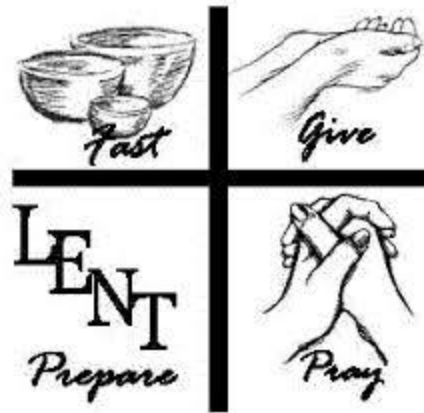


# St. Mary's Parish

900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI 54623



*Fr. Matt Marshall*

*Pastor*

*March 17, 2019*

*The Second Sunday of Lent*

*Reading 507C*

**Fr. Matthew Marshall**

**Residence: St. Mary's Rectory**

904 Central Ave

Coon Valley, WI 54623

Rectory Phone: 608-452-3841

Cell Phone: 608-738-6806

E-mail: [frmatmarshall@gmail.com](mailto:frmatmarshall@gmail.com)

**Amy Staflien**, Admin. Assistant

**Office:** 608-452-3841

**Website:** [stmarycv.org](http://stmarycv.org)

**E-mail:** [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net)

**St. Mary's, Coon Valley**

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday - 4:00 PM, Sunday - 9:15 AM

**Weekday Mass:**

Tues. - 6:00 PM; Wed. and Fri. - 8:00 AM

(If Westby School District closes or delays due to weather, weekday Mass will be cancelled)

**Area Parishes:**

**Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua**

Sat. - 5:15 PM, Sun. - 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**St. Joseph, St. Joseph Ridge**

Sat. - 4:00 PM, Sun. - 8:30 AM

**St. Peter, Middle Ridge**

Sat. - 8:00 PM, Sun. - 10:00 AM

**Holy Day Mass:** Please check the bulletin for times.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before Mass on Saturday; other times as announced or by appointment, request appointment by calling Fr. Matt or via our website under the Sacraments tab.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please contact Fr. Matt to register for Baptism preparation. Preparation should be completed before the birth of your child, if possible.

**Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick:**

Please contact the parish office when someone you know is in need of either the sacrament or a pastoral visit, or call Fr. Matt. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab.

**Mass Intentions:** Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the back of church and at the side door.

**Book of Prayer Requests:**

Located in the back of church. Feel free to add your own prayer requests. The requests will be included in the Mass intercessions.

# St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

## The Second Sunday of Lent

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019**

- 1) Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
- 2) Philippians 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1
- 3) Luke 9:28b-36

**FOCUS:** Jesus is beloved Son and fulfillment of God's promises.

At this early point in our Lenten journey, our readings remind us of God's promises to humanity and his faithfulness to those promises. Full of the same hope that once spurred Abraham on to leave his homeland and Paul to preach the Gospel with commitment and fidelity, they now seek to encourage us in our Lenten disciplines.



### LITURGY OF THE WORD

The promises made to Abraham go beyond his wildest dreams – he will be the father of a great nation, as numerous as the stars in the night sky. Saint Paul challenges the Philippians to imitate him and to stand firm and faithful in the Lord. The glory of the Transfiguration gives us a glimpse of the glory of the risen Christ.

<b>Annual Appeal 2018-19</b>		
As of 03/15/2019	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$13,080.00	\$11,830.00
Target Amount	\$11,405.00	\$11,405.00
<b>Amt Over Target</b>	<b>\$1,675.00</b>	<b>\$425.00</b>
Percent Pledged: 114.69%, Percent Received: 103.73%		
Number Contributing	39	
<b>WE MET OUR GOAL! IF YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN, NOW IS THE TIME!</b> Please continue to pay on the pledges. Anything received at the Diocese will now be returned to the parish untaxed. <b>Thank you for your generosity!</b>		

