Jesus said:

“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

Matthew 18:20

September 10, 2017
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
We would like to invite any individuals interested in finding out more about PADS to join us in the Gathering Place after Mass on Sunday, September 24 for fellowship and information about volunteering. We began our 32nd season of service to the homeless on Friday, September 8. There are six teams of St. Mary’s PADS volunteers with each team volunteering once every 7 weeks – for a total of 5 times during the season which runs from September through May.

There are shifts to accommodate any schedule – from early Friday evening (5 – 6 p.m.) for set-up, evening (hosting 5:30 to 11 p.m. and dinner 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.), overnight monitor shifts (11 p.m. – 3 a.m. & 3 – 7 a.m.), and early Saturday morning for breakfast (5:30 – 7 a.m.) and clean-up (6:30 – 7:30 a.m.). We also need volunteers who prepare and drop off lunches to give to guests on Saturday morning as they leave. Making these brown bag lunches is a great task for families with children to do together at home.

This year we are also seeking one or two people who could pick up linens at Good Samaritan Hospital and deliver them to the Gathering Place (St. Mary’s basement) every week. This can be done any time between Monday and Friday noon, making it a very flexible time commitment of about an hour a week.

Help is always welcome for both set-up and clean-up. No need to call ahead, just come and help out. These two shifts are also “family-friendly” and a wonderful way to volunteer as a family. Now is a good time for 7th and 8th grade students who are in Confirmation preparations to join a team for their Parish Christian Service Requirements. Chances are that you know a parishioner who is involved in PADS as there are over 300 St. Mary’s volunteers. For more information, call one of the team captains listed below or email stmaryspads@gmail.com.

Team 1 – Mary Stapleton (630/220-1001)
Team 2 – Molly Walsh (630/280-9722)
Team 3 – Jan Miriani (630/212-4649)
Team 4 – Rob Sloyan (630/430-1218)
Team 5 – Becky Connery (630/696-1513)
Team 8 – Amy Boone (630/434-0999)

Note: Team 7 is staffed by a support group from Divine Savior Parish in Downers Grove.
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings for the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time teach us the importance of caring for each other on our spiritual journey. Especially in matters involving our own personal conduct, we often need others to help us see our blind spots.

Today and next Sunday, the Gospel readings are taken from Matthew 18. In composing his Gospel, Matthew inserted five major discourses of Jesus: the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5–7), the missionary discourse (Mt 10), the parables discourse (Mt 13), the community discourse (Mt 18) and the eschatological discourse (Mt 24–25).

In today’s reading from the community discourse, we hear Jesus speak of the “church” (ekklēsia) in Greek. Only Matthew uses the word church to refer to the Christian Community. First when Jesus tells Peter, “Upon this rock I will build my church,” referring to Peter’s faith; and, second when Jesus challenges the community to reach out to its sinners in today’s Gospel. The word means the assembly or gathering, the members of the Christian Community.

Matthew introduces the “church” as a structure that Jesus begins to build in his ministry. Matthew’s church community had a recognized leadership and high expectations for personal conduct among its members. This personal conduct included continued adherence to the Mosaic Law (5:17), humility (18:1-5), unconditional forgiveness of each other (18:21-35), and a willingness to sacrifice everything for the kingdom of God (16:24-28; 18:6-9). In fact, one of the main functions of the community was to hold each other accountable to this high expectation of personal conduct. Matthew’s church community learned that in their gathering together in the Lord’s name, and in their mutual accountability, they experienced the Lord in their midst.

Our readings for today remind us of the importance of Christian community. We need each other for assistance on our spiritual journey, especially when we find ourselves affected by the blind spots in our lives that adversely affect our personal conduct.
In today’s second reading Saint Paul enjoins us to be indebted to no one. Debt creates the kind of pressure that impedes our relationship with Jesus Christ. But there is one debt we will always owe and never be able to pay off fully: The debt of showing love to others. We will never reach the place where we can say, “Now I love others as much as I ought, and that’s enough.” No matter how much we’ve grown in faith we will always be required to grow in love. Good stewards realize that God does not call them just to love those who are easy to love, but to love the unloved and the hard-to-love people in this world as well. This week, remind yourself: “I am put here as an ambassador of God’s love.”

