

the *Catholic* communities of

St. Mary ♦ St. Augustine ♦ St. Francis of Assisi

February 5, 2023



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of
the world. A city set on
a mountain cannot be
hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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 7:30AM

St. Augustine- Harrison

Sunday 9:00AM

St. Mary -Tomahawk

Sunday 10:30AM

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 8:25AM

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 10:30AM Mass on Sundays*

* or by appointment (715-453-2878)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Pastor

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pastor@smctomahawk.com

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Deacon

Dan Towle 715-453-2848

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RCIA

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

715-453-2878

Parish Secretary, Tracy Benaszkeski
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Deacons

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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, Joe Matthe

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 Sundays. Students are confirmed in the fall of either 10th or 11th Grade. Classes for Grades K-8 are on Wednesdays.

Pray for the Sick

Lawrence & Colette Matthews	Martin Vander Sanden	Mary Gerum	Larry Andrew
Tucker Van Ryen	Steve Malin	Marvelene Sosinsky	Terry Winchell
Melinda Meyers	Vivian Mitchell	Pat Alberg	Alex Schroeder
Gerald Ruiter	Roberta Meyer	Betty Hudson	Hannah Bell
Christine Taylor	Joann Meyers	Mary Stelzer	Todd Glanville
Margaret Congdon	Barbara Trevino	Joan Crowell	Karson Bartz
Joan McCormick	Marlene Erickson	Mary Sue Novotny	Larry Bengford
Dan Bassett	Gary Petrouske	Michele Rodden	Verna Rigney
John W. Colwell	Jim Witucki	Shawna Geiger	Jerry Flynn
Charlene Marks	Mary Wolf	Loraine Stone	Mary "Lee" Hamlin
Laura Jo Pearson	Jean Flammang	Joan Cook	Rob & Michelle
Evelyn Brown	Therèse Quirion	Al Felz	Pasbrig
Nicholas Peterson	Gus Feind	Arlene Schoettler	Raymond Biedrzycki
		Amanda Waggoner	Cliff 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 catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin.



Respect Life Committee

715-302-4815

Chairperson: Patti Baacke

Email: Pattibaacke@yahoo.com

ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

715-453-3542

Teacher in Charge: Juanita Skubal

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Secretary: Elicia Seliskar

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OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

From the Pastor

Sanctity of Life – 2/2

... continued from last week

The perfection of the soul may be measured by the degree to which it does the will of God and finds its happiness in doing it. The essence and the apex of sanctity is when the soul no longer has any attachments and is entirely free from love of self and creatures and adheres to God alone.

Sanctity is not doing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things in a loving way. Sanctity does not demand of us great exterior works, but strong and generous love which will lead us to fulfill God's will perfectly. There is no reason to get discouraged by failures but begin again and again every day.

Fr. Louis Maram Reddy



Mass Intentions & The Week Ahead

Sunday	2/5	7:30AM	Mass @ St. Mary: For the People of the Parishes
		8:25AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		9:00AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Phyllis Schoone by Tina Schoone
		9:15AM	James Bible Study in CCC
		10:00AM	St. Augustine Parish Breakfast
Monday	2/6	10:30AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Edward & Pearl Skubal by Kevin Wirkus & Lisa Henkelman
			Anointing of the Sick following Mass
			NO MASS
		11:00AM	Blood Pressures @ Nokomis Town Hall
		4:00PM	Low Impact Strengthening & Balancing Exercise Class in CCC
Tuesday	2/7	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		8:30AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Phyllis Schoone by Roger & Louise Springer
		4-7PM	Thrift Cellar
Wednesday	2/8	8:15AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Delores Radank by the Radank Family
		9AM-3PM	Thrift Cellar
		9:15AM	The Creed DVD Series in the CCC
		3:30PM	Religious Ed Classes (K-8 th Grade)
Thursday	2/9	4:45PM	Youth Choir
		9:15AM	Mass @ Riverview: Pat Genelin by Rick & Lynn Grube
		3:15PM	RCIA Class in the CCC
Friday	2/10	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	Mass @ St. Mary: The soul of Teresa Haberli by Carol Kerscher
		9AM-3PM	Thrift Cellar
		9:15AM	Adoration with Benediction @ St. Mary
		10:30AM	Rosary @ Milestone Living Center
Saturday	2/11	9:00AM	Reconciliation @ St. Mary
		4:00PM	Mass @ St. Francis: For the People of the Parishes
			Blood Pressures after Mass
Sunday	2/12	6:00PM	Mass @ St. Mary: Judy Vander Sanden by Steve, Connie & Kristen
		7:30AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Joe Piekarski by Family & Friends
		8:25AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		9:00AM	Mass @ St. Augustine: Don & Anna Sligh by Mike & Ursula Stearns
		10:30AM	Mass @ St. Mary: Gloria Daniels by Kathy Ramassini
			Anointing of the Sick following Mass
		10:30AM	Confirmation Class



