

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – ST. MARY’S

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

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Live the Gospel! Whatever it Takes...

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Weekday Masses and Intentions

Tuesday 8/19 No Mass

Thursday 8/21 No Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8/22 8:30 a.m. +In Memory of Alice
Gardner & Don Gardner
Offered by Mark & Carla Kramer

Weekend Masses and Intentions

Saturday 8/23 6:00 p.m. Tg. Healing for Carla
Kramer and for all families
Offered by Anonymous

Sunday 8/24 8:30 a.m. + Corky Miller
Offered by Rosie Peters

+ Deceased, Tg Thanksgiving
Confession available 30 minutes before all masses.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, August 23

Sacristan - Clara McLain
Eucharistic Minister - Clara McLain
Lector– *Needed*
Lead Usher - Skip Bilsky

Sunday, August 24

Sacristan - Kathy Fabry
Eucharistic Minister - Kathy Fabry
Lector - Carolyn Lemanski
Lead Usher - Mike Lemanski
Money Counters - Dan & Kathy Jazinski

8/09 Sat. Coll.	Loose....\$98.00	Envelope....\$580.00	Total.....\$678.00
8/10 Sun. Coll.	Loose...\$572.00	Envelope....\$635.00	Total....\$1,207.00
Electronic & Other.....\$190.00			Total.....\$190.00
Total Collections			\$2,075.00
Budget:	\$2,028.00	2024: \$2,704.11	

Fr. Soja’s Schedule

Fr. Soja will return from India on August 21st. There will be no Tuesday daily Mass or Thursday Eucharistic Adoration this week.

Keep Fr. Soja in your prayers for a safe return to St. Mary’s!

Second Collection: Next weekend, 8/23-8/24, we will participate in a \$25 on the 25th donation with a second collection to help us reach our goal for the 2025 Bishop’s Appeal. We have until the end of September to meet our goal. Thank you for your generosity!

Thank You

Church Cleaning: We offer a sincere thank you to Sue Mills for cleaning the church during the month of August. We appreciate all you do!

Outdoor Volunteers: We offer a special thank you to MaryKay Williams, Karen Podnar and Debbie Gibson for maintaining the beautiful flowers and landscaping outside the church and to Mark Kramer, Jerry Divine, Al Williams, Kathy Fabry and Dan and Kathy Jazinski for keeping the grass mowed and trimmed! Your efforts are greatly appreciated!!!

ST MARY’S WELCOMES YOU TO
THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Raising Vocations Collection 2025: Our Young People Need Your Support! We are seeing Jesus enter the lives of so many young men and women on their faith journey. Have you made your gift to help our young people? So far this year, our parish has raised \$150.00 towards the Raising Vocations Collection. Let us see if we can increase our support of this important part of the mission of the Diocese of Green Bay. Let’s help our young people say “yes” to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

Make your gift today by mailing in your pledge card, visit www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give or call Tammy Danz at 920-272-8123. Thank you for your prayers and support!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Mary’s Conference: Please consider becoming a Vincentian and serve families, individuals, the working poor, elderly, veterans, the sick and the unemployed in our parish area. Our Mission is to follow Christ through service to those in need and be witnesses to his compassion and love. We assist hundreds of people each year through prayer, financial assistance and food. As a Vincentian, you have the opportunity to sort and price donations at the Thrift Store, meet with neighbors to provide their daily, emotional or spiritual needs, or help with food drives at the Food Pantry. If you would like to help us make a difference or have questions, please contact Cindy @ 715-528-5296.

Volunteers Needed: We are in **urgent** need of lectors especially for Saturday evening mass and substitute sacristans. Training will be provided. We also need someone to drive to Niagara on Wednesdays between 10:00-4:00 to drop off bookkeeping work as needed. Please contact the Parish office if you can help out. Thank You!

St. Mary’s has raised \$7,630.00

towards our goal of \$9,274.00.

There are pledge cards available.
Thank you for your support!



Dear Friends, God wants no human being lost eternally. He detests sin, but he still loves the sinner. He is always ready to grant a full pardon for each sin a person commits, if only the sinner has the humility to repent and trust in God’s mercy.



Today we are to pray that peace between fellowmen will soon be restored. Christ foresaw that this concord would be broken because of his very gospel of peace. First and foremost, we must pray for and do everything we can to help bring about a reunion between all Christians who are followers of Christ by their baptism. We are all followers of Christ. We are all on the road to heaven—if we really love God and if we really appreciate what the Son of God has done for us, we must want every one of his followers to be in heaven with him.

We are now the Chosen People of the New Covenant, but that New Covenant is for all. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, Greek or Barbarian in the Church of Christ. It is for all mankind, as St. Paul tells us. While respecting the beliefs of Jew and Muslim, which correspond with some of those we ourselves hold, let us pray fervently that God will give them the grace to recognize Jesus as the Person he was, the Son of God in human nature, who came on earth to make us fit for heaven. God speed the day, when not only all Christians will be one, but when our Jewish and Muslim fellowmen will also be with us, thanking Christ for all that he has done for us. That day may still be a long way off, but every step I take towards bringing it about, is bringing me a step nearer to heaven and making me dearer to God.

~ Fr. Soja

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