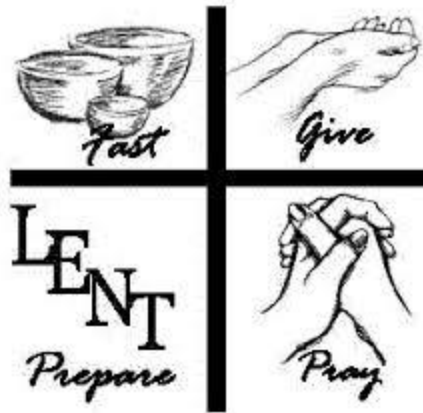


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The First Sunday of Lent

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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:

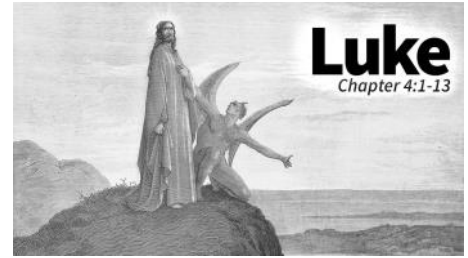
Located in the back of church. Feel free to add your own prayer requests. The requests will be included in the Mass intercessions.

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

The First Sunday of Lent

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019

- 1) Deuteronomy 26:4-10
- 2) Romans 10:8-13
- 3) Luke 4:1-13



FOCUS: Jesus Christ freed us from the slavery of sin.

As we begin Lent, our penance and fasts seem rather small in comparison with how Jesus suffered for our salvation. Our forty days does not quite compare to his forty days in the desert. We need only to call on Jesus, and he will deliver us from our sins. Each Lent presents a new opportunity to repent and grow in our relationship with the One who gave his all so we could be his.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses instructs the people to offer gifts to the Lord for their freedom from slavery in Egypt, and for God's never-ending care. In his Letter to the Romans, Paul reminds his readers that without any distinction of nationality, all who call on the name of the Lord will be saved. Luke's Gospel tells how Jesus withstood the temptations of the devil.

Annual Appeal 2018-19		
As of 03/08/2019	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$13,080.00	\$11,830.00
Target Amount	\$11,405.00	\$11,405.00
Amt Over Target	\$1,675.00	\$425.00
Percent Pledged: 114.69%, Percent Received: 103.73%		
Number Contributing	39	
WE MET OUR GOAL! IF YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN, NOW IS THE TIME! Please continue to pay on the pledges. Anything received at the Diocese will now be returned to the parish untaxed. Thank you for your generosity!		

Giving Last Week		Week 9	3/3/2019
Adult Envelopes	\$1,321.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,400.00
Offertory	\$143.00	Received This Week	\$1,594.00
Catholic Life	\$10.00	Running total Needed	\$12,600.00
Ash Wed/Debt Reduction	\$120.00	Running total Received	\$13,398.18
Total	\$1,594.00	Difference	798.18
Food Pantry	\$157.00		
39 of 115 Sunday env. received			


Next Week in Service		
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.		
	Saturday, Mar 16 4:00 PM	Sunday, Mar 17, 9:15 AM
Servers:	Volunteers	Grant McCauley and Volunteer
Reader:	Nancy Peters	Carol Roesler
Communion Minister:	Mary Humfeld	Jodie Holdorf
Ushers:	Joe Berra and Volunteer	Dan VonFeldt and Volunteer
Money Counters:	Caroline Tiedeman and Pat Kammel	

Mass Intentions

We have the following dates available for the next few months: **March**- 19, 22, 26, & 27; **April**- 9, 16, 23, 26; **May**- 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 24, & 28
Please use the *Mass Intention Envelopes* located in the back and by the side door to request a Mass. Thank you.

Mar. 9	4:00 PM	Don and Roxanne Weber Family
Mar. 10	9:15 AM	†Gavin Williams
Mar. 12	6:00 PM	Ty Marshall
Mar. 13	8:00 AM	†Edward and Anna Kerska
Mar. 15	8:00 AM	For a blessed Lent at St. Mary Parish
Mar. 16	4:00 PM	In healing for Joe and Judy Roskos
Mar. 17	9:15 AM	Our Parish Family

Upcoming Events/Calendar

Mar. 10	2:00 AM	Turn clocks ahead 1 hour 
Mar. 10	Following Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 12	6:00 PM	Mass and Stations of the Cross
Mar. 12	7:00 PM	PCCW Meeting
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 Cross
Mar. 30		Fr. Matt's Birthday
Mar. 30	4:00 to 7:00 PM	St. Mary's Spaghetti and Pasta Dinner hosted by the Men's Club
Mar. 31	Following Mass	NO 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	Holy Thursday
Apr. 19	1:00 PM	Good Friday
Apr. 20	4:00 PM	NO Regular Mass this day
Apr. 20	8:00 PM	Holy Saturday
Apr. 21	9:15 AM	Easter Sunday
Apr. 21	Following Mass	NO Religious Education Classes—Happy Easter!
Apr. 28	During Mass	First Communion Sunday for the 2nd Grade Class

Parish Announcements

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 be sure to designate St. Mary Parish (445).