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"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!

FOOD PANTRY

This week's item is cereal. 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, February 7 from 9:00AM-11:30AM. Your help is always appreciated whether you can work all or part of this time. Thank You!



Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden."

- Mt 5:13a, 14



Liturgy & Music Notes from Jan

Youth Choir – Our next rehearsal will take place **this Wednesday, February 8** from 4:45-5:30PM. Please plan ahead—we will sing the 10:30AM Family Mass on Sunday, February 19.

LENT will begin soon, on Wednesday, February 22. Please bring your palms that were blessed last year—by **Sunday, February 19**—and we will burn them to be used on Ash Wednesday. Please place them in the basket at the main church entrance.

Parish Choir – Please save these dates for two choir practices: Rehearsal for Lenten music will take place on **Monday, February 20** at 6PM—cantors are also encouraged to attend and learn our Lenten music. Rehearsal for the Triduum liturgies will be held on **Monday, April 3** from 6-8PM.

Yes, it's early, but the liturgical ministry schedule for the months of April-August is not too far away. Please begin checking calendars for any changes of preferences or block-out dates for the spring and summer months—send any changes to Jan at jhuseby@smctomahawk.com.



Is God Calling You?

The Secular Franciscans strive to create a caring community with respect for individual dignity, hospitality, courtesy, kindness, friendship,

openness, and fostering relationships. To find out more about the Secular Franciscans, contact Kathy Sutliff at 715-369-3367 or Marianna Merkatoris at 715-453-2878 x204.

Weekly Readings and Observances

Sunday, February 5 (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time): Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday, February 6 (St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs): Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 7: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

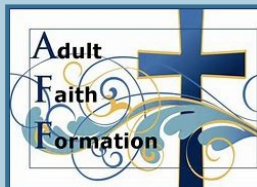
Wednesday, February 8 (St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin): Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday, February 9: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30

Friday, February 10 (St. Scholastica, Virgin): Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday, February 11 (Our Lady of Lourdes): Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Sunday, February 12 (6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day): 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



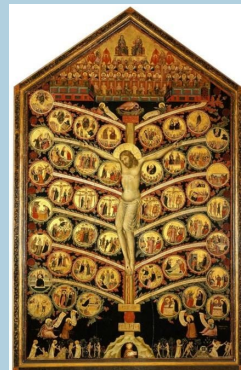
Adult Faith Formation News

Crib... Cross... Chalice

A Lenten book discussion and Lectio Divina

Join us as we use *The Tree of Life:*

Saint Bonaventure on the Christ Story to meditate on the incarnation, passion and glory of Jesus. We will meet in the CCC after Wednesday morning Mass and Stations of the Cross — Wednesday, March 1; Wednesday, March 8; and Wednesday, March 15.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM BISHOP JAMES P. POWERS

After many months of research, deliberation and prayer, Bishop James P. Powers authorized the release of the names of clergy with substantiated allegations of abuse of a minor in the Diocese of Superior. This information is available on the Diocesan website www.catholicdos.org and was published in the November 24, 2022 edition of the Catholic Herald. The majority of names on this list are deceased and pose no further danger. Those who are living have been removed from all priestly ministry.

