

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – ST. MARY’S

Parish Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Weekday Masses and Intentions

Tuesday \*\* No Mass \*\*  
Thursday \*\* No Eucharistic Adoration \*\*  
Friday 8:30 a.m. + Mary Grabski  
*Offered by Connie Michlig*

Weekend Masses and Intentions

Saturday 6:00 p.m. + Richard Meyers  
*Offered by Edwin Kelley*  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. + Corky Miller  
*Offered by Rosie Peters*  
+ Deceased, Tg Thanksgiving  
Confession available 30 minutes before all masses

Ministry Schedule - Most Holy Trinity

Saturday, June 14

Sacristan - Heather Roberts  
Eucharistic Minister - Clara McLain,  
Dan Throm, & 1 volunteer needed  
Lector - Heather Roberts  
Lead Usher - Skip Bilsky

Sunday, June 15

Sacristan - Kathy Fabry  
Eucharistic Minister - Sally Neuens, Dan  
Jazinski, & Al Williams  
Lector - Al Williams  
Lead Usher - Mike Lemanski  
Money Counters - Jay & Lori Glime

Sat. Collection	Loose....\$42.00	Envelope....\$220.00	Total.....\$262.00
Sun. Collection	Loose...\$309.00	Envelope....\$840.00	Total....\$1,149.00
	Electronic & Other.....\$1,090.00	Total....\$1,090.00	
		Total Collections	\$2,501.00
Budget:	\$2,028.00	2024: \$1,422.00	

Upcoming Changes

Tuesday, June 10 - No 5:30 p.m. Mass  
Thursday, June 12 - No Eucharistic Adoration  
Thursday, June 19 - No Eucharistic Adoration

Fr. Soja will be away June 9-12 for a retreat.



The Koinonia Retreat was held last weekend at St. Mary’s. Thank you to all who helped make it a success!

To quote Saint Pope John Paul II: “A periodic retreat is helpful for every Christian because, in leaving behind daily tasks and focusing on prayer, one experiences anew the mystery and love of God.”

ST MARY’S WELCOMES YOU TO  
PENTECOST

**Council Member Invitation:** We are looking for a new Parish Council Member and Finance Council Member. Both councils meet every other month, and we are open to those calling in remotely if out of town. Please contact Fr. Soja, or the office, if you are interested.

**Gold slips are available on the entryway tables:** Thank you for volunteering your time!

Volunteers Needed Urgently:

- Lectors - We only have one consistent lector scheduled for the first Saturday of the month.

**Second Collection for Home Missions:** The annual collection for Home Missions will take place this weekend. The collection supports the Black and Indian Missions, Catholic Communications & Evangelization, Catholic Home Missions, and the Catholic University of America. This consolidated collection helps the Church evangelize in the US, including here in the Diocese of Green Bay. Thank you for your consideration!

**Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession:** St. Mary’s will have a Eucharistic Procession on June 21st after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

You are invited to meet at Immaculate Conception in Iron Mountain, MI, on Sunday, June 22 at 12:30 p.m. for a 1.5 mile procession to St. Mary’s & St. Joseph’s. We are hoping not for dozens of people to attend, but HUNDREDS!

We are looking for people to set up water stations along the way and run coffee and donuts on either end of the procession. If you would like to help the day of, or be on the planning team, contact Barry Voss at [barry.voss@billerud.com](mailto:barry.voss@billerud.com)



Dear Friends, Pentecost marks the end and the goal of the Easter season. It is a memorial of the day the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the Virgin Mary in the form of fiery tongues, an event that took place fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus. The Paschal Mystery — the Passion, the Death, the Resurrection, and the Ascension of Jesus — culminates in the sending of the Holy Spirit by the Father (at the request of His Son), on Jesus’ disciples. The feast also commemorates the official inauguration of the Christian Church through the apostolic preaching of St. Peter, which resulted in the conversion of 3000 Jews to the Christian Faith. Pentecost is the official birthday of the Church.

Acts of the Apostles describes in detail the miraculous transformation that took place during the first Pentecost, thus fulfilling Jesus’ promise to his apostles that they would receive “Power from on high.” The first manifestation of their reception of the Holy Spirit came immediately, as the formerly timid, frightened apostles burst out of doors and began to proclaim the Good News of Jesus! Then, everyone there (regardless of their many different native languages), was able to understand the Apostles’ proclamation of the Good News of the salvation of mankind, “in his own tongue.” The Jews in the crowds came from sixteen different geographical regions.

St. Paul explains how the sharing of the various spiritual gifts of the Holy Spirit enriches the Church. They are described as the gifts, fruits, and charisms of the Spirit. Today’s Gospel passage also tells us how Jesus gave to the Apostles the power and authority to forgive sins. “Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained” (Jn 20:23). The presence of the Holy Spirit with the gift of forgiveness, is referred to directly in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It reminds us of the Christian vocation we have, to love and forgive as we have been loved and forgiven by God.

~ Fr. Soja

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**Knights of Columbus**  
Local Council #2847 meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anthony’s Parish Hall in Niagara.  
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