

# 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>

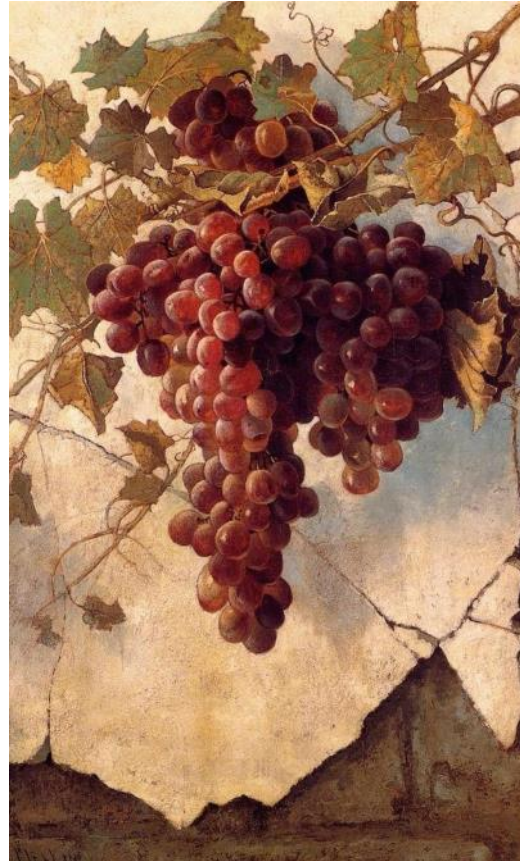
**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) AND [frmattmarshall@gmail.com](mailto:frmattmarshall@gmail.com). You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form at: <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>.

## **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.



*Grapes Against a Mission Wall* by Edwin Deakin

27th SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

*Fr. Matthew Marshall*

*Pastor*

*October 4, 2020*

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## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020**

- 1) Isaiah 5:1-7
- 2) Philippians 4:6-9
- 3) Matthew 21:33-43

**FOCUS:** Nothing we have is truly our own. It is all a gift from God.

As humans, we can be possessive of our worldly goods and take credit for our talents. Yet, everything we have is a gift from God – even the work we do to earn our living is done through the energy and talents that God gave to us. Like the tenants in today's Gospel, we owe everything to God, our divine Landlord.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Isaiah tells of a friend's vineyard, a friend who does everything possible to tend to his vineyard, only to find that it produces wild grapes. Paul encourages the Philippians to be not anxious, but pray with thanksgiving and to think about what is true, just, and lovely. Jesus tells a parable in the Gospel about vineyard tenants who kill the servants who come to claim the produce.

<u>Intentions</u>
Oct 03 ~ 8:00 AM - †Edward Kerska
Oct 04 ~ 8:00 AM - †Kylie Von Ruden
Oct 06 ~ 6:00 PM - †Living and deceased members of the Scholze and Stetzer Families
Oct 08 ~ 8:00 AM - †Deceased members of the Prindle and Duda Families
Oct 10 ~ 8:00 AM - †Deceased members of the Roskos and Roningen Families
Oct 11 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch

**Next Week in Service — Oct 11th**

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

Money Counters:	Randy Baranczyk and Leo Nickelotti
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**Announcing!**

OASIS Respite Program for Coulee Region Individuals  
with Mild to Moderate Symptoms of Alzheimer's,  
Dementia or Brain Related Impairments.

Now registering Volunteers and Participants  
**OPENS October 15<sup>th</sup>** Call or Apply Online

**oasisrespite.org**  
**(608) 780 - 0471**

An outreach mission of Causeway Caregivers a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **October 7 - 7:30 PM Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
- **October 8-13** ~ Fr. Matt will be out of town. He will still have Mass on Thursday the 8th and Tuesday the 13. Help out priest will have weekend Mass.
- **October 11 - RE Class for grades K-4** after Mass
- **October 14 - 7:30 PM Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
- **October 17/18 - World Mission Sunday**
- **October 18 - RE Class for grades 5-10** after Mass
- **October 18 - 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive** in the St. Mary's Parking Lot.
- **October 21 - 7:30 PM Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
- **October 24/25 ~ Carved Pumpkin Contest**, drop off a carved pumpkin to display in the St. Mary's Courtyard, Prizes awarded!
- **October 26-30 ~ No daily Mass** and church will be closed, Fr. Matt taking some PTO
- **October 28 - 7:30 PM Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>

