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Regular Mass Schedule

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| 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, 4:15–5:20 PM

Friday, 9:00–10:00 AM

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 16, 2020

Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
16 de febrero de 2020



Fr. Bart Timmerman, Pastor

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus calls us to lead lives of integrity where we follow not only the letter of the law but, more importantly, its spirit! Involving more than simply the words we say, this integrity calls us to a whole-hearted living where all that we do and are reveals to whom we belong: the God of love revealed in Jesus Christ and communicated through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Annual Catholic Appeal Pledge Weekend

This weekend we are conducting the in-pew pledge process for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our goal is \$109,197. This goal is the result of a formula based on our annual parish income. It is the fifth highest goal in the Diocese. This will be the second year where parishes that go over the goal can receive a portion of the over-goal amount collected if the Diocese goes over their Diocesan-wide goal of \$3.5 Million.

I am grateful that each year our parish responds generously to this Appeal. Thank you for your past generosity. Any gift, large or small, is gratefully received and it would be a sign of great support to our new Bishop and to the people served by the appeal to have a higher percentage of households participating in this appeal. If you have not participated in the past, I urge you to please participate according to your means this year.

May God reward you for your goodness and generosity as we continue to support: College and Youth Ministries, Camp Gray, Hispanic and Migrant Ministry, Evangelization and Religious Formation, Catholic Charities, Parish Services, Catholic Multicultural Center, and many more ministries and services.

Extra Note:

I have received more than one question regarding the portion of the ACA that is labeled "Seminar Education." People have asked why this is still part of the appeal, since we have completed the Priests for Our Future Campaign that established an Endowment of over \$30 Million supporting tuition costs for our seminarians. The Development Office explained to me that the money raised in the appeal goes towards the administrative costs of the Office of Vocations, while the Priests for Our Future Endowment pays the tuition of the seminarians.

Ordination and First Mass Next Weekend!

Next weekend will be a truly special and monumental weekend for our parish family as one of our own, Dcn. Lawrence Oparaji, is ordained to the priesthood for our Diocese of Madison by Bishop Hying at 10:30 AM at Holy Name Heights on February 22. We will also be celebrating with Dcn. Lawrence, his First Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, February 23 at 1:00 PM. Thanks for your prayers and support of Dcn. Lawrence during his time with us these past five years. STA will always be his home parish here in the USA, no matter where his future assignments take him. As pastor, I could not be more grateful for the way our parish family supports vocations and especially, how we offered encouragement and support to Dcn. Lawrence during his seminary years. Very personally, I am grateful to Bishop Hying for his care of Dcn. Lawrence and for being so reassuring and direct in working with him to bring him to this happy day!

Prayer For Vocations

Father you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you. Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers. Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.

We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Prayer for Life

For the times we have disregarded God's commandments and violated the sanctity of human life: May we repent, receive the Lord's mercy, and live according to His laws; we pray to the Lord:



Prayer for Justice

That we may advocate for just laws that promote the common good and are grounded in the love, mercy and compassion of Jesus; we pray to the Lord:

Ordination of

Dcn. Lawrence Oparaji

Next weekend is the big day for our parish to celebrate with Dcn. Lawrence as he is ordained a priest.



Help is desperately needed to make this an enjoyable event for all. If you are able to help even for an hour, that would be great. See the sign up sheets in the Gathering Area or stamadison.org/ordination/

Do you have pictures of yourself with Dcn. Lawrence? Will you take pictures during his first Mass and reception? Please share all of these photos with Karen Smith at kbs0850@gmail.com, as she will be putting the photos all together to give to Dcn. Lawrence as a gift from us.

Leave a message for Dcn. Lawrence on the paper in the Gathering Area. After next weekend we will take it down and give it to him.

At this time our parishioners have already purchased the supplies Dcn. Lawrence needs for the priesthood. If you would like to give a gift celebrating his ordination our suggestion is money to help cover expenses he will incur starting out as a priest.



Save the Date!!!

TOTUS TUUS 2020:

Summer Camp for Children

Our parish will once again host TOTUS TUUS! We will have this summer camp for children the week of July 13 – 17. Registration with details will be available on April 4.

