

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday – December 3

3:30-4:00 pm Confessions
4:30 pm People of Corpus Christi

Sunday – December 4

7:30 am Jenna Baranczyk
10:30 am Dexter & Jeff Cross
5:00 pm Tom Kile

Monday – December 5

*5:05 pm Johann "Art" Gruner

Tuesday – December 6

*5:05 pm People of Corpus Christi

Wednesday – December 7

*8:20 am Marion Kluth

Thursday – December 8 Holy Day: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*8:20 am Memorials Christ Child Society
*5:05 pm Anton & Gertrude Panosh

Friday – December 9

*8:20 am Kim M. Christoferson

Saturday – December 10

3:30-4:00 pm Confessions
4:30 pm Barbara Schmelzer

Sunday – December 11

7:30 am People of Corpus Christi
10:30 am Bernard Bykoski
1:30 pm Jerome Braun

*The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before Mass.

Scripture Readings: Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday Isaiah 11:1-10, Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17, Romans 15:4-9, Matthew 3:1-12

Monday Isaiah 35:1-10, Psalm 85:9AB&10,11-12,13-14, Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 96:1-2,3&10AC,11-12,13, Matt.18:12-14

Wednesday Isaiah 40:25-31, Psalm 103:1-2,3-4,8&10, Matt.11:28-30

Thursday Genesis 3:9-15,20, Psalm 98:1,2-3AB,3CD-4, Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12, Luke 1:26-38

Friday Isaiah 48:17-19, Psalm 1:1-2,3,4&6, Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday Sirach 48:1-4,9-11, Psalm 80:2AC&3B,15-16,18-19, Matthew 17:9A,10-13

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PARISH NEWS

Shower of Love Mass on Thurs. Dec. 8th @ 8:20am

Join the D.C. Chapter of the Christ Child Society for their Shower of Love Mass here at Corpus Christi. Please bring your donation of new baby clothes, blankets, diapers, etc. These gifts help us provide layettes for newborns and their moms in need. We will gather for brunch at the Log Den in Egg Harbor @10am. Cost of the brunch is \$14.00. Please call 743-6087 or 495-5857 with questions or if you would like to donate.

Singers and Musicians

If you would love to share your gifts with us on Dec. 24th for the prelude for the 4:30pm Mass please contact Brian Fogarty at bffogarty@gmail.com.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday – December 4

10:30 am Blessing of Prayer Shawls @ Mass
5:00 pm Mass
6:00-8:00 pm Life Night @ Corpus Christi

Monday – December 5

3:00-4:30 pm Boys Basketball Practice
4:30-6:00 pm Girls Basketball Practice

Tuesday – December 6

3:00-4:30 pm Boys Basketball Practice
4:30-6:00 pm Girls Basketball Practice
5:30 pm St. Ann's Christmas Party @ White Birch Inn (following Mass @ 5:05pm)
5:45-7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday – December 7

5:45-7:00 pm Genesis @ St. Joe's
6:00-7:15 pm Edge at Corpus Christi
7:30-8:45 pm Confirmation Class at Corpus Christi

Thursday – December 8 Holy Day of Obligation

2:00-5:00 pm Poinsettia Pickup/Church Entrance
4:30 pm Boys Basketball Home Game
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday – December 9

3:30-5:00 pm Boys Basketball Practice

Sunday – December 11 Retirement Collection

1:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

PARISH REPORT

Deposited this week	Nov. 21-Nov 27 (22)
Parish Support	\$6,308.00
Offertory Collection	\$693.25
Votive Candles	\$56.00
Technology & Capital	\$21.00
Donations	\$480.00
Perpet. Care/Garden	\$1,060.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....	\$8,618.25
Budgeted Expenses for the Week.....	\$9,181.37
Weekly Shortage.....	(\$563.12)
Thanksgiving Offertory for Lakeshore Cap....	\$376.50

Also, thank you for your food donations as well!

\$CRIP REPORT

Sales for Week of: Nov.21- 27 \$3,860.00 Profit \$179.35
Scrip can be purchased before and after all weekend Masses and on Thurs. 11:30-1pm in the parish center.

PARISH NEWS

Retirement Collection Dec. 10 & 11

Next weekend, our parish will take a Retirement Collection. This will be to benefit two groups of people who have served us faithfully. We will have the opportunity to give to the National Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests. We also have an opportunity to give to the retirement needs of the senior priests in the Diocese of Green Bay. You may donate to both of these groups, or just one. Please us the envelope in your pews.

NOTES FROM FR. CARL.....



