Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday ......................................................... 4:30 PM
Sunday: Masses in English ................................. 8:00 & 10:00 AM
Misa en español/Mass in Spanish ...................... 6:30 PM
Monday, Wednesday, Friday ............................. 8:30 AM
Tuesday .................................................................. 5:30 PM
Thursday ............................................................. 7:30 AM

Confession
Saturdays, 3:15—4:10 PM
Sundays, 9:00—9:50 AM

Prayer, Devotion, and Adoration
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Monday after Mass
Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Wednesday after Mass
Morning Prayer: Thursday after Mass
Rosario en español: Thursday, 6:00—7:00 PM
Rosary in English: Friday, 8:05 AM
Adoration: Monday, 2:00—4:00 PM
Tuesday, 4:30—5:25 PM
Friday, 9:00—10:00 AM

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Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 18, 2018
Quinto Domingo De la Cuaresma
18 de Marzo de 2018

Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

John 12:24

Yo les aseguro que si el grano de trigo, sembrado en las tierra, no muere, queda infecundo; pero si muere, producirá mucho fruto.

Marcos 1:2
From the Desk of Fr. Bart

Fifth Sunday of Lent: Invite Jesus into Your Lives!

We are now making final preparations for Holy Week and Easter. If you haven’t done so already, please plan for a time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We have two priests available at all weekend times and five priests available on Tuesday, March 20 during our Evening of Reflection. I do encourage you to make the most of our Lenten time remaining by attending our Evening of Reflection, Lenten Devotions like the Stations of the Cross or Adoration, and our Triduum and Easter Liturgies. The more we do to make these days holy and special, the more our hearts can be permanently converted to Christ.

Please make note that next weekend for Palm Sunday, we will begin our 10:00 AM Mass in the Social Hall with a solemn procession with blessed palms into the Church.

Also, I want to remind everyone that again this year we will celebrate an Easter Sunday Mass at 10:15 AM in the Social Hall. The reason for this is that our main Church fills to capacity before the 10:00 AM Mass begins and having people standing within the Church or sitting on the floor in hallways or corners of the Gathering Area is less safe, comfortable, and conducive to worship. Anyone who arrives after the main Church is filled will be seated in the Social Hall for the 10:15 AM Mass. The Social Hall seats 200 people comfortably, will be beautifully decorated, will have its own group of musicians, and will be an uplifting, reverent celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus. Every year since we have offered this additional Mass, it has ended earlier than the 10:00 AM Mass even though it starts fifteen minutes later, probably due to fewer people receiving Holy Communion. The practice of closing the Church doors and ushering people to the overflow area for Mass is very common. You may have experienced this at the University of Notre Dame after football games on Saturdays in the fall or during the Summer in the Wisconsin Dells. This is a wonderful alternative way of accommodating large numbers of the faithful so no one is standing or sitting on the floor in the corner during Mass.

Week of March 8-14 honored Catholic Women Religious

Last week, events around the country marked National Catholic Sisters Week. It was the fifth annual celebration of women religious during National Women’s History Month. The weeklong celebration honors our nation’s 45,605 women religious and the sisters before them who founded schools and hospitals. These sisters were, and continue to be, missionaries, contemplatives, activists, and spiritual leaders. To mark this year’s celebration, we included an intercession last Sunday, praying for women of our Church to consider a vocation to Religious Life or Lay Ministry in the Church. According to the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, based at Georgetown University, more than 100 women became sisters in 2017, ranging from 24 to 86 years old and the average age was 36.

It is important for us to recognize and appreciate the role of women in our Church and in our society. St. Pope John Paul II explained why women are the reflection of the loftiest goals of all human hearts:

“...This Marian dimension of Christian life takes on special importance in relation to women and their status. In fact, femininity has a unique relationship with the Mother of the Redeemer, a subject which can be studied in greater depth elsewhere. Here I simply wish to note that

Prayer for Life

May God create clean hearts in us, that we may see and treat others as His beautiful creations;
We pray to the Lord:

Que Dios cree un corazón puro en nosotros, que veamos y tratemos a los demás como Sus hermosas creaciones; roguemos al Señor:

Lent and Holy Week Schedule

Inviting Jesus to Be a Part of Our Lives!