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- **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)

<b>Giving Last Week</b>		<b>Week 39</b>	<b>9/27/2020</b>
Adult Env. (20)	\$847.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$37.00	Received This Week	\$1,224.00
Memorials (1)	\$100.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$74,100.00
Votives	\$135.00	YTD Received	\$70,762.14
RE Registration	\$105.00	Difference	(3,337.86)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,224.00</b>		
Food Pantry	\$103.00		

**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.

## From Fr. Matt

Fall is without a doubt my favorite time of the year. It really seemed to fire off this week! That cool, spiced air washing over my head (hair receding) and my feet (still sandling). Fire off says it right too! What colors! They are just begun, but the unstoppable cascade of reds, yellows, and oranges are slowly exploding against skies turned to steel. Why do I like it so much? Why do you? 'Cause we really do like this season on the whole, don't we? Pumpkin spice everything!!! It opens up a veritable feast of warm, stick-to-the-ribs comfort foods. It is marked by the cultural liturgies of Halloween and Thanksgiving, in equal parts mysterious and comforting. This time of the year brings warm clothes, candles, pumpkins, pies, hot drinks, scary movies, and fog. What do I like so much about this time of the year? Why is it holy to me? Well, I think I finally found expression for it in my favorite book, recently re-read (for what, the 30th time!), *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury. About this season he wrote:

*...it let a man drowse easy in the falling leaves like the boys in autumn who, comfortably strewn in the dry stacks, are content to be a part of the death of the world . . .*

Ah! That's it I think. This time of the year reminds me of what the Cross of Jesus boldly states in a human body. That when things are dying, there's still life. When things are falling apart they can still be beautiful. And when things are old, they have only just begun. Now some words from Francis fill my mind:

*...it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*  
Amen. Amen.

- Join me and your fellow parishioners to say the Rosary every Wednesday in October (7, 14, 21, & 28) at 7:30 PM. We will gather together online or feel free to join us privately. Everyone is welcome! Everyone is encouraged to gather (virtually) to support one another in prayer. Join online at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>



The prayers will last about 20 min.

-RE starts next weekend for grades K-4. I will be out of town, please have students meet in the church after Mass and follow the direction of the teachers. Parents please turn in paperwork to your teachers. Students will be sent home with their workbooks for at home study. Please ensure that they bring them back each month for their lesson.



## Our Deepest Sympathy to the Family of: RoseMarie "Rosie" LeJeune

who passed away on  
September 24, 2020



*But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. ~ Isiah 40:31*

## Parish Announcements

### Amazon Prime Days—October 13 and 14, 2020

Be sure and use AmazonSmile when ordering during the upcoming Amazon Prime Days. Thank you to everyone who has contributed through AmazonSmile. Over the last year we have received support as follows:

Nov. 20, 2019	\$32.69
Feb. 21, 2020	\$41.07
May 22, 2020	\$26.25
Aug. 20, 2020	\$40.55
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$140.56</b>



You can help increase AmazonSmile donations to St. Mary Parish by shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730) or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app.

### 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](https://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).
- Drop your contribution envelope off at either church, Coon Valley or Viroqua and the funds will be directed to St. Mary's

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

**Needed:** one adult to supervise meal pick-ups at Coon Valley Elementary from 4 - 6 PM on Wednesdays. You do not need to sign-up for every week. There are 10 families that expect to receive meals there each Wednesday. They pick up their box and go. Quiet, easy service opportunity. There is wi-fi available. **Please sign-up by contacting Fr. Matt by phone or Steve Michaels at ([steve.michaels@westby-norse.org](mailto:steve.michaels@westby-norse.org)).**

### St. Peter's Kurbside Kraut and Sausage Drive Thru

53rd Annual Sauerkraut Supper is different this year. Due

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to health and safety concerns for workers and patrons there will not be a traditional sit-down supper this year. This year the alternative a polish sausage on a bun with church made sauerkraut, only \$5 each on Wednesday, October 14 from 3:30-7 PM or until sold out. Containers of raw kraut available for additional \$5. On-line advance ordering will be available, visit <http://saintpetersparish.net/>

