

*In gratitude to you, all Masses are celebrated for the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary. Five special remembrances may be mentioned at any Liturgy.*



**Monday, August 30**

7:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**Tuesday, August 31**

7:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**Wednesday, September 1**

7:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**6:30 p.m. Kathryn Duggan**

**Thursday, September 2**

7:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Christian Ladies**

**Friday, September 3, St. Gregory the Great**

7:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

8:30 a.m. School Mass at St. Francis

**Saturday, September 4, Vigil Mass**

3:15-3:45 p.m. Confessions at St. Francis

4:00 p.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**3:30-4:15 p.m. Confessions at St. Mary**

**4:30 p.m. Frank, Lucille and Robert Forsythe & Jack Reynolds**

**Sunday, September 5, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00 a.m. Joseph J. Vande Walle**

9:00 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

**10:00 a.m. \*Eunice Smits**

**Beth Roels**

11:00 a.m. Mass celebrated at St. Francis

\*Indicates Gift Bearers: Please notify the ushers if you do not wish to bring the gifts to the Altar.

The Nursery is closed for the summer, reopening after Labor Day.

**Bishop's Appeal Update**

Assessments for 2008/ 2009/2010	\$107,744.00
Received as of 7/20/10	\$ 46,396.44
Total amount due	\$ 61,347.56

The Bishop's Appeal 2010 is coming to an end please consider donating on behalf of St. Mary. Every donation big or small is appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

**Advertiser of the Week**

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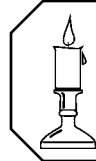
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*The Sanctuary Candle will burn August 30th - September 12th for Arthur and Erma Geurts at the request of their family.*

**Heart's Yearning Retreat**

Join Joan Bartman and Fr. Jim Feely on Sept. 7-9 at the Holy Name Retreat House on Chambers Island. The retreat presents portions of the book *The Secret of Bees* as a means to reflect upon our own yearnings for deepening our healing of our relationships with our mothers and other mother figures in our lives. Our prayer will focus on the love, courage and healing that comes from God through the intercession of the mother of Jesus and our Blessed Mother, Mary. If interested call the Holy Name Retreat House at 877-500-3580 ext 8296.

**Joint St. Francis/St. Mary Meetings**

Tuesday, September 7th starting at 6:00 p.m. for both St. Mary and St. Francis in the St. Francis Activity Center



- 6:00 p.m. Finance Council
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Council
- Stewardship Committee
- Parish Council
- 8:00 p.m. Parish Council

The 7:00 p.m. meeting will begin with a short social and presentation by Richard DuBois - Legacy of Faith, Sustaining our Catholic Churches. Please call your Parish Office if you are unable to attend. We look forward to the beginning of a new year.

**De Pere Food Pantry**

If you have a garden and extra produce please consider donating to the De Pere Food Pantry. The pantry is located in St. Anne's Church on the corner of Libal and Chicago. Produce can be dropped off Monday - Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and placed in the basket marked 'produce' in the narthex or given to the church secretary. The pantry operates on Wednesday, so before 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday is a great time to drop items off.

No Appointment Necessary  
Our spiritual encounters do not have to be appointments we make with God... Our spirituality should saturate every task we do.

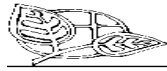


FROM ALL THAT GOD HAS GIVEN US, WE RETURN OUR OFFERING FOR GOD'S WORK.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

**...of prayer:** "I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord. You are good and forgiving, full of love for all who call to you."  
*Psalm 85:3, 5*

**...of service:** Thank you Jen Budde for organizing and hosting the farewell social at St. Mary and St. Francis for Fr. Joel. It was wonderful for everyone to have the opportunity to wish Fr. Joel well on his new assignment.

**...of offering:** For the weekend of August 21st & 22nd: Envelopes - \$9,456; Offertory collection - \$642.01; Maintenance - \$15.  
(We accept MASTERCARD - VISA or Auto Bank Withdrawal)



The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

**Humility**

Today Jesus teaches us how to come to his heavenly wedding feast, not by crowding forward but by seeking a place after everyone else. Humility, the confidence to be oneself, is a lifetime's work. This strategy, if used, allows all to find their best place before God. Jesus himself did this at the Last Supper, doing the slave's job of washing the apostles' feet. "The heart of a sensible person will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream." Are we, are you, listening to the Lord today?

