

# St. Mary's



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## Catholic Church

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### From The Desk of The Pastor

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Suspended until further notice.

#### DAILY MASS (Suspended until further notice)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday ..... 5:30 pm

Friday ..... 8:00 am

First Saturday of Month ..... 8:00 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday ..... 5:00 to 5:20 pm

First Friday of Month 7:30 to 7:50 am

Saturday ..... 3:30 to 4:30 pm

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday ..... 5:00 pm

Sunday ..... 8:00 & 10:30 am

**Parish Registration:** forms can be printed from our website, picked up from the back of church or stop by the parish office and register in person.

**Marriage:** Contact the parish office, ext. 21, six months to one year in advance to arrange marriages. No weddings during the Lenten Season.

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office, ext. 32, to schedule a baptism. Baptisms are celebrated the 1st and 3rd weekends of the month. Baptism class is required for first time parents.

Dear Parishioners;

This weekend will be the 9th week of no public masses and the 7th week of "Stay at Home," unless the "Stay at Home" is lifted. If it is extended we will have a total of 9 or 10 weeks of "Stay at Home." I am writing this before the Governor will announce his decision in order to make the bulletin deadline for printing.

No matter what happens, it has been difficult for all of us and it may continue to be difficult for a while. Remember that it is difficult for civic and religious leaders to social distance and separation from loved ones just like you. But in addition they have great difficulty to make tough decisions for the good of all! What makes it more difficult is that information to make decisions keeps changing each day! Please be understanding and patient with civic and religious leaders! Pray for God's wisdom and help for them!

At the time of this writing and not knowing what the Governor will do and even though the Archbishop is saying churches can open for public worship with strict restrictions on May 18, we are going to proceed slowly. The Archbishop's office has indicated that even though it is permitted to resume limited public worship with restrictions on May 18, there is no requirement for a parish to start on that date or any particular date. I can tell you as your Pastor that if the Governor extends the "Stay at Home Order" for another 2-3 weeks we will not start public worship. The Governor consults the medical people on his staff to make decisions with the safety of people in mind. I, too, am mindful of your safety. So as long as there is a "Stay at Home Order", I will not start public worship!

If the Governor opens up public worship with safety precautions, then I will open up public worship when I deem it is safe as possible to do so! If the Governor opens public worship up we would not be able to start on May 18 for weekday masses because of all the things that have to be in place to open safely. The same goes for trying to open up on May 23 & 24. There would not be enough time for me and the staff to have the safety requirements in place! In light of circumstances weekday masses may not start till May 25th or June 1st and weekend masses may not start until May 30th & 31st or June 6th and 7th. If the Governor does not extend the "Stay at Home Order." It will take this long to get things ready! I will always error on the side of safety and what is best! Please pray for me and please give me your understanding and cooperation!

When we open up for public worship you need to be prepared that it is not going to be "normal" like before! There will be a "new normal" for a while!

You will not be able to come every weekend due to the limited amount of people allowed in the church because of social distancing. You will have to take and wait your turn. You will have to sign up via email or call to get on a waiting list. (Do not do this yet, we will let you know when to start doing this). We will let you know when to sign up for a particular mass. Then we will let you know if you can attend or if you have to come another weekend. We will do it on a first come (email or call) first served basis! We will give everyone an opportunity to attend. In doing so because of the limitation on the number allowed in the church and because of taking turns, you may only end up attending church every couple months during the time that restrictions are on!

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Here are some other things you need to know and observe:

- During the time of limited public worship you need to know that the Obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation continues to be suspended as long as the pandemic continues.
- All COVID 19 positive persons, those who are symptomatic and those living with them, must stay home.
- If you are sick or not feeling well, stay home.
- Persons over 65 and those with preexisting health conditions should stay home for their safety.
- You must wear a mask when you come to church. You have to provide your own. (You need one anyway to be out in public). Children 5 and older need to wear a mask too!
- You will enter the front of church through one door and off of the parking lot through one door. This is because you will have to have your name checked off of the list and the greeter/usher will have to make sure you have a mask and to give you safety reminders.
- No one will be allowed into the church without a mask! (We will not provide them).
- You are to sanitize your hands before coming into the church and before receiving communion. Better yet bring your own little bottle of sanitizer.
- There will be no altar servers because 6 ft. social distancing would not be possible between them and me.
- There will be no choir. Just an instrumentalist and one or two cantors.
- There will be no hymn books (per Archdiocese because of the danger of the virus). Just the cantors will do the singing.
- Because social distancing is not possible, the Children's Chapel will be closed.
- You may not be able to sit in "your usual spot" because of the 6 ft. social distancing. Some pews will remain vacant.
- When mass is over you will leave in an orderly fashion, one pew at a time taking turns to maintain social distancing.
- No congregating to visit in the parish buildings after mass. You can congregate and visit outside where it is safer to do so for a very short period of time.
- No procession from back, I will process in from sacristy.
- No passing of the collection baskets. You will drop your contribution in a basket when you arrive.
- Offertory gifts will not be brought forward. They will be on a table in the sanctuary.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will sanitize their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion. I will do the same.
- If an Extraordinary Minister touches a hand of a communicant immediately after distributing to that communicant, the minister will re-sanitize their hands before distributing to the next communicant. I will do the same.
- You will stop 6 ft. away from minister when receiving Holy Communion in the hand. If receiving by mouth you will come to me, not to an Extraordinary Minister. Please stand 3ft. – 4ft. away.

