

# St. Joseph the Worker Pastorate

St. Mary & St. Charles  
St. Mary & St. John Churches

May 19, 2024

## We Welcome You

We welcome you to St. Joseph the Worker Pastorate. If you would like to become a member of our pastorate, please call a parish office. For those who are interested in becoming Catholic or returning to the Catholic faith, please contact the parish office.

## Sacraments:

### Pastorate Daily Mass Times

8:15 a.m.-St. Charles Church (Tues, Wed)

8:15 a.m.-St. Mary Church, Bloomington (Thurs, Fri)

8:15 a.m.-St. Clement Church (Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri)

8:15 a.m.-St. Andrew Church (Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri)

### Reconciliation

#### Saturdays

8:00-9:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church, Bloomington

8:00-9:00 a.m. at St. Clement Church, Lancaster

8:00-9:00 a.m. at St. Andrew Church, Tennyson

3:45-4:15p.m. at St. Charles Church, Cassville

4:00-4:45 p.m. at St. Clement Church, Lancaster

7:15-7:45 p.m. at St. Mary Church, Glen Haven

### Baptism

May God bless our new parents! Please contact the parish office to schedule the baptism of your child and to attend a baptismal preparation session.

### Marriage

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage! Please call the parish office at least six months before the wedding. One of the parties must be a practicing Catholic.

### Anointing of the Sick

If someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, or is dying, please contact the Bloomington parish office immediately. Please call the parish office if there is someone who would like to be included in the Mass prayers.

### Vocations

Please contact a parish office 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!

### Our Catholic Schools

To register your child, please call Mrs. Kelly Copsey at 608-994-2435 for St. Mary School or Mrs. Cheryl Junk at 608-725-5173 for St. Charles Montessori Education Program. St. Mary and St. Charles admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin.

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

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

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.-noon  
stchas@tds.net (Cheryl Junk)

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

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
sunday7@tds.net (Julie M Jentz)



## PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me." - Jn 15:26

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### Catechism of the Catholic Church

**731** On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ's Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.

**747** The Holy Spirit, whom Christ the head pours out on his members, builds, animates, and sanctifies the Church. She is the sacrament of the Holy Trinity's communion with men.

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**Liturgy Schedule**

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>5/18</b>	<b>8:00-9:00 AM Adoration</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>
		<b>4:30 PM Frannie Blum</b>	<b>(Cassville)</b>
		<b>8:00 PM Margaret "Mugs" Myers</b>	<b>(Glen Haven)</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>5/19</b>	<b>8:00 AM Doris Lou McLimans</b>	<b>(Patch Grove)</b>
		<b>10:00 AM Dennis Wagner</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>5/20</b>	<b>8:15 AM No Mass</b>	
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>5/21</b>	<b>8:15 AM Charles, Rebecca and Christine Kinyon</b>	<b>(Cassville)</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>5/22</b>	<b>8:15 AM Loren &amp; Linda Vondrum</b>	<b>(Cassville)</b>
		<b>8:45 AM Adoration</b>	<b>(Cassville)</b>
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>5/23</b>	<b>8:15 AM Marilyn, Bernard and Frank Meister</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>5/24</b>	<b>8:15 AM Elva Barr</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>5/25</b>	<b>8:00-9:00 AM Adoration</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>
		<b>4:30 PM Lila Hochhausen</b>	<b>(Cassville)</b>
		<b>8:00 PM Frank Van Bogaert</b>	<b>(Glen Haven)</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>5/26</b>	<b>8:00 AM Betty Mergen</b>	<b>(Patch Grove)</b>
		<b>10:00 AM Living and deceased members of the Nick &amp; Sue Gotto family</b>	<b>(Bloomington)</b>



