

ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic Parish  Elm Grove, WI

OUR PARISH

MASSES

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil..... 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00am

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 6:30am
Tuesday & Friday 8:00am
(school days only)
Saturday 8:00am

RECONCILIATION

Friday 2:00pm-5:00pm
Saturday 8:30am
Please check the weekly bulletin for changes to this schedule. Seasonal Tri-Parish Reconciliation Services are listed in the bulletin.

HOLY DAYS

Mary Mother of God Jan. 1
Assumption Aug. 15
All Saints Nov. 1
Immaculate Conception Dec. 8
Christmas Dec. 25
Mass schedules for Holy Days are announced in the bulletin.

PARISH ADDRESS

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

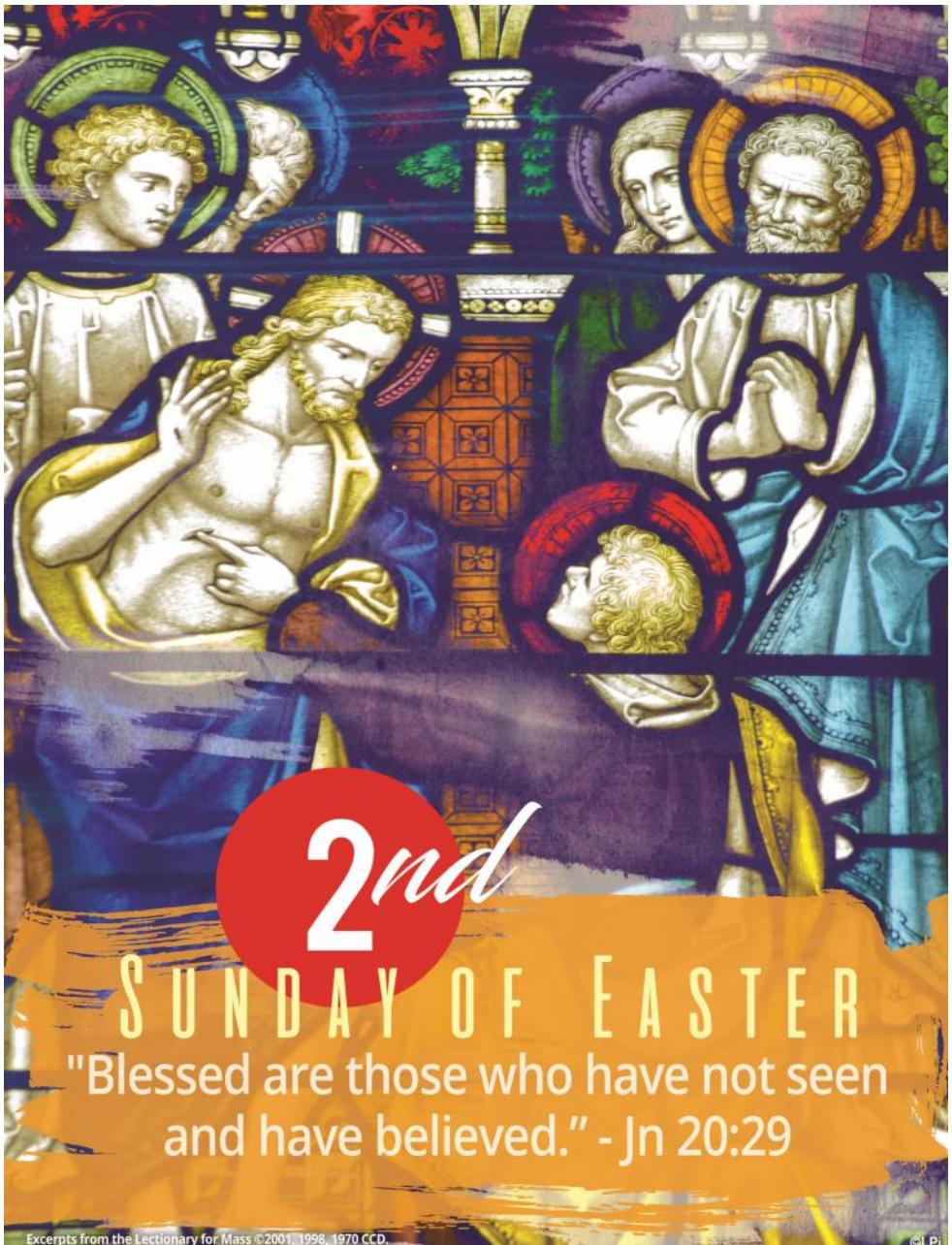
Monday-Thursday .. 8:30am-4:00pm
Friday 8:30am-noon

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ST. MARY'S THRIFT SHOP

262-784-6644



MISSION STATEMENT

We are a community of believers who strive to be faithful and to teach the truth of the Roman Catholic Church. We see beauty in the sacramental life of the Church, especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and in adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We promote goodness in this world, following the example of our Blessed Mother, our Lady of the Visitation, by serving the needs of others.

