

St. Mary 's Immaculate Conception Parish

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Please submit bulletin notices to stmary@wi-net.com
by noon on Tuesday.

Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

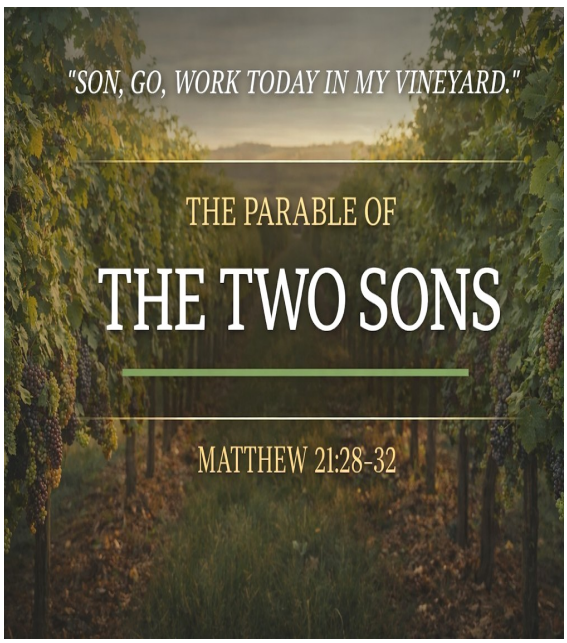
PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Mark Miller, Pastor 715-600-6942
fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com
Deacon Jim Sniadajewski
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You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non emergency situations by calling Sacred Heart office at any time of the day.

PARISH STAFF

Secretary-Donna Wierzba….stmary@wi-net.com
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Coordinator of Religious Education-
Jessica Bielen
Custodian-Jeanne Hintz
Maintenance/Grounds keeping
Josh Genskow



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 29, (SH)
8:15 am +Henry Koziczkowski
by Marie & Family

Wednesday, September 30,
8:15 am +Karen Greene, Edwin Dombrowski, Bill Bidlingmeyer
by Bernard & Marlene Schulist

Thursday, October 1 @ SH
7 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions
8:15 am +Lorraine Bushman
by Debbie Adamski

Friday, October 2,
7:30-8 am Confessions
8:15 am +Michael V. Kosobucki
9 am Silent Adoration
3 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Closing Benediction

SATURDAY, October 3 @ Convent
8:15 am +Dave Shafranski by Chris Parker
+Dorothy Gagas by Dan & Carol Sekerka
+Patricia Kluck by +Ray & Alice Raflik
In Thanksgiving for the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Tom & Julie Wanserski

2:45 pm Confessions
4:00 pm +Frank & Gen Jelinski by Family

October 4, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 am @ SH St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart Parish Families

10:00 am +Ervin Pliska by Family



"How many are there when in unpleasant situations, are tempted to do what is wrong in order to get out of them. They have, perhaps, unkind parents, they are so uncomfortable at home that they take the first opportunity, which presents itself of getting away. They marry irreligious persons, merely from impatience to get out of their present discomfort. They forget that God can take it away in his good time, and without their sin." - St. John Newman

OCIA: The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process that is used to assist people on their journey into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Who is OCIA for? OCIA is for those who have never been baptized, those who have been baptized in a faith other than Catholic, and those adult Catholics who desire to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and/or Eucharist). Perhaps you have received all of the sacraments but just want to learn more about the Catholic faith. You are most welcome to attend as well! OCIA classes will begin this fall with the time and date to be determined. To register or if you have any questions regarding OCIA, please contact Deacon Jim Sniadajewski (dcn.jim@sacredheartpolonia.com) or 715-310-7220 and he will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION October 2nd,9am-3pm at St. Mary's I.C. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3 pm followed by Benediction. All are welcome and encouraged to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. ***Please consider "adopting" an hour to sit with our Lord.*** A sign-up sheet is located in the table in the Church entrance.



Prayers for those in need are so very important; so if you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.

Please remember in your prayers

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish:
Denny Elsenrath, Henry Gagas, Connie Groholski, Barb Groholski, Brigid & Al Pellatt, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Shirley Pliska, Joe Raschka, Kenny Rozek, Valerie Stanczyk, Jack Stremkowski, Pat Wierzba, Jim Zblewski, Sharon Zblewski, Bob Zimbauer

If anyone is in need of spiritual care at your home or hospital (e.g. Confession, Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick) please call the parish to make arrangements. Father Miller is here for your spiritual and sacramental needs. Also, be aware that if you are in the hospital for an extended period of time, and would like a visit, please contact parish. Hospitals do not make aware of these situations.

