

**PASTOR**

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Tues. 1:00 PM until Mass time

Thurs. after Mass until noon and by appt

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday.....5:15 pm

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,

Lori Pedretti and Steve Schulte. (1 appointed

vacancy)

**PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women**

Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters

(Treasurer), Linda Berg (Secretary)

**MUSICIANS**

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 - 5:15 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](http://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday from 3:15pm to 3:45pm and Sunday from 7:15am to 7:45am

**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: [www.stmarycv.org/sacraments](http://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](http://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.

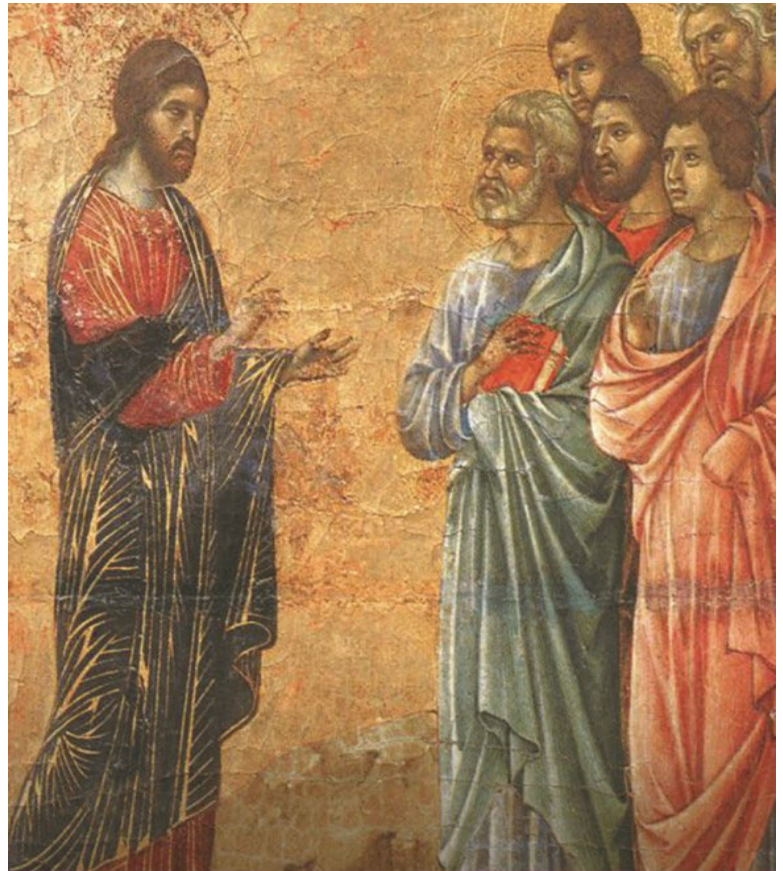
# St. Mary's Parish

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## 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. Joe Richards, Pastor*

*September 10, 2023*

*Readings: 644A*

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


## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Sunday Readings**  
**September 10, 2023**

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

<b>Intentions</b>	
Sep 09 ~ 4:00 PM - † Edwin and Anna Sedevic	
Sep 10 ~ 8:00 AM - Our Parish Family	
Sep 12 ~ 5:15 PM - Our Parish Family	
Sep 14 ~ 8:00 AM - † Sam and Betty Hagerman	
Sep 16 ~ 4:00 PM - † Deceased members of the Roskos and Roningen Families	
Sep 17 ~ 8:00 AM - † Gavin Williams	



**Sat. and Sun. dates for 2023 are FULL!**

**Weekdays open 2023:** Nov 28, Dec 12, 19, & 28.


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.

**2024 Intentions now available!** Request a specific date by filling out an intention envelope or email the office.


**Next Week in Service — Sept 16/17**

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

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



**CONFESSIONS**  
**Saturday:** 3:15pm to 3:45pm  
**Sunday:** 7:15am to 7:45am



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

**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.
- Bill Pay through online banking, add St. Mary's as contact (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 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).

- ### Upcoming Events/Calendar
- Sept 10 ~ RE Safe Environment** Student and Parent Meeting after 10:30 AM Mass in Viroqua. Students must attend at least one training date this is the first of three dates.
  - Sept 11 ~ PCCW** Basement cleaning 3 PM, Meeting at 5:30 PM  
~ Mass & Healing Service at Sacred Heart in Cashton, adoration & confessions 4:30, Mass 5:30 PM
  - Sept 12 ~ Finance Council Meeting** 6 PM
  - Sept 17 ~ Religious Education** monthly activity after the 8 AM Mass in Coon Valley. **Mandatory RE Safe Environment training** here in Coon Valley (date 2 of 3) ~ **Brunch** following Mass all are welcome to attend
  - Sept 18 ~ La Crosse Deanery of Catholic Women** Fall Assembly at Mary, Mother of the Church, 6 PM
  - Sept 19 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting** 4 PM
  - Sept 21 ~ Coffee and Fellowship** following 8 AM Mass
  - Sept 26 ~ Photo Shoot for Directory** 2:00 PM to 8:35 PM
  - Sept 27 ~ Photo Shoot for Directory** 2:00 PM to 8:35 PM
  - Oct 01 ~ RE in Viroqua** after the 10:30 AM Mass for both Coon Valley and Viroqua students.
  - Oct 08 ~ Last option for mandatory RE Safe Environment training** (date 3 of 3) after the 10:30 AM Mass in Viroqua.
  - Oct 15 ~ Our Annual Pancake Breakfast**

