

*Welcome to the Parish Communities of*

**ST MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS** *of Briggsville, WI &*

**ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** *of Portage, WI*

*A welcoming community that is alive with prayer and service. Jesus challenges us to support one another, respecting our similarities and differences.*



***“I will give you the keys to  
the Kingdom of heaven.”***

*Matthew 16:18*

*Feast of Saints Peter & Paul*

*June 28 & 29, 2008*

**Pastor, Fr. Jim Murphy**

*jmurphy@stmaryotic.com*

**Deacon, Dennis Sutter**

*dsutter@stmaryotic.com*

**Parish Community Website: [www.stmaryotic.com](http://www.stmaryotic.com)**

### Portage Worship Schedule

#### Monday, June 30

8:00 AM Word & Communion

#### Tuesday, July 1

8:00 AM Word & Communion

#### Wednesday, July 2

7:00 AM Word & Communion

#### Thursday, July 3

8:00 AM Word & Communion

#### Friday, July 4

8:00 AM Word & Communion

#### Saturday, July 5

4:00 PM † Wm. B. Kiefer  
(Lawrence & Sandra Kiefer)

#### Sunday, July 6

9:30 AM † Leone McMahon (Frances Holly)  
11:00 AM † Bill & Lola Burns, Shirley Mitchell &  
Beverly Wipperman (Family)

### Portage Confessions

**Saturday, July 5**

9:00-9:30 AM

### Stewardship of Treasure

*Parish Support June 21 & 22*

Envelopes .....\$9987.50  
Offertory..... \$651.13  
DSA.....\$1258.72  
Fiscal Year to Date Giving.....\$488234.91

#### Parish Support Previous Year –2007

Envelopes Received ..... \$8461.00  
Fiscal Year Giving.....\$465891.16

#### Difference from previous fiscal year giving

Increase.....\$22343.75

### Stewardship Reflection

*Feast of Saints Peter & Paul*

*“He tapped Peter on the side and awakened him, saying, ‘Get up quickly.’ The chains fell from his wrists.”  
Acts 12:7*

Just as God miraculously freed Peter from prison, He can free us from the chains that the pursuit of possessions can wrap around us. We just need to strive to live a life of stewardship – putting God first in our schedules, in our days and in our budgets.

### From Our Pastor

Our July 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event is Mass in Pauquette Park on July 25 at 5:30 pm followed by a fish fry at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Silver Lake Drive. Some records indicate that the first Mass offered in Portage was on July 25. This could have been outdoors or in someone’s home. Please add this event to your calendar and join the celebration.

A St. Mary Mass in Spanish is now scheduled once a month. Usually this will be at 12:30 pm on the second Sunday of the month. A potluck will follow. All parish members are welcome. I would encourage non-Spanish speakers to join in the potluck to build parish unity. Many of our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters speak English as a second language but enjoy worship in their native language.

Fr. Jim

### St. Mary Spanish Mass Schedule

July 13  
August 3  
September 14  
October 12  
November 9

**Please note:**

**August 3<sup>rd</sup> will be an exception to the second Sunday pattern.**

### ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

#### Portage Lumber

1009 E. Wisconsin St  
Portage, WI  
Phone: 742-7186



[www.portagelumber.com](http://www.portagelumber.com)  
Monday-Friday: 7:00 am- 7:00 pm  
Saturday: 7:00 am– 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am- 5:00 pm

#### Please note:

**The parish office at St. Mary Portage & St. Mary Briggsville will be closed on Friday, July 4th.**

**Eucharistic Adoration has been rescheduled for Friday, July 11th at St. Mary Portage.**

# Twelfth Annual St. Mary Golf Outing and Dinner Sunday, August 3, 2008 Four Person Scramble



Come and join us for a day of fun & golf. There will be prizes on every hole and opportunities to win raffle tickets on the course.

If you do not wish to golf, please come and join us for entertainment & dinner.

**📍 Location**

Cold Water Canyon Golf Course– Chula Vista

**📍 Cost**

\$70.00 - includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, dinner & prizes  
\$25.00 - dinner only which also includes prizes

**📍 Time**

1:00 pm - Shotgun Start  
6:00 pm - Dinner at Chula Vista

**📍 Proceeds from the Golf Outing will**

Help fund the Patty Quigley Scholarship *and* in the past proceeds have also been used to purchase new computers & equipment for classrooms & the computer lab

**📍 Live Entertainment!!!**

The Harkins Brothers band “Late 4 Dinner” will perform before dinner, during social hour. You won’t want to miss this special treat!!!