On this second Sunday of Advent we hear from John the Baptist as he says, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" As we prepare our homes for the coming of Christmas let us also prepare our hearts. May this time of

Advent be a joy filled time as we prepare the way of the Lord.

Please include in your prayers Isaac Joseph Pribyl who was baptized last Sunday and his parents Matthew and Anna and family. Have a blessed week! Fr. Carl

Edge and Life Teen

Middle & High School Religious Education

Giving tree gifts are due to the tree you took the ornament from by December 8th! Please make sure the ornament is secured to the wrapped gift. Thank you for taking part of such a great service project.

Life Teen this weekend (Sun., Dec. 4th) at Corpus Christi:

5pm Mass (all ages welcome)

6pm Snack and Life Night until 8pm

Next Sunday, December 11th there is NO 5pm Life Teen Mass or regular Life Night! High school students are to attend the Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration at Corpus Christi! We encourage students to take part in the entire celebration starting at noon: Rosary, procession of Our Lady, traditional dancers, and Mass beginning at 1:30pm. Food will follow Mass.

Confirmation this week (Wednesday, December 7th):

7:30-8:45pm at Corpus Christi

It's the sponsor/candidate potluck! All candidates are asked to bring a dish to pass.

Thank you to everyone who prayed for our seniors during the Confirmation retreat! We really feel the support of our quad-parish community! Please keep praying; we are only a few weeks away from the big night! (Saturday, January 7th 4:30pm at Corpus Christi)

Edge this week (Wed., Dec. 7th): 6-7:15pm at Corpus Christi

Mission Trips:

Thank you to everyone who purchased a poinsettia! Pick up is Thursday, Dec. 8th from 2-5pm at Corpus Christi.



Registration for our middle school and high school mission trips are open! (Madison July 9-15th, and Louisiana June 17-25th) Please see Sarah for more details. Registration for the March for Life (high school only) deadline is Sunday, December 4th.

GENESIS NEWS

Genesis: Elementary Faith Formation @ St. Joe's

Classes: Dec. 7th 5:45-7pm

FROM THE DEACON'S DESK.....



Dear friends at Corpus Christi Parish, As most of you may recall, I decided to take a break from active ministry this spring to

refresh and renew my own spirituality. I very much appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. The sabbatical I had taken has afforded me much time for prayer and discernment as well as experience a very meaningful pilgrimage to the Holy Land. During this time I tried to focus on where God may be calling me in my ministry. I considered what faculties of my ordination as a deacon bring me the greatest joy. I found these to be participating in and celebrating the life events of our Catholic people through the sacraments of baptism and marriage as well as comforting those who mourn through presiding at wake services and funerals. I also considered how I might best serve the Catholic community of Sturgeon Bay as a whole and all of the amazing people of this place I now call home. After much discussion with my spiritual director, diocesan leadership and of course, my family, I have requested to conclude my assignment at Corpus Christi and to be assigned to St Joseph Parish here in Sturgeon Bay and SS Peter & Paul in Institute. Through this new assignment I feel I will be blessed to meet more of the faithful of the Sturgeon Bay community while staying connected with all of you here at Corpus Christi through programs that have already been established within the tri/quad parishes such as Adult Faith Formation, Care Ministry and Catholic Man Night. This move will also allow me to remain involved to some extent in St. John Bosco School, Genesis, Edge and Life Teen. A number of you have asked about me and my situation recently as I had originally planned to return to ministry by mid-October. I had hoped to give an update on my situation some time ago, but unfortunately I needed to coordinate this move with a number of individuals and work within their schedules. I look ahead to this new opportunity and to serving you as I am able. I am genuinely grateful to have been able to serve you the past five years and I sincerely appreciate all of your prayers and concern over the past six months and ask for your continued prayers for Cathy and me during this time of transition. Please be assured of our continued prayers for you.

Yours in Christ, Deacon Ray

PARISH NEWS

End of Year Donations

When planning for your 2016 end of the year donations, (must be received by Sunday Dec. 25th; mail received Mon. Dec. 26th & after will be for 2017 year) please keep in mind the Fr. Birdsell Prayer and Reflection Garden! A great way to remember loved ones during this Advent Season with a memorial gift. Call Bill Sauve at 920-746-7656 with any questions you may have.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION

Sunday, December 11, 2016

Corpus Christi Parish
Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin



The celebration will include:

12:00 pm (noon)- Rosary

Procession - Our Lady of Guadalupe

Presentation of flowers to Our Lady

Tonantzin Dance Company

1:30 pm Mass

*After Mass the celebration continues with food, music
and fellowship - All are welcome!*

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

*Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose,
make intercession for the Holy Church,
protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke
thee in their necessities, and since thou art the ever Virgin
Mary, and Mother of the True God, obtain for us from thy
most holy Son
the grace of keeping our faith,
of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, of
burning charity,
and the precious gift of final perseverance. Amen.*

Questions?

