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A large, detailed close-up of a coin, likely a Roman denarius, featuring the profile of a man with a beard and laurel wreath. The coin is set against a dark, textured background.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SHOW ME THE COIN.

— MATTHEW 22:19 —

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Important update regarding tai chi

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the tai chi classes led by Ron Mackiewicz will not be starting on October 19. We hope to have the classes in November. Watch for updates in the bulletin and the Friday Footnotes.

Spaghetti, Fellowship, & Fun

Please join us in the parish hall at StB on Saturday, November 14, from 4:00 to 7:30PM for our newest event—a spaghetti dinner accompanied by a gift basket raffle and a bake sale.

See the flyer in this bulletin for more details.



Update on pastoral assignments for our five parishes

To the faithful of St. Bernadette, Blessed Savior, St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Margaret Mary, and Our Lady of Good Hope: We are pleased to share an update on the pastoral assignments of Deacon Tony Dompke and Simon Biagui. Both were originally assigned to serve all five parishes, assisting with home visits, Christian formation, and evangelization. After reviewing the job responsibilities on paper, it appeared that both men could manage the workload comfortably. Once they began working within the actual schedule, however, it became clear that the demands of serving five communities exceeded what either of them could accomplish, stretching each of them too thin. Home visits require unhurried time and genuine presence, and formation and evangelization efforts need consistent attention to bear fruit. We consulted with Deacon Tony and Simon about the challenges, and they were honest and generous in sharing their experiences. Together, we decided it was wiser to reassess the assignments than to ask them to stretch themselves too thin. Effective immediately, Simon will serve St. Bernadette, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and Our Lady of Good Hope, while Deacon Tony will serve Blessed Savior and St. Margaret Mary. This allows each minister to build stronger relationships and offer more dependable support to the parishes in his care. We thank Deacon Tony and Simon for their dedication and flexibility, and we ask for your prayers and patience as these adjustments take effect.



St. Bernadette: All those on the long-term prayer list in the Book of Assembly Prayer and posted in the gathering area

St. Catherine of Alexandria: All those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church

Our Lady of Good Hope: Jane Kirst and all those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church

Adult formation on FORMED

Deepen your relationship with God to know Him better.

October 18 ~ Practicing Catholic Podcast: How to Grow in Virtue, One Choice at a Time
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/4112035?cid=1439538>

FORMED for families with children

Teach your children about our Catholic faith.

October 18 ~ The Mark 10 Mission: The Most Holy Trinity
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/4056737?cid=1496885>

Gospel reflection

Giving back what is theirs ~ The Pharisees came to Jesus with flattering words and a hidden purpose, hoping to trap Him with a question about taxes. If He said to pay, the people might turn against Him; if He said not to, Rome might arrest Him. Jesus, knowing their hearts, asked them to bring Him a coin and tell Him whose image was stamped upon it. "Caesar's," they replied, and Jesus answered with words that have echoed for centuries: "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." With one simple sentence, He silenced His critics and revealed a deeper truth. The coin bore Caesar's likeness, so it belonged to him, but what bears the likeness of God? Scripture tells us that we do, for every one of us was created in His image. This means our lives are not divided into separate compartments, with one part for the world and another for God. We can honor our responsibilities, work faithfully, and serve our neighbors, all while remembering that we ultimately belong to the One who made us. This week, may we ask ourselves what we may be holding back from Him, and may we give ourselves freely and gladly to the God whose image we bear.
~ Blessings, Fr. Mark



4:30-7:00PM in the StB parish hall

November 20	March 12
December 18	March 26
January 15	April 16
February 12	May 21
February 26	

Catholic trivia

Question: True or false? Priests must say preparatory prayers called "access prayers" before beginning to celebrate Mass.

Answer: False. These prayers are discretionary. ©LPi

Thank you to OLGH Parish from Wisconsin Homeless Veterans Initiative

Thank you so very much for your recent donation. Your generosity will help us provide services for veterans who need support, but who cannot find it elsewhere.

We have some very exciting news! Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative is now Wisconsin Homeless Veterans Initiative (WHVI). We have changed our name to better reflect who we service. While the largest population of veterans we serve lives in Milwaukee County, we continue to expand services in southeast Wisconsin. While our name has changed, our mission, programs, and commitment to veterans remain the same.

