

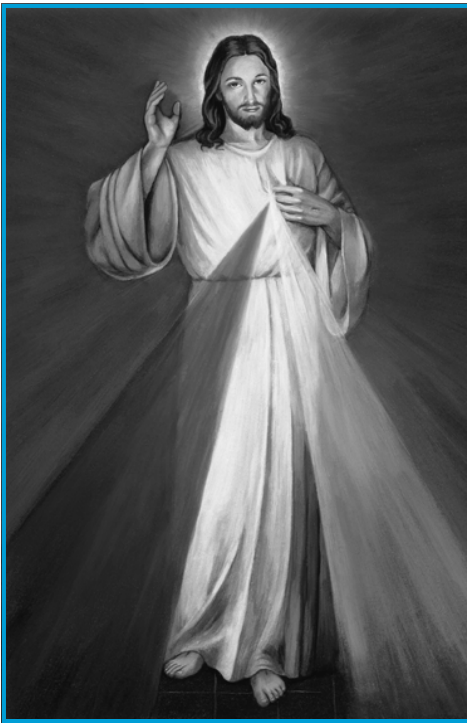
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time • February 19, 2012

# Divine Mercy Parish

**SAINT ALOYSIUS**  
115 Madison Street  
Sauk City, Wisconsin

**SAINT MARY HEALTH of the SICK**  
231 Main Street  
Merrimac, Wisconsin

[www.divinemercury-parish.org](http://www.divinemercury-parish.org)



## Divine Mercy Parish Office

115 Madison Street  
Sauk City, WI 53583  
(608) 643-2449

**Hours:** Tuesday through Friday:  
9:00 am-noon & 1:00-3:00 pm  
(Closed on Mondays)

**Administrator:** Fr. Jared Hood

### Parochial Vicars:

Fr. Pedro Escribano, Fr. John Blewett,  
Fr. Alex Navarro

**Finance Manager:** Margaret Nelson

**Secretaries:** Ann Cicero @ 643-2449  
Mardell Krejchik @ 742-3364

## St. Aloysius Mass Schedule

**Weekend:** Saturday at 4:30 pm;  
Sunday at 8 am and 10:30 am,  
Sunday at 12:30 pm in Spanish

**Weekday:** Monday-Friday 8:15 am;  
Saturday 8:00 am

### La Santa Misa en español:

todos los domingos a las 12:30 pm

## St. Mary's Mass Schedule

**Weekend:** Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:30 am

**Weekday:** Thursday 7:00 pm

## Confessions

**St. Aloysius:** Beginning one hour  
before weekend and weekday Masses  
and Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 pm

**St. Mary:** Saturday 4:15-4:45 pm  
Thursday 5:00-6:45 pm



# Ash Wednesday February 22, 2012

Mass with distribution of ashes:

St. Aloysius Church - 8:15 AM and 7:00 PM

St. Mary's Church - 6:30 PM

## St. Aloysius Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 20

8:15 am † Don Dederich (Family)

### Tuesday, February 21

8:15 am † Mary Wunnicke  
(Rex & Bette Boss)

### Wednesday, February 22

8:15 am The Mack Family  
10:30 am Maplewood Village:  
† Jim Keith (Nick & Kay Ringelstetter)  
7:00 pm † Werner Ballweg  
(Steve & Mary Ballweg Family)

### Thursday, February 23

8:15 am † Betty O'Connor (Family)

### Friday, February 24

8:15 am † Bernetta Reuter (Family)  
10:00 am Maplewood: † Eunice Zenz  
(Bryce & Jenny Bellinder Family)

### Saturday, February 25

8:00 am † Fr. Jonathan Niehaus  
(David & Dawn Helt)  
4:30 pm † Jim Zajicek (Family)

### Sunday, February 26

8:00 am † Marty Breunig (Family)  
10:30 am People of the Parish  
12:30 pm † Miguel Cantu Solis

