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

Amy Stafslien, Admin. Assist…....608-452-3841
Bulletin deadline: …….… Wednesday noon
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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. www.stmarycv.org/visit-us

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

Sacrament of Baptism: Please submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net **AND** fatherjoerichards@gmail.com You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form at: www.stmarycv.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. www.stmarycv.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

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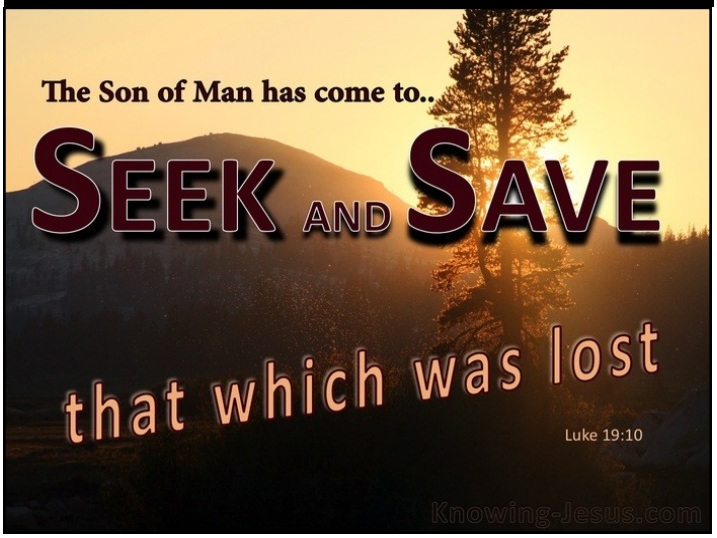
Website: stmarycv.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley

31stSunday in Ordinary Time



All Saints Day
November 1st
All Souls Day
November 2nd

Fr. Joe Richards

October 30, 2022

Readings: 670C

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022
1) Wisdom 11:22—12:2
2) 2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2
3) Luke 19:1-10

FOCUS: Receive the Lord with joy and be ready for change. Zacchaeus was not looking for a miracle; he just wanted to see Jesus. When Jesus called him, he came down quickly with great joy. When Jesus calls us, do we come quickly, or do we hesitate? Jesus comes to us in the Eucharist. As Zacchaeus did, we ought to receive him with great joy. For Zacchaeus received Jesus and was changed by the encounter. We, too, are meant to be transformed, for the sake of the world.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The author of the Book of Wisdom praises God for his love for all things he created and for the mercy he has on all people. Paul tells the Thessalonians that they always pray for them, that *God may make [them] worthy of [their] calling*. In the Gospel, Jesus calls Zacchaeus to come down from the tree, and the tax collector says he will give half his possessions away and repay what he owes anyone *four times over.*

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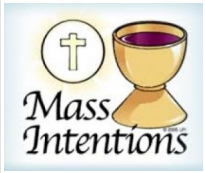
Intentions

Oct 29 ~ 4:00 PM - †Edward and Anna Kerska
Oct 30 ~ 8:00 AM - †Leona Welsh
Nov 01 ~ 6:30 PM -†Lucas Seelow
Nov 02 ~ 8:00 AM - †Departed Souls
Nov 03 ~ 8:00 AM - Our Parish Family
Nov 05 ~ 4:00 PM - †Olaf Haugen
Nov 06 ~ 8:00 AM - †Kylie Von Ruden



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.
Sat. in 2022 are full. Sundays: Nov 27. Dec 11. **Weekdays:** Nov8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, and 29. Dec 1, 5, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, and 29.
If you have questions feel free to email the parish office at stmaryscv@mwt.net or leave a message at 608-452-3841.

