

The Good News

May 16-17, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

Holy Family: 4:00 pm
St. Peter: 4:00 pm
Sacred Heart: 4:00 pm

Sunday

Sacred Heart: 7:00 am (Spanish) | 9:00 am
11:00 am
St. Mary: 7:15 am
Holy Family: 8:00 am | 10:00 am
12:00 pm (Spanish)
St. Peter: 8:30 am
Our Risen Savior: 10:00 am
Presentation: 10:00 am
Marian University: 5:00 pm

Weekday

Monday, Friday | Sacred Heart: 12:00 pm
Monday - Friday | Holy Family: 7:00 am
Wednesday | Marian University: 12:00 pm
Wednesday | Sacred Heart: 6:00 pm
Friday | St. Mary: 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Saturday | Holy Family: 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday

Following 7:00 am Mass at Holy Family

Monday, Friday

11:15 to 11:45 am at Sacred Heart

Wednesday

11:15 to 11:45 am at Marian University
5:00 pm at Sacred Heart

Friday

6:15 to 6:45 pm at St. Mary

Saturday

After 8:00 am Mass at Holy Family
3:00 to 3:45 pm at Sacred Heart
3:00 to 3:45 pm at Holy Family
3:00 to 3:45 pm at St. Peter

Sunday

9:00 to 9:45 am at Our Risen Savior

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Help us provide meals to children, families with Summer Bites program

Every Tuesday, from June 9 to August 18, Holy Family will provide hundreds of meals to children and adults in need through our Summer Bites lunch program. The goal of the program is to reach all who are in need of food, particularly children and families who rely on school meals, by offering free bag lunches at every corner of our community. To provide these meals, we need your help! Over the next few weeks, we will collect donations of specific items to pack lunches. The weekend of May 16-17, we will collect single-serve chips and crackers, and the weekend of May 23-24, we will collect fruit cups, applesauce cups, and boxes of raisins at the Parish Office.

Daughters of Isabella to meet May 19

The Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, May 19 at The Victory Center. The audit meeting will take place at 12:00 pm with the meeting to follow at 1:00 pm.

Still time to sign your child up for Summer Program

There's still time to register for Holy Family's Faith Formation Summer Program! Running June 8-19 at Sacred Heart School, this program invites public school students currently in grades K-7 to encounter Christ through opportunities to learn from priests and catechists in the classroom, worship our Lord through song, and celebrate Mass. The program is offered as either an AM session (8:30 to 11:30 am) or PM session (12:30 to 3:30 pm). To register, please visit hffdl.org/cf.

Support Holy Family Warming Shelter at Dock Spiders Game on Friday, June 5

Make a double play of your night when you watch the Fond du Lac Dock Spiders take on the Green Bay Rockers and support the Holy Family Warming Shelter at the Dock Spiders Faith & Family Night on Friday, June 5! The game begins at 6:35 pm. That night, Warming Shelter staff and volunteers will be at Herr-Baker Field, 980 E. Division St., sharing information about the shelter and how to get involved. They will also host a 50/50 raffle with proceeds benefiting the Warming Shelter. Bring the whole family to enjoy a game of baseball and stay after for a fireworks show! Tickets are now available! For an all-you-can-eat experience, join us on the Rooftop Dockyard. For tickets, please visit hffdl.org/event/wsdockspiders26 and if prompted, use the promo code Holy26.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr. Redmond Tuttle May 20

Celebrate Fr. Redmond Tuttle's ordination to the priesthood at his Mass of Thanksgiving this Wednesday, May 20 at 6:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church. A Mass of Thanksgiving serves as an expression of gratitude to God for the gift of a priest's vocation and stands as a celebration of grace. All welcome and invited to attend!

Talk on End-of-Life Decisions to be offered May 28

The Holy Family Respect Life Ministry will offer a talk on end-of-life planning and care on Thursday, May 28 at 5:30 pm in Holy Family Hall featuring Archdiocese of Milwaukee Director of Respect Life Ministry Rich Fedor and Fr. Matthew Kirk. The talk will discuss end-of-life issues and end-of-life care from a Catholic perspective, and the importance of discussing this with loved ones, particularly those making decisions on your behalf. Fr. Matthew will talk about the Anointing of the Sick and the Last Rites. Refreshments will be served. You do not need to have attended the first talk in this series to attend the second.