It's hard to believe summer is in full swing. The next few months are full of community events, activities, and programs for veterans. We've already had our Bikes for Stripes event, which was incredibly successful.

Bikes for Stripes provides refurbished bicycles to veterans and their children. We are fortunate to have donated bikes of all sizes. Volunteers from the West Allis Rotary and GE Healthcare perform safety checks and repair those that need it. We distribute close to 300 bicycles, safety locks, and helmets annually.

Since our founding in 2008, MHVI/WHVI has run solely on donations from individuals, businesses, foundations, and the community. This year is no exception. We sincerely appreciate all you have done to help move MHVI/WHVI forward and to become a safe and trusted space for veterans in need.

Sincerely,
Debbie Buchanan, Executive Director

Thank you to OLGH Parish from Sojourner

Thank you for your kind and generous donation. Because of donors like you, we served more than 9,100 domestic violence survivors last year. Your donation funds lifesaving services, including:

- Our domestic violence hotline and text line, available 24/7/365
- Sojourner's 53-bed emergency shelter, which offers a safe respite for women, children, and men fleeing domestic violence
- Support groups and healing services for adults and children who have been exposed to domestic violence
- Case management services, including establishing safe housing, accessing child care, employment support, counseling services, and healthcare referrals
- Assistance with restraining orders and civil legal services
- Access to a strong network of legal, healthcare, and social service providers, many conveniently located on-site within the Family Peace Center.

Thank you for empowering survivors, strengthening families, and promoting peace in our communities.

With deepest gratitude,
Carmen M. Pitre, President and CEO

Congratulations to our StB Calendar Raffle winners

10/06/26	Samantha Wargula
10/07/26	Mary Dahl
10/08/26	Fr. Mark Payne
10/09/26	Danielle Taylor
10/10/26	Kevin Brown
10/11/26	Susan Tatsak
10/12/26	Gayle Land

Congratulations to our StCA Calendar Raffle winners

10/06/26	Amelia Buckley
10/07/26	Herb Phelps
10/08/26	Peter Gray
10/09/26	Clara Kotecki
10/10/26	Peter Steffen
10/11/26	Ryan Welcenbach
10/12/26	Tiffany Phelps

Eucharistic Adoration

October 20, 2:50-3:50PM at StB
November 17, 10:50-11:50AM at StB
November 19, 2:50-3:50PM at StCA

Thank you to OLGH Parish from MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary

Our prayers and dreams are becoming reality—we received our Occupancy Permit for Phase 2—the upper level of first floor! This includes the Martha Watts dining area, office space, the Tony Lee Community Room, offering impactful daytime programming and services for our guests, a private counseling room, and more. Our solar project is installed. Our new passenger elevator is nearing completion.

The MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary family would like to thank you for your donation. You are part of the power of good we represent in the 53206 zip code.

Grateful to you for believing in our work, we thank you from our hearts.

Sister MacCanon Brown (President & CEO)

Blessing for World Mission Sunday

O God,
You never cease to call us to Yourself. Bless the mission fields where we sow, tend, and reap. Give us Your grace and strength as we share Your love with families and friends, strangers and sojourners. Give us the right words, the right inspirations, the right invitations, the right love. Your love, shared. Amen.
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"Consult not your fears, but your hopes and dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do." ~ Pope Saint John XXIII



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

AT A GLANCE

Things you may not know about the day of prayer and sacrifice for the missions, held annually on the second-to-last Sunday of October.

World Mission Sunday is the Catholic Church's **only collection mandated** in canon law (Canon 791).



The proceeds fund the missionary work of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, one of the four Pontifical Mission Societies helping to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

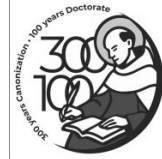
Funds raised in the US help **more than 1,130 mission territories** around the globe—reaching places where the Church barely exists yet, or where it is too young, poor, and persecuted to sustain itself.



The funds go to the missions under the supervision of the Pope. This collection is dear to his heart and helps missionary priests.

TPMS provide financial support for 2 out of every 5 seminarians around the world. A full 41% of all Catholic seminarians study and work in mission dioceses. These seminarians live in mission dioceses and would not be able to study as they do now without this collection.

