

*"We are a family of believers from four unique Catholic Parishes who find Home through community, Hope in the Living Presence of Christ, and Holiness in our witness to the world."*



**JANUARY 5, 2020**

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

## PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor, *Rev. Dave Schmidt* ..... 920-496-2160 x121  
 E-mail ..... dschmidt@quad-parish.org  
 Associate Pastor, *Rev. Greg Parent* ..... 920-496-2160 x120  
 E-mail ..... gparent@quad-parish.org  
 Business Administrator, *Carol Kittell* ..... 920-496-2160 x112  
 E-mail ..... ckittell@quad-parish.org  
 Pastoral Associate, *Sr. Pat Clement* ..... 920-496-2160 x125  
 E-mail ..... pclement@quad-parish.org  
 Pastoral Minister, *Sr. Jan Villemure* ..... 920-496-2160 x131  
 E-mail ..... jvillemure@quad-parish.org

Discipleship Coordinator ..... *Becky VanKauwenberg*, 497-7042 x125  
 E-mail ..... bvankauwenberg@quad-parish.org  
 Music Coordinator, *Nancy Lemerond* ..... 920-496-2160 x129  
 E-mail ..... nlemerond@quad-parish.org  
 Liturgical Coordinator ..... 920-496-2160 x122  
*Jennifer Poehlmann* ..... jpoehlmann@quad-parish.org  
 Deacon, *Mike Mervilde* ..... 433-0477 (home)  
 E-mail ..... mmervilde@aol.com  
 Deacon, *Dan Wagnitz*  
 E-mail ..... dwagnitz@quad-parish.org  
 Deacon, *Jerry Coenen* ..... 920-362-6274

## QUAD-PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE 496-2160

1087 Kellogg Street • Green Bay, WI 54303 Fax 496-2167  
 AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY USE ONLY 920-617-8646

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Fri. 8:30 am-noon  
 E-mail ..... lverheyden@quad-parish.org  
 Secretary, *Laurie Verheyden* ..... x110  
 Bookkeeper, *Mary Jane Smithers* ..... x111

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

Annunciation ..... Sunday 8:00 am  
 St. Joseph ..... Sunday 10:30 am  
 St. Jude ..... Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 9:15 am  
 St. Patrick ..... Saturday 4:00 pm

FOOD PANTRY - 437-3356, 505 Clinton St., Mon-Th. 1-3 pm  
 LOVE LIFE - 920-497-1087, Thurs. 1-4 pm (not 5th Thurs.)

## FAITH FORMATION CENTER OFFICE 497-7042

936 Ninth Street • Green Bay, WI 54304 Fax 491-0121  
 Office Hours ..... Mon, Tue, Thur 8am-1pm Wed 1-3:30pm  
 Secretary, *Nancy VanBeek* ..... x111  
 E-mail ..... nvanbeek@quad-parish.org  
 Director & High School ..... *Becky VanKauwenberg*  
 Phone ..... 497-7042 x125  
 E-mail ..... bvankauwenberg@quad-parish.org  
 Elementary & Middle School, *Kristin LaPlante* ..... x119  
 E-mail ..... klaplante@quad-parish.org

WEBSITE: [www.quad-parish.org](http://www.quad-parish.org)

Find church addresses/directions,  
 phone numbers, special events, Faith  
 Formation program, councils & committees.



[www.facebook.com/thequadparishes](http://www.facebook.com/thequadparishes)

## God At Work

Most of us can't even begin to appreciate the significance of this great feast of the Epiphany. Since Adam and Eve's fall, God has been working on a plan of redemption that we humans might just recognize, so we can once again be reunited to our God, who is infinite LOVE.

Centuries ago God chose to work through one nation that was to serve as the big brother to all the nations. But over time the Israelites misinterpreted God's work with them. By the time of the Incarnation the Jews believed the Messiah would be like their great King David and would free them from Roman and foreign domination.

The King Herod that was ruling at this time was more than a little nervous when the magi appeared in his court looking for a new born king. His cage was so rattled! He was greatly troubled! Did you notice he assembled the whole gang, the chief priests and the scribes, to discuss his problem?

Secretly, Herod met with the magi to determine exactly when that star first appeared. In addition he demanded the magi come back to him after they found this new born king so that he too could worship him. What he really wanted to know was where he could find this baby, this enemy and threat to his throne!

Why did God attract the attention of the magi in the first place? Because God's plan didn't include sending a mighty warrior to slaughter Israel's enemy, Rome, and make Israel top dog. God's plan was to reveal His great love for us and His immense desire that all humans grasp the mystery that we are made in the image and likeness of this unconditional, compassionate, all loving Holy One. This God wants all people to be with the Trinity forever.

