



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, February 20 8:15 AM
 † Arlyne Nuti

Wednesday, February 21 8:15 AM
(Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church)
 † Joe Schwab

Thursday, February 22 8:15 AM
(The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle)
 † Dave Baus

Friday, February 23 8:15 AM
(Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr)
 † Loren Conley

Saturday, February 24 8:15 AM
 Police, Fire, EMS & 1st Responders
5:00 PM
 † Joseph Schurman Jr.

Sunday, February 25 **7:30 AM**
 People of Our Parish
9:30 AM
 Fallen Away Catholics

RECONCILIATION

(in the confessional closest to the rectory)

Tues. thru Sat. Before Mass
Saturday at 4:00 PM

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

February 10 & 11

Church Support Envelopes . . .	\$3801.00
Offertory Cash	\$672.00
Children's Offertory	\$95.00
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$983.00
Total	\$5,551.00
Budgeted Offertory for Feb . . .	\$34,580.32
Offertory Received in Feb . . .	\$13,885.00
Budgeted Amount Still Needed . .	\$20,695.32

Monthly Offertory Comparison

Jan. 2018 (4 weekends)	\$32,141.00
Jan. 2017 (5 weekends)	\$32,484.33

ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES DURING LENT

In addition to the daily and Saturday Confession schedule, Fr. William will be offering Confessions from 6:30 – 7:30 PM on Tuesdays, February 20, 27, March 6, 13, and 20, and on **Holy Saturday, 4-5 pm.**

From Our Pastor:

The Season of Lent, which we began this past Ash Wednesday, is not just a time to fast from food and abstain from meat (please see last Sunday's bulletin, February 11). Indeed, prayer, fasting and almsgiving help us to grow in the virtues of faith, hope and love (Matthew 6:1-18) – our Lenten practices draw us into living the two great Commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Thus, we might:

- Fast from judging others (we do judge *actions*, what is right and wrong, but not persons) because we love every one of God's children made in His image and likeness.
- Fast from focusing on problems because we love focusing on solutions.
- Fast from thoughts of illness because we love the healing power of God (for example, in the Sacraments of Confession and Anointing of the Sick).
- Fast from words that pollute because we love words that call us to purity.
- Fast from complaining and grumbling because we love being grateful.
- Fast from anger and impatience because we love serenity and patience.
- Fast from pessimism because we love being optimistic.
- Fast from worry because we love to trust in Jesus and His Divine Mercy.
- Fast from destructive criticism because we love constructive criticism.
- Fast from resentment and bitterness because we love being forgiving and merciful.
- Fast from self-concern because we love being compassionate toward others.
- Fast from discouragement because we love focusing on Christian faith, hope and love.
- Fast from pride and disobedience because we love being humble and obedient servants of Jesus Christ, the Only Savior of the world.

Fast. *Why?* Because we love Jesus Christ, Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. With prayers in Christ for a blessed and fruitful Lent,
Fr. William

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE DRAMA AT SINSINAWA MOUND

The popular "Women of the Bible" drama returns to Sinsinawa Mound Tuesday and Wednesday, March 20 and 21. Actress Anita Gutschick of Baltimore, Md., vividly portrays biblical women. Through a series of monologues, these women recount their personal stories, offering lessons for the present and hope for the future. Tuesday's performance will be Gutschick's "Who Ya Gonna Serve?" program, which portrays Elizabeth, Puah, and Herodius. Wednesday's performance will be "Fruit of the Tree," featuring Eve, Potiphar's wife, and Mary of Magdala. Reservations made by March 13 are available for the meal and the performance (\$30) or the performance only (\$20). Cost for the show only after March 13 will be \$25 at the door. Times are 5:45 p.m. meal and 7 p.m. performance on Tuesday and noon meal and 1:30 p.m. performance on Wednesday. For more information, contact Guest Services at 608-748-4411 or visit www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter

MASS IN REMEMBRANCE OF FR. SAMUEL MAZZUCHELLI, OP

The annual Mass commemorating the death of Fr. Samuel Mazzuchelli, OP will be held on Feb. 25 at 1:30 PM at St. Patrick Church in Benton. Everyone is invited to attend the Mass & Social. Fr. Samuel died on Feb. 23, 1864, at the age of 57 and is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery. In the mid-1800's, he was instrumental in establishing and building many Catholic Churches in SW Wisconsin and the tri-state region. Fr. Samuel was declared "Venerable" by Pope John Paul II in 1993 and his cause for beatification is in process. Fr. Samuel, an immigrant from Italy who came to the United States of America to spread the Gospel, was dearly beloved by Native Americans, the immigrant population here in the U.S., and all who knew him. He was an extraordinary man and priest. The Sinsinawa Dominicans, which he founded, has an extensive exhibit in honor of this great pioneer priest.



FORMED: A LENTEN TOOL FOR GROWTH

Check out the Custom Content area at FORMED.org. We've added the ANIMA series as well as A LENT TO REMEMBER that we are using for our study groups at the parish during Lent.

If you have not yet registered at FORMED, you will need to enter our parish access Code which is **DHYNXC** and then complete the registration information.

During Lent, you can also sign up to receive daily **Lenten Reflections** from FORMED sent directly to your email inbox. To do so, go to: <https://formed.org/promo/len-2018>. It's quick and easy, and you do not need to be registered with FORMED to sign up for these emails. You will definitely benefit by signing up for Lenten Reflections.

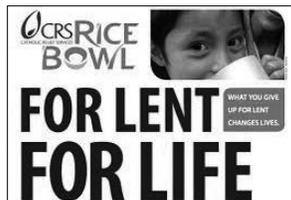
Please note-- you should not use Internet Explorer for the FORMED site, as some of the features are not compatible. Using Chrome or Firefox as your browser should allow you to access the FORMED site without encountering problems. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions or are having trouble getting registered.

FORMED, LENT AND ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS

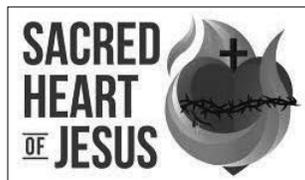
This week we will watch "Blaze," the last video in the ANIMA series, on February 19 and February 21. The four session A LENT TO REMEMBER: A Lenten Encounter with Mercy will begin the following week, February 26 and 28. Both of these studies can be found on FORMED. There will be two opportunities to take part in study groups. One opportunity will be held on Monday evenings, beginning at 6:30 PM. The second opportunity will be on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 AM. Each session will last about one hour and will be held in the parish office meeting room.

If you are unable to attend our group gatherings, or miss a group gathering, you can always participate by viewing them at FORMED.org. If you have any questions, contact Bill Manthe at the parish office.

LENTEN HELPS



There are some great Lenten resources for us in this time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The Word Among Us contains the daily Mass readings and a daily reflection, as well as articles for inspiration. "Operation Rice Bowl," an outreach of Catholic Relief Services, is a wonderful way for families and individuals to put into practice acts of charity and fasting. So much of the world's population lives with so little, and we have been gifted with so much. Operation Rice Bowl helps us make a difference in the lives of the poor. Rice Bowls and copies of The Word Among Us can be found at the entrance of the church.



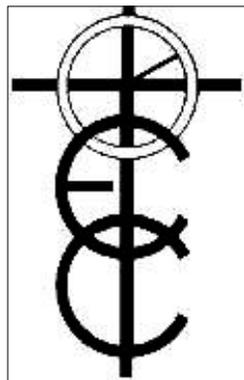
SUFFERING AND THE SACRED HEART:

A Day of Reflection for Women

Immaculate Conception Church in Kieler • March 24 from 9:30 – 4:00

Have you ever wondered about suffering? Why bad things happen to good people? Is there comfort for suffering? What about love? What role does God's love have in suffering? Come hear Heidi Indahl, a wife, mother and author, share her testimony. Reflect on suffering's spiritual purpose. Ponder the love of the Sacred Heart. Enjoy time away to pray and grow in faith with other women seeking to do the same. There will be opportunities for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The cost is \$10. Contact Angie Snyder at kielersnyder@gmail.com or 608-732-6329 for information and to register.

