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*How is what  
I AM DOING  
going to help a  
parish or school?*



### FIRST FRIDAY MASS, LUNCH AND LENTEN REFLECTION APRIL 4 | NOON

Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob will be Presider and a lunch will be served in B118 for those who RSVP'd, followed by a Lenten reflection with Fr. Michael Simone, S.J.



### FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND LUNCH MAY 2 | NOON

Archbishop Grob will be Presider and a boxed lunch will be served in the Dining Room for those who RSVP'd. Please click [HERE](#) to RSVP by NOON on Thursday, April 24.



### ALL STAFF GATHERING

Mark your calendars for an All Staff gathering with Archbishop Grob on Tuesday, May 13, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., at the Pastoral Center, Room B118-119. We will begin with donuts and treats at 8:30 a.m.



### REMINDERS

Do not schedule unnecessary meetings during Holy Week.

Make sure to pay for your "Jeans will Feed" passes. Each day you wear jeans during Lent (excluding first and third Thursdays, which are food donation days) results in \$5 going to a special cause. Stop by HR to pay for any missed or upcoming "Jeans will Feed" days.



### SAFE ENVIRONMENT WEEK

Every year, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee focuses one week in April on raising awareness of our child abuse prevention efforts. We honor this week to pray for healing for all those that are survivors of abuse and for all of us that work to create a culture of awareness in our parishes, schools, clergy and staff. This year, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will celebrate Safe Environment Week from March 30 - April 6. We invite you to join the Safe Environment Office in recognizing this week and reflecting on your own department's programs, processes and events.

There are several opportunities for MMCP staff to join us in raising awareness, including:

- Participating in the Safe Environment Week Jeans Days fundraiser through HR. Funds donated will go to Aurora Health Care's Healing & Advocacy Services, who provide support, services and resources to victims of abuse. Contact Angie Doney in HR about participating.
- Pray a Rosary for healing or do a novena for protection and healing from abuse for survivors and those that journey with them.
- Wear a blue ribbon as a reminder that we all share the responsibility to prevent child abuse. Blue is the color of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness.
- If you have children or grandchildren, have a conversation with them. Offer positive affirmation and listen to them share a story or experience.

Thank you for helping fulfill our promise to protect and our pledge to heal.

## Our Mission

Proclaim Christ and Make Disciples through the Sacramental Life of the Church.



## LENTEN ACTIVITIES 2025

Friday, April 4	1-1:30 p.m.	Lenten Reflection with Fr. Michael Simone, S.J.   B118
THROUGHOUT LENT		
March 30 - April 5	Safe Environment Week Jean Days, \$5 to earn a jeans pass.	
Every Day	Noon	Daily Mass   <i>Mater Christi Chapel</i>
Tuesdays	8-9 a.m.	Adoration   <i>St. Francis Chapel</i>
Wednesday, April 9	11:15 a.m.	Stations of the Cross   <i>Mater Christi Chapel</i>
April 6-17	"Jeans will Feed"   \$5 for Project Rice Bowl to earn a jeans pass (except first and third Thursdays of each month, which are food donation days).	



### ANNOUNCEMENT

The rumors are true - Saint Francis de Sales Seminary is moving to the MMCPCC!

In a few weeks, construction to restore and expand the seminary's historic buildings to accommodate the seminary's significant growth will begin. Seminarians, priests in residence and staff will need to vacate the seminary for the next 18 months. We are happy to welcome them to the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. For many of us, this move to the MMCPCC will not impact our daily lives; but we wanted to let you know what space the seminary will be using and the timeline for their move.

The seminary will be using the following space: Aquinas Hall (aka. The Retreat Center), B208, B209, Milwaukee Bucks Wing, K Wing Dining Room, Kitchen and the second floor of the L Wing. We will also be sharing Dining Room 1 and 2, along with Parking Lot 5 (the back parking lot).

The main entrance to the seminary space will be the old Milwaukee Bucks Entrance at the back of the building. Seminary guests will be directed to use the service drive (the entrance located across from the FBI

building). Updated signage will be going in over the next few months to direct guests to the seminary entrance.

Some furniture, liturgical items and items for storage will begin to be moved the week of April 14. Seminary staff will begin to move and set up their offices in the balcony level of the Milwaukee Bucks Wing around April 24. Seminarians and priests in residence will begin to move their items in mid-May. Seminarians will take up residence at the start of the new academic year.

Jenni Oliva will be working with seminary staff to make sure that the shared space is scheduled in advance. There may be some growing pains, but we ask for your patience as we figure out this new arrangement.

We ask that staff and tenants of the MMCPCC be respectful of the seminarians, priests in residence and staff. For the priests in residence and seminarians the MMCPCC is their new home, and we need to treat it like anyone's house. Please do not enter seminary space unless invited to do so by Seminary Leadership.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Chris Brown, Steve Jupp or Jenni Oliva



### DEPARTURES

**Jenna Kroeger** – Communications

**Kim Kasten** – Finance

Congratulations to Kim Kasten on her retirement after serving the archdiocese for 33 years!



### VISITOR POLICY

Your family is always welcome to visit the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. However, the Visitor Policy on Page 9 of the Employee Handbook should be followed.

The Visitor Policy requires advanced notice and approval for family visits, especially with minors, each time family plan to be present. This approval is necessary, not only from your supervisor, but from one of the following people: Fr. Phillip Bogacki, Chris Brown or Jerry Topczewski.

Once approval is given, Debbie will be notified of the visit. Having these approvals makes the process go smoothly for everyone.

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## LETTER FROM FR. LUKE STRAND RECTOR OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES SEMINARY

Dear Friends,

It is a bit surreal that, in just over a month, the seminary community will be out of Henni Hall. As pilgrims, we are profoundly grateful that you are welcoming us to the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. In the midst of this disorienting change, your kindness and attentiveness to the seminary community (faculty, staff, seminarians and priests) has been a sign of hope for us.

During the last week of April, seminary staff will move to the Bucks' former offices. 70 seminarians will move to the three floors of Aquinas Hall from May 10 – 13. Resident priests will move to the second floor of the L-Wing shortly after presbyteral ordination.

Thank you again for your patience and accommodation, especially Diaconate Formation, who generously adjusted their formation rooms to provide for the seminary community.

For more information, please visit [sfs.edu/Zeal](https://sfs.edu/Zeal), or view our campaign video! <https://youtu.be/JsLnht9jDzM>

Do not hesitate to reach out to Ed Mooney or me with any questions or concerns you might have. Please pray for us as we are praying for you. Saint Francis de Sales, Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!

*Fr. Luke Strand*

## The Good News

**A weekly encouraging message  
from Archbishop Grob!**

The Good News is being spread in a new way! Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob is offering a brief weekly video message called "The Good News."

Follow the Archdiocese of Milwaukee on Facebook or Instagram and look for

"The Good News" in your feed every Wednesday.

Please share it!



[www.archmil.org/Good-News](https://www.archmil.org/Good-News)



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