Like the magi God works with each of us, giving us signs through people and events in our lives, which help us realize all creation is blessed and has a final destination far beyond our imaginations. God intended all along that we should work with Jesus in building the kingdom that is not of this world, but of heaven and is the beginning of a new earth in a new age that will last eternity.

Take some time this week to reflect on today's gospel and ask yourself where your faith is leading you. When we encounter our living God, we change and like the magi we take a different route. Where is your new route heading?

Happy Epiphany,  
Sr. Pat



### **Additional Annunciation Flower Donation**

In memory of Ted Klysen.  
Requested by: Dorothy, Julie, Sue & Tom

### **Additional St. Patrick Flower Donation**

In memory of Al & Kay Lochman,  
Orville & Lorraine & Bob Berg,  
and Paddy Mackey



### **Prayer for Our Immigrant Sisters and Brothers**

Blessed are You, Lord Jesus Christ.

You crossed every border  
between Divinity and humanity  
to make your home with us.

Help us to welcome you in newcomers,  
migrants and refugees.

Blessed are You, God of all nations.

You bless our land richly  
with goods of creation  
and people made in your image.

Grant that we will be stewards and peacemakers,  
who live as your children.

Blessed are You, Holy Spirit.

You work in the hearts of all  
to bring about harmony  
and good will.

Strengthen us in human solidarity and in hope.

God of all people, grant us vision  
to see your presence in our midst,  
Especially in our immigrant sisters and brothers.

Give us courage  
to open the door to our neighbors  
and grace to build a society of justice.  
Amen.



**Our heart is restless  
until it rests in you.**

*St. Augustine*



## Locking Doors!

There have been numerous times when doors, especially the church doors at St. Jude, have been left open overnight. Occasionally at St. Joseph, someone leaves the church and the door doesn't shut tight behind them. There have been instances of doors being left unlocked at Annunciation and St. Patrick as well. Unfortunately, in this day and age, we have to be very careful when it comes to security. Please, please, please make sure to lock any doors you unlock. Feel free to check all the doors before you leave to make sure they are locked. To keep our churches safe, we need everyone to be very conscientious about locking doors and making sure the door shuts tight behind you. Thank you for your cooperation.

## St. Patrick Remodel & Mass Schedule

St. Patrick Church is going to be undergoing another phase of the remodeling project, beginning Mon, Jan 6. To avoid the dust and disturbance, we are going to transfer St. Patrick Parish masses to St. Joseph Church for the 4:00p Saturday Mass and 8:00a Daily Mass, until the completion of the project which is expected to end in June. Please watch the bulletin, website and facebook for Holy Days (times & locations), or listen to the announcements at mass.

### Daily Mass Schedule

8:00a Tuesday @ St. Joseph  
8:00a Wednesday @ St. Joseph  
8:00a Thursday @ St. Jude  
8:00a Friday @ Annunciation

### Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00p Saturday @ St. Joseph  
4:00p Saturday @ St. Jude  
8:00a Sunday @ Annunciation  
9:15a Sunday @ St. Jude  
10:30a Sunday @ St. Joseph

Sanctuary Candles ~ Jan 5-18

In Memory of

Joseph Bouressa ~ Annunciation  
John Merline ~ St. Joseph  
Evelyn Noel ~ St. Jude  
Alex Betzinger ~ St. Patrick

## With Sympathy

*Please remember in your prayers  
the following who have died, and the  
family & friends who survive them:*

Howard Erickson

*"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord."*

## Masses

### Tues, Jan 7- St. Patrick Mass @ St. Joseph

8:00 am Marjory Schmitz

### Wednesday, January 8

8:00 am St. Joseph Iaine Gezella

### Thursday - January 9

8:00 am St. Jude Spec. Intention for the Blozinski Family

### Friday, January 10

8:00 am Annunciation For those who suffer from  
crippling disease and terminal illness in our midst

### Saturday, January 11

4:00 pm St. Jude Lorraine Mande

### 4:00 pm St. Patrick Mass @ St. Joseph

Scott Schoen

Carol Sutrick

### Sunday, January 12

8:00 am Annunciation Bill & Norma Calawerts

Ted Klysen

9:15 am St. Jude People of the Quad-Parishes

10:30 am St. Joseph Clarence & Mark Oudenhoven

Louis Rohr

## Rosary & Communion Service

6:05 am Mon - Fri - St. Jude

**Rosary** 3:30 pm Saturday - St. Patrick

## Reconciliation

Thursday, Jan 9 7:00 pm @ Annunciation  
Saturdays 3:00 pm @ St. Jude & St. Joseph  
Sundays after 10:30 Mass @ St. Joseph

## Adoration, Music & Reconciliation

ADORATION  
MUSIC  
CONFESSION

Encounter the love of Christ  
through prayer and song.