STA Singles Dinner Out

Join the St. Thomas Aquinas Singles for their monthly dinner at Nonno's Ristorante Italiano, 704 S Whitney Way, Madison, on Wednesday, February 19 at 6 PM. Please RSVP by Monday, February 17 to Jill at 1-608-604-3070 or jillymoose18@yahoo.com.

SAVE THE DATE:

Heart of Our Faith Retreat

Saturday, March 14 at St. Thomas Aquinas

11:30 AM - 4:30 PM

How often have we heard the beautiful message of the Gospel...the good news of God's love, Jesus' gift of salvation, the Holy Spirit's power? Perhaps, more importantly, how often do we take time to not only hear this message, but to let it sink in from our head to our heart? Adults and teens are invited to join us for this special half-day Lenten retreat. Perhaps, it will be one of the first times you have given God the chance to move you from understanding to believing—from head to heart. For some, it may well affirm for you a message that you know well and have heard many times. Wherever you are on your journey, this will be an opportunity for each of us to strengthen our faith so that we are prepared to share this good news with others!

Our retreat begins with lunch in the social hall starting at 11:30 AM and concludes with Mass at 4:30 PM. The suggested donation for the retreat is \$10 per person. Please RSVP by March 9 to Jennifer Ludtke. You can start spreading the good news now by inviting a friend to register with you! All are welcome! Questions? Contact Jennifer Ludtke.

Annual Catholic Appeal

This weekend Father Bart will lead the in-pew process for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Those who have not made a pledge by mail will be asked to do so at this time.

Please read the Annual Catholic Appeal tabloid in last weekends bulletin or visit madisondiocese.org/aca for more information. This appeal funds many ministries throughout the diocese and helps many in need.

Looking Ahead to Lent

Ash Wednesday Masses with Ashes

February 26, 6:30 AM, 12:10 PM, and 6:30 PM (*bilingual*)

Stations of the Cross (*no incense*)

Friday, February 28, 3:00 PM

Tuesdays, March 3–31, 6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 18, 6:00 PM

Stations in Spanish (*El Viacrucis*)

Domingo, March 29, 7:30–8:00 PM

Confession During Lent

Sunday, March 29, 11:00 AM–noon

Wednesday, April 1, 7:00–8:00 PM

Saturdays, March 9–April 13, 3:15–4:15 PM

Sundays, March 10–April 14, 9:00–9:45 AM

Confesiones en español

Sunday/domingo, March 29: 5:30–8:00 PM

Saturdays/sábados, March 9–April 13, 3:15–4:15 PM

Adoration

Mondays: 2:00–4:00 PM in Chapel

Tuesdays: 4:30–5:25 PM in Chapel

Fridays: 9:00–10:00 AM in Chapel



MAKE DISCIPLES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your generous support of our Make Disciples Capital Campaign.

As of February 10:

Campaign Goal \$3,500,000

Amount Pledged to Date..... \$3,035,495

Received to Date \$917,283

Number of Families Participating..... 420



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, April 5:

Masses Saturday at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM and at 10:00 AM

Sunday, 6:30 PM (*en español/ in Spanish*)

Monday of Holy Week, April 6: Mass at 8:30 AM

Tuesday of Holy Week, April 7: No 5:30 PM Mass at STA

Diocesan Chrism Mass, 7:30 PM at St. Maria Goretti

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 8: Mass at 8:30 AM

Holy Thursday, April 9: No 7:30 AM Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 PM (*incense, bilingual*)

Good Friday, April 10: No 8:30 AM Mass

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, 1:00 PM (*no incense*)

Servicio de Viernes Santo, 3:30 PM (*en español*)

Easter Vigil Mass

Saturday, April 11, 8:00 PM (*incense, bilingual*)

No 4:30 PM Mass

Easter Sunday, April 12

8:00 AM in Church (*incense*)

10:00 AM in Church (*incense*)

10:15 AM in Social Hall (*no incense*)

No 6:30 PM Mass

Even Jesus was in a small group.
Consider being part of one this Lent, too!



Being in a Journey group (a 7 week series focused on Jesus and our encounters with him) is a great way to make friends and to grow in faith, especially during Lent. There is scripture, conversation, prayer and an experience of journeying together in faith.

Sign up on your own or with a friend!

RSVP as soon as possible in order to get into your preferred group.

Register by going to the parish website: www.stamadison.org

For more information, contact jennifer@stamadison.org or call 833-2606

A \$10 donation helps with the cost of materials.