Prayer and Reflection
Lent Evening of Reflection:
Tuesday, Mar. 20, 6:00–7:30 PM

Confession During Lent
Tuesday, 3/27, 6:00–6:45 PM
During Lent Evening of Reflection
Tuesday, 3/20, 6:00–7:30 PM
Saturday, 3/24, 3:15–4:15 PM (2 Priests available)
Sunday, 3/25, 9:00–9:45 AM (2 Priests available)

Stations of the Cross (no incense)
Stations in English: Friday 3/23 at 3:00 PM

Holy Week Schedule
Passion Sunday, March 25 Masses:
Saturday at 4:30 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM with procession from Social Hall
Sunday, 6:30 PM (en español/ in Spanish)

Monday, March 26: Mass at 8:30 AM
Tuesday Chrism Mass, March 27:
5:30 PM Mass at STA
Diocesan Mass, 7:30 PM at St. Maria Goretti

Wednesday, March 28: Mass at 8:30 AM
Holy Thursday, March 29: No 7:30 AM Mass
Mass of the Lord’s Supper, 7:00 PM (heavy incense, bilingual/bilingüe)
Good Friday, March 30: No 8:30 AM Mass
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion, 1:00 PM (no incense)
Servicio de Viernes Santo, 3:30 PM

Easter Masses
Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday, March 31, 8:00 PM (incense, bilingual/bilingüe) No 4:30 PM Mass
Easter Sunday, April 1, No 6:30 PM Mass
8:00 AM and 10:00 AM in Church (incense)
10:15 AM in Social Hall (no incense),

Fr. Bart’s article is continued on the next page
Reflection from Seminarian, Michael Wanta

“Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” This Gospel passage has always brought me great consolation. It acknowledges the cost of discipleship – that we must die to ourselves – but it also promises that we shall produce much fruit.

A few years ago, while reading “The Introduction to the Spiritual Life” by Louis Bouyer, I found a description of salvation that helped me to understand this theme of life and death. He explained that when Adam and Eve fell from grace in the garden, their sin was that of pride and turning in toward themselves. And this is what all sin consists of: turning away from others, toward ourselves and asserting ourselves over others. But this leads ultimately to death. A death to communion with others and a destruction of the self since pursuing only what seems good for us leads to our harm.

And so God shut them out of the garden and away from the tree of life. God permitted natural death to limit the amount of evil and moral death that human kind could accumulate, and human kind’s hope looks dark.

But Christ enters the scene. He comes and dies for us, changing the meaning of death from inward self-destruction to self-giving. He takes up what had been prescribed as our healing punishment and makes it our full remedy, because he shows us and gives us the power to turn away from ourselves and to acknowledge the good of God our Father and our brothers and sisters. Death had become man’s fate, but Jesus turned this death from a self-centeredness, cut off from others, into a death to self for the love of others. When he was lifted up from the earth, he drew all things to himself (cf John 12:33), and into His all-embracing love.

Got Questions?

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? How or why we do things during Mass? We have a solution, “Ask Fr. Bart!” this new bulletin section will feature your questions with answers from Fr. Bart. Leave your question in the New Member Registration box and Fr. Bart will answer your question soon in the bulletin.

We are excited to see what questions you have.

the figure of Mary of Nazareth sheds light on womanhood as such by the very fact that God, in the sublime event of the Incarnation of his Son, entrusted himself to the ministry, the free and active ministry of a woman. It can thus be said that women, by looking to Mary, find in her the secret of living their femininity with dignity and of achieving their own true advancement. In the light of Mary, the Church sees in the face of women the reflection of a beauty which mirrors the loftiest sentiments of which the human heart is capable: the self-offering totality of love; the strength that is capable of bearing the greatest sorrows; limitless fidelity and tireless devotion to work; the ability to combine penetrating intuition with words of support and encouragement. — St. John Paul II Redemptoris Mater (46)

Women in Scripture

Besides Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and Elizabeth, the Mother of John, the Baptist, women are also among the early followers of Jesus. Luke 8: 1-3, introduces us to some women by name: Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and many others who provided for Jesus and the Twelve out of their resources. Mary Magdalene’s relationship with Jesus continues throughout his life, death, and resurrection. She becomes known as the Apostle to the Apostles and is a Saint. Each Gospel writer attests that some of these women and other women were at the crucifixion and the resurrection. Faithful and courageous, they would remain with Jesus at a time when most of his male followers desert him. In the Acts of the Apostles, we are introduced to Priscilla (Acts 18: 1-3) and Lydia (Acts 16:14) who were great helpers of St. Paul in his evangelization efforts.