**Pentecost**

"The Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness," Saint Paul writes to the Romans, but he could have been writing this to us today. The Holy Spirit inspires us to live out the gospel, teaches us to better understand God's will, emboldens us to overcome difficulties, strengthens us on our mission, and urges us to turn to the Lord through prayer. The Holy Spirit has drawn us here today. On this Pentecost Sunday, we pray that the Holy Spirit continues to enlighten and enliven us on our life's journey. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



**Congratulations to our Graduates!**

**Congratulations to all from our parish families who have graduated or will be graduating! We especially congratulate LeRoy Dilley Jr. and Matthew Tolle who are graduating from St. Mary's School this Sunday and the high school students from River Ridge and Cassville Schools who graduated on Friday and Saturday.**

**Let us keep all the graduates in our prayers as we celebrate their accomplishments and future plans.**

**Scripture for the week of May 20, 2024**

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-3,5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34  
 Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23/Mk 9:30-37  
 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40  
 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-20/Mk 9:41-50  
 Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12  
 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16  
 Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-22 (12b)/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

**May 25 & 26 Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Fr. Steve - Saturday 4:30 p.m. at Cassville and Sunday 8:00 a.m. at Potosi & 10:00 a.m. at Tennyson**  
**Fr. Mark - Saturday 5:00 p.m. at Lancaster and Sunday 9:00 a.m. at Lancaster**  
**Fr. Sudhakar - Sat. 8:00 p.m. at Glen Haven and Sunday 8:00 a.m. at Patch Grove & 10:00 a.m. at Bloomington**



**Baptism**

**We joyfully welcome to God's holy family, Tyson Samuel Busch, son of Nick and Jenna Busch who was baptized at St. Charles Church.**



**Mother's Day Rose Sale**

**Thank you to everyone who generously purchased roses last weekend. We were able to raise \$445.00 from the rose sale which will go to benefit Clarity Clinic and their care of women and children and Respect Life activities.**

**KC Council 4416 News**

The next **Council 4416 Meeting will be Tuesday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church Basement in Bloomington.** The council will be hosting some K.C. Brother Knights from the Lancaster Council to discuss the possibility of merging the two councils.

Supreme and the State charges the council per-capita for 147 members, but the council is planning to have the **68 non-paying members transfer to the State White Council.** This will reduce the State and Supreme per-capita charge to the 79 paying members.

**Into the Deep Update**

Dear Parishioners of the St. Joseph the Worker Pastorate, No official canonical or financial merging has occurred yet and to maintain progress towards our merging, we are hoping to achieve the following:

1. Bulletin for the Pastorate, starting July 1
2. Website for the Pastorate, starting July 1
3. Database of parishioners through ParishStaq software

As we move towards becoming a parish family, I would like to highlight one benefit of the Into the Deep Initiative. Through the generous support of the Eckstein Charitable Trust, I have been able to hire a new Director of Evangelization. After numerous interviews and a visit to our pastorate, I have hired Leigh Boorn to take on this new and exciting position. She will be residing at the rectory at St. Andrew's Church, starting on June 4, since it is available and a great property to keep up-to-date. Thanks to this collaboration amongst our churches, I am sure that Leigh will be a great addition to our staff and will do a great job in helping us to cultivate our personal relationships with Jesus Christ. I hope you will pray for her, get to know her, and share with her your Catholic faith.

Thanks for your attention, and may God bless St. Joseph the Worker Pastorate,  
 Fr. Steve Brunner

**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 Dev.
- 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 give.

*Love God, serve God; everything is in that.*  
 - St. Clare of Assisi



**ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEWS**

**Faith, Family and Academic Excellence**

Congratulations to all of the students graduating this year, especially our 8th grade graduates - Leroy Dilley, Jr. and Matthew Tolle. We had a luncheon in their honor on Thursday, May 16.

Thank you to Peoples State Bank for sponsoring the Vesperman Farms Ice Cream Truck that visited our school on Wednesday, May 15, and gave each student and staff a free ice cream treat.

The 5th grade class is presenting a Memorial Day Program on Monday, May 20, starting at 10:00. The public is welcome to attend.

