

OUR MISSION

To seek Christ, know Christ, and become Christ,
each one for the sake of all.

OUR VISION

To be a spiritual home that radiates the love of God,
overflows with the power of the Holy Spirit,
and joyfully leads others to Christ.

OUR VALUES

Pursue Holiness. Nurture Community.
Embrace Compassion. Bear Witness

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— LUKE 14:10 —

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

AUGUST 31

2025

Pastors & Deacons

Pastor: Fr. Dennis Saran
Associate Pastor: Fr. David Sweeney
Deacons: Deacon Greg Diciaula
Deacon Jeff Kucharski

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM
9:00 AM Live stream
stdominic.net/live
Mon/Wed/Fri: 8:30 AM
Tues/Thurs: 6:30 AM

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays: 1:00-7:30 PM

Parish Center Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM-Noon

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Welcome



Guests and Visitors

At St. Dominic Catholic Parish you will discover a welcoming group of people with a desire to seek Christ, know Christ, and become Christ, each one for the sake of all. We offer a place to belong, to worship, to grow, and to serve. We are excited to get to know you as you learn more about us. Please let us know how we can help!

New Members

We meet personally with all new members to provide a warm welcome, answer questions, fill out the necessary forms, and help you get connected. To join our parish family, please contact Molly Schmidt at 262.781.3480, Ext. 241 or molly.schmidt@stdominic.net. We look forward to meeting you!

Becoming Catholic

We are glad of your interest in learning more about the Catholic faith. For each person, the path to seeking, knowing, and becoming Christ is unique. The Church recognizes the importance of this journey. Please contact our Pastoral Associate, Mary Lestina, who will be happy to talk with you about the process at 262.781.3480, Ext. 228 or mary.lestona@stdominic.net.

REFLECTION

Paul Burzynski comes as no stranger to parish liturgical life. After serving the people of God at St. Stanislaus, the Basilica of St. Josaphat, St. Martin of Tours, and St. Rita, he is grateful to serve St. Dominic Catholic Parish, as we gather around the altar to give glory to the Almighty. May God continue his work in and through us all.



Humility

On Labor Day, we honor the dignity of work and those whose labor sustains our families, communities, and nation. Work is a daily opportunity to practice humility: respecting co-workers, being willing to listen, and serving without demanding recognition. True humility acknowledges that all talents and opportunities—all we have comes from God, and is a sacred gift. Our labor is meant to serve not just ourselves, but the good of others.

In ordinary life, humility can be lived in small, almost hidden ways. It can be as simple as apologizing when we are wrong, letting others speak first, or showing gratitude for even the smallest kindnesses. It can be quietly helping a neighbor, or working diligently without needing public praise. Even letting someone go ahead of us in line, or yielding to another car in traffic, is a small act of humility. Humility is not about thinking less of ourselves, but about thinking of ourselves less.

Prayer is central to cultivating humility. As our parish focuses on the 10 Habits of a Disciple, we begin with the importance of daily prayer. Prayer allows us to bring our problems, concerns, and hopes to God who desires to be in relationship with us, and then to listen. Sometimes prayer

is simply sitting in silence, giving God the space to speak.

But humility is essential in prayer. We must be willing to accept that God's response may not be what we want to hear. Being humble means acknowledging that God sees the bigger picture and knows what is best for us, even when His answer is difficult. In this way, prayer becomes an act of surrender—a way of saying, "Lord, your will, not mine, be done."

Let us strive to live with the humility of Christ in our homes, workplaces, and communities. May we choose the lowest place with confidence that God Himself will lift us up. And above all, let us remember the importance of daily prayer. For in praying, we not only deepen our relationship with God, but we also allow Him to shape us into better disciples of Jesus—disciples who live humility not just in word, but in action.

Lord Jesus, You humbled Yourself to become one of us and taught us to take the lowest place. Teach us to live each day with humility—at home, at work, and in our communities. Help us to turn to You in daily prayer, sharing our joys and struggles, and listening for Your voice. May we accept Your will with trust, and may our lives reflect the love and humility of Your Incarnation. Happy Sunday and Happy Labor Day, Friends!