SMG MANNA PROGRAM IS BACK!

We are excited for our new partnership with Great Lakes Scrip, one of the leaders in helping you fundraise while you shop. Great Lakes Scrip provides a variety of gift cards for over 300 vendors.

Participating in the SMG Manna Program helps you earn credits toward your tuition at St. Mary of Gostyn School and Religious Education or Montini Catholic High School!

You can also choose to donate your credit to SMG.

Simply print the registration form available at www.stmarygostyn.org, or pick one up at the Parish Center or School Office. Return completed form to the Parish Center or School Office. You will receive an enrollment letter shortly thereafter.

First order of the year will be held Monday, September 11th.

Orders received on Mondays at 10 am will be received on Thursday by 2 pm.

Have questions? Please email: manna@stmarygostyn.org. Thank you!

Stewardship

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Thank you for your continuing support and generosity.
The life of St. Thomas of Villanova was characterized by the love of learning, a desire for church renewal and service to the poor and disadvantaged. He was born in 1486, the son of a miller and raised in the village of Villanueva de los Infantes, Castile, Spain. He studied at the famous University of Alcala where he received his master’s and doctorate degrees, and in 1512 at the age of 26 he became a professor of philosophy at the university. He was a popular lecturer and was praised by his students and colleagues for always being friendly and helpful.

After four years Thomas left the university and joined the Augustinian friars. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1520. He assumed several leadership positions in the community, and when elected provincial of Andalusia and Castile, he sent the first Augustinian missionaries to the New World where they helped evangelize what is now modern Mexico and, from there, the Philippines. He was eventually appointed archbishop of Valencia in 1544.

Thomas’ episcopal ministry was marked by personal austerity, devotion to the care of orphans, the sick, and the poor. He came to be known as the “father of the poor.” He established social programs, a soup kitchen in the bishop’s palace, and for the homeless a place to sleep. He was also called the “Almsgiver” because of the many people who came up to his door every day for a meal and a little money. He insisted that the material resources of the church be shared with those in the greatest need and he challenged church leaders to serve the least powerful.

It has been said that Thomas’ scholarship and stewardship of the poor were motivated by a desire to practice the teachings of the Beatitudes. He believed that all learning should be inspired by a genuine desire to know God and that learning ought to lead a person to make a difference in the community and in the world. He taught that the image of God is in every human being and that love and wisdom are discovered in the service of others.

St. Thomas of Villanova died of heart disease on September 8, 1555. He was beatified in 1618 and canonized in 1658. Villanova University, just outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is one of a number of universities around the world named after him.

**SEPTEMBER 11**

**National Day of Mourning and Remembrance**

**Prayer of St. Francis**

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
and Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive—
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017
6:15 AM - Marie Koppers req. Steve & Julie Doyle
8:00 AM - Lorraine Stephenson req. Brad Luecke

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
6:15 AM - Mary Lou Marino req. Helen Simoncelli
8:00 AM - Bernice DiCharia req. John & Carol Sommer

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017
6:15 AM - Mary Lawler req. Calistro Family
8:00 AM - Angela De Vries req. Graczyk Family
Patricia McDonnell req. St. Mary’s School Sunshine

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2017
6:15 AM - Norbert Dytrych
8:00 AM - Ralph Anthony Swartz req. Vickie & Larry Swartz

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017
6:15 AM - Charlotte Santore req. Jim & Fran Guertler
8:00 AM - Joseph A. Massura

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017
8:00 AM - Living Intention for Alberto Torres req. Family
4:30 PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017
8:00 AM - Anna & Louis Dal Ponte req. Ron & JoAnn Rodi
10:00 AM - Rosemary Hanson req. Family
Len Kwasniewski req. Corbett Family
12:00 PM - Czeslaw Gnyla & Jan Rabiasz req. Family
6:00 PM - Henry Russo req. Yahiro Family

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading - Warn the wicked, trying to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).
Psalm - If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).
Second Reading - Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).
Gospel - If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
ALTAR FLOWERS

Congratulations and Thank You to
MATT & KAY SELFRIDGE
who donated our lovely flower arrangement on the altar in celebration of their
60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The 125th Anniversary Directories are in!

