

ST. JOSEPH

PARISH

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*To grow in the love and knowledge of Christ
through worship, education and service to others.*

~ Parish Mission Statement

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9 am - 4 pm

Friday: 9 am - 2 pm

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Renee Roycraft

MASS SCHEDULE

Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 8:15 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 & 10:00 am

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

PRE-SCHOOL OFFICE

305 E. Walnut

Phone: 608-930-3392 x4

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Principal: Sharon Wimer

ST. JOSEPH DAY CARE

310 S. Ellwood

Phone: 608-930-3392 x6

Director: Peggy O'Flaherty

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(confessions)

Saturday: 4:15 pm or other times by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Children:

Parishioners seeking to have a child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office for information about Baptismal Preparation and scheduling. Baptisms will be held after the 5 pm mass on Saturday and the 10:00 am mass on Sunday, or during any Mass.

Adults:

Adults seeking full membership in the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are welcome to contact the Parish Office for information on the RCIA program.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

(Marriage)

Parishioners preparing for marriage should contact the priest at least ten months in advance of celebrating the sacrament.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

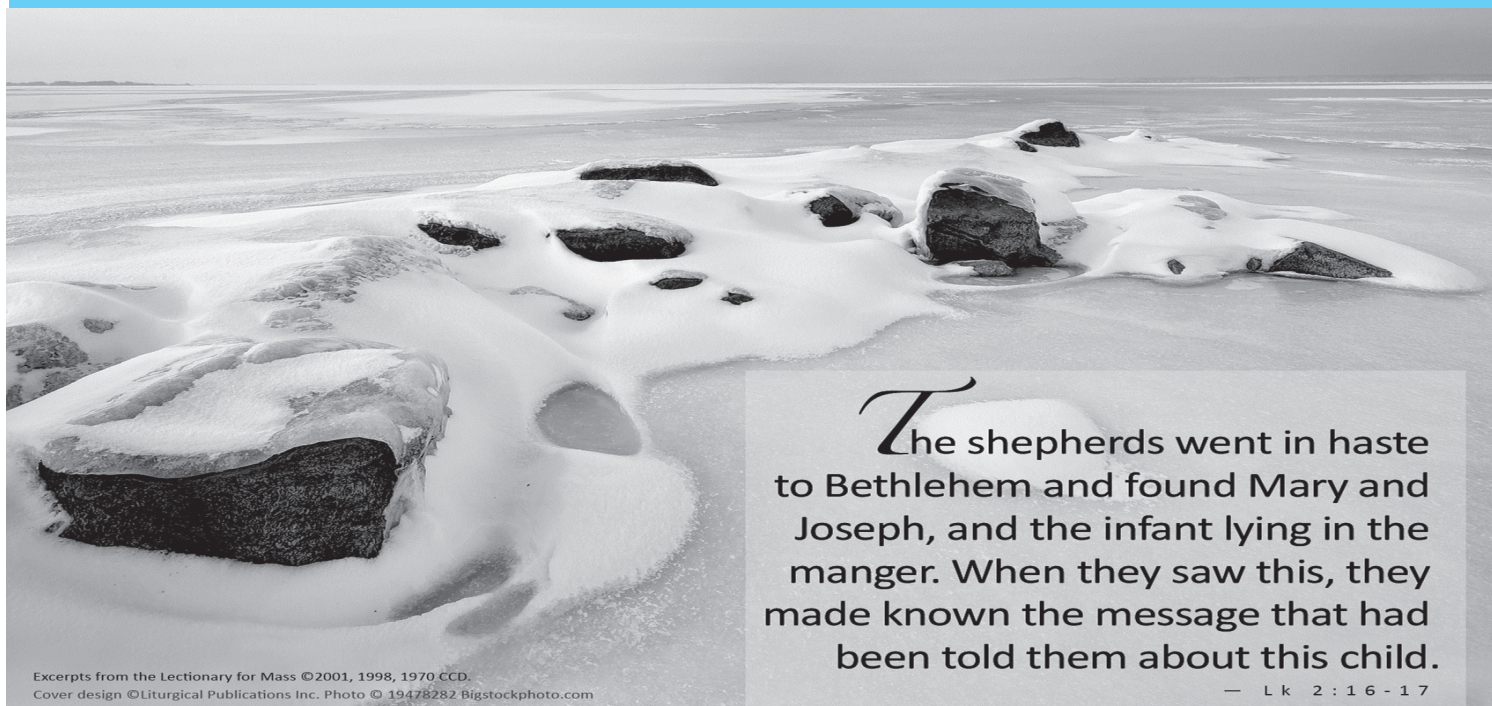
Written announcements for the bulletin are to be submitted to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday of each week.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All Catholic adults 21 years or older, who regularly participate in the liturgy at St. Joseph should consider becoming registered members. We would be happy to have you join our parish family. To register and for more information call the Parish Office (930-3392).