Thursday, January 9th

7:00 pm Exposition

7:15 pm Music/Confession

8:15 pm Benediction

8:30 pm Fellowship

Church of the Annunciation, 401 Gray Street

## CALENDAR

### Monday, Jan 6

|         |                          |                   |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1:00 pm | Renew Bible              | Annunc. Rm 105    |
| 1-3 pm  | Food Pantry              | 505 Clinton St.   |
| 6:00 pm | Cub Scouts - Troop 1008  | Annunc Hall       |
|         | NO Bible                 | Annunc. Rm 105    |
| 7:00 pm | Boy Scouts - Troop 1008  | Annunciation Hall |
| 7:00 pm | St. Joseph Athletic Club | St. Joseph LPH    |

### Tuesday, Jan 7

|         |                          |                   |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1-3 pm  | Food Pantry              | 505 Clinton St.   |
| 4:00 pm | Pastoral Care Commission | Annunc. Rm 109    |
| 4:15 pm | Choir Practice           | Annunc. Church    |
| 6:30 pm | Choir Practice           | St. Joseph Church |
| 6:30 pm | Boy Scouts - Troop 1010  | St. Joe 200-202   |
| 7:00 pm | Tae Kwon Do              | Annunciation Hall |

### Wednesday, Jan 8

|         |                 |                     |
|---------|-----------------|---------------------|
|         | NO Bible        | Annunc. Rm 105      |
| 1:00 pm | Mission Society | Annunc. Mission Rms |
| 1-3 pm  | Food Pantry     | 505 Clinton St.     |
| 6:00 pm | English Classes | Annunc. Rm 109      |
| 6:30 pm | Spirit Singers  | St. Jude Church     |

→ **Religious Ed: See Faith Formation**

### Thursday, Jan 9

|        |                          |                 |
|--------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1-3 pm | Food Pantry              | 505 Clinton St. |
| 1-4 pm | Love Life (No 5th Thurs) | 505 Clinton St. |

### Sunday, Jan 12

|          |                            |              |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------|
| 10:30 am | Young Adult Choir Practice | Annunciation |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------|

Quad-Parish calendar at [www.quad-parish.org](http://www.quad-parish.org)

## PARISH NEWS

### Coming Attraction: "Cokeville Miracles"

Thurs, Jan 16, 1 pm  
Annunciation Room 105



This movie is based on actual elementary school shooting threat that occurred in the USA. The children speak up after their hostage situation is resolved and share their incredible stories about what happened personally to them or other children during the threat. Those who believe in angels will find this movie heartwarming; those who don't might be skeptical.

Come judge for yourself. All are welcome, it's free, and popcorn and other treats are a bonus.

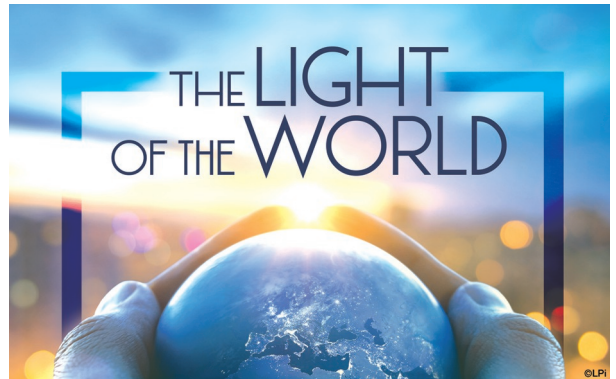
### New Hope Bereavement Group

If you or someone you know has lost a loved one and need a safe and welcoming place to share new and often confusing experiences and feelings, you are encouraged to consider joining this ecumenical grief group.

This group meets on five consecutive Tuesdays, 1:30-3:00 pm at Annunciation (room 105) at 1087 Kellogg Street. Session will be 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11 and 2/18. There is no fee. A free will offering is appreciated but not necessary. All are welcome. To register, call the office, 920-496-2160.

## SAVE THE DATE

- ✓ Thur, Jan 16 Movie Day: "Cokeville Miracles"  
1:00 pm, Annunciation Room 105
- ✓ Jan 18/19 Food Drive for St Patrick Food Pantry  
All quad-parishes
- ✓ Tue, 1/21-2/18 New Hope Bereavement Group  
Tuesdays 1:30 @ Annunc. Rm 105
- ✓ Sat, March 14 Winterfest



### WINTERFEST 2020

**Saturday, March 14 Riverside Ballroom, 1560 Main St**  
Family Style Chicken & Baked Ham Dinner  
Ticket details coming soon!

