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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates and time subject to change. Check icspcatholic.com for changes

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
Mondays July 7 - 28	Prayer Series	IC	6:30 pm
Tuesdays July 8 - 29	Prayer Series	IC	10:00 am
July 12 -19	Workcamp Youth Mission Trip	Morganton, NC	
July 28 - August 1	Vacation Bible School	St. Anne School - Somerset, WI	8:45 am - 12:00 pm
August 3	St. Patrick Picnic	Bases Loaded	after 11 am Mass
August 8	Worship & Witness	IC	7:00 pm
August 21	1st Day of School	SMS	
Mondays September 8 - October 27	The Bible & the Virgin Mary	IC	6:30 pm
September 10	Catechist Training	IC	6:30 pm
September 21	1st Day of Sunday Formation	SP	9:45 am
September 24	1st Day of Wednesday Formation	IC	5:30 pm (CGS) 6:00 pm (K-5) 6:30 pm (6-10)
October 5	Confirmation	SP	11:00 am

REFLECTIONS

THE JOURNEY OF GRADUATION

By The Catholic Formation Team

The journey of raising a child from the moment they are born to the moment they graduate is a profound evolution—one that stretches far beyond academics. It's a spiritual journey, not only for the graduate, but for those who have walked beside them: the parents, grandparents, mentors, coaches, siblings, and friends. Witnessing a graduation is more than observing a rite of passage; it's an unveiling of years filled with quiet sacrifice, growth, faith, and the relentless shaping of character.



In the early years, you hold their hand through every step, guiding them through lessons of kindness, responsibility, and resilience. You celebrate their small victories, wipe away their tears, and pray quietly over their pillow at night, asking for strength, wisdom, and protection. You believe in who they can become, sometimes even before they do. These years are full of invisible moments—little seeds planted in the soil of love and hope.

As they grow, so do you. You learn to loosen your grip, to trust the process, and to listen more deeply. The fears you once whispered in the dark slowly become offerings of trust—given to Jesus—to time, and to the person your child is becoming. You watch them stumble and rise, lose their way and find it again. Each of these moments is a quiet echo of your journey—a mirror held up to the soul.

Graduation is a beginning. As they walk across that stage, dressed in caps and gowns, you are flooded with a hundred memories and a quiet awe. Your heart expands with pride, gratitude, and reverence. You realize that all of it—every homework struggle, every late-night conversation, every boundary, and every moment of letting go—was not just shaping them, but shaping you too.



Spiritually, having a graduate is a call to reflection. It deepens your faith in unseen growth, in the quiet power of consistency, and in the grace that carries us through seasons of uncertainty. It teaches surrender, that love doesn't control, it empowers. That our deepest work is not to mold our children into versions of ourselves, but to help them become who they already are, children of God.

In this transition, you stand both in celebration and surrender. You understand, perhaps more than ever, that the most transformative journeys are those that unfold over time, quietly and faithfully. In seeing your graduate step into their next chapter, you find yourself stepping into a new chapter too—with a spirit that is humbled, stretched, and deeply grateful. May God bless our 2025 graduates!

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

Jeremiah 29:11-12



ICSP BUSINESS OFFICE NEWS

The ICSP Business Office is diligently working on a comprehensive initiative focused on the “3 P’s”: Policies, Procedures, and Processes. This vital undertaking involves both updating existing frameworks and developing entirely new ones to enhance efficiency and support for our ICSP Catholic Communities. This effort is particularly crucial as we continue to implement and integrate new systems across our operations, ensuring that our use of these new technologies is optimized and consistently applied, maximizing their benefits.

Furthermore, this endeavor is significantly **compliance-driven**, aligning with requirements from the Diocese of Superior, and is meticulously designed for **risk mitigation** from an insurance standpoint. We understand that adhering to diocesan guidelines and proactively managing potential risks are not merely best practices, but essential components for the long-term health and stability of our ICSP Catholic Communities.

