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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Please contact the parish center to arrange.
MARRIAGE: Preparation sessions with a pastoral staff member begin no later than six months prior to the wedding date.
MINISTRY TO THE SICK: The Sacrament of Healing & Strength is for persons who are seriously or chronically ill, or facing major surgery. Please ask Father after Mass if you are interested.
RCIA: If you are interested in becoming Catholic and the RCIA process, contact Faith Formation Director Dave Liccione at 414-573-9292.
RECONCILIATION: Wed. 12-1pm & 6-7pm & Sat.: 4-4:45pm

ADORATION CHAPEL: Open from 6am-12am. Please call the parish center for the key pad code.

St. Margaret Mary Parish is committed to developing and sustaining an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ and proclaiming the reign of God.

Weekday Masses:
Monday- Friday: 8:15am
Wednesday: 10am
(only during the school year) & 7:00pm

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9 & 11am & 7pm

December 23, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Advent





From A Grateful Heart

And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:
**“Glory to God in the highest,
 and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”** (Luke 2:13-14)

“But those with insight shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, And those who lead the many to justice shall shine like the stars forever.” (Daniel 12: 23)

“As the visions during the night continued, I saw coming with the clouds of heaven One like a son of man (*Christ*). When he reached the Ancient of Days (*God the Father*) and was presented before him, He received dominion, splendor, and kingship; all nations, peoples and tongues will serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, his kingship, one that shall not be destroyed.” (Daniel 7:13-14)

The Founder of The Salvatorian Religious Order, Fr. Francis Jordan, dedicated the Society to Blessed Virgin Mary and the Twelve Apostle for the Command to them is the same command to the followers of Jesus, as in the upper room on Pentecost when Jesus appeared to them after the Resurrection – “to go out to all the world and make known the Good News”. Fr. Jordan added that we should do this by “all ways and means” available to us. It is an Apostolic Mission (a mission-ing that was given to the Apostles).

The message above, from The Book of Daniel, Was a favorite of Fr. Jordan’s. He asked us to serve Our Lord to fulfill the promise made in the Book of Daniel, Chapter 12). For to serve God for us: “to shine brightly as the stars of heaven”. We are called to be “*Apostles to the world*”.

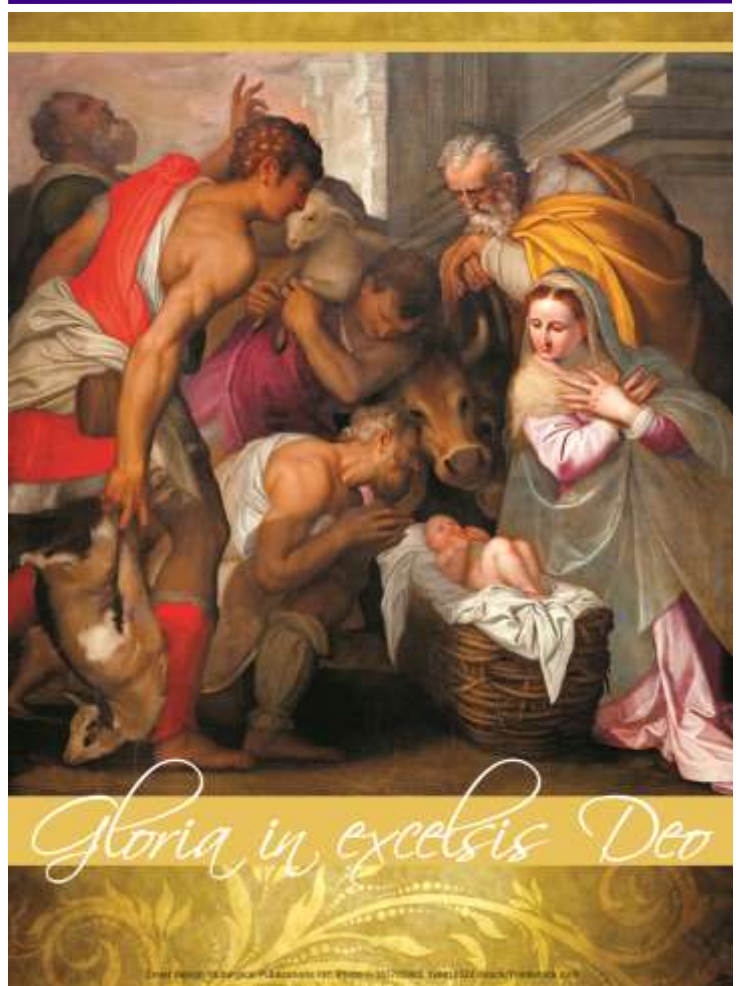
We work with and for the Church to expand the Catholic footprint in the world. Justice and peace are a big part of the mission since Jesus frequently addressed people with “Peace be with you” after the Resurrection. All people are created to hear this message of love and inclusion of God’s dream of unity for the world to be a place of peace, justice, and community. For that is how we are created and commanded by God to live. Jesus promised a Resurrection to eternal life to all who not only believe – but, to those who follow him daily in love of neighbor.