If you had your portrait taken, or submitted a photo for inclusion in the directory, you will be able to pick up your free copy after each Mass this weekend. Directories will be available in the passageway/Hallway of the Apostles. This is your last opportunity to pick up your directory after Mass. After this weekend, you can pick up your directory from the Parish Center office during business hours.

For those who are not eligible for a free copy; you may purchase/order a copy of the directory for $20. You may purchase/order a copy at the sign-up table (adjacent to the distribution tables) during these weekends.

Back to School Movie Night (Children's Garden)

Hang on to summer and join the Garden Committee for a movie night in the SMG Children's Garden. Bring your chairs, blankets, pillow and favorite stuffed animal for an evening showing of Boss Baby. Saturday, September 16th. Arrive at 7pm to visit with friends. The movie will start at 7:30pm. In the event of rain, the movie will be re-scheduled. For more information or questions please contact Nicole Gibson nicoleannegibson@gmail.com or Hilary Denk at j.denk@comast.net.

See you in the Garden!

Medical Missions Meeting

Monday, September 11th from 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM in the Gathering Place.
All women of the parish are welcome, including friends!
For additional information, please call 630-971-1702

Check us out on the web!
www.stmarygostyn.org
Parish, School, Religious Education and Diocesan news at the click of a mouse!

Planned Giving

The best time to plan your estate is now.

None of us really likes to think about our own mortality or the possibility of being unable to make decisions for ourselves. This is exactly why so many families are caught off-guard and unprepared when incapacity or death does strike. Don’t wait. You can put something in place now and change it later…which is exactly the way estate planning should be done.

When making or reviewing your will, please remember to include St. Mary of Gostyn Parish Endowment Fund in your plans.
The first week back to school was a busy one!

Ice Cream Social - new playground set purchased with the proceeds from the Valentine Gala! Just in time for the opening of School.

First Day of School

First Mass with Kindergarten Buddies, a St. Mary’s Tradition.

Annual St. Mary of Gostyn 5 K Race/Walk
Prayer Requests

The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Judith Abella  Nicholas T. Almeida  Lois Bach  Anna Bandur  Gabriella Beirne
Abby Beranek  Kathy Berg  Sharon Binter  Frances Boland  Bill Brown
Tom Brown  Felicia Bubula  Ann Clark  Margaret Corbett  Helen Czulak
Frank Davis  Jessica Davy  Jim Donovan  Dennis Finn  Becca Gorman
Mark Gowgiel  Diane Goyette  Rion Goyette  Gen Hadamik  Hope Hathaway
Robert Hayes  Bobby Johnson  Donna Karlinski  Joseph Karlinski  Kenny Kern
Doreen Lehner  Robert Lehner  Diane Main  Virginia Mates  Eddie Mayerik
Spencer Mehr  Dolores Mendoza  Kate Moss  James Murawski  Andrea Mutton
Rob Noonan  Fr. Ernie Norbeck  Ken Norman  Daniel Oliver  Mary Ann Papievis
Eleanor Pecka  Cynthia Petro  Char Ryan  Tom Salansky  Kay Selfridge
Eliza Skipworth  Yoshiie Snider  Joey Stefka  Joan Tagglionia  Sharon Tallerico
Hugh Toner  Mark Trout  Laine Van Houten  Audrey Waechtler  Loretta Wies
Ashley Woltman  Rob Hudson  Cindy Hudson  Frank Scola  Florence Scola
William Stagner  John Hopper  Helen Capuano  Erinn Henes  Shirley Nolan
Tina Pua  Matt Selfridge  Gertrude Butzen  Shirley Nolan  Jean Dahm
George Drobney Sr.

