

the *Catholic* communities of St. Mary ♦ St. Augustine ♦ St. Francis of Assisi

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.”
- Lk 4:18a*

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

Weekday Mass/Service Schedule

St. Augustine-Harrison	Tuesday 8:30AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Wednesday 8:45AM
Nursing Homes	Thursday 9:15AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Friday 8:45AM

Rosary

St. Augustine-Harrison	Sunday 8:55AM
St. Augustine-Harrison	Tuesday 8:00AM
St. Mary -Tomahawk	Wednesday 8:15AM
St. Mary -Tomahawk	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

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Deacon Dan Towle 715-453-2848

Cemetery Sexton, Dennis Goulee

Pastoral Council Chair, Nancy Swan

Financial Council Chair, Jim Evers

ST. MARY & ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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Cemetery Sexton

Matt Wohlt 715-453-7030

Pastoral Council Chair, Joe Mattko

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 4:00PM-7:00PM

Wednesday 9:00AM-3:00PM

Friday 9:00AM-3:00PM

Volunteer Coordinator,

Nancy Hoff 715-453-4473

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

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

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. Classes are held on the 3rd Monday of each month. 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 www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com.

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 2nd Grade. Confirmation Preparation begins in 9th grade and takes place on Wednesdays. Students are confirmed in the fall of 11th Grade. Classes for Grades K-8 are on Wednesdays.

Pray for the Sick

Lawrence & Colette Matthews	Evelyn Brown	Jim Witucki	Troy Martinco
Judy Rau	Nicholas Peterson	LeRoy Wolf	Tara Liebers
Tucker Van Ryen	Martin & Judy	Peter Flammang	Joan Crowell
Melinda Meyers	Vander Sanden	Jean Flammang	Mary Sue Novotny
Gerald Ruitter	Steve Malin	Therèsè Quirion	Dale Balkowski
Christine Taylor	Jack Huston	Gus Feind	Michele Rodden
Joyce Weizenicker	John Loka	Mary Gerum	Millie Lyngdal
Margaret Congdon	Vivian Mitchell	Marvelene Sosinsky	Shawna Geiger
Joan McCormick	Roberta Meyer	Joanne Kasmierski	Bill Kamps
Dan Bassett	Joann Meyers	Julie Thayer	Loraine Stone
John W. Colwell	Stephen Christian	Pat Alberg	Jack Leggett
Charlene Marks	Barbara Trevino	Betty Hudson	Phyllis Ouimette
Ken White	Marlene Erickson	Mary Stelzer	Carson Arseneau
Laura Jo Pearson	Gary Petrouske	David Hildebrand	Kaetlyn Thompson
	Sherry Martinco	Amy Youngquist	Joan Cook

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 catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin.

ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

715-453-3542

Principal, Rita Lee

Email: smsprincipal@stmarystudents.com

Secretary: Elicia Seliskar

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OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

From the Pastor

Theological Virtues: Hope – 1/3

Hope: Hope means a feeling of expectation and certainty for a certain thing to happen. It means trusting. When we hope, we are not passive, but active. Hope is an essential virtue of Christian life. It is a confident affirmation that God is faithful, that He will complete what He has begun. It is a hope of certainty. It is a Christian strength. **“In silence and in hope shall your strength be” (Is 30:15).** Where there is no hope there is no future and life. Where there is no hope, there is no faith.

Our Blessed Mother Mary was silent, and did not try to justify herself in Joseph’s eyes; she was silent because she was filled with hope in God and absolutely certain of His help. God will never disappoint us if we hope in Him. Just as He sent an angel

to Joseph to reveal the mystery of Mary’s matrimony, He will always find a way to help and sustain a soul who entrusts itself wholly to Him.

Eucharist is our hope both for this life and for the life to come. It sustains us in adversity, fortifies us in the struggles, saves us for eternal life, and brings us to heaven by providing us with the food necessary for our journey. This is the Christian virtue of hope that makes us alive to our faith in Christ and helps us to continue our spiritual journey. Without this hope there is no journey.

