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Give glory to your  
Father in heaven.  
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FEBRUARY 5, 2023  
5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sun	2/5	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	In Memory of Leonard Van Lannen Req by Alice VandenLangenberg <i>Mass at St John's - Gerald &amp; Gladys Schaumberg</i>
Tues	2/7	8:15 AM	<i>Mass at St John's - Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Jim &amp; Jeannine Gillis Family</i>
Wed	2/8	8:15 AM 9:00 AM	<i>Mass at St John's - Julian Tyczkowski</i> Communion Service / Faith Formation
Thurs	2/9	8:15 AM	<i>Mass at St John's - Solanus &amp; Isaac Rynish</i>
Fri	2/10	8:15 AM	In Memory of Florence, Walter & Duane Ebert
Sat	2/11	4:00 PM	<i>Mass at St John's - Sue Smet</i>
Sun	2/12	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	In Memory of June Linsmeyer Req by Don & Helen Vande Hei <i>Mass at St John's - Mary Steffens</i>



Thank you to Chris and Sandy Sponenburg for the February bulletin sponsorship in Honor of the Living & Deceased Members of their Families

**Gospel Meditation** - I recently decided to learn to cook. As I sit at the feet of various YouTube cooking masters, I notice how much of cooking is adding ingredients that don't provide any more nourishment, like herbs and other seasonings. But man! They make all the difference because they make the meal delightful to eat and share.

Jesus calls his disciples "salt of the world." No one eats just salt. So, Christians are not meant to replace or do away with the world. They are meant to be agents of preservation and glorification. Notice how often these days the Church seeks to preserve what is threatened: the goodness of marital and family love, the desires of young people for greatness, the value of honest work, healthy economics, and altruistic political engagement, the dignity of the poor and vulnerable. Over and over, we say to a world who wants to throw things out, "It's worth saving! We'll preserve it! We'll show you it's wonderful." If we can't engage the world like that, Jesus says we are the ones who get thrown out, because salt alone is worthless.

Jesus only asks us to do for others what he does for us. He is the "salt" of everything in our lives. Is there something in your life starting to rot a bit? Something tasting bland and boring? Let Jesus salt it and see if you like it better. ~ Father John Muir

Everyone Welcome at St. Sebastian's  
First Sunday of Lent February 26th  
12:50pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Dcn Rich  
1pm Stations of the Cross, Dcn Rich  
1:30pm Penance Service, Fr Sengole  
2pm Confessions Heard, Norbertine Priests  
"One does not live by bread alone" - LK 4:4

RE Classes next Sunday  
Parish Center 9-11 am  
Grades 1-11



Please note the new parish email address:  
kvanhandel@stsebastianseymour.com

**Eat Sunday**

**Sunday, February 19, 2023**

**10 am polka mass at St. John's followed by a complimentary luncheon in the school gym**

Enjoy your favorite polka tunes & a bowl of our  
**famous** chicken soup or chili!

Menu includes ham sandwiches, coffee, milk &  
**delicious homemade desserts!**

**All are welcome, no charge!**

The St. Gianna Molla Catholic Medical Guild of Northeast Wisconsin invites everyone to attend the regular 9 a.m. Sunday Mass on February 12, 2023 at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay to honor healthcare providers. The main celebrant will be Bishop David Ricken. A brunch follows, with Michael O. Kenney, J.D., LL.M., President, Pro-Life Partners Foundation, speaking on the topic, Building a Culture of Life: What Would Lincoln Do?

To register today, visit  
www.sgmnew.com

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A musical based on the Disney Film  
Seymour High School Auditorium

February 9-12, 2023

Thurs 7P ~ Fri 7P ~

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**Tickets on Sale Now!**

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DAY/TIME	LECTOR	DISTRIBUTORS	GREETERS	SERVERS	USHERS
SUNDAY	Janet Matuszak	Dcn Rich Matuszak		Vincent Sigl	Ken Linsmeyer
8:00AM / FEB 12				Owen Sigl	Kevin Matuszak

#### INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$ 887.24
Loose Collection	131.00
Other	45.40

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

WE Energies	\$ 1,366.93
Quill	36.58
Other	2.76

#### ***(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments*** By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman -

##### If ...

It's a surprising little word — if. For such a short word, it holds an abundance of excuses.

Personally, I could buy a new car if I had a dollar for every time I used the word “if” to explain away my own flaws. “If I wasn’t so tired. If we had more money. If the kids weren’t always on my last nerve. If I had more talent. If life wasn’t so hard.”

If, if, if.

I don’t always feel like being the salt of the earth. Can’t someone else season the dish? Sometimes it’s more than I want to give, more than I want to do, more than I want to be. Sharing my bread, sheltering the oppressed, clothing the naked, and accompanying my neighbor — doing these things in the literal or figurative sense can be completely exhausting. Mediocrity is so easy. It’s so comfortable.

But if. It looms again, that short but powerful word.

“If” can be deep with excuses, but it can also be wide with possibility. If I bring it all to God. If I stop relying on my own abilities. If I prayed more than I talked. If I make my heart firm. If my faith does not rest on human wisdom.

If not me, who? If not now, when?

*“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” — Matthew 5:14*

As Christians we must radiate the beauty of God’s love everywhere through our lives. Faith is not a privilege to be claimed, but a gift to be shared.

Pope Francis



#### **The 2023 Annual Bishop's Appeal kicks off in our Church February 11-12, 2023**



**Our  
Parish  
Goal  
\$14,962**

#### ***Why Do We Do That? - Catholic Life Explained***

##### **Miraculous Medal**

**Question:** What is the “Miraculous Medal” and why is it called that?

**Answer:** The medal of the Immaculate Conception that has come to be called simply the “Miraculous Medal” dates back to an apparition of Mary to Saint Catherine Laboure, who was then a novice sister with the Daughters of Charity. On November 27, 1830, Our Lady appeared to her standing on a globe, with shafts of light streaming from her hands and the words, “O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee,” surrounding the image. In the same vision, Catherine saw a capital “M” with a cross above it and below two hearts. Catherine seemed to hear a voice telling her to have what she saw struck as a medal and a promise that those who wore the medal would have the protection and intercession of the Mother of God. The first 1,500 of medals were distributed in 1832. Many miraculous favors were attributed to the use of the medal.

Saint Catherine’s “Miraculous Medal” is among the recognizable and popular symbols of modern Catholicism. Reflecting on its widespread use, the 2001 Vatican document, “Directory on Popular Piety and Liturgy,” observes that the medal “recalls the mystery of Redemption, the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary. It signifies the mediatory role of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mystery of the Church, the relationship between Heaven and earth, this life and eternal life.”

#### ***Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week***

We can’t be afraid to season our lives with the truth, even if we face a world of picky eaters. Christians, don’t be afraid of flavor!

#### **Help for the Homeless HYGIENE DRIVE** **Feb 12 - March 5**

**Donate Hygiene Supplies to Local Seymour Area Programs!**

Community 2000

St Vincent de Paul

The Salvation Army Outagamie County Service Extension Unit

#### **Most Needed Items:**

- Cleaning Supplies
- Hair Care
- Laundry Soap
- Feminine Needs
- Deodorant
- Kitchen Trash Bags
- Bathroom Tissue
- Dental Care
- Paper Towels
- Diapers/Baby Care
- Body Lotion
- Face/Bath Soap

*Donations Remain in the Communities Where Collected!*

**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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**833-2294 or 609-5292**

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**Hours – Mon/Tues/Thurs/8:00 – 4:00**  
**Wednesday 8:30 - Noon, Closed Friday**