

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - ST MARY

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Live the Gospel! Whatever it takes.

*If you are interested in joining our parish, becoming Catholic, marriage prep, baptism prep, confirmation, funerals, returning to the Church, spiritual direction, information on grief support, would like communion brought to you, inquiring about an annulment or have other concerns, contact Father Albert 920-604-1260.

*Questions regarding religious education and registration can be addressed to Carolyn Lemanski 715-528-3008

*Call St. Vincent de Paul Conference for assistance with basic needs: 715-528-2030

*To schedule a Mass intention, volunteer for a parish ministry, rent the parish hall, request a prayer shawl or request prayers, call the parish office. 715-528-3310

Parish Office is open: Monday– Thursday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fr. Albert's Office hours: Tues. & Fri 9-12 noon

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.
 Thursday - 4:30 p.m. 1st Thurs. Holy Hour with
Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and Benediction
 Other Thurs. – Reconciliation/private prayer
 Friday - 8:30 a.m.
 1st Fri. 10:00 a.m. Florence Health Services

Confession available 30 minutes before all Masses

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 16 - +Julie Meyers
 Friday, August 19 - + Janet Kelley
 Saturday, August 20 - + Cliff McLain
 Sunday, August 21 - For the People

Ministry Schedule Aug. 20 & 21

Saturday

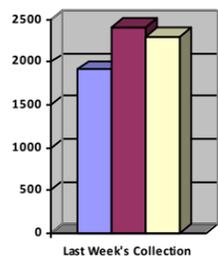
Sacristan - Francie Freeberg
 Eucharistic Minister - N/A
 Lector - Francie Freeberg
 Servers - open
 Ushers – Open - volunteers appreciated

Sunday

Sacristan - Jessica Frost
 Eucharistic Minister - Al Williams
 Lector - Al Williams
 Servers - open
 Ushers - Lead usher - Jay Glime

 Money counters - Jerry Divine & Dorothy Vayda

 Church/Office Cleaning - Trudy Rochon & Terry Koehn



Sat. General Collection	Loose...\$146.00	Envelope...\$586.00	Total...\$732.00
Sun. General Collection	Loose...\$356.00	Envelope...\$696.00	Total...\$1,052.00
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Knights of Columbus Steak Fry..... The Florence and Niagara Knights of Columbus' Council # 2847 will be sponsoring its annual steak fry on **Saturday September 10, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.,** at St. Anthony's Parish Hall in Niagara, WI The meal will consist of an 8 – 10 oz. tenderloin, baked potato, salad and desert. Beer, soda water and coffee will be available. Ticket prices are \$20.00 per person. Limited supply of meals available, so advance purchases of your ticket is preferred. Please contact Bob Burton at (715)251-4714 or Larry Neuens at (715)589-3379. Tickets *may* be available, at the door. We hope to see you there.

Fr. Albert will begin training Alter Servers! All are welcome to attend. He is planning the training for Saturday evening after Mass. Please contact Fr. Albert or the office if you or your child are interested.



Anyone thinning out their beautiful perennial summer flowers, especially Day Lilies and Irises? Our Landscaping committee would like to add perennials to the Hosta garden in front of the Parish Hall. If you have some to spare, please contact Mary Kay Williams or the parish office. Thanks for keeping us blooming!

Please join us before Eucharistic Adoration to **hear Fr. William O'Brien from the Diocese of Green Bay and the Curran Spirituality Center.** He will be here on Thursday, September 8th from 3:30 - 4:30pm to discuss New Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, you are the Lord of the call.

Your son Jesus told us to ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. We turn to you now and ask that you send forth your Holy Spirit to awaken the hearts of those whom you are calling to the priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Green Bay.

May they hear your call and respond with a profound "yes" just as Mary did when she was asked to become the mother of your son, Jesus. Keep these your sons and daughters always close to you in the Eucharist and protect them from all evil.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Food for Thought: "To make the sign of the cross is to pronounce a visible and public yes to Him who died for us and who is risen, to the God who in the humility and weakness of His love is omnipotent, stronger that all the power and intelligence of the world." ~Pope Benedict XVI



Food for Thought: "Mary's Assumption is a great mystery which concerns each one of us. She precedes us on the path walked upon by those who, through their baptism, have bound their life to Jesus, as she did. Because she received and lived the gospel, she is beside her son's throne for eternity." ~Pope Francis

IV. The Liturgical Celebration of the Eucharist
 The Mass of all ages

CCC 1345 As early as the second century we have the witness of St. Justin Martyr for the basic lines of the order of the Eucharistic celebration. They have stayed the same until our own day for all the great liturgical families. St. Justin wrote to the pagan emperor Antoninus Pius (138-161) around the year 155, explaining what Christians did:

On the day we call the day of the sun, all who dwell in the city or country gather in the same place.

The memoirs of the apostles and the writings of the prophets are read, as much as time permits.

When the reader has finished, he who presides over those gathered admonishes and challenges them to imitate these beautiful things.

Then we all rise together and offer prayers for ourselves . . .and for all others, wherever they may be, so that we may be found righteous by our life and actions, and faithful to the commandments, so as to obtain eternal salvation.

When the prayers are concluded we exchange the kiss.

Then someone brings bread and a cup of water and wine mixed together to him who presides over the brethren.

He takes them and offers praise and glory to the Father of the universe, through the name of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and for a considerable time he gives thanks (in Greek: eucharistian) that we have been judged worthy of these gifts.

When he has concluded the prayers and thanksgivings, all present give voice to an acclamation by saying: 'Amen.'

When he who presides has given thanks and the people have responded, those whom we call deacons give to those present the "eucharist" bread, wine and water and take them to those who are absent.

~Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)



Thursday, September 1st at 4:30 pm
 Please join us for our **Holy Hour**, which includes *Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and Reconciliation*. This will be offered the first Thursday of each month. **The following Thursdays we offer confession and silent prayer.**