

Saint Mary Parish

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Pancake Breakfast Today

Sunday, February 10
9–11:30 a.m.

**McGaw YMCA
Children's Center**
1420 Maple Avenue, Evanston
(*Saint Mary's former school*)

\$10 Adults
\$5 Seniors
\$5 Children 12 & under



“In the Sight of the Angels I Will Sing Your Praises, Lord” (Ps. 138)

I have often been asked how I choose music for our liturgies, and on one level it's a simple answer, yet on another, it's more complex. When I was in the third year of my master's program, I had to choose a topic for my final thesis paper. Because I have such a passion for how music can enhance a liturgy, I knew that I wanted to write about how the text of our hymnody, as well as the choral pieces we do, can really bring out the meaning behind the scripture we hear each week. Ultimately, I honed in on just Lessons & Carols – a perfect example of the Word of God and Song. The title of my master's thesis was, “Lessons and Carols as a Contemporary Form of Mystagogical Catechesis.” What the heck does that mean? Well, mystagogy is a means of reflecting upon a past event that allows us to experience its deeper meaning. It can be practiced in many ways, but for me, personally, any time I sit back and think about something that happened or was said, contemplating it and wondering how it relates to me and to my relationship with God is practicing mystagogy. We do it all the time, we just don't know it. And the term “Catechesis” is just what you would expect it to be—*religious instruction*. A simple explanation would be that our music teaches us about God and our relationship with him.



Dianne Fox

How does this relate to the *choosing* of music? It is my hope that my own personal reflection on the scripture, weeks before you might hear it, will enable a passage or a specific meaning to resonate with you even beyond the doors of the church building. When I hear from somebody that such-and-such hymn was stuck in their head all week, I'm very pleased! And quite honestly, it happens to me all the time! I read through each piece of scripture, looking for phrases, meanings and as well as cohesion between readings. Sometimes it can be really difficult, but there's always some major message that is being stated. It's really no different than what our clergy does in preparing the homily, because we always have to frame it all within the context of our current world events.

As for today's scripture, it is rich in imagery and text that made for easy choices. The closing line of Isaiah's reading is a no-brainer in choosing the song, “Here I Am, Lord,” and whenever we hear Jesus speak of the sea, fishing or calling his disciples, it is a welcome invitation to sing, “Lord, When You Came.” It's so sing-able, and is well loved. But the greatest message we hear throughout our scripture today is giving God praise along with the mission we have all been charged with – to bring Christ to all who we meet. We are disciples, and very often our music is our encouragement and our marching orders to, “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.”

But what if you don't believe that you can sing? Does that excuse you from participating? I have my own challenge to you: pick up a hymnal, even if you feel that you can't sing, and read the text. You might be surprised by what it will do for you. Even after having chosen the music, there are times when the text of a hymn will hit me like a ton of bricks! The weekend before last, our opening hymn for the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses was *O Christ the Great Foundation* (#646) and that morning the 3rd verse was so powerful, I nearly choked up:

Where tyrants' hold is tightened,
Where strong devour the weak,
Where innocents are frightened
The righteous fear to speak,
There let your church awaking
Attack the pow'rs of sin
And, all their ramparts breaking,
With you the victory win.

There are so many people who have no one to speak up for them—we see it every day. “There let your church awaking attack the pow'rs of sin...” This is our job as disciples of Christ, but more importantly, we do not do this alone. We do it for Christ and we do it with Christ.

So, just as Deacon Dennis reminded us in his homily last weekend, we cannot be complacent in our role in the Mass. We come to talk with God and to listen to his message for us. When the message is flashing in bright red neon, how can we ignore it?

So, please join in singing!

St. Mary Black Catholics

Please join us as we gather for an afternoon of positive faith sharing, food, and fun!

Sunday, February 17, 2019

12:15 pm - 1:30 pm

In the Parish Center Living Room.

All Are Welcome!

Give It Some Thought

As we shiver through these bitterly cold winter days keep in your prayers the homeless and people struggling to survive on the streets. Like many homeless shelters, these locations have are at near capacity.

Something to consider is creating a few winter kits to keep in the car and distribute to the homeless we may encounter in our neighborhoods or when we're driving around or headed to work. It doesn't take too much effort to put together bags containing a few pairs of winter socks, granola bars, lip balm and a couple of gift cards to fast-food restaurants like McDonald's or Dunkin' Donuts.

We also should make a point of checking on our elderly neighbors or people we know who are shut-ins in case they need any assistance or groceries from the store. Let us not neglect or overlook the least of our brothers and sisters.

