



SAINT MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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The Epiphany of the Lord
January 8, 2012

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat. Jan. 7	5:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of Art Wroblewski Family
Sun. Jan. 8	8:30 a.m.	Rollie Coats
	10:30 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Mon. Jan. 9	8:30 a.m.	Edwin A. Kapek
Tues. Jan. 10	11:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of Charles Marsoon Family
Wed. Jan. 11	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention (M.W.)
Thurs. Jan. 12	9:00 a.m.	Eucharistic Prayer Service
Fri. Jan. 13	5:00 p.m.	Koopman Family
Sat. Jan. 14	5:00 p.m.	Jack Mullen
Sun. Jan. 15	8:30 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of Fred & Bill Witek Family



**Bulletin announcements
are due by Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.**

LITURGY MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 14 - 15

*If you notice an opening at a particular Mass and you are able to fill-in,
please call 868-3335 and let us know. Thank you!*

Ministry	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Reader One Reader Two	Rick Elbert Jim Fagan	Lynn Gardinier Mary Lippincott	Kent Shea Ed Grote
Commentator	Frank Beres	Mary Jane Hendricks	Marian Cousin
Cantor	Mary Jo Bergs	Doreen Houge	Clarence Lornson
Servers	Will Riesterer Samantha Moe	Colby Keller John Keller	Ashley Wagner Kyle Wecker
Extraordinary Ministers	B1 - B2 - Cindy Wroblewski B3 - Helen Dickinson W1 - Karen Cain W2 - Corinna Fiorvanti W3 - Mary Elbert W4 - Dennis Sitter	B1 - Pat Starr B2 - Donna Garbe B3 - Brenna Cowan W1 - Jen Snow W2 - Mike Sessler W3 - Judy Snyder W4 - Brian Cowan	B1 - Lisa Shea B2 - Mark Warren B3 - W1 - Joe Sesek W2 - Pat Mosher W3 - Bonnie Isaacson W4 - Mari Anne Warren
Ushers	Dennis Douglas Barbara Anderson Randy Massoglia Andy Weberpal Ray Fiorvanti Ronald Ley Kelly Reed	Milt Wendler Rick Tomten Dennis Campion Robert Miller Tom Reed Joe Haas Tom Roth	Roger Yoss Bob Logan Mike Roberts Steve Wagner Landon Shea Randy Adamson Nolan Shea

This Week at St. Mary Parish

Sat./Sun. Jan. 8: Camillus Ministry Blood Pressure screening in the center after all masses.

Sat./Sun. Jan. 8: Ark Library will be open after all masses.

Sun. Jan. 8: FF-2 Youth Ministry Leaders Inservice at 9:30 a.m. in the center.

Sun. Jan. 8: FF-1 Preschool classes will be held from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the church hall.

Sun. Jan. 8: FF-2 Middle School Youth will gather from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Mon. Jan. 9: Pastoral Care Commission will meet at 11:00 a.m. in the Ark.

Mon. Jan. 9: Cluster Pastoral Care will meet at 1:00 p.m. in the Ark.

Mon. Jan. 9: Optimist play rehearsal at 5:15 p.m. in the center.

Mon. Jan. 9: Finance Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Ark.

Tues. Jan. 10: Weekend Scripture will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Ark. All are welcome!

Tues. Jan. 10: FF-1 Grade K – 6 classes will be held from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

Tues. Jan. 10: Liturgy Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Ark.

Tues. Jan. 10: Knights of Columbus will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the center.

Wed. Jan. 11: FF-1 Grade K – 6 classes will be held from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

Wed. Jan. 11: Children's Choir practice in church – 5:15 – 5:45 p.m.

Wed. Jan. 11: FF-1 Grade K – 6 classes will be held from 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.

Thurs. Jan. 12: Optimist play rehearsal at 5:15 p.m. in the center.

Sun. Jan. 15: Human Life Committee will meet at 9:20 a.m. in the Ark.

Sun. Jan. 15: Storck/Taylor Faith Group will meet at 9:15 a.m. in the center.

Sun. Jan 15: St. Mary Choir will practice at 9:30 a.m. in church.

Sun. Jan. 15: Child care will be available from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the church hall.

Sun. Jan. 15: Tan Faith Group will meet at 11:30 a.m. in the center.