In the coming weeks we will notice the role many women played in the life of Jesus and in the birth of our Church. Their examples inspire us to love Jesus, open ourselves completely to receive the message of Christ, and actively share the Good News of the Gospel with others!

Catholic Multicultural Center Meal Program: Volunteers Needed

St. Thomas Aquinas helps with the food preparation and hosting the meal at the Catholic Multicultural Center the first Thursday of every month. Cooks are needed from 1:00 - 3:30 PM and servers from 3:30-5:45 PM. If you have some hours to share, and would like to volunteer for this rewarding experience, please contact parish coordinator Fabio at femar71@yahoo.com to learn more. Signup sheets will be on a table in the Gathering Area starting March 17-18.
**2018 Annual Catholic Appeal Update**

- STA Parish Pledge Goal: $95,965
- STA Parish Pledge Total: $86,852
- Percent of Goal Pledged: 91%
- Paid to Date: $50,632
- Percent of Goal Collected: 53%

Thank you for fulfilling your pledge and supporting our Diocese of Madison.

**Pledges are still being tabulated**

**Priests for Our Future Update**

Thank you for supporting the Priests for Our Future: The Church Is Alive! Campaign 2014 - 2019. Please continue to fulfill your pledge to ensure enough funds to educate our future priests. Our results so far are as follows:

**Parish Results to Date**
- Parish Pledge Goal: $830,000
- Parish Pledge Total: $1,541,058
- Percent of Goal Pledged: 186%
- Paid to Date: $1,219,004
- Percent of Goal Collected: 147%

Total Over Goal Rebates Paid to Date (2016 - 2017) $243,084.86

**Weekly Stewardship of Treasure**

**March 10/11**
- Envelope Offerings: $9,886
- Offertory: $1,146
- Children’s Offerings: $94
- Total: $11,126.05
- Building Fund: $125
- Capital Improvement Fund: $151

Thank you for your generosity and support of our mission at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish!

**Counters Schedule**

- **Tuesday, March 19**
  - Don Mahoney and Sara Marx
- **Monday, March 26**
  - Phyllis Reindl and Dick Ihlenfeld

**Discipleship with Holly Irving**

**Bequests and Wills**

We have drawn spiritual and intellectual life from our parish! What return will we make of these gifts? As the good stewards of the Gospel, are we giving to God sufficient return for our gifts? Consider a life-culminating gift through your will.

**Ministry of the Week**

Our parish family would like to thank all the people involved with the Care Center Ministries! These people go to the different care centers and bring the residents to Mass at the facility, hold a Word and Holy Communion services, or bring Holy Communion to them on Sundays! Thank you for sharing your time and talent with our parish family who cannot be with us on the weekends!

**Pictorial Directory Help Needed**

Volunteers are needed to help check people in at the photo sessions. Photo dates and times are: May 1 – 5 and 15 – 19, June 19 – 23, and July 10 – 14 and 24 – 28. This is a great way to get acquainted with the members of your parish family. Sign-ups can be found in the Gathering Area.

**Pictorial Directory Photo Session Sign-up**

Volunteers will be in the Gathering Area after Mass to assist with questions and help families sign-up for photo sessions.
Diocesan V Encuentro 2018
Missionary Disciples: Witnesses of God’s Love
By Lorianne Aubut, Coordinator of Elementary RE and Hispanic Ministry

With close to 90 delegates and approximately a total of 150 people in attendance, our Diocesan V Encuentro, this past Sunday, March 11 at St. Maria Goretti Church was a successful and fruitful event where the Holy Spirit made His presence known within the Hispanic Community in the Diocese of Madison. The day started with prayer and thanksgiving to God for allowing us to come together and serve Him through the V Encuentro process.

With great hospitality and great food we started our morning sessions, that included a beautiful and deep testimony from St. Thomas Aquinas’ parishioner, María Alba. Her testimony brought hope and light into the lives of the participants and highlighted how God works through people to make them missionary disciples! Then, we moved into a working session where the delegates got to evaluate and score a variety of diocesan recommendations under a number of pastoral areas.