Bishop Powers and his staff are aware that the publication of these names may move additional victims to come forward. The Diocese of Superior is open to receiving these calls. To make a report, please contact Coordinator of Assistance, Kathy Drinkwine, at 715-394-0216 (office), 715-718-1110 (cell), or email kdrinkwine@catholicdos.org. Victims are also advised to contact local law enforcement. AT ALL TIMES, if there is imminent danger to a child, call 911.



St. Mary's Pastoral Council will have four vacancies due to the expiring terms of current members. The primary purpose of the Council is advisory - to advise the pastor in his role of leading our parish. Though the role of the Council members is extremely important, it does not require a big commitment of time -- usually one meeting per month for approximately 60-90 minutes. Adult members

of the parish can be council members if they regularly attend Mass, can commit to the monthly meetings, and have a sincere desire to help with the spiritual, social and evangelical future of the parish through all of its ministries. Effective councils are team-spirited, dedicated to the spiritual needs of the entire parish community, and welcome diverse viewpoints through collaborative discussions.

Please consider becoming a member of the Pastoral Council--it's a wonderful way to serve the parish and shape its future. Call the parish office to submit your name for consideration, or for more information. You are needed!

National Marriage Week (February 7-14) & World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 12)

This year's theme for National Marriage Week is *Marriage: One Flesh, Given and Received* to highlight the significance of the Eucharist for the life of the married couple. National Marriage week is part of an international event seeking to strengthen marriage in communities and influence the culture. For more information and resources, visit nationalmarriageweekusa.org and wwme.org/community/sponsored-events/world-marriage-day/.



Annual Fund Drive/Day of Giving

Thank you for participating in the Day of Giving for the School Annual Fund! It is through the generosity of parishioners like you that we are able to offer the excellent gift of education at St. Mary's School to all who desire it.

If you have not yet had a chance to return your commitment card, you may do so by dropping it in the mail, at the school office, or by visiting our school website at www.stmarysschooltomahawk.com/home.html to complete an electronic commitment card.

Catholic Schools Week Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make Catholic Schools Week special again this year. Whether you helped us celebrate at a special Mass, donated on the National Day of Giving for Catholic Schools, joined us on Grandparents' Day, volunteered at a special event, or supported us through prayer, we appreciate all you do for our school!

Registration

Registration for the 2023-24 school year is now open for our parish cluster families. Current families who register by Friday, February 10 will receive 50% off their registration fee. St. Mary's School is now a part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. Through this program, families who meet the criteria may qualify for free tuition. Call the school for more information. We anticipate large numbers in our Preschool, 4K, and Kindergarten classes. We encourage interested families to register early.



The 4th & 5th grade enjoy their monthly visits to see Ms. Annette at the Public Library!

From the Parish Nurse

"Wisdom is harder to do than it is to know," ~ Yula Moses. Information keeps us busy, whereas wisdom keeps us quiet. How we take in and use the information received depends on how we are at evaluating this information. We need to consider the source, who gains from it (profits), is it complete or only a few exciting points, what should I do about it, and how does it affect me and my family.



This month of the Valentine/Heart/and Love we hear a lot about heart health and care. These are good reminders and that "shot-in-the-arm" we need to become aware of our own and our loved one's heart health.

To survive a heart attack when alone you only have seconds (10) from the time you begin to experience severe chest pain, or your heart begins to beat irregularly and you feel faint to ACT. Cough very vigorously and repeatedly by taking deep breaths and coughing every two seconds without letting up until help arrives or you feel your heart beat normally again. Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs and the coughing squeezes the heart to keep the blood circulating, helping it to return to normal. In this way a heart attack victim can get to the hospital. However—DO NOT DRIVE YOURSELF! You could pass out and cause an accident, hurting others and delaying treatment for yourself. Get to a phone and call 911 for proper fast care and transport. Become familiar with your cell phone as most cell phones have the 911 emergency number or app built in.

More heart health tips are on the American Heart Association website: www.heart.org.