Registration Information	Event	# Attending	Total Cost
Contact Person: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Golf & Dinner (\$70)	_____	_____
Phone Number: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Only (\$25)	_____	_____
Others In Foursome: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Donation Only (thank you)	_____	_____
_____	<b>Total Due:</b>		_____
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*Dinner will be a BBQ Rib & Chicken Buffet*

**Please return registration to:**

Martha Reali-Seaman  
2643 Pine Ridge Court  
Portage, Wisconsin 53901

← Tear along perforated line

## Help Spread Our Parish News

The Parish Life Committee has established a bulletin board in back of church for the purpose of sharing information with the parish about accomplishments/honors of fellow parishioners and information on what's going on within our parish. Please contribute. If you know of an accomplishment or special honor of a parishioner let us know by dropping the information in the bag that hangs from the bulletin board. Pictures from various sacraments would be a great addition along with special anniversaries and newspaper articles. Make sure to write the name (s) on the back of the photo as to who is pictured and what the occasion is. We hope you enjoy this board.

## Knights of Columbus Events

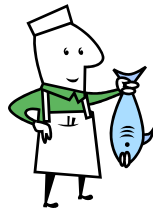


### Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, June 29  
9am-Noon  
KC Hall

### Fish Fry

Friday, July 4  
Cocktails 4:00 pm  
Dinner served 5:00-7:30 pm  
\$8.75



## Market Day News

Order forms for July are available in the parish office or in the back of church. Now is the time to stock up on delicious summer time favorites. Orders are due Friday, July 11. Remember you can also order online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com).

## Scripture Readings

*the week of June 29, 2008*

**Sunday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19  
Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Monday:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:** Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

**Friday:** Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:** Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17

**Sunday:** Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

## History of the Parish

The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Committee presents....



### "Did You Know?"

The following is an excerpt from the **Parish Manual and Official Guide to St. Mary Church** from the early 1900's. Under a page entitled "**Correct Thing in Church,**" the following appears:

*"To remember that mere bodily presence in church with the mind wandering to temporal concerns does not fulfill the precept of hearing Mass."*

## Cookbooks Still Available!!

Don't miss your chance to get a 175th Anniversary Cookbook! They are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the Parish Center. Stop by soon and purchase one or more!!



## PARISH LIFE EVENT

**What:** Madison Mallards Game  
**When:** Saturday, July 19  
**Time:** 6:05  
**Cost:** \$8.00



### Special Treat!!

**Madison Malone will be singing the National Anthem!**

*If you are interested please register by mailing or dropping off your ticket money to the parish center. **Deadline for registration is: July 7th***

We would like to tailgate, so once we have a list of those interested in attending we will get together to plan our tailgate menu.

# PLAY BALL



## Briggsville Worship Schedule

### Tuesday, July 1

8:00 AM Word & Communion

### Wednesday, July 2

8:00 AM Word & Communion

### Thursday, July 3

8:00 AM Word & Communion

### Saturday, July 5

5:30 PM † Herb & Nellie Hilgendorf  
(Deloris & Tom Hilgendorf)

### Sunday, July 6

8:00 AM People of the Parishes

## Liturgical Schedule– July 5 & 6

### Reader:

5:30 PM– Natalie Fuchs  
8:00 AM– Barb Poppy

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

5:30 PM– Betty Nadolski & Charles Newling  
8:00 AM– Jean Derheimer & Chris Clark

### Servers:

5:30 PM– Chelsey Hilgendorf & Jenalee Wilson  
8:00 AM– Nick Schwantz & Sawyer Cimaroli

## PLANS ARE IN THE WORKS!!

Prizes and donations are needed for ticket items. Please call Craig Hilliard if you can help with donations and prizes in any way. It is of utmost importance.

We are also looking for someone to head up the craft sale we need volunteers who can help in any way!



## Going on vacation?

Don't forget to keep up-to-date with parish news by logging on to our website.

Visit [www.stmaryotic.com](http://www.stmaryotic.com) to view:

- The Weekly Bulletin
- Special Event News
- Weekly Calendar
- Scripture Readings

And much more!!

## From Our Pastor

The parking lot and cemetery drive are in need of crack repair. Are there volunteers willing to take on this project? Working together always builds parish unity. I hope to hear from some eager volunteers by July 15. After that date we would have to consider paying a contractor for this repair.