"I saw firsthand how the faith, the prayer, and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities."
— Pope Leo XIV (Oct 13, 2025)



Living the Spirituality of John of the Cross in the 21st Century

YOUNG ADULT men & women in their 20's & 30's

WEEKEND RETREAT

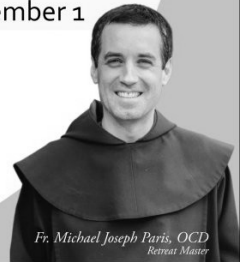
Holy Hill, Wisconsin

October 30 - November 1

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Fr. Michael Joseph Paris, OCD
Retreat Master

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER Unity Day ANNUAL CELEBRATION MASS

Sunday, October 25, 2026

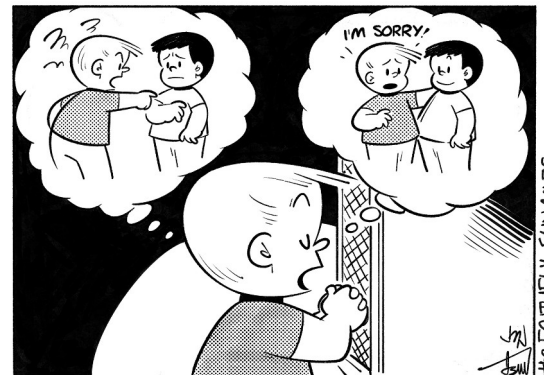
ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH
6060 W. LOOMIS ROAD, GREENDALE

Marian Procession | 2 p.m. | Mass to immediately follow.

President: Most Reverend James T. Schuerman,
Auxiliary Bishop

ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE

"How is confession like autumn?"



"You turn over a new leaf."



FUN FACT!
God is good! We can encounter His mercy and love in confession, where His grace covers our sins and we leave with a clean soul.

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Schedule of Masses & Intentions

Sunday, October 18, 2026: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM MP at StCA: †Richard Serbiak

10:30AM MP at StB: †Eugene Brown

Monday, October 19, 2026: Sts. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues
No Mass

Tuesday, October 20, 2026: St. Paul of the Cross

4:00PM MP at StB: †Andrew Erenyi

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

8:15AM MP at OLGH: †Rosemary Hackett

Thursday, October 22, 2026: St. John Paul II

12:00PM MP at StCA: †Lorraine Carter

Friday, October 23, 2026: St. John of Capistrano
No Mass

Saturday, October 24, 2026: St. Anthony Mary Claret

3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLGH

4:00PM FA at OLGH: †Thomas Gray

Sunday, October 25, 2026: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM FA at StCA: †Thomas H. Hoppa

9:00AM RM at StB (Hmong): FATP

10:30AM FA at StB: †Ralph Resop

MP = Fr. Mark Payne FA = Fr. Francis Assisi
AJ = Fr. Alan Jurkus RM = Fr. Roman Mueller
FATP = For all the parishioners of StB, BIS, StCA, StMM, OLGH

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This Week at Our Parishes

Sunday, October 18, 2026

- New member registration and donut Sunday, after Mass at StCA-GR
- Blood pressure screening, after Mass at StCA-GR
- Continental breakfast, after Mass at StB-PH
- Christian Formation classes, 11:30AM at StB-classrooms
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-PH

Monday, October 19, 2026

- October 25th bulletin announcement deadline, 10:00AM

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

- Preparing bag lunches for the homeless, 9:00AM at StB-LMR
- Adoration and rosary, 2:50PM at StB
- Strength training for seniors, 2:00PM at StCA-GR

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

- *The Way of Trust and Love* book read, 10:00AM at StB-LMR
- Pastoral Council mtg, 6:00PM at StB-LMR

Thursday, October 22, 2026

- Pulpit announcement deadline, 12:00PM
- Evangelization Cmte mtg, 6:00PM at StB-LMR

Friday, October 23, 2026

- StVdP food pantry open, 9:00AM-12:00PM at StCA

Saturday, October 24, 2026

- First reconciliation class, 9:00AM at StB
- Anointing of the sick, after Mass at OLGH
- New member registration, after Mass at OLGH
- Blood pressure screening, after Mass at OLGH

Sunday, October 25, 2026

- Anointing of the sick, after Masses at StCA & StB
- New member registration, after Masses at StB-PH
- Christian Formation classes, 11:30AM at StB-classrooms
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-PH

Readings for the Week of October 18, 2026

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3-5, 7-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/
Mt 22:15-21

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9-14/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-6/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47 and 51/1 Thes 1:5c-10/
Mt 22:34-40