Debt Reduction Collection

Ash Wednesday's collection will be used to offset our parish debt. We were able to collect \$1,397.00 on Wednesday. If you missed

Ash Wednesday and wish to contribute to the Debt Reduction there are additional envelopes for the collection in the pews this weekend. We have an outstanding debt of \$19171.28. Let's burn that up in the coming year!

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!

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 that the church doors.

Lenten Regulations

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday, March 6. Lenten regulations are as follows:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

CRS- Rice Bowls Now Available-Encounter Lent

Join our faith community-and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the U.S.-in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up a CRS Rice Bowl from the back of church. During the 40 days of Lent help meet the needs of the world. Also, download the CRS Rice Bowl App.

Mite Boxes for RE Students

Mite boxes were distributed to the students. All funds raised go to support the Missionary Childhood Association (MCA). Today MCA is in 110 countries and helps make Jesus known to children all over the world. Under its banner "children helping children", monies raised are directed towards self-help programs involving the building of schools, the provision of health and nutrition programs and medications, school fees, and teaching and learning resources.

Lenten The Word Among Us

Please fee free to use and/or take a copy of the Word Among Us Lenten edition. It includes the Complete Catholic Mass and Daily Mediations from Ash Wed, Mar. 6th through Easter on Apr. 21st

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

Instead of class on Sunday morning April 7th, 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

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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 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.

Order Anything on Amazon? Use Amazon Smile and Help St. Mary's Parish

Amazon Smile is the charitable arm of Amazon.com, and will now support St. Mary's Parish every time you make a purchase through Amazon. Log in to: 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

Have you/or will you have a 50th Wedding Anniv. in 2019?

If you are celebrating or have celebrated your 50th Wedding anniversary this year, please inform the parish office at 452-3841 or email: stmaryscv@mwt.net.

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).

Diocesan/Local Announcements:

Mar. 11~Raise Them Well Webinar | Understanding Physical Maturity

Parents: need help to talk with your kids about their changing body? Plan to join us on Monday, March 11th at 7 p.m. for this webinar on physical maturity. The evening's discussion will equip and give you confidence to talk with your children. The webinar costs \$5. It includes the live event, multiple downloads and access to the post recording. Register at: diolc.org/marriage/webinars.

Mar.16~Overcoming Challenge With Grit & Grace

Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Investment: \$40, includes lunch. Register at www.FSCenter.org or 608-791-5295. Please note: This special event will take place in the new education space at Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St. Keynote speaker will be Sarah Theborge, San Francisco-based author, physician assistant and inspirational speaker. The event also will feature a panel of regional women who will share their inspirational stories.

Mar. 12 & 19~Lenten Activities: Blessed Sacrament Parish is offering three Lenten Reflection evenings. We invite everyone who is interested to join us. **Tuesdays, March 12 & 19** 6:30-7:30 pm, Parish Center (Preceded by a potluck supper at 5:30. Childcare avail-

able at 6:30-7:30). If the Mass has become routine for you – or even boring or tedious – these reflections are for you. 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. One pastor called the adoration chapel "the engine room of the Church." Come and learn how it can you're your own power house! Questions call 782-2953, ext. 3, or email: musiconlosey@yahoo.com.

Understand and Engage with Scripture like never before

Watch *Genesis to Jesus* for free this Lent. Scott Hahn and Matthew Leonard of the St. Paul Center will make the big picture of the Bible become exceptionally clear and vibrantly alive for you. Sign up for free streaming here: stpaulcenter.com/streaming

Mar. 16~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 16 in Richland Center; 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/>

Mar. 23~Children's Come and See Day at Mater Redemptoris House of Formation

Come and See is an opportunity to visit with the Sisters, pray, play and learn more about the Sister's life.

When: March 23, 2019. **Who:** Girls ages 9-12. **Where:** Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse. **Registration and Information:** Register by March 13 (or until filled) at www.materredemptoris.org. **Questions:** Contact Sister M. Consolata at 608-788-4530 or materredemptoris@gmail.com



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

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

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.