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the family of
John Benton, father of Ginny Baschen, grandfather of Kelly Warner
Richard McQuaid

Marjorie Schumacher, wife of Deacon Carl Schumacher and aunt of Julie Worch
Dr. Robert Unger, father of Dr. Joseph Unger

Pray for our Military

Let us pray for all of our military personnel, especially the men and women of our parish who are serving in harm’s way:

Jason Weeks  Kevin Braasch  Michael Martel  Natalya Brechlin
John Svoboda  Christopher Fountain  Nathan Kijowski  Josh Cruz
Bob Lang  Zachary Frana  Timothy Randazzo  Christopher Randazzo

Grief Support Team

....“And Jesus wept” John 11:35

Jesus’ friend Lazarus died, and because of his grief, Jesus wept.

If you have lost a loved one and you are experiencing the pain of loss and grief, please join the Grief Support Team at St. Mary of Gostyn to share with us and others who have experienced the grief and pain you are now feeling.

Grief Support Group starts meeting on Tuesday, September 19th, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Parish Center Living Room. We will be meeting every Tuesday starting September 19th for six weeks.

Call Moira Barker at the Parish Center (630) 960- 3565 to register. If you have questions, you will be referred to the appropriate person to contact for further assistance.
This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 17, 2017. The 2017 theme will be "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.
The ONE topic ONE night Speaker Series aims to provide our parish community a platform to foster dialogue, cultivate enriching ideas, and continue an appreciation of learning as an active and lifelong process.

One topic. One night. One faith.

September 19 at 7:00pm
Speaker: Father Shaun
Topic: Celibacy & the Priesthood

Pope Francis called Relativism the “spiritual poverty of our time”, an age where preference and tolerance has replaced morality. Many people find it difficult to speak the truth, afraid of the reactions they will receive if they say something is right or wrong. Who am I to Judge? helps us understand relativism and offers practical tools to talk about moral truth with greater conviction, clarity and compassion.

Two ways to join in this study
Both Begin September 12th

View at home. Log onto FORMED.org with parish code 8PQ4J3.
Join the discussion. Tuesday 8:00 pm in the Underground.

Do it all at St Mary’s!
Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the Underground.

More info: www.stmarygostyn.org or Kelly at kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org

Nourish is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health, career and caring for an aging parent or spouse, in town or from afar. Find strength, joy, and holiness in your caregiver journey.

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One holy catholic apostolic church


Responding to Relativism with Logic and Love
RCIA

Are you interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith? Do you know someone who may be interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith - a relative, a neighbor, a friend? If so, please call Fr. Shaun. We will be forming inquiry classes to answer questions about the Catholic faith. There is no obligation, we are just learning about what the Catholic church teaches, her history, and her traditions. This is a time to discern through inquiry and prayer as to whether or not you are being called to join the Catholic faith. The classes are open for three categories:

1. Those who have never been baptized.
2. Those who have been baptized but never completed their sacraments of initiation, namely Confirmation & Holy Communion.
3. Those who have been baptized in another religious tradition who now feel they are being called to the Catholic faith.

This process is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a journey that leads to the Easter sacraments of Initiation. There is no obligation. It is a time of learning and discernment. Our first inquiry session begins Sunday, September 24th at the 8:00 AM Mass.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Shaun  (630) 969-1063, ext. #212

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Presider Schedule for Saturday, September 16th and Sunday, September 17th

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.

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St. Mary Book Group
Wednesday, September 13    Parish Center    9:30 AM          The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown

At the 1936 Olympics in Germany, a rowing crew from the University of Washington beat the odds and win the gold medal.

SMG Evening Book Discussion
Thursday, September 21     Parish Center    7:00 PM          Coming Home by Rosamunde Pilcher

In 1935, a girl is left behind at a British boarding school when her mother and sister join her father in Singapore.