Parish Highlights

EVENTS



Friday Night Light

Kickoff September 5 | 5:30-7:30 PM
Parish Arts & Activities Center

Looking for a meaningful and manageable way for your family to engage at St. Dominic? Join us for this new family ministry designed for

families of all ages to grow in faith and community. There will be breakout sessions for all age groups, pizza and social, and the evening will end with family prayer. Whether you are fully engaged in parish life, or haven't been to Mass in a while, Friday Night Light is a fresh way to connect or reconnect with faith, community, and each other—as we journey through life and become Christ for one another. Mark your calendar and see what it is all about! Contact: Melissa at maglioccafam@gmail.com or 262.945.9047.



That Man Is You

Kick-off Sept. 4 | 5:30 PM | Bobby's Bar

Save the date for the That Man is You Fall Kick-off at Bobby's Bar in Brookfield on Thursday, September 4, at 5:30 PM. Meet other like-minded men from St. Dominic

and surrounding parishes and learn about this Fall's theme: BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART which begins September 12 at 6:15 AM in the Marcy Center.. Interested in a Thursday evening option? Contact Dennis at dennis.skrajewski@gmail.com and include your preferred start time. See the flyer in today's bulletin!



Super Seniors

September 9 | September 4 RSVP Deadline

Are you 55 and older and looking for community? Join us for Mass at 10:30 AM followed by a chance to purchase tickets for a 50/50 raffle and a meeting highlighting birthdays, upcoming events, and prayer

intentions. Enjoy a Maxim's catered lunch of BBQ ribs and sides with dessert for \$16.00. Annual dues of \$16 per person will be collected in September. After lunch, Barry Bryan, will perform classic hits from legendary artists. To join, contact Betsy Potter at betsypotter2@gmail.com. No walks-ins accepted.

Donut Sunday

September 7 | Following the 9:00 AM Mass

Join us after the 9:00 AM Mass the first Sunday of the month for refreshments and fellowship in the Marcy Center. It is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners! Our first Sunday is next weekend, September 7.

NURTURE COMMUNITY



Seeking to Identify Small Faith Communities

A common request of new parishioners is to join a smaller community within our large family of faith. While our parish staff knows of many, we do not know of all. Are you part of a small community that is open to new members? This can be anything from a Bible study group, a prayer group, a Rosary group, spiritual reading group, coffee clutch, any gathering of like-minded people that we can help connect our new members with. Please inform Jill Fischer if you are willing to open up your small community to our new members at 262.781.3480, Ext. 252 or jill.fischer@stdominic.net. Please include information on your group to assist in making these valuable connections. Thank you!



Discipleship

ADULT MINISTRY

REFLECTION



TIME OUT

The Joy of Prayer

September 2 | 6:15 PM | PAAC

As we focus on the habit of praying every day, come learn how to rediscover (or discover) the joy of prayer in nine days based on the book by popular author, Fr. Jacques Philippe. (You do not need to read the book!)

All adults are invited to take a time-out to grow in their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith. Time-outs provide an opportunity for prayer, formation, and community. Join us when the topic or time works for you!

No need to sign up or RSVP!

Habit Action Cards

The action card for our first of 10 Habits of a Disciple, Pray Every Day, are available in the church narthexes. You can also pick up the **Master card**.

Wondering what this is all about?

Visit our website to learn more at <https://stdominic.net>



Love God More

As we begin focusing on the Big 10 with the most critical of habits, Pray Every Day, I have received feedback that this is silly and a waste of time because "I already do those things." For those of you who already pray every day, your challenge is to go deeper, to love God more!

We are in the midst of a battle. The devil wants you to believe that your prayer life is "good" or that you don't need to do anything different because that provides him the opportunity to lead you more easily astray. The stronger your relationship with God, the harder it is for him to get at you.