WELCOME NEWLY BAPTIZED

December 31, 2011: *Ava Celeste Hajok*, daughter of Blaine & Theresa.

FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

Collection from last Sunday (January 1)

Envelopes	5,869.00
Offertory	542.58
Education	10.00
Loaves & Fishes	0.00
Catholic Herald	0.00
Special Collections	110.00

Collection from January 2, 2011

Envelopes	6,471.00
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READINGS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 9 - 15

Monday, January 9

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

Mark 1:7-11

Tuesday, January 10

1 Samuel 1:9-20

Psalm: 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd

Mark 1:14-20

Wednesday, January 11

1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20

Psalm 40:2, 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10

Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 12

1 Samuel 4:1-11

Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25

Mark 1:40-45

Friday, January 13

1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a

Psalm 89:16-17, 18-19

Mark 2:1-12

Sunday, January 15

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

John 1:35-42



When they saw
that the star
had stopped,
they were
overwhelmed
with joy.

Matthew 2:10



SAINT MARY PARISH, MILTON
Christmas 2011
Seasonal Focus

We hear the same readings each year, as we celebrate the same events. Our hearing of the Word, and our celebrating of the Eucharist during the intervening 52 weeks ideally deepens our appreciation of the great gift of Christ's coming and presence in our lives. Ideally, these events mean more to us today than they did a year ago.

This year, the reflection on the Christmas scripture readings of the B Cycle drew our attention to faith as a dominant theme. Faith makes possible the fulfillment of the promise. God has set a time for things to be accomplished. Faith is our response to the Lord's zeal for us and God's love for us. At Christmas, the Light appears to the people who have been walking in darkness; at the Epiphany, the Magi follow the light of the star because they have faith in where (to whom) it will lead. The meaning of Christmas is gradually revealed at the season progresses.

Epiphany

The Magi respond in faith to the light of a star, even though they didn't know where it would lead them. One can only wonder what in their tradition prompted them to have faith in that star. Even Herod is, unwittingly, a participant in the epiphany event. The Gentiles become co-heirs, members of the same body. Christmas is extended to all people. This is done through the Lord's efforts, not ours. Our task is to respond in faith, and to follow the star like the Magi did. In so doing, we become radiant, we become the light, we reflect it to all others.



TRAVELING CHALICE

A Program of Awareness and Prayer for Vocations

This week our parish gratefully acknowledges

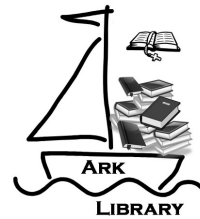
Donna Wyro

as she hosts our Traveling Chalice



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARK LIBRARY: The Ark Library is open this weekend following all Masses. Join us to browse through the many books and videos that our Ark Library has to offer.



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING: Camillus Ministry blood pressure screening is held this weekend in the parish center after all Masses.

WISCONSIN RIGHT TO LIFE: The billboard, Abortion Hurts, will be next to Culver's on Milton Avenue starting on January 9, and will be up for approximately 4 weeks. Please pray for an end to abortions and that people will realize the sanctity of human life at all stages of life. If you would like to contribute to this project, please send your donation to Wisconsin Right to Life, PO Box 1386, Janesville, WI 53547. Envelopes are available at all entrances of church.

PREGNANCY HELPLINE GIFTS NEEDED: In the spirit of celebration of the Epiphany of Our Lord, please help by supporting the Janesville Pregnancy

Helpline by "bringing gifts" to those in need. A basket will be in the gathering space for the collection, which will run the weekends of January 7/8 and 14/15. Items may be placed in the basket. There will also be a box for monetary donations. Below is a list of the items with the greatest need: Large disposable diapers size 4 – 6, baby wipes, orange Good Start formula, baby clothes (new or gently used) up to size 2T - especially onesies, crib mattresses (new or gently used), high chairs and car seats (new or gently used).

HOLY HOUR WITH BENEDICTION: On Monday, January 16th at 6:30 p.m. come adore our Lord in Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and pray the Sorrowful Mysteries for the violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. The Holy Hour ends with Benediction.

*Rescue those being led away to death;
hold back those staggering
toward slaughter.*

Proverbs 24:11

Seek justice and rescue the oppressed.

