ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE
March 18th
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 17:
4:00 PM Mass at St. John the Baptist
5:30 PM † Earl Beck

Sunday, March 18:
8:00 AM For the People of STA & SJB
9:30 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist

Monday, March 19:
8:00 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist

Tuesday, March 20:
8:00 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist

Wednesday, March 21:
8:00 AM For the People of St. Thomas Aquinas
8:30-9:30 AM Adoration

Thursday, March 22:
8:00 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist
8:00 AM † Don Diedrich

Saturday, March 24:
4:00 PM Mass at St. John the Baptist
5:30 PM † Earl Beck

Sunday, March 25 ~ Palm Sunday:
8:00 AM † Ray Freimuth
9:30 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist
6:00 PM Youth Mass at St. John the Baptist

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Saturday, 5:30pm March 17
Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Lent
Lector: Ellen Cary
Ministers: Kathy Kopitzke, Lynn & Randy Kulow, Lynette Fiebrink, Judith Menne, Ron Nielsen

Sunday, 8:00am March 18
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Lector: Mary Jo Jetzer
Ministers: Dennis & JoAnn Streblow, Dori Schmitz, Richard Vogel, Al Zemlicka, Mary Jo Jetzer

STEWARDSHIP WEEKENDS
Stewardship books are available at the entrances.
This month's featured ministry is...
ZeruZeru Mission

Ron Nielsen will share a short power point that was provided by Karene & Eric Booz in their work with ZeruZeru. He will also be discussing how STA & SJB will be twinning with Zeru-Zeru. The last Lenten week collection will be a second collection to support their mission. And half of the next four 5th Sunday Collections will be supporting ZeruZeru. Thank you for your contribution and prayers for this wonderful mission.

Lent Week Six (March 24-25)
Zeru Zeru Simana Sasa!
ZeruZeru, Inc. is a non-profit organization created by Eric & Karene Boos of Elkhart Lake for the purpose of securing the human rights of poor and vulnerable Tanzanian children suffering from albinism. “ZeruZeru Simana Sasa” has two interpretations: “Albinos Stand Up Now” (literally) and “Stop Prejudice Against Albinos Now” (loosely). The primary goal of ZeruZeru, Inc., is to establish a sustainable, self-sufficient safe-haven campus for as many as 100 children with albinism. Both STA & SJB are forming a “twinning” relationship with ZeruZeru for our mutual benefit: ZeruZeru gets our spiritual and financial support, and we get a connection that expands our vision and impact as Catholic communities committed to carrying Christ’s mercy in a tangible way beyond our immediate boundaries.
For more information, google “ZeruZeru, Inc.”

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Dear Parishioners:

Gee, so many people commented about the absence of a message from me in last week’s bulletin, I’m thinking that maybe I ought to write something just to assure you that I’m not on my deathbed, or haven’t been kidnapped, or opted to take a plusher assignment someplace. [Oops!!! There’s someplace “plusher” than Elkhart Lake and Plymouth? Perish that thought!!!]

So, it’s in the spirit of communicating something/anything at all that I share what follows:

1. The week after I wrote about security issues, the Archdiocese issued this memorandum:

   Catholic Mutual [the property and liability insurance company that covers all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee] is working with the Archbishop on some procedures and practices for parishes to prepare for and deter the potential for an active shooter event in a church or some other gathering at a parish. It will take some additional time for a response to be developed. In the meantime, parishes are encouraged to cooperate with local emergency practices. There will be some training opportunities in the future.

   I don’t quite get what they mean when they write that we “are encouraged to cooperate with local emergency practices.” And I’m a little befuddled by the notion of “training opportunities”.

   Training for whom? Greeters? Ushers? Celebrants? Congregations? I think we’ll talk about this at our pastoral council meetings and see if we can get local authorities to drop by for a visit.

2. The Living Way of the Cross will be dramatized here in Church next Wednesday evening at 6:30 and again on Palm Sunday in conjunction with our 6:00p.m. Mass. Please join us for this inspirational Lenten experience.

3. Before the advent of the internet (Amazon.com, in particular) I used to love to go to bookstores and just browse. Harry W. Schwartz. Barnes & Noble. The UWM Bookstore, where I’d go into the students’ section in the basement and walk through the sociology, psychology, political science, history and the humanities sections just looking at titles and seeing what was in vogue in any particular season and maybe pick up a title or two.

   But now, I rely primarily on two sources: book reviews in magazines and newspapers to which I subscribe and footnotes and bibliographies in books I read. This latter category has been especially fruitful, as in the instance of the doctoral dissertation I mentioned a while back, when I encounter thoughts that are particularly intriguing and wish to read more on the topic. Well, a couple of weeks ago I was wrapping up a book entitled Turkish Islam and the Secular State when I stumbled across a concept that I thought might be interesting to pursue in deeper detail. So, turning to the bibliography, I found the book which the author had cited several times. I went to Amazon.com (advanced book search) and typed in the title: The Islamic School of Law: Evolution, Devolution, and Progress. It came up immediately; I thought I was in luck: it was a mere 320 pages long, written in English, published in 2006 in Boston. Then my heart sank: its price is $1,860.00!!! Really?? I think I’ll wait for the movie.

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All ladies of St. Thomas Aquinas are invited the annual spring meeting of the Milwaukee Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women – Fond du Lac/Sheboygan County.

Meet new faces, share some ideas and learn more about MACCW. Wednesday, April 11, at Shepherd of the Hills Parish, 9:00– Meeting ~ 9:30– Speaker, Justin Krueger, Director of Worship and Liturgy at St. Margaret Mary Parish, Neenah. His topic will be Songs, Scriptures and Story, connecting to the Book of Psalms ~ 11:00– Mass in the church ~ Noon–2:00– Luncheon

Cost for the day is $9.00. Reservations are due by Wed., April 4th to Barb Michels @ 920-922-2437

Join Archbishop Jerome Listecki at the World Movie Premiere "Power In My Hands"
A Story of Hope and the Power of Prayer
Thursday April 12
6:30PM - Free Music Concert with Anna Nuzzo ~ 7:00PM - Movie Showing
Miller High Life Theatre * 500 W Kilbourn Ave, Milwaukee

A Film for our Times for Everyone Featuring Philip Rivers (NFL Football quarterback); Jeff Cavins; Archbishop Jerome Listecki; Doug Barry; Fr. Don Calloway; Kelly Wahlquist; Rebecca Roubin Czarka (recording artist); Lydia LoCoco; Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers; Bishop Doeme of Nigeria; Deacon Henry Reyes; Nancy Salerno; Sr. Mary Samuel Handwerker; and others.

Online Tickets Available - Register Now $10 per person * $5 for students * Family Rates Available Visit the film website www.powerinmyhandsthemovie.com Sponsored by the Rosary Evangelization Apostolate,

Special Note: Part of this major movie was filmed in Milwaukee.