<b>Giving Last Week</b>		<b>Week 10</b>	<b>3/10/2019</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$1,320.00	<b>Needed Weekly</b>	\$1,400.00
Offertory	\$149.00	<b>Received This Week</b>	\$1,540.00
Sp. Dinner	\$20.00	<b>Running total Needed</b>	\$14,000.00
Votive Candles	\$51.00	<b>Running total Received</b>	\$14,938.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,540.00</b>	<b>Difference</b>	938.18
35 of 115 Sunday env. received			
Annual Appeal Rebate			\$425.00
Ash Wed/Debt Reduction			\$1,472.00

<b>Next Week in Service</b>		
If you are not able to be at the Mass scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you for your service to St. Mary's.		
	<b>Saturday, Mar 23, 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Sunday, Mar 24, 9:15 AM</b>
Servers:	<b>Volunteers</b>	Garret Vatland and Volunteer
Reader:	Jeana LeJeune	Tracy Brown
Communion Minister:	Marge Antoniewicz	Jodie Holdorf
Ushers:	Andy LeJeune and <b>Volunteer</b>	Jim Fleming and <b>Volunteer</b>
Money Counters:	Michelle or Steve Grabowski and Rodney and Kathy Berg	

<b>Mass Intentions</b>		
We have the following dates available for the next few months: <b>March</b> -26, & 27; <b>April</b> - 9, 16, 23, 26; <b>May</b> - 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 24, & 28		
Please use the <i>Mass Intention Envelopes</i> located in the back and by the side door to request a Mass. Thank you.		
Mar. 16	4:00 PM	In healing for Joe and Judy Roskos
Mar. 17	9:15 AM	Our Parish Family
<b>Mar. 19</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<i>Open Intention</i>
Mar. 20	8:00 AM	Anton Kerska
Mar. 22	8:00 AM	<i>Open Intention</i>
Mar. 23	4:00 PM	Lucile Kumm
Mar. 24	9:15 AM	Jack and Mary Robinson

<b>Upcoming Events/Calendar</b>		
Mar. 17	Following Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 19	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Mar. 19	7:00 PM	Men's Club Meeting—final planning for Spaghetti & Pasta Dinner
Mar. 24	Following Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 26	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Mar. 30		Fr. Matt's Birthday
Mar. 30	4:00 to 7:00 PM	<b>St. Mary's Spaghetti and Pasta Dinner</b> hosted by the Men's Club
Mar. 31	Following Mass	<b>NO</b> Religious Education Classes
Apr. 2	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Apr. 9	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Apr. 16	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Apr. 13/14		Palm Sunday
Apr. 18	7:30 PM	<b>Holy Thursday</b>
Apr. 19	1:00 PM	<b>Good Friday</b>
Apr. 20	4:00 PM	NO Regular Mass this day
Apr. 20	8:00 PM	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
Apr. 21	9:15 AM	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
Apr. 21	Following Mass	NO Religious Education Classes—Happy Easter!
Apr. 27/28		PCCW Low Sunday Collection
Apr. 27	11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Spring Luncheon sponsored by the PCCW
Apr. 28	During Mass	First Communion Sunday for the 2nd Grade Class
Apr 29 to May 3		No Weekday Masses—Fr. Matt will be on Priest Retreat.

### **Debt Reduction Collection**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this collection. We were able to pay down our debt this past week by \$1,472.00. If you missed the collection and wish to contribute to the Debt Reduction there are additional envelopes in the back of church.

### **Men's Club Spaghetti and Pasta Dinner**

Please mark your calendars and join us on **Mar. 30** from 4-7 PM. **Advertising:** Help the Men's Club by posting a flyer from the back of church at your place of business or in the community.

**Donate:** The Men's club is accepting donations to defer the cost of supplies. Envelopes are on the back table, make checks to St. Mary's Men's Club.

**Sign-up to Work:** There is a sign-up sheet in the entryway of the church for men to help at the Spaghetti Dinner. We need ticket sellers, cooks, servers and other helpers. Please help to make this a true parish function. **THANK YOU!**

### **Confessions**

Fr. Matt will be assisting with/offering confessions on the following dates and times: Holy Trinity, March 20th at 6:30 PM

Mary, Mother of the Church, April 3rd at 6:45 PM

**Here at St. Mary's, April 7th after Mass**

St. Mary's, Viroqua, April 11th at 6:30 PM

Please feel free to attend any opportunities listed.

