

# St. Mary & St. Charles St. Mary & St. John Parishes

## We Welcome You

We welcome you to our parishes. If you would like to become a member of one of our parishes, please contact the parish office (994-2526) Bloomington or (725-5595) Cassville to register. For those who are interested in becoming Catholic or returning to the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. John.

## The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr. John will be available to hear confessions on Mondays from 4:45-5:30 p.m. at St. Charles and from 6:00-6:45 p.m. at St. Mary's, Bloomington.

## Baptism

May God bless our new parents! Please contact Fr. John to schedule the baptism of your child at your church and to attend a baptismal preparation session.

## Marriage

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage! Please call Fr. John at least six months in advance of the wedding. One of the parties must be a practicing Catholic.

## Anointing of the Sick

Whenever someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, or is dying, please contact the Bloomington parish office immediately. If you or someone you know is sick and would like to be included in the Mass prayers, please call the parish office.

## Vocations

Please contact Fr. John if you or someone you know would like to learn more about becoming a priest, brother, sister, deacon, or lay church minister. Please pray for more vocations to the priesthood and all religious ministries!

## St. Charles and St. Mary's School-Faith, Family and Academic Excellence

To register your child, please call Mrs. Kelly Copsey at 994-2435 for St. Mary School or Ms. Dianne Makovec at 725-5173 for St. Charles School.

St. Mary and St. Charles Schools admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin.

**Bulletin Notices** - Please submit bulletin notices in to the parish office (sunday7@tds.net) before Monday.

**St. Charles Parish Office Hours (608)725-5595**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.-noon

**St. Mary's Parish Office Hours (608) 994-2526**

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Our joint parish website can be found at [www.swwicatholicparishes.com](http://www.swwicatholicparishes.com).

I give you a new commandment:  
love one another.

John 13:34



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FIFTH SUNDAY

OF

Easter

781 "At all times and in every race, anyone who fears God and does what is right has been acceptable to him. He has, however, willed to make men holy and save them, not as individuals without any bond or link between them, but rather to make them into a people who might acknowledge him and serve him in holiness. He therefore chose the Israelite race to be his own people and established a covenant with it. He gradually instructed this people. . . . All these things, however, happened as a preparation for and figure of that new and perfect covenant which was to be ratified in Christ . . . the New Covenant in his blood; he called together a race made up of Jews and Gentiles which would be one, not according to the flesh, but in the Spirit."

**Rev. John Meinholz**

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**Liturgy Schedule**

Sat.	5/14	4:30 PM	Nilus Dalsing and Jane Dalsing (Cassville)
		8:00 PM	Pro Populo (Glen Haven)
Sun.	5/15	8:00 AM	Fred & Ruth Zenz and John & Hilda Steiger (Patch Grove)
		9:15 AM	Byron & Barbara Davis and George & Mary Miller and deceased family members (Bloomington)
		10:30 AM	Laverne Haas (Cassville)
Mon.	5/16	8:15 AM	Linda Breuer (Cassville)
		8:45-9:30 AM	Adoration (Cassville)
Tues.	5/17	8:15 AM	Rita Meinholz (Cassville)
Wed.	5/18	8:15 AM	Anne Wagner (Bloomington)
Thurs.	5/19	7:30-8:05 AM	Adoration (Bloomington)
		8:15 AM	Teri Ann Williams (Bloomington)
Fri.	5/20	8:15 AM	No Mass
Sat.	5/21	4:30 PM	Paul Krogman, Fr. Phil Krogman and Jim Krogman (Bloomington)
		8:00 PM	Frank Van Bogaert (Glen Haven)
Sun.	5/22	8:00 AM	Pro Populo (Patch Grove)
		9:15 AM	Delores Kirschbaum (Bloomington)
		10:30 AM	Peggy (Bausch) Ewers (Cassville)

**Scripture for the week of May 16, 2022**

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**Mother's Day Rose Sale**

Thank you to everyone who generously purchased roses last weekend. We were able to raise \$530.00 from the rose sale which will go to benefit the Women's Care Center in Madison and Diocesan Respect Life activities.

**Keeping the Lord's Day Holy- Spend Time with Family and Friends**

We can keep Sunday holy by looking for ways to spend time with family and friends. Do something active together (e.g. play a board game; take a walk; do some coloring; play catch in the summer; go sledding or ice skating in the winter; enjoy parks. Be creative!

You can eat a meal together as a family or with friends (e.g. make a nice Sunday brunch or a festive Sunday dinner).