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POSTINGS FROM FATHER PETER

We continue to celebrate Easter, albeit in a strange and unexpected way – but I think one of the things this time offers us is a time to step back and reflect on our lives and how we have been living them and ask ourselves if we have been living them in the way we are called to. Obviously, on Easter, we think a lot about tombs and about people being buried. But, of course, even when we are still alive, we can find ourselves buried in all sorts of things.

We can certainly bury ourselves in fear, in anxiety, in frustration, in anger, in selfishness, in work – where these things begin to dominate our lives and seem to be the be all and end all of our life – everything else gets submitted to them – we live buried in them. We think about people who bury themselves in things which are very threatening to their spiritual life. Some people bury themselves in themselves – they think only about themselves and what they want or what they think they need, they start to think the world revolves around them and they see nothing outside of their immediate wants and desires to be satisfied, it's kind of a narcissistic outlook on life, they bury themselves in themselves and can see nothing beyond themselves.

Then there are others who bury themselves in amusements and entertainment and passing pleasures. For them life is just a collection of experiences and the pursuit of something new – they give no thought to anything of any significance, no thought to the deeper meaning of life or questions about what lies beyond this life, they go from one thing to another with barely a thought, they have buried themselves in amusements and distractions.

There are also some who bury themselves in sin – in sinful habits or addictions, they have no concern for God or His law nor any sense that there even is a moral law, no, for them there is no sense of self-denial, no sense of curbing appetites, they bury themselves in sin.

And when we bury ourselves in these types of things then we literally bury ourselves in ground which is not fertile, burying ourselves in cold and dank tombs which the sun can never reach, and they are tombs that hold no promise of any glorious future, they are, simply, tombs – graves of those already half-dead.

But, there is another One we can bury ourselves in – we can bury ourselves in Christ. To bury ourselves in Christ is to make Him the center of our lives, to seek Him always and everywhere. To bury ourselves in Christ is to be obedient, even to the point of taking up the Cross. To be buried in Him is to root ourselves in the graces of the Sacraments and prayer and to allow His life to enter our lives and to join ourselves to Him in a deep and abiding way, to put our lives into His Hands.

When we bury ourselves in Christ then we are burying ourselves in rich and fertile ground, we enter the tomb – yes – but not a tomb which ends as a tomb, but a tomb, instead, which ends in glory and new life and resurrection.

MASS INTENTIONS

For those who have scheduled intentions for loved ones during this time, know that these Masses are being offered by Fr. Peter Berger, Fr. John Gibson and Fr. David Filut, so that the graces of these Masses can continue to help the souls of the faithful departed.

Sunday, April 19, Second Sunday of Easter

7:30am † Raymond Marks

9:00am † Ben Erdman

11:00am † Mary Andres

Monday, April 20, Easter Weekday

6:30am † Fred and Therese George

Tuesday, April 21, Easter Weekday

6:30am † Joseph Volkert

8:00am † Phoebe Fleck

Wednesday, April 22, Easter Weekday

6:30am † Rita Detrie

Thursday, April 23, Easter Weekday

6:30am † Jim Cauley

Friday, April 24, Easter Weekday

6:30am † Pat Gordon (anniversary)

8:00am † Jackie Reinders

Saturday, April 25, Saint Mark, Evangelist

8:00am Special Intention

5:00pm † Luvina Kleinmann

Sunday, April 26, Third Sunday of Easter

7:30am † Renee Rutkowski

9:00am Parishioners

11:00am † Deacon Charles Kustner

READINGS

Readings for the Week of April 19, 2020

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Pt 1:3-

9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn

3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 [2]/Mk 16:15-20

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

[11a]/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



"Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to divine mercy."
(St. Faustina's Diary, p. 122)

REGISTRATION & SACRAMENTS

PARISH REGISTRATION

St. Mary's Visitation is always happy to welcome new members! If you are interested in joining the parish, please call the Parish Office, 262-782-4575 or email Nora Mihm, nmihm@stmaryeg.org to make an appointment.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Children ages 6 and under: Those seeking to have children baptized should be registered, active members of St. Mary's Visitation Parish. Parents who request baptism for a child are expected to complete a preparation class. It is offered bi-monthly. The scheduled classes for 2020 include:

Saturday, July 11th from 10:30-11:30am in church

It is generally easier if the preparation is done before the birth of the child. If you have attended a session within the last five years, it is not necessary to retake the class. To schedule a baptism, please view the baptism dates on the parish website, www.stmaryeg.org/baptism. Please contact Jenny Dascoli at 262-782-4485 or jdascoli@stmaryeg.org for more information or to register for the baptism class.