Jesus's death conquered Satan, but that doesn't mean that the devil doesn't want your soul. Nothing would make him happier than to reverse the tables on Jesus. This requires us to never succumb to those lies we tell ourselves like "I'm good (with regard to my relationship with Jesus)" or "I don't need to do that (with regard to praying every day)" or "He already knows what I need so why should I pray?"

Isn't it always nice to hear the voice of a loved one directly rather than through someone else? God desires this too, to be in union with you, no

holds barred, no excuses, no finery, but rather nitty-gritty, honest to goodness, in your face communication. He wants *your* words not some fancy stuff on paper written by some Saint hundreds of years ago. He wants your active attention not your passive listening to some Hallow app. He wants you! All of you!

The point of the Big 10 is to provide hope. The Big 10 is an attempt to demonstrate how a life with Jesus is so much more than what this world can offer. Rather than think about "I already do this," think about "How can I do this more, better, more faithfully?" If the thought is "I don't know how to do this," please talk to someone you know who does. Attend one of our workshops or seek out a formation event that can help you. If the thought is "I don't have time for this," challenge me to show you that you do. If the thought is "I'm good," challenge me to show you how you might be better. God is infinite, we are finite. There is always more and it is always better than what we can even imagine. Let your mind be open to the possibilities.

Develop the habits of discipleship regardless of where you already are. There is more He has to show you if you just open yourself to Him, and it all starts with prayer.

Feeling like you need help? Please contact Jill Fischer, Director of Discipleship and Formation, at jill.fischer@stdominic.net or at 262.781.3480, Ext. 252.

Serve & Share

EACH ONE FOR THE SAKE OF ALL

Annual Mission Appeal

September 6/7

The seminary in Comayagua, Honduras overseen by Bishop Angelo Falzon, OFM, is the heart of priestly formation for the Diocese. Here, young men from remote villages and barrios discern a vocation to serve their own people as priests. There is a great need for financial support. Every gift—large or small—helps keep the doors open, allowing these humble servants to grow spiritually and intellectually so that they may one day return to the mountains and valleys of Honduras, bringing the sacraments and the compassionate presence of Christ to every corner. St. Dominic will welcome Bishop Angelo Falzon on September 6/7 to learn how we can help support their missionary work.



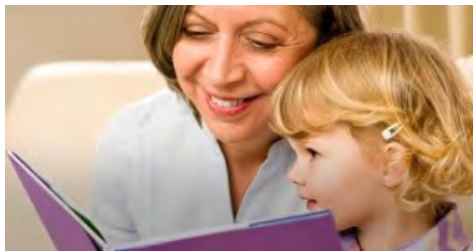
Altar Linen Care Volunteers Needed

The linens used for the celebration of the Mass are a sign of reverence for the Eucharist and the sacredness of our worship. We are seeking volunteers to help launder and iron these linens (corporals and purificators). This quiet and very much unnoticed act of service is a beautiful way to

support the liturgy and care for the heart of our parish life. If you are able to assist, please contact Paul Burzynski at paul.burzynski@stdominic.net or 262.781.3480

Child Supervision Needed

Are your arms aching to hold a baby? Are you all about playing with a toddler? Do you like playing games with kindergarteners? We would love for you to fill your longing by helping with Family Night Light, our newest ministry! Caring, fun-filled teens and adults are needed to assist with fun and games while parents take a moment away to grow in faith and community each month. Individuals can sign up to help for a one-time opportunity or make it a monthly experience. **Our first event is September 5.** Please signup today at <https://tinyurl.com/FNLChildSupervision> (Adults 18 and older must be Safeguard trained.)



Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin Thanks

We are so grateful for the 37 folks who so generously registered and provided 47 blood products. This is an outstanding turnout in August when blood collections are low. Because of your kindness and generosity, up to 134 people may receive the gift of a lifetime. To these people and to us, you are heroes.