This initiative covers a wide range of critical areas, including:

- **On-boarding:** Streamlining the welcoming and integration of new staff, volunteers, and members, ensuring compliance with diocesan safe environment policies and proper system access.
- **Off-boarding:** Establishing clear and respectful procedures for those transitioning out of roles or membership, including the secure deactivation of system access and adherence to data retention policies.
- **New Membership:** Defining robust processes for welcoming and integrating new members into our ICSP Catholic Communities, ensuring seamless access and understanding of our new systems, while complying with privacy regulations.
- **Use of AI:** Developing guidelines and protocols for the ethical and effective integration of artificial intelligence in our operations, addressing concerns of data privacy, bias, and responsible use in accordance with Church teachings and any emerging diocesan directives.
- **Safety:** Enhancing and creating new policies and procedures to ensure the physical and digital safety and well-being of everyone within our ICSP Catholic Communities. This includes updated emergency plans, facility maintenance protocols to minimize hazards, and cybersecurity measures for our new systems – all vital for reducing liability and fulfilling our duty of care.
- **Communications:** Optimizing internal and external communication policies and processes for clarity and effectiveness, leveraging the capabilities of our new communication platforms while adhering to diocesan communication standards and managing public perception.

The overarching goal of this extensive work is to empower the ICSP Business Office to operate with maximum efficiency and provide the best possible support to our ICSP Catholic Communities. Just as a well-maintained vehicle ensures a smooth journey, the robust framework of the 3 P’s is essential to keep the “vehicle of success” moving forward without breakdowns. By proactively establishing and refining these fundamental elements, in correlation with the capabilities of our new systems, and with a keen eye on diocesan compliance and comprehensive risk mitigation, the ICSP Business Office is ensuring a strong, secure, and sustainable foundation for the future of our churches.



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ICSP BUSINESS OFFICE NEWS



Ways to give at Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick Church



Envelope



Online



Mobile

**Create a Pushpay account and manage your giving
throughout the year!**

- Manage payment methods and account security.
- Edit your profile details.
- View your giving history and giving statements.
- Search for your parish.
- Make a one-time or recurring gift.

Here's how to create a new account from the parish website...

1. Navigate to the icspcatholic.com giving page and complete the required fields (if you choose, "Set up recurring," there will be a few more details than shown below). Once complete, click "Next."
2. Enter your mobile number and click "Send code."
**If you do not have a mobile number, you can use a landline number and receive your security code via voice call instead. To receive your code via a voice call:*
 - a. Input your landline number and click "Need help?" located below the field for your number.
 - b. A pop-up window will appear. Click "Send code via voice call."
 - c. You will be redirected to the "Verify Your Mobile Number" screen, where you will then click "Send code."
 - d. You will receive a phone call with your code.
1. Enter the security code sent to your phone and click "Confirm."
2. Complete the form and click "Next."
3. Fill in your payment details and click "Next."
4. Choose the payment method and click "Give \$_____"
5. A confirmation screen will appear, and you will receive an email to complete your account creation.



**Need more help? Please call the
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ICSP CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES NEWS



A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

We'd like to extend a huge and heartfelt thank you to Susan Davis for her incredible dedication to Immaculate Conception Church and St. Mary School's beautiful flower beds!

Susan, your tireless work in tending to the vibrant displays truly brightens our days and enhances the beauty of our shared spaces. Your efforts do not go unnoticed, and we are so grateful for the care and love you pour into keeping our grounds looking so wonderful.

Thank you, Susan, for everything you do!



FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS, THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to Fitzgerald Lawn Care for their continued support and the beautiful landscaping around the south entrance tree at Immaculate Conception, completed on June 12th, 2025. Their work truly enhances our church!



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ROOF REPLACEMENT: COMPLETE!

We're pleased to report that the replacement of the sanctuary's roof membrane and rock, that started in June, has been successfully completed. This vital project will ensure the longevity and protection of the sanctuary for years to come.



COMPLETE



ICSP CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES NEWS

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by
Immaculate
Conception
Finance
Council

RECTORY OPEN HOUSE



Our beautiful rectory has been newly remodeled, and we can't wait to show it off!