- Deacon Dennis



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A Community of Faith and Service

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (vigil) 5 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Haitian Mass
(first Sunday of the month)
Monday - Saturday 8 a.m.
Holy Days 8 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

PARISH CENTER

You are welcome to visit our Library and Chapel during business hours.
Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Evenings:
Wednesday-Thursday 6-9 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS February 16–17

	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11 a.m.
Presider & Homilist	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Kevin
Greeters				
North	Ann Murray	Theresa Cameron	Mike Loriaux	
East	Elaine Pollak & Joni Sowinski	Jerre Michelin	Peggy Loriaux	Marie Cadet
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Altar Servers	TBA		Danny O'Connor Matt O'Connor Elizabeth Potosnak	Cat de los Reyes Isabella de los Reyes
Confessions	Saturday, 4–4:30	Fr. Kevin		

Please remember in your prayers

... those who are sick, especially Yolande Vilsaint; Carolyn Buford; Ashley Vilme; Wallace Bowling; Lisa Frederick; Victoria Amaro Pena; Anita Kimmerle; Trevor Ellis; Jim Osburn; Don Mays; Julia Loiseau; Ruth Ann Quinn; June Reband; Clarissa Pompey; Tina Swanson; Joan Fondell; Mary DuCharme; Ben Johnson; Anne Teoli; Greg Reband; Jamie Adler; Giselle Bernadel; Cleante Smith; Scott Jones; Lucy Hilaire; and Mary Powers. Also remember in your prayers all those who have recently died, especially Joanice Krienke Larson, cousin of Dianne Fox; Pascual Melchor, cousin of Alejandro Abraham; Josephine Bozza, mother-in-law of Tammy Bozza, grandmother of Julia and Colin; and Rev. George McKenna.

Pray for our military, pray for peace

CDR Edward Carlton, U.S. Navy, son of Frank & Caroline Carlton ❖ Airman Lindsey Foley, U.S. Air Force, Scott AFB, niece of Chris Foley ❖ Lt. Daniel Kozicki, U.S. Navy, nephew of Linda O'Dwyer ❖ Cadet Helen Hitt, daughter of Stephanie and John Hitt.

Have a name to add or remove?

Email bulletin@stmaryevanston.org.

PARISH LIFE To arrange for the following, please call the Parish Office at **847 864-0333**.

MASS SCHEDULE.

Saturday (vigil) 5 p.m. Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Haitian Mass (first Sunday of the month)
Monday - Saturday: 8 a.m.
Holy Days: 8 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

RECONCILIATION. Mondays through Saturdays after 8 a.m.
Mass, Saturday afternoons 4:00–4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. Every Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. in the church. Holy hour weekdays at noon in the Parish Center chapel.

INFANT BAPTISMS. Registration in the parish is a prerequisite. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Preparation Session at least two months prior to scheduling a Baptism. These sessions are held on the second Monday of every other month; the next session is **Monday, March 11**.

Baptisms are generally celebrated on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m. based on the liturgical calendar. Please call the Parish Office to register for the session.

REGISTRATION. Saint Mary Parish welcomes new parishioners. Please go online at stmaryevanston.org. Complete the form, save it and return it as an attachment to office@stmaryevanston.org.

MARRIAGE. Arrangements should be made with the parish at least six months in advance.

RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

For adults or teenagers interested in becoming a Catholic and receiving the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation).

MINISTERS OF CARE. Ministers of care are available to bring Holy Communion to those who are home-bound, in the hospital or in a nursing home. Contact the Parish Office.

Conversation with Vincentians

February 13, 7–8 p.m. in the Parish Center

The Saint Mary Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you, as a parishioner, to join us in conversation about the challenges of poverty in Evanston and the Vincentian mission to grow spiritually by offering person to person service to those who are needy and suffering. This is a great opportunity to learn more about our neighbors who suffer under the burden of poverty and how together we can help them. We'll provide a warm welcome and some refreshment.

As Christians we are all called to help the most vulnerable among us. We can start answering that call by making ourselves more aware and more involved with the stories of struggle facing many people in our community. Let's talk and then let's act. Let's grow together in holiness by going out to meet Christ among our Evanston neighbors in need.

Evanston Catholic Woman's Club

Wednesday, February 13 is the date for the next meeting of the Evanston Catholic Woman's Club. It will take place at Zhivago's Restaurant, 9925 Gross Point Road, at noon. Their guest speaker will be David Ozar, Ph.D., emeritus professor of health care and social ethics in the department of philosophy at Loyola University. For reservations call Carol at 847 475-7178 no later than Sunday, February 10. All are welcome!

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
 Monday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
 Tuesday: Lincoln's Birthday
 Thursday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 9

8:00 † Abigail Spellman

Sunday, February 10

8:00 † Irene Luczak

9:30 For Our Parishioners

11:00 For Our Parishioners

Monday, February 11

8:00 † Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 12

8:00 Intentions of the Pope

Wednesday, February 13

8:00 For Our Parishioners

Thursday, February 14

8:00 † Souls in Purgatory

Friday, February 15

8:00 Intentions of the Pope

Saturday, February 16

8:00 † Antonio Paraiso

5:00 For Our Parishioners

Sunday, February 17

8:00 † John Przybylski

9:30 † Stephanie Gregory

11:00 † Margarete Joseph

Intentions of the Pope

February *Human Trafficking* For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Mass Intentions Available for 2019

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may contact the parish office. A donation of \$10 is collected at the time of the request; these funds are provided for the poor. Mass cards are available to inform loved ones of the Mass request. If you have a particular date or Mass time in mind, it is very important that you call or visit the parish office well ahead of time.

