

St. Veronica

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

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*WELCOME TO THE
CATHOLIC FAITH
COMMUNITY OF
ST. VERONICA PARISH!*

If you are visiting St. Veronica from another parish or if you are new to the area, we are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.

We welcome you to become a member of our parish family. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Sacraments

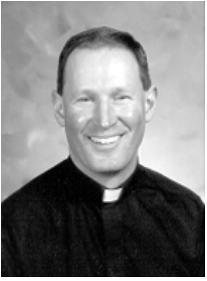
Baptisms: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month. Contact the parish office to pick up registration materials. Parents are required to attend one Baptismal preparation class.

Marriage: We celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage for only our registered parish members. Please phone the parish office one year in advance to schedule a meeting with the priest, before you book other arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick/Pastoral Visits: We are always willing to stop by your home or hospital. Please notify us when you or a family member is in need of a visit. The hospitals do not notify us. Anointing of the Sick will occur after every weekend Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Reconciliation: 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 3:30 pm before the 4:30 pm Mass and every 3rd Thursday following the 8:15 am Mass.





Dear Parishioners,

In the Gospel this week, we see the true humanity of Jesus and how He was affected by His own culture and religious tradition. Jesus was a Jew, born and raised. While out in the countryside preaching, He is confronted by a mother from the land of Canaan, a non-Jewish area. She calls out to Him for help for a sick daughter. She is insistent and loud about her plea. His disciples ask Jesus to “send her away” because she was following after them. Falling to her knees in front of Jesus, she pays Him homage. He confronts her in regards to His own mission and for whom He was sent, “the lost sheep of Israel,” meaning only to the Jews. She is unrelenting as any mother would be for their child. Imagine that your own child had an illness and the only person able to save them happened to be in your neighborhood. It is only when Jesus witnesses the woman’s strong faith that He is moved to reconsider and heals her daughter. We are made aware that Jesus had been sent by God to a particular people for a particular mission. Was the woman’s faith a cause to rethink His mission to preach only to the lost sheep of Israel? Was it the woman’s faith that allowed Jesus to see in broader terms? It appears that the woman’s faith stirs the heart of Jesus for the Gospel states, “Oh woman how great is your faith.”

What opens our eyes to see the greater picture of our mission in the world? What beliefs do we hold on to that may have recently been challenged? Is it true that the Archdiocese has a married priest? Does the need to share priests between multiple parishes bring concern? Can we see people of other faith traditions as brothers and sisters? Can we reach out to the missions with our resources even when we feel the economic pinch in our own parish? How are we being challenged to broaden our understanding of church?

Last weekend, Jeff Montoya and I had the pleasure of leading 20 men on a retreat: men of various backgrounds, financial means, and ages. What bonded us was our faith. Every man expressed his faith as they shared their stories. Each was challenged to look deeply into his life. Below the rough exterior of each guy was found a heart that was persistent and relentless in following Jesus. What they discovered was a faith life that needed to have a forum to share and to know what is shared would be honored and kept confidential. We addressed the importance of confidentiality and the need to have an outlet to share what may be upon our hearts. What was certainly apparent during the retreat was the fact that each participant has faith. The need to be bold in expressing that faith is what is lacking at times. Our hearts were set on fire. Our mission is to take up the responsibility to nurture that faith life and allow the presence of Jesus to be known to those in our families and friends.

Also last weekend, Lillian Ciske introduced the CD of the month Club. This program offers you an opportunity to listen to various topics about our Catholic Tradition in your car or at home. Every month you would receive an inspirational CD on a pertinent topic that will give you an opportunity to learn and grow in your faith. We will also have these CDs available in God’s Cozy corner in the near future so that anyone can have the opportunity to have this program available to them. The CD of the Month Club wants you to have the convenience of always having a new CD shipped to you. Too often we find ourselves listening to talk shows or radio programs that are not uplifting. These CDs are designed to teach, inspire and encourage you, the listener. I hope that you will consider this wonderful program for your own faith development. Thank you.

Finally, this weekend I will be with my parents celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary. Please keep my family in your prayer during this special event. *Blessings, Fr Mark*

Question of the Week

Theme: Trust in God and never be afraid to ask God for anything.