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Merry Christmas to you! Let us work for Peace on Earth for everyone! That will prepare us to know the Joy Of Christmas throughout the year. For peace comes to those who obey God’s command to Love One Another – for it is one those - **those on whom his favor rests!**

May the Heart of The Savior Bless you!
 Fr. Patrick Nelson, SDS



From Fr. Pat and all of the Parish & School Staff of St. Margaret Mary!



God has called **Helen Dirkman** to eternal life. Please pray for **Helen** and her family and friends.

MASS+ INTENTIONS

Monday, December 24

5:00pm: The parishioners of St. Margaret Mary
10:00pm: The intentions of Fr. Patrick Nelson

Tuesday, December 25

9:00am: Richard Andrews +
11:00am: Irene Carter +

Wednesday, December 26

8:15am: Patrick Hoyt +
7pm: Living & Deceased of the Sander family +

Thursday, December 27

8:15am: Alyce & Reese Jenkin's Wedding Anniversary

Friday, December 28

8:15am: Lawrence Ehorn +

Saturday, December 29

5:00pm: Jill Brent +

Sunday, December 30

9:00am: Ruth Deiner +
11:00am: Dolores Plier +
7:00pm: Marian Piwoni +

Readings of the Week

December 23, 2018

Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-18 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
Monday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
Tuesday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Midnight:	Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn:	Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/ Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day:	Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Wednesday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/ Mt 10:17-22
Thursday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Friday:	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
Saturday:	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
Next Sunday:	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/ 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

The Parish Center will be closed
the following days: Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 24 & 25

Monday, December 31
Tuesday, January 1, 2019



Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass Schedule

Monday, Dec. 24: 5pm & 10pm.
Tuesday, Dec. 25: 9am & 11am.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Holy Day of Obligation:

Monday, Dec. 31: 5pm &
Tuesday, Jan. 1: 9am.

Would you like to designate your year end donation to
a specific item that our parish community
is in need of?

Chromebooks for the middle school students: we are seeking
funds for 20 Chromebooks. Please drop your marked envelope in
the collection basket or mail to the parish center.

AED's: An **automated external defibrillator (AED)** is a port-
able electronic device that automatically diagnoses the life-
threatening **cardiac arrhythmias** of **ventricular fibrilla-
tion** and **pulseless ventricular tachycardia**, and is able to treat
them through **defibrillation**, the application of electricity which
stops the arrhythmia, allowing the heart to reestablish an effective
rhythm. We need to update the models on campus. We are seek-
ing funds for 3: in the gym, church and school. Approximately
\$1200 a piece.

Year End Contributions

Please remember St. Margaret Mary Parish & School when
planning your year-end giving. According to IRS regula-
tions and the Archdiocese, all contributions of checks or
cash must be physically received by **Sunday, December
30th** to be considered as 2018 contributions. If you are
not able to attend Mass this weekend or wish to make an
extra contribution, please plan to drop your contribution
off by **12pm on Friday, December 28**. Thank you & God
Bless!