Fr. Jim

## Cemetery Fence Proposal

The St. Mary Briggsville Parish will be replacing the entrance fence to the cemetery and the north and north west sections. A proposal has been made by the Cemetery Committee and an illustration is available for viewing in the back of church this weekend.

Please address you comments on this proposal, in writing, to:

James Dinegan, Cemetery Sexton  
PO Box 142  
Briggsville, WI 53920



## Catholic Women's Bake Sale Next Weekend July 5 & 6

### WE NEED YOU!!

#### How?

Bake & Bring (before Mass)  
Buy & Take (after Mass)

#### When?

July 5 & 6

#### Where?

Church Entrance

#### Why?

Proceeds help the Briggsville Catholic Women support their church projects. Among them: purchase of candles, flowers, altar breads used in church services, refreshments after ecumenical or other special events, hospitalities for the homebound and the bereaved and Faith Formation materials for our children.

*All of us make these things possible by our participation in the summer bake sale!*

*Thank You.*

## PARISH INFORMATION

**St. Mary Help Of Christians -Briggsville, WI**  
**PO Box 127 53920**

### Weekend Masses

Saturday-5:30 pm

Sunday-8:00 am

### Parish Office – 981-2282

**Pastoral Minister**– Sr. Jovita Winkel, CSA  
 (jwinkel@stmaryotic.com)

**Bookkeeper**– Barbara Poppy-253-2100

**Maintenance**– Bob Gauger

**Pastoral Council Chair**- Susan Hilliard

**Cemetery Sexton**– James Dinegan

**St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception- Portage, WI**  
**309 W. Cook St 53901**

### Weekend Masses

Saturday-4:00 pm

Sunday– 9:30 & 11:00 am

### Parish Office- 742-6998

**Faith Formation**– Jeri Sutter (jsutter@stmaryotic.com)

**Youth Minister**– Brenda Collins (bcollins@stmaryotic.com)

**Pastoral Minister**– Malu Durkin

**Liturgist**– Kathy Oganezov (kathyo@stmaryotic.com)

**Secretaries**– Pat Ashley & Kari Caulum

### Bulletin Editor &

**Website Maintenance**– Kari Caulum (kcaulum@stmaryotic.com)

**Bookkeeper**– Betty Tessmann (betty@stmaryotic.com)

**Maintenance**– Dan Schwalbe

**Cemetery Sextons**– Tom Waldron

**Pastoral Council Chair**-John Miller

**St. Mary School– Portage, WI**  
**315 W. Cook St. 53901**

### School Office– 742-4998

Principal– Lynn Koresh

Secretary– Cindy Harvey

## AREA EVENTS

### National Association for Mental Illness - NAMI -Support Group

The NAMI support group will be meeting at the Portage Public Library on Wednesday, July 9 from 4:30-5:30 pm. This group is open to the public and to all those who suffer some sort of mental illnesses and their family members. If you are unable to attend this meeting and would like to know that date of the next meeting you can contact Loretta Corning at 608-617-2422 and leave a message, or call the Library to see what evening we will be meeting over the next couple of months.

### Eighth Annual Arts & Crafts Fair

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will hold its 8th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday, July 5 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. There will be a variety of crafts from many vendors and a bake sale featuring homemade goodies. Held indoors in “air conditioned” comfort.

### Salad Luncheon

St Jerome Catholic Church, Columbus  
 St. Jerome Altar Society is holding their annual salad luncheon on Friday, July 11 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Enjoy a spectacular selection of refreshing salad, baked beans, breads, croissants, muffins and bars. \$6.00- adults \$4-children under 12

**CROSSWORD** (Most answers are in today's readings)

**CLUES ACROSS** 1. The angel left Peter at the end of this 3. Everyone 6. The death of James pleased them 7. When Jesus rose 8. Peter was \_\_\_ glad to be free 9. Peter thought \_\_\_ was all a vision 10. One who decides guilt and innocence 13. Exclamation 15. The iron gate led to this 16. Male child of a father 19. It opens and closes 12. They fell from Peter

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**CLUES DOWN** 1. Take into custody 2. Untie, set free 3. As well 4. Peter's cell was filled with this 5. Wicked king 6. Heavenly king 11. God is this 12. Peter left \_\_\_ the angel 14. Herod wished this on all the members of the Church 17. The present moment 18. Not out