After a great lunch from La Mestiza Mexican Restaurant, we experienced another great testimony from Lisa Kutchera, parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi in Jefferson, and then the delegates moved to another working session that led them to discuss their top diocesan recommendations and regional strategies. The room was filled with deep discussions, laughs, and friendship as the delegates got to know each other.

We finished the day with a beautiful Closing Mass by Most Reverend Alberto Rojas, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago and Most Reverend Robert C. Morlino, Bishop of Madison and over ten priests who joined us as we celebrated this historical moment in our diocese! We give thanks to our Lord for this great journey and for gifting us with something that will continue on in so many ways. Our Hispanic brothers and sisters are ready to continue being missionary disciples and ready to make disciples of all nations!

A special thanks to you, our parishioners, for all of your prayers! And thanks to our 10 delegates who represented our parish at the Encuentro. Finally, thank you to our pastor Father Bart and to each of the STA staff members, for their various efforts towards the success of the V Encuentro in our diocese!

Music & Liturgy
By Greg Buchberger, Director of Music Ministries

V ENCUENTRO
Discípulos Misioneros: Testigos del Amor de Dios
Missionary Disciples: Witnesses of God’s Love
Diócesis de Madison / Diocese of Madison

This past weekend, I had the honor of being part of the Diocese of Madison V Encuentro at St. Maria Goretti, a day of prayer and reflection and the culmination of months of meetings and activities within the parishes of our Diocese. Many parishioners and staff members from St. Thomas Aquinas have been involved in this process, as we already have an active ministry to the Latino/Hispanic community in our area. The day ended with Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Alberto Rojas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, along with our own Bishop Robert Morlino. Our Spanish Choir from St. Thomas Aquinas led the music for this Mass, along with a few guest musicians, all of whom brought a great spirit and joy to our prayer. I am so proud of all of our parishioners, choir members, and staff for their dedication to this endeavor.

This Fifth Encuentro is based upon the New Evangelization, into which our parish has invested a lot of time and energy. This New Evangelization calls all of us to a new encounter with Jesus Christ! Those who have seen Fr. Bart’s videos on Facebook or Instagram or heard him talking about the Crisis of Discipleship in the Church, are aware of the work of the New Evangelization. Those who have attended Alpha or Relit have also heard about the state of the Church and our need to develop and renew this relationship with Jesus Christ, so that we are able to go out and share Him with our larger world. This is the renewal in the Church that Pope Francis keeps calling us to!

Much of the discussion during the V Encuentro, specific to our Diocese of Madison, was about how our diocese and parishes can help our Latino/Hispanic brothers and sisters grow in their faith. What are their needs, how can we plan, and how can we support them as members of Christ’s Church? As the national Encuentro leadership says at the V Encuentro website, https://vencuentro.org/:

The process of Encuentro for Hispanic/Latino ministry has been deeply ecclesial. It is motivated by reading the signs of the times and convened by the bishops, who call the Hispanic/Latino community to raise their voices. In the context of this dialogue among the bishops and the community, we live a spirit of pastoral ministry illuminated by an ecclesiological communion and missionary vocation that seeks to reach out to those who find themselves estranged from the life and vision of the Church. The main objective of the process of the Encuentro is to discern the way in which Hispanics/Latinos respond as Church.

This is a beautiful moment for our Church as we continue to dedicate ourselves to care for all of those looking to grow in their faith in Jesus Christ! I am honored to be able to work in a parish where we can truly focus on helping our parishioners and all those who come to our doors seeking to know Jesus Christ!
EASTER EGG HUNT & FAMILY POTLUCK!

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018

All STA families with young children or grandchildren are invited to come to our Easter Egg Hunt and Family Potluck after the 10:00 AM Mass.

11:15 a.m. Egg Hunt (instructions in the Social Hall)

11:30 a.m. POTLUCK OPENS

STA will provide ham and turkey sandwiches, hot dogs, & refreshments.

Families can sign up in the gathering area to bring a dish to share, or email Terri Kopplin (terri@stamadison.org) with your dish. Dishes should be dropped off in the social hall/kitchen before Mass on April 8. Also, please email Terri with your family count (people attending)!