TEC RETREAT #172 IS COMING TO ST. CLEMENT PARISH



The "Together Encountering Christ" (TEC) retreat date is March 9-11, 2018. The retreat will begin at noon on March 9. TEC is an intergenerational movement of the Catholic Church especially designed to help meet the spiritual needs of Catholic Christians. Although it is an amazing experience for anyone over 15 years of age, it can be especially rewarding for youth who are preparing for Confirmation or have been recently Confirmed and adults in the RCIA program. This is also an invitation for those who have already experienced a TEC to come and help by working on team. Fr. William Vernon will be the Spiritual Director, and Steve Davies is the overall Director. Steve can be reached at 608.220.2088 if you have questions. Applications and more information about TEC can be found at www.kairostec.org or from the brochures that are available on our bulletin board by the parish office. TEC retreat is a fantastic faith experience, especially during the Lenten Season.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS FOR GRADES K TO 6

February 21: Class 6:00pm-7:00pm

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS FOR GRADES 7 TO 9

CLASS SCHEDULE: February 21

Grades 7, 8 & 9: Class 7:00-8:30pm

YOUTH MINISTRY - ISAIAH 43

Parents of Steubenville North Youth Conference participants, please register your child/ren. The registration cheat sheets for both Steubenville and LBH (Love Begins Here - Diocese of Madison sponsored local mission weeks) are on the Youth Ministry table by the Holy Water font.



THIS WEEK AT ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, February 18 St. Clement Men's Group "Surrender"
~7 pm Social; 7:30 Presentation, Dining Hall

Wednesday, February 21 All School Mass, 8:15 am
. Finance Council Meeting at Noon,
Parish Office Meeting Room
. RE classes; Grades K-6 (6-7 pm), 7-9 (7 - 8:30 pm)

Saturday, February 24 1st Reconciliation Retreat, 9-Noon

LENTEN RALLY DAY FOR GIRLS AT SCHOENSTATT HEIGHTS

Girls ages 6-12 are invited to a Lenten Rally Day with the theme "She Stood Under the Cross" on Saturday, February 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Schoenstatt Heights, 5901 Cottage Grove Road, Madison. The day will include talks, games, time for prayer in the shrine, crafts, lunch, and a snack. Cost is \$15. For questions, please contact Sister María José at (262) 522-4323 or schgyouthmadison@schsrsmay.org. Please register by Monday, February 19. Registration forms can be found at www.sgyusa.com/events/wisconsin. We hope to see you there!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 5:30 pm, February 23,
and March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

DIocese OF MADISON ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2018

"We Dare to Hope"

The theme for the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Diocese of Madison concentrates on Hope. We ask that God grant us the ability to put our *hope* in Him to allow us the capacity to love and care for those in our parishes, our diocese and the Church throughout the world. We ask that His grace make us even more generous in supporting those needs.

Each pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal supports diocesan ministries, education and services and assures a strong future for the Diocese of Madison and the people that it serves.

This year, each of us is asked to consider making a pledge, payable over five months. Your gift will help enable the diocese to reach its goal and provide grant opportunities for Catholic schools, religious education programs and distressed parishes in need.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.



For Pope Francis' February Universal Intention: Say "No" to Corruption: That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Saint Clement "Celebration of Giving" Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, April 7th, 2018. Please mark your calendars now, make plans to attend, and help spread the word to friends and family. Invitations and additional information will be coming out soon. Music, Cocktail Hour, Silent Auction will be starting at 6:00 p.m., Dinner and Live Auction will be starting at 7:00 p.m. Also, please contact the school if you have items that you would like to donate for the auction. We are especially looking for bigger "experience" items such as vacation rentals, concert or game tickets, or family friendly packages like fishing/camping trips, waterpark packages. etc. Thank you all once again for your continued support of our wonderful parish school!!!

4K REGISTRATION

Families wishing to send their children to Four-Year-Old Kindergarten at our Saint Clement Parish School this fall should complete our Application for Enrollment form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. Please call the school office at 723-7474 if you would like to receive registration information or schedule a school visit.