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**St. Mary's School in enrolling students in 3K-8th grade for the 2024-25 school year.** Please contact the school if you know someone who wants to give their child the gift of Catholic education. **You can call the school at 608-994-2435 if you would like to receive registration information or to schedule a school visit.**

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**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.

**Congratulations to our 8th Grade Grads**

Congratulations to Matthew Tolle and LeRoy Dilley who are graduating from St. Mary's School this Sunday, May 19.



**St. Mary's Diocesan Tax & Spring Expenses**

Spring is here, and it is time for our annual appeal to help cover the cost of our Diocesan Tax and spring expenses. Joyfully we have received \$5,250.00 so far to pay for the diocesan tax and other expenses. We are asking all St. Mary's families to contribute \$80.00 toward the Diocesan Tax (this is separate from the ACA) and to make an additional \$50.00 or \$100.00 donation to help with spring expenses for the parish. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's!

Goal:	\$35,000
	\$30,000
	\$25,000
	\$20,000
	\$15,000
	\$10,000
	\$5,000
	\$1,000
	\$0



**Save the Date - St. John's Summer Fest**

St. John's Parish Festival is scheduled for Saturday, August 17. Please save the date and plan to attend this wonderful parish event.

**New Parish Council Members Needed**

St. Mary's and St. John's Parish Councils are seeking volunteers who would like to serve on the councils. Please contact the parish office (608-994-2526) for more information.

**St. John's Diocesan Tax**

Spring is here, and it is time for our annual appeal to help cover the cost of our Diocesan Tax. Joyfully we have received \$2,500.00 so far for this expense. We are asking all St. John's families to contribute \$80.00 toward the Diocesan Tax (this is separate from the ACA). Thank you for your support of St. John's Parish!

Goal:	\$6,000
	\$5,000
	\$4,000
	\$3,000
	\$2,000
	\$1,000
	\$0



**St. Mary's Fall Festival Committee**

St. Mary's Fall Festival will be held on September 7 & 8. Please contact the parish office 608-994-2526 if you would like to serve on the Fall Festival Committee to help plan this fun parish event.

**Thanks You's**

Thank you to the wonderful group of volunteers who edged the sidewalks and raked and cleaned the parish grounds.

Thank you to Marie Bishell and Nancy Mumm for mowing the parish grounds this spring and summer.

**Parish Financial Updates**

**PLEASE HELP US PAY OUR EXPENSES**

**St. Mary's Collections for the period ending May 10, 2024**

Church Support.....	\$1,355.00
Offertory.....	\$214.75
Gift.....	\$100.00
3K Program Fees.....	\$536.00

St. Mary's families are asked to generously contribute toward the support of parish expenses. Single members are asked to contribute \$500.00 and family are asked to contribute 1,000.00.

**St. John's Collections for the week ending on May 10, 2024**

Church Support.....	\$1,060.00
Offertory.....	\$185.00
DST.....	\$160.00
Memorial for James & Mildred Sprosty.....	\$4,000.00

St. John's families are asked to generously contribution toward the support of parish expenses.

**St. John's Ministry Schedule for May 26, 2024**

	<b>8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass</b>
Lector:	Bill Mergen
Communion:	Mike McCabe
Ushers:	Ray Breuer, Roger McKinney
Servers:	Matthew & Ty Tolle

**St. Mary Ministry Schedule for May 26, 2024**

	<b>10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass</b>
Lector:	Deb Campbell
Communion:	Deb Campbell
Sacristans:	Greg & Jane Patterson
Gifts:	Dave & Ione Meoska
Ushers:	Dan Bierman, Ronnie Mumm
Servers:	Meghyn & Sawyer Breuer



**Cemetery Fund**

We are again asking for donations for the St Charles and St Mary's Settlement Cemetery. If you would like to give a donation, please put it in an envelope marked with the cemetery of your choice and put it in the collection. You can also mail it to: St Charles Parish, 521 Dewey St., Cassville, WI 53806.