To be continued next week ...



Fr. Louis Maram Reddy

Mass Intentions & The Week Ahead

Sunday	1/23	8:00AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Ricky Bartz by St. Mary’s School Staff First Communion Enrollment Mass
		8:55AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		9:30AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Mike Swan by Pat Pintens
		11:00AM	Mass @ St. Mary: For the People of the Parishes Anointing of the Sick following Mass
Monday	1/24		NO MASS 4:00PM Low Impact Strengthening & Balancing Exercise Class
Tuesday	1/25	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		8:30AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Pat Genelin by John & Kari Krueger
		4-7PM	Thrift Cellar
		5-6:00PM	Open Arms Community Meal
Wednesday	1/26	8:15AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Ricky Bartz by Kathy Ramassini
		9AM-3PM	Thrift Cellar
Thursday	1/27	9:15AM	Mass @ Milestone: In celebration of the marriage of George & Loretta Beutner by Kris Leggett
		6:30PM	“Wine” Down Book Club in the CCC
Friday	1/28	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Joseph Piekarski by Bernie Thompson & Family
		9AM-3PM	Thrift Cellar
		9:15AM	Adoration with Benediction @ St. Mary
		10:30AM	Rosary @ Milestone Living Center
Saturday	1/29	9:00AM	Reconciliation @ St. Mary
		4:00PM	Mass @ St. Francis: William Hafenbredl by Deacon Cliff & Jean Eggett
		6:00PM	Mass @ St. Mary: For the living & deceased members of the Gerum & Statz Families
Sunday	1/30	8:00AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Ricky Bartz by Steve, Connie & Kristen Catholic Schools Week Mass
		8:55AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		9:30AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Mike Swan by Marie Mand
		11:00AM	Mass @ St. Mary: For the People of the Parishes Anointing of the Sick following Mass

 **LIKE us on Facebook!**
“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! You will find Catholic content as well!
Please like and share!

FOOD PANTRY
This week’s item is canned chicken or tuna. 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 on Tuesday, January 25 from 9:00AM-11:30AM. Your help is always appreciated whether you can work all or part of this time. Thank You!



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18



Liturgy & Music Notes from Jan Parish musicians—The registration deadline has been extended if you wish to attend the annual Diocesan Music Conference on February 3-4 in Amery, WI. Please contact Jan by Monday, January 25 if you are interested. The facilitators this year will be Bonnie Faber and Roger Stratton.

Today's first reading is so joyful, when Jesus announces that, through his presence, the prophecies were fulfilled of glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, and freedom for the oppressed. It's easy for us to wish for things we've missed because of the pandemic, but the people to whom Ezra spoke hadn't been able to gather for worship in over fifty years! As we are blessed by God's love for us, we don't have the luxury of just passively enjoying the love, but are called to spread it by making life easier for others—in other words, by **service**. In these quiet weeks of winter, between Christmas and Lent, can we spend some time thinking of how we could serve our parish by volunteering in a ministry? The Synod process, initiated by Pope Francis, will give us ongoing opportunities to explore what it means to "be community".



Notes from the Finance Office
Contribution statements for 2021 are still available for pick up in the back of church. Any unclaimed statements will be mailed out by January 31. If you would like your contribution statement emailed to you, please email Laura Reiter at finance@smctomahawk.com. **Thank you for your support over the last year!**

Weekly Readings and Observances

Sunday, January 23 (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; *St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin*): Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/ 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday, January 24 (*St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*): 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday, January 25 (*The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle*): Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
Wednesday, January 26 (*Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops*): 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday, January 27 (*St. Angela Merici, Virgin*): 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday, January 28 (*St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church*): 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday, January 29: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Sunday, January 30 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; *Celebrate Catholic Schools Week*): Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30



Youth & Religious Ed News

Just a reminder that we will not have any Religious Education classes this coming Wednesday, January 26. Classes will resume on Wednesday, February 2.