Question for Children: *What is your favorite way to talk with Jesus? What words do you use?*

Question for Youth: *Do you trust that God hears your prayers? Do you believe that your prayer makes a difference?*

Question for Adults: *When you pray, how do you know that Jesus will really respond?*

He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:26-28



New Parish Picture Directory

We are excited to announce that we are going to create a new pictorial directory of our parish family. The directory will help us to connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool and will capture the history of our church congregation. Please participate! All we ask is that you have your picture taken by the professional Photographer and meet with a Portrait Consultant at the church.

There are now three ways sign up for a sitting appointment.

- Visit www.signup.olanmills.com use contract # 33845 phone # 414-482-2920.
- Call Olan Mills at 1-800-866-2263 to schedule or reschedule an appointment.
- Wait and Olan Mills will call you to schedule your appointment time (The caller ID will come up “Church Directory”).
- If you have questions, please contact Pat LaPointe at 747-0709 or email him at Pat_LaPointe@msn.com



Human Concerns

Prayer Network


In JULY, there were **more than 108 requests for our prayers** called in to our Prayer Network or written in our parish Book of Intercessions. Intentions included: Birth of healthy baby - Employment - Family guidance - Family healing - Healing from

TIME	CAPTAIN	PHONE
7-12 pm	Jeanette Kuechenmeister	481-6224
12pm-3 pm	Lucille Devine	529-8570
3-5 pm	Cecilia Bonczkowski	744-9406
5-7 pm	Helen Rewolinski	744-4139

Intentions left on a Captain's answering machine will be taken care of

accidents, illness, surgery, depression - Peace - Peace after death of loved one - Peaceful death - Safe travel - Special intentions - Spiritual guidance - Success in job - Success in school - Thanksgiving. Please remember all prayer requests in your prayers. Become a part of Pope Benedict XVI's prayer group. The general intention recommended by the Holy Father for August is: (Respect for Creation) That the human family may know how to respect God's design for the world and thus become ever more aware of the great gift of God which Creation represents for us. The mission intention is: (Call to holiness) That through discernment of gifts and commitment to spiritual formation, holiness may be promoted among the people of God. <http://apostleshipofprayer.org> "Set aside time to pray for an end to abortion and to receive strength from the Lord. Our 'great campaign in support of life' will require all the resources God has given us. It will take time. It will take much prayer, fasting, and sacrifice. Pray for the protection of human life and invite others to do so." Homily of Cardinal Justin F. Rigali, Chairman, USCCB Committee for Pro-Life Activities, National Vigil for Life Opening Mass, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 21, 2008. www.usccb.org/prolife

St. V's Pantry-Food of the Month



From time to time, the question is asked: "What food do you need in the food pantry?" The specific food item requested for the month of September is *Chunky Soup*. Donations may be dropped off in the Ushers room or brought to the parish office. Thank you.

Recycled Bags for Food Pantry

We could use your recyclable grocery-size plastic and paper bags. Please bring them to the parish office or leave them next to the "feed the hungry" stand in Church. Again, thank you.

An Invitation

*As a deer yearns for running streams,
So I yearn for you, my God Psalm 42:1*

Are you looking for "something" else to fill your yearning for a personal relationship with God? If so, you are invited to the Friend's of Christ Jesus Prayer Group. Come and see how others have had their lives changes!

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish
3635 S. Kinnickinnic Ave, St. Francis
Mondays, 7 pm

(For more information, please call Carol Barnes, 421-5756)



Free Clinic

The free clinic for adults who are uninsured or under insured will be open on *Wednesday, August 20*, & each Wednesday of August and September. The clinic is located inside Unity Lutheran Church, 1025 E Oklahoma Avenue. Sign-in time is 5:30pm. The medical staff begins seeing patients at 6pm. The clinic closes at 8:30pm, or earlier if all signed-in patients have been seen.

You can always call the clinic at: 481-1778, to confirm when it will be open or you may visit the website at: www.OpenDoorFreeClinic.org.

Lectionary Link

In this week's Gospel, a Canaanite woman tests the patience of Jesus because of her insistence. Her persistence and her faith win Jesus' admiration. He heals her daughter because she won't take "no" for an answer.

Adult: Are we willing to continuously ask God for our needs? Do we truly believe that God will answer our prayers?