The **BIG RAFFLE TICKETS** are now available for pick up in the gathering area of your church of registration. All tickets that are not picked up in the next few weeks will be hand delivered by the Winterfest Committee and additional volunteers. This is quite a tedious task, so we are asking for your help. When grabbing your tickets, please consider grabbing those of your neighbor. This would lessen the work load of others and it is a great way to evangelize in your neighborhood! Don't Delay...buy and sell now!

### Thank you for Supporting Scrip!

Last Week's Sales: \$21,416.00 Profit: \$987.43  
Customers: 118 New Customers: 3

### Packer Playoffs... gathering of friends and food!

We have many Scrip vendors to help with the snacks and refreshments and bubbly too. Stop by the Scrip table after mass or Quad Parish office for an order form.

**There are two Scrip purchases every Parish household can make... GROCERIES AND GAS.** Check out and pay with Scrip at your grocery store (Woodmans, Festival, Pick N Save, Piggly Wiggly and Walmart) and fill your tank at a Scrip gas station (Kwik Trip, Shell, Fleet Farm) and you are making a donation to the parish that adds up each week.

**Come check out what Scrip has in stock;** several are local businesses! Visit [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) if a vendor isn't on our order form. All the way to the bottom there is a "retailer list" tab to click on.

**Anybody can use scrip!**



# FAITH FORMATION

Mon, Tues, Thurs 8am-1pm, Wed 1-3:30pm  
Closed Friday. Or, call for an appointment.  
936 Ninth St., GB 54304 497-7042

*Find Home, Hope and Holiness*



## RE Classes for Wed, Jan 8

KN - Gr 8 5:30-6:45 pm  
High School 6:30-8:00 pm

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



# Youth Group

## Middle School Youth Group

Wed, Jan 8 7-8pm

Students in grades 6-8 are invited to gather after class in the game room to pray together, play fun games and enjoy

**"Finding Home in Community"**



## Mark your Calendars Gr. 5 Students & Families

Teaching on the Mass 5:30pm  
Wed, Jan 15 St. Joseph Church

### *Have you ever wondered why Catholics and Priests do the things they do during Mass?*

We're excited to invite our 5th grade families to our **Teaching on the Mass** event on Wed, Jan. 15. This event, lead by Fr. Dave, is not an actual Mass but a question and answering session in church that explains all the different parts of the Mass and why we do them. Each 5th grade student should have a family member attend with them. Questions? Contact Kristin at [klaplante@quad-parish.org](mailto:klaplante@quad-parish.org), 497-7042 x119.



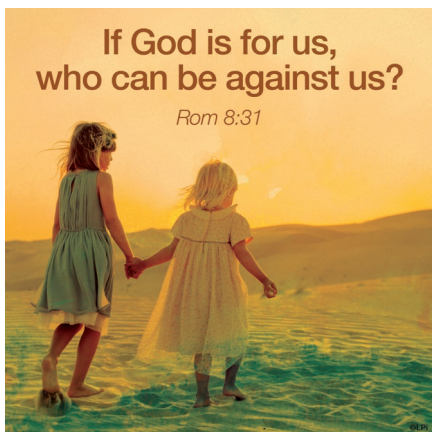
## GOSPEL TIME

Children ages 4 through 10 are invited to hear, discuss and participate in activities relating to the readings of the day at their own level. This takes place during Mass in a nearby room of the church with an approved adult. Children will then return to Mass before the Eucharistic Prayer. Gospel Time is free and there's no registration needed!

### Would you like to help with Gospel Time?

All that's required is a desire to help children take a more active part in the celebration of their faith! All materials & training are provided. If you are interested, please contact Kristin LaPlante at [klaplante@quad-parish.org](mailto:klaplante@quad-parish.org) or 497-7042. Our goal is to provide & grow the Gospel Time program at each of the parishes:

**Annunciation - Sun 8am**      **St. Joseph - Sun 10:30am**  
**St. Jude - Sun 9:15am**      **St. Patrick - Sat 4pm**



## Blood Pressure Screening

Sun, Jan 5 - Annunciation & St Joseph  
Sat, Jan 11 - St Patrick & St Jude      Sun, Jan 12 - St. Jude



Did you know that the Faith Formation Office recycles your old printer ink cartridges? For 20 years, the Funding Factory has been helping organizations like ours fundraise by recycling toner and inkjet printer cartridges. They turn used cartridges into cash which helps support our ministries and keeps millions of pounds of cartridges out of our landfills!