Parish sponsors free screening of David at Odyssey Cinema May 30

Attend a free screening of the family film "David" at the Odyssey Cinema & Social Fond du Lac 8 Theatre, sponsored by our parish on Saturday, May 30! The epic musical and animated film tells the story of David and his journey to become the anointed King of Israel, from working as a shepherd and musician to battling Goliath. Doors will open at 9:30 am, at which time concessions will be available for purchase. The film will begin at 10:00 am. To attend, please fill out our RSVP form at hffdl.org/event/david or contact Eva at (920) 921-0580 with how many people will attend.

Changes coming to Presentation's Mass time

Beginning the weekend of May 30/31, our Sunday Mass at Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church will be offered at 10:30 am rather than 10:00 am in order to give our priests more time to get between churches. We thank you for your flexibility and patience.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 18

HF 7:00 am: Ervin & Geraldine Gabres

SH 12:00 pm: Carol Carey

Tuesday, May 19

HF 7:00 am: In Thanksgiving for all Medical Professionals, Family, and Friends for Blessings Received

Wednesday, May 20

HF 7:00 am: Eternal Rest for Jan Cverko

MU 12:00 pm: For the Intentions of the St.

Monica Prayer Group

SH 6:00 pm: Michael F. Simon

Thursday, May 21

HF 7:00 am: Fr. Patrick Behling

Friday, May 22

HF 7:00 am: Thomas & Mary Theisen

SH 12:00 pm: Martin & Rosemary O'Hearn

SM 7:00 pm: For the Parishioners

Saturday, May 23

HF 8:00 am: The Living & Deceased of the Al and Marjean Ransom Family

SH 4:00 pm: Laura Havey & Jane Havey

SP 4:00 pm:

- The Living & Deceased of the Schmitz & Kohlmann Families
- Bill Schneider (Anniversary) and Joe Thome
- The W. and K. Families and John Halcovich

HF 4:00 pm: Donald Meyer

Sunday, May 24

SH (SP) 7:00 am: For the Intentions Written in the Prayer Book

SM 7:15 am: Carolyn Papenfuss

HF 8:00 am:

- Specialist John O. Tollefson and all Living & Deceased Veterans
- Megan Sager

SP 8:30 am: For the Parishioners

SH 9:00 am:

- Kenneth Krause and Joseph Schibline
- Rick Petrie
- Mary Wagner

PBVM 10:00 am: Tony Reese

ORS 10:00 am: Pamela Parmeter Larson & Lydia Ford

HF 10:00 am: For the Parishioners

SH 11:00 am: For the Parishioners

HF (SP) 12:00 pm: For the Intentions Written in the Prayer Book

MU 5:00 pm: Peter Loehr

A Letter from your Priest | The Communion of Saints

When we Catholic Christians confront the loss of our loved ones, we are consoled by the knowledge that death does not break our fundamental bond with our relatives and friends who have gone before us into eternity. By baptism we have all been united into the Mystical Body of Christ, and this communion of Christ's holy people in His Body endures forever.

Because we are all bound together in this single body, we who are living are united by the closest possible ties to the faithful departed undergoing purgation and to those who have entered the presence of God in heaven. It is this bond, stretching across the chasm between time and eternity, that we speak of when we talk about the communion of saints. It is the unity in the person of Christ which binds together all those whom Christ has made holy by His sacraments.

As members of a single Mystical Body, united in the perfect charity of Christ, we on earth have a serious obligation to pray for our brothers and sisters in purgatory. By our prayers, we assist them in completing their purification so that they may enter heaven more speedily. And the saints in heaven, for their part, pray ceaselessly for us on earth, asking God to make us more and more like Christ – in other words, to make us more and more truly saints.