August 2, 2025

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

August 3, 2025

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

August 5, 2025

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Join our ICSP Catholic Communities
for fellowship, refreshments and snacks!

140 Pershing Avenue
New Richmond, WI 54017



Hosted by Social and Outreach Ministry

EVANGELIZATION:

GROW IN OUR FAITH & LEAD OTHERS TO CHRIST

AN EXPERIENCE TRULY UNLIKE ANOTHER

By Billy Thomson

As I "relaxed the discipline" of not watching TV to tune into the final round of the Masters golf tournament on Palm Sunday, I found myself cuing into the birds chirping at Augusta National and reflecting on the tag line used to describe the annual spring event.



For the last two years, members of the REIGNITE Catholic Men's Group have participated together in **Exodus 90**. The program is a ninety-day spiritual exercise for men based on three essential aspects of the Christian life: Prayer, Asceticism, and Fraternity. These pillars are designed to help men live differently amidst the temptations of the flesh, the world and the devil. Like the Israelites, the goal is to break free from the pharaohs of our time that enslave us, setting out on a journey through the desert to slowly find uncommon freedom - rejoicing in our progress on Easter Sunday and developing a plan to avoid returning to Egypt after!

Our 2025 group of ten formed a fraternity called 'St. Croix County Men Walking With Christ'. This pillar is the foundation of Exodus 90 in my opinion. It was also most common to many of us because of our longing for fellowship in REIGNITE and knowing it as the basis of Catholic manhood. As described in the Manual for Men published by Tan Books, "Catholic friendship among men has a dramatic impact on their faith lives. What a blessing to have the presence of good faithful friends to provide encouragement and accountability we need to be free!"

Inside our fraternity, there were smaller groupings known in the program as "Anchors". This is where 2-3 guys form a closer relationship in commitment to daily check-ins and accountability. This was daunting at first, but I quickly realized that the time spent each day prioritizing Christian brotherhood was essential in teaching me how to pray. Prayer is the most important principle in both E90 and life. As I spoke honestly to my anchor about how I was feeling, everything I have been taught on the topic of prayer started to make much more sense. This is the same type of relationship God wants to have with me and I started seeing encouraging improvements in how I prayed each day. I started to feel a new longing to talk to God during my daily holy hour.

Our fraternity met every Saturday morning at 5AM for a 'Watchman Vigil' dedicated to St. Peter of Alcantara, the patron saint of night watchmen. We prayed in unison before Christ on the Cross in remembrance that he died for us, as we must die for those we love everyday as leaders in the faith. To follow, we went downstairs at IC to enjoy coffee and good conversation as we shared brief "check-ins" about our experience during our weekly meeting. As one brother said, "The fraternity was a source of inspiration and strength. It was open, honest, vulnerable and loving. The laughs, tears and words of encouragement is what I discovered true masculinity looks like."

Most recognize E90 for the Asceticism of taking cold showers and think to themselves, "no way I could do that!" It wasn't until recently that my eyes were opened to the reason for the pillar of Asceticism. The long list of disciplines are training to be more like Christ. There were many days and weeks where I was much less successful than others. In the times where I let temptation win, I noticed both my prayer and fraternity life were degraded as well. But I began to mature; I looked forward to Sunday and Solemnities as traditional feast days and got excited to relax an item of my choice. Most importantly, I was reminded often this year that everything I did was not about me. It was about my "WHY", the personal change for which I was dedicating my sacrifices.

Through consistent interaction with others in men's ministries like Exodus, Knights of Columbus, and REIGNITE, I have learned that developing a relationship with Jesus Christ and the desire to be a saint in heaven with Him is the experience TRULY not like any other. Just like at the Master's on Sunday as I watched Rory play about as good and bad in the same round as a professional can, the daily commitment to seek holiness and the ups and downs along the way will make the sacrifices worth the prize of finding everlasting life. As I wrote this on Good Friday, the purpose and difficulty of Exodus 90 finally clicked. The struggle is worth it if our eyes stay fixed on Jesus and the feasting we are longing for with Him during the 50 days of Easter that follow.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

PRAYER AND GRATITUDE

Prayer naturally leads to a spirit of generosity and gratitude. By incorporating prayer into our stewardship efforts, we ensure that our gifts of time, talent and material resources are pleasing to God. Use these prayers in your parish, school or family to cultivate a culture of stewardship.