Child: Have you ever asked Jesus to help you?

Readings for the Week of August 17

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Please join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction NEXT Sunday, August 24, during the time between the Masses. Jesus truly present in the Sacred Host will be exposed to view in the monstrance on the altar. Plan to spend some quiet prayer-time in adoration and thanksgiving after the 8:30 Mass or before the 10:30 Mass. This opportunity for prayer will be offered on **the Sunday that is in the fourth full weekend of the month**. At 10:00 we will conclude with Benediction, the ceremony of praise and blessing. "There is another aspect of prayer which we need to remember: silent contemplation. Friends, do not be afraid of silence or stillness; listen to God, adore Him in the Eucharist." (Pope Benedict XVI)



From The New School Principal

Summer greetings to all of you! Please let me introduce myself. I am Rhonda Friday and I am thrilled and honored to be St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's new principal.

I have been teaching for eight years and have a bachelor's degree from Cardinal Stritch University as well as a master degree in educational leadership.

In my spare time, you may find me out among the weeds and roses or taking a walk with Chico, my cocker spaniel. One day a week you will find me working with cats at the Wisconsin Human Society.

A little about my family: I have been married to my husband, Bob a news designer at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel for 31 years. We have 3 children, Jonathan, 26, Jessica 23 and Nathaniel 17.

I am excited about the coming school year at STAA. This year's theme is "Character Traits". I believe we as a staff can help develop positive character traits among our youth. Today it is essential to give children the tools and experiences that will help them develop positive relationships with people.

Let's have a great school year, and I hope to meet you all!

Mrs. Rhonda Friday, Principal-St. Thomas Aquinas Academy

Just a reminder. If you have not registered your child for the Fall term, we are still accepting applications. Climb aboard for a fun school year. For further information, please call the school office: 744-1214.

St. Augustine Parish Festival

2530 S. Howell Avenue

August 22-23-24

Friday: Fish Fry 4pm-?

Band-Showtyme Karaoke 6:30-10:30 pm

Saturday: Mass 5 pm

Band-Mount Olive 6:30-10:30 pm

Sunday: Mass 10 am

C& R Market Roast Chicken Dinner 11 am

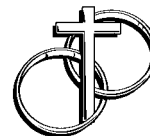
Mike Schneider Polka Band 11 am-3 pm

Chasin Mason 4:30-8:30 pm

Food-Games-Crafts-Raffles-Fun

St. Augustine Class of '68 Reunion

Are you or do you know of someone who was a member of St. Augustine School Class of 1968? They are planning to meet at the St. Augustine parish festival on August 23 to "celebrate" the 40th anniversary of our 8th grade graduation. If you have any memorabilia from that time, please contact Jeannie (Schlaikowski) Schultz at Js Schultz54@wi.rr.com.



Wedding Banns

*I Michael Romas and
Melanie Kaczorek*

Mark You Calendars Friday, October 10, 6:30 pm Johnson Hall

If you enjoyed "Late Nite Catechism", you will certainly enjoy Sr. Nancy Murrar's presentation on the:

"Life of St. Catherine of Siena"

This show is entertaining, educational, humorous and just delightful. Sr. Murray is in such demand, we had to wait 2-1/2 years to bring her to St. Veronica.

Sr. Nancy Murray is a real Catholic Nun and is the brother of comedian/actor Bill Murray.

Tickets will be on sale beginning in September. Watch the bulletin for more information on tickets. Children are encouraged to attend with their parents.

What Is Good Stewardship Come, Listen, Learn

What Do I Own and What Owns Me?
Stewards of Our Lives and Our Church

We will explore the issue of being a steward of our lives and of the Church. We will discuss the bishops' pastoral letter on Stewardship and living as a steward in both our physical life and in the everlasting life.

Presented by: Fr. Tony Zimmer

Date: September 3, 6:30 pm

*Place: St. Charles Borromeo
3100 W Parnell Ave.*

Dedication Centennial Celebration - 1908-2008 Immaculate Conception Parish 1023 E. Russell Avenue

Please join the parishioners of Immaculate Conception as they celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the dedication of the current church building with an open house.