Blessed Lent!
Inviting Jesus into Our Lives
Lenten Evening of Reflection
March 20, 6:30-7:15pm
Gathering Area

Have we invited Jesus into every aspect of our lives?

What does it look like to invite Him into our real lives - into our work, our homes, our friendships, our free time?

What walls have we built that block the grace and forgiveness that Jesus longs to share with us?

Join us for prayer that will inspire you to deeper spiritual reflection and, should you choose to celebrate the sacrament that night, provide a thought-provoking context for celebrating Reconciliation.

You are encouraged to extend an invitation to all those who desire a life more in-tune with God’s grace.

Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. Rev. 3:20

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 6-7:30pm.
Our Parish Seminarian, Lawrence Oparaji
It was a joy, blessing and privilege for me and Deacon Grant Thies to be able to host some of our young adults: Amanda Miller, Colter Sikora, Peter Newhouse and Laura Angle; during the weekend of March 3 and 4. Having lived in the Twin Cities for over two years now, I must confess I was put to shame by not knowing the jewel of a city I live in. I am thankful to them for helping me discover this jewel otherwise I would have lived here for four years only knowing the ins and outs of Summit Avenue which is, the neighborhood where the prestigious St. Paul Seminary is located.

Over the course of their stay here we were able to have a tour of the seminary and visited and prayed in the magnificent St. Mary’s chapel. We also visited some beautiful churches in the area including, St. Louis King of France, the French church in downtown St. Paul, the historic Cathedral of St. Paul and Basilica of St. Mary, America’s very first Basilica. During the weekend, we were able to do an escape room game and guess what?? We escaped before the bomb could explode, all thanks to the ingenuity of the squad except for me of course, I only ran around with a torch light looking for clues where none existed. We also visited the Minnehaha Falls and enjoyed the gift of nature that God has given to us through creation. We ended the day visiting the University of Minnesota and Peter was kind to show us what campus life was like on the U of M.

We had so much fun, so many laughs, and much more than I could possibly write about. When they left on Sunday I immediately felt their absence right away but I rejoiced in the memories created and counted my blessings. I am really filled with a deep sense of gratitude and humility that they took time to drive up and spend the weekend. The visit refreshed me a great deal; I enjoyed talking to each one of them and getting to know everyone better. I must confess I was inspired by their sincere love for Christ and their desire and efforts to draw closer to His Most Sacred Heart daily. You are all in my prayers!

STA Singles Dinner Out
Join the St. Thomas Aquinas Singles for the monthly dinner at Longhorn Steakhouse, 418 S Gammon Rd, Madison on Wednesday, March 21 at 6 PM Please RSVP by Monday, March 19 to Jill at 608-604-3070 or jillymoose18@yahoo.com.

Young Adult Connections
Monday, 3/19, will be a unique evening called Psalms and Palms
Are you ready for Holy Week? Come join the St. Thomas Aquinas Young Adult group as we prepare our hearts with Psalms and Palms! We'll enjoy an evening of praise and worship, Stations of the Cross, thought provoking discussion, and even a palm-braiding tutorial by Erik Gyr. The event is open to all young adults (20's and 30's) on Monday, March 19 at 7:30 PM in the gathering space. Questions or want to get involved? Email Jennifer Ludtke at jennifer@stamadison.org. Stay informed with all our events at facebook.com/STAMadisonYA.

Palm Braiding after Masses March 24 - 25
After Palm Sunday Masses, learn a technique or two for braiding your palms. The young adults of the parish will be sharing their new-found skills with anyone who wishes to learn!

Praying With Scripture:
Lectio Divina
Next session: March 21, 1-2 PM
Have you ever wanted to get more out of the Sunday Gospel? Join a small group of parishioners who are going to put into practice their study of the ‘how to’ of Lectio Divina. The group meets in the parish library. All are welcome. No previous experience is needed, simply a desire to let God’s word speak to your heart.

