you to stop in and see our school. We have invested so much the last number of years and I am happy to hear people comment when they do stop in. How they used to have class in that room and how it has changed. Or that when they were here there wasn't a computer lab or Chromebooks for everyone. We are also getting back into field trips for our classes to learn outside of the classroom. A reminder for all of us to keep learning and being a witness to the knowledge and wisdom we have acquired, just as the saints have done for us.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM Sundays ~ 8 AM &10 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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM & Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass Benediction at 4:00 PM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of January 22, 2023

Sat. Jan. 21	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Jan. 22	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Andy Petrowitz
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Jim & Gerrie Carney</i>
Tues. Jan. 24	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Jack Koca
Wed. Jan. 25	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Don Vinopal
Thu. Jan. 26	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Ernie Schmocker
Fri. Jan. 27	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Helen Siegler & Don Vinopal
Sat. Jan. 28	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Jan. 29	8:00 AM <i>Me</i> i	For the Living & Deceased mbers of the Knights of Columbus
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Louis & Genevieve Vinopal

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Anna Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, and Sidney G. Mead Jr.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers especially at the 5 PM Saturday Masses. If this is your regular Mass time, would you consider taking part in this ministry? We will train you and get you in the rotation. All you need is a love of Jesus in the Eucharist! Please contact Gina Boppart at <u>ginaboppart@stpatricksmauston.com</u> or call the rectory.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Her, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Marion (Wells) Drinkwater who passed away recently. May perpetual light shine upon her.

Social Sunday — Join us next Sunday (January 29th) for "Social Sunday" as we kick off Catholic Schools Week! Please plan to stay after the 8 am and the 10 am Masses for donuts, coffee, juice, and fellowship in Reardon Hall. This month's social is hosted by the school staff. Hope to see you there!

Stewardship Corner ~ January 14th & 15th (506 Registered Families)

**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING ACTUAL					
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$4,465.00			
On-Line Giving		\$1,765 .00			
Children's Envelopes	9.61	\$ 17.00			
Loose Offering	385.00	<u>\$ 375.00</u>			
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$6,622.00			
Year-to-date* budget requirement\$ 262,405Year-to-date amount contributed\$ 256,940					
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to current date					
** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 42,539.00 for this fiscal year.					
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.					

Weekly Calendar					
Tuesday	Jan. 24	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church		
Wednesday	Jan. 25	5:15 PM	Catholic Ed. Committee		
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal		
Thursday	Jan. 26	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH		
		5:30 PM	Sacred Worship—RH		
Friday	Jan. 27	8:45 AM	Friday Folders		

Many of you may remember Suzanne Luisi, a former parishioner and friend to many here in Mauston. Suzanne will be celebrating her 100th birthday on February 23rd and her family would like to shower her with cards! If you would like to send her some birthday wishes, please address them to: *Suzanne Luisi, St. Mary's Skilled Nursing Center, 3401 Maple Grove Drive, Madison, WI 53719.* The staff will hold her cards until her birthday so you can send them any time.

The family of Rosemary Wier would like to thank Saint Patrick's Parish Community for the acts of kindness shown to our family. Thank you to the many individuals who gave their time assisting our family with the funeral dinner. A Special Thank You to Father John for your acts of kindness and prayers in this time of need.

For those subscribing to "The Word Among Us", your February issue is available on the porch at the rectory.

Help Needed!! We are looking for one or two (or more) individuals to host and prepare the meals for our RE Vocations Dinners on the evenings of February 15 and March 15 for the youth of our parish. Please let Father John know if you are able to help with this. (Each dinner will be for about 20 people.) Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest—Sunday, Janaury 22 at St. Patrick School. Boys & Girls ages 9 to 14. Sign up at 11 AM. Contest starts at 12 noon!

