

# St. Mary Parish Community

...since 1860

118 Church Street Algoma, WI 54201-1033

**Come Worship With Us!**

**March 8, 2009 - Second Sunday in Lent**



*After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15*

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*With our eyes fixed on the Risen Lord Jesus Christ  
Conformed to his image in Baptism and the Eucharist  
We grow together in our Gospel faith And our  
understanding of our rich Catholic tradition Building the  
Kingdom by living in gratitude Reaching out generously  
to all people in need.*

**Baptism • Marriage • Reconciliation • Sacrament of the Sick**

Call Fr. Bill at 920-487-5001 to make arrangements for these Sacraments at St. Mary or Holy Rosary Parish.

### **Pastor**

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### **Pastoral Minister**

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### **Administer of Catholic Education & Faith Formation**

Laura Krzysiak

### **Trustees**

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### **Prayer Chain**

Lois Blahnik.....(920) 487-5295  
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### **St. Mary School**

Laura Krzysiak, Principal  
Phone ..... (920) 487-5004  
Tina Nellis, Secretary

### **Parish Office**

In the School  
You are welcome from:  
8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Monday Thru Friday  
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### **Secretary/Bookkeeper**

Patty Kubetz  
pkubetz@stmarysalgoma.com

### **Chairpersons**

Pastoral Council

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### **Finance Council**

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### **Buildings & Grounds**

Dan Vertz.....487-2091

### **Cemetery Association**

Earl Krueger ..... 487-3861  
Larry Feuerstein .. 487-3956

### **Board of Education**

Marietta Kenzik ... 487-2048

### **Stewardship**

Mary Novak .....487-5776  
Linda Andre.....487-2542

### **Worship**

Margo Rouse .....487-2750

### **Gift Bearer**

Judie Blahnik.....487-3475

### **TV Mass**

Monday ..... 11:00 am  
Tuesday ..... 9:30 am  
Wednesday ..... 6:30 pm

## Liturgies For March 9 - 15, 2009

### Monday

Algoma 6:30 pm Evening Prayer  
Kewaunee No Liturgy

### Tuesday

Algoma 8:15 am † Edward & Mary Blaha  
Kewaunee 8:15 am Liturgy of the Word/Communion

### Wednesday

Kewaunee 8:15 am † Ellie Hrabik  
Algoma 8:15 am Liturgy of the Word/Communion  
Kewaunee 9:30 am Liturgy of the Word/Communion @ Silver Leaf  
Kewaunee 10:00 am † Ernestine Seeman Mass at Emerald Shores

### Thursday

Algoma 4:00 pm † Tom & Jeanne Ackerman  
Kewaunee 6:30 pm Evening Prayer

### Friday

Kewaunee 10:00 am † Mary May Mass at Kewaunee Care Center  
Algoma 10:00 am Liturgy of the Word/Communion @ Bayroad Place  
Algoma 10:15 am Mass at Algoma Long Term Care Center with Father Cotter  
Algoma 4:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
Kewaunee 4:00 pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday

Algoma 11:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Kewaunee 4:00 pm † Tyler Reinke, Wilbert, Joseph & Pauline Steinhorst  
Algoma 5:30 pm † Edwin Guilette

### Sunday

Algoma 8:15 am People of Our Parishes  
Kewaunee 10:15 am † Rose Wautelet

## Readings for March 8 - 15, 2009

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10  
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12  
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28  
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31  
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25



## St. Mary Parish Lights

Tabernacle: Nathan Donart  
Steeple: Nathan Donart  
Grotto: Nathan Donart

We have some openings for steeple, grotto and tabernacle lights. If you would like to have the light be in memory of or honor a loved one, please stop in the parish office.

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## Financial Update Summary

### Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly \$ 4,620.80 Budgeted YTD \$213,740.80  
Received \$ 6,318.00 Received \$189,619.18  
Overage/Deficit (\$1,697.20) Overage/Deficit (\$24,121.62)

### Loose Collection

Budgeted Weekly \$340.00 Budgeted YTD \$ 17,503.00  
Received \$266.26 Received \$ 14,978.31  
Overage/Deficit (\$73.74) Overage/Deficit (\$2,524.69)

Taking Care of Our Saint Mary Parish Financial Update  
We are still collecting for the Outdoor Projects that need to be completed. If you have not yet given to this project, please consider to do so.

Outdoor Projects \$10,000.00  
Collected as of 2/25/09 \$7,000.00  
Total amount needed \$ 3,000.00

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## Children's Corner

Here are just a few of the many offerings to God from the youth at St. Mary's.