Please contact:

Patti Hovde

at SS Peter & Paul

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LOAVES & FISHES
Community Meal
Friday Evenings
Year 'round – Usually 1st, 3rd & 4th

Who: All Ages are Welcome

What: Family Style Dinner

Time: Serving from 5:30-7:00 pm

Where: Northeastern Wisconsin Technical College
229 North 14th Avenue, Sturgeon Bay

Cost: Free

Sponsored by the community, local churches, businesses and individuals. There are no government funds used for the Loaves & Fishes community meal program.

Need more information: Call 743.6218.



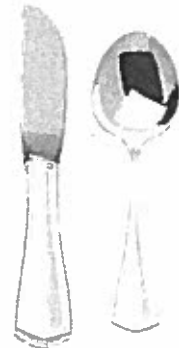
October 7, 21, 28

November 4, 18

***No Meal on November 25**

December 2, 16

***No Meal on December 23**





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Bishop Ricken visits prison inmates Visit to Redgranite facility part of Year of Mercy

BY SAM LUCERO | THE COMPASS

REDGRANITE — Behind a makeshift altar standing in the shadows of a basketball hoop, Bishop David Ricken celebrated Mass Nov. 2 in a gymnasium that could have been mistaken for any Catholic school gym in the Diocese of Green Bay.

But the uniformed security officers stationed at the gym's entrance, as well as the two security checkpoints situated in areas outside of the athletic facility, made it clear that this was not an ordinary gymnasium.

Nor was it an ordinary Mass.

As part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Bishop Ricken celebrated Mass for inmates at Redgranite Correctional Institution, a medium security adult male correctional institution located in Redgranite, a village in Waushara County about 80 miles southwest of Green Bay. The prison is operated by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections with a staff of 293 and an inmate population of approximately 1,000, according to the facility's 2016 annual report.

About 75 inmates, both Catholic and non-Catholic, attended



SAM LUCERO | THE COMPASS

Bishop David Ricken makes a point as he addresses inmates at Redgranite Correctional Institution Nov. 2.

the liturgy and received a special blessing from Bishop Ricken on behalf of Pope Francis at the end of Mass.

In addition to Bishop Ricken, several diocesan staff members, clergy from the Green Bay and Madison dioceses and prison ministry volunteers from local parishes attended the Mass. Mary Armbrust, Pastoral Care and Min-

istry coordinator for the Green Bay Diocese, organized the visit. She said it was the last of three Year of Mercy activities she has helped organize. The other two included care ministry coordinators, parish nurses and volunteers serving adults with disabilities.

Our full story appears in the Nov. 4 issue.

FRANKLY, FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In our catechesis for this Holy Year of Mercy, we now consider the spiritual work of mercy which is bearing wrongs patiently. In showing patience to those who wrong us and, by extension, to those we find irritating, we imitate God's own patience with us sinners. Exercising patience with others also challenges us to reflect on our own conduct and failings. Patience is also required in two related spiritual works of mercy: admonishing sinners and instructing the ignorant. We think of the patience shown by the many parents, catechists and teachers who quietly help young people to grow in faith and knowledge of the important things in life. Helping others to look past the ephemeral, to discover the Lord's will in their lives and thus to find lasting joy, is a great act of charity.

+ Pope Francis,
Nov. 16, 2016

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Hands and Hearts with Haiti hosts Haitian guest during Green Bay visit

BY PATRICIA KASTEN | THE COMPASS

ALLOUEZ — When Golds Mithe Joseph was growing up in Mirebalais, Haiti, with her two brothers, her sister and her mother, she loved school, even when she had to go to middle school and high school in another town about 20 miles away from home. .

Golds also loved doing community service, even cleaning streets. That service and her

grades gained her a United States Agency for International Development scholarship. The scholarship brought her to Wisconsin in 2013, to earn a business administration degree at Northcentral Technical College in Wausau.

"I was happy but scared," Golds said about coming to the Badger State.

However, she found other scholarship students at the school, from Haiti, Nicaragua, the Dominican Republic and El Salvador.

"American culture is a different culture — and the weather," she said. "I had to learn. I came here in August and I was freezing all the time."

Golds soon adapted and even ended up touring the ice caves on Lake Superior. She also learned about American football and now says the Green Bay Packers are her favorite team.

Our full story appears in the Nov. 18 issue.