### Vocations Chalice - February 26

10:30 am Nick & Kay Ringelstetter

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## St. Mary's Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 18

5:00 pm Andrew Skog and  
Drs. Bill & Mary Skog (Mary Coenen)

### Sunday, February 19

9:30 am Fr. Pedro's health and  
protection (Diane Ziech)

### Ash Wednesday, February 22

6:30 pm † Marilyn Mercurio  
(Mike & Phyllis Mercurio)

### Thursday, February 23

7:00 pm Dr. Cathleen O'Connor  
Family (Don Weber)

### Saturday, February 25

5:00 pm Andrew Skog and  
Drs. Bill & Mary Skog (Mary Coenen)

### Sunday, February 26

9:30 am Joe Clemens, Sr. Family  
(Ben & Amanda Krejchik)

### Thursday, March 1

7:00 pm † Adam & John Borota  
(Tim & Kathy Borota)

## Thank You...

Dear parishioners:

I only have words of thanks to God for listening to the prayers and accepting the sacrifices that you so generously have offered for me during my surgery and recovery. It has been really remarkable that I did not have to suffer all the discomforts associated with this type of surgery. No doubt, God has spared me those, so I could promptly be restored to His service and yours. Please, continue to pray. Thank you to everyone and may God bless you all.

*Fr. Pedro Escibano*

## Country Breakfast Today In The Gym

Our Knights of Columbus sponsors their annual Country Breakfast TODAY in St. Al's Gym. The KC's give a free breakfast to all those in uniform, but everyone is invited to attend and to honor our public servants in a special way.

## Can You Help With The Religious Goods Sale?

Spiritual books and religious items will be for sale in the side lobby after all Masses the next three weekends. Please contact Margaret at 643-2449 if you can help after a Mass. Thank you!

## Free Online Bible Study Starts On Ash Wednesday

This Lent *The Word Among Us* will sponsor a free online Bible study with the topic of prayer. There will be six sessions, one for each week of Lent, led by Kevin Perrotta, an award-winning Catholic writer and editor. Each session will have a five-minute video, with a question or topic for discussion for each day of the week. For more information go to [wau.org/lentbiblestudy](http://wau.org/lentbiblestudy).

## Discussion of Matthew Kelly's "Rediscover Catholicism"

Sue Klamer Barry will lead a discussion of Matthew Kelly's "Rediscover Catholicism" on Wednesday, February 29, from 6:15-7:45 PM. Everyone is welcome, and parents are especially encouraged to come see how some very simple changes in thought and action can influence your children profoundly now and in the future. It is not necessary to have read the book. Any questions call Sue at 608-850-4003.

## Check Out The Order Form For Sinsinawa Bread

Celebrate Easter with cinnamon rolls, raisin bread, or hot cross buns! St. Aloysius School will be selling these fantastic Sinsinawa breads and goodies just in time for Easter. Just submit the order form from this bulletin; items will be available for pick up at the church the Wednesday afternoon before Easter.

## An Idea For Lent And Beyond

Looking for a Lenten sacrifice you can continue throughout the year? Sign up to pray the rosary for the Society of Jesus Christ the Priest. Email [rosaryforSJCP@gmail.com](mailto:rosaryforSJCP@gmail.com) providing your name, your choice of who you will be praying for (an individual priest, the consecrated men, the consecrated women, or the Society of Jesus Christ the Priest as a whole), and your choice of the date each month you will be praying. Call Carrie at 608-616-9598 or Lisa at 608-516-9339, or go to [rosaryforsjcp.blogspot.com](http://rosaryforsjcp.blogspot.com) for more information.

## Parish Directories Available

Picture directories are still available in the parish office for \$5 each. (Parishioners who had their picture taken get a free copy). You also should have received your free portrait by now; if you haven't, please call Margaret at 643-2449. Go to [om235777.onlineolanmills.com/home](http://om235777.onlineolanmills.com/home) to view the directory online; the password is Divine Mercy.