Stewards of Faith

As parents, we nurture our children in the light of faith.

As teachers, we share a sacred covenant with parents to pass on the faith.

As members of a parish community, give us the courage to witness openly to our faith.

As members of the Archdiocese, and the universal Church, may we boldly proclaim, teach and serve.

Stewards of Vocations

God calls each person to a life of holiness.

God gives us each a unique, personal role in His divine plan.

May we all respond generously to this call.

Stewards of Creation

God give us the joyful recognition of the beauty and wonder of nature.

May we recognize our responsibility to protect and cultivate the bountiful world in which we live.

Stewards of Life

God is the author of life. Teach us the astonishing and profound implications of our responsibility to love, defend, enrich and preserve life.

Stewards of All Good Gifts

God has blessed us with many good gifts.

Prepare us to share the time that we have.

Teach us how to use our talents.

Give us the humility to share our financial resources.



ICSP STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

1 Peter 4:10



St. Patrick's Catholic Church

BUILDING FAITH
BUILDING FUTURES

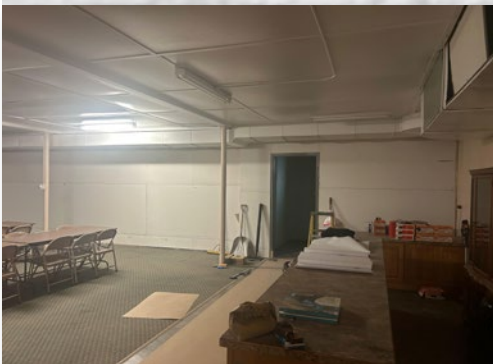
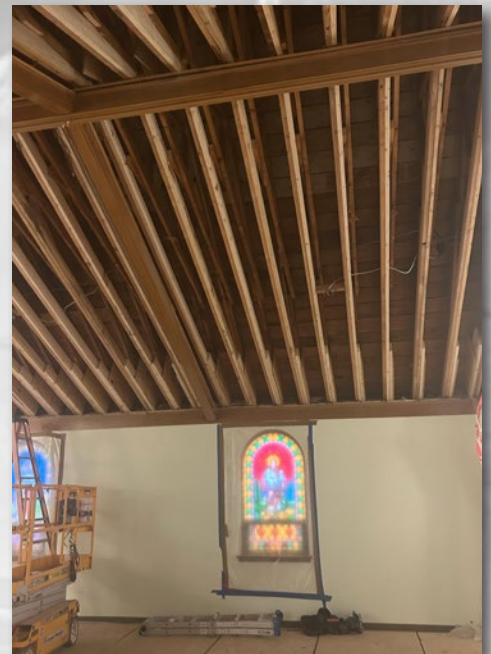
CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

WORK COMPLETED

- ✓ Basement has been dug out
- ✓ New concrete footings and walls have been installed
- ✓ Several of the old HVAC units have been removed
- ✓ 60' of the Sanctuary ceiling has been removed, reinforced, insulated, new electrical has been installed in the ceiling, and drywall has been installed.

GOALS FOR NEXT MONTH

- New basement floor will be poured
- Framing of the addition will start in July
- Exterior brick will follow as soon as the framing is completed
- Work in Blarney Hall will start in July



CATHOLIC FORMATION NEWS

EXTREME FAITH 2025

Another incredible year of camp is in the books—one filled with grace, growth, and unforgettable moments. We were blessed with a beautiful mix of campers: from seasoned veterans celebrating their final summer, to first-timers experiencing it all for the very first time.

While we can't speak for every camper's personal journey, the presence of the Holy Spirit was unmistakable. Each day offered rich opportunities for Mass, adoration, confession, small group discussions, and powerful moments of praise and worship.

