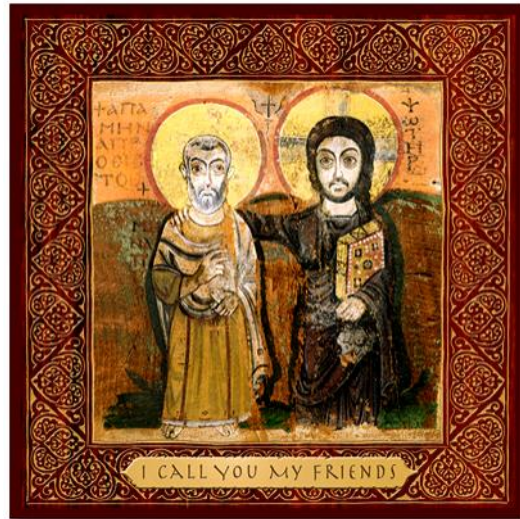


St. Mary's Parish

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 23, 2020

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St. Mary's, Coon Valley

Weekend Masses (NEW TIMES):

- 4:00 PM Saturday (limited to 30 people)

- 8:00 AM Sunday (limited to 30 people)

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday - 6:00 PM and Fri - 8:00 AM

Local Parishes—Mass Times

Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua

Sun. 10:30 AM and 5:15 PM

St. Joseph, St. Joseph Ridge

Sat. 4:00 PM and Sun. 8:30 AM

St. Peter, Middle Ridge

Sat. 8:00 AM and Sun. 10:30 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. <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 Baptism registration by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net AND fmattmarshall@gmail.com. You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form can be found at: <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>.

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. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

Mass Intentions: Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the back of church and at the side door.

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.

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020

- 1) Isaiah 22:19-23
- 2) Romans 11:33-36
- 3) Matthew 16:13-20

FOCUS: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

We are reminded in the reading from Romans that God is the ultimate authority. It is God who gives all, who creates all, and for whom all exists. Let us, then, through prayer and deeds, humbly and confidently acknowledge Jesus as the Son of the Living God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lord tells Shebna, the scribe, *I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station and replace you with the honorable Eliakim.* In the second reading, Paul writes to the Romans about the inscrutable judgments and unsearchable ways of God: *For from him and through him and for him are all things.* In the Gospel, Peter answers Jesus' question, saying, *You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.* Jesus blesses Peter and proclaims him as the rock upon whom he will build his Church.

Intentions

Aug 22 ~ 4:00 PM - †Edward and Anna Kerska
Aug 23 ~ 8:00 AM - Our Parish Family
Aug 25 ~ 6:00 PM - †Jeanette C. Duda
Aug 27 ~ 8:00 AM - †Frank Kerska
Aug 29 ~ 4:00 PM - †Chuck Bruggen
Aug 30 ~ 8:00 AM - †Deceased members of the Prindle and Duda Families

Next Week in Service

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

	Sat., Aug 29 4:00 PM	Sun., Aug 30 8:00 AM
Servers:		
Reader (s):	Volunteer	Volunteer
Communion Minister (s):	Volunteer	Volunteer
Ushers:	Volunteers	Volunteers
Money Counters:	Mike Kammel and Mark Boland	
Altar Server sign up at:		

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **August 22, 2020** - New Mass schedule begins, see front of bulletin for times.
- **September 20, 2020** 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive in the St. Mary's Parking Lot, sponsored pantry TBD
- **October 18, 2020** 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive in the St. Mary's Parking Lot, sponsored pantry TBD
- **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 and Maximum of 10 persons)

Giving Last Week	Week 33	8/16/2020
Adult Env.(13) \$1184.25	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory \$62.00	Received This Week	\$1,371.25
Assumption(3) \$125.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$62,700.00
Total \$1371.25	YTD Received	\$59,407.64
Mission (11) \$730.00	Difference	(3,292.36)

Giving Last Week	Week 32	8/9/2020
Adult Env. \$530.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory \$256.00	Received This Week	\$786.00
Total \$786.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$60,800.00
	YTD Received	\$58,036.39
Food Pantry \$24.00	Difference	(2,763.61)

Giving Last Week	Week 31	8/2/2020
Adult Env. \$1720.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory \$180.00	Received This Week	\$1,950.00
Memorials \$50.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$58,900.00
Total \$1950.00	YTD Received	\$57,250.39
Food Pantry \$47.00	Difference	(1,649.61)