Consider Deepening Your Relationship with the Holy Spirit
The exciting 14 week Wild Goose program will be offered at St. Thomas Aquinas on Friday mornings after morning mass from 9:15 to 10:45 AM starting April 6. The program invites all levels of believers into a more profound, life-giving relationship with the Holy Spirit. The "Wild Goose" was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. The series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God’s presence and power, this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom. The Wild Goose sessions are ‘stand alone’ and will cover many topics related to the Holy Spirit and our Catholic faith, but an RSVP to sign up would be appreciated. Contact Jennifer Ludtke for more information or to sign up at jennifer@stamadison.org or 833-2606.
CW4 Steve Artz, brother of Sue Ziegler and Judy Rossa
SSG Michael Bosold, nephew of Sharon Michel
Owen Carle, grandson of Glynn and Shirley Rossa
SFC Enrique Andres Cervantes, cousin of Maria McHugh
A1C Margarita Clayton, sister of Tina Hutchison
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A1C Colin Donovan, cousin of Pat Korger
A1C Charles (Gus) Dorais, grandson of Mary Kay Dorais
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Airman First Class Brianna Herreid, granddaughter of Ken and Joyce Niesen
SPC Shalice Hood, friend of Alyssa Rivera
A1C Nicholas Jones, grandson of Mary and Gordon Samuelsen
SSGT Mark Jurakovich, brother of Gina Levesque
LT Bradley Kirschbaum, grandson of Tom and Sally Ellis
SSGT Mike Levesque, brother of Chad Levesque
CPL Alyssa Rivera, cousin of Fr. Bart Timmerman
Major Stuart Mark Slattery, grandson of Thomas & Loretta Slattery
Steven Thomas, brother of Linda Galang
SGT Jack Vilim, nephew of Mary Crave
A1C Blake E. Westbrook, grandson of Diane Genske

We Pray for Our Loved Ones
SERVING WITH THE ARMED FORCES

This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas
Monday, March 19
Men’s Integrity Group, Library .................................................... 6:30 PM
Young Adults, Gathering Area ..................................................... 7:30 PM

Tuesday, March 20
Men’s Evening of Recollection, Chapel........................................ 6:00 PM
Lenten Confessions ..................................................................... 6:00 PM
Lent Evening of Reflection, Church ............................................. 6:30 PM
SVDp Conference Meeting, Upper Conference Room ................ 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 21
Toddler Time, Nursery and Upper Conference Room ............... 9:00 AM
Lectio Divina, Library ................................................................ 1:00 PM
Care Team Meeting, Lower Conference Room ......................... 6:30 PM

Thursday, March 22
Spanish Rosary ............................................................................ 6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal, Social Hall ........................................................ 6:30 PM

Friday, March 23
Stations of the Cross ................................................................... 3:00 PM

Saturday, March 24
Lenten Confessions (2 Priests)..................................................... 3:15 PM

Care Facility Liturgies This Week
Oakwood: Friday, March 23, Mass
Brookdale: No Services this week
Sebring: Sunday, March 25, Word and Communion

Resources for Human Needs

www.momhelps.org/: Middleton Outreach Ministry (food, housing, utilities, clothing)
www.womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html: Women’s Care Center (counseling, ultrasounds)
www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org/: Catholic Charities (adoptive services, developmental disabilities, counseling, substance abuse treatment, etc.)
www.ccmcadison.org/: Catholic Multicultural Center (food, health services, education, job development, immigration legal help)
abuseintervention.org/: Domestic Abuse Intervention Service (crisis response, emergency shelter, support groups)
www.silentnomoreawareness.org: Abortion recovery help
hopeafterabortion.com: Project Rachel (Abortion recovery help)

Madison Al-Anon Hotline: support for families and friends troubled by someone else’s drinking or drug use—608-255-5181
www.elizabethhousedane.org: Care Net Pregnancy Center of Dane County (free residential maternity and parenting program)
Father John Dear Talk
Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 PM, Father John Dear, longtime activist, priest, author and Nobel peace prize nominee, will read from and discuss his new book, “They Will Inherit the Earth,” at James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 2146 E Johnson St, Madison. Inspired by the third beatitude, “Blessed are the meek, they will inherit the earth,” this landmark work argues we need to help build the global grassroots movement of nonviolence if we are to protect creation. Fr. Dear will invite audience members to take new steps into active solidarity with Mother Earth, suffering humanity, and to welcome a new culture of peace and nonviolence. To help with event planning, RSVP to: http://bit.ly/FrJohnDear.

