



## Newsletter

## February - March 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Whenever people ask me how I like my new assignment, I always tell them that I am blessed. And I truly mean that. It has been a joy to pray with you and break open the scriptures together. I look forward to the future!



Blessings,  
Fr. Edward Looney  
Parish Administrator

Please save the dates for the **Brussels-Lincoln-Rosiere Lenten Mission** on **March 4, 5, and 6** at **Rosiere**. The Missionaries of the Word from Door County will offer the Lenten meditations.

### Masses in Brussels

**Saturday Mass:** 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday Mass:** 8:30 a.m.

**Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.

**Communion Services**

Thursday & Friday, 8:00 a.m.

**Adoration** - 4:00 p.m. 2nd Saturday

**Confessions** -Sunday- Before 8:30 AM  
Mass; Tuesdays- 4:45-5:15pm and  
First Wednesdays, 7:30-7:45am.



Annual  
Fish Fry  
Brussels  
Church  
Friday,  
March 23,  
2018

*Lent is a season of the year when Christians focus on simple living, prayer and fasting in order to grow closer to God.*

### 2018 Lenten and Holy Week Brussels Schedule

**Ash Wednesday** - February 14

8:00 a.m., & 7:15 p.m.

**Palm Sunday** - March 25: 8:30 a.m.

**Holy Thursday** - March 29: @ Rosiere 7 p.m.

**Good Friday** - March 30: 12:00 noon

**Holy Saturday** - March 31: @ Rosiere 7p.m.

**Easter Sunday** - TBD - Check Website

**Stations of the Cross**- Check the Bulletin

### Cemetery Updates

In November a few updates were completed to parish cemeteries. The crucifix at Pit Rd was replaced and the sign for St. Joseph Cemetery in Gardner was taken out of the ditch and refurbished. Thanks to all who made this work possible.



## Member Spotlight



**St. Francis & St. Mary**

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Lay Presider of Prayer, David Gengler conducts prayer service at Anna's House in Sturgeon Bay

The second half of 2017 saw several changes and additions to the staff and ministry. This month we will highlight 3 of our members.

**David Gengler** graduated Nov. 4, 2017 from the Diocesan training to become a Lay Presider of Prayer.

David joined St. Francis & St. Mary parish 3 years ago and became involved by helping to serve the funeral meals. He was taking care of a lady in the area and was instrumental in welcoming her back into the church. When she moved to Anna's Place, David continued to visit her and became friends with other residents.

David is now involved with the spiritual care of the Catholic residents at Anna's by saying the rosary, conducting prayer and communion services. He says, "This is always something I wanted to do." Dave has a big heart and love for the elderly and helps when and where he can.

As Lay Presider, Dave is able to lead the parish in morning and evening prayer, Stations of the Cross, funeral wakes & communion services. Join us in recognizing this accomplishment at an appreciation and blessing ceremony on the first Sunday of Lent.



Ann Kleist, Bookkeeper & Gina Guth, Secretary

**Ann Kleist** and her husband Wayne moved to our area from Madison 5 years ago. In search of a parish to call home, they immediately felt welcomed at St. Francis & St. Mary and decided it was a good fit. It didn't take long before they both became active in numerous ministries in the church.

Ann served as trustee of the Parish Council for the past 2 years and stepped in as interim secretary/treasurer when that position was vacant. With a background in the banking industry it was a good fit for the Parish as well when this November, Ann was hired as Parish bookkeeper.

**Gina Guth** returned to Brussels in October when assuming the duties of SFSM Parish Secretary. A familiar face to the community, Gina says, "It's good to be home. It brings me much joy to reconnect with everyone." She served in our parish in several capacities in the past in various ministerial positions. Gina brings knowledge of community resources with former employment in human services and non-profit organizations since 2001. Welcome back, Gina!