

# St. Mary's Catholic Church



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 17, 2021

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of  
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Time

Father David Greskowiak—Parish Administrator

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## MASS INTENTION FOR THIS WEEK

Sun	Jan 17	8:00am	Stanley & Rose Marie Skinkis
Tues	Jan 19	7:30am	Parishioners in Nursing Homes
Wed	Jan 20	7:30am	Peace in our Country
Thur	Jan 21	7:30am	Peace in our World
Fri	Jan 22	7:30am	Homeless in our community
Sat	Jan 23	4:00pm	Deloris Chizek
Sun	Jan 24	8:00am	Living and Deceased members of our Parish

## Parish Receipts for January 10, 2021

Parish Support	\$1251.00
Offertory	\$136.01
Christmas Offertory	\$25.00
Unrestricted Donations	\$30.00
Votive Candles	\$56.50
Mass Stipends	\$90.00
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT = \$1588.51</b>	

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Religion Education Schedules** for the second semester were mailed out this week. Extra schedules are at the exits of church. Please see Randy Van Handel if you have any questions.

## PARISH MAIL ADDRESS

If you are sending any mail or correspondence to St. Mary Church, please write to the PO Box 217 instead of the street address. The post office requires the PO Box. This will assure that your letters will be delivered to St. Mary's

**St. Mary's Congregation  
PO Box 217  
Black Creek, WI 54106**

## BULLETIN BY EMAIL OR POSTMAIL

Would you to receive our bulletin or any other notices by email? Email the office at [stmarybc.office@gmail.com](mailto:stmarybc.office@gmail.com) If you want information mailed to you please let the office know.

**NOTICE**

THANK YOU!

reconciliation

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday starting at 3:00 pm.**

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for Grade 2, at 2:30 P.M. and Grades 8, 9, and 10 at 6:30 P.M. will be held this **Wednesday, 20 January** in the parish hall.

Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 are still home-study so far. Likewise, if students and/or parents are uncomfortable with in-person classes they can be done via home-study.

We also have a schedule of classes/religious education activities for January—April. Some of the activities are tentative because of the ongoing COVID situation but we will try to keep everyone informed.

Please feel free to contact the parish office if you have any questions or need materials for home-study.



## PURCHASING MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to offer the Holy Mass for someone you love, living or deceased, please stop by the parish office and purchase a Mass Intention. The stipend for a Mass Intention is \$10. If you would prefer the intention to be anonymous or private you could simply have it written up as "For a Special Intention." The Holy Mass is the greatest prayer that can be offered and offering a Mass for someone a great act of love toward them. Thank you.

## SERVER TRAINING

We will have training for Altar Servers on Wednesday, 27 January at 5:30 P.M. in the church. This training is for both current altar servers and those young people who have received their First Holy Communion and would like to be altar servers.

We very much appreciate the young people who are currently altar servers and we ask the young people of our parish and their families to please consider being involved in this very important ministry.



## BAPTISMAL GODPARENTS

A challenge some families in our parish have is finding people to be baptismal godparents for their children. The requirements for godparents are:

- ✠ Be at least 16 years old
- ✠ Have received the sacraments of Baptism (or Reception into the Church), Confession, First Communion and Confirmation in the Catholic Church.
- ✠ If they are married, the marriage should be recognized by the Church.
- ✠ Actively practice their faith by attending Mass regularly and receiving the sacraments

If you meet these requirements and would like to be a godparent for a child, please contact the office or Fr. David. Your desire to be godparent would be very much appreciated.

## PARISH WEBSITE

We now have an active parish website. Find information about the parish, religious education, Mass schedules, liturgical schedules and so much more. Please note that this is a work in progress. The link is...[stmaryblackcreek.org](http://stmaryblackcreek.org)

**Check it out!** *What would you like to see on our site? Let Randy Van Handel know.*

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## SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER POSITION

St. Mary's Parish is seeking an employee for the position of secretary and bookkeeper. Some of the duties include: managing the parish office, being the receptionist, providing administrative duties for the parish; maintaining accounts payable and receivable, doing bank reconciliations, processing financial reports. Desired applicants should be proficient in computer skills including Microsoft Office Suite, QuickBooks and Gabriel. This is a part-time benefit eligible position working 4-5 days a week depending on the needs of the parish.