SHARE



Archbishop Grob Request

The holy Father has commented on the dire situation in Gaza and our archbishop has shared, “Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire condition.”

Two agencies are providing vital emergency humanitarian relief and medical and psychological care for the sick, malnourished, and wounded. They are the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Archbishop Grob has asked for contributions to these two agencies to continue their work. Please consider responding to this need.

Please make your donation directly to these organizations:

CNEWA:
<https://cnewa.org>

Catholic Relief Services:
<https://crs.org>

Catholic Kids

GOING DEEPER



Today's Gospel Reading

Take a moment to sit with today's Gospel: Mt 25:14-30. Spend some time pondering these questions today or throughout the week. Feel free to discuss them with others, reflect on them, or journal about them as part of your daily prayer. Do as many or as few as you wish. Allow the Spirit to work in you, with you, and through you.

Why did the last servant bury his money?

What is this servant's perception of the Master?

How have you allowed your talents to thrive?

How might you have buried your talents? What do you need to do to let those buried talents thrive?



ST. DOMINIC
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

INSPIRING MINDS † DEVELOPING CHARACTER † SEEKING CHRIST

Knights Café Volunteers Needed

The Knights Café in our parish school is looking for volunteers to help serve the students in the cafeteria during their lunchtime for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are looking to get more involved and enjoy interacting with kids, serving food, and helping to open wrappers, this may be a perfect fit for you! We'd love to have you prayerfully consider sharing your time in the Knights Café!

Assistance is needed from 10:30 AM—12:30 PM, Monday through Friday, and schedules can be flexible for all volunteers. Any amount of time you can share is greatly appreciated. All volunteers must have completed the Safeguarding classes.

Please contact Ms. Jennifer Ortman at jennifer.ortman@stdominic.net.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Is your child baptized? Would you like them to be?

Baptism typically happens for infants but what happens if the reception of that sacrament is delayed. Children under the age of 7 are able to be welcomed into the Church at any time. Children 7 years of age or older are welcomed into the Church through the Order of Christian Initiation for Children. This Order prepares a child to receive all Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation) at one time. If your child has been baptized but reception of Reconciliation and Eucharist has been delayed, they are able to receive the sacraments after proper formation. If this sounds like your situation, we are more than happy to help you help your child. Contact Jill Fischer at jill.fischer@stdominic.net or at 262.781.3480, Ext. 252.

CHILD MINISTRY



Children's Liturgy of the Word Beginning September 14

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is offered on Sundays during the school year at the 9:00 AM Mass. Children in grades 1-4 are invited to participate. No registration is required, just a willingness to be respectful.

Student Ministry

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY



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Emmaus and EDGE Kick-off

Please join us for our Emmaus and Edge kick offs beginning in September! Emmaus on Monday, September 15, from 4:45-6:00 PM, and EDGE on Tuesday, September 16, from 6:00-7:30 PM.

There is still room to registration your student to join us this year! Contact Karissa.



Emmaus
Middle School Small Group

SCHEDULES

Middle School

EMMAUS

September 15 | 4:45 PM | Student Lounge

EDGE

September 16 | 6:00 PM | Marcy Center



Karissa Tousignant

Karissa Tousignant
Middle School Minister

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High School

September 7 | 6:15 PM | Parent & Teen Kick off

September 14 | 6:15 PM | Life Teen

September 21 | 6:15 PM | Life Teen

September 28 | 6:15 PM | Life Teen



Samantha Taylor
Samantha Taylor
High School Minister

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HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY



fall schedule 2025

6:15-8:15 PM Sundays

9/1 Parent & teen Kick-off 11/2 Off

9/14 Life Teen 11/9 Life Teen

9/21 Life Teen 11/16 Life Teen

9/28 Day Hiking Trip 11/23 Off Confirmation Retreat

10/5 Off 11/30 Off Thanksgiving

10/12 Life Teen - XLT 12/7 Life Teen

10/19 Life Teen

12/14 Christmas Party

10/26 Life Teen

Gather



Labor Day Mass—In Church

Monday, September 1 | 8:30 AM | Church

Kick-off your Labor Day activities with Mass to honor the dignity of work and the contributions of those who labor tirelessly. As we celebrate, let us remember to seek God's blessings over our work and acknowledge that all we do is a gift from Him. Mass will be in church.

