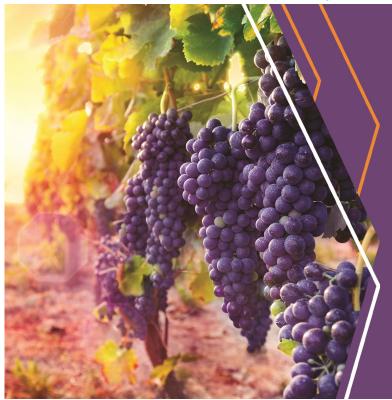


April 28, 2024



# 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

### Visitors & New Parishioners

We warmly welcome you to our parish family. Thank you for coming to worship with us.

## **Parish Offices**

### ST. MARY

320 E. Washington Ave, Tomahawk WI 54487 Phone 715-453-2878 Fax 715-453-6678 Website: www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com Hours: Monday—Friday 8:00AM-3:30PM

### ST. AUGUSTINE

 N10090 County Rd B, Tomahawk, WI 54487

 Phone
 715-453-2561

 Fax
 715-453-4813

 Hours: Tuesday 8:00AM-3:00PM

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

5209 Willow Road, Tripoli, WI 54564 Please note: There is no office at this location, please see St. Mary Parish Office.

## Weekend Mass/Service Schedule

St. Francis-Pier Willow St. Mary -Tomahawk St. Augustine- Harrison St. Mary-Tomahawk St. Mary -Tomahawk

### Weekday Mass/Service Schedule

St. Augustine-Harrison St. Mary-Tomahawk Nursing Homes St. Mary-Tomahawk

### Rosary

St. Augustine-Harrison St. Augustine-Harrison St. Mary -Tomahawk St. Mary -Tomahawk Saturday 4:00PM Saturday 6:00PM Sunday 8:00AM Sunday 9:30AM Sunday 11:00AM

### Tuesday 8:30AM Wednesday 8:45AM Thursday 9:15AM Friday 8:45AM

Sunday 7:25AM Tuesday 8:00AM Wednesday 8:15AM Friday 8:00AM Adoration with Reconciliation St. Mary-Tomahawk Following 8:45AM Mass on Fridays

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Adoration & Reconciliation St. Mary-Tomahawk Following 8:45AM Mass on first Fridays

### Reconciliation

St. Mary-Tomahawk Saturdays at 9:00AM\* St. Francis-Pier Willow Saturdays at 3:30PM\*

## Anointing of the Sick

St. Mary-Tomahawk Following 11:00AM Mass on Sundays\* \* or by appointment (715-453-2878)

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Pastor**

Fr. Louis Maram Reddy pastor@smctomahawk.com

## **ST. AUGUSTINE**

### 715-453-2561

Parish Coordinator, Kathy Voermans Email: kathy.staugustinechurch@yahoo.com Deacon Dan Towle 715-453-2848 Email: dtowle55@gmail.com RCIA Deacon Dan Towle 715-453-2848 Cemetery Sexton, Dennis Goulee

Pastoral Council Chair, Mike SmithFinancial Council Chair, Jim EversMaintenance Chair,Matt Voermans715-612-0376

### **ST. MARY & ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI** 715-453-2878

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Deacons		
David Bablick	715-224-3472	
Russell Cabak	608-797-2277	
Cliff Eggett	715-453-5217	
Bernie Lyngdal (Retired)		
RCIA		
Deacon David Bablick	715-224-3472	
Kathy Ramassini	715-453-3822	
Parish Nurse Ministry		
Ann Jelinek RN, PN	715-453-4573	
Mary Bailey RN, PN	715-453-3793	
Cemetery Sexton		
Matt Wohlt	715-453-7030	
Pastoral Council Chair, Tom Oscar		
Financial Council Chair, Scott Swenty		
Endowment Fund Advisory Board President,		
AJ Theiler	715-453-0010	

## ST. MARY'S THRIFT CELLAR

715-453-2878 Hours:

Tuesday
Wednesda
Friday

4:00PM-7:00PM 9:00AM-3:00PM 9:00AM-3:00PM

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

Information for the parish bulletin must be in St. Mary's parish office by 8:00AM on Tuesday.