Next Week in Service — Nov 05/06

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

Readers:	**Sat.** – Jeana LeJeune **Sun.** – Marlene Humfeld
Ushers:	**Sat.** – **Volunteers** **Sun.** – **Volunteers**
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **October 31** ~ All Hallow's Eve
- **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** ~ Daylight Savings Time ends 2:00 AM
- **November 6** ~ Religious Education following Mass
- **November 8** ~ Finance Council meeting 7:00 PM
- **November 15** ~ PCCW Meeting at 7:00 PM
- **November 17** ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass
- **November 24** ~ Thanksgiving Day
- **November 26/27** ~ First Sunday of Advent
- **December 3** ~ ***Annual Craft Show*** at the Village Hall, 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM
- **December 4** ~ Religious Education following Mass
- **December 6** ~ Pastoral Council Meeting 5:00 PM
- **December 8** ~ ***Immaculate Conception Mass*** 6:30 PM *Holy Day of Obligation*, **NO** 8 AM Mass this day

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

Fr. Joe's Office Hours:

Tuesdays from 1:00-6:30 PM (Mass time) and on **Thursdays from Mass until noon.** Wednesdays and Fridays in Viroqua, and Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons will be flex options. **Note that some of this time will also include home and nursing facility visits**, so, please *call or text beforehand (608-606-9787)* or look for the Terrain under the maple tree out back in the parking lot.

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 (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		Week 43	10/23/2022
Adult Env.(28)	$1,065.00	Needed Weekly	$2,000.00
Offertory	$127.00	Received This Week	$1,312.00
Pancake Bft(2)	$120.00	Running total needed	$86,000.00
Total	**$1312.00**	YTD Received	$76,590.09
Mission Sun(7)	$155.00	Difference	(9,409.91)
Food Pantry	$35.00		

From the Parochial Administrator

Hello folks,

A few quick notes about this week's liturgies as well as what's coming up just around the bend. Let's begin with Tuesday and Wednesday this week – both pretty big days in the life of the Church.

November 1: Tuesday is the **Solemnity of All Saints Day – a holy day of obligation** and the day we celebrate all our brothers and sisters who have already done what we're trying to do and done it really well. From time to time somebody will ask "why do you Catholics pray to/worship the saints?" It's a great question, and the confusion makes some sense – to somebody unfamiliar with the rosary, spending twenty-two minutes repetitively praying "Hail Mary, full of grace…" must seem peculiar. There's a big difference between reverence and worship. I revere and respect my folks for being good parents and getting me kind of started on the straight-and-narrow, I revere several of my brother priests for running the race well, but it would be really weird if I were to worship them for their successes. I learn from them (sometimes by watching them work, sometimes by directly asking them for help/advise), but I don't pretend they're something other than what they are. I worship and pray to God. I revere and pray to the saints, insofar as prayer is talking-to and spending-time-with. If that's more confusing than clarifying, catch me in person and I'll try not to confuse things even more.
Anyway, all that's to say we've got Mass here on Tuesday this week at 6:30 PM.

November 2: Wednesday **is All Souls Day – *not* a holy day of obligation, but a good day to pray for our brothers and sisters who have passed away over the past year and before.** Sometimes at funerals and the increasingly-popular celebrations-of-life, our temptation can be to focus in on the reasons our deceased brother or sister might already be a saint, unfortunately jumping past the fact that when someone passes away they're usually not immediately and perfectly ready to enter Heaven. The reality is that we believe in Purgatory for a few reasons – first, because it's biblical; second, because we are under no illusions about our own holiness, our need for help along the way, and the value of a consecrated place to heal before the Final Step. If Heaven is being perfectly-with-God, I have a lot of perfecting to do before I get there. I certainly plan on taking a good long stay in Purgatory, and I fully expect you to pray for me. The Church has a very good reason for putting All Souls Day directly after All Saints Day – on All Souls Day our prayer is asking for any healing that still needs to happen in the deceased's hearts to happen and for them to move from the "All Souls" category to the "All Saints" category.
Anyway, again that's all to say that we'll be praying for our beloved dead throughout the month, starting especially on All Souls Day. On Wednesday this week, we'll have Mass here at 8:00 AM.

Finally, **next Sunday** we'll have **round two of Religious Education** after Sunday's 8:30 Mass. Please stick around afterward and we'll get things rolling!

God bless you all, Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. We will continue to accept collection envelopes for the next couple of weeks. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, by visiting MISSIO.org.

PCCW Quilt Raffle Tickets
Tickets are distributed by member and separated by guilds in the back of church. Please pick yours upon the way out today. Drawing will be at the Craft Show on Dec. 3rd.

Crafter Registration Now Open
We are now registering Crafters for their Annual Craft Show held on December 3, 2022 at the Coon Valley Village Hall. Visit our website for registration information at: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or call the coordinator Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 or the parish office at 608-452-3841.