Postpartum Transition Class
A special class for couples who are pregnant or have recently had a baby! To help you navigate the postpartum transition and understand your fertility signs and how to interpret them, join Vicki Braun on Tuesday, April 24, 7 PM at Holy Name Heights as she explains how to practice NFP during this time. This class is for those couples who have learned the Couple to Couple Sympto-thermal Method of NFP. Nursing babies are welcome! To register, go to: https://registration.madisondiocese.org/nfp/ and choose the Couple to Couple League Postpartum class. Questions? Call 608-495-6117 or email: nfp@straphael.org

Resurrection Catholic Cemetery
Spring Clean Up: March 15 – April 15
Cemetery grounds crews completely clean the cemetery twice a year – spring and fall. During the cleanings, the crews remove and discard all artificial decorations from the previous decorating period. Families should remove decorations they wish to save for reuse, by March 14, 2018, before the cleaning period begins. New decorations are allowed only after cleaning is completed, beginning April 16.

The Polish Heritage Club’s Spring Festival
Sunday, March 25, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
At Immaculate Heart of Mary School 4913 Schofield St, Monona.
A Palm Sunday tradition, the Festival features traditional Polish items/baked goods for purchase, such as paczki, poppy seed rolls, kolaczki, chrusciki, breads, packaged kielbasa, kiszka and pierogi (from Chicago), amber jewelry, Boleslawiec pottery, imported Polish products, toys, books, and much more.
There will be displays of Polish history, colorful Polish Easter eggs, plus demonstrations of pisanki (egg painting), wiązki (floral head wreaths).
While listening to live Polish music, enjoy a Polish lunch of pierogi, kielbasa, sauerkraut, and rye bread. Take-out is also available.

Readings for the Week of March 18
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/
Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Psalms
n 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
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Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b] /
Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59
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Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56
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Mass Intentions for This Week
Saturday, March 17
4:30 PM Mary Kay Dorais

Sunday, March 18: 5th Sunday of Lent
8:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
10:00 AM JoAnn Murphy
6:30 PM Matilde Corona

Monday, March 19: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 AM JoAnn Murphy

Tuesday, March 20
5:30 PM Fr. Larry Heitke

Wednesday, March 21
8:30 AM Michael D Hinrichs

Thursday, March 22
7:30 AM Alice Dorn

Friday, March 23: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop;
8:30 AM Dan Curtin
10:00 AM Marcellus and Marian Timmerman at Oakwood

Saturday, March 24
4:30 PM Catherine and Albert Kalchbrenner

Sunday, March 25: Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion
8:00 AM William Slattery, Sr and William Slattery, Jr
10:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
6:30 PM Humberto and Rogelio Macías

Postpartum Transition Class
A special class for couples who are pregnant or have recently had a baby! To help you navigate the postpartum transition and understand your fertility signs and how to interpret them, join Vicki Braun on Tuesday, April 24, 7 PM at Holy Name Heights as she explains how to practice NFP during this time. This class is for those couples who have learned the Couple to Couple Sympto-thermal Method of NFP. Nursing babies are welcome! To register, go to: https://registration.madisondiocese.org/nfp/ and choose the Couple to Couple League Postpartum class. Questions? Call 608-495-6117 or email: nfp@straphael.org

Resurrection Catholic Cemetery
Spring Clean Up: March 15 – April 15
Cemetery grounds crews completely clean the cemetery twice a year – spring and fall. During the cleanings, the crews remove and discard all artificial decorations from the previous decorating period. Families should remove decorations they wish to save for reuse, by March 14, 2018, before the cleaning period begins. New decorations are allowed only after cleaning is completed, beginning April 16.

The Polish Heritage Club’s Spring Festival
Sunday, March 25, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
At Immaculate Heart of Mary School 4913 Schofield St, Monona.
A Palm Sunday tradition, the Festival features traditional Polish items/baked goods for purchase, such as paczki, poppy seed rolls, kolaczki, chrusciki, breads, packaged kielbasa, kiszka and pierogi (from Chicago), amber jewelry, Boleslawiec pottery, imported Polish products, toys, books, and much more.
There will be displays of Polish history, colorful Polish Easter eggs, plus demonstrations of pisanki (egg painting), wiązki (floral head wreaths).
While listening to live Polish music, enjoy a Polish lunch of pierogi, kielbasa, sauerkraut, and rye bread. Take-out is also available.

Readings for the Week of March 18
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/
Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
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