

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 7, 2019



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This is a season of preparation for Celebrations! As you all know by now, Mother Pippa Lindwright has accepted the position of Rector of St. Mary's and will be moving from Oregon to Wisconsin in mid-June. Her first Sunday with the parish will be June 2nd, and what a celebration it will be! We will have a welcoming celebration of her ministry with us during a special coffee/brunch hour after the one service at 9:00 a.m. on that Sunday. I hope you will all plan on attending so that she can get a feel of both the eight-o'clocker's and ten-o'clocker's together in one space, at the same time (we will overwhelm her with our cultural diversity!). There will be a pot-luck sign-up sheet for salads and desserts. Vestry will provide the main dishes. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend this celebration event!

However, before we begin celebrating Mother Pippa's arrival, we will have the opportunity to celebrate and thank Mother LaRae and Father Mark for their ministry to us over these many months since Father Scott's departure. Their last Sunday with us will be April 28th, the first Sunday after Easter. Coffee hours (at both service) will give parishioners a time to say, "Thank you!" to both of them for leading us through our time of mourning, and preparation for a new beginning. They are, indeed, very gifted and faithful servants of God. We have been kept vital by their presence and prayers. We will miss them and cherish the opportunity to give them a proper send-off and blessing prior to their departure back to their Michigan home. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

In the meantime, may God's blessing be with you and yours during this Holy Lenten Season. - Sally Williams, Sr. Warden





LENT SHOULD BE DIFFERENT: All parish members are reminded that Lent is a time when we are invited to take on an extra spiritual practice, sacrifice in some way to heighten our awareness of our need for the peace that only God can give, and to give generously to those in need.



EASTER FLOWERS: If you would like to donate towards flowers for Easter, please fill out the form provided in the pews or on the table in the narthex. Be sure to include your check payable to St. Mary's, and place both in the offering basket during the offering or turn your form into the parish office. **Palm Sunday, April 14th is the last day to order.**



USED BOOK SALE CANCELLED: St. Mary's **Annual Used Book Sale** that was to be held on June 5th through June 8th **has been cancelled.** There will be a small selection of books for sale at Strawberry Fest. Please be advised that we are no longer taking book donations at this time.



SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING: This class helps in the education and training for preventing and responding to child sexual abuse in everyday life and in ministry. It is geared to clergy, parents, youth workers, vestry members, congregation members who are responsible for protecting children, employees of churches and church organizations, and volunteers responsible for planning, implementing or supervising ministries, activities or programs for children and youth.

Anyone in St. Mary's who works with children or youth, supervises or works with adults, regularly drives as part of their St. Mary's employment, who, on behalf of the church, regularly visits people, or Vestry, officers and other lay employees/volunteers are required by the Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee to be certified in this class. If you have been notified by email by the parish office about this class, you have not completed the required class certification.

Date: Saturday, April 13th

Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Two Locations: St. Thomas of Canterbury in Greendale and
St. Paul's in Beloit

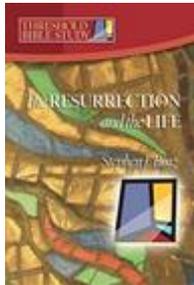
To register on-line go to:

<http://www.diomil.org/safeguarding-gods-children-class-with-trainer/>



OUTREACH LENTEN PROJECT: The Lenten Outreach project has been very successful thus far. As of Sunday, March 24th, **\$1,607.00** has been donated. Take notice of our display in the narthex and watch it grow. We will be in contact with the sheriff's department to update them and see how many car seats will be sufficient. Thank you for your generous support of this project.

For more information on this Lenten Outreach Project, please contact **Sally King** at sallyking@att.net or 262-490-8149.



LENTEN SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Today is the last Sunday the morning bible group will be studying "**The Resurrection and the Life**" by Stephen Binz. The group meets at 9:15 am in the library in the parish hall. There will be no class on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Please join us. Everyone is welcome!! Questions, please contact **Carol McConnell** at cmccConnell@wi.rr.com. We will resume "**Shalom of the Heart**"

after Easter.



LENTEN WEDNESDAY MORNING SERIES: The Wednesday morning book group continues to study "**Practicing Forgiveness With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind by Living Compass.**" The study includes a short video followed by the daily reading from the Lenten Living Compass booklet and discussion. The Living Compass booklets can be found in the narthex entrance. Booklets are available for all parishioners. Join

us on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am in the Chapel starting through April 10th.



GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER OFFERINGS: At St. Mary's we give away our Good Friday and Easter offerings. The Good Friday offerings will be given to **The Episcopal Church in the Holy Land**. The Outreach

Committee has determined that this year's Easter offerings will be divided three ways. **Exploit No More**, a local organization that works to help young women who are victims of human trafficking in the Greater Milwaukee region and provide a wide variety of support and advocacy services. **Lake Country Cares Cab**, which provides reduced transportation to the elderly and ambulatory disabled and, the **Oconomowoc Dental Clinic**, for free/reduced services for the uninsured.