Isaiah 1:17

Stewardship: A Way of Life

The Epiphany of the Lord

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What are you doing to bring Christ to others beyond your family and parish?

HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT: Join the largest prayer group in history Priests for Life Facebook cause **Pray to end abortion.** The Catholic Bishops of the U.S. have designated January 22nd as a special day of prayer and penance in reparation for the massive killing that has resulted from Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision (handed down Jan. 22, 1973) which permitted abortion throughout pregnancy. Priest for Life invite you to prepare spiritually for that day by joining a Novena that starts on Jan. 14 and concludes Jan. 22nd. You are invited to say the prayers below each of those days. You can let Priests for Life know that you are committed by going to www.priestsforlife.org/novenas/prayer-of-reparation.htm.

Prayer of Reparation

God and Father of Life, you have created every human person, and have opened the way for each to have eternal life.

We live in the shadow of death. Tens of millions of your children have been killed

because of the Roe vs. Wade decision legalizing abortion.

Father, have mercy on us. Heal our land
And accept our offering of prayer and penance. In your love for us, turn back the scourge of abortion.

May each of us exult in hearts full of hope
And hands full of mercy
And work together to build a culture of life.

We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday January 29th at noon members from *Silent No More* will speak at a luncheon at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Milton. This event is sponsored by the Cluster Human Life Committee. Registration at noon, luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Ticket cost is \$15-adult, \$10-student. Tickets will be sold after masses next weekend.



*A special congratulations to Brittany Riesterer,
this year's recipient of the
Serra Club Outstanding Student Award!*



On Thursday, December 29, 2011, Brittany Riesterer and her family attended a special Mass, luncheon and awards ceremony at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Beloit, along with selected students from other parishes in the surrounding area.

The Janesville Serra Club asks parish leaders to select one student to be recognized for their outstanding service to the Church. Brittany is a server and a

catechist helper each week on Tuesday evenings for 2nd and 3rd grade students. She is very active in the parish, her school and community. Serra Club representative, Clarence Lornson, also a St. Mary parishioner and Catechist, presented Brittany with the award.

Congratulations!

TAIZE PRAYER AT ST. MARY, JANESVILLE: Christmas is over, and now we can pause, savor the delights of the season, and look ahead to a new year. Perhaps this is the time to make a difference in your prayer life. If you have thought about participating in the Taize' Prayer but haven't made a commitment, resolve that 2012 will be the year that you say "yes" to that invitation. Join us for Taize' Prayer on **Monday, January 9 at 7:00 p.m.** As always, our time together will be a chance to un-crowd our hearts and minds and refresh our spirits. Come and bask in the light of candles and the warmth of friendship, raise your voice in simple and prayerful songs, attend to God's message in Scripture, and listen in silence for God's voice in your heart.



CATHOLIC BUSINESS ASSOCIATION MEETING: Catholic Business people are invited to a free networking opportunity on Tuesday, January 10 at 7:30 a.m. at the Bishop O'Connor Center in Madison. The 90-minute meeting offers networking time and spiritual growth. Guest speaker Bob Dolan will talk about his life growing up as the younger brother of Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan and the new book: *Life Lessons from my Life with My Brother Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan*. The meeting is free and open to all business people. Register by emailing Jim Descheppe at jdescheppe@relevantradio.com or call 608-833-7888.

ADULT CATHOLIC SPIRIT CLUB: Will meet at noon on Wednesday, January 11

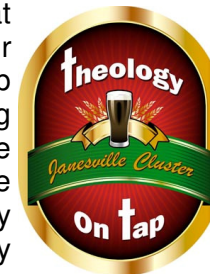
at St. John Vianney Marian Hall for a potluck meal. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. At 1:00 p.m. Wanda Diederich, program director for C A S A (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) will give a talk explaining how this group helps children get through difficult situations.



All men and women are welcome and invited to attend. Enjoy fellowship and good food, and learn how these specially trained people can ease the trauma for children. For further details, call Rose at 608-754-9397.

THEOLOGY ON TAP - All young adults in their 20's and 30's: Fr. Eric Nielsen, pastor of the St. Paul's University Catholic Center in Madison, will be speaking for Theology on Tap on Thursday, **January 12th**, on the downfall of western culture. The evening begins at 7 p.m. at the Speakeasy, 19 N High Street in Janesville.