The memories forged will surely last a lifetime. We had the immense privilege of witnessing so many sacred and inspiring moments—genuine spiritual friendships, radical inclusion, deep introspection, passionate worship, and a joy that seemed to overflow from every heart. We saw the very Heart of God reflected in each and every soul present. It was truly a sight to behold.

Thank you for your prayers and for supporting this mission—spiritually, mentally, and physically. Your encouragement sustains us in our efforts to lead others to Christ. If you noticed something different in the campers—an inner fire, a deeper love, a renewed desire to serve—it's real. And if you ever have the chance to experience this incredible event firsthand, say "yes." You won't regret it!



CATHOLIC FORMATION NEWS

A HUGE THANK YOU FROM Totus Tuus

THANK YOU to all those who helped make Totus Tuus a joyfilled week full of learning about our Catholic faith and how learning about the Sacraments and the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary can help us in living a life of personal holiness! Special thanks to the Epperly and Harrold families for graciously hosting the team all week. Also, thank you to all the people who helped during the day and evening sessions, provided lunch and snacks, hosted dinner, provided donations and all others who helped through their time, talent or treasure and especially through prayer. **95 youth from our ICSP Catholic Communities and surrounding area** participated in the wonderful week!

May God continue to bless you!



CATHOLIC FORMATION NEWS



Called to Serve

**You are invited to join our 2025-2026
Catholic Formation Volunteer Team!**

We are looking for adults and high schoolers to help lead classes and small groups for Catholic Formation grades K-10 for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick.

Our Current Needs

ST. PATRICK

ST. PATRICK SUNDAY FORMATION

- 2 catechists
- 5 assistants

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

WEDNESDAY ELEMENTARY FORMATION

- 3 catechists or assistants

WEDNESDAY MIDDLE SCHOOL FORMATION

- 2 female and 1 male discipleship group leaders
- 2 female and 1 male discipleship group assistants

WEDNESDAY HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION

- 2 female and 2 male leaders
- 2 female and 2 male assistants

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the CF Team at: cfdepartment@gmail.com or 715-246-4652 x 228

Thank you for your consideration!



Two years ago, I heard this encouragement offered to our church community. I'll admit, as I sat in the pew on formation kickoff night, hearing the request, I had an "oh no, that's me..." moment as I realized I had the time and thought maybe I had the ability to help as a catechist. I didn't want to give up my free time. And some part of me also wasn't sure I really was able to help. I thought about it, prayed about it, and realized that it was the answer to a question of my own at the time. I still wasn't sure I was good enough or that I wouldn't fail. But I gave it a try, found it extremely rewarding - and fun, and I haven't looked back.

Trevor Swanson, Catholic Formation Middle School Coordinator

UPCOMING YOUTH FORMATION EVENTS

JOINT PARISH **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

is COMING to ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL!



SAVE THE DATES!
July 28 - Aug 1, 2025
8:45 am - 12 pm each day

For preschool/kinder students (ages 3-5)
and students entering grades 1-5
**Adult, middle school, & high school
volunteers needed too! **

Check out
www.stannesomerset.org for
registration and volunteer info or
scan the QR code!



We're excited to partner
with St. Anne in Somerset to
host VBS again this year to
grow in faith together with
our neighboring community.

Contacts: Kristin Dittman: (715-246-4652 x260)
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Rachel McGurran (651-329-3083)
Sara Measner (715-529-7272)

YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL!

We have an immediate need for:

- station leaders & assistants
- crew leaders

**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE IS
JULY 18!!**



ICSP CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

YOUTH FORMATION UPCOMING REGISTRATION

YOUR FAITH JOURNEY STARTS HERE!

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (CGS)
Preschool age through 1st grade

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CATHOLIC FORMATION
K through 10th grade

ST. PATRICK SUNDAY CATHOLIC FORMATION
K through 8th grade

Youth Formation classes
will be opening **August 15!**

Wednesday Night Dinners will be
available again starting **September 24!**

Please keep an eye on your email mid-August
for registration information and check our
website at icspcatholic.com for updates!

