






May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

Sunday	5/31	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Marvin Nooyen for Our Wedding Anniversary Love, Mary Ann Mass at St John's For Our High School Graduates	 Grad Mass
Tuesday	6/2	*****	NO Mass or Services at St John's	
Wednesday	6/3	***** 9:00 AM	NO Mass or Services at St John's Holy Communion Outside of Mass / Adoration & Benediction to follow	 Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday	6/4	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's OPEN	
Friday	6/5	8:15 AM	In Memory of Gene Kropp Love, Family	
Saturday	6/6	4:00 PM	Mass at St John's Jean Birling	
Sunday	6/7	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Henry Nooyen Family and Dale & Lynn Nooyen Mass at St John's Ann Theroux	Procession following Mass

The Most Holy Trinity John 3:16-18

I was 16 years old on a youth group retreat in the mountains. One night, I opened my heart to the message being proclaimed: that God so loved the world that He sent His Son for us. Later, I lay under the pine trees and looked up at the countless stars. They seemed different. No longer cold, distant balls of chemical reactions, they appeared as an expression of God's love, as if He were giving those stars directly to me. The truth of God sending His Son changed how I saw the whole universe.

That is what today's Gospel reveals: **"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son."** (John 3:16)

The universe is not just a whirl of impersonal forces or empty space. At its heart is a gift: the Father eternally giving the Son, not to condemn, but to bring life.

This is not abstract doctrine but deeply personal. God gives His Son for you and me. Each human life is precious enough to be caught up in that eternal gift.

It is in the Mass where we encounter this most directly. In the Word proclaimed, in the assembly gathered, in the priest, and above all in the Eucharist, the Father once again gives His Son. What looks like bread and wine is the drama of the Trinity, laboring to love us here and now.

The Trinity is not a puzzle to solve but the blazing Truth at the center of everything: the Father gives the Son for you and me. Lord, help us to see this more clearly.

— *Father John Muir*

Uncovering the Layers

After years working for the Church, I can honestly say that even though I feel closer to God, I still cannot fully grasp all that is God. The complexity of God has been the source of many volumes by many writers and theologians. The crazy reality of growing in a relationship with God is that the more you get to know God, the more complex God becomes.


But I think that is true of human relationships as well. I feel like I can really peg a person one way or another after only meeting him or her a few times, but my wife and children continue to perplex me. Getting to know someone means you begin to uncover the layers of personality, feeling, and emotion that make up each human being. For those who see God as only a force or a light, God is simply defined. But for those who seek to be disciples of Jesus Christ, the God we find in relationship has many layers as well.


But that which we do know for certain about God comes to us primarily from the person of Jesus. He called us to a way of life by not only teaching us about how to live, but by showing us the example of his life. Our God is defined by generosity, sacrifice, compassion, and, of course, love. The more we incorporate these characteristics into our own life, the more we bear witness to the true nature of God. Then others can see a God that is a little less complex because they understand him through you and me. Our life will speak more than all the volumes written by all the theologians.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Mini reflection:

Our failure to understand is not poverty. It is a gift. It propels us constantly back to the wellspring of our glorious Faith — to Scripture, to Tradition, to the indwelling of the Holy Spirit which sustains each and every one of us who dare to believe.

 **Thank you to**
Gene & Jacqui Westerman
for Sponsoring the May Bulletin

 **Please Welcome**
OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Feller Family

Please welcome Samuel, Brittany, and their baby girl to our parish family. We pray for God's blessing upon them and welcome them with open arms.

DAY/TIME	LECTORS	DISTRIBTORS	SERVERS	USHERS
Sunday 8:00 AM June 7	Pat Posbrig	Jessica Melchert Janet Matuszak Don Eisenreich	Clara Vander Heiden Gracelynn Vander Heiden Elaina Vander Heiden	Dick Stedl Jacob Vanden Heuvel

INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$	965.00
Loose Collection	\$	203.00
Votives	\$	12.00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:

Otis Elevator	\$	175.00
St Therese of the Little Flower	\$	639.50
WeShare CC Fees	\$	14.96

Thank you to everyone that donated food and/or time toward the NEW Community Homeless Shelter Meal. Your help is very much appreciated!

Join us June 2nd for **Rosary in the Garden**, a free weekly gathering held each Tuesday evening beginning at 5:30pm in the **Mary Garden** outside of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. This will continue weekly throughout the summer, with the final gathering taking place on September 1st.



Trinity Prayer

O Divine Mystery, O Sacred Trinity! Surround us with Your wisdom, love, power, and grace. Draw us to Yourself. Help us to rest in Your goodness. Amen.

Friday, June 12
Freedom Country Fest
W2035 County Rd S
Freedom, WI
St Nicholas Parish Grounds
Gates Open 5 PM
ALL AGES EVENT!

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**Mass with Bishop Ricken • Crafts • Tours
Bounce House • History Walk • Face Painting
Lunch @ Noon • Lots of Camp Tek Fun!**

- Parmalee
 - Darryl Worley
 - Emily Ann Roberts
- FreedomCountryFest.com

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week
Salvation is a gift God dearly wishes us to accept. It is not a yardstick against which He measures our worth. He has made it so simple. So, will we accept?

Virtues, Explained! Obedience
We see perfect obedience shown by Christ amidst his agony in the garden. His human will dreads what will come, but his divine will, which is never at odds with his human will, submits to the Truth: "Yet, not as I will, but as you will."
(Matthew 26:39)

Parish Membership Invitation
If you are not currently members of St Sebastian Church, but would like to be part of our parish community, please contact the parish office #(920) 833-2558.

Perpetual Monthly Giving Calendar
Seymour Food Pantry St Vincent de Paul to collect & deliver.
JUNE: Cake, Brownie Mix, Ready-Made Frosting

Bishop's Appeal 2026
Parish Goal: \$16,357
Given to date: \$10,817
Still Needed: \$5,540

2026 Retreats at Norbertine Center for Spirituality
Summer Directed Retreat
Wednesday, July 22 at 4pm -
Sunday, July 26 at 11am
Weekend Away for Women
Friday, November 6 at 4pm -
Sunday, Nov 8 at 11am
Retreats include time for prayer with Norbertine Community, renovated guest rooms, meals, and Abbey amenities.
Scholarships are available.
<https://norbertines.org/events>
for more information

Travel to Greece with Father Peter!
Join Fr Peter Ambting (formerly of Our Lady of Lourdes in West De Pere) on an 11 day tour of Greece in April 2027. Follow the path of Paul the Apostle as you discover bucolic beauty and ancient history on this Grecian sojourn. On your journey, feel the spirit of the NEW Testament as you visit the places where the great apostle lived and preached. For details go to bit.ly/PeterPaulGreece

Ministry of the Sick: Please notify the parish office if a member of your family is confined to their home or is hospitalized. Also, please inform the hospital of your affiliation with your parish.
Baptisms: Please call the parish office two months in advance.
Marriage: Please call St. John's parish office eight months in advance.
Funeral Arrangements: Please call St. John's parish office.
Anointing of the Sick and Dying: Please call St. John's parish office.

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Current Hours: Mon & Thurs 8:00 – 4:00
Wed: 8:30 - Noon, Closed: Tues & Fri