For prayer support through the unpublished **St. Mary's I.C. Parish Prayer Chain** **NOTE**_please call the Parish Office 715-592-4330 or stmary@wi-net.com_** *FIRST NAMES ONLY will be used; members promise to respect your request in confidence.*

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT
September 20

Offertory	*$ 106.00*
Building Fund	*2,250.00*
Adult Env & ACH	*1,076.00*
Total	*$ 3,432.00*



St. Mary's Parish is looking to expand and renew its **SACRED WORSHIP COMMITTEE.** All parishioners are welcome to come to an organizational meeting on **Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 7:30pm** We are looking for people interested in assisting Fr. Mark in planning various aspects of our worship with particular attention to the Church seasonal calendar. The purpose of this first meeting would be to plan music selections and decorations for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Advent begins on Sunday, November 29th and the Christmas season concludes Saturday, January 10th.

Remembering *Lisa Firkus* in our prayers. Lisa, our parish family member passed away on September 11th, and was laid to rest September 18th. Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers are extended to the family and friends of Lisa. May we continue to pray for her family during this difficult time.



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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED *Please*

Volunteers are needed for **Construction Cleanup starting October 5th**. The windows need to be washed (most likely 2-3 times to get them sparking) walls wiped down, sweep and mop the floors, etc. Please call the office 715-592-4330 and leave your name, number and what days and times you are available.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK



More Drywall……...connecting the two buildings.

EXCUSE OUR DUST…..
This is all Part of
Phase 1 of our
Building Project









Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, October 4
LECTOR Nora **USHERS** Ron & Chris
SERVERS Sammi, Spencer
MONEY COUNTERS Brad, Bette, Kirk
MUSICIANS Jacquie & Carolyn

SUNDAY, October 11
LECTOR Tom **USHERS** Randy & Travis
SERVERS Leo & Landon
MONEY COUNTERS Tom, Randy, Joanna
MUSICIANS Mary & Jim

St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish 150th Anniversary Celebration November 1st 10:00 am Mass followed by Buffet Lunch & Social This event is for St. Mary's I.C. Parishioners

We are creating a **picture memorial** that needs pictures from parishioners that we can use of all the special memories from our history. Any pictures or other memorials will be returned. Please let Eunice know, 715-592-4175 what you may have. If you are willing to assist with this project, please let the her know.

We are planning to have a special celebration and need **volunteers** to assist. Call Eunice—Many hands make light work. This celebration is a major under-taking for the parish, so please be willing to assist. Thank you in advance for stepping up to help celebrate this incredible milestone.



Basket Raffle Tickets will be for sale after Sunday Masses during the month of October. Winners will be notified after 3pm on Nov 1st. Need not be present to win.

Sisters Intergenerational Feast

October 11, 2026 (following 8 a.m. Mass)
Sacred Heart Parish, Polonia
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

DIVINE IMAGE SISTERS



All ages welcome!
Praise • Music • Worship
Food • Coffee • Desserts
Bake Sale • Rummage Sales
Door Prizes • Basket Raffle
Free Bingo • Kids' Games
Cultural Dance
Shrine & Chapel Tours
Gift Shop Open with religious & seasonal items!

Bakery donations can be dropped off Saturday morning at the convent.

November 1, we will be celebrating St. Mary Immaculate Conception Parish 150th Anniversary **Dinner** served at **12:30pm** by Lisa's Sweet Baking and Catering Inc. with choice of Chicken breast, Hamburger or Hot dogs. Included baked beans, coleslaw, potatoes salad, fruit salad, small cupcakes, coffee and milk. Will be served picnic style in the church hall, seating of 150. Parish is providing meals and drinks to parishioners as a THANK YOU for providing donations for the construction of the Phase 1 Church hall. YOU MUST HAVE A TICKET FOR DINNER.

PARISHIONERS TO OBTAIN A DINNER TICKET COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW
Bring with you in exchange for dinner tickets before or after Mass on Sept. 20, 27th Oct. 4 and 11th.