### Holy Trinity Chicken-Q

Thursday, October 8, Serving 11:00 a.m. until gone. Drive through and delivery only - No Bake Sale - 1/2 Chicken, Coleslaw, Beans, Roll. Cost \$10. Pre-Sale orders preferred - Tickets available at the Rectory from 9:00-3:00 Monday through Friday. Chicken-Q Phone 608-406-5339

## Week of Oct. 4th Readings

by Kieran O'Mahony, OSA

### Monday 5 October

*The letter to the Galatians is one of the most important Christian documents ever written. The presenting issue — how much of the Jewish Law should Christ-believers practice — triggers a passionate and highly personal letter. The best translation is the NET online.*

*Galatians 1:6-12* - For the next week and a bit, we hear from the letter to the Galatians. Briefly, Paul had preached to the people of Galatia (in modern Turkey) and told them they need not follow the Jewish Law in all its details. After Paul left, preachers arrived who said they should keep all the law, including circumcision. Paul writes back—in this reading we can see how upset he was, livid, really!

*Luke 10:25-37* - The message of today's parable is plain as a pikestaff...and yet we miss it, unless we open our hearts to our neighbor.

### Tuesday 6 October

*St Bruno, monk and priest - Galatians 1:13-24* - Today we get to hear Paul's own version of his conversion. The encounter with Christ was foundational for him and his being an apostle was a calling from the risen Lord himself, not some human authority. No one "authorized" him, so he really was independent.

*Luke 10:38-42* - Real hospitality goes beyond the material and the customary to a real encounter.

### Wednesday 7 October

*Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14* - It may not strike us that eating with the uncircumcised would be a big issue. It was, however. Keeping such rules was seen as key to Jewish identity. Paul has a "go" at Peter, who has acted in a very two-faced, even cowardly way. Paul writes with clarity (if not with charity!).

*Luke 11:1-4* - When the disciples asked to be taught to pray, they were not looking for a formula of words but a way of prayer. Although we treat the Lord's Prayer as "a" prayer, in reality is a method of prayer.

### Thursday 8 October

*Galatians 3:1-5* - This is a short but significant passage. The new preachers claimed to have enhanced the faith of the Galatians. Paul asks a penetrating question: did you receive the Spirit before these people came or after? The answer is clear. Just as Paul had his encounter with Christ long before meeting Peter and the others, like-wise, the Galatians knew the Spirit before the arrival of those wishing to impose the Law.

*Luke 11:5-13* - Using ordinary examples and a good dash of

## Week of Oct. 4th Readings

humor, Jesus underlines the importance of persistence in prayer.

### Friday 9 October

*St John Henry Newman, religious and priest - Galatians 3:7-14* - Our reading today is one of the most dense and difficult in St Paul's writings. We bear two things in mind. (1) According to Paul, the promise to Abraham included the future salvation of everyone including Gentiles. (2) "Curse" here means to be outside the blessing of the covenant. Paul is saying that on the cross Jesus, whose ministry was to the excluded and marginalized, himself became one of them by experiencing the cross. By identifying with the outsiders, so to speak, Jesus brought them God's salvation and so the promise to Abraham was fulfilled. All are saved in Jesus and come to know the love of God.

*Luke 11:15-26* - In some ways, this is a very distressing Gospel: contemporaries of Jesus were saying that he was in partnership with the forces of evil. On the other hand, the incident gives Jesus the chance to underline the struggle *against* evil in his ministry and in his death and resurrection.

### Saturday 10 October

*Galatians 3:22-29* - Eventually, Paul has to ask a hard question. If some major features of the Law are set aside in Christ and no longer apply to Christians, what was the point of the Law at all? He explains by using an image from everyday experience. In those days, children going to school were accompanied by a slave—called in our translation a guardian—who minded the children until they grew up. Once grown up, the minder is no longer needed.

*Luke 11:27-28* - Today we have the shortest of all gospel passages — a quick retort of Jesus, taking us to the heart of believing.

## KIDS CORNER



What did the bad tenants do when the owner's son came to get the produce?

Use the code below to find out.

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