



# Saint Mary's Parish

*A Welcoming Oasis of Love, Peace, and Outreach*

The Thirtieth of Ordinary Time

October 26, 2008

## Our Parish Office

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## Story for Today

### A Model for Others

By Dr. Constance M. Popp

Teaching in the Peace Studies program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee for ten years afforded me the opportunity to meet many students. Some attended my class in conflict resolution because they needed it as a requirement for a Peace Studies certificate; for others it was simply an elective. Some wanted help with a relationship and many came seeking aid in dealing with personal issues.

A few sought the certificate because of a major in environmental sciences. Such was Brian, a person who stood out in the crowd due to the seriousness with which he approached each class, not only mine but all classes. Brian was on a quest, a heroic adventure, to discover the reason for his life. He knew relationships had suffered from his brashness, and he wanted life to be different so he actively and consciously pursued answers to life's questions.

I had cause to contact him years later in my doctoral work, evaluating the Peace Studies program by interviewing the effect it had on graduates such as Brian. He lived in California at the time, was married with children of his own and working as an elementary school teacher.

"No matter what subject matter I am teaching," he said, "geography, sciences, gardening, practical arts, personal development-what I'm really teaching at all times is to be a real and true human being with mature consciousness and to master ourselves nonviolently."

Had Paul meant something similar when he wrote to the Thessalonians, "You know what sort of people we were among you? and you became imitators of us and of the Lord? so that you became a model for all the believers"?

Brian was a young man who knew that the majority of his teaching would be done through example rather than words. Like Paul, he knew that if he did not live what he taught, the model that he wished to become for others would not be realized.

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NEXT SUNDAY...

## All Souls Day

Next weekend our regular ordinary time liturgies are replaced by two significant holy days: The Feast of All Saints (Saturday) and The Feast of All Souls (Sunday). Each year on All Souls Day we invite families who have lost a loved one to attend Mass and light a memorial candle in remembrance. As the loved one's name is read



This year All Souls Day occurs on a Sunday, so our 9:00 a.m. Mass will also be our Memorial Mass.

Last week, we mailed invitations to the families of people whose funeral took place at St. Mary's or through St. Mary's since last November. But we know that some parishioners may have lost family members and friends outside of our community - and we want to remember them as well. If you wish to remember that at our All Souls Day Mass a person who died in the last 12 months, please call the office this week so we can add that person's name to our list.



St. Mary's CMA  
Goal is \$23,449  
Pledged to Date  
\$7,006  
Donors - 46  
Percent of Goal  
29.88%  
Is your name on our donor list yet?  
See page 2

## Mass/Communion/Reconciliation Schedule

### Parish Celebrations of the Lord's Day

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. ♦ Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation  
1st and 3rd Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.

### Weekday Masses

Monday ♦ Wednesday ♦ Thursday - 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday - 5:00 p.m.

Friday - 8:30 a.m. ♦ St. Gabriel's, Hammondsport



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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**SUNDAY** Oct 19, Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
 9:00 a.m. In Mem. of Helen Opila  
 By Bud & Dot

**MONDAY** Oct 20, Monday  
 9:00 a.m. Scripture/Communion Service

**TUESDAY** Oct 21, Tuesday  
 5:00 p.m. In Mem. of Allen Kit  
 By the Kitt family

**WEDNESDAY** Oct 22, Wednesday  
 9:00 a.m. In Mem. of Helen Opila  
 By Geri & Jim Galvin

**THURSDAY** Oct 23, Thursday  
 9:00 a.m. In Mem. of Rosa Fiordo  
 By the Ladies Auxiliary

7:00 p.m. Healing Mass  
 In Mem. of Kailey & Jordon Cornaire by Lee Cornaire

**FRIDAY** Oct 24, Friday  
 (Mass at St. Gabriel's at 8:30a.m.)  
 2:30 p.m. Taylors Healthcare  
 In Mem. of Mary Giblin

**SATURDAY** Oct 25, Saturday  
 4:00 p.m. In Mem. of Gerard Saur  
 By Margaret Saur

**SUNDAY** Oct 26, Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
 9:00 a.m. In Mem. of Helen Opila  
 By Bud & Dot

Beginning in January 2009, a weekend Mass each month will be offered for the **"Members of the St. Mary's Memorial Fund."** Donations to this fund will be used to support parish ministries and capital projects.

## MY SAINT MARY'S



Where Giving is an Investment in our Faith and Future

Thank you for Making Parish - a Priority!