Married, single, practicing your faith or not practicing your faith, all are welcome! This is a great opportunity to enrich your faith and form fellowship with other young adults. Drinks will be provided. Dinner may be ordered. If you have any questions, contact Jeff by phone at 262-366-3542, or email at janesvilletot@hotmail.com. We hope to see you there!



PRAISE & PRAYER: Please join St. John Vianney for a night of worship through music, scripture and prayer. This is an opportunity for you to strengthen your faith, join in fellowship with others and to meet with our Lord and spend time in His presence. The evenings will feature contemporary Christian music, short presentations, scripture discussions and time for prayer and reflection. This month it will be held on Friday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney. The program will last about one hour, with time for a snack and fellowship afterward. We will continue to hold these Praise & Prayer nights the second Friday of every month. We look forward to sharing this time with you!

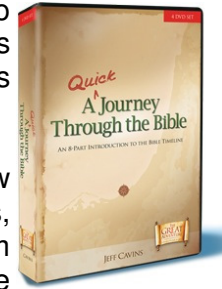
YOUR 2012 NEW YEARS RESOLUTION:

This year instead of making a resolution to lose 10 pounds, why don't you commit to learn the Bible story? Have you wanted to learn more about the Bible, but were intimidated about how to read and understand it? Have you wanted to feel more confident



in discussing Scripture with others? Can you explain the Bible story if someone asked you? **This Lent starting Feb. 15 we will once again offer the eight week Jeff Cavins "Quick Journey thru the Bible" DVD series.** This video class is the most popular Catholic Bible study program in the country. Jeff has the gift of weaving the major people, places, events, and themes of the Bible together in a way that makes it not only easy but exciting. **The class will be presented each week on Wednesdays at 8:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at Nativity of**

Mary Church Hall. This series was presented last year during Lent and is being repeated this year due to the popularity and success. This is what some of the participants said about last year's class:



If your schedule doesn't allow you to attend all the sessions, don't let that stop you from signing up. DVD's will be available to take home for make-up sessions. There is a \$20 fee for the workbook and related materials (they can be shared if desired). **To register call Heather Rude at Nativity of Mary 752-7861.** This cluster-wide event is available to all the parishes in the Janesville/Milton cluster, and feel free to bring a friend! Remember as Catholics it is our responsibility to learn the Bible story, understand how our life fits into God's plan, and pass it on to our children.

Special THANK YOU to parishioners Gail & John Nordlof for the donation of altar wine.

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LITURGY

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts

With the General Intercessions, the Liturgy of the Word is concluded and the Liturgy of the Eucharist begins. During this transitional time, the “low” part of the Mass, we have time to re-gather our energies from the work of listening and responding and to prepare to give praise and thanksgiving in the manner commanded



by Christ. During this time also, we prepare the altar for the celebration, and we give our gifts for the support of the church and the care of the poor.

In some parishes, nonperishable food is brought up for the poor as was done in the early church.

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SPAGHETTI DINNER: Nativity of Mary Athletic Association’s Annual Spaghetti Dinner is Friday, February 3rd from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the school gym. Enjoy all-you-can-eat spaghetti, salad, bread, beverage and ice cream! Beer and wine sold separately. Cost: 6th grade and older - \$7, pre-K through 5th grade - \$4, No charge for children age 3 and under. TV Raffle: \$5 per ticket - ONLY sold at the dinner.

GIVE YOUR MARRIAGE THE ATTENTION IT DESERVES... Marriage Encounter provides an opportunity for you to explore your relationship together and find ways to make it more authentic,



fulfilling and stronger for a lifetime. Reflect with your spouse, renew your love and create extraordinary memories! We invite married couples of all ages and faiths to join us for an unforgettable

weekend designed to enhance your marriage. Madison National Marriage Encounter’s next weekend will be February 11-12 at Nativity of Mary in Janesville. Space is limited, so register soon! Call 608-375-5074 or visit www.marriageencountermadison.org for more information.

REFLECTIONS: Enjoy a prayerful personal encounter with Christ applying some basic teachings of the Church to our daily lives. This month the topic will be Conscience and Virtue/New Year’s Resolutions.

