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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 26, 2023

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I am happy to announce that you can now request Mass intentions online for all the Masses in our Pastorate. This is a convenient and easy way to have a Mass offered for your loved ones, living or deceased, or for any special intention that you may have.

When a priest celebrates Mass, he has at least two intentions. The first intention is to celebrate the Mass according to what the Church does. The second is to apply the grace of that Mass towards a specific need, whether it be a person(s), living or dead, baptized or not, or a special need.

The practice of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originates in the very early Church. Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century evidence this practice. The Church Fathers, such as St. Augustine and St. Ambrose, also attested to this tradition and urged the faithful to pray for the souls of the departed. The Church teaches that the souls of the faithful departed, who have not been purified from their sins in this life, undergo a process of purification in purgatory, where they are assisted by the prayers and sacrifices of the living. Offering Mass for the dead is one of the most powerful ways to help them.

You can request Mass intentions online by visiting our Pastorate website and clicking on the link "Request Mass Intentions". There you will find a calendar where you can choose the date and time of the Mass and the intention for whom you want the Mass offered.

The offering for a Mass intention is a voluntary donation that helps support the priest and the Church. The suggested amount is \$10. You can pay online using your credit card. Please note that the intention will still need to be approved by a member of our staff before it is confirmed.

You can request Mass intentions for any of the Masses celebrated in our Pastorate, including the ones offered at the nursing homes. All of the Masses are listed in the general calendar on our website, where you can also see the intentions that have already been booked.

I am also pleased to inform you that Fr. Jared Hood, a former pastor of Divine Mercy will be in the Sauk area for a very brief visit and will celebrate the 8:15 AM Mass at St. Aloysius on November 29th. There will be an informal reception after Mass so that people can greet him and thank him for his ministry. I hope you can join us for this special occasion and welcome Fr. Hood to our Pastorate.

May God bless you and your families,
Fr. Miguel

Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal

A **BIG THANK YOU** to many community members who helped at the Thanksgiving Dinner, and all the generous food donations by the area businesses.

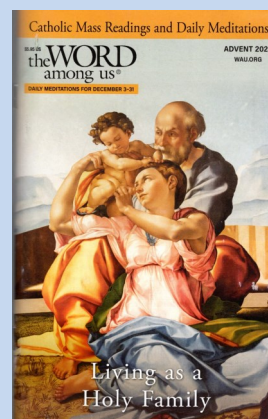
Special thanks to **Mitch & Sandy Maier and their family** for their big heart and dedication to make others happy. May God and the Virgin Mary bless you!!!



CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

Anyone wishing to make a donation in memory or honor of someone would be greatly appreciated. Please, place an envelope in the offertory basket or contact the Parish Office.

608 643 2449



FREE COPIES

Please take a free Word Among Us book available in both lobbies to help in your Advent preparations. These books include the daily Mass readings and prayers which you can follow daily at home. Also included are daily meditations and articles helping us to joyfully experience God's mercy and love during Advent.



**St. Aloysius
Mass Intentions**

Monday, November 27

- ◆ 7:00 AM † Margaret Fuchs
(Anita Clemens)
- ◆ 8:15 AM † Mike & Catherine Weiss (Family)

Tuesday, November 28

- ◆ 7:00 AM † Donald “Connie” Breunig
(Mary Coenen)
- ◆ 8:15 AM † Sr. Lorene Haas
(Anita Clemens)

Wednesday, November 29

- ◆ 7:00 AM † Harlan Klepper
(Family)
- ◆ 8:15 AM Special Intention for Vonnie Clemens
(Amanda Krejchik)

Thursday, November 30

- ◆ 7:00 AM Special intention for Ryan & Sarah Schmidt
(Ron & Peggy Kruchten Family)
- ◆ 8:15 AM † LaVern Welsch
(Family)

Friday, December 1

- ◆ 7:00 AM † Margaret Fuchs
(Nick & Kay Ringelstetter)
- ◆ 8:15 AM † Stanley Marx
(Barb Breunig)

Saturday, December 2

- ◆ 8:00 AM † Patrick Zaffino (Joe Zaffino & Family)
- ◆ 4:30 PM † Marie Zajicek (Family)

Sunday, December 3

- ◆ 8:00 AM † Lester Breunig (Bob & Cathy Niessen)
- ◆ 10:30 AM † Linda Cole (Family)
- ◆ 12:30 (Español) Por los miembros vivos y difuntos de la Parroquia

**Nursing Homes
Mass Intentions**

Maplewood Nursing Home

Friday, December 1

- ◆ 10:00 AM † Rex & Bette Boss

**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEWS**



Wednesday, November 29th

Our Community Night is going to be at St. Al's, November 29th starting at 5:30pm with a meal sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. We are going to be covering the Advent Season.