SACRAMENTAL RITE OF RECONCILIATION: During the season of Lent, it is appropriate and a good idea to take stock of one's relationship with god, neighbor, and oneself. Sharing that personal inventory and celebrating God's love, mercy and forgiveness can be a very healing

experience. Father Mark and Mother LaRae will be available for the **Sacramental Rite of Reconciliation also known as confession**. Take this opportunity for a fresh start on your faith journey. Send Father Mark or Mother LaRae an e-mail or call the Parish Office at 262-965-3924 to schedule a time with them. Contact information can be found below.



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Forgiveness & Reconciliation in Our Divided World



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Forgiveness and reconciliation are the essence of the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is a principle that offers hope, expectation and encouragement to every believer. The power of forgiveness brings great joy and peace to us. It is this inner power of forgiveness that changes lives. We are most like Jesus Christ when we forgive another person. Please plan to attend as this series promises to be a set of exciting presentations and discussions.

Schedule

6:00 pm - Evening Prayer
6:30 pm - Soup & Bread Fellowship
7:00 to 8:30 pm - Lenten Series

Speakers

This Week, Wednesday, April 10th - Chaplain Deborah Majchar

Chaplain Majchar has been Chaplain at Fox Lake Correctional Institution (FLC) for the past 13 years. She plays an integral role in rehabilitating men who enter her ongoing groups which include Restorative Justice, the Forgiveness Group and other voluntary groups as needed. She shares a unique perspective as a formerly incarcerated inmate at Taycheedah Correctional Institution (TCI) with a 20-year prison sentence for drug related crimes. She has a degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a pastoral degree from Meriter, Madison. She received the "Governor's Domestic Violence Survivor Courage" award and in 2010 a full pardon from Governor Doyle. In September 2011, she was ordained a Lutheran pastor and is in the middle of her studies for a master's degree in Divinity. All are invited to hear her speak, ask questions about her work and life, and welcome her as our guest.

Wednesday, April 17th - The Rev. LaRae Rutenbar

Mother LaRae currently serves as long term supply priest at St. Mary's. She retired in 2016 from full-time Interim Transitional Ministry working with conflicted and traumatized parishes. She will be leading a special candlelight Tenebrae service in St. Mary's chapel.



STRAWBERRY FEST - SAVE THE DATE: This year's annual Strawberry Fest will be held on **Sunday, June 23rd**. Proceeds will go to the Milwaukee Diocese Haiti Project. Please think about how you can help this year. For more information, to give input and ideas, or to offer to join in on the activities this year, call or email **Kelly Noles** at 262-719-7245 or at kellynoles@wi.rr.com.



THE GATHERING VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION:

“Motown Comes to the Gathering” will be held on Friday, April 26th from 5:30 to 8:00 pm at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church at 2618 North Hackett Avenue. The awards program will start at 6:45 pm. The event is sponsored by

Direct Supply. RSVP by April 19th to soulfood@thegatheringwis.org or 414-272-4122.



NEW SECURE WI FI AVAILABLE. Mary’s now has a new guest site for wireless internet. The site can be found on your device under wireless settings under the name St. Mary’s Guest. The password for the guest site is the word: **“Episcopal.”**

PASTORAL INFORMATION:

We are here to serve you. If you are hospitalized, scheduled to be, or for any other reasons you are in need of visitation by one of our long-term priests, please contact Father Mark, Mother LaRae or the church office.



- Tuesdays and Wednesdays during office hours: **262-965-3924**
- For pastoral concerns or emergencies: **262-581-5093**
- Mother LaRae Rutenbar: motherlaraer@milwpc.com
- Father Mark Rutenbar: fathermarkr@milwpc.com



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Al & Diana	Gus	Susie
Amy's family	Harlow	Terry
Ann	Jon	Tom
Bart	Josh & Carly	Ty
Bill's Family	Julie	Yaakov
Bob & his daughters	Kate	Landyn
Bob	Kristin	Barbara
Bob G.	Leonard & his family	Brad
Carol J.	Lori	Jazmine
Cobbie	Micki	Julie M.
Derek	Pat	Shannon
Edmond (Ted)	Sam	
Greg	Sunny	

- All active duty military and our veterans
- All children in foster care and awaiting adoption
- All police officers, firefighters, EMT's, and all public servants
- The Haiti Project
- The Kids at Lad Lake
- Those from St. Mary's in college, technical school and the active military
- Those unemployed, underemployed or lonely