By the grace of Christ, therefore, we remain united to our beloved dead, and we are given the means to express our love for them by praying and doing penance that they may swiftly enter eternal glory. And the saints in heaven who loved us in this life now love us even more perfectly and generously from heaven, where they intercede constantly for us before the throne of grace. Relying on the mercy of God and the intercession of the saints, we hope and pray that we shall at last be reunited in the eternal joy of heaven with all those we have loved and lost. In this hope is our greatest consolation even in the face of the acute pain of separation.

-Fr. Behling

ST. MARY'S SPRINGS ACADEMY IS HIRING

St. Mary's Springs Academy is hiring the following positions for the 2026-2027 academic year: Administrative Assistant PreK-8th Grade; High School History/Social Studies Teacher; and Food Service Workers. For additional details, or to apply for one of these positions, please visit www.smsacademy.org/careers today!

GATHERING FOR PAST, PRESENT, AND POTENTIAL SMALL GROUP LEADERS JUNE 2

If you are a past or present leader of our Small Groups or if you are interested in becoming a Small Group leader this fall, please consider attending our Small Group Leader Gathering on Tuesday, June 2 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. To RSVP, please visit hffdl.org/sm.

OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

May their souls, and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace:

**Barbara A. Hoerth, Adam J. Holzman, Michael D. Schneider,
James "Jim" D. Van Grunsven & Rose Mary Zehren**

WEDDING BANNES

June 6, 2026
Jordan Drake & Katelyn Whitrock
Holy Family



SACRED HEART REDEDICATION MASS JUNE 13

Join us as we mark the historic Rededication Mass of Sacred Heart Church at 4:00 pm on Saturday, June 13 at Sacred Heart Church. Celebrate our newly renovated church with Archbishop Jeffrey Grob and our Holy Family Priest Team. A Rededication Mass is a rare rite in the Catholic Church, and considered a feast day in a parish community. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. You are also invited to attend Solemn Vespers, a heightened evening prayer, on Friday, June 12 at 6:00 pm at Sacred Heart.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS EVERY THURSDAY

Every Thursday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, join us as we offer a Holy Hour for vocations at the Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel. All are encouraged to participate as we pray for those entering religious life and for more to answer God's call.

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A Letter from Your Deacon | Sacred Heart Rededication and Plenary Indulgences

As Holy Family parish prepares for the joyful celebration of renovations of Sacred Heart Church and altar dedication Saturday, June 13, 2026, we are also given a beautiful spiritual opportunity: the possibility of receiving a plenary indulgence. This is a special grace offered by the Church, helping us grow closer to God and experience the fullness of His mercy.

The dedication of a church is a sacred moment. It marks the setting a part of a building for divine worship—a place where the Eucharist will be celebrated, prayers lifted, and lives transformed. At Sacred Heart Church, this occasion is not only historic for our community but also deeply spiritual for each of us.

What is a Plenary Indulgence?

A plenary indulgence is the complete remission of the temporal punishment due to sins that have already been forgiven. While Confession restores our relationship with God, an indulgence purifies the lingering effects of sin. It is a gift flowing from Christ's infinite mercy, entrusted to the Church.

We know that sin has not only a personal impact but also a communal one. When we sin, we release evil into the world. It is within our power to seek personal forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. But it is beyond our power to erase, on our own, the communal effects of sin.

“Despite being forgiven, the conflicting consequences of our sins remain. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God forgives our sins, which he truly blots out; and yet sin leaves a negative effect on the way we think and act. But the mercy of God is stronger than even this. It becomes *indulgence* on the part of the Father who, through the Bride of Christ, his Church, reaches the pardoned sinner and frees that person from every residue left by the consequences of sin, enabling that person to act with charity, to grow in love rather than to fall back into sin.” (Pope Francis)

The goodness and grace of some in our communion of saints goes far beyond what is needed for their own personal salvation. “Their holiness comes to the aid of our weakness in a way that enables the Church, with her maternal prayers and her way of life, to fortify the weakness of some with the strength of others.”

