

## PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday..... 6:30pm

Thursday.....8:00am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:15pm to 3:45pm

Sunday.....7:15am to 7:45am

## PARISH OFFICE

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Open most Wednesdays and Thursdays

## COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Vacant

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Nancy Peters (Secretary), John Mislivecek, Bryan Berg and John Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue Humfeld, Mike Kammel, Jim Prindle and Steve Schulte.  
(2 appointed vacancies)

## PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters (Treasurer), Linda Berg (Secretary)

## ORGANISTS

Mary Beth Smith, Linda Schulte, and Chris Carskadon.

## Fr. Joe also serving:

### Annunciation of the BVM Parish, Viroqua

Mass Times: Weekend.....Saturday.....6:30 PM

Sunday .....10:30 AM

Weekday: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM & Fridays - 8:00 AM

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Call or email Fr. Joe. You can also use our website under the Sacraments tab: <https://www.stmaryscv.org/sacraments>

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

**Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick:** Please contact the parish office or Fr. Joe when someone you know is in need of the Sacrament or a pastoral visit. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmaryscv.org/sacraments>

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

**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 parish prayers.

# St. Mary's Parish

900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI 54623

Phone: 608-452-3841

Website: [stmaryscv.org](http://stmaryscv.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley)



## Pancake Breakfast Sunday

## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God? ~ Lk 17:17-18



## Fr. Joe Richards

## October 9, 2022

## Readings: 658C

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

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022**

- 1) 2 Kings 5:14-17
- 2) 2 Timothy 2:8-13
- 3) Luke 17:11-19

**FOCUS:** The Lord has done great things for us.

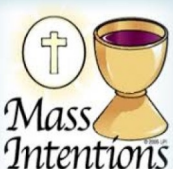
Today's readings invite us to reflect on our gratitude for what God has done for us, particularly through Christ. It begins with acknowledging that it is the Lord who has acted on our behalf. Such recognition can in turn lead us to a greater appreciation for God's greatness, to a deeper faith, and to true worship.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Naaman is healed after following Elisha's instructions to plunge himself into the Jordan seven times. Afterward, he pledges to offer sacrifice only to the Lord. Paul writes to Timothy that it is the Gospel of Jesus Christ for which he is suffering, *even to the point of chains, like a criminal*. In the Gospel, Jesus is traveling throughout Samaria and Galilee when ten lepers call to him, *Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!* Jesus tells them to go show themselves to the priests and the lepers are healed while on their way. Only one leper, a Samaritan, returns to give thanks to Jesus.

### **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.



If there is a special weekend date you would like, please get your request(s) in early. The following dates are open for the next few months.

**Saturdays in 2022 are full.**

**Sundays:** Oct 23. Nov 27. Dec 11.

**Weekdays:** Sep 20 & 27. Oct 25.

Nov 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, and 29.


If you have questions feel free to email the parish office at [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) or leave a message at 608-452-3841.

### Next Week in Service — Oct 15/16

If you are not able to serve as scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you!

Readers:	<b>Sat. – Robert Kerska Sun. – Ryan Goodwin</b>
Ushers:	<b>Sat. – Volunteers Sun. – Volunteers</b>
Money Counters:	Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

### Upcoming Events/Calendar


- **October 9 ~ Our Annual Pancake Breakfast!**  
**7:30 AM—Noon** 
- **October 11 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM**
- **October 18 ~ PCCW Meeting 7:00 PM**
- **October 20 ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8AM Mass**
- **October 23/24 ~ World Mission Sunday**
- **November 1 ~ All Saint's Day Mass - 6:30 PM *Holy Day of Obligation***
- **November 2 ~ All Soul's Day Mass - 8:00 AM**
- **November 6 ~ Religious Education Following Mass**
- **November 8 ~ Finance Council meeting 7:00 PM**

**Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook is back:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>

### Intentions

Oct 08 ~ 4:00 PM - †Dennis LeJeune
Oct 09 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch
Oct 11 ~ 6:30 PM - †Willard and Mina Kubal
Oct 13 ~ 8:00 AM - †Norbert and Arlene Seichter
Oct 15 ~ 4:00 PM - †Norbert and Arlene Seichter
Oct 16 ~ 8:00 AM - †Allen and Mercedes Christen

Sign in using **AmazonSmile** and select **St. Mary Parish** as your preferred charity at [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730).

Remember to shop for deals at **smile.amazon.com**, or with Amazon Smile **ON** in the Amazon app, and AmazonSmile will donate to us at no cost to you."  You shop. Amazon gives.