### **Easter Flowers**

If you wish to donate toward the Easter Flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, special envelopes for this purpose are located at the church doors.

### **Rice Bowls Now Available-Encounter Lent**

Encounter Annett: In Uganda, we encounter Annet and her family, children forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can we support those worldwide who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Pick up a CRS Rice Bowl from the back of church this weekend. During the 40 days of Lent, we will help meet the needs of the world. Also, download the CRS Rice Bowl App.

### **Children's Mite Boxes**

Help remind your student of the importance of alms giving during Lent and encourage them to fill their box. All funds collected by our students go to help other children. Through these financial contributions the Missionary Childhood Association carries out educational, medical and welfare projects for children in the poorest areas of the world.

### **Religious Ed Update-Class for April 7th-Outdoor Stations**

Instead of class on Sunday morning April 7<sup>th</sup>, the RE students will participate in a mini-retreat about St. Francis of Assisi and the Stations of the Cross up at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe (5250 Justin Rd, La Crosse, WI 54601) **on Saturday morning April 6th**. Please meet at the Shrine at **8:45 AM**. It takes 15 - 20 min to get there from St. Mary's heading north on Hwy 14. The Stations are outdoors and scattered along a nature trail. Afterwards there is a talk about St. Francis of Assisi in the Shrine church. Families would be free to depart after that, although there will be a Confessions and Mass offered by the Franciscan friars starting at 10:30

*(Continued on page 4)*

## **Parish Announcements**

### **Free Lenten Materials**

Feel free to take home any of the Lenten Material on the back of church. There are several options no matter your age.

### **Annual Appeal Update!**

We have met our goal with money received! Thank you all for your contributions. Now, everything given to the Annual Appeal will be returned to the parish untaxed by the Diocese. There are extra cards and envelopes in the back of church, or give online at [diolc.org/donate-online](http://diolc.org/donate-online) be sure to designate St. Mary Parish (445).

(Continued from page 3)

AM. We will not be organizing transportation for families, but if you would like to meet in the church lot at 8:30 AM to organize some carpools, that is acceptable. If weather is poor, Fr. Matt send out another e-mail with further instructions. I certainly hope it makes for an informative, fun, prayerful activity in those closing days of Lent.

### PCCW Updates

#### Save the Date

St. Mary's Spring Luncheon will be April 27th. We will again have a quilt raffle.

#### DCCW Spring Assembly

The annual assembly will take place in April at St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge (exact date TBD).

### Order Anything on Amazon? Use Amazon Smile!

*Amazon Smile* is the charitable arm of Amazon.com, and you can now St. Mary's Parish every time you make a purchase through Amazon Smile. Log in to: [amazon.com/smile](https://amazon.com/smile) and click the word "supporting" under the search bar. You can search for St. Mary's by typing, "St. Mary Parish Coon Valley" in the search bar, or simply click the new link on our parish website: [stmarycv.org](http://stmarycv.org)

## Diocesan/Local Announcements:

**Mar. 19~Lenten Activities:** Blessed Sacrament Parish is offering three Lenten Reflection evenings. We invite everyone who is interested to join us. **Tuesday, March 19** 6:30-7:30 pm, Parish Center (Preceded by a potluck supper at 5:30. Childcare available at 6:30-7:30). Find out how the celebration of Mass can be a fountain of peace for you and a profound refreshment for your soul.

**Tuesday, March 26,** 6:30-7:30 pm, Parish Center (Preceded by potluck supper at 5:30. Childcare available at 6:30-7:30). **THE HIDDEN POWER OF FACE TIME WITH JESUS – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** Folks are in such need of spending face time with Jesus at any time of the day, bringing Him their challenges, toils and struggles. If we would only talk to Him – as we would a friend. Come and learn how it can you're your own power house! Questions call 782-2953, ext. 3, or email: [musiconlosey@yahoo.com](mailto:musiconlosey@yahoo.com).