**Prayer Requests**

If anyone has a special prayer request and would like our Council of Catholic Women Prayer Chain to be of support, please give Kate Lenz a call (608-725-5909)



**St. Charles Catholic Montessori Early Education Program**

If you have questions or if you would like to register your child, please contact Cassie Okey at [cassie.okey@stcharlescassville.org](mailto:cassie.okey@stcharlescassville.org).



**Stuffed Animals Wanted**

St. Charles Games Committee is in need of slightly used, unwanted stuffed animals for the Fall Festival. The stuffed animals are washed and sanitized before the festival. Please contact Cliff/Marge Tennesen if you have any to donate or leave them off at the St Charles School office. They will go to good homes. Thanks so much.

*"O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners."*  
Angel's Prayer at Fatima

**Catholic Question & Answer**

**Question:** How do we know when we receive the Holy Spirit?

**Answer:** My brothers and I discovered something as we got older. There's a little bit of dad in us. Each time we catch ourselves using one of his gestures, expressions, or comments about a meal, we say, "I'm getting more like Dad!" Many laughs and good-natured kidding have come out of it. Mom loves it, and so does Dad, although I doubt he'd admit it!

When we are confirmed, we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. There is no radical change in us that makes us seem suddenly different. Over a period of time, we come to see that there is a little bit of the Spirit in us. We catch ourselves using the gifts, and often end up wondering where a bit of wisdom came from, or why we were so patient, or we feel an intensity in our prayer. Perhaps we felt drawn to deepen our spiritual life or found courage in witnessing to our faith. That's when we know we have received the Holy Spirit. We take on his image. Yes, we grow in age, grace and wisdom, but we also grow in our awareness and understanding of the working of God in our life. We become more godlike, realizing we're getting more and more like God. Our thoughts, words and actions carry that quality and others too, see it in us. You might call it holiness. But be confident! There's a little bit of him in all of us.



**St. Mary's Drive Through Porkchop Dinner on June 23**

St. Mary's Drive through Porkchop Dinner & Raffle is set for Sunday, June 23. **Anyone wishing to donate to the raffle, please contact Joe or Cindi Breuer @ 608-794-2295.**

**May Crowning**



We were delighted to have these two cute helpers for the May Crowning at St. Mary Help of Christians Church in Glen Haven.

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and Mother of God. As tradition, a statue of the Virgin Mary is crowned with a wreath of flowers, and flowers are laid at her feet. The crowning is symbolic of Mary as Queen of Heaven and of our lives.

**PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATES**

**PLEASE HELP US PAY OUR EXPENSES**

**St. Charles, Cassville for May 11, 2024**

Church Support.....\$1,440.00  
 Offertory.....\$143.00  
*St. Charles suggested giving is \$1,400.00 a year for a married couple and \$700.00 a year for a single household.*

**St. Mary's, Glen Haven for May 11, 2024**

Church Support.....\$250.00  
 Offertory.....\$139.55

**"Most Holy Sacred Heart of Jesus, help my heart to persevere in all that is holy." - St. Rita of Casia**

<b>St. Charles' Ministry Schedule</b>	
<b>4:30 p.m. Mass on May 25, 2024</b>	
Lector:	Patty (Okey) Bowden
Sacristan:	Judy Adrian
Communion:	Agnes Hughes
Servers:	TBD
Ushers:	Gene Adrian, Elijah Okey, Isaac Okey
<b>St. Mary's, Glen Haven</b>	
<b>8:00 p.m. Mass on May 25, 2024</b>	
Lector:	Theresa Zimmer
Communion:	Theresa Zimmer
Servers:	Erin & Evelyn Adrian
Ushers:	Gerard & Zach Zimmer



**Celebrate Life**

The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel.

The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, former President of the Vatican’s Pontifical Academy for Life has said, “The Church must speak out in today’s context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind.”

