

## ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

August 2nd, 2009

### Pastoral Council

Pat Mitchell, Chair  
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August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday	8AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
August 4 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	8AM	Rosary
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	8AM	Rosary
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	8AM	Rosary
August 7 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	8AM	Mass- Florence Drea +
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	8 AM	Rosary
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	8 PM	Edna Mae Slade on her 88 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	9 AM	Bud Nate +

\*Sanctuary Lamp -

**\*\*Remember to stop at the Rectory to schedule masses for your loved ones.\*\***  
**There is a serious shortage in Mass Intentions!**

**There will be mass on August 7<sup>th</sup> at 8AM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 3PM.** Please sign up for an hour to sit with the Lord.

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day

Vigil Mass August 14<sup>th</sup> - 8PM  
Mass August 15<sup>th</sup> - 8AM

**Mission Sunday Appeal - August 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>** - Reverend Frederick Njoroge will be here from Kenya. Please be generous.

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 5PM** Father Valentine invites you to celebrate with him his Silver Jubilee as a Priest. Join him for a Thanksgiving Mass followed by a luncheon in the Church Basement. Monsignor Gilles, Vicar General of the Diocese of LaCrosse will be the main celebrant.

Stewardship  
Adult Env. \$ 1,349.00  
Student Env. 20.00  
Offertory 298.25  
Votives 46.20

Holy Day  
Utilities

Total \$1,713.45

Confessions: Sat. 7:15PM &  
Sun. 8:15AM  
Adoration: 7AM before Saturday  
Mass, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday all day  
Rosary: Monday - Saturday  
7:30 AM before Mass  
Office Hours: 8:30AM-12:30 PM  
Monday-Friday

Father Valentine extends a sincere thank you to those who made the Pilgrimage with him to LaCrosse and would like to announce a second Pilgrimage scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup> to Holy Hill in southeast Wisconsin. More details will be announced later. If you are interested in making the pilgrimage, a sign-up sheet will be in the back of the church.

Donations of vase bouquets or potted flowers for the church are always welcome.

Families or groups of parishioners are still needed to sign up for one day of the year to clean the church. Cleaning can be done on Thursdays, Fridays or Saturdays. If each family could donate one cleaning, you would be obligated less than once per year. *Please sign up to volunteer so we don't have to hire a cleaning person.*

### Heavenly Bread

Jesus had an effective pedagogy in drawing people to God. First, he goes into the life of the people and discerns their immediate need. After satisfying their immediate concerns, he takes them to their own ultimate concern in life. This strategy is evident in today's gospel. First, he gives them food, which is the immediate concern. It prepares a ground in the hearts of the people to listen to the Word of God. Then, he indicates the real need of the human heart that gives meaning to life and that leads them to the fullness of life. He satisfies their spiritual need by providing them with the Eternal Word of God.

Some people who have "little faith" want Jesus to be a miracle doer who meets their immediate needs only. Some people want Jesus to be a king who provides them a comfortable life. Only the people who search for the ultimate concern of human life understand the message of Jesus and experience eternal life offered by Him.

We have both immediate and ultimate concerns in life. Food is our immediate concern; meaningful life is our ultimate concern. Comforts of life are our immediate concern; everlasting happiness is our ultimate concern. Health is our immediate concern; wholeness and holiness is our ultimate concern. Extension of life is our immediate concern; union with eternal God is our ultimate concern.

Jesus wants first to satisfy our immediate concerns. There is no doubt in that. But, if the immediate needs are not leading us to our ultimate concern, our life becomes momentary, empty and illusionary. All of our aspirations should lead us to God who is the ultimate concern of our life.

### St. Mary Parish-Wide Garage Sale, Brat Sale & Fall Raffle

Date: Saturday September 5, 2009

Time: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Place: St. Mary Church Parking Lot

Items may be dropped off at the church parking lot: Thursday Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6PM -8PM and Friday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> from 9AM -1PM. People will be there to receive the items. There will be no other time to drop off donated items. All items left after the sale will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul or Goodwill.

**Brats & soda will be available for sale 10AM-1PM**  
(Brats & soda are being donated by a Parish family)

**The Fall Raffle will be for a hog** which has been donated by a Parish family. **There will be 2 prizes of 1/2 hog each.** Processing of the hog will be the winner's responsibility. Tickets will cost \$1.00 each and will be available in the back of the church or by contacting Jeanette Conway. We ask all parishioners to pick up some tickets to sell or buy themselves. **The drawing will be held at 1PM on September 5<sup>th</sup>.** You need not be present to win.

**All proceeds from all of these events will go toward the heating bill /upcoming maintenance projects.**  
Volunteers will be welcome. Call Jeanette Crowley for any questions or to volunteer.

**Lyndon Station Blood Drive, Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 9AM - 1PM** at the Fire Station. Firemen's Fundraiser - Pancake Breakfast available

**Looking Ahead:** This year, CCD classes will be held on Wednesday Evenings. Registration will be September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Classes will start September 16<sup>th</sup> with a Mass for students and their parents at 7PM.

### Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 PM

Lectors: Joyce Fuller  
Servers: Nicholas Dzewior, Jessica Patton  
Ushers: Matt McGowan, Jerry Ryzek, Franny Senzig  
Gift Bearers: Joyce & Gary Fuller  
Musician: Abbie Holig  
**Sunday August 9<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM**  
Lectors: Jeanette Conway, Sheri Guyse  
Servers: Theresa & Johanna Madland  
Ushers: Jerome Senzig, Joe Scully, Mark Walsh  
Gift Bearers: Ron & Elaine Finnegan  
**EMC: Body of Christ:** Kim Bethausser  
**Blood of Christ:** Jeanette Conway  
Sheri Guyse  
Musician: Heidi Finucan