In the afternoon or evening you can return to prayer (e.g. Sunday Vespers; Family Rosary; cemetery visit).

**National Combined Collection**

This weekend, the National Combined Collection will be conducted in our parish. This collection is a combination of the following individual collections:

- Black & Indian Missions
- Catholic Promotion of Authentic Human Development
- Catholic Communications Campaign
- Catholic Home Missions
- Catholic University of America
- Retirement Fund for Religious

Your help in supporting these collections is critical. Please take this week to pray about the support you can



**In Christ We are the People of God**

Today our Gospel is taken from the beginning of Christ's address to his apostles at the last Supper. Christ first washed his apostles' feet as a model for the way they should serve the people of God. After his announcement of Judas's betrayal, Christ returns to giving his apostles instruction. "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jn. 13:34. The Catechism of the Catholic Church builds on this verse to expand our understanding about who we become if we follow Christ's command.

**782** The People of God is marked by characteristics that clearly distinguish it from all other religious, ethnic, political, or cultural groups found in history:

- It is the *People of God*: God is not the property of any one people. But he acquired a people for himself from those who previously were not a people: "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."
- One becomes a *member* of this people not by a physical birth, but by being "born anew," a birth "of water and the Spirit," that is, by faith in Christ, and Baptism.
- This People has for its Head Jesus the Christ (the anointed, the Messiah). Because the same anointing, the Holy Spirit, flows from the head into the body, this is "the messianic people."
- "The *status* of this people is that of the dignity and freedom of the sons of God, in whose hearts the Holy Spirit dwells as in a temple."
- "Its *law* is the new commandment to love as Christ loved us." This is the "new" law of the Holy Spirit.
- Its *mission* is to be salt of the earth and light of the world. This people is "a most sure seed of unity, hope, and salvation for the whole human race."
- Its *destiny*, finally, "is the Kingdom of God which has been begun by God himself on earth and which must be further extended until it has been brought to perfection by him at the end of time."

**Congratulations! GRADUATION TIME**

I enjoy springtime for many reasons, but each year as I see the young people from these parishes graduate from grade school, high school, and college I am so proud of them. Since I have been pastor here for 12 years, I have had the privilege to watch many young people grow up, work hard, and prepare themselves to contribute in many ways to our society. God has given us good land to grow bountiful crops, but he has truly blessed us with young people who are an inspiration to me and give me great hope in what often seems a very uncertain future. Our families can be very proud and so grateful for their children. God bless all our graduates!

**8th Grade Graduations**

**Congratulations to Iris Adams who will graduate from St. Charles School on Wed., May 18 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Congratulations to Conner Hoeper, Cody Mezera, Libby Vogt, and Cameron Wehrle who will be graduating from St. Mary's School next Sunday, May 22.**

**High School Graduations**

Congratulations to the Cassville seniors who graduated on Saturday, May 14. The seniors from River Ridge will have their graduation on Friday, May 20. Let us keep the students from our families who are graduating or who have graduated in our prayers as we celebrate their accomplishments and future plans.



**ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEWS**

**Faith, Family and Academic Excellence**

The 4K, 5K, 1st & 2nd graders went to Fort Fun in Prairie du Chien and to Osbourne Park in Elkader on Tuesday, May 10.

On Friday, May 13, the 3rd & 4th graders went to Villa Louis and Fort Crawford in Prairie du Chien.

The 3-year-old Learning Center kids, along with their parents, had a fun day at the Wyalusing Park on Friday.

The 7th and 8th grade class have been studying the mechanics of rockets in science class. They took their school-made rockets to Mrs. Tolle's farm and launched them.

**SCRIP:** Scrip is available at school and also at Economy Feed Mill or if you have a special order you may call Molly Breuer, the Scrip Coordinator, at 563-608-5734.

**New St. Mary's Parish Council Members**

St. Mary's Parish Council is seeking four volunteers who would like to serve on the council for a three-year period. Please contact Barb Bernhardt or the parish office for more information.



**St. Bernadine of Siena—May 20**

In 1400, a young man appeared at the door of the largest hospital in Siena. A plague was raging through the city so horrible that as many as twenty people died each day just in the hospital alone.

And many of the people who died were those who were needed to tend the ill. It was a desperate situation. The twenty-year-old man had not come because he was ill but because he wanted to help. And he brought young men like himself willing to tend the dying. For four months Bernardine and his companions worked day and night not only to comfort the patients but to organize and clean the hospital. At the end of the plague, Bernardine himself fell ill from exhaustion.