5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Advent wreath

PATRICIA KASTEN | THE COMPASS

- 1 The Advent wreath has five candles — one for each of the four Sundays of Advent.
- 2 Three of the candles are purple — to symbolize the preparation season of Advent — and one is pink, to symbolize rejoicing. The Third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday or Joy Sunday.
- 3 Using an Advent wreath in church dates to the 16th century when Lutherans adapted an earlier secular farm custom of decorating wagon wheels in winter to symbolize the sun.
- 4 Candles, bringing light into darkness, have long been symbolic of Christ. Some Advent wreaths have a white Christ candle in the center that is lit at Christmas.
- 5 The evergreens in the wreath symbolize God's eternal love.

Jubilee Year of Mercy for prisoners

This past Sunday, the Holy Father reached out to another group needing to hear of the love and mercy of Jesus. In a beautiful Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, with 1,000 prisoners present, Pope Francis extended the medicine of mercy and hope to those who are incarcerated.

He said in his homily on Sunday, "Hope is a gift of God. We must ask for it. It is placed deep within each human heart in order to shed light on this life, so often troubled and clouded by so many situations that bring sadness and pain. We need to nourish the roots of our hope so that they can bear fruit; primarily the certainty of God's closeness, despite whatever evil we have done."

It is this hope that opens the heart to the healing balm of God's mercy. As I often mention to inmates, "Your prison cell can become a monastic cell, where isolation, fear, hatred, regret, remorse, even confusion and despair can be turned into an oratory, filled with prayer and the love and presence of Jesus."

In the last several years, I have taken the opportunity to visit the prisons in Green Bay and in Oshkosh to celebrate Mass with the

inmates. Last week, I was able to celebrate the Mass for the first time with the inmates of Redgranite Correctional Institution. What a beautiful experience it has been this past year to explain the great medicine that is the merciful love of Jesus! The receptivity among the inmates of all three facilities has been genuine and appreciated.

Throughout this Year of Mercy, I have had the unique privilege to extend the special blessing of Pope Francis and the indulgence of the Jubilee Year of Mercy to those who would be otherwise unable to pass through one of our holy doors in the diocese. In a few minutes of personal exchange with Pope Francis last February, he encouraged me to press forward in this outreach.

I want to thank the priests, deacons, diocesan and parish personnel who consistently provide religious services and holy Masses to those who cannot leave their confinement; it is important that we go to them. Jesus said, "When I was in prison, you came to visit me."

May this Jubilee Year of Mercy, now in its last official days, instill an abundant flow of oceans of God's mercy to all of those whose hearts are broken, confined, hardened and lost. May the merciful love of the Father and Jesus continue to flow abundantly by the power of the Holy Spirit!

(This column appeared in the Nov. 4 issue.)



BISHOP'S CORNER

Bishop David Ricken

Parish SNAP SHOT

JEFF KUROWSKI | THE COMPASS

German Strollers — Helmuth Bresser and Darlene Bresser — entertain diners at Oktoberfest, Oct. 29, in the Bishop Wycislo Center at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. The event, the 10th annual, featured a presentation by Annette Aubinger, a descendant of architect Erhard Brielmaier, who not only worked on St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, but also designed the Basilica of St. Josaphat in Milwaukee. Proceeds from Oktoberfest benefit the Green Bay Diocesan Museum, located at the cathedral.



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From the Principal Gifts

So here we are again, my favorite time of year, Christmas... that magical time of good will toward men, baby Jesus, children, Christmas carolers, secrets, surprises and snow. "It was the night before Christmas" still gives me smiles of delight as I think of my daughters waiting for Santa to come down the chimney, a long time ago now, and magic was truly in the air. The true spirit of Christmas. Recently, as I've reminisced about past Christmases, I've realized that probably no other time of the year yields as many poignant memories as does Christmas. The Christmases we remember best generally have little to do with worldly goods, but a lot to do with families, with love, with compassion and caring. As we contemplate how we're going to spend our money to buy gifts this holiday season, let us also plan for how we will spend our time in order to help bring the true spirit of Christmas into the lives of others. With the Spirit of Christ in our lives, we will have goodwill and love toward all mankind, not only during this season, but throughout the year as well. The Savior gave freely to all, and His gifts were of value beyond measure. Throughout His ministry, He blessed the sick, restored sight to the blind, made the deaf to hear, and the halt and the lame to walk. He gave cleanliness to the unclean. He restored breath to the lifeless. He gave hope to the despairing and bestowed light in the darkness. He gave us His love, His service, and His life. What is the spirit we feel at