In Loving Memory

- † Ron Seidner, husband of Marge, brother-in-law of Janet (Ron) Buettner
- † Antoinette Franceschi (Cookie) Selestow, sister of Blaze, Sr. (Sue) Selestow

Wedding Banns

Megan Weidner & Parker Kuhlman
Meredith Klinker & Alex Bernt
Autumn Thompson & Andrew Toby
Katherine Devlin & Kevin Toman

Sanctuary Lamps

Church: Jack Kujawa
Chapel: John Zinda

Yellow Ribbon Ministry

Jonathan Grey, Senior Airman USAF

READINGS | MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 1—Labor Day

1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30
FSW 8:30 AM: For the intention of Bogdan Borowy

Tuesday, September 2

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
FSW 6:30 AM: † Thomas Trepanier

Wednesday, September 3

Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44
FSW 8:30 AM: † Deacon Larry LaFond

Thursday, September 4

Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11
DS 6:30 AM: † Mary Ann Kanter

Friday, September 5

Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39
CF 8:30 AM: † Becky Bohdalik

Saturday, September 6

Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5
CF 4:30 PM: For all our parishioners

Sunday, September 7

Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
DS 7:30 AM: † Marilyn Johnston
FSW 9:00 AM: † Tony & Mary Jo Dániel
FSW 11:00 AM: † Dolores Austin, † Marianna & Edward Borowy
DS Fr. Dennis | FSW Fr. Sweeney | CF Fr. Curt

Becoming Catholic

Thinking about becoming



Catholic? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) sessions will be held on Sundays beginning September 7 from 10:00-11:30 AM in Marcy Center 3 (below church). This process will answer your questions and help you grow in faith. If you are interested to learn more about this process, contact Mary Lestina at 262.781.3480, Ext. 228 or mary.lestina@stdominic.net.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Hope of a Better Future

September 6 | 8:30-11:00 AM | Holy Apostles Welcome Center, New Berlin

As Catholics in this Jubilee Year, we are all called to be Pilgrims of Hope. Grounded in our love for God and our neighbor we lead with signs of hope for the poor, the prisoner, the migrant, the sick, the young, the elderly, for life, and for peace. Learn about the history of immigration in the United States, the key aspects of the current immigration law, and stories about the immigrant experience with speaker Barbara Graham, JD, Catholic Charities, Director of Refugee and Immigration Services. Register by calling 262.786.7330.

Converging Roads—Healthcare Ethics Conference

November 8 | 9:15 AM–5:45 PM | Marquette University



Health care professionals are invited to the first annual Converging Roads health care ethics conference. This one-day conference will explore the theme of Hope in Health Care and offers continuing education for health care professionals rooted in the Hippocratic and Catholic ethical tradition.

Registration: \$75-\$159 based on CME/CNE inclusion. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, and the Milwaukee Guild of the Catholic Medical Association. For more information, please convergingroads.com/milwaukee or email kirsten@forlifeandfamily.org.

Marriage Jubilee Mass

October 25 | 10:00 AM | St. Stephen's, Oak Creek



Married couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, or greater wedding anniversary are invited to participate in Mass celebrated by Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob. A photo opportunity with the Archbishop and small reception to follow. Please contact Beth Ulaszek with questions at ulaszekb@archmil.org or 414.758.2226.

40 Days for Life Eucharistic Procession

September 28 | 3:00-4:30 PM | St. John's Cathedral, Milwaukee

All we welcome to join us in praying the Holy Rosary and walk in prayerful procession to Affiliated Medical Services at 625 E St Paul Ave. (1.4 miles round trip.) Benediction to follow at the end of the Eucharistic Procession inside the Cathedral.

