

# St. Mary's Parish

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

### **Weekend Masses (NEW TIMES):**

- 4:00 PM Saturday (max 30 people)

- 8:00 AM Sunday (max 30 people)

### **Weekday Mass:**

Tues. - 6:00 PM and Thurs.- 8:00 AM

## **Area Parishes—Mass Times**

### **Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua**

Sun. 10:30 AM and 5:15 PM

### **St. Peter, Middle Ridge**

Sat. 8:00 PM and Sun. 10:30 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before Mass on Sat. or by appointment, call Fr. Matt or on our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information. <https://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us>

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) AND [frmattmarshall@gmail.com](mailto:frmattmarshall@gmail.com). You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form at: <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>.

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

Please contact the parish office or Fr. Matt when someone you know is in need of a sacrament or a pastoral visit. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

**Mass Intentions:** Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the church.

**Book of Prayer Requests:** Please call or email Fr. Matt to have an intention added during COVID time. General Book of Prayer requests will be included in the intercessions.



23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

**Fr. Matthew Marshall**

**Pastor**

**September 6, 2020**

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

## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

- 1) Ezekiel 33:7-9
- 2) Romans 13:8-10
- 3) Matthew 18:15-20

**FOCUS:** Love your neighbor as yourself.

Our readings today work together to teach us about the real obligations of the law, which include gently correcting one another so that our communities may be in harmony. Paul explains how we must do this, and do all things, with love. And Jesus promises to remain with us always.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, the Lord tells Ezekiel that he will be held responsible for the death of the wicked one if he does *not speak out to dissuade [him] from his way*. In the Letter to the Romans, Paul writes that *the one who loves another has fulfilled the law*. In the Gospel, Jesus gives instructions for correcting another, gives authority to bind and loose, and promises *where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them*

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### Next Week in Service

If you are not able to be at the Mass scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you

	Sat., Sep 12 4:00 PM	Sun., Sep 13 8:00 AM
Servers:		
Reader (s):	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>
Communion Minister (s):	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>
Ushers:	<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>Volunteers</b>
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman	
Altar Server sign up at:		

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **September 20, 2020** 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive in the St. Mary's Parking Lot, sponsored pantry TBD
- **October 18, 2020** 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive in the St. Mary's Parking Lot, sponsored pantry TBD
- Our Sunday Mass Streaming Live on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>
- **Church will be open for private prayer Tuesday through Friday from 9AM until 7 PM and Sunday Noon to 7 PM** (please practice good social distancing)

### Intentions

Sep 05 ~ 4:00 PM - †Anna Kerska
Sep 06 ~ 8:00 AM - †Jeanette C. Duda
Sep 08 ~ 6:00 PM - Safety of our military in the US and round the world and their families
Sep 10 ~ 8:00 AM - †Frank Sedevie
Sep 12 ~ 4:00 PM - †Joseph Sedevie
Sep 13 ~ 8:00 AM - †Gavin Williams

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Giving Last Week		Week 35	8/30/2020
Adult Env.(18)	\$940.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$21.00	Received This Week	\$961.00
Total	<b>\$981.00</b>	Run. Tot. Needed	\$66,500.00
		YTD Received	\$62,254.64
		Difference	(4,245.36)

### DID YOU KNOW?

If you are 70 ½ or older, you can do a **qualified charitable distribution (QCD)** of up to \$100,000 a year from your **IRA directly to a charity**. The distribution won't show up in your adjusted gross income and CAN count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD). The QCD allows you to be more strategic with your RMD. Consult your tax advisor before making any decisions. If a QCD is for you, please consider St. Mary's Parish as your charity of choice.

## Parish Announcements

### Contribution Envelopes

With Fr. Matt now serving both Coon Valley and Viroqua you may use your St. Mary's contribution envelope at either church and it will reach your Coon Valley Parish. Thank you for your continued support.



### Food Drive

We will have another food drive September 20, 11:30A – 2:00P in the St. Mary's, Coon Valley, parking lot. Food pantry TBD.

### Religious Education

There has been much discussion on how to proceed with the upcoming school year. Please look for a letter in the next few weeks with updates and registration information. Expect a delayed start to the program. We are looking at various options for this year, from virtual and at home learning to socially distancing during in person classes. Please be patient with us as we navigate the beginning of the school year with the care and concern for our students and teachers.



### Thank You

To the people at St. Mary Parish,

The food pantry at the Butikk would like to than you for your recent collection. We will be able to assist many people with your gift.

The Bethel Butikk and Food Pantry

### Parish Financial Support Options

- US Postal Service: mail directly to the parish office.
- Bill Pay through online banking, add St. Mary's as contact (if possible, use your envelope number as the account number).
- Use our online service at: [diolc.org/st-mary-coon-valley](http://diolc.org/st-mary-coon-valley) (a 3% fee will be assessed by the provider of the giving portal, your contribution will be recorded for the full amount).

### Staying Connected

- The parish bulletin will continue to be available on our Website—[www.stmarycv.org](http://www.stmarycv.org)
- We are mailing the bulletin to those over the age of 80 (if their age is recorded in our database)
- Copies of the bulletin will also be available in the church for pickup during private prayer times.
- **If you know of someone who does not have internet and could benefit from having the bulletin mailed to their home, please contact the parish office with the person(s) name(s).**

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

RIP

**Pastor Gary Daines** was called home to the Lord Monday, August 31st, 2020. We thank the Lord for his life and the wonderful love that he offered our area through his founding of the Bethel Butikk. Rest in peace, Gary!