**GRACE**

**School begins....** Wednesday September 1, 2010 and it's not too late to consider a Catholic education for your children. The beauty of a Catholic school education is the way children experience the Catholic faith throughout their entire school experience, in the classroom, on the playground, and all extra curricular activities. Children can experience Catholic school education from PreK to grade 8 in the GRACE System. Families are encouraged to go to the GRACE web-site ([www.gracesystem.org](http://www.gracesystem.org)) and click on individual schools to learn more about the many opportunities available. Please feel free to contact President Carol Conway-Gerhardt with questions/suggestions ([cconwaygerhardt@gbdioc.org](mailto:cconwaygerhardt@gbdioc.org)) or 499-7330. You may also call Notre Dame School of De Pere at 337-1003.



**Relevant Radio**

**10th Anniversary Celebration!**

Tuesday, August 31, 2010, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Proclaiming the Truth one decade at a time!

**Leadership Convocation 2010: Spirituality**

All "pilgrims on the journey" are invited to join parish leadership in attending the Diocesan Leadership Convocation November 2, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. The day will begin with prayer lead by Bishop Robert F. Morneau and include keynote addresses by popular author and spiritual guide Sr. Joyce Rupp OSM and singer-storyteller ValLimar Jansen. For more information call Mary Ann Otto at 272-8301.

**Altar Rosary Society**

The St. Francis Altar Rosary Society will meet in the **Fr. Dolski Center Friday, Sept. 3**, following the 7:30 a.m. Liturgy. Ladies from St. Francis and St. Mary parishes are welcome to attend. There will be a short business meeting and social of coffee and rolls. The ARS is asking everyone to save receipts from Austins for a rebate program. Receipts can be deposited in the box located on the Scrip table in the Gathering Area.

**40 Days for Life**

The 40 Days for LIFE vigil is sweeping the nation! Let's join together in prayer and fasting to build a culture of life! Contact Jen Budde from St. Mary 337-6614 or [jamjanbudde@att.net](mailto:jamjanbudde@att.net) or Marie Challe from St. Francis 336-4442 or [mchall@itol.com](mailto:mchall@itol.com).

**Readings for the week of August 29, 2010**

- Monday: 1Corinthians 2:1-5/Luke 4:16-30
- Tuesday: 1Corinthians 2:10b-16/Luke 4:31-37
- Wednesday: 1Corinthians 3:1-9/Luke 4:38-44
- Thursday: 1Corinthians 3:18-23/Luke 5:1-11
- Friday: 1Corinthians 4:1-5/Luke 5:33-39
- Saturday: 1Corinthians 4:6b-15/Luke 6:1-5
- Sunday: Wisdom 9:13-18b/Philemon 9, 10, 12-17 /Luke 14:25-33

**Religious Formation 2010**

**Registration for the Religious Formation program** for all grades, preschool - Confirmation, is to be completed online at [stfrancisdepere.org](http://stfrancisdepere.org) or [stmarydepere.org](http://stmarydepere.org). Click on Religious Formation, then forms and calendar to register. Please register today.

**Teachers needed for all classes**

As we begin the 2010/11 RF school year, we are looking for teachers for all grades, preschool - Confirmation. As an added incentive, we offer a waiver for your children's fees plus **we pay you!** For more information call Mike Lotto at 337-2330 ext. 16 or e-mail Mike at [mloppo@stmarydepere.org](mailto:mloppo@stmarydepere.org).

**Confirmation** will be celebrated by Bishop David Ricken for St. Francis & St. Mary high school seniors on **Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Francis Church**. Confermandi and their sponsors should be at St. Francis Church by 4:00 p.m.