This week my prayers of Special Intention were for: My mom, troops in Iraq, little girl who fell through ice, my family, Diane, She lost her leg when hit by a garbage truck in G.Bay, Mrs. Vandermeuse and Ms Lockwood

This is how I used my Time & Talent: Gave clothes to St. Vincent De Paul, Shoveled, Clean the house, I helped my mom with laundry, Pick up my toys, helped mom with my brothers  
Gifts from the youth envelopes: \$7.69

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## Happenings This Week:

### Monday, March 9, 2009

**St. Mary's Home & School Association Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., Rosary Room.

### Wednesday, March 11, 2009

#### Religious Education and Faith Formation

Grade School Faith Formation 3:45 pm –5:00 pm

High School Faith Formation 6:45 pm—8:00 pm

### Thursday, March 12, 2009

**Shanty Days Committee Meeting** - 6:00 p.m., cafeteria.

### Friday, March 13, 2009

**St. Mary Home & School Association Trout Boil** -4:30 - 7:00 pm. Cafeteria. Boiled Trout, Red Potatoes & Onions, Coleslaw, Rye Bread, Desserts & Beverage. Adults—\$8.00 Children—\$4.00, Fish & Chips—\$4.00. Helping Hands & Desserts Needed

**Way of the Cross** in church at 4:00 pm

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## Other News, Notices, Announcements, Messages and Happenings

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Fish & Chips—\$4.00

Sponsored by St. Mary Building & Grounds

Helping Hands & Desserts

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### Are you looking for Spiritual Growth Opportunities?

Monday, March 9 - Evening Prayer at 6:30 pm in church.

Tuesday, March 10 - Lunch for Body and Spirit with Father Bill. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy discussion & fellowship in the Rosary Society Room.

Thursday, March 12 Liturgy and Life in church at 2:30 pm. Study and prayer series on the Mass with Kathy Zeman.

Friday, March 13 Way of the Cross in church at 4:00pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is being held every Sunday afternoon during Lent from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at St. Hubert Church in Rosiere. All are welcome

**“Youth Masses”** In our ongoing attempt at building a broad - based faith community, the Religious Education Committees of the Lower Peninsula Catholic Community parishes have scheduled “Youth Masses” hosting as follows:

Brussels; March 29, 10:15 am

Lincoln; April 26, 10:30 am

All are invited!

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### Mark Your Calendars!

**March 17 - St. Mary Staff Soup Supper** - 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Come and enjoy!

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## **In Joy and Hope: JOURNEY TOGETHER ALONG THE LAKESHORE**

One of the beauties of our rich Catholic tradition is that there are many persons throughout this nation and throughout the world – who are either unbaptized or baptized into other Christian denominations – and who are sincere about joining the Catholic Church at Easter time. Recently, the former Prime Minister of Great Britain, Tony Blair, was received into the Catholic Church. It is rumored – and who knows how accurate rumors are – that former Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, and former President George W. Bush are possibly considering becoming Catholic.

In the Diocese of Green Bay last Sunday at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in DePere, Bishop David Ricken presided at the Rite of Election and Continuing Conversion. I would guess-timate that Bishop Ricken welcomed 50 or so unbaptized persons preparing for entrance into the Catholic Church as well as some 200 or so persons baptized in other Christian faiths. The Church in Green Bay – and throughout this nation and world – is growing!

Our prayer during these holy Lenten days should include all of those preparing to be received into the Catholic Church. We pray that their commitment to the Lord Jesus and His Church might continue to grow deeper and that their sharing of themselves with our communities might enrich the Body of Christ. Lent really has a strong baptismal theme because of these holy Rites of the Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Because we are preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (the Sacraments of Initiation) with great joy at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening, we abstain from the celebration of Baptism during Lent. You may have noticed that the baptismal fonts at the front of Church and at the entrances are bone-dry and covered with a purple cloth or ribbon.

For those of us who are baptized, we look forward to renewing our baptismal promises at Easter time and signing ourselves with the newly blessed Easter water. It would be good to reflect on the questions which accompany the Rite of Renewal of Baptismal Promises this Lent. I present them here for you, as well as some additional questions as posed by a Father Bill Reiser, SJ.

- Do you reject Satan and all his works and empty promises?
- Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God...?
- Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life...?
- Do you accept Jesus as your teacher, as the example whom you will always imitate and as the one in whom the mystery of God's love for the world has been fully revealed?
- Do you dedicate yourself to seeking the reign of God and God's justice, to praying daily, to meditating on the Gospels and to celebrating the Eucharist faithfully and devoutly?
- Do you accept responsibility for building community, for being a person of compassion and reconciliation, for being mindful of the poor and the oppressed, and for truly forgiving those who have offended you?
- Do you surrender your life to God as a disciple and companion of Jesus?
- Will you try to give thanks and praise to God by your words and actions, in times of prosperity as well as in moments of suffering?

Father Bill +