Simply bring your old, empty cartridges to the Quad-Parish or Faith Formation Offices. For a list of acceptable cartridges, visit [www.fundingfactory.com](http://www.fundingfactory.com). **Please no toner tubes (plastic cylinder tubes found in copy machines).**

### Recycle - Clean Plastic Caps & Soda Tabs

Recycle your clean plastic caps at the QPO. Caps from water, soda, milk, juice, shampoo/conditioner, laundry, prescription, vitamin, etc. Please, no caps that have a pump as part of them (hand soap). **ALSO NOTE:** We collect metal soda tabs. They go to the Ronald McDonald House. Thanks!

# JESUS, THE IMMIGRANT

Last Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, was Jesus flight into Egypt to escape Herod's killing of the first born boys. Jesus and the Holy Family will stay in Egypt as migrants. I read an article written by *Denise C. Koenig* about "What the Bible says about Refugee's".

Please read and pray about this.

We use many different terms today for what the Bible calls strangers, foreigners, and sojourners. Here are a few:

- **Displaced persons** — those who have been forced to leave their homes (community) due to violent conflict, war, or a natural disaster. These people temporarily live in another community in their country and usually return home when things improve.
- **Refugees** — people who have been forced to leave their nation due to violent conflict or war. These people want to return to their country once the war or conflict is over. These situations often lead to years of displacement.
- **Migrants** — those who have chosen to leave their home country, mainly to escape [poverty](#). These people are making a permanent move and would not return unless conditions improved significantly.
- **Immigrants** — very similar to "migrant." Someone who moves to another country for any number of reasons, including marriage or other family ties, employment/business opportunity, etc. Some distinguish between immigrants with legal papers to enter a country and those without legal permission. This would not have been a consideration in Bible times.
- **Asylum seekers** — individuals who ask to live in another country to escape severe religious or political persecution or another violation of their human rights. These people would not return home unless the reason for their move came to an end.
- **Stateless persons** — those who are not a citizen under the laws of any country. People can become stateless in many ways, such as when a country ceases to exist or when a country adopts discriminatory laws that do not recognize certain ethnic groups within its borders.
- **Visitors** — people coming into a country or community for a defined time. Some come for a vacation or sabbatical. Others come for an education. These individuals return home when that time period is over.

There are principles in God's Word about how his people are to treat strangers or foreigners.

Jesus said how his followers treated strangers should show disciple-like behavior.

... I was a stranger and you invited me in.—*Matthew 25:35*

Jesus follows the Old Testament pattern and takes it a step further by saying that how we treat strangers indicates whether we are his followers. We are to invite the stranger in if we are his disciples.

Foreigners or refugees are not to be oppressed.

Do not oppress a foreigner; you yourselves know how it feels to be foreigners, because you were foreigners in Egypt.—*Exodus 23:9*

The Israelites knew how it *felt* to be a foreigner. They were to call on their empathy for refugees because they had been treated cruelly as refugees who were made into slaves in Egypt.

And since we, as believers, were once strangers outside God's kingdom, we can identify with the idea of not belonging as the reason why we treat refugees or displaced people without discrimination.

Treat foreigners or refugees as citizens and with love.

The foreigners residing among you must be treated as **native-born**. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the Lord your God.—*Leviticus 19:34*

Make foreigners part of the community.

Miscellaneous instructions in the Law made sure foreigners were included in the Jewish community. They included provisions for them to be treated equally under the law and to be included in festivals and celebrations of the community.

- Cities of refuge were available to Israelites and foreigners in cases of accidental murder (Numbers 35:15).
- Foreigners were to be included in festivals & celebrations mandated in the Law (Deuteronomy 16:14; 26:11).
- Some of the tithe collected by the priests was to be used to not only feed them and their families, but also to help provide food for foreigners, widows, and orphans (Deuteronomy 14:28-29).
- Also, farmers were instructed to leave the gleanings of their fields for the poor and the foreigner (Leviticus 23:22). And to treat the stranger as they would the poor among the Israelites (Leviticus 25:35).

Notice the last two points were about providing for displaced people's needs, especially food. The truth, even today, is that people come to live in another country for a variety of reasons & with a variety of resources in their hands.

All believers are to show hospitality to strangers.

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers for by doing that some have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

—*Hebrews 13:1-2*

All believers are strangers on Earth.

... live out your time as foreigners here with reverent fear.

—*1 Peter 1:17*

This is a principle for God's people of all times. Moses instructed the Israelites not to sell any of the land permanently, because the land belonged to God and they were only foreigners living there (Leviticus 25:23).

