

APR 30, 2023

4th Sunday of Easter



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## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

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### EUCCHARIST:

**SAT** 5:00 PM

**SUN** 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

**WED** 9:30 AM

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# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

## Parish Support - April 2023

	ACTUAL <i>as of 4/21/23</i>	BUDGETED <i>for April</i>
Reg. Envelopes .....	\$66,267.06	\$64,000.00
Offertory .....	\$3,528.20	\$4,000.00

## Budget Updates Fiscal Year: April 2023

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Operating Income .....	\$751,805.43	\$711,935.00
Operating Expenses.....	\$690,235.00	713,325.47

## Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/22...	\$110,693.46
Donations .....	\$30,273.40
Expenses .....	\$1,625.00
<b>Balance (4/21/2023)</b>	<b>\$139,341.86</b>

THANK YOU!

*Our Lady of Lourdes is greatly  
blessed with your continued  
generous support  
of all our ministries!*

## 2023 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (4/10/2023)

Donations:.....**\$18,417.00**  
Goal is \$42,840 ..... 42.99%

Donors:..... **88**  
# of donors: 1,043 ..... 8.44%

DECIDE TO LEAD

[www.CatholicAppeal.org](http://www.CatholicAppeal.org)

## NOTES FROM NANCIE

### SVA—Some Stunning Information

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). About 1.2 million Wisconsin adults have experienced sexual violence in their lifetime.

#### What is Sexual Violence?

80% of victims know the person who assaulted them.

Sexual violence happens in every community and affects **all** of us. Sexual violence is a broad term defined by any type of unwanted sexual contact, including words and actions of a sexual nature against a person's will and without their consent. A perpetrator may use force, threats, power, manipulation, or coercion to commit sexual violence.

#### What can you do?

Below are some resources available to help support you or a loved one who may need them.

1. Believe and validate survivors by being open to listening to them. Learn how to support a survivor of sexual assault by using words of affirmation. "I believe you." "It wasn't your fault." "I'm sorry this happened to you." "How can I help?" "It's normal to feel (sad, angry, scared)." "This is a normal response to a traumatic experience." "What do you need most right now?"
2. Know and practice consent.
3. Be an active bystander.
4. Support organizations and events in your community that are working to end sexual violence.

Your awareness, kindness, and advocacy can be a source of new life for a victim.

With hope and Easter joy,  
Nancie Chmielewski

## VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

### Truthfulness

Truthfulness is the bedrock of integrity on which we build all our other virtues. It is an ongoing commitment to live by what is real, authentic, and true for us. We make realistic decisions. We do not lie, cheat, or deceive. We tell the truth kindly. Our promise is our bond. We do not allow others to have undue influence on our perceptions. We live by our own true nature.

All our readings this Sunday stress the value of truthfulness. In the last line of the Gospel, Jesus says that he wants us to have life and have it more abundantly. How does truthfulness help us to live a more abundant life? How do you tell the truth with kindness and tact?

**SUN 30**

Hallway Art Exhibit Pick-up  
Welcome Weekend  
8:00 am Liturgy Church  
10:30 am Liturgy( 1st Eucharist) Church

**MON 1**

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
6:30 pm Building & Grounds Rm 3

**TUE 2**

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 7  
10:30 am SVDP Mtg Rm 4  
2:00 pm Blood Drive Hall  
6:30 pm Faith Sharing Group Rm 3  
6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Tr. 612 Hall AB

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### Our Condolences

...to the families and loved ones of Donald Kopp, Richard Wisniewski, and all others who have died. Please keep them in your prayers.

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of  
Gloria Tomczak  
From  
Cheryl Larson

### Xaverian Missionaries' Festival June 24 and 25

Consider donating to the rummage sale. The Fathers only ask that the items be **clean** and **have resale value**. Please, **no electronics or adult clothing**. Bring all items to the mission on Xavier Drive at 51st Street just north of Rawson Avenue anytime during daylight hours. If you need help with larger items, or if you have questions, please call Linda at the mission office at (414) 421-0831. Please bring your items to the office by June 9.

Small hand crafted items (dish cloths, wash cloths, table runners, placemats, coasters, wall hangings, etc.) are requested for the "local artisans" booth. Please bring donations to the office by June 9.

Also, volunteer help is always appreciated. Please call Linda for information.

## FORMATION

### Youth Group

Our May Youth Group meeting has been rescheduled. It will now take place on Tuesday, May 23. If you are interested in joining our end of the year celebration, please let Maggie know by Monday, May 22.

### First Eucharist

Five children of our community joined us at the table of the Lord for the first time on April 30. Let us celebrate Elizabeth Elflein, Josiah Mercado, Jillian Schwanz, John Van Handel, and Ronan Zei on the occasion of their first Eucharist!

## WORLD MISSION MINISTRIES

### Saturday With Mary

Saturday, May 13  
12:00 pm–4:00 pm

Schoenstatt Retreat Center (W284 N698 Cherry Lane, Waukesha)

The afternoon will be an opportunity to reflect on Mary, Our Mother, engage in personal and community prayer, and enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Schoenstatt Retreat Center. Lunch is included! Information and registration: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/world-mission/Saturday-With-Mary-2023.htm>

### Feast of Ugandan Martyrs

Saturday, June 3

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church (128 W Burleigh St., Milwaukee)

Collaboration of The Office for World Mission, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the Black Catholic Ministry Commission. The event consists of an African-style worship Mass at 2:00 pm with Fr. Anthony Okore as the presider and the Sacred Voices of Africa Choir as the music ministry. Mass will be followed by fellowship featuring African cuisine. Information and registration: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/world-mission/Feast-of-Ugandan-Martyrs.htm>

Please **save the date** for the Around the World Celebration: Experiencing Mission Through Culture, which will be on September 29. More details will be communicated at a later date.