ST. AL SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THURSDAY

DECEMBER 7TH

6:30PM



CONFESSIONS

at St. Aloysius

Monday - Friday	6:30 AM - 8 AM
Wednesday	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Saturday	7 AM - 7:50 AM
Saturday	3:30 PM - 4:20 PM
Sunday	7 AM - 7:50 AM
Sunday	9:30 AM - 10:20 AM
Sunday	12 PM - 1:30 PM



Or by appointment.

Call the Parish Office at 608 643 2449

**DIVINE MERCY PARISH
WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

As of November 12, 2023
Collections.....\$ 7,959.74
Needed for Budget.....\$ 9,326.92

Difference: (\$ 1,367.18)

Year to Date

Total Collections... \$ 179,837.87
Needed for Budget..\$ 186,538.40

Difference: (\$ 6,700.53)

If you would like to give electronically please contact Margaret at 643-2449 or go to divinemercyparish.org/giving



COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

You are all invited to join Fr. Pedro and fellow parishioners for coffee and doughnuts after Mass this Sunday, November 26th. Enjoy a cup of coffee and a treat while visiting with friends, old and new! All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE IN JANUARY 2024 AND BEYOND

Because of your generosity, we have reserved all the remaining Masses in 2023 and are now reserving Mass intentions for 2024. If you have deceased loved ones or a special intention please consider offering a Mass for them. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the most efficacious prayer that we can offer for our living and deceased loved ones since it is the Holy Sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. To reserve a Mass in January, 2024 and beyond, contact Mardell Krejchik, at 608-742-3364 or calcab89@yahoo.com or simply put your request in the collection basket at the next Mass. Please include your telephone number in case there are questions. Thank you so much for your continued support by offering Mass intentions. God Bless.

St. Mary Health of the Sick Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 25

- ◆ 4:30 PM Special Intention for Cindy Breunig Family (Dennis and Jeanne Breunig)

Sunday, November 26

- ◆ 9:30 AM Special Intention for Genevieve Krejchik (John and Mardell Krejchik)

Tuesday, November 28 Durward's Glen

- ◆ 8:00 AM Special Intention for Jon (Mark and Sue Barry)

Saturday, December 2

- ◆ 4:30 PM Special Intention for Mark Breunig Family (Dennis and Jeanne Breunig)

Sunday, December 3

- ◆ 9:30 AM † Marie Anna Genevieve (Dennis and Jeanne Breunig)

Tuesday, December 5 Durward's Glen

- ◆ 8:00 AM † Steve Borota (Tim and Kathy Borota)

Thursday, December 7

- ◆ 7:00 PM † Lori Haack (Dennis and Jeanne Breunig)

Friday, December 8 Immaculate Conception

- ◆ 8:30 AM † Sharon Borota (Tim and Kathy Borota)



COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

Saturday, November 25

3:30-4:15 PM Confessions
4:30 P.M. Mass

Sunday, November 26

9:15-9:30 AM. Confessions
9:30 AM Mass

St. Mary's Prayer Chain
(608) 493-2337

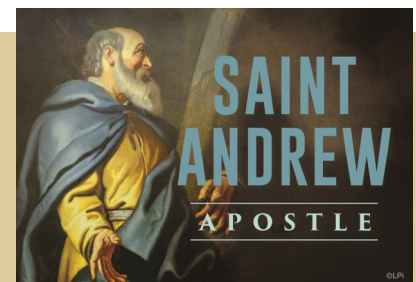
COMING UP AT DURWARD'S GLEN TUESDAY, November 28, 2023

7:35 AM - Rosary
8:00 AM - Mass
8:30 AM - Faith Discussion
9:00 AM - Refreshments



MASS THIS WEEK AT DURWARD'S GLEN

Please join us this Tuesday, November 28th, for Mass at 8:00 A.M. Come at 7:30 for the Rosary and plan to stay afterwards for faith discussions with Father Pedro at 8:30 A.M. and refreshments at 9:00 A.M. The November 28th Mass is being offered for a special intention for Jon by Mark and Sue Barry.



