

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2011

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Feb. 21	6:30am	For Michael & David J.A. Poel TLM (<i>St. Valentine</i>) <i>Feria</i>
	8:15am	+Myles & Margaret Wickler
Tues., Feb. 22	6:30am	+Norma Zink TLM (<i>Chair of St. Peter</i>)
	8:15am	+Florence Meyer
Wed., Feb. 23	6:30am	+Alice Pennekamp TLM (<i>St. Peter Damian</i>)
	8:15am	+Gertrude Reese
Thurs., Feb. 24	6:30am	For Linda Froelich TLM (<i>St. Matthias</i>)
	8:15am	For Donna Scullion
	10:30am	Manor Care Nursing Home
Fri., Feb. 25	6:30am	For Susie & Thomas Pryor TLM (<i>Feria</i>)
	8:15am	+Debbie McDermott Specht
Sat., Feb. 26	6:30am	For Susie & Thomas Pryor TLM (<i>BVM</i>)
	8:00am	For Mrs. Anna Gardiner
WEEKEND LITURGIES		
Sat., Feb. 26	4:00pm	+Leonard Vosberg
Sun., Feb. 27	9:00am	+Fred Eberlein
	11:00am	Poor Souls in Purgatory (<i>Sexagesima Sunday</i>)
	12:30pm	Hispanic Mass

Private Reconciliation every day, half an hour before each Mass.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-38.
 Monday: (St. Peter Damian) Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29.
 Tuesday: (The Chair of St. Peter) 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19.
 Wednesday: (St. Polycarp) Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40.
 Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50
 Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12.
 Saturday: (BVM) Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16.
 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 49:14-15/1 Cor 4:1-5./ Mt 6:24-34.

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

Needed to operate each week \$11,500.00

February 14, 2011

Weekly Envelopes.....\$ 4,826.00
 Weekly Average Electronic Funds.....\$ 1,300.00
 Offertory.....\$ 313.00
 School operating Fund (past week)....\$11,596.00
 Total contributed since account opened \$79,502.00

Thank you for your generosity!

REFLECTION—“Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. ”Matthew 5:41
 Today Our Lord clearly challenges us to go the extra mile in our service. We are invited to participate more fully in the work of the Church. In this busy world that is not an easy challenge to accept. Yet, our response can become easier and clearer for us when we take the time every day to simply ask, “Lord, what do you want me to do with all the gifts You have given me? How would You like me to become more fully involved in the life of Your Church?”

CEMETERY NEWS

Effective March 1st a single grave space will be \$500.

Save the date—March 4, St. Augustine Fish Fry

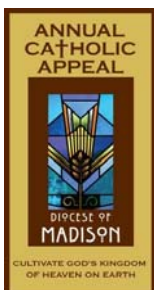
Saturday, February 26 4:00pm		Sunday, February 27 9:00am
Matthew Busch David Drefcinski John Drefcinski	Altar Servers	Nicholas Kunz Christopher Kunz Vince Momot
Lectors & Leader of Prayer		
Fay Stone Kent Scheuerell		Connie McCabe Sue Momot Jim Rosemeyer
Sacristan		
Fay Stone		Dar Lawrence
Music Ministry		
G C Choir		Open Ensemble
Greeters		
Tammie Van Natta		Jerry McCabe Kim Schmelz Mike & Julie Tashner
SCRIP		
Kelly Shea		Tischa Busch

Dear Valued Members of Our Faith Community,

On February 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. members of St. Mary Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Home and School invite you to the gym at the new school to hear information about the state of our parish and school. This group has been working diligently over the past weeks to identify problems and seek solutions to the financial plight we have faced these past months. It is now our desire and our duty to give all our parishioners this information, to present possible solutions and to seek your prayers and support as we all work together to strengthen our parish and our school. Please join with us to make the Platteville Catholic Faith Community vibrant and forward looking. We really do need the help of each and every one of you to make this work, and we would very much appreciate your attendance and support.

Sincerely,

Fr. Lope, Fr. John, Tim Budden, Terry Busch, Tischa Busch, Lee Eggers, Joseph Hood, Dianne Jentz, Sheila Kelley, Gary Pothour, Jim Rosemeyer, Chuck Runde, Kelly Shea, Myron Tranel, Julie Wodarz



2011 Diocese of Madison Annual Catholic Appeal Begins

Please Make a Generous Pledge

This week, parishioners throughout the Diocese will receive a mailing from Bishop Morlino. The Bishop is asking for a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal to support the work of the Diocese of Madison. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge payable over 5-months to the appeal. Your gift will help enable the diocese to reach its goal and provide grant opportunities for Catholic schools, religious education programs and assisting distressed parishes in need.

Thank you for your continuing support of your parish, your Diocese and the work of the Church throughout the world.

SCHOOL NEWS—Homemade Cinnamon Roll Sale, Sunday, Feb. 27th.

Annual Raffle We are currently running a calendar raffle with 20 chances to WIN!! Tickets are \$20 and the drawings will begin on March 22nd and end with the final drawing at the Auction on April 16th.