**Help is Available**

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

**St. Catherine Ministry: Ware here to support families through miscarriage**

St. Catherine Ministry is here to accompany anyone who has received the sad news of a miscarriage. From providing miscarriage kits to referring for burial sites to crying with you, we want to help because we have been there, too. It’s as simple as contacting St. Catherine Ministry director Laura Karlen at [ljkarlen@hotmail.com](mailto:ljkarlen@hotmail.com) or 608-445-2064.

**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)**

**Cassville AA and Al-Anon Meetings**

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

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." Learn how to bring the peace of Christ into your relationship by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on June 28-30 in Rockford, IL, August 3-4 in Wisconsin, or September 6-8 in Geneva, IL. Visit our website at: [alifetimeoflove.org](http://alifetimeoflove.org) or call (888) 574-5653.

**The National Suicide & Crisis**

**Lifeline**-Call, text or chat 988 to reach a trained counselor. These trained counselors will listen, understand how problems are affecting a person, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary. **There is help specifically for farmers.**

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

**MEETINGS**

- \*May 19 –Transition Team meeting at noon at St. Clement Church at noon
- \*May 21-Knights of Columbus meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church, Bloomington
- \*June 9-St. Mary’s Parish Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- \*July 7-St. Mary’s Parish Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**EVENTS**

- \*May 19-St. Mary’s 8th Grade Graduation
- \*June 11- St. John’s Food Pantry 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- \*June 23-St. Mary Help of Christians Parish Drive Thru Pork Chop Dinner
- \*July 8-11 - Love Begins Here
- \*July 9- St. John’s Food Pantry 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- \*July 18-21– Blakes Prairie Fair
- \*August 13- St. John’s Food Pantry 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- \*August 17-St. John’s Summer Fest.
- \*September 7 & 8-St. Mary’s Fall Festival
- \*September 14-St. Charles Fall Festival

**Healthy Living with Diabetes Workshop**

Gundersen Health System will be hosting a Healthy Living with Diabetes workshop Wed., mornings for 6 weeks starting May 22. This workshop is designed to help adults with type 2 diabetes, pre-diabetes or for those caring for someone who has diabetes to learn self-management skills, healthy eating strategies and more. For more information, please call Vicky at 608-775-6870.



**Saint Rita of Casia -May 22**

St. Rita is known as a patroness of lost causes, hopeless situations, difficult marriages, troubled homes, and alienated children. Wise people warn, be careful what you pray for. “Divine Savior,” Rita prayed, “let me suffer like you!” Obedient to parents who refused her wish to become a nun, Rita married a man who returned her devotion with twenty years of abuse. When enemies murdered him, Rita’s two sons swore revenge. Paintings depict her pointing the angry boys toward Christ crucified, whom she begged to restrain them. Within the year, both sons died. Alone now, Rita went to the convent but was refused. The nuns feared violence, since one of them was related to the murderer. Rita arranged peace between the families, made vows, and became much sought after as a counselor and intercessor for forty years on earth. On Good Friday, 1441, she prostrated herself before a Crucifix and begged Christ for some small share of his suffering. As though punctured by a crown of thorns, a single wound opened on Rita’s forehead and remain there the rest of her life except for a brief healing when she traveled to Rome. Rita died of tuberculosis on May 22, 1457 at age 76. Three days later, Domenico Angeli, a notary of Cascia, recorded eleven miracles that occurred upon the saint’s death. –Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**National Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

**Be part of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage right here in Wisconsin as it comes to La Crosse on Friday, June 7, 2024.** The Eucharistic procession will travel to the La Crosse Center in downtown La Crosse for *The Answer Eucharistic Rally* for a day of powerful Catholic speakers such as Chris Stefanick and Immaculee Ilibagiza, music, opportunities for Adoration, Confession and more. Tickets cost \$20.00. **To register and for more information about this event, visit <https://diolc.org/the-answer/>**