*O blessed Cross, clothed in the Majesty and beauty of the Lord's limbs!
Take me, carry me, far from men and restore me to my teacher, so that, through you, the one who redeemed me by you, may receive me.
Hail, o Cross, yes, hail indeed!
St. Andrew, Apostle*



St. Norberts Mass Intentions

Monday November 27th

◆ 8:00 AM Andrew Forsythe

Tuesday November 28th

◆ 8:00 AM † Earl Schoepp
(Neal and Ellen Schoepp)

Wednesday November 29th

◆ 8:00 AM Michael Forsythe

Thursday November 30th

◆ 8:00 AM † Shirley Swenson

Friday December 1st

◆ 8:00 AM † Linda Schoepp
(Neal and Ellen Schoepp)

Saturday December 2nd

◆ 4:00 PM † David Kippley
◆ 8:00 PM Living and Deceased of the St. Norbert Parish Family

Sunday December 3rd

◆ 8:00 AM Living and Deceased of the Roland Mack Family



Liturgical

SCHEDULE

SACRISTANS

Sat. Nov. 25	4:00pm	Cora Brickl
Sun. Nov. 26	8:00am	Volunteer needed
Sat. Dec. 2	4:00pm	Volunteer needed
Sun. Dec. 3	8:00am	Volunteer needed

MASS SERVERS

Sat. Nov. 25	4:00pm	Landon Ambrose, Jack Brickl
	8:00pm	Noah Endres
Sun. Nov. 26	8:00am	Logan Schoepp
Sat. Dec. 2	4:00pm	Landon Ambrose
	8:00pm	Noah Endres
Sun. Dec. 3	8:00am	Matthew Schoepp

THANK YOU to everyone who donated non perishable food items or monetary donations to the local Food Pantry. A very special thank you to the Confirmation students and their teachers who helped deliver the donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



THE BABY Jesus Shower



St. Norbert's CCW invites everyone to participate in the celebration of Jesus' birth by donating items to our annual Baby Jesus Shower. You may place your donations in the blue bins by the choir loft or you may place them in the crib in the Church Hall. **Needs:** Newborn diapers, Diapers size 1, Pull Ups 2T/3T and 3T/4T, Diaper Bags, Girls clothes: size Newborn-24 month, Girls sleepers: size Newborn and 12-24 month, Boys clothes: size Newborn-9 months and 2T+, Boy sleepers: size 3-6 months and 2T+, and Baby wipes. **Wants:** Boppy pillows/covers, Backpack style diaper bag, Baby bottles, Baby washcloths/hooded towels, Onesies, Baby wash/shampoo, Bibs, Sippy cups, Nuks/pacifiers, Little stuffed animals, Board books, Rattles, Teethers, Infant toys and Diapers size 2-6. You can also use their Amazon Link <https://a.co/fZQXhYc>. Monetary donations are also accepted. All donations will be taken to the Women's Care Center in Madison.

2024 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The 2024 Religious Art Calendars are available at all bulletin stations. A very special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the calendars.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Anyone who would like to donate a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a loved one is asked to contact Michelle at 608-393-6012 or Ashley at 608-669-8188. Or you may place your printed request and donation in an envelope marked "flower donation" with your name, the name of your loved one, and your phone number and place it in the collection by **December 17**. A \$20 donation is greatly appreciated.



2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL WRAP-UP INFO.

This information indicates participation and performance information as well as how the funds collected will be used to meet our spiritual and material needs. Thank you to all who participated in this important part of parish and diocesan life!

Parish Prayer Intention Book

As part of the Go Make Disciples initiative, members of St. Norbert's parish group have provided a Parish Prayer Intention Book. This book will reside in the back of the church. Please feel welcome to write down your own intentions; as general or detailed as you'd like. Also take a moment to page through the book and pray for other parishioners' intentions, maybe before or after Mass, or during Adoration. We can all benefit from more prayer in our lives and more care for each other. Please reach out to any member of the Go Make Disciples group with questions.



Mass Intentions

If you would like to request a Mass, please place your request in the collection basket, labeled "Mass intentions" with your PRINTED request; phone number, email address or mailing address; and a \$10 stipend payable to St. Norbert. Or you may mail your request to the Parish attention Mass request. Or feel free to contact Juanita via email or by phone.



ST. NORBERT CHOIR REHEARSAL

Everyone is invited to the choir rehearsals. The next rehearsal will be on Monday, November 27 at 5:30pm. New members are



CONTACT US

- ◆ **Fr. James 608-644-6134:** Baptism, Hospitalizations and/or Shut Ins, Marriage Preparation, Parish Membership, Go Make Disciples
- ◆ **Marvin Breunig 608-643-6045:** Cemetery
- ◆ **Juanita Wipperfurth 608-643-8108:** Church Hall Rental, Mass Intentions, Parish Membership
- ◆ **Brad Walsh 608-212-2323:** Parish Council President
- ◆ **Ed Breunig 608-434-2996:** Finance Council President
- ◆ **Heidi Breunig 608-644-8484:** CCW President

BULLETIN INFORMATION OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin information is due on Mondays at 5:00pm to Juanita or Tuesdays at noon to Mari Paz at St. Aloysius. Please contact our Church Secretary, Juanita Wipperfurth.



2023 MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANIONS

Advent starts the weekend of December 2 and 3. We have the 2023 Magnificat Advent Companions available at all bulletin stations. Please take one home.