Evenings of Reflection for Men on Tuesday, January 10 at 5:45 p.m. at Oaklawn Academy in Edgerton. Contact Rick Cummings at 608-757-2229 or cfamily2sbcglobal.net

Mornings of Reflection for Women on Saturday, January 14 at 8:45 a.m. at Oaklawn Academy in Edgerton. Contact Yolanda Skertchly at 608-884-0287.

Who are the Capuchins?



The Capuchin Franciscan friars will be holding a weekend in the Milwaukee area for men, ages 18-45, who are interested in learning about religious life and seeing how Capuchins live as Franciscans in our world and in the Church today.

The weekend is **February 3-5, 2012**. If you would like to attend, have questions, or want to recommend someone for the weekend, call (313) 595-2182 or email the Vocation Office at:

vocation@capuchinfranciscans.org

Check out the Capuchin website at:

CapuchinFranciscans.blogspot.com



CLUSTER CHURCH WEEKDAY & SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES

Nativity of Mary

Mon. 8:15 a.m.
Tues. 12:10 p.m.
Wed. 8:15 a.m.
Thurs. No Mass
Fri. 8:15 a.m.
Sat. 4:30 p.m.
Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

St. William

Mon. No Mass
Tues. 7:30 a.m.
Wed. 7:30 a.m.
Thurs. 7:30 a.m.
Fri. 8:30 a.m.
Sat. 8:00 a.m.
Sat. 4:00 p.m.
Sun. 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

St. John Vianney

Mon. No Mass
Tues. 5:15 p.m.
Wed. 5:15 p.m.
Thurs. 8:15 a.m.
Fri. 8:15 a.m.
Sat. 5:00 p.m.
Sun. 8:15 & 9:45 a.m.

St. Mary, Milton

Mon. 8:30 a.m.
Tues. 11:30 a.m.
Wed. 8:30 a.m.
Thurs. 9:00 a.m. Euch Prayer Serv
Fri. 5:00 p.m.
Sat. 5:00 p.m.
Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

St. Patrick

Mon. No Mass
Tues. 5:15 p.m.
Wed. 8:00 a.m.
Thurs. 8:30 a.m.
Fri. 8:00 a.m.
Sat. 4:00 p.m.
Sun. 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.



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ALL ACTIVITIES ARE OPEN TO MEMBERS OF ANY PARISH IN THE CLUSTER

Jan. 9	9:00 am	Tai Chi - beginners welcome! <i>St. John Vianney Marian Hall</i>
Jan. 9	1:30 pm	Catholic Charities/SecondHarvest Mobile Food Pantry. 1:30 - 3:00 pm registration, 3:00 - 4:15 pm food distribution. All in need are welcome <i>St. John Vianney</i>
Jan. 10	9:30 am	Weekend Scripture Group - <i>St. Mary, Milton</i>
Jan. 10	10:30 am	Faith Sharing Group reflecting on next Sunday's readings - <i>Nativity of Mary Nativity House</i>
Jan. 10	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Adoration - <i>St. William</i>
Jan. 10	6:00 - 7:00 pm	Adoration - <i>St. John Vianney</i>
Jan. 11	9:00 am	Women's Scripture Study - <i>St. John Vianney Marian Hall</i>
Jan. 11	Noon	Adult Spirit Club. Bring a dish to pass and table service, program to follow - <i>St. John Vianney Marian Hall</i>
Jan. 11	1:00 pm	Awakening Faith. Call 752-0563 for more info <i>St. John Vianney Parish Center</i>
Jan. 12	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Adoration - <i>St. Patrick</i>
Jan. 13	6:00 - 7:45 am	Adoration - <i>St. John Vianney</i>
	9:00 am - 2:30 pm	Adoration - <i>St. John Vianney</i>
	2:40 pm	Benediction - <i>St. John Vianney</i>
Jan. 13	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Evening of Prayer & Praise - <i>St. John Vianney Marian Hall</i>
Jan. 14	5:00 pm	Bingo - <i>St. Patrick</i>
Jan. 14	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Six Dates for Catholic Couples. Contact Mike or Patty O'Brien at 752-3700 - <i>St. John Vianney Marian Hall</i>
Jan. 16	11:00 am	Centering Prayer - <i>Nativity of Mary Nativity House</i>
Jan. 16	6:30 pm	Holy Hour with Benediction - <i>St. Mary, Milton</i>



We are Family