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

### Grade 8-11 RE on Ash Wednesday

For this week, Wednesday, February 22, grades 8-11 RE students do not need to report to class at 6:30 PM, but should attend the Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00 PM instead.

### Girls Group Meets Every Friday-after school till 6:30 PM

Girls Group meets every Friday from right after school until 6:30 PM in the Youth Center. In addition to Rosary-making, each week there is a special activity such as a movie, Bingo, board game, etc. The girls also learn to pray and lead the Rosary, sacristan duties, and about their Catholic faith. After-school snack and dinner provided. We are always looking for a few more adult women to assist; please contact Sandy Wasilewski at 643-2878 if you can help, even just once a month for a few hours.

## ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL

### St. Aloysius School: Make It Your Choice

Even if you missed our Open Houses, it's never too late to take a look at St. Aloysius School! Come see us whenever it works for you; call 643-6868.

### St. Patrick's Day Spring Dance

Kick up your "Irish" heels Saturday, March 17, at the Knights of Columbus Council 3099 St. Patrick's Day Spring Dance! The dance will be 7 - 10PM at the St. Aloysius School Gym and all are welcome. The Royal Ambassadors band featuring Gloria Wyborny, one of the Midwest's top accordion players, will have you stomping your feet and clapping your hands with polkas, waltzes and marches. Enjoy your favorite beverage plus corned beef and pork sandwiches. Free popcorn and door prizes throughout the night. Admission is \$6 in advance and \$7 at the door. Call Jim at 608-370-4901 for tickets. All proceeds go to St. Al's School & Relevant Radio.

### St. Aloysius Liturgical Roles

#### Weekend of February 25-26, 2012

#### Servers

4:30 pm Volunteers appreciated!  
8:00 am Sam and Baxter Peetz,  
Andrew Seifert  
10:30 am Elijah Jorgenson,  
Andrew Meng

#### Readers

4:30 pm Greg Hutter  
8:00 am Sandy Bruckert  
10:30 am Don Daniewicz

#### Greeters

4:30 pm Paul & Mary Jesberger,  
Verda Rothwell, Shavlik Family  
8:00 am Phil Hutter, Virginia  
Szalewski, Paul & Karen Peetz  
10:30 am Michael & Linda Peeples

#### Offertory Gift Bearers

4:30 pm Volunteers appreciated!  
8:00 am Volunteers appreciated!  
10:30 am Volunteers appreciated!

#### Ushers

4:30 pm Jim Bannan, Dan Frosch  
Richard Falleck, Paul  
Jesberger, Joe Neumaier  
8:00 am Lester Breunig, Steve  
Koehler, Louis Wankerl  
10:30 am Dean Brickl, Roy & Louise  
Gag, Don Pickarts

#### Rosary Leaders

4:30 pm Susan Maines  
8:00 am Della Ryan  
10:30 am Steve Rammer

#### Vocations Chalice

10:30 am Nick & Kay Ringelstetter

## Coming Up at St. Aloysius....

### Sunday, February 19

8-noon KC's Country Breakfast  
in the school gym  
9:15 am K-Grade 7 Religious Ed  
10:30 am Mass with choir

### Tuesday, February 21

11:30-1:00 Youth Center open  
3-6:00 pm Boys Group

### Wednesday, February 22

8:15 am Ash Wednesday Mass  
3-6:00 pm Boys Group  
No Grade 8-HS Religious Ed class  
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass

### Thursday, February 23

11:30-1:00 Youth Center open  
3-6:00 pm Boys Group

### Friday, February 24

3-6:30 pm Boys Group  
3-6:30 pm Girls Group

### Sunday, February 26

9:15 am K-Grade 7 Religious Ed

### Tuesday, February 28

11:30-1:00 Youth Center open  
3-6:00 pm Boys Group

### Wednesday, February 29

3-6:00 pm Boys Group  
6:15-7:45 pm Discussion of  
"Rediscover Catholicism"

### Thursday, March 1

11:30-1:00 Youth Center open  
3-6:00 pm Boys Group  
6:45 pm Choir rehearsal



If anyone has old or used greeting cards with Christmas or religious themes, the First Communion class could use them in making their Holy Eucharist banners. Please drop cards off at the parish office. Thanks!