**Donations:** Here are some ways to support your parish:

- **Attend Mass and drop** your contribution envelope at either church, Coon Valley or Viroqua and the funds will be directed to St. Mary's
- **US Postal Service:** mail directly to the parish office, your 2021 Contribution envelope is postal ready!
- **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 processing fee will be deducted from your contribution, which averages 3% for debit/credit cards and \$.75 for EFT/ACH. Your contribution will be recorded for the full amount).

### Giving Last Week

		<b>Week 40</b>	<b>10/2/2022</b>
Adult Env.(33)	\$1940.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	\$94.00	Received This Week	\$2,887.03
Pancake Bft(20)	\$635.00	Running total needed	\$80,000.00
Amazon Smile	\$31.03	YTD Received	\$72,265.08
Rel Ed Reg.	187.00	Difference	(7,734.92)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,887.03</b>		

## From the Parochial Administrator



Hello from the outfitters, friends,

My classmate Fr. Levi was sitting next to me on the car ride up here yesterday, and when I asked him “do you want to add anything into my bulletin article for next weekend?” He said, “I got this.” What follows is his doing.  
God bless you, and happy reading. ~Fr. Joe

Dear people of God,

I, Fr. Levi Schmitt, write this article as I traverse the northern corridor of Western Wisconsin, otherwise known as Highway 53, with your pastor/parochial administrator. Seeing as his digits are occupied with the steering wheel, I have determined to run an interview with him so that you might better answer the question, “who is Fr. Joe Richards really?”

**Fr. Levi's Question 1: *Tell me something about yourself that people wouldn't expect.***

**Fr. Joe's Answer:** I was originally meant to be the only one ordained in my class, until my classmates got held back (editor's comment: this is a dig at me).

**Question 2: *What's your favorite memory?***

**Answer:** Walking the Camino (Spain). I'm feeling nostalgic for it; it started my backpacking adventures. There was a simplicity to it; the entire focus of the day was to walk 20 miles. That's it. It was a good time to put life together.

**Question 3: *How do you pray every day?***

**Answer:** In my house chapel, preferably right away in the day with a cup of coffee. I pray the Office of Readings at the beginning; have 30 minutes of silence and journaling; and I conclude with Morning Prayer.

**Question 4: *What's your favorite movie and why?***

**Answer:** *Calvary*. It's a hard story, but it really grasps priesthood well. (Disclaimer: Talk with Fr. Joe before watching this movie).

**Question 5: *What would be the best way for the people of your parishes to support your ministry?***

**Answer:** Pray, that is, to have a really good relationship with Christ themselves. That's it. That's the best thing they could possibly do for me.

**Interviewee question to the interviewer: *Why did you say “yes” to this trip to the Boundary Waters?***

**Interviewer answer:** Besides getting me out of a week of school (I'm a school chaplain), I just needed something “gritty” in my life. Everything is always just so clean—plus I'm bored of emails.

**Question 6: *Who, besides Christ, would you like to model your life on, and why?***

**Answer:** There are three priests that come to mind. They will remain anonymous. One, because he's from our diocese. Another, because he's famous. And the last, because you wouldn't recognize him.

**Question 7: *How do you prepare your homilies?***

**Answer:** I take a look at the readings on Monday or Tuesday. Sit with them throughout the week. On Friday or Saturday I'll spend an hour or two praying with them. After that I'll record 5-10 versions on my phone until I find the “flow” I like.

**Question 8: *What do you do if you are attacked by a group of clowns?***

**Answer:** Go for the nose.

## Parish Announcements

**We are proud to announce the baptism of:**

**Zander Backes**

Child of Travis Backes and Megan (White) Backes



~ We welcome him to the church and congratulate his parents ~

Invite your family and friends and join us for Breakfast this Sunday from 7:30 AM to Noon (or until gone).



**Update on the Pancake Breakfast Collection**

As of Friday, prior to the breakfast, we have received \$1,745 from 54 donors. If you haven't donated, we will happily continue to accept your contributions. Thank you for your financial support!

### Book of the Dead/Remembrance

On All Soul's Day and during the month of November we honor the faithfully departed. Our Book of Dead is a place for you to write the names of departed loved. Feel free to inscribe those whom you have lost this past year in the book located in the back of church as we pray for and remember them through the month of November.

### Be Present, Be Counted

Diocesan wide October Mass attendance counts occur each weekend through October 22/23rd. Please make sure that you are present in Church, so that you are counted.



## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Are you looking for a way to live your faith through service?

Then become a volunteer or employee with Catholic Charities of the La Crosse Diocese! We are currently looking for volunteers to help in our La Crosse Warming Center this season. Take a look at the Volunteer website at: <https://cclse.org/volunteer-opportunities/> for information on how to get signed up! We also have excellent career opportunities! Check out the employment page at: <https://cclse.org/employment-opportunities/>.