As you can see things are not going to be like normal! It will be a "new normal" for a while.

We will try to make you as safe as possible, but you need to know that even with the safety procedures and requirements, you will not be 100% protected! That is not possible! Because of the dispensation from the obligation to attend mass during the pandemic, if you feel uncomfortable coming to church, stay at home and watch a mass on TV or the internet or pray a rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet for our parish and the needs of the church.

Also, you may not like some of these safety procedures and requirements. Remember that they come from the Archdiocese based on the advice of public health officials! It is my responsibility to put them into operation! Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated!!

Let us work together and support one another during this unprecedented of times!! Let us be grateful that we can be together to worship God despite the changes and things being different.

Please take special note of the bulletin next weekend for the latest news and announcements regarding all this or check our parish website or Facebook.

Let us continue to pray for one another during this difficult time! Let us continue to pray for God's help, healing, and protection during the pandemic. Let us continue to pray for deliverance from this evil virus!

Our Lady of Grace, pray for us!

Sincerely,  
Father Ken O'Hotto  
Your Pastor and Spiritual Father



### KC News

Due to the concern over the Coronavirus, activities are canceled.

### Waverly Daze Announcement

We just received notice from the Mayor of Waverly that Waverly Daze has been canceled this year.



### Prevent the Spread of COVID-19

Washing your hands often, stay home when sick. cover your cough and sneeze, and maintain social distancing of 6 feet apart between you and others. For more info on COVID-19, visit: [www.health.state.mn.us](http://www.health.state.mn.us) or [www.co.wright.mn.us](http://www.co.wright.mn.us)

### A prayer from Pope Francis during this time of crisis

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen

### Prayer from EWTN

**A Prayer in Time of Need:** O God, our refuge in trials, our strength in sickness, our comfort in sorrow, spare your people, we pray this through Your loving mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen

### Prayers of the Faithful

Due to the many concerns related to the Covid-19 pandemic, this year's Archdiocesan Rural Life Sunday Celebration has been cancelled.

[www.catholicruralife.org](http://www.catholicruralife.org) (Suggestions for the Feast of St. Isidore on May 15th or other days):

For the protection and safety of all those working to ensure our food security – farmers, farmworkers, and all who are involved in food production and distribution, especially during this global pandemic - that God abundantly bless them for their hard work, dedication, and providing for the common good. We pray to the Lord...

For those in need of food that they find support and assistance from all who are able and in a position to share. We pray to the Lord.

### Cemetery Memorials



Memorials for our beloved deceased may be placed on the St. Mary's Cemetery grave sites. Just a reminder no glass containers permitted. Memorials will need to be removed by June 5th in order to facilitate grounds maintenance. Please be sure to inform out of town relatives of the deadlines.

### Cemetery Meeting

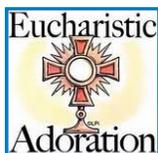
Due to the coronavirus crisis the cemetery committee meeting scheduled for May 19th is canceled. We will meet in November.

### Pope's Intentions For The Month: May

Prayer intention for evangelization - For Deacons We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

### St. Mary's Updates

During this time of crisis, if you or anyone you know is in need of help with any number of things, please contact Mary at the parish office, ext. 21. We have a list of various resources. The parish office is closed to the public but Mary is available in the office via phone, email or text. Stay healthy and let's take care of each other! May God be with us and guide us through this difficult and challenging time!



### OUR LADY OF GRACE Adoration News

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice.



### A Million Families and A Million Rosaries

The Little Sisters of the poor have launched the campaign to ask families to pray the rosary for an end to the coronavirus pandemic. Sign up at [.littlesistersofthepoor.org](http://.littlesistersofthepoor.org)



### "Become a Knight of Columbus"

Lead With Faith  
Protect Your Family  
Serve Others  
Defend Your Values  
Become a Knight  
Join Us Today  
[KofC.org/Joinus](http://KofC.org/Joinus)

# WORD AND SACRAMENT

## Readings for the week of May 17, 2020

**Sunday:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20

*Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

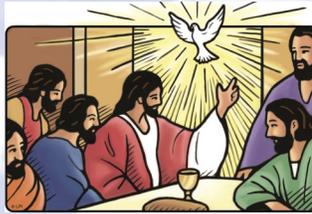
**Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

**Next Sunday:** *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

## Scripture Verse of the Week

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you.” - Jn 14:15-17



## Parish Calendar/Mass Intention 6th Sunday of Easter

### Monday, May 18

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ..... †Nancy Loebertmann

### Tuesday, May 19

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ..... †Sally Pususta

### Wednesday, May 20

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ..... †Mary Ann Smith

No 2:00 p.m. Pro Life Rosary in Adoration Chapel

### Thursday, May 21

No 5:00-5:20 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

No 5:30 p.m. Mass ..... Pastor Intention

### Friday, May 22

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ..... †Irene Woitalla

### Masses for The Ascension of the Lord

#### Saturday, May 23

3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

No 5:00 p.m. Mass ..... †Paulette Marketon

#### Sunday, May 24

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ..... †Marge Moy

No 10:30 a.m. Mass ..... St. Mary's

\*Father has been celebrating all masses privately and mass intentions are being honored.