RESPECT LIFE

Science is Life's Friend

At the Vigil Mass for Life last month before the National March for Life Kansas City Archbishop Joseph Naumann proposed that science is life's friend, especially on the matter of abortion. He began by stating the view of pro-abortionists.

The theme for this year's March for Life, **Unique from Day One — Pro-Life is Pro-Science**, seeks to dispel the notion that advocacy for the protection of the life within the womb is somehow at odds with modern scientific knowledge. Abortion advocates often seek to portray opposition to abortion as an imposition of religious belief.

While our Christian faith definitely speaks to the sanctity of life as the biblical readings for tonight's [Vigil] Mass illustrate, **one does not need religious revelation to know the killing of innocent human life is inhumane.**

Here's why:

The advances of scientific knowledge and technology over the past 100 years have confirmed that a unique human life begins at fertilization. The unborn child, beginning as a one celled zygote and throughout its

embryonic and fetal stages of development, possesses DNA, a genetic code, distinct from his or her parents. Ultra-sound technology has given us a window into the womb, allowing us to witness the miraculous unfolding of the development of a new and unique human life.

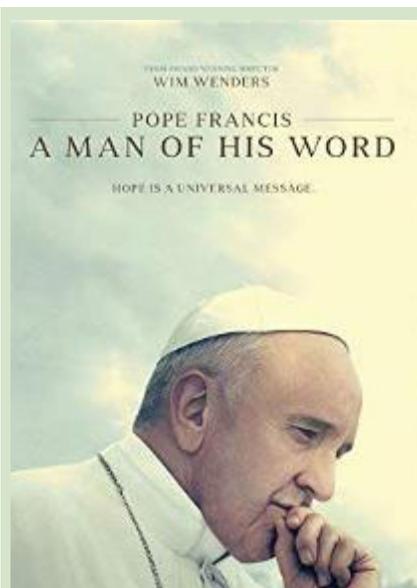
This is the very reason Dr. Bernard Nathanson, the infamous abortionist and co-founder of NARAL, became pro-life. Advances in embryology and fetology, not faith, persuaded him.

Today's Gospel reading is apropos. Christ tells Simon Peter, the fisherman: "Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch." Lk 5:10 By reason of Baptism we too are to be unafraid fishers of men, on permanent mission to tell others about the live saving Good News. This includes the truth about the irreplaceable and inestimably valuable worth of unborn human life, a truth which our friend science confirms.

Concluding excerpts next week.



Unique from Day One
Theme for the 2019 March for Life



A rare co-production with the Vatican

Discover the Film

Pope Francis - A Man of His Word (2018-PG), written and directed by three-time Academy Award® nominee Wim Wenders, is intended to be a personal journey with Pope Francis, rather than a biographical documentary about him. The pope's ideas and his message are central to this documentary, which sets out to present his work of reform and his answers to today's global questions from death, social justice, immigration, ecology, wealth inequality, materialism, and the role of the family.

February 24, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. In the Gathering Space
A light lunch will be served and there will be time for discussion afterwards
RSVP: Call the Parish Office or email: kferrell@smtaryevanston.org

An Evening of Reflection: On the Eucharist

Preaching, Teaching, Questions & Answers

Rev. Kevin McCray, Pastor, and Karie Ferrell, Director of Faith Formation



February 13, 7:00 p.m. — Saint Mary Church

Stewardship

Weekend of January 19–20

Sunday weekend collection	\$ 2,454
Year-to-Date as of Jan. 20 (30/52 weeks)	\$230,283
Goal for 2018/2019 Budget (30/52 weeks)	<u>\$233,070</u>
Difference + or (-)	(\$ 2,787)

*** Goal for the Fiscal Year 2018/2019 \$404,000 ***

Thank you for your generosity!

Editor's Note

It's been a privilege to serve as editor for Saint Mary's bulletin for the past nine years. During that time, I hope that I helped to foster a sense of community and enabled you to grow in your faith. I am proud to have never missed a single issue, which means that I have produced nearly 500 of them. I've worked on your bulletin from a tent in California, by a lake in Wisconsin and even on an interstate highway in the Rocky Mountains. As my days get busier, life doesn't wait, and I have decided that now is the right time to step aside. I am passing the reins to Karie Ferrell, who is more than qualified to take it from here. As always, I'll see you in church.

– Linda O'Dwyer