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH

### Parish Directories Are Here!

The Parish Directory is finished and available in back of St. Mary's. If you had your picture taken for the directory, you are entitled to a free copy of it. Be sure to pick up your copy and check your name off the list posted on the bulletin board. Thanks to all who helped to make our parish directory a success!

### Seven Sundays Devotion to St. Joseph Continues

This Sunday, February 19th, is the third Sunday in the Seven Sundays Devotion to St. Joseph. This Sunday we honor St. Joseph's sorrow when his foster son, Jesus, was circumcised and his quiet joy when his foster son was given the name Jesus.. We continue to offer this devotion to St. Joseph for Fr. Pedro's health and protection while on the road to recovery from surgery.

## DURWARD'S GLEN

### Tuesday Mass at Durward's Glen

Please join us for Mass at Durward's Glen this Tuesday, February 14, at **10:00 AM**. Father Keffer of Valley of Our Lady will be substituting for Fr. Pedro. The Mass will be offered for the special help and protection of Joe Clemens (Ben & Amanda Krejchik). Refreshments and fellowship will follow. **Please note the time change.** In case of inclement weather (snow or sleet), check our website: [durwardsglen.org](http://durwardsglen.org) for cancellation announcements.

### Euchre Party to Celebrate Durward's Glen 150th Birthday

Mark your calendars and warm up your cards for our 150th Celebration Euchre Party on Saturday, February 25th, at 6:30 PM. All are welcome; come out and meet your neighbors and see what's new at Durward's Glen. Admission is \$5 per person. Chicago style hot dog bar, \$1 per dog. Prizes!! We will have a separate table to teach Euchre to those who don't know how to play.

### Family Bingo And Pizza Night

Bring the whole family out to the Glen on Saturday, March 2, for a Family Bingo and Pizza Night. Admission of \$5 includes bingo, 2 slices of pizza and prizes galore ! Starts at 5:30 PN. Come out and see what's new!

## AREA EVENTS

### ProLife Training Conference

Saturday, February 25, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM at the Bishop O'Conner Center in Madison, Crisis Pregnancy Outreach and Prolife Sidewalk Counselor Training Conference. The training will include learning about how the abortion industry targets the poor, the marginalized, racial minorities and children; how to answer common objections to the pro-life message; how to help heal post-abortive men and women; how to sidewalk counsel; how to protect yourself if you're ever rendered unable to make your own medical decisions; and much more. Registration is only \$8 per person or \$20 per family; scholarships are available. To register, call 262-796-1111, extension 10, by Tuesday, Feb. 21.

### Men's Retreat

"God Strong" featuring Doug Barry of EWTN's Life On The Rock, and Bishop Robert Morlino, will be held at the Bishop O'Connor Center in Madison March 2-3. Go to [www.knightsofdivinemeracy.com](http://www.knightsofdivinemeracy.com) for all the information.

### Rosary Across America Novena

Tune in to Relevant Radio 1240 AM (or listen online) for an urgent 54-day *Rosary Across America* Novena with the intention: "That wisdom and justice prevail with respect to the HHS mandate, and that all persons of good will can follow their conscience." Daily at 7:30 AM; rebroadcast at 8 and 10:30 PM.