How to Receive the Plenary Indulgence

On the occasion of a church or altar dedication, the Church grants a plenary indulgence to the faithful who devoutly participate in the sacred rites. To receive this indulgence, parishioners are to fulfill the following conditions:

1. Attend the Dedication Mass - Saturday, June 13 at 4:00 pm

Be present and participate prayerfully in the liturgy of the church and altar dedication at Sacred Heart in mid-June.

2. Receive Holy Communion

Worthily receive the Eucharist, preferably during the same Mass or within a few days of the event.

3. Go to Confession

Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation within about 20 days before or after the dedication.

4. Pray for the Intentions of the Pope

This can be as simple as praying an Our Father and a Hail Mary for the Holy Father's intentions.

5. Be Free from Attachment to Sin

This includes even venial sin—a sincere disposition of the heart seeking to love God above all things.

In addition, the elderly, sick, and those unable to leave their homes for serious reasons can obtain a plenary indulgence given that they are detached from all sin and will fulfill the latter three conditions as soon as possible, offering their suffering to God.

A Moment of Grace for Our Parish

This dedication is more than a ceremony—it is a moment of renewal for our entire parish family. By participating fully and meeting these conditions, we can receive not only the visible beauty of our newly dedicated church but also a profound spiritual blessing.

Let us prepare our hearts in prayer, approach the sacraments with sincerity, and take full advantage of this grace-filled opportunity. May this sacred occasion deepen our faith and unite us ever more closely to Christ and one another.

We look forward to celebrating together at Sacred Heart this June!

—Deacon Marty Ryan

HOLY FAMILY SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH TRUSTEE DUE MAY 29

We are accepting nominations for one of our Parish Trustee positions. Trustees serve the parish as advisors, overseers, and councilors, entrusted with assisting the pastor in caring for the corporate well-being of the parish. Nominees must submit a nomination form, signed by at least 10 parish members, to the Parish Office by noon on Friday, May 29. For more information, please visit the Parish Office or hffdl.org/trustee.

HOLY FAMILY TO MARK MEMORIAL DAY WITH MASS, PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

To honor those who gave their lives for our country, Holy Family will offer multiple Masses on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, including at: 8:00 am at Holy Family Church; 8:30 am at Calvary Cemetery, 686 Fond du Lac Ave. (Rosary Walk at 8:00 am); and 9:00 am at St. Charles Cemetery, W4287 Golf Course Drive. Ledgeview Memorial Park will also offer a Mass at 9:00 am. The Holy Family Parish Office will be closed on May 25 in observance.

REGISTRATION FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NOW OPEN

You can now register your child for Vacation Bible School, Holy Family's one-week Bible Camp, taking place the mornings of August 3-7 at Sacred Heart School. Kids entering grades 4K-6 this fall get to join in an adventure of strength and heroic courage at “Hero Central: Where all our Heroes are Saints.” Kids going into grades 7-12 and adults are invited to join in the fun as volunteers! Register today at hffdl.org/cf

HELP US TRANSFORM SACRED HEART SCHOOL FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

This August, we're transforming Sacred Heart School into a setting of superhero proportions for Vacation Bible School. To help us decorate the school, we are looking for donations of the following items: **small appliance boxes; diaper boxes; shoe boxes; paper towel tubes; wrapping paper tubes; wrapping paper in solid colors; red, blue, yellow and white construction paper; and red, blue, or black bulletin board large roll paper.** Please drop off all donations at the Parish Office. Thank you for your support!

FDL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO OFFER VACCINE CLINIC JUNE 7

The Fond du Lac County Health Department will offer a vaccine clinic following the 12:00 pm Spanish Mass at Holy Family Church on Sunday, June 7. From 1:00 to 3:00 pm, adults ages 19 and older who do not have health insurance can receive vaccines like Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, HPV, Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR), Polio, Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap), and Varicella (Chickenpox). No appointment is required and a Spanish interpreter will be available onsite. For any questions, contact the Fond du Lac County Health Department at (920) 929-3085. For more information on immunizations, please visit fdlco.wi.gov.