INFORM WITH *faith*, FORM WITH *hope*, TRANSFORM WITH *love*!



CATHOLIC FORMATION NEWS

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Registration Opens August 15, 2025



CGS educates not only the head but also the heart, nurturing the child's relationship with Jesus in a sacred environment with model or child sized scriptural and liturgical materials. Through quiet hands on work and prayerful contemplation, the children learn in a deep and profound way about the life of Jesus, scripture, liturgy, and the teaching and traditions of the Catholic Church.

Catholic Formation

3, 4 & 5 year olds

1st & 2nd graders (*beg. Fall 2025*)

**1st Communion/Reconciliation Sacramental Prep*

** Traditional CF will be offered for K/1st/2nd grade, so families can choose traditional CF or CGS.*

St. Mary School

Preschool & 4K Connect-On

**option to walk from SMS to atrium for Friday 7:50 am session*

** registration required*

Kindergarten (*beg. Fall 2025*)

** no registration required*

*CGS runs weekly from September through April/May
CGS atrium is located at Immaculate Conception Church - Corrigan Hall - Rm 4.*

Level I

3, 4, & 5 year olds

Tuesday 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Friday 7:50 - 9:10am
Friday 9:30 - 10:50am

Level II

1st & 2nd graders

Tuesday 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday 5:30 - 7:00 pm

** Children must have participated in 1st grade to participate in 2nd grade*



Register your child or grandchild today!

icspcatholic.com

There is an \$80 registration fee.

Financial scholarships are available!

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact:

Kendra Bos

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cgsvolstaff@ic-church.com

UPCOMING ADULT FORMATION EVENTS

ADULT FORMATION UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES



Do you feel a hunger in your heart and soul? A longing for deeper purpose? Adult Formation opportunities offer a welcoming space to explore these questions and nourish your spiritual growth.

Join us to:

- *Deepen* your relationship with Jesus and experience His profound love.
- *Grow* in your Catholic faith and learn how it applies to your daily life.
- *Discern* your purpose and how God might be calling you to share Jesus with others.

Whether you're looking to learn more, grow in faith, or simply connect with others, Adult Formation provides enriching opportunities for everyone.

PRAYER: REFRESHING & RENEWING MY RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Facilitated by Rags Raasch

Join us for a special class exploring various prayer forms to refresh your spirit and renew your connection with God. Each week, we'll dive into different ways to pray, helping you deepen your relationship with Him.

JULY 7 - JULY 29
MONDAYS 6:30 - 8:00 pm or
TUESDAYS 10:00 - 11:30 am
*Immaculate Conception
Corrigan Hall - Room 1*

WORSHIP & WITNESS

Facilitated by Maria Helgersen & others

You are invited to join others in sharing from your hearts how Jesus has been working in your life. Come for witness, come for music, come for fellowship, come for prayer.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Immaculate Conception

THE BIBLE & THE VIRGIN MARY

Facilitated by Deacon Mel Riel

This scripture study beautifully explains Catholic truths about Our Lady, showing how she has been a part of God's plan to bring salvation to the world since the beginning of time, how she continues to be relevant to the Church, and to YOU!

MONDAYS
SEPTEMBER 8 - OCTOBER 27
6:30 - 8:30 pm
*Immaculate Conception
Corrigan Hall*

NEW! CATHOLIC ESSENTIALS: FAITH, FAMILY & FORMATION

Facilitated by various presenters

Starting in October, we are offering a variety of topics monthly: "The Basics" of the Catholic Faith, moving to a Theology of the Body topic, and finally offering information on ways to keep kids safe on their internet devices.

WEDNESDAYS
ONCE per MONTH
6:30 - 8:00 pm
Immaculate Conception

Can't wait to see you there!

UPCOMING ADULT FORMATION EVENTS

Have you...

NEVER BEEN BAPTIZED?

**NEVER HAD A CHANCE TO FINISH
RECEIVING YOUR SACRAMENTS?**

**WONDERED WHAT GOD
HAS IN STORE?**

**WANTED TO LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**

Or have ever wondered...