Think of how graciously God treats us, the foreigners living in his world. His kindness to us can guide our thoughts and actions towards those living as strangers among us.

All believers in Jesus Christ belong to the kingdom of God.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household.—*Ephesians 2:19*

This verse follows the great passage that lays out how we have been saved by faith in Jesus (2:8-10). In it, the terms "foreigners" and "strangers" are used as metaphors for our condition before our faith in Jesus Christ. Before we believed, we were outside the covenant and considered foreigners or strangers in God's kingdom (2:11-13). But because of our faith in him, we are now part of God's community — strangers who have been welcomed in.

I found the article informative. Just, spreading the Word.  
Deacon Jerry



## Want to help a family in need?

When we visit families in our parish neighborhood, we notice a lot of children that use black garbage bags or cardboard boxes to store their clothes. It must be a humbling experience for both the kids and their parents as they try to keep their bedroom neat and orderly. You can help! If you have an old dresser that your family no longer needs, instead of storing it in the basement or garage filled with things you also no longer need, drop it off at a SVdP donation center or call 435-4040 ext. 229 and arrange for our truck to pick it up. Then you can also donate all that other stuff you no longer need. Just think how proud that little girl or boy will be when they store their clothes and personal things in their very own dresser. That smile will be worth a thousand words. *Thank you, St. Vincent DePaul Society*

# HOPE CENTER

HOME OF ST. PATRICK'S PANTRY & LOVE LIFE

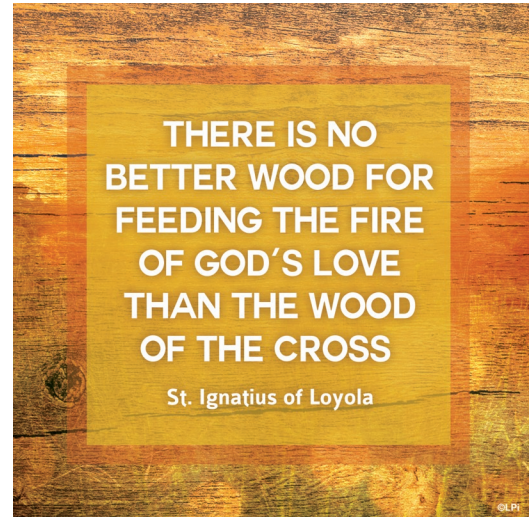
[WWW.HOPECENTERGB.COM](http://WWW.HOPECENTERGB.COM)



The Hope Center is a collaboration of the West Side Catholic parishes of Annunciation, St. Agnes, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Joseph, St. Jude, Nativity & St. Patrick who work with other faith communities on the west Side of Green Bay to help break the cycle of poverty. To find out more about our ministries and services, or to learn how you can volunteer or donate, we invite you to check out our new website!

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gifts of cloths, furniture etc. to the St. Vincent de Paul stores so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child or a family in need. Thank you for all that you do for Saint Vincent de Paul and if you are interested in joining us with our mission call Mike 920-494-2214.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

FROM THE HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAMILY



## AREA NEWS

### Ladies of All Ages!!

In Mary's Footsteps Women's Conference, entitled 'Receive Mercy and Find Grace' will be held at Good Shepherd Parish, Chilton on **Saturday March 14, 2020**. Featuring Dr Edward Sri, Theologian, author & well-known Catholic speaker who appears regularly on EWTN; the return of Mother Mary Catherine, Foundress of Missionaries of the Word; and Speaker & Emcee for the day Rose Sullivan, Executive Director of the National Conference for Diocesan Vocation Directors. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David Ricken. Registration is open at: <https://www.goodshepherdchilton.org/event/in-marys-footsteps-womens-conference/> Register now to receive a reduced rate! Don't miss this enjoyable and inspirational day!!

### 2020 Ireland Tour - September 22-October 3, 2020

Enjoy 10 days in Friendly Ireland, including several full-day excursions with Fr. Dennis Ryan, Prince of Peace, GB

Travel: Round Trip Airfare from Chicago, Coach Tour Bus in Ireland

Accommodations: #4 Star Hotel Accommodations/15 meals and guides

Travel to: Dublin, Knock Shrine, Connemara, Cliffs of Moher, Limerick, Ring Of Kerry, Blarney Castle, House of Waterford Crystal and Kilkenny

Cost: \$3,109 Taxes/Fees included

Booking Info/Full Itinerary: Julie Arend at Julez Travel, LLC 920-585-1330 [julie@juleztravel.com](mailto:julie@juleztravel.com)

# Norman Miller Center, Quad Parishes partner for social justice series

By Jeff Kurowski | The Compass

December 11, 2019

## St. Norbert students give talks at St. Joseph Church in Green Bay

GREEN BAY — St. Norbert College students Natalie Bradish and Leah Jobe are thankful to serve as community organizers for the Norman Miller Center for Peace, Justice and Understanding.