Saint Clement School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, athletic and other school-administered programs.



WEEKEND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



FEBRUARY 24 & 25

5 PM Lectors: Linda Ihm & Rick Benson

5 PM Servers: Mason & Avery Crooks

7:30 AM Lector: Shayne LaBudda

7:30 AM Servers: Volunteers

9:30 AM Lectors: Sam Jonas & Kathy Larsen

9:30 AM Servers: Joey & Carolyn Recker, Fin Hoffman

MARCH 3 & 4

5 PM Lectors: Tom Hughey & Bill Manthe

5 PM Servers: Brianna Kirsch, Zach Mendis, Madeline Reukauf

7:30 AM Lector: Jan Block

7:30 AM Servers: Sam & Grace Schaffer

9:30 AM Lectors: Tom Lucke & Sheri Ihm

9:30 AM Servers: Lydia, Aaron & Anna Murphy

*If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled liturgical role,
please find a substitute.*

ST. CLEMENT MEN'S GROUP PRESENTS: FR. LARRY RICHARDS' "SURRENDER"

February 18 ~ 7:00 pm Social, 7:30 pm Presentation
Chapter 2: Surrender and Be a Great Lover!

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"The kingdom of God is at hand." As we begin Lent, let us try to bring the kingdom of God to our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on March 16-18 in Madison, WI; April 20-22 in Brookfield, WI or July 20-22 in Madison, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

HELP STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Documented Human Trafficking incidents exist in every one of the 72 counties in Wisconsin. Come learn about the warning signs, and how to respond if you suspect trafficking activity. Clarity Clinic of SW Wisconsin is sponsoring this **FREE educational event**, along with Grant County Sheriff's office and UW-Platteville. This event for parents and college students will be held on Wednesday, February 28 at 6:30 PM, at UW-Platteville. Together we can stop Human Trafficking in SW Wisconsin. Go to standwithclarity.com/events to register.



YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill my heart with Your holy gifts.

Let my weakness be penetrated with
Your Strength this very day
that I may fulfill all the duties of my state conscientiously,
that I may do what is right and just.

Let my charity be such as to offend no one,
and hurt no one's feelings;
so generous as to pardon sincerely any wrong done to me.

Assist me, O Holy Spirit, in all the trials of my life.
enlighten me in my ignorance,
advise me in my doubts,
strengthen me in my weakness,
help me in all my needs,
protect me in temptations and console me in afflictions.

Graciously hear me, O Holy Spirit,
and pour Your Light into my heart, my soul, and my mind.
Assist me to live a holy life and to grow
in goodness and grace.
Amen.

AREA FISH FRY...

ST. MARY'S FISH FRY

St. Mary's Parish, Bloomington, WI will be holding their annual Cod Fish Fry on Friday, February 23, 2018 with serving from 4:45 to 7:30 p.m in St. Mary's Church Hall. Both baked and fried cod will be served. The cost for the meal is \$11.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5-12, and kids four years old and younger eat for free. Carry-outs are \$11.00. The evening will also include a fabulous raffle with over 70 prizes held in conjunction with Catholic Financial Life Branch #34. Thank you to all of the businesses and individuals who donated prizes to the raffle!!! We hope you will join us for a great evening of food and fun.

KIELER FISH FRY

Friday, February 23 • Serving 4:30-8:30 p.m.
HG-IC SCHOOL IN KIELER - 3685 County HHH
608-568-7220

Adults: \$12.00; Children 6-12: \$6.00; 2-5: \$3.00

Carry-outs Available: \$13.00

Baked & Fried Fish, Baked Potato & American Fries,
Cole Slaw, Rolls, Relishes & Dessert

STS. ANDREW-THOMAS PARISH FISH FRY

Friday, March 9 • Serving 5 to 7:30 pm

Sts. Andrew-Thomas School

Adults: \$10.50; Children 3-12: \$5.50;

Carry-Outs Available (.50 extra)

Fried & Baked Cod, Potato Salad or Baked Potato,
Cole Slaw, Vegetable, Beverage & Dessert