JOURNEY GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

| Day and Time | Hosts and Locations |
|---|---|
| Monday, 7-8:30pm | Liz and Christopher Ortmann's group will be meeting at their home (about 13 minutes from STA) |
| Tuesday, 1-3pm | Betsy and Pat Jagoe's group will be meeting at St. Thomas Aquinas. |
| Tuesday, 6:30-8pm | Tim O'Rourke's group will be meeting at St. Thomas Aquinas |
| <i>miércoles, 6-7:15 (en Español)</i> | <i>El grupo de Perlina Freites se reunirá en Santo Tomás de Aquino</i> |
| Wednesday, 6:30-8pm | Emily Rech's group will be meeting at St. Thomas Aquinas |
| Wednesday, 6:30-8pm | Deb del Ciello's group will be meeting at her home (about 10 minutes from STA) |
| Thursday, 7-8:30pm | Gary and Susan Hamblin's group will be meeting at their home (about 21 minutes from STA) |

This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

Sunday, February 16

Food Sunday
 No Confessions
 Bowling for Good at Schwoegler's
Rediscover the Saints Book Discussion, Library 11:00 AM
 Talleres de Oración y Vida, RE 102-104..... 4:00 PM

Monday, February 17

YA Small Group, Upper Conference Room..... 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 18

Marian Prayer Cenacle Group, Library 6:00 PM
 Men's Evening of Recollection, Chapel 6:00 PM
 SVdP Conference Meeting, Upper Conference Room..... 6:30 PM
 YA Men's Group, Lower Conference Room..... 7:00 PM

Wednesday, February 19

Toddler Time, Nursery and Upper Conference Room 9:00 AM
 Choristers Rehearsal, Music Room..... 5:00 PM
 Spanish Alpha, Library..... 6:00 PM
 Justice and Peace Meeting, Room TBD 6:30 PM
 YA Leadership Meeting, Room TBD 7:00 PM

Thursday, February 20

Spanish Rosary, Church 6:00 PM
 Parish Choir Rehearsal, Music Room 6:30 PM
 Spanish Bible Study, Lower Conference Room 7:00 PM

Saturday, February 22

Set up and Decoration for Dcn. Lawrence's Reception 2:00 PM
 Confessions..... 3:15 PM

Sunday, February 23

Confessions..... 9:00 AM
 Last Minute Decorations for Dcn. Lawrence's Reception..... 11:15 AM
 Fr. Lawrence's First Mass, Reception to follow 1:00 PM

Care Facility Liturgies This Week

Oakwood: Friday, February 21, Rosary
Brookdale: Wednesday, February 26, Word and Communion with Ashes
Sebring: Sunday, February 23, Word and Communion

Weekly Stewardship of Treasure

February 8/9

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| Offertory / Envelopes | \$10,914 |
| Building Fund..... | \$514 |
| Capital Improvement Fund | \$215 |
| Catholic Herald..... | \$260 |
| Memorial Fund | \$100 |

Counters Schedule

Monday, February 24: Dick Ihlenfeld and Carol Sawyer
Monday, March 2: Dick and Mary Ann Ihlenfeld

Mass Intentions for This Week

Saturday, February 15

4:30 PM Jack Trudel ☩

Sunday, February 16: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Lila Meyer ☩
 10:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
 6:30 PM Valentine Clyde Mercado Castro ☩

Monday, February 17: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:30 AM Agnes Kammer ☩

Tuesday, February 18

5:30 PM Robert Mello ☩

Wednesday, February 19

8:30 AM Gene Kruska ☩

Thursday, February 20

7:30 AM Paul Kelley ☩

Friday, February 21: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 AM Jay Standiford ☩

Saturday, February 22

4:30 PM Anthony Castellino ☩

Sunday, February 23: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
 10:00 AM Fabiola and Vanessa Hernandez
 1:00 PM Fr. Lawrence's Grandparents Francis Ihejirika Oparaji and Mr. and Mrs. Cyriacus Anyagwa and everyone present ☩
 6:30 PM Alex Martin ☩

Readings for the Week of February 16

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 [1b]/1 Cor 2:6-10/
 Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37
Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 [77a]/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mk 8:22-26
Thursday: Jas 2:1-9/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [7a]/Mk 8:27-33
Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 1b]/Mk 8:34 - 9:1
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19
Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/
 1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
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¡Jesús nos llama a llevar vidas de integridad donde seguimos no solo la letra de la ley sino, lo que es más importante, su espíritu! Involucrando más que simplemente las palabras que decimos, esta integridad nos llama a una vida sincera donde todo lo que hacemos y somos revela a quién pertenecemos: el Dios del amor revelado en Jesucristo y comunicado a través de la gracia del Espíritu Santo.



