



August 9, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	8/9	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Gene Kropp Love, the Family <i>Mass at St John's Kamewan Salzman</i>
Tuesday	8/11	8:15 AM	<i>Mass at St John's Bernie Huettle</i>
Wednesday	8/12	8:15 AM 9:00 AM	<i>Mass at St John's OPEN</i> Holy Communion Outside of Mass
Thursday	8/13	8:15 AM	<i>Mass at St John's Gerald Saindon & Deceased Members of Saindon & Mueller Family</i>
Friday	8/14	8:15 AM	In Memory of Lillian Van De Yacht Love, Family
Saturday	8/15	8:15 AM 4:00 PM	For Struggling Marriages and Families *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>Mass at St John's Bill, Marie, & Jerry Kranzush</i>
Sunday	8/16	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Mary Wilinski for Our Wedding Anniversary <i>Mass at St John's OPEN</i>

**Join us on Saturday, August 15th at 8:15 am to celebrate Mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
~ This Mass does not satisfy your Sunday obligation ~**

Being Human is to Doubt

Humans doubt. It's what we do. We doubt ourselves and we doubt others. Before any of us say anything about Peter's doubting the words of Jesus that told him he could get out of his boat and walk on water, we need to get real with ourselves: How would I respond in the same situation? I remember when I was child taking swimming lessons. One day I simply tightened up my muscles and sank. The lifeguard pulled me up and asked what happened. I said I did not know. The truth is that I was sinking under the weight of my own doubt. I did not believe I could do what clearly, I was told I could. That was only in five feet of water in a pool! Now that I'm older, I can look back and laugh. But an adult, the swimming pool is life, and I would be lying if I said that there are no longer times I find myself sinking due to new doubts.

Much of our doubt comes about because of a lack of trust in God. We place our trust in material things, wealth, or imperfect people instead of the One who is worthy of our trust 100 percent of the time. Our stewardship is often hampered by our doubt that God will provide all that we need. If I give more, I may not have enough to survive! When we place all our trust in God, not only do we find that we have been given all we need – our doubt that cause us to sink in the pool of life fades away. We don't suddenly become perfect in our trust, and there will be times when we find ourselves with concerns again. However, it is in those moments we find that He is still there, speaking the words we need to hear: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

– Tracy Earl Welliver

HE CAME TOWARD THEM WALKING ON THE SEA.

~ Matthew 14:26

Jesus Is Light of the World

Question:
Why do we call Jesus "the light of the world"?

Answer:
In cultures around the world, light and darkness are chief symbols of good and evil, order and chaos, clarity and confusion, hope and despair. These symbols tap into something essential about the nature of things. God has given us the created world as a gift. His first work, as we see in Genesis 1, is to create *light*, giving meaning and insight to the abyss. It is in the light that rest of creation comes to be. A gathering darkness emerges in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve hide, shrouding themselves from the sun's rays and the gaze of God. While God offers a promise of salvation and establishes a covenant with His people, the sense of fog and dim understanding still remain. The Hebrew people repeatedly betray the promises they have made to God, and all around them the nations actively worship idols.

The promise of God is not in vain, however. In John 1, we see a depiction of Christ as primordial goodness, order, clarity, and hope. "*The true light, which enlightens everyone was coming into the world ... this life was the light of the human race*" (John 1: 9, 4). Think of the last sunrise you witnessed (if you could wake up for it!). As you watched the lavender brighten to rose edged with gold, did your heart swell? Did you recall the goodness of the world? Did you feel rekindled hope? Such is the role of Christ in the soul. Such is his coming Incarnate in our world.



**The August Bulletin Is Sponsored
In Memory of the Deceased Members of
the Mary Vande Walle Hill & DJ Hill Families**

DAY/TIME	LECTORS	DISTRIBTORS	SERVERS	USHERS
Saturday 8:15 AM August 15	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteers	Jacob Vanden Heuvel Don Eisenreich
Sunday 8:00 AM August 16	Jodi Soltvedt	Amy Van Schyndel	Ellie Melchert Lily Van Schyndel	Jim Soltvedt Dick Stedl

INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$ 1035.00
Loose Collection	\$ 191.00
Votives	\$ 15.00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:

Spectrum	\$ 150.49
AON Risk Insurance	\$ 828.47
St John's Cost Share	\$ 7470.41
Tim Vanden Langenberg-Adjustment	\$ 25.00
WeShare CC Fees	\$ 3.01

Traveling Rosary for Vocations

Thursday, August 20 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm
Nativity of Our Lord Parish
2270 S. Oneida St Green Bay, WI

All women and men are invited. The agenda includes song, rosary, and speaker Fr. Matt Simonar. We close with a reception. Registration not needed.

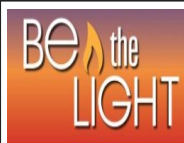
For more info call: (920) 323-3243
or visit: www.gbdcw.org

Virtues, Explained! Serenity

What is serenity? It is an attitude of calm, one that can only be identified when contrasted with turmoil. It is stillness in a storm. It is Christ, walking steadily across the raging waves. It is the feeling we find when we are reconciled to God's mercy.

Live the Liturgy— Inspiration of the Week

In the midst of life's greatest storms, Jesus comes to us, but we may not recognize him. In doing so, he will test us—and likely, we will fail. But when we falter, his saving hand is there.



Bishop's Appeal 2026

Parish Goal: \$16,357
Given to date: \$14,747
Still Needed: \$1,610

RE REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!!!

To sign up for RE at St. Sebastians for 2026-2027, please scan the QR code or use the following link:



<https://www.jotform.com/assign/262016260120035/262017239257053>

St. Sebastian Men's Group

Next meeting
August 27th
8:00 pm to 9:00 pm
in the Parish Hall

Seymour Farmers Market

Tuesday's
2:00 - 6:00 pm
Soda Sense
Parking Lot
1010 S Mainline Dr
~ Shop Local ~

Music in the Park

Rockin Country
Aug 12
Tom's Tunes
Aug 19
Chad Przybylski
Polka Band
Aug 26

Mass Intentions Available Dates: August 28, September 4 & 18

Prayer in Faith in Trial

Dear God,
In this time of difficulty, be with me.
When I don't feel Your presence or hear Your voice, sustain me.
When I don't see the path ahead, guide me.
When I don't know the next step, support me.
In every day and in every moment, be my strength.
Amen.

House Blessing, Explained!

Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it. The Roman Ritual provides two formats for such blessings.



Perpetual Monthly Giving Calendar
Seymour Food Pantry
St Vincent de Paul to collect & deliver.
AUGUST: Toilet Paper & Bar Soap



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.

Fr. Sengole Dass

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Current Hours: Mon & Thurs 8:00 – 4:00

Wed: 8:30 - Noon, Closed: Tues & Fri