“We have the best jobs in the world,” said Bradish, who is from Appleton. “We help out with organizing events. We recently had Las Cafeteras (a Los Angeles-based band that uses music to bridge cultures). We help plan, coordinate schedules, meet them, take them where they need to be and help set up.”

Natalie Bradish, left, and Leah Jobe, pictured at St. Norbert College in De Pere, where they are studying, serve as community organizers for the Norman Miller Center for Peace, Justice and Understanding. As part of their service, the two students present talks based on Catholic social teaching. (Sam Lucero | The Compass)

While much of the mission of the center — to cultivate “awareness, compassion and commitment to justice and the building of sustainable peace” — involves events and initiatives on campus, the staff welcomes opportunities to serve the greater community.

This year, Bradish and Jobe took on a project through a partnership with the Quad Parishes (Annunciation, St. Jude, St. Joseph and St. Patrick) on Green Bay’s west side. In October, they launched a series of presentations on Catholic social teaching, held in the chapel at St. Joseph Church. The first session addressed “Climate Change and Its Effects on Immigration.” The November presentation tackled “Immigration Laws.”

The idea for the project originated last winter when the Norman Miller Center was approached by a representative from the Quad Parishes, explained Bob Pyne, senior director of the center. He consulted with a leadership team from the parishes about ways to promote justice work in the community.

“Deacon Jerry (Coenen) was at the meeting and he and I met again a few weeks later,” said Pyne. “He told me about his desire to host a series of talks on social justice and Catholic social teaching, potentially aimed at seniors in the community.”

“Several of our student community organizers at the Norman Miller Center took ownership of the idea from there,” he added. “They have chosen the topics and developed the presentations on their own. We are proud of them and happy that the program has taken off.”

The students did research for the presentations. At the November session, Jobe, who is from Tigerton, covered President Donald Trump’s executive orders that focus on border security. She provided numerous statistics and sources. For example, Jobe broke down the number of border agents called for by President Trump. He signed an order for an additional 5,000 agents. That would bring the total to approximately 25,000.

Jobe also shared statistics about the proposed border wall, which would serve as a U.S.-Mexico barrier. She provided information from sources indicating that 650 miles of fencing is currently on the border. That leaves 1,300 open miles.

Jobe showed a video as part of the presentation about how some of the rugged terrain in south Texas, featuring cliffs as high as 1,000 feet, creates a natural border and would provide a construction challenge in that region.



Bradish provided information about life in countries that are southern neighbors to the U.S. and the rise in immigration. She once visited Guatemala for five weeks through a program offered by the college.

To demonstrate the growth in immigration, Bradish shared that there were less than 1 million Latin American-born U.S. residents in 1960. In 2010, that number had climbed to 19 million. She spoke about “push factors” driving migration, including poverty, violence and discrimination.

“Latin America’s homicide rate is 3 times that of the global average,” she said. “In Mexico & Venezuela, half of the citizens reported experiencing a violent crime in the last year.”

Deacon Coenen helps facilitate the sessions. He served in both Texas and California and started a mission in Mexico. He helped with the development of schools, but the children in the community were not required to attend.

“Those kids don’t have to go to school,” he said. “There were 1,000 families. They were not educated and didn’t have jobs. If they got a job it was usually for \$5 a day. That was the going wage. Drinking water in Mexico is still \$1.50 a bottle even if you make \$5 a day. They would drink clean water, but they would have trucks of dirty water come in so they could bathe and do the dishes. It breeds sickness.”

Deacon Coenen added that the people would rather stay with their families than migrate to other countries if they could live safe and healthy lives.

“It’s hard,” he said. “I think as Catholics, we have to realize that they are our brothers and sisters. What can we do besides pray? We are trying to help. I thank these two young people for their research. It’s up for us as a community to react in the right way.”

Bradish, a biology major, is graduating at semester. Jobe, a psychology and communications major, will continue the presentations in 2020 with another staff member from the Norman Miller Center.

“I want them to gain confidence in their knowledge and presentation skills,” said Pyne, “and I want them to have fun working together for a good cause alongside community members. We always say that our service programs should create positive change in the community, create positive change in the student participants and bring that change back to campus for the rest of us to enjoy.”

“It is really good to formulate our own information and develop our skills speaking in front of people,” said Bradish. “We are still learning. This helps us.”