Church tour including art works & artifacts,
organ concert, free raffle and refreshments

Saturday August 30

3-5 pm followed by Mass at 5 pm

From Out of the Ordinary

Want to learn more about your faith? Take our weekly quiz during Ordinary Time. Nothing is "ordinary" about our Faith.

1. Andrea McArdle, a Catholic Irish-American singer and actress is best known for her role in

(a) *Cats*; (b) *Dreamgirls*; (c) *Annie*; (d) *Phantom of the Opera*

2. What is the name of this list: One, holy, catholic, and apostolic?

(a) *Four Marks of the Church*; (b) *Four Pillars of the Church*;

(c) *Four Signs of the Church* (d) *Four Canons of the Church*

3. Agnus Dei is Latin for?

(a) *Time of God*; (b) *Lamb of God*; (c) *Grant us peace*; (d) *Forgive me God*

4. What saint is invoked against miscarriages?

(a) *Elizabeth of Hungary*; (b) *Rose of Lima*; (c) *Lucia of Portugal*;

(d) *Catherine of Sweden*

5. What is used to hold consecrated hosts when taking Communion to the sick or homebound? (a) *Pyx*; (b) *Burse*; (c) *Luna*; (d) *Crossier*

~Mass Intentions~

Sunday, August 17-20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am † Conrad Kania (T. & F. Taczek)
 † Dorothy & John Spellacy (Family)
 † Cristin Dominski (St. Vincent de Paul)
 10:30 am For Our Parishioners

Monday, August 18

8:15 am Communion Service

Tuesday, August 19

6:30 pm † Jeanette Merkel (T. & J. Ackerman)

Wednesday, August 20 Bernard

8:15 am † Arthur Johnson (St. Veronica Staff)

Thursday, August 21 Pius X

8:15 am Mary Steele (R. Bootz)
 † Joseph Ploszay (S. Dranzik Family)
 † Edward Kaluzny (M. Kaluzny)

Friday, August 22 Queenship of the BVM

8:15 am Special Intentions

Saturday, August 23

4:30 pm *50th Wedding Anniversary of
 Jim and Marianne Herriges*
 † Florian Gilewski (Family)
 † Patricia Russart (Family)

Sunday, August 24-21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am For Our Parishioners
 10:30 am *18th Wedding Anniversary of
 Val and Sheila Navarro*
 † Regina Johnson
 † Doris Suhm (Family)
 † Suzanne Figueroa (A. Hoffman)

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Parish Meetings and Events

Sunday, August 17

7 pm Men's Prayer Group POMR

Monday, August 18

3-9:30 pm Olan Mills Photos Johnson Hall
 6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul POMR
 7 pm Cluster Right-to-Life Hospitality

Tuesday, August 19

3-9:30 pm Olan Mills Photos Johnson Hall
 7:30 pm AA Seton

Wednesday, August 20

11 am AA Seton
 3-9:30 pm Olan Mills Photos Johnson Hall

Thursday, August 21

3-9:30 pm Olan Mills Photos Johnson Hall
 6:30 pm Finance Committee Hospitality
 7:15 pm Cantor Practice Church

Friday, August 22

3-9:30 pm Olan Mills Photos Johnson Hall

Sunday, August 24

7 pm Men's Group POMR

Parish Council and Liaison Members 2007-2008

Pastor, Fr. Mark Payne
Chairperson, Paul Klajbor, 405-2674
Vice-Chairperson, Nick Karabon, 481-9165
Agenda Secretary, Christina Mascitti, 795-7505
Trustee Treasurer, Ken Widenski, 482-2417
Trustee Secretary, Amy Domagalski, 486-0915
Building & Grounds, Mike Zilinski, 482-4448
Christian Formation, Rodger Nelson, 571-0121
Parish Life & APC, Monica Phillip, 744-1697
Prayer & Worship, Lynn Larson, 489-9148
STAA Board, Judi Caruso, 744-1554
Stewardship, Robin Decker, 483-5485

Parish Financial Stewardship for the Week of 08/03

Offertory	\$ 697.66
Stewardship	7,672.00
Feed & Shelter the Poor	322.00
Fr. Mark's Wish List	<u>534.00</u>
Total	\$9,225.66

Christian Formation

Adult Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Corner

We welcome the non-baptized, those baptized in another faith, and those who have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation. Inquiry sessions allow everyone to come and ask questions without any commitment. Sessions begin on September 7 at 9:30am. If you would like to know more about becoming Catholic, we would like to meet with you. Contact Karen at 481-0777, ext 117. or karenbushman@saintveronica.org

Adult Confirmation

Is the Holy Spirit inviting you to confirm your faith in God and the church? Adults (over 18) who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in the Adult Confirmation program. Adults from all of the cluster parishes come together to deepen their faith and grow in their commitment to Christ. The process begins in January with sessions held on Thursday evenings. Registration forms are available on the parish website. For information contact karenbushman@saintveronica.org or call 481-0777.

