

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father G. Valentine Joseph

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May 24th, 2009

7th Sunday of Easter

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May 25 th	Monday	8 AM	NO Communion Service
May 26 th	Tuesday	8 AM	Rosary
May 27 th	Wednesday	8 AM	Rosary
May 28 th	Thursday	8 AM	Communion Service
May 29 th	Friday	8 AM	Rosary
May 30 th	Saturday	8 AM	Communion Service
May 30 th	Saturday	8 PM	Mary Clare Marshall
May 31 st	Sunday	9 AM	Pentecost Sunday ~ Ray Kaczmarek +

*Sanctuary Lamp - For the Health of Mary Clare Marshall by John & Rita Hall
Remember to stop at the Rectory to schedule masses for your loved ones.

June 14th St. James Catholic Church, Camp Douglas Annual Chicken Dinner
11 AM – 1 PM.

June 18th Ladies Sodality Banquet at the Summit House, Hwy. 58 Mauston.
Dinner includes Chicken & dumplings, corn, lettuce salad, strawberry shortcake, milk & coffee. Cost of \$12 per person includes tax and tip. Sign in at 5:30 PM and dinner at 6:00 PM. Get your RSVP in. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church.

•Father Berg is our Priest in Father Valentines absence

•Father Valentine will return for Mass on May 31st.

Sunday June 7th from 4 -5 PM the Juneau County Life Chain Committee will hold a vigil for prayer and scripture reading outside the Family Planning Office, located in the Hwy 82 E Strip Mall in Mauston. Join us as we remember the tragic June 7th, 1965 U.S. Supreme Court *Griswold v. Connecticut* decision which **struck down** a Connecticut ban on the sale and use of contraceptives, paving the way for abortion by inventing the "right to privacy" upon which the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision was based.

Donations of vase bouquets or potted flowers for the church are always welcome. We are also accepting donations of potted annual flowers for the outdoor flower beds. Petunias, Impatiens, Marigolds etc. would be a lovely addition of color until the Perennials start blooming.

Families or groups of parishioners are still needed to sign up for one Saturday of the year to clean the church. If each family could donate one Saturday, you would be obligated less than once per year. Sign up in the back of Church.

Stewardship	
Adult Env.	\$ 1031.00
Student Env.	12.00
Offertory	193.10
Votives	34.00
Stair Project	
Holy Day	10.00
Utilities	10.00
Other(flowers)	
Total	\$ 1,290.10

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

Donations are needed to repair the front steps of the Church, which as you can see are crumbling in many areas. The materials will cost roughly \$ 2,100.00. The labor will be donated by several men of the Parish. Please help with a financial donation if you can.

The Challenge Of Our Own Times

Our own common sense tells us that not every issue is of the same importance. At various times in history, a people or nation is confronted with an issue that transcends others in importance and that demands a courageous response.

The transcending issue of our day is the intentional destruction of innocent human life, as in abortion. We wish with all our hearts that no candidate and no party were advocating this heinous act against the human person. However, since it is a transcending issue, and even supported in its most extreme and horrific forms, we must proclaim time and time again that no intrinsic evil can ever be supported in any way, most especially when it concerns the gravest of all intrinsic evils: the taking of an innocent life.

Quoted from the late Pope John Paul II's Post Synodal Exhortation on the Vocation and Mission of the Lay Faithful and I quote him again here: "The inviolability of the person which is a reflection of the absolute inviolability of God, finds its primary and fundamental expression in the inviolability of human life. Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights — for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture — is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination" (Christifideles Laici, 38).

At this moment in our country's history, defense of innocent human life is a moral responsibility for all of us. The same God who thundered from Mount Sinai: "Thou shalt not kill," thunders still. When life in the womb is destroyed, God thunders: "This is a child!" When by the most barbaric means, unworthy of any civilized people, the brain of a child is sucked out of his or her head by a vacuum, God thunders: "This is a child!" When a baby is left to die of exposure on a shelf because of a failed abortion, and this is considered a "right" by any leader, God, the Source of all law and authority, thunders: "This is a child!" When we are faced with every modern means of education and communication, in addition to the law placed in our hearts at creation, no one, and most especially, no Catholic, can ever say: "I did not know."

Cardinal Justin Rigali - Philadelphia

Leo Drea would like to express his thanks and appreciation for the prayers and cards he received during his recent illness.

A sincere thank you to Lillian Rogge for lending her time and expertise in planting the many flower bulbs in the flower gardens at St. Mary Church and Rectory.

Students from St. Patrick's Grade School will be speaking to the congregation at the weekend masses. St. Pat's is an elementary school for students in grades Pre K - 8. The school traditionally has strong academics and a full range of student extracurriculars and opportunities for parent involvement. Registration is now open. For more information call the school at 847-5844 or check out the website at www.stpatrickismauston.com. There are also brochures in the back of church.

There will be no Blood of Christ offered at Mass until further notice to protect the health of the Parishioners due to the recent Flu outbreak. Also the Handshake during the Sign of Peace is optional. If you prefer not to participate in this manner, a nod or verbal greeting are fine. Please be respectful of other's wishes during this Influenza Outbreak.

BIBLE STUDY ON SAINT PAUL – CLASS SCHEDULE

Classes are from 7PM until 8PM. Remaining Class Dates:
June 3rd & 17th

Please remember your pledges to the Bishop's Annual Appeal which ends June 30th. Any money paid after that date will be applied to the "09 - '10 Appeal. **If you have not pledged already please do so, and if you have already pledged please submit final payments prior to June 30th. We are still under target by \$1,881.82.** There are still 95 parish families (55.56%) who have not pledged .

Saturday May 30th, 8 PM

Lectors: Penny Arens, Karen Patton
Servers: Jessica Patton, Nicholas Dzewior
Ushers: James Arens, Dan Patton, Jim McGowan
Gift Bearers: Leo & Jeanette Crowley
Sunday May 31st, 9 AM
Lectors: Sheri Guyse, Mary Johnson
Servers: Ashley & Kaitlyn Asdigan
Ushers: Dean Walsh, Mark Walsh, John Burch
Gift Bearers: Tom & Sheri Guyse
EMC: Body of Christ: Sheri Guyse