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Please consider the needs of our parish and school. The Corporate title is: St. Joseph Congregation Dodgeville, WI



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January 1, 2012 ·
OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS: MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

From Father Pat

Temptation and Perseverance

Is God then so ignorant of things, so unacquainted with the human heart that he has to find out about a man by testing him? Of course not. It is in order that a person may find out about himself ... People are not as well known to themselves as they are to their Creator, nor do the sick know themselves as well as the doctor does. A man is sick; he is suffering, the doctor isn't suffering, and the patient is waiting to hear what he is suffering from from the one who isn't suffering. That is why a man cries out in a psalm, *From my hidden sins cleanse me, O Lord* (Ps 19: 12). There are things in a person which are hidden from the person in whom they are. And they won't come out, or be opened up, or discovered, except through tests and trials and temptations. If God stops testing, it means the master is stopping teaching. God tempts or tests in order to teach, the devil tests or tempts in order to mislead. But unless the one being tempted gives him a chance, his temptations can be driven off as unsubstantial and ridiculous. That is why the Apostle says, *Do not give the devil a chance* (Eph 4: 27). People give the devil a chance with their lusts and longings. Now it is true that people cannot see the devil they are fighting with, but they have a very easy remedy for that; let them conquer themselves within, and they will triumph over him without. Why am I saying this? Because you do not know yourself unless you learn yourself through trial, temptation and testing. When you have learned yourself, don't be heedless about yourself. At least, if you were heedless about yourself when hidden from you, don't be heedless about that self when it has become known to you.

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1 is the oldest celebration of Mary in the Catholic Church. The custom of honoring the Virgin on the first day of the New Year originates in the sixth century, when her celebration was tied to the octave day of Christmas, the eighth day after December 25. In doing so, ancient preachers would remind their congregations about the role that Mary played in the history of salvation. Jesus was born of a woman, and so, as Eucharistic Prayer 4 states, "Made incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, he shared our human nature in all things but sin." The human nature of Christ is rooted in his being born like us. As we round out the Christmas celebration with its Octave Day on January 1, we venerate the woman who gave birth to him.

There is a dual action in today's Gospel that is sometimes overlooked. The shepherds find the infant in the manger as has been told to them by the angel. And then they go out to tell others about the child. In the meantime, Mary reflects on all these things in her heart. These are the two complementary stances of the Christian: action and reflection. Both are needed for a balanced spiritual life. It is, in effect, putting into practice the two great commandments: love God and love your neighbor.

As we begin the New Year, it is customary to make resolutions: to diet, to exercise, to change something in one's life. Like Mary, who reflected on the events surrounding the birth of her child, we take some time to reflect on our own lives: where we have been, and where we are going. The Gospel gives us the opportunity to situate that reflection in a spiritual context. What does the birth of Jesus mean for me spiritually (reflection), and what do I intend to do about that in my daily life (action)?

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KC's Corner

Grand Knight: Jack Hughes
Telephone: 608-935-3227

Next KC Meeting at St. Joe's School
Thursday, January 12th at 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

There will be Eucharistic Adoration the first Thursday of every month 7 to 8 P.M. Mark your calendars.

Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus are again sponsoring the annual Free Throw Contest at St. Joseph's School gym for all boys and girls age 10-14 on Saturday, January 7th. Registration and the competition will start at 8:00 am. Register at the school office or on the day of the competition. Trophies to be awarded.

To Do List From God

I ran my life in search of worldly things;
My time and will were firmly in control.
I thought I had no need for what God brings;
I gave no heed to murmurs from my soul.
"You're planning, doing all the time," it said,
"But something else is missing deep inside.
Your mind is whirling, but your heart is dead,
So turn to God and let go of your pride."
I did, and God said, "Here's My plan for you:
Give your life to Me, and just let go.
Have faith and pray, and read the Bible
through,
And you'll have blessings more than you can
know."
So simple, yet it brings me perfect peace,
Living life for God the way I should.
Direction, purpose, fullness and release—
Life with God is very, very good.
By Joanna Fuchs

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! Let the Lord's graces pour out on your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Jan. 27-29 in Brookfield, WI; Feb. 17-19 in Crystal Lake, IL; March 23-25 in Madison, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."
Martin Luther King JR.