## Your Gifts & Talents are Needed! Become a volunteer

Call 715-453-2878 God Bless You!

## **Mission Statement**

Our Catholic Communities are committed to be an extension of the universal Catholic church by daily living of the teachings of Jesus Christ for the spiritual growth of all in our parish and community.

## Reflection

The reflection for the week can be found on our website at www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com.

## **Sacraments & Faith Formation**

### Sacrament of Baptism

We ask that parents of a child to be baptized contact the parish office to arrange attendance of a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please note that it is not necessary to wait until the child is born to make arrangements.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Anyone seeking to set up a wedding must contact Fr. Louis, our pastor, at least 6 months prior to the marriage. Wedding guidelines are available at <u>www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com</u>.

### Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

Please call the parish office to notify us of the people who are in need of this care. This Sacrament is also available to those who wish to receive it after the 11:00AM Mass on Sunday.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confession) is celebrated individually each Saturday at 9:00AM. Individual times can be arranged at any time by calling the parish office.

### **Faith Formation**

The Sacraments of First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation take place during 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. Confirmation Preparation begins in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and takes place on Sundays. Students are confirmed in the fall of either 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> Grade. Classes for Grades K-12 are on Wednesdays.

Pray for the Sick				
Lawrence &	Jim Witucki	Alex Schroeder	Richard & Janet	Janet Pierdzioch
Colette Matthews	Mary Wolf	Todd Glanville	Giers	Florence
Tucker Van Ryen	Jean Flammang	Karson Bartz	Karen Orthober	Heckenast
Melinda Meyers	Mary Gerum	Larry Bengford	Mady Hanse	Mary Bailey
Christine Taylor	Marvelene	Mary "Lee"	Joan Kleinschmidt	Jim Martinco
Margaret	Sosinsky	Hamlin	Mike Loka	William Holzschuh
Congdon	Pat Alberg	Cliff & Jean Eggett	Kathy Echterling	Gloria Biesic
Joan McCormick	Betty Hudson	Julie Iwen	Robert Zipp	Hannah Bell
Dan Bassett	Mary Stelzer	Nathalie Obey	Jan Hammell	Ron Groshek
Charlene Marks	Joan Crowell	Billy Frigo	Diane Barr	Lisa Wildey
Evelyn Brown	Mary Sue	Suzanne Theis	Patricia Bulauski	
Martin	Novotny	Howard Sipple	Therese DuPlayee	
Vander Sanden	Shawna Geiger	Cynthia Dampier	Steve Christian	
Nicholas Peterson	Loraine Stone	Amanda	Margaret Welbes	
Steve Malin	Joan Cook	Hilgendorf	Terri Cantrall	
Vivian Mitchell	Al Felz	Mary Lou Seipp	Therese Quirion	
Joann Meyers	Larry Andrew	Joe Venne	Maribeth Burke	
Marlene Erickson	Terry Winchell	Dave Bablick	Clyde Eggett	

All the sick in the hospitals and all the residents in our Nursing Homes. To keep our list current, all names are removed on a monthly basis. If our parish's thoughts and prayers are still needed for you and yours, you must contact us to ensure that your loved ones are on the prayer list.

## Pray For All the Priests of our Diocese:

Each week we are asked to pray for all the Priests of our Diocese. The monthly calendars are available at <u>catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin</u>.



# Respect Life Committee 715-453-35 715-302-4815 Principal: Juani

715-302-4815 Chairperson: Patti Baacke Email:<u>Pattibaacke@yahoo.com</u>

## ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL 715-453-3542

Principal: Juanita Skubal Email: smsprincipal@stmarystudents.com Secretary: Katie Rossiter Email: smsoffice@stmarystudents.com

# OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

## **From the Pastor**

## **Christ Consciousness**

Just as I feel my own consciousness in every part of my physical body, I need to feel all humanity as part of me. It is the awareness of perception of every being. That is the meaning of Christ Consciousness. When Christ comes within us, we lose our ego; the 'I' is demolished. That is what Christ is. If you like Christ, then follow His ways. God could be cruel and destroy evil doers, but instead He uses love to bring humans back to Him. That is why Jesus says, "love your enemies for God makes His sun to rise on the evil and the good; sends rain on the just and the unjust".