St. Mary's is taking the necessary precautions due to the threat of the coronavirus. All of St. Mary's events will be canceled until further notice except for confessions on Saturday from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm.



## Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you, above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

## St. Mary's On Line

The bulletin is available on St. Mary's website under the "Bulletin" tab. Bulletins are also available in the drop box by the office entrance. Please send bulletin announcements to [stmaryswaverly@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswaverly@gmail.com)

Father O'Hotto news is on St. Mary's website under the "COVID19 Update" tab.

[www.stmarys-waverly.net](http://www.stmarys-waverly.net)

Also, you can view the Parish bulletin online through LPI Parishes Online. Sign up through [www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com) and enter St. Mary's, Waverly, enter your email address, first and last name and hit subscribe. You'll receive an e-mail notification when the newest weekly bulletin publication is ready to be viewed, with a link to view it online.

## Weekly Offering

May 10, 2020 collection \$6,183

May 3, 2020 collection \$5,915

Thank you for your generous support during this crisis.

\*Average weekly collection needed per budget - \$6,998

*While masses are suspended, please mail your contribution to St. Mary's Parish, PO Box 278, Waverly, MN 55390. Your donations are greatly appreciated!*

## PRAYER CORNER

### Remember In Your Prayers

Dori Miller, Ricki Sathren, Gerry Smith, Dalton Dooley, Kris Remer, Linda Bleth, Kris Bakeberg, Abigail Harkman, Rosadell, Suzie O'Connor, Daniel Gensch, Art Marketon, Barb Kaczmarek, Dorothy Novak, Peyton Lemke, Donna R., Nicki B., Mary Heller, Brandon Matter, Jilli Gilmer, Mike P., David Gustafson, Bob Murphy, B.J., Sandy Cooper, Tommy Peterson, Clarence Nalewaya, Shirley Marquette, Joey B., Clark Durand, Greg Moen, Vickey Moy, Greg Marquette, Marlene M., Lisa Novak, Sharon Hiemeral, Darrell Thompson, Sallie (Fall) Bellicot, Grace Bellicot, Gene DeMarais, Val LePage (Pooch), Fred P., Jade P., Janice (LePage) Lundberg, Shelly Hirsch, Bonita Turner, Dan Werner, Jean Courteau, Matthew Rau, Greg LePage

Please call Parish Office @ 763-658-4319, ext. 32 if you would like to add yourself, a family member, or friend to the prayer corner.

Pray the rosary each day seeking the Blessed Mother's Intercession for deliverance from the virus.  
Our Lady of Grace, pray for us.



**Saint Bernardine of Siena**  
**Saint of the Day for May 20**  
**(September 8, 1380 –**  
**May 20, 1444)**

### Saint Bernardine of Siena's Story

Most of the saints suffer great personal opposition, even persecution. Bernardine, by contrast, seems more like a human dynamo who simply took on the needs of the world.

He was the greatest preacher of his time, journeying across Italy, calming strife-torn cities, attacking the paganism he found rampant, attracting crowds of 30,000, following Saint Francis of Assisi's admonition to preach about "vice and virtue, punishment and glory."

Compared with Saint Paul by the pope, Bernardine had a keen intuition of the needs of the time, along with solid holiness and boundless energy and joy. He accomplished all this despite having a very weak and hoarse voice, miraculously improved later because of his devotion to Mary.

When he was 20, the plague was at its height in his hometown of Siena. Sometimes as many as 20 people died in one day at the hospital. Bernardine offered to run the hospital and, with the help of other young men, nursed patients there for four months. He escaped the plague, but was so exhausted that a fever confined him for several months. He spent another year caring for a beloved aunt whose parents had died when he was a child, and at her death began to fast and pray to know God's will for him.

At 22, he entered the Franciscan Order and was ordained two years later. For almost a dozen years he lived in solitude and prayer, but his gifts ultimately caused him to be sent to preach. He always traveled on foot, sometimes speaking for hours in one place, then doing the same in another town.

Especially known for his devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, Bernardine devised a symbol—IHS, the first three letters of the name of Jesus in Greek—in Gothic letters on a blazing sun. This was to displace the superstitious symbols of the day, as well as the insignia of factions: for example, Guelphs and Ghibellines. The devotion spread, and the symbol began to appear in churches, homes and public buildings. Opposition arose from those who thought it a dangerous innovation. Three attempts were made to have the pope take action against him, but Bernardine's holiness, orthodoxy, and intelligence were evidence of his faithfulness.

General of the Friars of the Strict Observance, a branch of the Franciscan Order, Bernardine strongly emphasized scholarship and further study of theology and canon law. When he started there were 300 friars in the community; when he died there were 4,000. He returned to preaching the last two years of his life, dying while traveling.

From: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-bernardine-of-siena/>