## Verbal & Bulletin Announcements

To get your event included in the verbal announcements at Mass, please submit your request to [ipoehlmann@quad-parish.org](mailto:ipoehlmann@quad-parish.org) or call the parish office by Wednesday, 3 pm. We ask that verbal announcements be no longer than two sentences, especially if it is also in the bulletin. Bulletin requests are due to Laurie by noon on Monday. Thanks!

## NOTICES

**Prescriptions & Health Aids:** Due to unforeseen circumstances the Green Bay Medical Sewing Mission can no longer accept any medications. Individuals can work with the Green Bay Police Dept. regarding proper disposal. We can still accept diabetic insulin/supplies, crutches, wheelchairs, commodes, braces, slings, hearing aids & glasses. They can be dropped off at the QP Office.

## SEVERE WEATHER

There are no plans to cancel morning masses in case of severe weather; however, for safety reasons, be very conscientious about coming out in inclement weather. Your safety is of utmost importance and we cannot guarantee that parking lots will be cleared. Please use your best judgment. The Faith Formation Center, St. Patrick Food Pantry & Love Life will be closed when the schools close. Every attempt will be made to have the Quad-Parish offices open, but please call before coming since we may get in late or leave early. Our main concern is keeping everyone safe and we don't want you coming to the office if it is not open.

## ATTN: SCRIP CARD USERS

When you pay with scrip or a gift card, do you sometimes have a small balance left on the card? Would you consider donating that card to those in need? We often get walk-ins requesting money to purchase gas, food, or prescriptions. The small balances left on your gift cards could add up to be enough to help someone have their next meal, pick-up a prescription, or purchase gas to get to a doctor appt, an out-of-town funeral, or to work the next day. Cards can be dropped in the collection baskets, or at the Quad-Parish or Faith Formation Office. It would be helpful if you would indicate the balance left on the card.

## PRAYER VINE

Do you have a special need for prayer? If you or someone you know needs a few extra prayers said for them, you can call the Quad-Parish Office at 496-2160.

It is not necessary to give names or specific details. Request examples: "Please pray for Sue (or 'a lady') that is going to Marshfield for testing" or "Please pray for my new grandson who was born two months premature."



**Friendly Reminder:** When going to church, **please** don't apply perfume or cologne. They can cause irritation or severe reaction to people who have allergies or asthma. Thank you for being considerate of others.

## FINANCES

### Your Weekly Offering

Please know that if you attend Mass at any of the eight West-Side Green Bay Parishes (Annunciation, Nativity, St. Agnes, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. John the Baptist, St. Joseph, St. Jude or St. Patrick) you can place your weekly offering envelope in their collection basket. Your offering envelope will be forwarded to your church of membership and credited accordingly to your account. This is a collaborative effort by the eight West side parishes to assist our parishioners.

### Electronic Contributions

Members of all four parishes have the option to make their contributions electronically. This is a safe & efficient means instead of remembering to bring your contributions to Mass or mailing them each week. To get set up for electronic transfers, we need you to fill out a simple form and provide a voided check. If you are interested in this service, please call Carol or Mary Jane at the office (496-2160).

## MEMBERSHIP

To register for entrance of family or individual name in Annunciation, St. Joseph, St. Jude, or St. Patrick's registry, contact Sr. Pat, 496-2160.

Your most important commitment and contribution is your presence at the Sunday Eucharist, "...the source & summit of our life is Christ." Beyond that, we are "Sacrificial Giving" parishes, asking that you share your material and financial support, time and talent as God has shared with you, and according to your prayerful decision.

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

We rejoice with you as you look to have your child baptized! For initial preparation and to schedule a date for the Baptism, please call Nancy at 497-7042.

### Marriage

Contact the Quad-Parish Office at least 6 months prior to wedding.

### Homebound or Nursing Home Visits/ Communion Calls

Parishioners who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or incapacity may request a Minister of Care to visit and bring Communion. Those seriously impaired by sickness or old age may also request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call Sr. Jan at the Quad-Parish Office, 496-2160. If it is an emergency after hours, please call 617-8646.

To help us keep track of our parishioners, we ask that families (and neighbors) let us know when a loved one or neighbor is homebound, in a nursing home or in an assisted living facility so that we can provide visits and care. Also, please let us know if someone is receiving Hospice Care so Pastoral Care can be provided at this difficult time.

### Hospitalization

Please ask admitting personnel to inform your parish whenever you or a loved one is hospitalized. If at all possible either a priest or a pastoral associate will visit. Privacy concerns do not permit the hospital to initiate the contact.