Join Sister Judene Studer for the next session and discus-
sion in the **Blessed Mother video series**. It will be held at
Blessed Savior Church, on 85th and Villard, on Wednesday
night, January 9 from 6PM-7:15PM.

Would you like to grow closer to Jesus and learn more
about the Bible? Join Mr. Joe Ratke for our next dual parish
Bible study semester course focusing on the Gospel of
Luke, beginning Thursday night, January 10 from 6:30PM-
8PM at the Blessed Savior Parish Office living room on
86th and Villard. For more information, contact Faith For-
mation Director Dave Liccione.



CHRISTMAS 2018

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests." (Luke 2:14)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Advent and Christmas, as we enter our 175th anniversary as an archdiocese, we have been continually blessed with many gifts from God: the daily gift of life, new additions to our families, sacramental celebrations and milestones, and finding more ways, big or small, to be closer to God. In this season, may we embrace the spirit of giving and sharing with our loved ones. In the spirit of giving and sharing, we think of family first. Whether it be immediate family, friends, or our Catholic community, the importance of family has been, and will continue to be, the focus of our archdiocesan family as we move into the New Year.

We see God's love for us in the Holy Family. Carrying precious cargo, these loving parents remained faithful to God. Even in the midst of great danger and personal sacrifice, Mary and Joseph put Jesus first. What a wonderful example to always remember to put our Savior first, and place our families in His care -- where they will be forever blessed.

We also see God's love in our surroundings, which have been "the face of God" in southeastern Wisconsin for 175 years. As our archdiocesan historian, Fr. Steven Avella, writes:

"Catholicism manifests itself in words and deeds of charity, in care for the poor and helpless, in education for children and adults, and also in brick and mortar.

The presence of the Catholic Church in any community can often be seen by examining the skyline. Church steeples vault into the air, large portions of urban or rural ground are set aside for churches, residences for clergy and sisters, and hospitals. In these locations, Catholics believe men and women see the face of God."


As we begin to reflect on 175 years of our Church family in southeastern Wisconsin, please be sure to take time to treasure your family during this very special season. The ability to give love and to receive love is the greatest gift we can share as followers of Christ. Through Christ, we are one family.

May peace and joy be with you this Christmas, and throughout the New Year.

I Am, Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+ Jerome E. Listecki

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki
Archbishop of Milwaukee



**Charter Member & Senior's
Christmas Brunch**
When: Sunday, January 6, 2019
Time: Following the 11am Mass
Where: Fr. Sampon Hall
**Who: Charter Members AND/OR over the age
of 65**
**RSVP: Mary at the parish center
461-6073**
By December 31st Please

**Decorating for Christmas
Can you help?**
What: Setting up the Christmas trees & banners
**When: Sunday, December 23
following the 11am mass**

Calendar of **EVENTS**

24: Christmas Eve Masses: 5pm & 10pm
 25: Christmas Day Masses: 9am & 11am
 24 & 25th: Parish Office closed
 30: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
 31 & Jan. 1: Parish Center closed
 31: **Holy Day of Obligation:** Mary, the Holy Mother of God:
 Mass of anticipation 5pm

January 1: **Holy Day of Obligation:** Mary, the Holy Mother of God:
 9am Mass
 Jan. 5/6: Sacrament of the Sick after all masses



Welcome Mr. Borkowski, Dean of Students!

Mr. Borkowski was born and raised in Kenosha, Wisconsin where he attended St. Casimir's parish and graduated from Tremper High school. Upon graduation he entered the armed forces where he served for a total of 33 years in both active duty and National Guard assignments. He simultaneously taught History at the High School level and most recently served as a Director of Curriculum before coming to St. Margaret Mary School. Other leadership roles he has held include Department Chair, and Regimental Commander. In 2013 he received his Master's degree in Educational leadership from Cardinal Stritch University. Among the awards he has received include Teacher of the Year, and the Bronze Star. He is a member of The Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. He lives with his wife, Jeanette in Twin Lakes WI. They have two boys and three girls in the following order: Andy, Sam, Maggie, Andrea, Alyssa.