Books are on hold at the Downers Grove Public Library. Please ask for the St. Mary’s Book selection. Everyone is welcome. For further information, call Pat Burton (630) 852 - 2168.
15th Annual Golf Outing
September 15, 2017
Village Greens Golf Course
75th and Lemont Rd., Woodridge

6:00 - Dinner and Drinks
8:00 - Post Party

Amazing Raffle Prizes including Golf Getaways,
Sports Tickets, Patio Furniture, Dining Packages,
and much more.

See our website for more information or to register: stmarygostyn.org

Around the Community

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS
Friday, September 15, 2017
Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30 PM, Mass 7:30 PM
Father Paul Hottinger, Presider
Alex Grozik, Assisting
St. Margaret Mary Church 1450 Green Trails Drive
Naperville, IL 60540

SERRA CLUB DINNER
The SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE, a national organization
supporting vocations to the priesthood and religious life, invites you to join them on Monday, September 18, 2017 at St. Michael’s Parish, 310 S Wheaton in Wheaton. The evening will begin at 6:00PM with Rosary and Mass celebrated by Fr. Matt Pratscher, St John the Baptist Parish. Dinner will follow in the Parish Center.

Since 2015, Father Scott McCawley, Guest Speaker at the Dinner, has served as the first Archivist for the Diocese of Joliet where his job is to collect, organize, preserve and provide access to records and artifacts that have historical, legal or administrative value that pertain to the operation of the Diocese, its parishes, institutions and people. In his spare time, Fr. Scott travels with his Scottish Highland bagpipes for musical performance and competition.

To find out more about SERRA or to make a reservation for the dinner, please contact Joann Carr: carrgeojo@gmail.com or 630-665-0994

Volunteers Needed
Catholic Communion Ministry
Good Samaritan Hospital – Downers Grove
Contact: Gail Miskowicz-Retz
Gail.Miskowicz-Retz@advocatehealth.com
Or 630-852-5347

FORD WIDOWED MEN & WOMEN
There will be a retreat/workshop
October 28 & 29, 2017 - Batavia
November 11 & 12, 2017 - Lemont
Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed especially to help the widowed find hope & joy again. Incls. overnight and meals. Space limited – register early. Ph: Joyful Again Widowed Ministry
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“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”

— Matthew 18:19
NEW PARISHIONERS: We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register either in person at the Rectory, or register online through our website, www.stmarygostyn.org.

BAPTISMS: St. Mary of Gostyn offers baptismal preparation sessions on a monthly basis. If this is your first child or it has been more than five years since you attended a baptismal preparation session at St. Mary’s or another parish, you will need to participate in a session before you can receive a date for your baby’s baptism.

Parents are the first and primary educators in the practice of the Faith. Godparents play an important role in the faith life of your child. While considering godparents for your child, be aware that at least one must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is active in his/her faith. Please call the parish office at 630-969-1063 to register for a preparation class and to schedule a baptismal date.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of welcoming and preparing adults for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation - for full membership in the Catholic Church. Unbaptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics with little or no formal religious education are invited to participate. Please call the rectory for further information.

ANNULMENTS: We are available to help anyone who is in need of information about how to apply for an annulment. Please contact the rectory at (630)969-1063.

LITURGY of HOURS: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is prayed Monday through Saturday following the morning liturgies.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available at regularly scheduled liturgies throughout the year, or by appointment. You may ask the presiding priest before any Mass for an anointing. Communal Anointing Masses are held on the 1st Saturday of the month in August, November and April at the 8:00 AM Mass.

The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill, upon request. Please notify the Rectory if members of your family are in the hospital or homebound.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are usually made by the Funeral Home or by a family member. A member of our Bereavement team will meet with you to plan the Funeral Liturgy. Eulogies can be given at the Wake Service, Interment at the Cemetery or at the Funeral Luncheon, but not at the Mass of Christian Burial.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament.

PRAYER GROUPS: Monday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Parish Center; Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center chapel.

ROSARY DEVOTION: Monday through Saturday, 7:30 AM in the church; Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM on Monday evenings in the church.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 PM in church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the Rectory (630-969-1063) to arrange to have your confession heard by a priest.