ST. BARNABAS

St. Barnabas Mass Intentions

Sunday November 26th

- ◆ 9:00 AM John Berkich (Rosemary Berkich)

Sunday December 3rd

- ◆ 9:00 AM Matt Ripp (Mary Ellen Ripp)



Food Pantry Needs

At this time of the year, if you are thinking of donating to the CHRISTIAN IN ACTION Food Pantry, listed below are some of our needs. Items may be left in the back of Holy Cross church in box provided for food Pantry: **5 # all purpose flour, Catsup, 4# sugar, Ramen noodles, Corned beef has, Canned stew, Macaroni, shampoo, Ritz, type of cracker, Hamburger helper.**

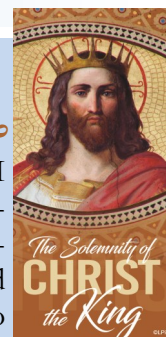
Thank you, Christians In Action Community Food Pantry.

THE KING COMES HOLDING A MIRROR

It's just one very short question:

Which Christs did I not recognize today?

The King always comes in disguise, and I know I miss him in so many ways every single day. I miss him in people ignored or dismissed. I miss him in opportunities avoided and in moments that could have turned into prayer but instead turned into phone-scrolling. I miss him when he is right in front of me, holding up a mirror and calling my name, begging for my conversion of heart. Jesus has gone in search of the lost. He has reclaimed those who have strayed, healed those who were injured, given rest to those who were weary. We can't be followers of Christ if we are not willing to own our sins. God's mercy does not dismiss our sins, as if they never existed and were not important. No, it does something far, far better — God's mercy absolves our sins. It sets us free from them. But to be truly free, you have to understand the tyranny of what once enslaved you.



You're Invited!

**Sunday
December 3
8am - Noon
ST. AL'S GYM**



**DONATION REQUEST
FOR SANTA BREAKFAST RAFFLE-**

Each year the St. Al's Home & School has a bucket raffle with generous donations from businesses and school families. Please contact Nick Muller if you would like to donate. Donations can be dropped off in the school office, Attn: Santa Raffle.

Some suggestions: Cash, gift cards, new toys and electronics are always the most popular. We've also had some extraordinary handmade crafts/art.

School families who have a business: we love receiving products or gift certificates to promote your business and we encourage including promotional materials/business cards to display on the raffle table. We appreciate donations of any amount and will bundle things into a package as needed.

Other: event/amusement tickets (sports, water-parks, theaters, etc.), support local businesses with a gift basket or gift cards from your favorite places.



Nick Muller,
nmuller1232@gmail.com,
608-317-2474



**DIOCESE OF MADISON
SACRED MUSIC AT THE ORATORY**

Sunday, December 3, 2023
Solemn Choral Vespers and Benediction
(Diocesan Schola)

Sunday, December 17, 2023
A Service of Lessons and Carols
Featuring music of Handel, Carter, Nestor, Vaughan Williams, and Victoria
(Diocesan Choir and Chamber Orchestra)

All events are at 4:00 PM
Holy Name Oratory
702 South High Point Road,
Madison, WI 53719



CHRIST AND THE SACRAMENTAL IMAGINATION

Father Scott Cunningham &
Bishop Donald J. Hying
**Sunday, December 3
6:30 - 8:00 PM**
Upper House, Madison



Bishop Donald J. Hying of the Catholic Diocese of Madison and Father Scott Cunningham of Christ Church Madison (Anglican) will share the stage at Upper House to present on Christ and the Sacramental Imagination. Addressing our human hunger for the transcendent and fascination with eternity—as well as the ways secular and sacramental views of the world profoundly differ—Fr. Cunningham and Bishop Hying will discuss how the Bible invites us to see Jesus, the Church, and all creation from the Anglican and Roman Catholic perspectives. Register (for free) at www.upperhouse.org/events. Upper House is at 365 East Campus Mall, Suite 200, Madison, WI. Paid parking garages are located nearby on N. Lake Street.

**SCHOENSTATT ADVENT
WOMEN'S EVENT
SATURDAY, DEC. 2, 2023
9:00-10:30AM**

**Four
FREE Gifts!**

Enjoy a peaceful morning of prayer and reflection
With speaker Aruna Halala
At Schoenstatt Heights (5901 Cottage Grove Rd. Madison)

Suggested donation \$10.
Payable at the door.

Peace
JOY
Hope
Love



**TREE LIGHTING CONCERT
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1• 6:30 PM
"THE MOTHER'S LOVE:
SONGS OF MARY"
Saint Cecilia Catholic Church,
Wisconsin Dells, WI**

An evening of soaring and angelic music of hope and joy, featuring the St. Cecilia Adult Choir, Chamber Brass & Organ. The concert will be preceded by the annual lighting of our tree!