### Project Seed Sales coming soon

A Forage & Seed Corn sale, supported by the Diocesan Rural Life Committee, offering high quality, low cost seed in the midst of a challenging economy. Seed corn is offered in both conventional and glyphosate tolerant varieties. There will be alfalfa and clover ready for sale and non-GMO seed can be ordered. Comparable yields make this seed an attractive alternative. Sale dates and locations: March 23 in Kendall; March 30 in Stanley/Boyd; April 6 in Cassel; April 13 in Colby. Full details can be found at <https://diolc.org/social-concerns/rural-life/project-seed/>

### Farmer Hotline for Help & Hope

There is a current crisis in farming: historic low margins and high rates of suicide. There is help and hope. The Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection's Wisconsin Farm Center offers a hotline for farmers looking for advice – everything from financial to succession planning for the fu-

ture. The hotline is available weekdays 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at [1-800-942-2474](tel:1-800-942-2474)

### Mar. 18~Good Grief: Healing While Grieving

A facilitated support group for people experiencing the pain of loss. At Franciscan Healthcare, 700 West Ave. So, Hospital Building, Lang Conference Rm, 1st Floor. Alternating Mondays, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Topic Mar. 18th is "Good Grief: Towards Healthy Mourning" For info call 608-785-0940, ext: 22218

### NCYC 2019! (National Catholic Youth Conference)

Bishop William Callahan is encouraging our youth to attend November 21-24, 2019 in Indianapolis, IN. Organized and planned by the [The National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry](http://TheNationalFederationofCatholicYouthMinistry.org) in a distinctly Catholic setting, the National Catholic Youth Conference invites participants to encounter Christ, experience church, and be empowered for discipleship. The schedule includes general and concurrent sessions addressing a wide variety of topics including forgiveness, Catholic spirituality and prayer, global issues, moral issues, and leadership. There are also opportunities for liturgy and special activities such as concerts, exhibits, and a thematic activity village. For more information about our Diocese of La Crosse Delegation, go to: [www.diolc.org/ncyc](http://www.diolc.org/ncyc) and submit your interest to form a group by March 25, 2019!

### Mar. 28-31~Perfect your Marriage this Lent

Draw closer to your spouse this lent with a retreat that will help you perfect your marriage. Attend the next Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat on March 28-31<sup>st</sup> at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center. The retreat begins on a Thursday evening and ends at noon on Sunday. Register at: [diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment](http://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment). Scholarships are available. For more information email [ahenzen@diolc.org](mailto:ahenzen@diolc.org).

### Mar. 28~Spaghetti Dinner

Hosted by Stoddard United Methodist Church from 4-7 PM. 900 Broadway St, Stoddard. Offering: meat and meatless sauce, meatballs, spaghetti, breadsticks, salad and homemade dessert. \$10/Adults, \$5 child, 8 and under free.

### Apr. 5~Coon Valley Elementary 4-K Registration

Your child must turn 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2019 to attend in the fall. Call 452-3143 for an appointment.

### Apr. 16~Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights at which the bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Anointing of the Sick, and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and the faithful pray for them. The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. If you are unable to attend you can watch it at [diolc.org/live](http://diolc.org/live).



### Televised Masses for Shut-ins:

WXOW CH 19 La Crosse – Sunday: 9:30 AM  
EWTN (cable/sat.) – Sunday: 7 AM & 11 AM Daily: 7 AM & 6 PM

### Catholic Broadcasting:

EWTN Catholic Cable Television  
Vernon Telephone Cable – Chan. 143  
MediaCom Chan 15 – Coon Valley  
Chan 74 – La Crosse also available via satellite

### Youth Religion Education Program:

Classes meet after the Sunday Mass from September to May. Coordinator: Paul Thompson. Email: [thom.paulrobert@gmail.com](mailto:thom.paulrobert@gmail.com)

### Natural Family Planning:

Information on natural family planning can be obtained by calling 715-235-6226 or visiting the web site at [nfp@diolc.org](mailto:nfp@diolc.org)

### Catholic Charities:

Catholic Charities offers many services in our diocese. Programs offered include: emergency services, adoption services, mental health counseling, financial counseling, HIV/AIDS ministries, immigration services, in-home support for children with disabilities, and domestic abuse services. For more information please call 1-888-212-HELP or visit [www.cclse.org](http://www.cclse.org).