Hating someone is going against one's own interest. Try to be a friend to everyone. To love your enemies is the best way to conquer them. Don't allow the infection of hatred in yourself.

Remember that your enemies are also the children of God. They are ignorant of what they are doing. No thinking person wants to do wrong. They don't realize the error of their ways. They don't have the clear vision or power of reflection. That is why they "know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). Such person actually



does great harm to himself and he is the object of sympathy.

Always aspire to know Christ within you. Banish every prejudice and love all beings. Harm no one. Judge not others. Hate none, love all. Whatever blessing you have, desire that all should have it. Share with all. Give and you shall receive. In this way prepare your consciousness in order to bring Christ into your consciousness. That is Christ Consciousness.

Fr. Louis Maram Reddy

## **Mass Intentions & The Week Ahead**

	Sunday	4/28	8:00AM 9:30AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine Mass @ St. Augustine: Paul Dalka by his mom Mass @ St. Mary: LeRoy Wolf by Mary & Family Mass @ St. Mary: Jerrold Flynn by Pete & Ann Pintens Anointing of the Sick following Mass
	Monday	4/29	4:00PM	NO MASS Low Impact Strengthening & Balancing Exercise Class in CCC
	Tuesday	4/30	<b>8:30AM</b> 4-7PM	Rosary @ St. Augustine Mass @ St. Augustine: Bea Doemel by Mike & Ursula Stearns Thrift Cellar Open Arms Community Meal
	Wednesday	5/1	8:45AM 9AM-3PM 9:15AM	Rosary @ St. Mary Mass @ St. Mary: Mary Beth Koenigs by Mark Roppuld Thrift Cellar Adult Faith Formation Class in the CCC RCIA Class in the CCC
	Thursday	5/2	11:00AM	Mass @ Golden Age: Peter Flammang Blood Pressures @ Tomahawk Senior Center Volunteer Appreciation Mass @ St. Mary: In Thanksgiving of All Volunteers Volunteer Appreciation Dinner following Mass
	Friday	5/3	8:45AM 9AM-3PM 9:15AM	Rosary @ St. Mary Mass @ St. Mary: Nancy Steigerwald by Gary & Mary Luedke Thrift Cellar Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus w/Adoration @ St. Mary Rosary @ Milestone Living Center
	Saturday	5/4	3:30PM <b>4:00PM</b>	Reconciliation @ St. Mary Reconciliation @ St. Francis Mass @ St. Francis: The Orthober Family by Mark & Karen Anointing of the Sick during Mass Mass @ St. Mary: For the People of the Parishes
	Sunday	5/5	8:00AM 9:00AM 9:30AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine Mass @ St. Augustine: James Hollar by Hollar Family St. Augustine Parish Breakfast Mass @ St. Mary: Fran Sweek by Maureen Lechleitner Mass @ St. Mary: Jerrold & Mitzi Flynn by Pat, Mary & Brian Anointing of the Sick following Mass



"St. Mary's Catholic Parish Tomahawk, WI". We will update you on events, keep you posted on things happening in

our parish and send out important announcements!

Please like and share!

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This week's item is beef stew or soups. There are collection baskets in the entrance of St. Francis', St. Mary's & St. Augustine's Church. Contact: Ricky (715-453-1386)

**Prayer Chain -** Anyone with a personal prayer intention is invited to call Ruth at 715-453-3397, and caring persons will pray on your behalf. Your request can be anonymous, or you may choose to include your name. Please respect the privacy of others, and do not share a prayer request on behalf of a third party.

St. Joseph the Worker Committee will be working Tuesday, April 30 from 9:00AM-11:30AM. Your help is always appreciated whether you can work all or part of this time. Thank You!



"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

# THIS WEEK .



Liturgy & Music Notes from Jan Parish Choir – We will sing the 9:30AM Mass next Sunday, May 5.