After he recovered he cared for his invalid aunt until she died. Bernardine, who had come to Siena to study, threw himself into prayer and fasting to discover what God wanted him to do. One might have expected him to continue his work with the sick, but in 1403 he joined the Franciscans and in 1404 he was ordained a priest. For twelve years he remained in the background, his energies going to prayer or to his own spiritual conversion and preparation before he went to Milan on a mission. As usual, Bernardine threw his whole self, body and soul, into his new career. He crisscrossed Italy on foot, preaching for hours at a time, several times a day on punishment for sin as well as reward for virtue but focusing in the end on the mercy of Jesus and the love of Mary. His special devotion was to the Holy Name of Jesus. Bernardine devised a symbol—IHS, the first three letters of the name of Jesus in Greek—in Gothic letters on a blazing sun. He died in 1444 when he was almost 64 years old.

**We Have a New Way to Financially Support St. Mary Parish**

St. Mary's now has a way for you to support the parish donating stock and other investments! Our parish has partnered with investment representative Tyler Kozelka of the People Investment Center in order to give you another option for giving donations. If you have questions and to get started, please contact Tyler directly at 608-326-3540.

**New St. John's Parish Council Members**

St. John's Parish Council is seeking volunteers who would like to serve on the council for a three-year period. Please contact the parish office for more information.

**St. Mary's Summer Bible School-June 6-8**

**St. Mary's Bible School—Summer Faith & Fun**

Days will take place on June 6-8 from 8:00 -11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's School for children entering grades 1st through 6th. There will be hands-on activities, Bible readings, a visit to the Church, snacks, songs, and children's games that help them learn more about their Catholic faith.

The fee for the Bible School is \$15 per child and goes towards materials, snacks, and drinks. Registration forms are due by June 1 and are available at the back of each church.

**PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATES**

**PLEASE HELP US PAY OUR EXPENSES**

**St. Mary's Collections for the period ending May 6, 2022**

Church Support.....	\$2,050.00
Offertory.....	\$131.00
rent of Parish Facilities.....	\$175.00
Ukraine Relief Fund.....	\$100.00
St. John's Reimbursement for Expenses.....	\$1,446.56
Votive Candles.....	\$249.00
Memorial.....	\$200.00
Gift.....	\$200.00
3K Program Fees.....	\$1,412.25
School Tuition.....	\$72.56
Pop Cans.....	\$14.00

St. Mary's families are asked to generously contribute toward the support of parish expenses. It is suggested for a family to give \$900.00 and a single person \$450.00 per year.

**St. John's Collections for the week ending on May 6, 2022**

Church Support.....	\$635.00
Offertory.....	\$144.00

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*You must know that when you 'hail' Mary, she immediately greets you! Don't think that she is one of those rude women of whom there are so many — on the contrary, she is utterly courteous and pleasant. If you greet her, she will answer you right away and converse with you!*

- St. Bernadine of Siena

**St. John's Ministry Schedule for May 22, 2022**

	<b><u>8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass</u></b>
Lector:	Bill Mergen
Communion:	Roger McKinney
Ushers:	Ray Breuer, Tom Breuer
Servers:	Ty Tolle, Avery Needham

**St. Mary Ministry Schedule for May 21 & 22, 2022**

	<b><u>4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass</u></b>
Lector:	Tanya Moss
Communion:	Sue Mumm
Ushers:	Dave Kusmaul, Mark Herbers
	Denny Moris, Gary Mumm
Servers:	Diana Herbers, Brooks Osterhaus

	<b><u>9:15 a.m. Sunday Mass</u></b>
Lector:	St. Mary's 8th Graders
Communion:	Dave Meoska
Sacristan:	Pat Casey
Ushers:	Mike Mumm, Daniel Herbers
Servers:	St. Mary's Students



**New Parish Council Members**

St. Charles Parish Council is seeking volunteers who would like to serve on the council for a three-year period. Please contact the parish office at 725-5595 for more information

**Thank You's**

Thank you to everyone who gave donations to the Ukraine Relief Fund which have totaled \$5,000.00 so far. The heartfelt generosity will be greatly appreciated by those who are affected by the war.



**St. Charles School News**

**Please come and celebrate Iris Adam's 8th Grade Graduation Mass at St. Charles Church at 6:00**

**p.m. on Wednesday, May 18. There will be a reception following at the St. Charles School Gym, with everyone welcome.**

Please call St. Charles Parish office at 725-5595 for more information about enrolling your child at our school.