October 18/19, 2008

Attendance:  
 Sacrificial Gifts totaled: \$  
 World Mission Sunday: \$

**Today's 2nd Collection: Faith Formation**  
**Next Week's 2nd Collection:**

In addition to helping us meet our payroll expenses, your stewardship gifts last week help us pay



## PARISH LIFE CALENDAR

**SUNDAY** Oct 19  
 8:15 a.m. Pre Mass Choir Practice, Chapel  
 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
 10:15 a.m. Post Choir Practice, Church  
 7:00 p.m. AA, Room 101

**MONDAY** Oct 20

**TUESDAY** Oct 21  
 5:00 p.m. Quota Club Dinner - Hall  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 203  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 204A  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 204B  
 7:30 p.m. Prayer Group - Rectory

**WEDNESDAY** Oct 22  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 203  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 201  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 204A  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 204B  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 205

**THURSDAY** Oct 23  
 5:30p.m. Weight Watchers - Hall  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 203  
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 204A  
 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 205  
 7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Training - 201

**FRIDAY** Oct 24  
 6:00 p.m. Blood Screening Setup

**SATURDAY** Oct 25  
 6:00 p.m. Blood Screening - Hall  
 1:00 p.m. NA - Hall



## Happy Birthday To You!

10/19 Tyler Brezinski	10/24 Mark Fiordo
10/19 Makayla Brezinski	10/24 Courtney Parulski
10/21 Stan Kalish	10/24 Rose Ormsby
10/22 Christopher Dickson	10/24 Carol Hall
10/22 Jake Snell	10/25 Sarah Ambrosone
10/23 Marge Thornbloom	10/25 Robert Kalenak
10/23 Aga Putman	10/25 Milena Davis
10/23 Betsy Carisetti	10/25 Alberta Carey



## Prayer List

Bruce Ayers, Bonnie Baron, Fran Cummings, Bob Denno, Margaret Emmick, Peggy Evans, Mary Fisher, Glenn French, Jack Giblin, Ester Gerhart, Joey Kish, **Jim Murray, Fr Gerald O'Conner**, Deacon John Prave, Theresa Rodbourn, and Gerry Rumsey



## Assembly Schedule

October 26 - Sat. 4:00 p.m.  
 Willing Hearts  
 October 27 - Sun. 9:00 a.m.  
 Willing Hearts

To join an assembly call 776-3327

# OUR Faith OUR FUTURE

## Please Help St. Mary's Reach our Catholic Ministry Appeal Goal of \$23,449

Mrs. Barbara Bailey	Mrs. Nancy Holzer
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Mrs. Rosemary Clairemont	M/M Donald Knowles Sr.
Mrs. Margaret Cogswell	Mr. Edward Kuhnen
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M/M Lawrence Crossett	M/M Douglas Little
Mrs. Sylvia Cummings	M/M Jack A. Lyle
Mrs. Veronica Cummings	Ms. Karin Machuga
Dcn/Mrs. Ray Defendorf	Mrs. Janet Madigan
Ms. Mary Eaton	M/M Frederick Martin
Mr. Timothy Farrell	M/M John H. McKinley
Ms. Mary Faucett	Ms. Christine A. Minichello
Mrs. Mary R. Fratarcangelo	Mrs. Patricia J. Murphy
Mrs. Edna Friedland	Mr. Joseph G. Schuster
M/M James Galvin	and Ms. Robin Kelley
M/M Alfred P. Gaudino	Mrs. Sharon Shelhamer
M/M Mike Glass	Ms. Joran Snell
M/M Walter L. Gronski Jr.	Mrs. Rita Sullivan
M/M Arland Hanning	M/M Warren Tetor
Ms. Terry Hochreiter	Mr. Joseph Valdora

**Pledges Recorded as of October 19, 2009**  
**Donors 43 / Pledged to Date = \$7,006 / Percent of Goal 23.88%**



## Toddler Care Available

We welcome toddlers at our Sunday Eucharist. But some parents may prefer to take advantage of this new service during our Sunday 9 a.m. Mass.

The Keuka Lake Players  
 Present the Radio Production  
 that Frightened the Nation.

## WAR OF THE WORLDS

Directed by Gary Yoggy  
 Featuring Deacon Ray Defendorf as Orson Welles  
 Halloween Night - October 31, 2008  
 8:00 p.m. **+ O'Malley Hall**  
 Scared Chicken & Gravy Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
 Dinner and Show Tickets on Sale Now (\$15)  
**at St. Mary's Parish Office**



## Saint Mary's Christmas Craft Fair

The Craft Fair is Sunday, November 16. Al & Evie Hanning are looking for donations of new or handmade items that will be used for the raffle.  
 Contact Paula in the church office for more information.