**HOW DO I JOIN THE
CATHOLIC CHURCH?**

THE OCIA PROGRAM
(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
MAY BE FOR YOU!

To find out more please contact:

Deacon Mike Germain
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EMAIL: eagledeacon@gmail.com

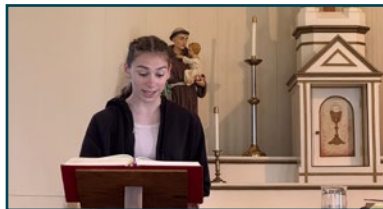
ICSP Church Office
715-246-4652



**Classes start
October 12, 2025!**



ST. MARY SCHOOL NEWS

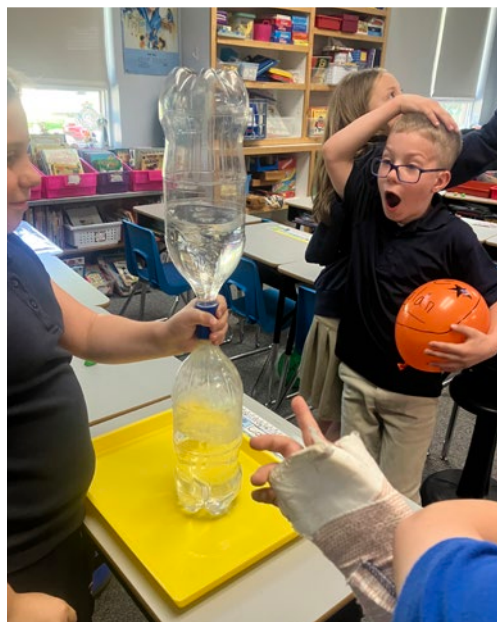


Mission Statement:

Grow in Knowledge

Follow in Faith

Serve in Harmony



Grow in Knowledge: St. Mary School's second graders love science! This spring, you could catch them making tornadoes with liter bottles, creating static electricity with balloons, visiting the Willow River Nature Center, and making dinosaur fossils!

Follow in Faith: In 2025, the parishioners from the Diocese of Superior were invited to explore St. Joseph in La Pointe on Madeline Island, a special pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Year of Hope. As the oldest Catholic church in Wisconsin, the 8th graders from SMS made this remarkable church the destination for their end-of-year class trip, embracing this wonderful spiritual opportunity to explore their faith.

Serve in Harmony: Liam, a thoughtful 2nd grader, had the privilege of helping his classmates, along with Mr. Chris, the head of ICSP maintenance, place American flags in the graveyard prior to Memorial weekend. This meaningful gesture honors those who have served in the past. Thank you, Liam, for your support and for helping us to remember those who have sacrificed so much for our freedom.



**AUGUST
21,
2025**

DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW US ON

 www.facebook.com/StMarysNewRichmond

 www.instagram.com/schoolst.mary/

UPCOMING DATES

August 19 - Welcome Back Picnic

August 20 - Staff Retreat

August 21 - First Day of School

ST. MARY SCHOOL NEWS

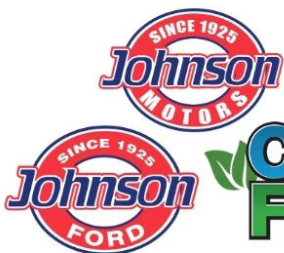
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Golf Tournament Participants,
Volunteers and Sponsors!**

TOURNAMENT SPONSOR



**Knights of Columbus
New Richmond**

PLATINUM SPONSORS



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FUNERAL HOME



CART SPONSORS



GOLD LEVEL HOLE

The Oral Surgery Center, Ter-Rae Farms, Inc.,
Smiles in Motion, Kristo Orthodontics

SILVER LEVEL HOLE

St. Croix Valley Nutrition	Bernard's Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram
Fisher Structural Engineering	Associated Eye Care
McCabe's Shamrock	St. Patrick's Women's Group
Betty Mitchell Memorial	Moore Imprints