Parish RCIA Sponsors Needed

Have you ever wondered if God was inviting you to share your faith but you didn't know exactly how? Sponsoring someone who wants to join the Catholic Church is God's answer. St. Veronica/ St. Paul has already been blessed with three adults who want to become Catholic or complete their sacraments. We are looking for parishioners who would partner and sponsor them as they make the journey. The commitment is Sunday mornings from 8:30am Mass to 11:30am, October to Pentecost. Your role would be support and discussion – no classroom teaching is involved. It is truly a mentoring role. If we have caught your eye, your heart and your interest, please contact Karen as soon as possible so we can talk further about this life changing partnership

Answers to Out of Ordinary Quiz
1c; 2a; 3b; 4d; 5a

Archdiocesan Safe Environment Education for Volunteers

All those who volunteer with children or adolescents in a parish or Catholic school are required to comply with the Safe Environment requirements **prior** to participating in their position. If you will be volunteering for St. Veronica or St. Thomas Aquinas Academy or plan to do so this fall, including athletics, it is necessary to have a criminal background check, read the Code of Ethical Standards, and attend a Safe Environment session. Sessions are scheduled throughout the diocese including a session at St. Paul parish on August 25. To register go to www.archmil.org and click on the Safeguarding All God's Family icon.

The Safe Environment session is also a great opportunity for parents and grandparents to learn how to protect your family from dangerous predators.

Catholic Kids Corner

Children's Liturgy of the Word

St. Veronica offers this program for all children ages 4-10 on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at the 10:30 Mass from September through June. We are looking for additional adults and teens that would be willing to volunteer with this fun activity. Volunteers read the Scriptures and talk to the children about the readings. Materials for the discussions are given in advance. Two people are needed at each session. Your commitment is only 1 or 2 Masses each semester and you can go back into Mass once Children's Liturgy is over. This would be a great opportunity for a parent and youth ministry or Catholic high school student to do together! Please contact, karenbushman@saintveronica.org or Karen, 481-0777 for more information.

Elementary Religious Education

Calendars have been sent out!

Class lists are being prepared!

Books are on order!

Did you receive your calendar? If not, perhaps your family has not re-registered. If your child will attend a public school in the fall, you are encouraged to register your child grades K5 – 6 for Religious Education. Children will attend class at St. Veronica with joint activities with St. Paul twice during the year. Sessions at St. Veronica will be held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, 9am – 11:30am (includes 10:30 Mass). The program will begin with a Mass and orientation on Sunday, September 7.

Registration forms are available on the parish website www.saintveronica.org, or

call 481-0777. One year of religious education is required prior to preparing for First Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children

Do you have a child over the age of 7 who has not yet been baptized? We welcome them to participate in the Initiation process for children. Contact karenbushman@saintveronica.org or Karen, 481-0777 for an interview. We will begin our journey of faith together on September 6 at the 4:30pm Mass.

Fun Facts for Faithful Kids

Do you like to talk? It would be hard for you to be a priest in the Cistercian order. August 20 is the feast of St. Bernard. He began the Cistercian monastery in the 12th Century. The priests NEVER talk except at prayer. They also get up twice in the middle of the night to pray. Do you think you could be a Cistercian?

Will you make your First Communion this year at the age of seven? You can thank Pope Pius X whose feast is August 21. For centuries, children did not receive Communion until age 13 or older after they had been confirmed. Pope Pius wanted children who had reached the "age of reason" to receive Jesus.

August 21 is a good day to visit an older person. It is National Senior Citizens Day. In 1988, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed that Americans should honor those who have done so much for the country throughout their lives. Why not visit an elderly relative or meet someone new at a nursing home. They would be glad for the visit.