Christmas time? It is *His* spirit—the Spirit of Christ. Use the list below to choose your special gifts to give and may the spirit of Christ be with you all year long. **The Gift of Listening:** But you really must listen. No interrupting, no daydreaming, no planning your response, no texting. Just listening. **The Gift of Affection:** Be generous with appropriate hugs, kisses, pats on the back and handholds. Let these small actions demonstrate the love you have for family and friends. **The Gift of Laughter:** Clip cartoons. Share articles and funny stories. Your gift will say, "I love to laugh with you." **The Gift of a Written Note:** It can be a simple "Thanks for the help" note or a full sonnet. A brief, handwritten note may be remembered for a lifetime, and may even change a life. **The Gift of a Compliment:** A simple and sincere, "You look great in red", "You did a super job", or "That was a wonderful meal" can make someone's day. **The Gift of a Favor:** Everyday, go out of your way to do something kind. **The Gift of Solitude:** There are times when we want nothing better than to be left alone. Be sensitive to those times and give the gift of solitude to others. **The Gift of a Cheerful Disposition:** The easiest way to feel good is to extend a kind word to someone, it's not hard to say, "Hello" or "Thank You." These gifts can be given by young and old, the innocent and the worldly, the rich and the poor. They cannot be bought but must be given with the heart and spirit of Christmas. Wishing you a blessed Christmas. *Practicing Faith, Strengthening our Community, Graduating Leaders*

Mrs. Dandler

Carols become thoughtful prayers as we prepare for Christmas

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol, for to sing the birth of our heavenly King?
— Robert Herrick (1591-1674)

Throughout the centuries, no single event has moved authors, poets and composers more to create beautiful music than the celebration of Christmas and the birth of Jesus Christ.

Filled with the majesty and wonder of God becoming man, these songs permeate our culture and can be heard on the radio, in shopping malls and through our CD players.

Yet these carols really "come alive" when we sing them at church, at gatherings, or during Christmas caroling around the neighborhood. St. Augustine once wrote "to sing is to pray twice," so singing Christmas carols is a great way to prayerfully prepare for Christmas day.



Mark your calendars for the St. John Bosco Christmas Concert at 6:30 on Monday, December 19th, at St. Joseph Church.

*Thought for the Month—
Tell me and I'll forget.
Show me and I may remember.
Involve me and I'll understand.*



Technology Update – Mrs. Hartl



D.A.R.E. -Technology in Action
 Our fifth grade students have completed the **D.A.R.E.** program with Juvenile Investigator Chris Neuville. The DARE program began as a drug abuse resistance education (DARE) program. It has grown to a program centered on teaching students good decision-making skills to help them lead safe and healthy lives. As a part of the **D.A.R.E.** final project, the students were divided into small groups, and each group had to create a movie representing what they learned. Students could use school iPads or their own devices to record their creations. All the movies were premiered at the final D.A.R.E. class. One video was selected that best represented the D.A.R.E. message, and that movie was shown at the



graduation ceremony on November 18. After the video premiere, Door County Sheriff Steve Delarwelle spoke. Officer

Neuville and Ms. Fitzpatrick then presented each student with a certificate and T-shirt recognizing their dedication and hard work in the **D.A.R.E.** program.

'Tis So Sweet To Be Loved By Jesus



Our entry in the Christmas by the Bay Parade, designed and created by our 4K and Kindergarten students and their parents won First Place in the 2016 Non-Profit Entry category.



We were accompanied by Father Birdsall, his 29th year joining us in our Parade march!



We'd love to have you join us for school Mass at Corpus Christi Church

Thurs., Dec. 8 at 8:20 a.m., led by 6th grade students [Holy Day]
 Wed., Dec. 14 at 8:20 a.m., led by 5th grade students
 Wed., Dec. 21 at 8:20 a.m., led by 4th grade students

Advent Services

Please join us for our Advent Services each Monday, December 5, 12 and 19 at 8:15 a.m. in the hallway of St. John Bosco near the office.

Annual School Fund Drive



We are excited to announce the St.

John Bosco Annual School Fund Drive ~ Investing in the Future: Reaping Dividends for Life! Fr. Anthony Birdsall is the honorary chair of this year's campaign. Throughout his parish career, Fr. Tony has strongly supported Catholic education and has remained committed to the philosophy that Catholic education is an investment in the Church, our community, and our society. Each year St. John Bosco fundraises 20% of its annual operating budget. Please join Fr. Tony and invest in Catholic education at St. John Bosco - a wonderful way to reap dividends for life.

Thanksgiving Mass

Thank you to our first grade class for helping us celebrate our special Thanksgiving Mass. We are very grateful to our little Pilgrims and Native Americans and their teacher, Mrs. Mueller for helping us give thanks to God for all our blessings!