BRONZE LEVEL HOLE

Becker Roofing	Reignite Men's Group/
First State Bank and Trust	In Christ Women's Group
IC Trustees - Michelle Gross & Dave Nelson	Ready Randy's
Derrick Construction	Anez Party Rental
Fitzgerald Lawn Care	SF Insurance
Father John C. Anderson	Haffner Construction
NP Design	IC Finance Council



MINISTRIES & GROUPS



Communion For The Homebound

The Homebound Communion Ministry is available to bring Communion to those parishioners who are either sick or homebound and unable to attend Mass. They will also bring Communion to parishioners who are in the hospital.

We want our sick and homebound parishioners to know that our parish community is united with them through the Body of Christ.

If you or someone you know would like to receive Communion, please ask for permission. Then contact the ICSP Church Office at 715-246-4652 and we will get everything arranged.

"For the Son of Man did not come
to be served, but to serve."
Matthew 20:28

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in need*



Walking with
Moms in Need



THANK YOU

to everyone that donated to the Options On 8 Baby Bottle Campaign!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
\$ 1,942.95

ST. PATRICK
\$515.95

Your donation is **greatly appreciated** and will be used to help struggling mothers receive free ultrasounds, learn about the growth, development, and care of their baby through courses offered at Options on 8, and after completing these courses receive free baby supplies. Options On 8 served 24 clients in all of 2024 and has already served 19 in 2025. The client numbers are up and those numbers include Moms and a few Dads. Thank you so much for helping these parents through your support of Options On 8 Pregnancy Resource Center.

SAVE THE DATE: To help keep enough supplies at Options On 8 The Walking With Moms In Need Respect Life Group will be hosting a baby shower in October. More details to come.

If anyone has ideas or suggestions about ways the Respect Life Group could help someone in need please feel free to share that with us. Everyone is welcome to attend meetings and join our group if you are interested. We would love to have you join us!

*If you are interested in joining The Respect Life Group
please contact one of our members.*

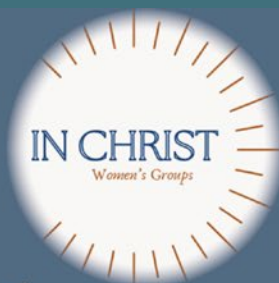
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Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you.
Jeremiah 1:5

MINISTRIES & GROUPS



Where women gather for prayer, scripture and community growing and serving together in Christ.

YOU CAN EXPECT:

- Scripture Discussion
- Meaningful Conversation
- Intentional Prayer
- Service Projects, Socials & Retreats
- Christ-Centered Friendships
- Refreshments
- Relaxed and Welcoming Environment

You do not need to be Catholic to attend.
ALL are welcome!



September 12, 2025 - May 2026
Every Friday
9:00 - 10:30 am
• Childcare Provided



September 15, 2025 - May 2026
Every Other Monday
7:00 - 8:30 pm



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TO JOIN OR LEARN MORE:

WOMENS.GROUP@IC-CHURCH.COM OR MARIA @ 651.792.5650

St. Mary School Prayer Team



Join us in praying for the St. Mary School staff and teachers during the 2025-2026 school year!

Consider being a part of the St. Mary School prayer team to truly make an impact in our school and community! Our goal is to have every staff member and teacher prayed for by at least one person, 7 days per week.

If you have any questions or want to sign up by **September 26th**, please contact:
prayerteam@st-marysschool.com or
Maria Helgersen 651.792.5650

Thank you for your prayers for our school!

MASS TIMES



WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY

5:00 PM

SUNDAY

9:00 AM

DAILY MASSES

TUESDAY

5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM (school year)

8:15 AM (non-school year)

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

8:15 AM

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY

4:00 PM - 4:45 PM or by appointment



WEEKEND MASS

SUNDAY

11:00 AM

DAILY MASS

NO FRIDAY MASS DURING CONSTRUCTION

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Immaculate Conception has a YouTube Channel!



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Simply click on the "Live" tab to see our recordings. The recordings will be purged at points, so not all history will be available.

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