**Fr. Joe's Office Hours:**


**Tues. from 1:00-5:15 PM (Mass time)** and **Thurs. 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.




**Inspired by the Spirit Campaign**

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00  
As of September 8, 2023  
Pledges received (28): \$97,720.00  
Payments received: \$25,235.00  
Under Goal (\$7,280.00)



<b>Needed this Month</b>	
\$8,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$1,242.00	Received week 1
<b>(\$6,758.00)</b>	<b>Short for the Month</b>

<b>Giving Last Week</b>		<b>Week 35</b>	<b>9/3/2023</b>
Adult Env(258)	\$985.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	117.00	Received This Week	\$1,242.00
RE Registration	140.00	Running total needed	\$72,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,242.00</b>	YTD Received	\$60,081.01
Mission Coop	\$185.00	Difference	(11,918.99)

## From the Pastor



Hello friends,

Let's talk shop this week – Calendar, Safe Environment training, Healing Service. First, here are some **upcoming events for your calendar**:

This Monday (September 11), there's a *Mass & Healing Service at Sacred Heart in Cashton* to which you are warmly invited, starting off at 4:30. More info on that below.

Second, Coon Valley's upcoming *Pancake Breakfast*. We had previously posted an October 8, but I need to redact that. The Pancake Breakfast will be on *October 15* – \$10 gets you all you can eat of locally grown pancakes and maple syrup down in the Parish Hall. Viroqua and Coon Valley folks (and the broader community too) are welcome!

Third, *Viroqua's upcoming Fall Dinner on October 18*. We'll need some parish support for this one, but in the meantime, we'll have a planning meeting for anyone who would like to come help this coming Thursday at 5, right down in Marian Hall. Just as with the Pancake Breakfast, all are welcome!

Finally, and much further out, All Saints and All Souls. I'll arrange Mass times with the Pastoral Councils, but in the meantime mark off *All Saints' Day (November 1, a Wednesday, and a Holy Day of Obligation) and All Souls' Day (November 2, not a Holy Day, but a pretty holy day)*, on your calendars. I imagine we'll build our liturgical schedule that weekend around our existing daily Mass schedule, with Masses available at both parishes. More to come.

Second, **Safe Environment training**. If you've been involved with RE (teaching or enrolling) you may be familiar with the diocese's Safe Environment program – it started as a response to the clergy abuse crisis that broke in the early 2000s and grew into a more comprehensive training for children and for adults who work with children and vulnerable individuals, oriented around healthy boundaries, effectively communicating when dangerous situations come up or persons pose threats, and creating (as the name implies) a safe environment for our people to worship, learn, and commune together. All our families, catechists, and volunteers working with vulnerable folks are expected to participate in one of our upcoming training sessions: this weekend after Viroqua's 10:30 Mass, September 17 after Coon Valley's 8:00 Mass, or October 8 after Viroqua's 10:30 Mass. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask!

And finally, the **Healing Service** this coming Monday evening. The evening starts with adoration & confession at 4:30, followed by Mass at 5:30, followed by the opportunity to pray with one of a few prayer teams. If you've identified a place of emotional, spiritual, psychological, or physical woundedness in yourself, or even if you haven't yet put your finger on what that thing might be, this evening could be a good opportunity to invite the Holy Spirit to meet you with His healing work. I've been involved with this type of work for a decade now (which maybe informs some of my homilies), and I find it a powerful way to follow Jesus' exhortation to St. Paul as Paul addresses the anonymous thorn in his side, "My strength is enough for you, for my strength is made perfect in weakness."

Okay, that's it for this week. God bless you all! ~Fr. Joe

## Parish Announcements



### Our Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser Collection Envelopes

The breakfast will be here before you know it! The council would like to continue with the collection envelopes instead of a raffle again this year, requested donation is \$20.

An envelope for each registered family in the back of church. Please pick up yours today. You may return in by mail or drop in the collection basket. Lets all work together to make it another successful parish event!

### High Chairs and Booster Seats Needed

If anyone has a used high chair or booster seat they no longer use and would like to donate it to the church we would be very grateful. Feel free to bring them to the basement before or after mass.

### Volunteer Opportunity

The PCCW could really use some volunteers to help clean the church basement. The goal is to have several groups of ladies so each group only needs to clean two or three times a year. If interested leave a message at the church or contact Clarice Kammel.