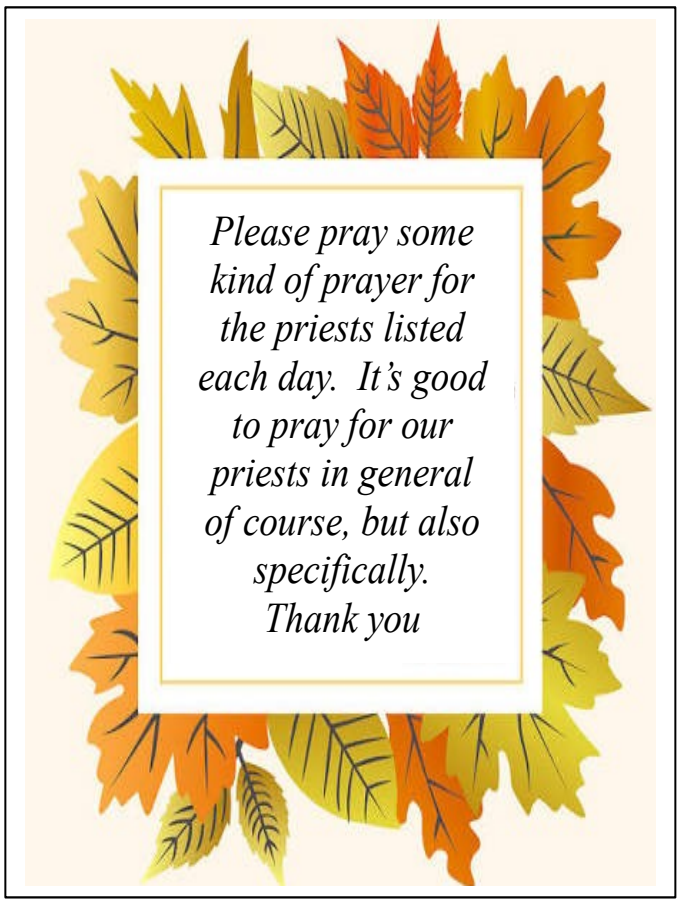
Parishioners Name_____

Number of Adults attending _____ Number of children 5 and under attending _____

Priest Prayer Calendar – October 2026

1st – Pope Leo XIV
2nd – Bp. Battersby
3rd – Fr. Roy Witucki
4th – Fr. Eugene Wolf
5th – Fr. Rajendran Anandan
6th – Fr. Stanislaus Anthony
7th – Fr. Kurt Apfelbeck
8th – Fr. Emmanel Asamoah-Bekoe
9th – Fr. Juan Baltazar
10th – Fr. Donald Bauer
11th - Fr. Aaron Becker
12th - Fr. Augustine Bentil
13th – Fr. Eric Berns
14th – Fr. Gregory Boehrn
15th – Fr. Matthew Bowe
16th – Fr. David Bruener
17th - Fr. Jesse Burish
18th – Fr. Alan Burkhardt
19th – Msgr. Jeffrey Burrill
20th – Fr. Jered Clements
21st – Msgr. William Dhein
22nd - Fr. Francis Dias
23rd – Msgr. Joseph Diermeier
24th – Fr. Billy Dodge
25th – Fr. Clayton Elmhorst
26th – Fr. Emmanuel Famiyeh
27th – Fr. William Felix
28th – Victor Feltes
29th – Fr. James Genovesi
30th – Fr. John Gilbert
31st – Msgr. Richard Gilles





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Culture of Discipleship & Accompaniment

Monday, October 5 - St. Joseph Parish, Stevens Point
"What is Accompaniment and Why Does it Matter?"
Time: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
For Members of Parish Council, Finance Council and Parish Committees.

Tuesday, October 6 - Holy Spirit Parish, Stevens Point
"Becoming Disciples Fully Alive on Mission"
Time: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
For All Parishioners.



Fr. Derek Sakowski is the Executive Director of Missionary Discipleship; working to form a team within the Diocesan Curia in a way that comes alongside parishes and schools to help them figure out complex challenges in a way that best helps them to live as disciples who make disciples.

Kristin Molitor is a Catholic speaker, retreat leader, spiritual director, and human and spiritual formation leader, passionate about helping people encounter Christ, experience healing, and grow in spiritual freedom. Through her work with individuals and Catholic Leaders, she seeks to transform the Church through transforming hearts.



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Stevens Point DEANERY
All High School students Invited

Life Night

Join us for a night full of fun,
Jesus, and friendly competition!

register here and bring a friend

OCTOBER 11
6:00-7:30pm
AT ST. STEVE'S