Our youth group earns \$6 profit on every kit we sell. We need your help to reach our goal! Big pizza eating days are just around the corner, so make sure you have pizza kits on hand for your celebration this year. Shipping costs are the same for 1 kit or 2 kits, so stock up and help us reach our goal! Please use the following link: <https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/fundraisers/support/75ded654-55ea-420c-8b62-1aa49ec3340c>.

Important Information from Bishop Jim Powers

Bishop Jim Powers recently wrote an updated letter to all of the parishioners of our diocese regarding COVID. To view the letter, please visit our parish website at stmaryschurchtomahawk.com and click on the About Us tab, choose bulletins/inserts and then go under Important Information from the Diocese at the bottom of the page and click on the link to download his January 14, 2022 letter. Copies will also be available on the Scrip table in back of church after Mass or at the parish office during office hours (Monday-Friday from 8:00AM-3:30PM).

Bishop Powers also released a letter to parish staff announcing the diocesan plans for participation in the **Synod on Synodality** called by Pope Francis this past fall. Our first phase consisted of saying the prayer for the Synod. We will begin the next phase of our participation in the coming months. It will require that we gather together to discern the movement and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Our parish cluster will be holding sessions for this in the coming weeks. Please watch for more information in our bulletin and Facebook page as it becomes available. If you are unable to attend one of these scheduled sessions in person, the diocese will have an online portal for anyone that would like to participate virtually and this will be open during the same time frame as our parish sessions.



2022 Catholic Schools Week

To kick-off the Catholic Schools Week celebration (January 30-February 5), school families will be attending the 8:00AM Mass at St. Mary's on Sunday, January 30. **Please plan to join us!**



Wisconsin Parental Choice Program

We are excited to announce that St. Mary's School is now a part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. This means that families who meet the requirements may be able to send their children to St. Mary's School tuition free. Call the school

office at 453-3542 for more information.

Annual Gala and Time and Treasure Raffle

It is hard to believe, but it is already time to start thinking about this year's Gala and Time and Treasure Raffle! There was an insert in last week's bulletin with information on how to donate to this year's event. If you did not receive one, feel free to contact the school at 453-3542 for more information. Donation slips are due back to the school office by Friday, February 4 so our committee has time to assemble the Time and Treasure Raffle booklet. Thank you for supporting our school through this event each year.

Many Gifts One Nation

We are participating again this year in the "Many Gifts, One Nation: A day of Giving for Catholic Schools" sponsored by the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA). Prayerfully consider following the link below to go to our St. Mary's School donation page and make a donation to our school. This link will be shared via our school Facebook page as well for an easy 'one click' option to get to our donation page. Thank you for considering supporting our school.

<https://factsmgtdadmin.com/give/appeal/i2kVycLwn>

Tomahawk Extended Area Partners in Education Grants

Congratulations to Mrs. Hrdina, Ms. Albright, Mrs. Skubal, and Mrs. Loka! They each received a \$100 grant from the Tomahawk Extended Area Partners in Education to purchase educational materials for their classrooms!



From the Parish Nurse

In Case of Emergency! These signs are everywhere such as:

In Case of Emergency – 'Break Glass'; In Case of Emergency – 'Call 911'; and so on. The presence and use of cell phones has made contacting someone easier. We all carry names and numbers stored in the memory of our cell phones, but nobody, other than ourselves know which of these numbers belong to our closest family and friends.

If we were involved in an accident or taken ill, the people attending to us may have our cell phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers but who do we call if you are unable to tell us?

The "ICE (In Case of Emergency)" campaign has the answer. It is a method of contacting someone during emergency situations. All you need to do is to store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during an emergency under the name "ICE".

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scene of an accident, there was always a cell phone with the patient, but he did not know what number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, emergency service personnel and hospital staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing "ICE". For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3. It's a great idea that can make a difference. It really could save your life and put a loved one's mind at ease. ICE will speak for you when you are unable to.

Pass this idea on to all those close to you. You never know when it may be needed. Accidents and illnesses happen anywhere and everywhere, and this one step can make all the difference.