**Make A Difference for Miss Makovec**

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 28 and Sunday, May 29.** Before and after the Masses, our **Council of Catholic Women, St. Charles students, and Cassville Royal Neighbors** will be supporting St. Charles Principal/Teacher--Diane Makovec's journey back to good health by providing **DELICIOUS** Apple Fritters, Cinnamon Rolls, Chocolate and White Cake Donuts, and Donut Holes for a **'FREE-WILL DONATION.'** **If writing a check, please it make payable to St. Charles CCW. Memo: D. Makovec.**

Ms. Makovec is recovering from an extensive leg surgery after having been hospitalized in Iowa City for 27 days. She has been a significant educator in our Catholic School and we want to bring encouragement, offer prayers, and hope for a great recovery. Phyllis Adrian and Susan Kremer are heading the "Make A Difference" project.



**Donations Needed for Fall Festival Canned Beef**

St. Charles ladies are again going to can beef for our Fall Festival. We would appreciate donations to help offset the cost of the beef. Please leave donations in the collection basket marked "Beef" or leave it off at the St. Charles office with Cheryl. Any donations of pint jars would be much appreciated also. We are not planning on canning any quart jars of beef this year. Please let Cliff or Marge know if you do want quart jars to purchase, and we will see that they get done. As always, thanks for being such a generous parish.

**WE NEED MORE ADVERTIZERS FOR OUR BULLETIN**

**Thank You to Our Bulletin Advertisers:**

The cost of printing the bulletins is defrayed through the local business and individuals who advertise in our bulletin. Please thank these generous sponsors and mention that you saw their ad in our bulletin. It is always good to let them know that their advertising works. **Please contact a parish office if you would like to advertise in the bulletin. The cost is approximately \$6.00 per week for a small ad.**



**Pork Chop Drive Thru Meal**

St. Mary's, Glen Haven is once again having a Pork Chop Drive Thru meal. It will be held on Sunday, June 26 from 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. This year we will also offer a hotdog kids meal. There will be a raffle with lots of prizes. Anyone wishing to donate prizes for the raffle, please contact Joe & Cindi Breuer at 794-2295.

**New Parish Council Members**

St. Mary's Parish Council is seeking volunteers who would like to serve on the council for a three-year period. Please contact the parish office at 725-5595 for more information.

**Reflection**

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know or someone who isn't like you.

**PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATES**

**St. Mary's, Glen Haven for May 7, 2022:**

Church Support.....\$390.00  
Offertory.....\$106.00

**St. Charles, Cassville for May 8, 2022**

Church Support.....\$NA  
Offertory.....\$NA  
National Combined Collection.....\$NA  
Fall Festival Beef Donations.....\$NA

**PLEASE HELP US PAY OUR EXPENSES**

*St. Charles suggested giving is \$1,400.00 a year for a married couple and \$700.00 a year for a single household.*

**"Eternal Father I offer you the most precious blood of your divine son Jesus in union with the Masses said throughout the world today for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."** Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Souls in Purgatory

**St. Mary's, Glen Haven Schedule for May 21, 2022**

**8:00 a.m. Mass**  
Lector: Cindi Breuer  
Comunion: Tracy Walz  
Servers: Luke Patterson, Timothy Breuer  
Ushers: Tim Walz, Ken Breuer

**St. Charles' Ministry Schedule for May 22, 2022**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass**  
Lector: Bruce Boyum  
Comunion: Judy Adrian  
Sacristan: Judy Adrian  
Servers: Cailee Richards, Brinly Retallick  
Ushers: Tom Vondrum, Isaac Okey, Marge Tennesen



## Celebrate Life

Pope Francis said the following to the Italian Pro-life Movement: "I remember once, a long time ago, I participated in a conference with doctors. After the conference I greeted them and while I spoke to them, one of them called me to one side. He had a package and he said to me, 'Father, I want to leave this with you. These are the instruments I have used to carry out abortions. I have encountered the Lord and repented, and now I fight for life'. He gave me all those instruments. Let us pray for this good man... Every Christian has the responsibility of this witness to the Gospel: to protect life with courage and love in all its phases. I encourage you to do this, always with an attitude of closeness and proximity, so that every woman feels considered as a person, listened to, welcomed and accompanied". (April 11, 2014)

### **Did you know? Life begins at conception!**

At 18 days a baby's heart begins to beat and by the 43rd day after conception a baby's brain is coordinating movements. All of a baby's organs are functioning at 8 weeks and a baby can smile, suck his/her thumb and make a fist by 12 weeks.