**Religious Special Education**

Nativity of Our Lord Parish is offering a religious education, sacramental preparation and adult faith sharing program to people with a cognitive disability. Classes meet 12 Saturday mornings a year. If you would like to register for the 2010/11 class year, please contact the program administrator, Susan Shefka Peeters at 265-5210.

**Spirituality in Retirement Forum**

SPIRET is a network of people of all faiths entering their "wisdom years" who are interested in spirituality. The forum offers opportunity for further learning, dialogue and personal development in a spirit of mutual understanding and respect. The Spirit Forum meets weekly **Sept. 2nd - Oct. 28th at St. Anne's Episcopal Church, De Pere**. If you are interested, registration forms/program list are on the communication table in the Gathering Area or call Joanne at 336-6044 or Zeta at 336-8934.

**Rediscovering Catholicism**

Do you have or know someone who has questions about the church? Join a weekly round table discussion based on the Matthew Kelly's book *Rediscovering Catholicism* **Thursdays, after 8 a.m. Mass at Resurrection Parish** with Bishop Robert Morneau.

**Cover to Cover: Adult Book Presentation**

Join a presentation on **Tuesday, September 14th, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**, by St. Marlene Weber, FSPA, on the book *The Gift of Years* by Joan Chittister. The book deals with our older years, the capstone years, and about growing older with grace. Suggested offering \$5. For information call the Monte Alverno Retreat center. (1000 North Ballard Rd., Appleton 733-8526)

August 28, 2010

Dear St. Francis and St. Mary,

Thank you, thank you, thank you. Our time together has come to an end so quickly; it almost feels like it was a dream. We have walked together only a short time but we have covered many miles. Thank you for welcoming me into your lives, opening your homes to me, and even more deeply, opening your hearts to me. Through you I have caught many glimpses of Christ. As our roads now take us in different directions, I bring a little piece of you with me. Sometimes leaving a piece of ourselves behind can be painful. Italians have an expression, Partire e' come morire -- Goodbying is like Dying. How fortunate we are that death always leads to Resurrection and new life! The wounds caused by love are the deepest of all, but also make us more like Jesus. Stay close to Jesus. Talk to him about everything. Pray often, and read scripture, and learn about the faith. Pope Benedict reminds us, "God is the custodian of our freedom, of love and of truth. This eye that looks down is not an evil eye watching over us, but the presence of a love that never abandons us." Or as one young woman said, "The more I know about the faith, the more beautiful it is. And the more I live my faith, the more beautiful my life becomes." My prayer is that you can continue to grow and flourish even more without me.



There are a number of thank-you's that need to be said. First of all, thanks to Fr. Jack for the great experience here. You've shared your ministry with me and I am a better priest because of it. Thanks to the entire parish staff who put up with me when I was cranky, cheered me up when I was down, and endured me being in charge while Fr. Jack was on sabbatical. You are wonderful people. Thank you to Jeff Kaftan, the teachers and all the Notre Dame School families. The school was the source of my greatest headaches but was also the cause of my greatest joys. Thanks for sticking with us through thick and thin; may God reward you with a wonderful, peaceful year and a school that continues to reflect the light of Christ more brightly. Thanks to the daily Mass attendees who were always a rock to me and helped me start the day off right. Thanks to Jen Budde for putting on two great receptions for my last Masses. Thanks to each of you who prayed and sang and cried and laughed along with me; you have touched me more than I realize. Continue to trust in Mother Mary and ask her for help; she will lead you to Jesus.

Through the gift of the Communion of Saints we are never truly parted from each other. We can continue to pray for each other, encourage one another, and support one another. I will need your prayers as I begin to learn what it means to be a Pastor. Pray for my people at St. Holy Trinity, Oconto, St. Anthony, Oconto Falls and St. Patrick, Stiles that they can be patient with me and encourage me as much as you have. Jesus gave us the Eucharist so that he could always be with us. The Eucharist was Jesus' way of never having to say goodbye. All who receive it become One Body, not only with the living, but even with the dead. So I won't say Goodbye. Instead I say, "See you in the Eucharist."

Love,

Fr. Joel  
<http://brotherpriests.com>