Fin de Semana anual de Compromiso de la Campaña Católica

Este fin de semana estamos llevando a cabo el proceso de compromiso en la banca para la Campaña Católica Anual. Nuestro objetivo es \$109,197. Las parroquias que superan el objetivo pueden recibir una parte del monto recaudado por exceso del objetivo si la Diócesis supera su objetivo general diocesano de \$3.5 millones.

Estoy agradecido de que cada año nuestra parroquia responda generosamente a esta apelación. Cualquier regalo grande o pequeño se recibe con gratitud. Le invito a que participe de acuerdo con sus medios este año. Que Dios lo recompense por su bondad y generosidad mientras continuamos apoyando el Ministerio Hispano y Migrante, Caridades Católicas, Centro Católico Multicultural y muchos otros ministerios y servicios.

¡Ordenación y primera misa el próximo fin de semana!

El próximo fin de semana será un fin de semana realmente especial ya que uno de los nuestros, Dcn. Lawrence Oparaji, es ordenado al sacerdocio por el obispo Hying a las 10:30 AM en Holy Name Heights el 22 de febrero. También celebraremos La primer misa de acción de gracias de Dcn. Lawrence el domingo 23 de febrero a la 1:00 PM. Gracias por sus oraciones y apoyo durante su tiempo con nosotros estos últimos cinco años. Como pastor, no podría estar más agradecido por la forma en que nuestra familia parroquial apoya las vocaciones y especialmente por cómo alentamos y apoyamos a Dcn. Lawrence durante sus años de seminario. ¡Muy personalmente, estoy agradecido al obispo Hying por su cuidado de Dcn. Lawrence y por ser tan alentador y directo en trabajar para llevarlo a este feliz día!

Oración por las Vocaciones

Padre, nos llamas a cada uno por nuestro nombre y nos pides que te sigamos. Bendice a tu iglesia levantando líderes dedicados y generosos de nuestras familias y amigos que servirán a tu gente como Hermanas, Sacerdotes, Hermanos, Diáconos y Ministros Laicos. Inspíranos mientras crecemos para conocerte y abre nuestros corazones para escuchar tu llamado. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Jesús. Amén.

Misa en español

Domingos 6:30 PM

Confesiones

Sábados 3:15 - 4:10 PM y por cita con el párroco

Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes 2:00 - 4:00 PM en la capilla

Martes 4:15 - 5:25 PM en la capilla

Viernes 9:00 - 10:00 AM en la capilla

Rosarios en español

Jueves 6:00 PM

Estudio Bíblico en español

Jueves 7:00 PM

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Minuto Catequético: Tomado del Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (CIC)

I. La vida del hombre: conocer y amar a Dios

Para que esta llamada resonara en toda la tierra, Cristo envió a los apóstoles que había escogido, dándoles el mandato de anunciar el Evangelio: "Id, pues, y haced discípulos a todas las gentes bautizándolas en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, y enseñándoles a guardar todo lo que yo os he mandado. Y sabed que yo estoy con vosotros todos los días hasta el fin del mundo" (Mt 28,19-20). Fortalecidos con esta misión, los apóstoles



"salieron a predicar por todas partes, colaborando el Señor con ellos y confirmando la Palabra con las señales que la acompañaban" (Mc 16,20).

Quienes con la ayuda de Dios, han acogido el llamamiento de Cristo y han respondido libremente a ella, se sienten por su parte urgidos por el amor de Cristo a anunciar por todas partes en el mundo la Buena Nueva. Este tesoro recibido de los Apóstoles ha sido guardado fielmente por sus sucesores. Todos los fieles de Cristo son llamados a transmitirlo de generación en generación, anunciando la fe, viviéndola en la comunión fraterna y celebrándola en la liturgia y en la oración (cf. Hch 2,42). (CIC 2-3)