

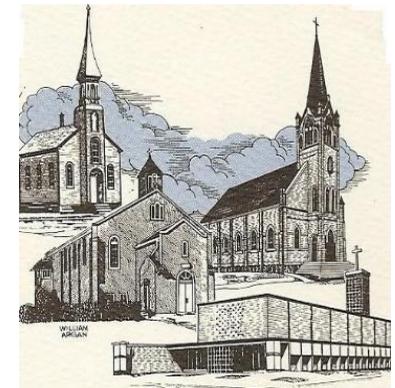


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Learn Our Catholic Faith - PILGRIMAGES

Please Join us at the Parish Center

Every Second Monday – February 19th at 7:00 pm

St. Mary's will be hosting a Rummage Sale on

Saturday April 20th, 2024

Please start saving your household items for donation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

April 3 – 13

Join us for Daily Mass, Rosary on Apparition Hill, Stations of the Cross on Cross Mountain, Visit to Cenacola Community, Visit to visionary – Professional Guide, if available.

For More details call **Cathleen Devraj** (306)789-0705 or email

Make a donation

Every donation helps our parish to grow and thrive. There are a number of ways you can continue supporting Saint Mary's Parish.

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40 Days For Life

Prayer Chain

from

Feb 14 to Mar 24

4 – 5 pm

at General Hospital

14th ave

Sunday Masses: 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 8:00 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 8:00 am – EXCEPT 1st Fridays (see below)

Saturday: 8:00 am

Confessions:

Sunday: Only before 5 pm Mass

Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday: Before 8:00 am Mass.

Wednesday & Friday evenings: Until 6:50 pm

Also by appointment with Father Carlos

Devotions:

Sunday: before the 11 am Mass

Chaplet at 10:15 am, Rosary at 10:30 am

before the 5:00 pm Mass, Rosary at 4:30 pm

Before weekday morning Masses 7:15 am Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary

1st Fridays of the month: All Night Vigil in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mass at 7:00 pm. Confessions before and after, and Adoration until Mass at 8:00 am on Saturday morning.

Baptism: Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks before for proper preparation

Marriage: Arrange with the pastor one year in advance

The Ministry of Angels

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. [Mark 1:12-13](#)

What an amazing event we reflect upon today. Jesus, the Son of God, the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity humbled Himself in two ways in the passage quoted above. First, He allowed Himself to endure the temptations of Satan. Second, He permitted His very own creation, the good angels, to minister to Him in His human form.

First of all, recall that Satan is a fallen angel. He was created by God and was created good. But the Book of Revelation (12:4) indicates that one-third of the created angels were cast out of Heaven to roam the earth. These demons act under the direction of the highest fallen angel, Satan. Thus, according to the passage above, it was Satan himself who tempted Jesus in the desert. Additionally, Jesus permitted the good angels to minister to Him in His human nature. These acts reveal the perfection of the virtue of humility within the humanity of our Lord.

According to Saint Thomas Aquinas, angels were created for three primary reasons. The first is for the purpose of worship. Worship of God brings about communion with God and enables perfect love to flow back and forth from God to each angelic being. Second, angels enact the will of God in all things. This includes the implementation of the laws of nature and the imparting of the grace that Christ won on the Cross. Third, God uses angels as messengers. Scripture records various ways that the angels spoke to the prophets, to our Blessed Mother, to Saint Joseph and to others. Saint Thomas Aquinas also believed that each of us is given a particular guardian angel whose role is not only to protect us but also to communicate the will of God to us.

As God, Jesus was the Creator of all angelic beings with the Father and the Holy Spirit. As man, Jesus was the recipient of both the ministry of the good angels and the attacks of the fallen angels. By humbly subjecting Himself to the natural powers of these angelic creatures, Jesus was also teaching us that we must do the same.

One of the primary natural powers of both the good and bad angels is the power of influence and suggestive thought. Angelic beings have the ability to put before your imagination ideas meant to either influence you for the good (the good angels) or to deceive you and lead you into sin (the bad angels). These communications are real, and we should be aware of them. In his book, *The Spiritual Exercises*, Saint Ignatius of Loyola devotes much time and energy to the ministry of angels. He teaches how to distinguish the lies and deceptions of the fallen angels from the consoling direction communicated by the good angels. In many ways, our Gospel passage today, by which Jesus submitted Himself to the temptations and ministry of the angels, lends much support to the importance of trying to understand how these angelic creatures influence us. For more on this, see the book *Probing the Depths: Ignatian Lessons and Meditations Arranged According to the Liturgical Year*.

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Stations of the Cross
Fidays after the 8 a.m. Mass

Saint Bernadette Soubirous' Story

Bernadette Soubirous was born in 1844, the first child of an extremely poor miller in the town of Lourdes in southern France. The family was living in the basement of a dilapidated building when on February 11, 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette in a cave above the banks of the Gave River near Lourdes. Bernadette, 14 years old, was known as a virtuous girl though a dull student who had not even made her first Holy Communion. In poor health, she had suffered from asthma from an early age.

There were 18 appearances in all, the final one occurring on the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, July 16. Although Bernadette's initial reports provoked skepticism, her daily visions of "the Lady" brought great crowds of the curious. The Lady, Bernadette explained, had instructed her to have a chapel built on the spot of the visions. There, the people were to come to wash in and drink of the water of the spring that had welled up from the very spot where Bernadette had been instructed to dig.

According to Bernadette, the Lady of her visions was a girl of 16 or 17 who wore a white robe with a blue sash. Yellow roses covered her feet, a large rosary was on her right arm. In the vision on March 25 she told Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception." It was only when the words were explained to her that Bernadette came to realize who the Lady was.

Few visions have ever undergone the scrutiny that these appearances of the Immaculate Virgin were subject to. Lourdes became one of the most popular Marian shrines in the world, attracting millions of visitors. Miracles were reported at the shrine and in the waters of the spring. After thorough investigation, Church authorities confirmed the authenticity of the apparitions in 1862.

During her life, Bernadette suffered much. She was hounded by the public as well as by civic officials until at last she was protected in a convent of nuns. Five years later, she petitioned to enter the Sisters of Notre Dame of Nevers. After a period of illness she was able to make the journey from Lourdes and enter the novitiate. But within four months of her arrival she was given the last rites of the Church and allowed to profess her vows. She recovered enough to become infirmarian and then sacristan, but chronic health problems persisted. She died on April 16, 1879, at the age of 35. Bernadette Soubirous was canonized in 1933.

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COLLECTION FOR: Feb 11th, 2024

<i>Sunday Offering</i>	\$811.00	<i>Sunday Loose</i>	\$539.25
<i>Mass Intentions</i>	\$50.00	<i>Shut-Ins</i>	\$50.00
<i>Missalettes</i>	\$3.00	<i>Building Fund</i>	\$1000.00
Total Collection		\$2,453.25	

Mass Intentions

Sun	Feb 18	11:00 AM	Repose of Paul Leclaire	Robert & Marilyn Mourre
Tues	Feb 20	8:00 AM	Int of Brian Rybchuk (Birthday)	Rybchuk Family
Wed	Feb 21	8:00 AM	Reserved for Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Devotees
Thurs	Feb 22	8:00 AM	Int of Hope Sandra Catherine Beatrice Leclaire	Family
Fri	Feb 23	7:00 PM	Repose of Paul Leclaire	Robert & Marilyn Mourre
Sat	Feb 24	8:00 AM	Int of Liam O'Neill (Birthday)	Moquin Family
Sun	Feb 25	11:00 AM	Repose of Brian Schaffer	Ann Schaffer