Children ages 6-12: Please contact Josh Dieterich, 262-782-4575 or jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

Adults ages 12 and up: Adults who wish to join the Catholic Church and were not baptized can participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please contact Josh Dieterich, Director of Catholic Formation, 262-782-4575 or jdieterich@stmaryeg.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Catholic Church takes preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously. Generally at least 6 months should be allowed for this preparation. Engaged couples themselves should call the parish office to schedule an appointment to discuss their plans. Contact Kandice Klapperich for more information, 262-782-4575 or klklapperich@stmaryeg.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is available every Monday after the 6:30am Mass. Please stop by the sacristy prior to Mass to let the priest know. Members of the parish facing surgery or other medical procedures or tests are invited to receive this Sacrament prior to their appointment. If you know of someone who is in the hospital or who would like a visit from a Parish staff member, please call the Parish Office.

THRIFT SHOP DONATIONS

Please do not drop off any donations for St. Mary's Thrift Shop at this time as the Thrift Shop is currently closed. Our drop off space is filled with donations received thus far, so we ask that if you are finding the time to do some spring cleaning and collecting things to donate to the Thrift Shop, please hold on to these donations until we reopen and are able to process the items we have. Thank you for your continued support of our Thrift Shop, we look forward to welcoming all of our customers back soon!



SAFE ENVIRONMENT WEEK APRIL 19TH-25TH

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee recognizes April 19-April 25 as Safe Environment Awareness Week. Each year in the month of April, which is recognized around the country as child abuse prevention month, we dedicate a week to elevating the general awareness of the Church's efforts to keep our children safe. We want people to know that we are committed to maintaining the safe environments in our parishes and schools through adult child abuse prevention training, criminal background checks for all clergy, volunteers working with minors, and employees, safety training for children in each grade level, and mandatory reporting requirements.

Did You Know?

- Criminal Background Checks are conducted on every priest, deacon, parish director, employee and volunteer working with minors in active ministry in parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.
- In 2019 in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, over 180 Safe Environment Education Sessions were conducted, over 7,500 criminal background checks were conducted on clergy, employees and volunteers, and over 50,000 children were trained in Safe Environment topics.
- The Archdiocese of Milwaukee has a Victim Assistance Coordinator that assists survivors of sexual abuse to navigate through the process of reporting abuse and receiving counseling services. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can be reached at 414-758-2232.

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is still currently in the Atrium. Due to the current circumstances ONLY scheduled adorers, during their designated hour, will be allowed in the Adoration Chapel at this time. If you would like to have a scheduled hour, please call Mary at 414-771-8738. Please note that we will need to close the Chapel if this rule is not followed.



April 19th is Divine Marcy Sunday. This feast was inaugurated by Pope St. John Paul II who was especially close to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Each of us, our families, our country, our world are all in desperate need of God's mercy always — but especially during these days of the pandemic. May He hear our pleas and in His great love, shower mercy on us. Intercede with all the saints to help us put our trust in Jesus and appreciate His Divine Mercy. Our Lord gave St. Maria Faustina a powerful prayer that he wants everyone to say — **the Chaplet of Divine Mercy**. He told St. Faustina that He desired to grant unimaginable graces to those who would trust in His mercy and **"through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will."**

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

We Need Coverage:

Sundays:	7-8am, Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153. 9-10am, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays, Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
	2-3pm, Call Colleen Schwarz, 414-795-3153.
Fridays:	7-8am, Call Rita Dragani, 262-796-1162. 11am-12pm, 2nd and 4th weeks, Call Rita Dragani, 262-796-1162.
Saturdays:	8-9am, Call Nancy Frazer, 262-786-0617.

You may also sign up online on our website, stmaryeg.org/perpetual-adoration.html.

Please continue to visit our website for the latest parish information related to the Coronavirus:

www.stmaryeg.org/coronavirus-update.html

Parish Financial Information

Stewardship for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019		Debt Retirement Appeal	
Through March 31, 2020	\$ 1,152,338	Campaign Goal	\$ 3,000,000
Envelopes	878,051	Total Pledged (12/31/2015)	1,977,086
Automated Giving	216,655	Total Received	2,100,790
Loose Checks/Change	57,632	Outstanding Loan Balance	51,573

Thank you for supporting St. Mary's Visitation Parish!