Tickets are available to purchase through the school office or after weekend Masses. Good Luck!!!

Home & School Annual Lenten Fish Fry—Friday March 11, 4:30 - 7:30pm

Serving baked & fried cod, baked potato, corn, roll, beverage, relishes and dessert. Serving in church hall. Carry outs at north entrance (Adams Street) of school.

Adults: \$8.50; Children 4-12: \$5.00; Ages 3 and under: no charge.

We would like to congratulate St. Mary School alumni who made the honor roll at Platteville High School during the second quarter of this school year: **Honors:** Mark Leibfried, Jennifer Lenz, Austin Loeffelholz, Ryan Meyers, Megan Moss, and Megan Schlueter. **High Honors:** Caitlin Bartels, Mackenzie Bartels, Joshua Bernhardt, Nolan Carroll, John Donovan, Laura Donovan, Angela Drefcinski, Jesse Heer, Alex Iverson, Garrison Jones, Amy Karsten, Madelyn Kieler, Allyson Klein, Cecelia LaBarge, Julia Lawinger, Sarah Loring, Jessica Mc Dermott, Katie Melssen, Sara Meyers, Stephanie Momot, Coda Phillips, Tyler Schaefer, Tess Stecklein, Julia Streich, Dylan Tranel and Lidia Wawrzak.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED—World Day of Prayer

Church Women United will observe World Day of Prayer at the Platteville United Methodist Church on Friday, March 4, 2011. The theme for the morning is "How Many Loaves Have You?" Registration with refreshments begins at 9:30 am, and the program follows at 10 am. Dee Bernhardt, Pastoral Associate at St. Augustine's will speak on students' service to impoverished communities in rural Mississippi. Everyone is invited to enjoy this morning of prayer and fellowship.

NFP Class - Bloomington Natural Family Planning class offered on Saturdays, at 10:00 am on March 5, April 2 and April 30 at St. Mary's School in Bloomington, WI. To register or for more information, call 608-821-3134 or nfp@straphael.org. Class taught by Couple to Couple League. Or register online at www.ccli.org

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY MAKE UP DATE—Monday, March 21—2-9pm.

To make an appointment you can call the Parish office 348-9735 or go online. Google Olan Mills, on the right of the page click on EZ Sign-up. Choose New Appointment. On the left of the next page put in the St. Mary phone number 608-348-9735. Fill out your family information and choose a time for your photograph.

This Week at St. Mary's

Monday: Financial Update mtg, school gym, 7pm.

Tuesday: Mission Sewing, 8:30am-10:30am.

RCIA at St. Augustine, 6:45pm.

Wednesday: Liturgy mtg., 9am.

Rel. Ed (see below).

Thursday: Pastoral Council, 7pm.

Friday: Scripture Sharing, 9am.

Saturday: Marriage Prep Day.

Sunday: Homemade Cinnamon Roll Sale after Mass.



Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. If no answer call 778-5949. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am.

Great CD's on faith development are available at the north entrance. You may listen to the CD's and return them. Or keep them with a \$2 donation. Learn more about the Mass, prayer, family life or hear testimonie

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Eucharist and Sanctity

Part III

What Do We Believe?

The simplest way to express what Christ asks us to believe about the Real Presence is that the Eucharist is really He. The Real Presence is the real Jesus. We are to believe that the Eucharist began in the womb of the Virgin Mary; that the flesh which the Son of God received from His Mother at the Incarnation is the same flesh into which He changed bread at the Last Supper; that the blood He received from His Mother is the same blood into which He changed wine at the Last Supper. Had she not given Him His flesh and blood there could not be a Eucharist.

We are to believe that the Eucharist is Jesus Christ – simply, without qualification. It is God become man in the fullness of His divine nature, in the fullness of His human nature, in the fullness of His body and soul, in the fullness of everything that makes Jesus Jesus. He is in the Eucharist with His human mind and will united with the Divinity, with His hands and feet, His face and features, with His eyes and lips and ears and nostrils, with His affections and emotions and, with emphasis, with His living, pulsating, physical Sacred Heart. That is what our Catholic Faith demands of us that we believe. If we believe this, we are Catholic. If we do not, we are not, no matter what people may think we are.

Our faith is belief because we do not see what we believe. We accept on Christ's words that all of this is there, or rather, here in the Holy Eucharist. Faith must supply what, as the Tantum Ergo sings, "the senses do not perceive." And faith must reveal what the mind by itself cannot see. Let us never forget this phrase, first in Latin, lumen fidei, the light of faith. Faith reveals, faith discloses, faith enlightens, faith empowers the mind to see what the mind without faith cannot see.

Church Website: <http://stmaryplatteville.org>
School Website: <http://school.stmaryplatteville.org>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Grades 1-6: Class, Wednesday, February 23, 3:30pm.

Confirmation: Class, Sunday, February 27, 4pm.

Grades 7-10: Class, Wednesday, March 2, 7pm.

Missing from north entrance of church two Norfolk pines.

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This week we recognize:

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