God bless, stay safe and well,
Ann Jelinek RN, PN



PARISH HAPPENINGS

St. Mary & St. Augustine Liturgical Ministries

6:00PM @ St. Mary, Saturday, January 29, 2022

Reader Lynn Grube
 Musician Jan Huseby
 Cantor Deb Duncan
 Communion Ministers Phil Zipp & Darrell Pierson

8:00AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, January 30, 2022

Reader Izzy Lee
 Musician Adam Gessler
 Cantor St. Mary's School
 Communion Ministers St. Mary's School

9:30AM @ St. Augustine, Sunday, January 30, 2022

Reader Pat Pintens
 Greeters Paul & Sarah Liemer

11:00AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, January 30, 2022

Reader Doris Ingman
 Musician Mary Ramsey
 Cantor Jeff Walker
 Communion Ministers Kathy Ramassini & Jackie Whitney

St. Augustine Announcements

St. Augustine Parish Breakfast – We are tentatively planning our next breakfast for Sunday, February 6. At the same time, we continue to monitor Covid reports and advisement from the Lincoln County Health Department. The Department's recent report indicated Covid activities in our county moved from a very high to critical level. The Department is discouraging unnecessary community gatherings in which we are unable to wear a face covering at all times and maintain social distancing. As we know, our environment for our breakfasts does not allow for these safety precautions. We will continue to provide updates via our bulletin and announcements at Sunday Mass as to whether we can safely gather for breakfast on February 6 or again need to postpone our gathering.

Advertiser of the Week



Dr. Jessica Stromberg
Dr. Brittany Lemke

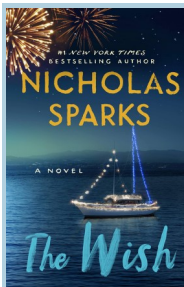
715-453-3636
 82 Hometown Drive, Tomahawk

The 2021/2022 Catholic Services Appeal

Our annual CSA campaign continues until our goal has been met.

St. Mary	St. Augustine	St. Francis
Goal: \$53,457	Goal: \$10,814	Goal: \$4,315
Payments/Pledges: \$41,936.28	Payments & Pledges: \$6,380	Payments & Pledges: \$4,050
78% of Goal	59% of Goal	93% of Goal
Envelopes Received: 173	Envelopes Received: 28	Envelopes Received: 12
Remaining to be Raised: \$11,520.72	Remaining to be Raised: \$4,434	Remaining to be Raised: \$265

We ask you to prayerfully consider your gift to the campaign, if you have not already done so. We know that economic hardship may be challenging at this time, and any gift is sincerely appreciated.



"WINE" Down Book Club

Read *The Wish* by Nicholas Sparks and come discuss. Wine and appetizers will be provided.

When: Thursday, January 27 @ 6:30PM

Where: CCC (Corpus Christi Center)



Our Gifts to Our Lord

For the weekend of January 1, 2022

St. Mary's Collections:	
Adult Envelopes	\$5,619.00
Loose Collection	\$265.25
Online Giving	\$1,491.74
Solemnity of Mary	\$1,816.00
Maintenance Fund	\$452.00
Capital Expense/Heating	\$200.00
School Collection	\$60.00
Total	\$9,903.99

St. Francis' Collections:	
Adult Envelopes	\$485.00
Loose Collection	\$41.00
Total	\$526.00

St. Augustine's Collections	
Adult Envelopes	\$4,475.00
Loose Collection	\$120.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$40.00
School Collection	\$20.00
Backpack Program	\$10.00
Total	\$4,665.00

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week is an opportunity to focus our shared efforts on helping to ensure the vitality of our 14 Catholic schools. Our schools are a vital part of the mission of the Catholic Church. In addition to strong academics, Catholic schools play a key role in the development of leadership and help parents instill in their children the Catholic faith and morals. This year you have an opportunity to participate in the annual collection for Catholic Schools, which will take place in every parish throughout the diocese. This special collection is designed to provide an additional source of annual support for schools. All of the funds raised will be allocated to the schools based on their number of students. Please mail your envelope to the parish office if you cannot attend Mass. Thank you for your generosity!