Ministry Moment is a new weekly

bulletin feature that we hope you enjoy. The term "spotlight" was suggested, but for modesty of our volunteers who are shy about drawing attention to themselves, we are using the term "moment"—meaning for us to take a moment each week to realize how many ways there are to serve our parish. Each new feature introduces a person whom we often see helping in some way, but might not know their name. Over the course of a year, we can highlight 52 persons who will share what drew them to become involved in a ministry. Hopefully, that will inspire all of us to consider how we, too, can be of service. If you would like to join a new ministry or share your personal witness of being a volunteer, please contact the parish office and we can help you to help us. It's easy! Thanks to all who are already willing to share their reasons for being a volunteer.



The St Mary's Respect Life Committee will be offering roses after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend.

A freewill offering is appreciated to cover the costs of this ministry.



# Weekly Readings and Observances

**Sunday, April 28** (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter): Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

**Monday, April 29** (St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church): Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26



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Tuesday, April 30 (St. Pius V, Pope): Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday, May 1 (St. Joseph the Worker): Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8 Thursday, May 2 (St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; National Day of Prayer): Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 3 (Sts. Philip and James, Apostles): 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14 Saturday, May 4: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 5 (6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter): Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/ 1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17



# **Faith Formation**

**Adult Faith Formation** 

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. To help you learn to gather and live with greater wisdom, St. Mary will begin Wisdom: God's Vision for Life on April 17 after the morning Mass in the CCC. There is no need to register for these sessions. Your presence is welcome any week of the program. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

## FAITH FRIDAYS—9AM-4PM

Want your kids to have a VBS experience?

Don't have time to commit to every day in one week?

- Come and learn about our faith, make a craft, play games, and have a snack
- Open for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Pack a bag lunch and bring a water bottle
- \$10 per child/day
- Payment can be made when you attend
- We will meet in the CCC
- 6<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to join us as volunteers.

DATES: June 14, June 21 and June 28

You must RSVP by Noon on the Thursday before the "Faith Fridays" event.

Email or call Marianna Merkatoris at dreyouth@smctomahawk.com.



## Please join us for our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, May 2

Mass will be at 5:30PM with dinner to follow. Not sure if this includes you? If you volunteer in any way in our parishes or school, then Yes! This means you!! You must RSVP by tomorrow (Monday, April 29) by calling the parish office at 715-453-2878 if you plan to attend the dinner after Mass.

Hope to see all of YOU (our wonderful volunteers) there!!!

Cerny's gift cards will be available for purchase (\$25, \$50 & \$100) beginning this weekend after all Masses! You can also purchase cards at the parish office during office hours (M-F 8AM-3:30PM). Cerny's generously returns a portion of the sales back to our parish and the profits from these sales benefit our youth programs. Your support is appreciated!!!

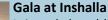
# PARISH HAPPENINGS



# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Mary's School Golf Scramble

Mark your calendars! The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Mary's School Golf Scramble will be on Saturday, May 18 at Edgewater Country Club. For more information on how to sign up your team or sponsor a hole, contact

St. Mary's School office at 715-453-3542. Last year was so much fun; we can't wait for this year's event!



It is truly humbling to see so many parishioners and community members that came out to support our school. What a wonderful event. It looked like everyone had a wonderful time. We are truly blessed! Thank you again!





### Kid's Gala

Thank you to our Home and School for putting on a fun Gala for our students. Glow sticks, dancing, games and prizes made the event so much fun!

## **Teacher's Aide Position**

St. Mary's School is looking for a full time Elementary Aide for the 2024-25 school year. If you are interested, please send your resume to <a href="mailto:smsprincipal@stmarystudents.com">smsprincipal@stmarystudents.com</a> or stop in for an application during school hours.

## **From the Parish Nurse**

Gearing up for yard work and gardening exercises, continued from last week.

Stress on the **knees** comes from all directions. When you squat to pick up your tools or push a cart uphill,

your knees are constantly being called upon or crawled upon. Knee conditioning indirectly results from strengthening the quadriceps (front of your thighs). The stronger the quads, the less your knees have to work.

\*Sit in a straight-backed chair, feet flat. Hold the sides of the chair, extend your right leg straight out in front of you, making sure it is as high as the seat of the chair. Lift you leg about 6 inches off the chair, flex your foot (heel down, toes up). Repeat the lift 10 times, then lower the leg to starting position and repeat with the left leg. Work up to two complete sets.