## Help is Available

If you need support for an unplanned pregnancy, please contact the [Clarity Clinic of SW Wisconsin](http://www.clarityclinic.org) at 608-348-5787 or email at [clientservices@claritywi.com](mailto:clientservices@claritywi.com) or the [Women's Care Center in Madison, WI](http://www.women-care-center.org) at 608-241-8100. For more information on pro-life issues, visit [www.WisconsinRightToLife.org](http://www.WisconsinRightToLife.org).

## Natural Family Planning

Register for in-person education courses or for a self-paced online course: <http://www.madisondiocese.org/classes-andregistration> Questions? Call 608-495-6117 or email: [nfp@straphael.org](mailto:nfp@straphael.org)

## Project Rachel - Healing from Abortion

Are you or a loved one carrying sorrow and regret from an abortion? Whether recent or long ago ... God is waiting ... Healing is possible. For confidential help, please contact Mary at [rachel@straphael.org](mailto:rachel@straphael.org)



## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another." Learn how to love your spouse more on the next upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on June 24-26 in Geneva, IL; Sept. 16-18 Madison, WI or Oct. 21-23 in Brookfield, WI. For more info go to: [alife-timeoflove.org](http://alife-timeoflove.org) or call (888) 574-5653.

## Cassville AA and Al-Anon Meetings

The AA meetings are every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in Cassville.

## Survivors of Suicide (SOS) Support Group

This support group is meant to help those who have lost a loved one to suicide and to give hope.

More information at <http://www.bens-hope.com>.

**National Suicide Prevention Life Line**  
**- 1.800.273.8255** 24 Hour assistance.

## MEETINGS

### EVENTS

- \*May 18—St. Charles 8th Graduation at 6:00 p.m.
- \*May 22-St. Mary's 8th Grade Graduation
- \*May 23-Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Charles School from 12:30-5:30 p.m.
- \*May 25- Grant Council of Catholic Women Spring meeting at St. Mary Church, Fennimore, WI
- \*June 14- St. John's Food Pantry 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- \*June 26-Drive-thru Pork Chop Meal at St. Mary's, Glen Haven from 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- \*July 12- St. John's Food Pantry 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- \*July 21-24- Blakes Prairie Fair

## KC Council 4416 News

Our next meeting will be May 17 at 7:30 P.M. in St. Mary's Church Basement in Bloomington.

At the April 19 meeting, we did a virtual 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification induct Daniel Herbers to the ranks of the Knights of Columbus. We were also able to bring in \$3,345 in State Raffle Tickets Sales. Our State Raffle Ticket Rebate back to the Council should be around \$1,338.00. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets.

## Grant Vicariate Council of Catholic Women Spring Meeting

The Spring Grant Vicariate CCW meeting will be on Wed., May 25, at St. Mary Catholic Church, Fennimore, WI. Registration in the Church Hall-3:30 p.m. followed by Liturgy-at 4:00 p.m. Dinner will be in the Church Hall 5:30 p.m. followed by the program present by Grant County Sheriff Nate Dreckman Human Trafficking in Grant County. There will be a Brief meeting following the program.

A registration fee of \$12.00 is due by May 16. Please send registration to Rita Moore 14791 Homer Rd. Fennimore, WI 53809. For questions or more information please contact Jan Block (608-723-7978) or (608-778-3952).



## Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Bishop Donald Hying will be recognizing couples celebrating 50, 55, 60 or more years of marriage as well as newlyweds celebrating their first three years on Sunday, August 14 with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Francis Xavier in Cross Plains. The Mass will be followed by a cake, coffee, and punch reception.

This is an invitation only event! Please contact the parish office 608-994-2526 by May 25 if you would like to attend this event to celebrate your Special Anniversary in 2022 and we will submit your name.

## Courage & EnCourage

Courage, an apostolate of the Catholic Church, ministers to persons with same-sex attractions and their loved ones. They also have an outreach called EnCourage, which ministers to relatives, spouses, and friends of persons with same-sex attractions. In recognition of the irreplaceable role of the family in attaining an understanding of the homosexual condition and embracing a life of chastity. If you are looking for acceptance for yourself-same-sex attraction and all-while embracing the truth about sex as God means it to be, you may call (608) 821-3018 or contact [courage@madisondiocese.org](mailto:courage@madisondiocese.org). for more information.



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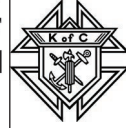
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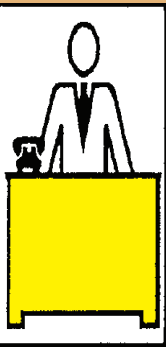
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