Missing Igloo Cooler
If you barrowed the cooler, please return to the parish, no questions will be asked. Thank you.

In Loving Memory

"All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of Heaven" *Catechism of the Catholic Church #10

Raymond Sedevie
Tyler Turben
Jean Lange

Betty Parshall
Janet Bekkum

We keep the memories of our beloved ones who have gone to their eternal rest, and we keep them in our prayers. These loved ones who have passed in the last year and those listed in our Book of Dead will be celebrated during the masses in the month of November.

Parish Announcements continued

Catholic Guide to Halloween

- The word "Halloween"—or "Hallowe'en"—comes from *All Hallow's Eve*.
- All Hallows Eve is the vigil celebration of **All Saints Day**—also known as **All Hallows Day**.
- The word "hallow" means "holy." (In the Our Father we pray, "Hallowed be thy name.")
- All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, and a **major feast** on the Church's liturgical calendar.
- **All Saints Day** honors not only the saints in heaven whom we know by name, but also the countless saints in heaven whose names are unknown to us.
- **All Souls Day** is on November 2nd.
- These three days taken together—**October 31st, November 1st, and November 2nd, which celebrate the major feast of All Saints Day and the smaller feast of All Souls Day**—are the "Days of the Dead," a triduum of feasts also called **Allhallowtide, Hallowtide,** or **Hallowmas** (*Hallow* meaning holy and mas meaning Mass).
- **Halloween is, therefore, the first day of Allhallowtide**, the time of year when the living (the Church Militant) honor all the dead in Christ: the saints in heaven (the Church Triumphant) as well as all the holy souls detained in purgatory on their way to heaven (the Church Suffering). It is a beautiful celebration of the Communion of Saints!

From: www.goodcatholic.com/good-catholic-guide-to-halloween/

Diocesan/Local Announcements

The Saints Challenge
The Saint Challenge is launching on All Saint's Day, Nov 1st. It is a year-long series of challenges based on the saint of the day. In 90 seconds you'll learn a little fact about the saint of the day, and be given a challenge inspired by that saint. It could be a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, or something to improve your interior life and your relationship with God and neighbor. The Saint Challenge is free, and you can find more information and find ways to sign up at www.thesaintchallenge.com. Let's be saints!

Fr. Walijewski Legacy Dinner
Please join us for the annual Father Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild Dinner benefiting Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II on Friday, Nov. 4 at Blessed Sacrament Church in La Crosse. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Following dinner, Msgr. Joseph Hirsch will provide an update on the last year at Casa Hogar and the legacy of Servant of God, Father Joseph Walijewski, that lives on still today. Cost is only $70 per person or $525 for a table of 8. Register online at homeajpm.org/events or call 715.297.5139 to register or with any questions. Hope to see you there!

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. Information in the back of church.

56th Annual Holly Berry Fair – Nov 12
Saturday, November 12, 2022, 9am-4pm Fair will be in the St. James Providence Academy Gymnasium, 716 Windsor St., La Crosse - across the street from St. James. Booths include Bakery, Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Visit Santa's Winter Wonderland for face painting & pictures with Santa! Lunch & refreshments available for dine in or take out.

Substitute Teacher Positions
Aquinas Middle School and Aquinas HS seek candidates for Substitute Teaching Positions. www.aquinascatholicschools.org/employment

Fall Time Change Coming…
Don't forget to set your clocks back NEXT Sunday at 2 AM!

Kids Corner

The Feast of All Saints is November 1st.

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CATHERINENUIG
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ATERESABTMSOH
WILLIAMEEATME
INMARKATERIAW
JAMESJOHNYNST
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This list has the names of just some of the many saints in heaven. Do you have a saint name? If you don't, maybe you can become the first saint with your name!

ANDREW	JAMES	MICHAEL
ANNE	JOHN	NICHOLAS
BERNADETTE	JUSTIN	PAUL
CATHERINE	KATERI	ROBERT
DOMINIC	LIDWINA	SIMON
ELIZABETH	LUKE	STEPHEN
FRANCIS	LUCY	TERESA
GEMMA	MARK	THOMAS
HENRY	MARY	VINCENT
ISAAC	MATTHEW	WILLIAM

I want to __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ !

Answer: Be a Saint