### Looking for a Parish Festival or Event to attend?

The Diocese has designated a specific website to list parish events. Check out [diolc.org/parish-festivals/](http://diolc.org/parish-festivals/) to see the list various activities at churches through out the Diocese.

### 55th Annual Sauerkraut Supper - Oct 12

St. Peter Parish, Middle Ridge Annual Sauerkraut Supper—carry out only. Serving 3:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Church-made Kraut and pork ribs, polish sausage, glazed carrots, mashed potatoes and gravy, home-made pie. \$15 for a dinner. Raw kraut (2.5 lb) available for \$5.

### White Mass and Banquet - Oct 18

Oct. 18 Gospel of Life White Mass and Banquet with Bishop Callahan Join us Tues. evening, Oct. 18, at the Cathedral in La Crosse. The keynote presenter, Fr Paul Check, Executive Director of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, will speak on: "Witnessing to Life, Truth and Love in a Hostile World." Schedule: 6 p.m. – White Mass with Bishop Callahan, honoring Catholic healthcare professionals; 7 p.m. – Banquet; 7:45 p.m. – Presentation. \$20/person, \$10/students, teachers & school administrators. Info and registration, visit [diolc.org/gospel-of-life](http://diolc.org/gospel-of-life).

### Annual Turkey Dinner - Oct 19

This is an annual fundraiser at the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Viroqua (PCCW). The money made from this fund raiser goes to many good causes, both locally and worldwide. Adults \$15, children ages 5-10: \$10. There is also a quilt raffle with beautiful quilts made by the St. Mary's Quilters. We hope all of you can join us to support our fund raising efforts and also enjoy a wonderful meal.

### Queen of the Americas Guild Conference - Oct 21 & 22

This years conference features Cardinal Burke, Joseph Pearce and Dr. Robert Royal at the Shrine in La Crosse, examining Our Lady of Guadalupe's importance in the history of literature. Pamphlets are available in the back of church or for more information visit: [queenoftheamericaguild.org](http://queenoftheamericaguild.org) or call 630-584-1822 or email [staff@queenoftheamericaguild.org](mailto:staff@queenoftheamericaguild.org)

### Women's Holy Day of Prayer and Meditation - Oct 29

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe - October 29, 2022, 9 AM-5PM the La Crosse Diocesan Women invite you for a Holy Day of Prayer and Meditation. Take part in all or portions of this itinerary: meeting, speaker author Christopher Ruff, confessions, Mass, lunch, meditation or rosary walk, adoration, benediction, vespers. The day is free, including lunch. It is a gift to the first 200 women in the Diocese who RSVP to LDCCW Vice President Candace McGrath, [candymcgrath@yahoo.com](mailto:candymcgrath@yahoo.com)

**Save the date! Men of the Cross Catholic Men's Conference: "Sons of the Father" Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022, La Crosse Center 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI. Cost: \$40 per person; After Oct. 24, 2022, \$45 per person.**

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- All those who are suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are working tirelessly to help the ill recover.
- All the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- All political leaders may their decisions be made for the good of all citizens.
- For those fighting cancer, especially members of our parish.
- For children suffering with life threatening conditions and illnesses.
- The intentions listed in our parish Book of Prayer.
- Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

To add a request call 608-452-3841 or email [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net)



Join us for our  
**Annual Pancake  
Breakfast** this  
Sunday, October 9  
from  
7:30 AM to Noon



## Kids Corner

### True or False? Jesus Cures the Ten Lepers

*How well do you know the story of Jesus and the Lepers?*

1. When Jesus was walking to Jerusalem, he met ten lepers. True or false?
2. The lepers came right up to Jesus and touched Him. True or false?
3. Jesus didn't touch them; all He said was, "Go show yourselves to the priests." True or false?
4. Half of the lepers were healed and half weren't. True or false?
5. All of them came back to thank Jesus. True or false?
6. Only one man came back to thank Jesus, and he was a foreigner. True or false?
7. Jesus said, "Your faith has saved you." True or false?



Answers: 1.T, 2.F, 3.T, 4.F, 5.F, 6.T, and 7.T



# Pancake Breakfast

## FUNDRAISER

Come out and support our organization with a delicious stack of pancakes, eggs, sausage, cheese curds, applesauce, milk, orange juice and coffee!

Also purchase a tasty treat to take home from the bake sale!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th • 7:30 AM—NOON**

**\$10.00**

PER ADULT

**\$5.00**

KIDS 6-12

**ALL YOU  
CAN EAT!**

**St. Mary  
Parish**

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