### Archbishop ListECKI Releases Statement About Kenosha Shooting (08/24/20)

It is with a heavy heart that I received the news about the shooting last night in Kenosha. While many of the details of this shooting are unknown to us, the general public, it is not difficult to imagine the pain, fear and anger felt by all who were present. I pray for healing for Jacob Blake and for comfort for his family and loved ones. I also pray for peace in Kenosha, as the situation remains volatile in the wake of this shooting. Violence can never be the means to attain peace and justice. The Church stands as a beacon of hope. The sins of violence, injustice, racism and hatred must be purged from our communities with acts of mercy, with the protection and care for the dignity of every human person, with respect for the common good, and with an unwavering pursuit of equality and peace. Together, let us pray to God for peace, justice, mercy and protection for every human being.

### National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Join members of La Crosse Life League for a prayer service at the Memorial for the Unborn at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Saturday, September 12, at 11:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 12:15 p.m. in the Shrine Church. Confession will be available.

### MMOC Chicken Q

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on Thursday, September 17, from 11:00 - 5:30 for pick up and delivery only. The price is \$10 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For pre-sale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries, call (608) 518-6145. No minimum order and no delivery charge.

### St. Joseph Ridge Parish Chicken Q

St. Joseph Ridge Parish, W2601 State Rd 33, La Crosse will be hosting a drive-through Chicken Q on Sunday, September 27th from 11:00AM to 2:00PM or until sold out. \$10 per meal includes charcoal grilled chicken 1/2, potato salad, baked beans and a dinner roll. Ensure your meal by pre ordering, contact our ticket sales coordinators Stan Clements (780-7710), Ann Degenhardt (452-3646) or Mary Jo Hess (788-1768) or the parish office 608-788-1646, or purchase at the St. Joseph Ridge church after Mass on Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday morning 8:30 AM.

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## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Resources for Seniors:

There is a new service for advising seniors. Please visit this website <https://www.senioradvice.com/assisted-living> insert your zip code and find valuable information related to senior assisted living.

## Week of August 30th Readings

### Monday 7 September

1 Corinthians 5:1-8

Paul can be shocked by the behavior of the Corinthians and in this reading, he really is taken aback. Of course, he doesn't hold back either! Paul is motivated by the vision of our new life in Christ, our passover.

Luke 6:6-11

Jesus scandalized his contemporaries because he was so free—free enough in this story to put the well-being of a human being above a rigorous tradition. We can all think of similar situations in our contemporary church, of course!

### Tuesday 8 September

Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Micah 5:1-4

The prophecy of Micah is cited in the story of the Magi in Matthew's Gospel. It brings us to Bethlehem and to the birth of Jesus, whose mother's birth we mark today.

Matthew 1:1:1-16, 18-23

The long version of the Gospel includes the remarkable genealogy from Matthew. All of us have something in our background, some kind of shadow, and as we hear clearly in the genealogy, so did Jesus our Messiah. Precisely because he is like us, he can help us.

### Wednesday 9 September

1 Corinthians 7:25-31

In St Paul's mind, the witness of celibacy is appropriate to the nature of the times and can be practical. In any case, he is not against getting married and may well have been married himself at an earlier stage of his life.

Luke 6:20-26

Instead of the eight or nine Beatitudes familiar from Matthew, Luke offers four Beatitudes with four corresponding Woes. Because of the plain unspiritualized meaning, it is likely that the first three in each set closely resemble what Jesus said. Jesus really meant poor and hungry and weeping in a quite literal sense, which can still shock.

### Thursday 10 September

St Peter Claver

1 Corinthians 8:1-7, 11-13

Food sacrifices to idols may seem remote. The question really is how much may a Christian compromise with the surrounding culture while still being true to Jesus and his teaching.

Luke 6:27-38

Compassion is a great ideal, found in the major religion: Judaism, Islam and Buddhism. Our Gospel portrays the peculiarly Christian understanding of compassion.

### Friday 11 September

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-27

St Paul reflects on his own ministry. He does try to answer one question: why did he take no money for himself? Not taking money did get him into trouble because the communities felt indebted to him and

## Week of August 30th Readings con'd

wanted to express their gratitude. Refusing such help, in a way, shamed them and they felt it. At the end he uses metaphors from athletics, running and boxing.

Luke 6:39-42

A very energetic series of images all point to the same teaching. Having been a carpenter, Jesus knew all about splinters and planks. There is a possibility that this earnest teaching was offered with a smile on the lips!!

### Saturday 12 September

1 Corinthians 10:14-22

St Paul goes back to the question of food sacrificed to idols. This permits a rich reflection on what it means to be a communicant member of the body of Christ. At this point, he counsels abstaining from the remains of pagan sacrifices, even though that was the poor person's most regular way of eating meat. Paul knows that idols do not exist but eating the leftovers from the sacrifices could easily be misunderstood.

Luke 6:43-49

Our uncompromising Gospel today puts before us two sets of images. The first set comes from gardening. The second set of images is taken from building—a less common "hobby" today, but we know what is meant. Being the images lies the phenomenon of wadis, dry riverbeds, subject to flash floods. Building on a dry riverbed is plainly very short-sighted!

## KIDS CORNER

### ...Where two or three are gathered in my Name...

T W H I C H P R T A  
H H E A R T H S H T  
R E A G A I N H E O  
E R V R M Y W A R G  
E E E E S G L E E  
P I N E N A R L N T  
R T L H O Y A T A H  
A N Y T H I N G M E  
Y Y O U F A T H E R  
G A T H E R E D H E  
R T W O M I D S T S

Here is the last part of today's Gospel reading. See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks.

What is Our Lord asking us to do?

AGAIN, AMEN, I SAY to YOU, if two of you AGREE on EARTH about ANYTHING for WHICH they are to PRAY, it SHALL be GRANTED to them by my HEAVENLY FATHER. For WHERE TWO or THREE are GATHERED TOGETHER in my NAME, THERE am I in the MIDST of them.