Gala 2023—Save the Date! Saturday, February 18th— This year's theme ~*MARDI GRAS!!* Cocktails at 6 PM and dinner at 7 PM. Musical entertainment provided by Pat McCurdy. Raffles, silent auction, drawings and more! Tickets are available at the rectory (\$70 per person).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 21st & 22nd

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lector: Kevin Quist Eucharistic Minister: Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller Musicians: Sharon Kelly Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski Gift Bearer: Tom & Ashley Miller Scrip Seller: Jodi Field Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: David Hoffmann Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke Musicians: Ann Benz, Cristina Becker Greeters: The Becker Family Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby Gift Bearers: Mike & Karen Krause Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Bill Curran Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran Servers: Brayden & Kellen Housworth, Beau Barreau Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Greeters: Bill Thill, Jane Powers Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill Gift Bearers: Heath & Cassie Thayer

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 28th & 29th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

Lector: Steve Hesprich Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser Servers: Owen & Aedyn Lubinski, Jack Vinopal Musicians: John & Nancy Noga Greeters: Kevin Quist Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski Gift Bearers: Carrol & Corinne Kaiser Scrip Seller: Laura Vinopal Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Bridget Gunther Eucharistic Minister: Vicki Boehm Servers: Cody Komiskey, Carson Demaske, Spencer Turpin Musicians: Ann Benz Greeters: Barb Cowan, Kevin Stillson, Carol Gross Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby Gift Bearers: The Knights of Columbus Members Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: St. Patrick's Students Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Carla & Jacob Brunner Greeters: St Patrick's Students Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

Gift Bearers: St. Patrick's Students Scrip Seller:

2022 Contribution Statements are available in the gathering area. Please stop and pick yours up.

Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus for January 22th Why does Jesus want to stay with us always?

You know that Jesus wants to stay with you always because He loves you unconditionally (completely). Why? Because He wants to be with the person He loves. How do you (we) know He loves you so much? Jesus gave His life for you by dying on the Cross so that your sins can be forgiven. Let's pray this right now and every day this week. "*Thank You Jesus that You want to be with me all the time.*" This week read Psalm 139: 13-16 which speaks of how well God knows us and how close He is to us.

March for Life— THIS Sunday, January 22nd at 1:00 PM at the Juneau County Courthouse. Please join with other Life Marchers to walk around the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, for 50 minutes (one minute for each year since Roe v. Wade—January 22, 1973) holding signs or carrying candles. This is a simple, yet effective way for all those who call on the name of the Lord to show that they oppose abortion. A reception will follow the March here in Reardon Hall.

17th ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT at CAMP GRAY - February 11: On Saturday, February 11th, all men are invited to Camp Gray for the 17th annual Men's Retreat hosted by St. Joseph's Baraboo. Bishop Donald Hying and Fr. James Kubicki, S.J., spiritual director at St. Francis de Sales Seminary, will be the featured speakers. Activities during the day include Mass, Confession, Adoration, Rosary, small group discussion, a continental breakfast and a grilled steak lunch. The retreat begins with Mass by Bishop Hying at 8:00am and concludes by 3:30pm. To register, visit:

<u>www.baraboocatholic.org/adult-faithformation.</u> Registration is \$35 before February 5th, \$40 after.

Knights of Columbus Sportsmen's Raffle ~ Tickets now available! You can purchase tickets from any KC member, at the rectory office or at local businesses. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Prizes: Matthews Mission Crossbow; Pointer Acrius 12 ga. Over Under Shotgun; and Savage 110 Apex .243 Rifle OR \$500 cash. Drawing will be Tuesday, April 18th. More information is available on the bulletin board in the gathering area. If you would like to help sell tickets, they are available on the porch at the rectory. Proceeds with benefit St. Patrick School & the Juneau County Sea of Change Housing Project. Please support this very worthy project of the KC's.



In preparation for the repainting on the church interior beginning May 1st, we are looking for a place to store our pews and other items from the church. They will need to be stored until approximately September 1st. If you know of or have a space that we can use where they will be dry and safe, please give the rectory a call or let one of our Building & Grounds Committee members know. Thanks for your help!

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays from 3 PM to 4 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