Interested persons should please contact Fr. David Greskowiak at:  
P.O. Box 217  
Black Creek, WI 54106  
stmarybc.pastor@gmail.com; 920-228-1814



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JAN 17, 2021

- ✠ **Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/ 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
- ✠ **Monday:** Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22
- ✠ **Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28
- ✠ **Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6
- ✠ **Thursday:** Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12
- ✠ **Friday:** Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19
- ✠ **Saturday:** Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

*Readings*

## Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Graders and their Families

We have information cards available by the entrance and exit of the church for those 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their families who may be interested in enrolling as freshmen at St. Francis Xavier High School in Appleton for the next academic year 2021/2022. They will be having information meetings in the school theatre at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, 25 January and Tuesday, 26 January.

Please feel free to pick up a card.

## SOUP SALES ARE BACK THIS WEEKEND!

Soup sales will be held after the weekend masses this weekend and January 30 & 31. Volunteers who can make soup can call Nancy Meulemans at 525-4054 **Soups available this weekend—**

- Beef Barley
- Cabbage Soup
- Chicken Booyah
- Chicken Noodle
- Bean and Ham
- Chili



## A Prayer for the Nation in These Times

As our country goes through some political changes this week, here is an excerpt from an article titled:

### *“A Prayer for America by John Carroll, First U.S. Bishop,”*

by Gretchen Filz, dated 3 July 2017, and found on *The Catholic Company* website. Its message is still applicable today.

Archbishop Carroll wrote the following prayer for our newly formed government on November 10, 1791, to be recited in parishes throughout his diocese.

“We pray, O almighty and eternal God, who through Jesus Christ has revealed thy glory to all nations, to preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of your name.

We pray Thee, who alone are good and holy, to endow with heavenly knowledge, sincere zeal and sanctity of life, our chief bishop, the pope, the vicar of Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the government of his Church; our own bishop, all other bishops, prelates and pastors of the Church; and especially those who are appointed to exercise among us the functions of the holy ministry, and conduct your people into the ways of salvation.

We pray O God of might, wisdom and justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the president of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to your people over whom he presides; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy; and by restraining vice and immorality.

Let the light of your divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and useful knowledge; and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty.

We pray for his excellency, the governor of this state, for the members of the assembly, for all judges, magistrates, and other officers who are appointed to guard our political welfare, that they may be enabled, by your powerful protection, to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise, to your unbounded mercy, all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout the United States, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of your most holy law; that they may be preserved in union, and in that peace which the world cannot give; and after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal.

Finally, we pray to you, O Lord of mercy, to remember the souls of your servants departed, who are gone before us with the sign of faith and repose in the sleep of peace; the souls of our parents, relatives and friends; of those who, when living, were members of this congregation, and particularly of such as are lately deceased; of all benefactors who, by their donations or legacies to this Church, witnessed their zeal for the decency of divine worship and proved their claim to our grateful and charitable remembrance. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech you, a place of refreshment, light and everlasting peace, through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.”



# Raffle Winners!

## St. Mary January 2021 Cash Raffle Winners

Congratulations to all the winners of our raffle. Also thank you for all who participated. This is a “Fun” way to “Fun”d raise for our parish.

### **\$2500.00**

1. Bobbie & Shari Rettler                      New London, WI                      #096

### **\$1000.00**

2. Cori Moeller                                      Seymour, WI                              #039

### **\$500.00**

3. Bill Kortens                                      Black Creek, WI                              #061

4. Dick Wickesburg                              Shiocton, WI                              #065

5. Randy & Bette Theobald                      Black Creek, WI                              #100

### **\$200.00**

6. Ken Duhm                                      Black Creek, WI                              #088

7. Bill Rettler                                      Black Creek, WI                              #002

8. Ryan Minschmidt Family                      Black Creek, WI                              #014

9. Jim Theobald                                      Kaukauna, WI                              #026

10. Ryan Minschmidt Family                      Black Creek, WI                              #013

11. Beth Hein                                      Black Creek, WI                              #052

12. Jim Baker                                      Seymour, WI                              #086

13. Jared Johnson                              Black Creek, WI                              #034

14. Pete Theobald                              Black Creek, WI                              #068

15. Anita Theobald                              Black Creek, WI                              #049