God bless ~ Ann Jelinek RN, PN



The AEDs have been updated with refreshed batteries and electrodes and so a 'Thank You Much' to those who supported the cost for this. Also, THANK YOU to all who supported Our Sisters' House Emergency Shelter with your contributions at St. Mary's Advent Concert. Your support was GRAND!!

PARISH HAPPENINGS

St. Mary & St. Augustine Liturgical Ministries

6:00PM @ St. Mary, Saturday, February 11, 2023

Readers	Kathy Ramassini & Pat Berg
Altar Servers	Tyson Berg & Hadley Downing
Musician	Jan Huseby
Cantor	TBD
Communion Ministers	Joseph Mattke & Phil Zipp

7:30AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, February 12, 2023

Readers	Lexi Repinski & Theresa L'Esperance
Altar Servers	Volunteers Needed
Musician	Kay Nyberg
Cantor	Deb Duncan
Communion Ministers	Ann Swenty & Penny Haring

9:00AM @ St. Augustine, Sunday, February 12, 2023

Reader	Ellie Micke
Greeters	Matt Boyle & Lawrence Schoone
Communion Ministers	Kathy Voermans
Money Counters	Nancy Swan & Ursula Stearns
Sacristan	Kathy Havey

10:30AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, February 12, 2023

Readers	Lynn Grube & Laurie Grant
Altar Servers	Ali Leggett & Kristen Beilke
Musician	Kay Nyberg
Cantor	Jeff Walker
Communion Ministers	Kris Leggett & Jackie Whitney

St. Augustine Announcements

St. Augustine Parish Breakfast - We welcome all to breakfast following Mass today. We are celebrating Valentine's Day a little early. Much appreciation to those who are helping with our breakfast this weekend and for your monetary donations to cover grocery expenses and other parish needs.

St. Augustine Medical Equipment - St. Augustine has several medical equipment items available for parishioners to use, including several walkers, canes, a wheelchair, crutches, a shower chair, toilet seats, etc. If you have a need or know of someone else who does, please contact the parish office at 715-453-2561.

Ministry Spotlight

Baptism Preparation



Parent session to learn about the symbols, words and significance of the Sacrament of Baptism.

- One 45 minute class
- Class scheduled as needed

Contact:

Marianna Merkatoris
715-453-2878



"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love.

Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned."

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Advertiser of the Week



(715) 453-4423

Tomahawk
No Appointment
Needed

**Suspension & Drivetrain - Brakes
Alignment - Exhaust**

Our Gifts to Our Lord

For the weekend of January 15, 2023

St. Mary's Collections:

Adult Envelopes	\$2,808.00
Loose Collection	\$550.50
Online Giving	\$2,707.10
Capital Expense/Heat	\$357.00
School Collection	\$65.00
Maintenance Fund	\$29.00
Total	\$6,516.60



St. Francis' Collections:

Adult Envelopes	\$323.00
Loose Collection	\$120.00
Total	\$443.00

St. Augustine's Collections

Adult Envelopes	\$1,915.00
Loose Collection	\$215.00
Backpack Program	\$188.00
Fuel/Heat	\$79.00
School Collection	\$20.00
Total	\$2,417.00

DIAPER DASH & WINTER WIPES EVENT!!!

What: Free diapers and diaper wipes for local Tomahawk families are available to families in need.

When: Through the month of February.

Where: Available at St. Mary's Thrift Cellar during normal business hours (Tuesdays 4PM-7PM, Wednesdays & Fridays: 9AM-3PM). They are also available at the Tomahawk Food Pantry. Questions? Please contact Patti Baacke at 715-302-4815.

Event sponsored by: St. Mary's Catholic Church Respect Life Ministry



January 2023

Recently Deceased:

Renee Kapellusch (12/26/22)
Louise Pintens (1/06/23)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

This monthly listing contains parishioners of our parish cluster who had funeral Masses or Services in our churches.

If you would like to add the name of a family member who has recently passed, but did not have a funeral in our parish cluster, please contact the parish office at 715-453-2878 with their name and information.