Stewardship Corner

Collections for December 24 & 25, 2011

Adult Envelopes..... \$10,580.50
Offertory.....\$714.21

Collections for December 25 & 26, 2010

Adult Envelopes..... \$8,259.85
Offertory.....\$191.30

Thank you for your gifts!

MOTHER TERESA PRAYER GROUP

If you have a request for prayers, either for yourself or for someone else, whether it is because of illness or a special intention, please call Delores Brennan, 935-5925 or Betty Dolan, 935-5219.

St. Bridget's/Immaculate Conception

Mass Times-

Tues-4:00pm Mass & Adoration-SB

Wed 8:00am-IC Fri-8:00am-IC

Thurs-8:00am-SB

Sat 5:00pm-SB Sun 8:30am-IC 10:30am-SB

Confessions- Sun-8:00-8:20am, IC

Sat-4:20-4:45pm, SB or by appointment anytime

Natural Family Planning Class

Natural Family Planning Class at St. Mary's in Bloomington to be held Saturdays, Feb. 4, Mar. 3 and 31 from 10:00 am to Noon.

To register go to www.madisondiocese.org/nfp or contact Alison Hetue at 608-821-3134 or nfp@straphael.org.

Additional classes available in Madison.

Thank You

A most heartfelt thank you to all those who participated in the Iowa County Community Christmas dinner held at Culver's on Christmas Day. We sincerely appreciate the effort made by those who baked, served food, or delivered food on Christmas. It was another successful and appreciated holiday meal for many.

Calendar Raffle Tickets

Sold to Date \$18,430.00
Break Even Point \$8,250.00



Friday, January 13th
5:00 to 7:30 pm
(5-8:00pm-carryouts)
School Gym

What's Happening This Week

Wednesday, January 4th

9:00–10:00am Eucharistic Adoration
(Divine Mercy)
School of Religion– Classes 1-11

Sanctuary Lamp January 8th - January 14th
In Memory of Sue Schultz



Care Ministry Update

We are looking to revamp our Care Ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please call Father Pat, at 930-3392 ext. 3.

Scrip Sellers Jan 7th & Jan 8th

5:00 pm Marie Fralick
8:00 am Eileen Frank
10:00 am Sarah Stoughton

Scripture Verse

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child.
Lk 2:16-17

Weekly Readings



Readings for the Week of January 1, 2012

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/
Lk 2:16-21
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29–3:6/Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11
or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34,
36, 38
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/
Mt 2:1-12

Mass Intentions



Saturday, December 31st

5:00 pm Mass
Father Kalscheuer

Sunday, January 1st

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
For the People † Anna Brokish

Monday, January 2nd

No Mass

Tuesday, January 3rd

8:15 am Mass
John & Marian Raess

Wednesday, January 4th

8:15 am Mass
Graber & Holmes Families

Thursday, January 5th 29th

8:15 am Mass
† Dec. Mem. of Carl & Mary Rock Family

Friday, January 6th

8:15 am Mass
Fred & Mary Dochnahl

Saturday, January 7th

5:00 pm Mass
Father Kalscheuer

Sunday, January 8th

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
For the People † Stephanie Ott

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, January 7th — 5:00 pm

Music To be Determined
Readers Marie Fralick and Dave Westhoff
Servers Noah Lawinger and Tanner Bockhop
Eucharistic Ministers Jack & Mary Hughes,
Karen Dederich
Ushers Bill Howe, Don Meuer,
Ray Pittz and Pat Esch

Greeters Jim & Mary Pluemer & family

Sunday, January 8th — 8:00 am

Music To be Determined
Readers Ed Bures and Harry Hying
Servers Odessa Meuer and Jackie Frank
Eucharistic Ministers Lowell & Alice Terrill,
Brenda Cummins
Ushers Dick Conway, Dave Gollon,
Phil Brown, Scott Johnsrud
Greeters Terry & Betty Tredinnick

10:00 am

Music To be Determined
Readers Terese Olson and Kennedy Stumpf
Servers Maddie Rundle and Megan Raess
Eucharistic Ministers John Aschliman, Nancy Smith,
Steve Freeze
Ushers Michael Blotz, Bill Helin,
Ryan Lipska and Mike Reilly
Greeters Kurt & Kate Riemenapp and family