### Brunch Every 3rd Sunday

The PCCW will be serving coffee and donuts/brunch every third Sunday starting September 17 while our children are having their monthly activity. Each month the food offered will be a little different. Please come join others in the church basement for some parish social time.

### PCCW Meeting - Sept 11

The next PCCW meeting will be held on Monday, September 11. Those available will do some housekeeping in the basement beginning at 3:00PM. The actual meeting will start at 5:30PM. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

### Rosary Before Mass in October

The rosary will be said before the weekend mass during the month of October. Please come to church a little earlier than normal and join all in. Rosary will begin about 20 minutes before Mass.



### Bookshelf Wanted

The PCCW is looking for a small bookshelf no higher than 4 feet for the spiritual books we are collecting. The plan is to have the spiritual book sharing library up by the end of September. If you have any spiritual books you would like to share please put them in the marked box in the back of church.

### Church Directory



### Photograph Sign-Up

**It's not too late to sign up for the September 26 or 27th photo opportunity!**

If you need to change your appointment day or time please contact Clarice Kammel.

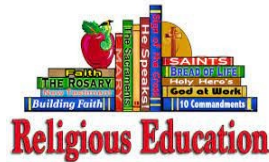
**All those who have their pictures taken will receive a free 8X10 photo and a free directory.** This does not cost you anything unless you decide to purchase more pictures.

Just sign into the website [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) and use *church code wi259* and *password photos*.

## Parish Announcements continued

### PCCW Information - Fall Deanery Meeting - Sep 18

Have you heard about or seen the movie the "Sounds of Freedom"? It's a story about children and human trafficking. Come learn more about this problem from Deacon Steve Przedpelski of the Franciscan Peacemakers of Milwaukee. He will be speaking at Mary, Mother of Church, September 18, 2023. The program will start at 6 p.m. with a light supper and desserts. **All ladies of area parishes are invited**, but please tell us if you are coming so we have enough food! Please call Rita Sanchez, 608-780-3621 or Kay Kesler, 608-780-0485 to let us know.



**RE Activity Day** is next Sunday, September 17th here in Coon Valley following the 8 AM Mass. Any questions please contact Bridget Goodwin at: [bladams50@gmail.com](mailto:bladams50@gmail.com)

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Catholic Charities USA -- Hurricane Relief after Idalia

To assist those suffering in the wake of Hurricane Idalia, consider giving to Catholic Charities USA, which has established a relief fund specifically for this purpose. Visit [www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org) to learn how to donate.

### Rural Life Day - Marshfield - All are Welcome - Sep 13

The 42nd Annual Rural Life Day will be held on Sept. 13, 2023, hosted by Ken and Joellen Heiman of Heiman Holsteins, at 11875 US Hwy 10 in Marshfield. The day begins with a 10:00 AM Mass celebrated by Bishop Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery and a catered meal. There will also be wagon rides to tour the ridge-top farm. All are welcome to this celebration of the uniqueness of rural life, giving thanks to God for the contribution of rural values to the life of the Church in the Diocese of La Crosse.

### Chicken-Que - Sept 14

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, on Thursday, September 14, from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery only. The price is \$12 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. Enter at Weston Street driveway.

### Arm of St. Jude, the Apostle of the Impossible – Sept 15

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, is blessed to be visited by the Arm of St. Jude, the Apostle of the Impossible. The Shrine welcomes families for Mass and Veneration. Veneration will be on Friday, September 15 and begin at 1:00pm in the church crypt and conclude around 8:30pm. Get more details online at [GuadalupeShrine.org/events](http://GuadalupeShrine.org/events)!

### Chili and Chicken Soup Supper and Raffle - Sept 27

CV Lutheran Church is hosting soup supper Wed., Sept. 27 from 4-7 PM. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 6-12, children 5 and under free. All are welcome!

### Sauerkraut Supper - Oct 11

St. Peters Catholic Church in Middle Ridge will again hold their annual Sauerkraut Supper this year as a dine in or carry out on Wednesday, October 11th from 4 to 8 PM or until sold out. Cost of dinner is \$15 for church-made kraut & pork ribs, polish sausage, glazed carrots, mashed potatoes and gravy, and homemade pie. Raw Kraut for sale at \$5 for 2.5 lbs. There will be a beverage tent, bake sale and raffles throughout the dinner.

## Activity Corner

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

TWHICHPRTA 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.

HHEARTHSHT  
REAGAINHEO  
ERVVMYWARG  
EEEEESGLEE  
PINENARLNT  
RTLHOYATAH  
ANYTHINGME  
YOUFATHER  
GATHEREDHE  
RTWOMIDSTS

What is Our Lord asking us to do?

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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.



### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Those suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are working tirelessly to help the ill recover.
- The military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- Our 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)