Hands, a good grip is necessary for weeding, pruning, deadheading, and numerous other tasks. Squeezing a soft rubber ball (about 2 ½ inches in diameter) effectively strengthens the fingers, hands, wrists, and forearms. If you carry the ball with you during the day, you can exercise your hands whenever you have a spare minute. This activity is also beneficial in reducing stress.

\*Squeeze the ball with all your fingers and thumb. Squeeze until you feel your hand tire, then squeeze five more times. To further strengthen the thumb, squeeze the ball between the thumb and each finger, doing six to eight squeezes each. Repeat with the other hand.

God bless as you continue to enjoy creation. ~ Ann Jelinek RN, PN



## **Ministry Moment**

Jeff Walker (age 67) is an active volunteer in the roles of cantor, choir member, Community Meal, and Backpack Program. He and his wife Jean (five children and nine grandchildren) retired and

moved from Alaska to Tomahawk in 2012.

Interesting fact-Jeff has a lifelong obsession with color: spectroscopy, color symbolism, color psychology, color therapy, color theory, and evolution of color names. And he said, "I have absolutely no idea what to do with it".

What/who inspired him to volunteer? "Need to know the community. Love of singing. Desire to help those less fortunate than myself. Many folks led me to volunteering; my wife, Jan Huseby, other cantors and choir members, Heidi Merwin, and many, many others who set a high standard for compassion and commitment to community and our church."

How does volunteering make him feel? "Mostly invigorated. Sometimes tired. Sometimes overwhelmed. But always grateful that I have the time and health to provide something value added."

# PARISH HAPPENINGS

## St. Mary & St. Augustine Liturgical Ministries

### 6:00PM @ St. Marv. Saturday. May 4. 2024

Readers	Pat Berg & Izzy Lee
Altar Servers	Hadley & Harper Downing
Musician	Kay Nyberg
Cantor	Michele Wingate
Communion Ministers	Tom Oscar, Karen Sprister,
	Jackie Whitney & Sharon Eisenman

8:00AM @ St. Augustine, Sunday, May 5, 2024 Pat Pintens Reader

Greeters Mike & Ursula Stearns Kathy Voermans & Nancy Swan Money Counters

9:30AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, May 5, 2024

Readers	Ann Jelinek & Mickey Loka
Altar Severs	Volunteers Needed
Musician	Jan Huseby
Cantor	Dee Dreger
Choir	Parish Choir
Communion Ministers	Kathy Paulson, Ann Swenty,
	Joan Wetterau & Penning Haring

### 11:00AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, May 5, 2024

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Holy Land	\$30.00
Capital Expense/Heat	\$25.00
Total	\$5,425.16



St. Augustine Parish Breakfast - Our next breakfast will be on Sunday, May 5 following Mass. We will be celebrating Mother's Day just a little early. We always welcome additional volunteers to help with setup, serving and cleanup. If you would like to assist with any of these tasks, please call Ann Wanserski at 715-536-1466. Looking forward to visiting and sharing a meal.



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The St Mary's Respect Life/Walking with Moms in Need ministry provides valuable resources to families in our community through its outreach programs. The Cradle For Life located in the Harris Portico can be used by anyone wishing to donate material items for this cause. Our primary need at this time are diapers sizes 2-5 and unscented diaper wipes. Monetary donations are always appreciated and can be made through the parish office or website. Thank you all and to our committee members for the wonderful support and service in this ministry. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Patti Baacke at 715-302-4815.



## St. Mary's Summer Festival Friday, July 26 & Saturday, July 27

Please mark your calendars for another great summer festival! Make sure to watch upcoming bulletins for more information!

You won't want to miss it!



## Thrift Cellar News

The Thrift Cellar has some great spring and summer fashions, which are now available! New items arriving weekly. Stop down and see us!

We are also in need of volunteers to bring bags to Goodwill in Rhinelander or Wausau. If you are available please stop down during open hours and let us know!

Store hours: Tuesdays from 4-7PM and Wednesdays & Fridays from 9AM-3PM.

Thank you for supporting St. Mary's School!

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