## SENT TO SERVE

Notes from Deacon Ray Defendorf

## Town Meeting Focuses on Parish Budget



## Scripture REFLECTIONS

Last Sunday, following our monthly Pancake Breakfast, we gathered in O'Malley Hall for a "Town Meeting" While all parish council meetings are open to all parishioners and time is set aside at each meeting for "visitor comments" occasional "Town Meetings" give parishioners an opportunity to bring up questions and concerns involving the decisions made by myself and other parish leaders.

The focus of last Sunday's meeting was a review of last year's parish finances and the budget we've established for the 2008-2009 fiscal year which began in July. Mike Slovak, on behalf of the parish's Finance Committee, used a power-point presentation that illustrated that, again last year, our revenues from your weekly giving and additional donations, fundraising activities and the rental of our facilities did not cover our expenditures for salaries, benefits, utilities, insurance and ministerial expenses.

One question Mike discussed was why our savings, which five years ago totaled over \$490,000 currently stand at around \$170,000. The answer is three-fold:

1. Much of this money was donated for specific capital projects through the CROSS Campaign, Partners in Faith, and bequest from the Walker and Miniciello estates.
2. Over the past five years, the vast majority of that money was invested in these capital projects and others that will preserve our parish facilities for many years to come.
3. In spite of significant reductions in paid staff, our weekly collections have failed to keep up with the skyrocketing cost of utilities, insurances, benefits. CMA underages also must be taken from savings. When deficits occur, it is necessary to dip into our savings to balance the budget. The weakened stock market has also diminished the worth of our investment portfolio which typically produced income which we directed to funding capital projects.

Here is a list of the capital projects that have been completed during just the past year:

Church Carpeting	\$ 5,494
Rooftop HVAC Units (3)	\$12,622
Asphalt Paving (Dumpster)	\$ 2,000
Parking Lot Sealing	\$ 2,827

Replace Roof over Kitchen	\$10,060
O'Malley Hall Lighting/Elec.	\$11,714
New O'Malley Entrance	\$ 7,500
New O'Malley Storage	\$18,085
Equipment Purchases	\$ 930
Church Lighting	\$ 4,575

While a few of these projects were funded by designated donations (e.g. New O'Malley entrance, storage area, lighting), others (e.g. HVAC units, paving, equipment) were not. Labor costs on many of these projects were funded by withdrawals from savings.

Since 2004, these additional capital projects have been completed:

## War of the Worlds

On Halloween Evening, I'm excited about playing the role of Orson Welles in the Keuka Lake Players re-enactment of the radio drama that 70 years ago frightened the country. War of the World's will be staged on Friday, October 31st at O'Malley Hall. Tickets for this diner theatre production (\$15 per person/\$25 per couple) are available at the parish office. There will be an additional \$1 off if they come in costume. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. with the show following at 8:00. p.m.

Have a good week. Serve each other well.

The readings for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time present to us some of the most basic social laws of ancient Israel. From Moses to Jesus, the Bible presents a consistent message: love of neighbor is as important as love of God.

The God of the Old Testament is often called a God of wrath. The high drama, violence, battlefields, and anger that run through the books of the Old Testament can leave us with a picture of a God who is stern, forbidding, quick to punish, and demanding of justice. Today's first reading is a passage from the Book of Exodus which reveals the tenderness, the loving kindness of our God. "I am compassionate," says God in self-description. Take care how you treat your neighbor.

It is important to remember that this love for others has always been part of the law of Israel. Jesus did not invent this; he remembered it, lived it and called others to live it. In a world that had gone crazy with dissecting the law to extract every possible meaning from every angle, Jesus refused to participate. Here is the greatest law, he tells us: love.

St. Mary's Parish presents  
An Adult Faith Formation Series  
**The Catechism of the Catholic Church**  
Featuring Deborah Brinkhus,  
Sunday, October 26, 2008  
Sunday, November 2, 2008  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Deb Brinkhus, a life long learner, earned a Master of Arts Degree in Theological Studies from St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry in May 2008.

This 2-session series will offer a basic overview of the Catechism.  
Sessions are open to people of all faiths who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith.  
For more information call: 776-3327.

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