**WED 3**

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
9:30 am Liturgy	Church
10:00 am Alverno Nurses	Rm 10
10:15 am Faith Group Social	Hall C
6:30 pm GIFT Core Team	Rm 10
7:00 pm Liturgy Team Mtg.	Rm 9

**THU 4**

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 7

**FRI 5**

**Office Closed**



## WORSHIP

### Small Kindnesses by: Danusha Laméris

I've been thinking about the way, when you walk down a crowded aisle, people pull in their legs to let you by. Or how strangers still say "bless you" when someone sneezes, a leftover from the Bubonic plague. "Don't die," we are saying. And sometimes, when you spill lemons from your grocery bag, someone else will help you pick them up. Mostly, we don't want to harm each other.



We want to be handed our cup of coffee hot, and to say thank you to the person handing it. To smile at them and for them to smile back. For the waitress to call us honey when she sets down the bowl of clam chowder, and for the driver in the red pick-up truck to let us pass. We have so little of each other, now. So far from tribe and fire. Only these brief moments of exchange. What if they are the true dwelling of the holy, these fleeting temples we make together when we say, "Here have my seat," "Go ahead – you first," "I like your hat."

### An Open Invitation: The 45-minute Choir

On May 7 and May 21, we are trying something new, and you are all invited to participate. This is called The 45-minute Choir, and it means just that. Join the Spirit & Grace Choir in the music corner at 9:45 am and spend 45 minutes preparing the music for the 10:30 am Mass. Then help us lead the congregation at that celebration. Please contact either Anne Van Deusen or Julie Fraleigh to let us know you're interested in joining us.

### Scripture Readings for May 7

#### The 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7 | Psalm 33 | 1 Peter 2:4-9 | John 14:1-12

## Baptisms

April 16, 2023

We welcome the following  
into our faith community  
through the waters of baptism:

Elliott Ivan Aguirre  
William Ivan Aguirre  
Liam Allen Andrejczak  
Max David Christofferson  
Vera Marguerite Moriarity

## OUTREACH

### From St. Vincent de Paul

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us and hear his words, "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly."

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters.

### Blood Drive

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

2:00–6:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul is holding their bi-annual blood drive. Sign-up will take place this weekend before and after each Mass and is available online at [bit.ly/OurLady5223](https://bit.ly/OurLady5223). Please consider donating!

### Did You Know?

Someone needs blood every two seconds. Blood transfusions are often given to NICU babies, cancer fighters, sickle cell warriors, transplant patients, trauma survivors, and more.

**SAT 6**

11:00 am Walking Through  
Grief Together Rm 6  
5:00 pm Liturgy Church

**SUN 7**

8:00 am Liturgy Church  
10:30 am Liturgy Church  
10:30 am Confirmation @ St. Matthias  
5:45 pm Zoom Mass  
Watch Party Virtual



## SPOTLIGHT

### Calling All Disciples!

Here's the opportunity that you've been waiting for: **A chance to meet new people from another Catholic community and to fulfill Jesus' command to feed the hungry.**

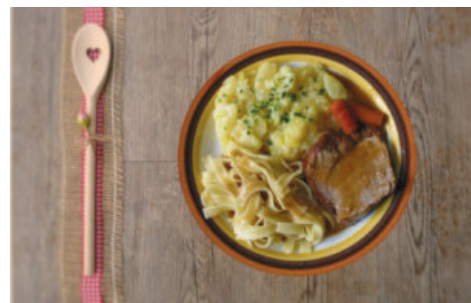
During the school year, Marquette University students work in the meal program at All Saints Church on 25th and Capitol. They serve on Tuesday and Thursday from 5:00 pm–6:00 pm. All Saints has requested our help this summer when students are not there. Lourdes is committed for the following three weeks: June 20 and 22; July 18 and 20; and August 15 and 17. Volunteers work from 4:00 pm–6:30 pm, setting up, serving, and clean-up. Families are welcome with children from age 10 and up.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, follow these steps:

1. Go to the All Saints website at <https://allsaintsmke.org/>.
2. Scroll down about 2/3 toward the bottom on the front page. Find "Meal Program" and a photo of boy eating. Click the image and you will be taken to a SignUpGenius page.
3. Move the calendar to June, July, or August. Select one of the above dates and click **Sign Up**.
4. In the blue & white box, click **Sign Up**; it will change to **Selected**.
5. Click **Save & Continue**.
6. Enter your information.

This will be an opportunity for All Saints and Lourdes to get to know each other. Any questions, call the Parish Office at (414) 545-4316.

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## DISCIPLESHIP

### The Good Shepherd

Sheep are fearful and insecure animals. They are afraid of many things—even running water will scare them! Psalm 23 reminds us that a good shepherd will lead the sheep beside still waters.

When Jesus speaks of himself as the Good Shepherd, most of those who listened to Him knew that sheep only drink from still water because sheep are afraid of noises. The only thing that will calm a sheep down is hearing the voice of the shepherd. A loving shepherd will talk and sing and play instruments so that the sheep know that their shepherd is nearby.

As disciples, we are like sheep!

We need to hear the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. He will do whatever it takes to calm us in troubled times.

The more we hear the voice of our Good Shepherd, the more we renew our mind and the more we experience the peace that only the Risen Jesus can give.

May all disciples make time for "calm waters" and hear the voice of our Good Shepherd.



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