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



Imago Divina, Explained!

Imago divina (Latin for “divine image”) is an extension of the ancient practice of lectio divina (“divine reading”). Imago divina is, in a sense, praying with one’s eyes, or using the medium of artwork to assist in lifting the mind to God.

Believers have always connected with the divine through visual representations of faith. This can be seen in the frescoes that adorn the walls of the catacombs, in the glory of Rococo architecture, and in the stained glass windows of a simple country church. “Art is capable of making visible our need to go beyond what we see and it reveals our thirst for infinite beauty, for God,” said Pope Benedict in 2011.

In practicing imago divina, just like with lectio divina, the faithful “read” (or view), reflect, respond, and rest with the image, inviting the Holy Spirit to move them accordingly.

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SEPTEMBER



THIS WEEK AT ST. DOMINIC

CAF-Cafeteria CH-Church CHPL-Chapel MC-Marcy Center PAF-Parish Athletic Facility PAAC-Parish Arts & Activity Center
 PC-Parish Center PG-Prayer Gardens RC-Resource Center SCH-School SL-Student Lounge TL-Teacher's Lounge

Sunday, August 31

No events

Monday, September 1

8:30 AM	Labor Day Mass	CH
9:15 AM	Morning Prayer	CHPL
9:30 AM	Holy Dusters	CH

Tuesday, September 2

11:45 AM	School Mass Practice	CH
1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	CHPL
1:15 PM	All School Prayer Service	CH
6:15 PM	Time Out	PAAC
7:00 PM	SVdP Meeting	MC6

Wednesday, September 3

8:00 AM	Rosary	CHPL
8:30 AM	All School Mass	CH
9:30 AM	Women at the Well	MC6
9:30 AM	Small Group - Kopp	MC4
10:30 AM	Cantor Rehearsal	CH

Thursday, September 4

11:30 AM	Small Group - Hein	MC4
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Friday, September 5

9:15 AM	Rosary	CHPL
5:30 PM	Family Night Light	CH
6:30 PM	AA Meeting	MC6

Saturday, September 6

8:00 AM	Men's Faith Sharing Group	MC5
3:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation	CHPL

Sunday, September 7

10:00 AM	Donut Sunday	MC7
10:00 AM	OCIA	MC3
6:15 PM	LifeTeen	MC7

WELCOME!



**Our new Teaching Parish
Seminarian**

JOHN SPARKS

Hello St. Dominic Catholic Parish!

My name is John Sparks, and I have the pleasure of being assigned to St. Dominic as my teaching parish. I hail from Green Bay and am a seminarian for the same diocese. I grew up in a Catholic home, mostly with my mother, and attended Catholic school from kindergarten through high school. I graduated from the University of Green Bay in 2010. In early 2011, I began working for a metal finishing corporation and remained there for 10 years.

I had a weakening of my faith during my late high school and college years, but started having a reversion in my late twenties. As I grew deeper into my faith, I began asking God what he wanted from me and my life. Not long afterward, I began to hear my call to the priesthood. I entered priestly formation in the fall of 2021 by joining Green Bay's Propaedeutic program called the Kairos Year. After that year, I became a seminarian at St. Francis de Sales Seminary in Milwaukee. I completed the Discipleship Stage in the spring of 2024, and last year, I was on a pastoral assignment at St. Mary's Parish in De Pere. This summer, I was blessed to be part of the Rome Experience program. Along with seminarians from all over the U.S., I spent six weeks in Rome taking classes, seeing sites, and even having an opportunity to meet Pope Leo.

I am very much looking forward to meeting the parishioners and staff here at St. Dominic. With the help of God, I hope I am able to have a meaningful and joyful impact on your community.

Thank you and God bless,
John Sparks



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Deacon Jeff Kucharski, Ellen Kloth, Patrick Grey, Bob Boehler, and Mary Lestina

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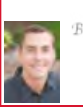
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