## Coming Up at St. Mary's....

### Saturday, February 18

5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, February 19

9:30 am Mass

### Wednesday, February 22

6:30 pm Mass with distribution of ashes

### Thursday, February 23

5:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

6:45 pm Benediction

7:00 pm Mass

### Saturday, February 25

5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, February 26

9:30 am Mass

### Thursday, March 1

5:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

6:45 pm Benediction

7:00 pm Traditional Latin Mass

## Coming Up at Durward's Glen...

### Tuesday, February 21

10:00 am Mass: Special intention for Joe Clemens (Ben & Amanda Krejchik)

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## Divine Mercy Parish Office

Phone: (608) 643-2449

## St. Aloysius School Office

Phone: (608) 643-6868

**Principal:** John Brennan  
**Secretary:** Pam Sternberg

## St. Aloysius Religious Education and Youth Ministry

Phone: (608) 643-4062  
Coordinator: Tami Nygaard

## Sacraments

**Baptism:** To make arrangements, please contact the parish office at (608) 643-2449.

**Marriage:** To make arrangements, please contact the parish office at (608) 643-2449 at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding.

**Vocations:** Contact any of the priests or the Diocesan Vocations Office at (608) 821-3088 or visit the website [www.madisonvocations.org](http://www.madisonvocations.org).

## Eucharistic Adoration

**St. Aloysius:** Wednesdays at 9 am until **Fridays** at 7:45 am

**St. Mary's:** Thursdays 5:00-6:45 pm

## Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know are in need of prayers, call (608) 643-2449 to be added to the prayer chain.

## Sick or Homebound

Please call the parish office at (608) 643-2449 to inform us of any illnesses, surgeries or hospitalizations, or of any homebound person who would like a priest to visit.

## Readings for February 19-26

**Sunday:** Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/  
2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12

**Monday:** Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor  
5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

**Next Sunday:** Gn 9:8-15/  
1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

## Prayer Connections Intention

Firefighters, police officers & EMT's  
(as well as married parishioners, which should have been last week's intention)

## From The Desk Of Father Jared

Dear Parishioners,

Lent begins again! Time to enter into our preparation for the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. Typically, we *intensify* our mortification or sacrifice in the name of *penance*. We become more conscious of our sinfulness, and our need to repent and turn to the Lord. The kickoff is on Ash Wednesday, when we are put in our place, with Christ, in humility, with the sign of the Cross in ashes on our forehead, reminded of how we are dust, and to dust we shall return.

And prideful dust we can be!! Our sacrifices for Lent should truly make us realize that we really are dust, sustained by God in all ways, and dependent completely upon Him for everything. Therefore, we must please Him in all things, and realize that when the day comes for us to turn back to dust, He must find us pleasing in His sight. This time of Lent helps us to do precisely this.

So, as we think of what we will "give up" during this time, let's be serious about it, and make it something that will remind us that we are dust that must be pleasing to God. His love for us makes us loveable. How are we going to show that love for him? That's what penance is all about; and never giving something up with a frown, but with a smile, ear to ear, happy to give a precious gift to a precious God.

Just as a refresher, here are the general stipulations that the Church requires of us for Lent (that is, the bare minimums):

### FASTING

Who: all those from ages 18-60

When: on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

What: only one full meal; small quantities of food at two other meals, but nothing in between

### ABSTINENCE

Who: all those age 14 and older

When: Ash Wednesday and all Fridays

What: meat is not permitted

### PRAYER

### ALMSGIVING

Giving of our treasure to the poor

Giving of our time and talents to works of charity

The parish will offer a series of Lent talks again this year, starting with the Rediscover Catholicism discussion on Wednesday, February 29. The following weeks, I will be giving talks on various topics from the book "My Catholic Faith". These talks will be on Tuesday nights from 6:30-7:30 PM, consisting of a talk followed by a question and answer time.

On Fridays, there will be Stations of the Cross immediately following the morning Mass, and in the evenings confessions from 5:30-6:30 PM, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM. And remember that we have two full days of Eucharistic Adoration available, from Wednesday mornings after Mass until Friday mornings before Mass.

God bless and have a wonderful week,

*Fr. Jared*