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

Thank you everyone for your patience as I took some time for rest this last week. Please allow some extra time for our parish office to respond to messages. I am coming back much renewed and eager to jump back in to ministry in Coon Valley! For some time, things will be in flux as we all adjust to shared ministry with St. Mary's in Viroqua. Let's continue to be patient and communicative with one another as we learn to adapt. Remember we are going to try a new Mass schedule with this in mind: **4 PM Saturday and 8 AM Sunday**. We will continue to offer a **6 PM Mass on Tuesday evenings** and also add an **8 AM Mass each Thursday morning**. Wednesday and Friday I will have Mass at Viroqua. Please see the front of our Bulletin for Mass times throughout our area. It is my sincere hope that the Catholic parishes of our region offer Mass times that serve the diversity of our needs. Looking forward to seeing you all again!

Peace, Fr. Matt

Parish Announcements

New Mass Schedule

With Fr. Matt now serving both Coon Valley and Viroqua, Mass times have been adjusted. Here in Coon Valley, we will retain our **4:00 PM on Saturday** and the **8:00 AM on Sunday**, we will no longer have a 10:30 AM Mass. For weekday Masses, we will retain **6:00 PM on Tuesday** and no longer have a Wednesday or Friday morning, rather we will have a **Thursday morning at 8:00 AM**.



Food Drive

We will have another food drive September 20, 11:30A – 2:00P in the St. Mary's, Coon Valley, parking lot. Food pantry TBD.

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 (a 3% fee will be assessed by the provider of the giving portal, your contribution will be recorded for the full amount).

Staying Connected

- The parish bulletin will continue to be available on our Website—www.stmarycv.org
- We are mailing the bulletin to those over the age of 80 (if their age is recorded in our database)

- Copies of the bulletin will also be available in the church for pickup during private prayer times.
- **If you know of someone who does not have internet and could benefit from having the bulletin mailed to their home, please contact the parish office with the person(s) name(s).**

Attention: Leaders of Prayer in Need of 4-Year Commission Renewal Parish Leaders of Prayer who were commissioned in 2015 or earlier will need their 4-year commission renewed this year. Normally this would be done through a daylong conference at the Diocesan Center, but in light of the pandemic they are asked to participate in the Saturday, Aug. 29 virtual Witnesses for Christ Conference featuring Father Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V. on "Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement." Go to www.diolc.org/leaders-of-prayer for instructions. If you are unable to participate on Aug. 29, email Christopher Ruff at cruff@diolc.org and other arrangements will be made.

Explosion in Beirut – You Can Help On August 4, a massive explosion rocked Beirut, Lebanon, injuring more than 5,000 and killing at least 137. Officials are still evacuating residents, while trying to grasp the cost in human life and misery. Along with Caritas Lebanon, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is distributing emergency supplies, clearing rubble, and preparing medical and mental health teams for dispatch. Your donation can help. Visit crs.org to learn how.

First Saturday Devotions

First Saturday Devotions are starting again at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us on Saturday, September 5 at 11:15 a.m. for a meditation on the Holy Rosary followed by the Holy Rosary at 11:45 a.m. and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 12:15 p.m. Confession will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 a.m. and also following Mass.

Catholic Home Study Course for Adults

Learn more about your Catholic Faith by studying at home and then joining this monthly facilitated study group. An informational meeting will be held on Saturday September 5th at 9:30 a.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in the Pilgrim Center Orientation Room. Call 608-782-0011 for more information.

Discouragement – All of us face this! Attend this important Virtual Conference "Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement" with Fr. Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V. Fr. Timothy Gallagher, a world-renowned teacher and spiritual director, will present on "Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement" at a Virtual Conference on August 29th. The presentations by Fr. Gallagher will be live-streamed by ZOOM webinar. The schedule will include 4 talks by Fr. Gallagher, beginning at 10 a.m. For further details, a downloadable brochure or to register online, go to diolc.org/witness. Cost is \$15 which includes Fr. Gallagher's book shipped to your home.

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Diocesan/Local Announcements

Wisconsin and U.S. Bishops Address Racism

Bishop Callahan and his brother bishops of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference have issued a statement addressing the brutal killing of George Floyd and the painful reality of racism. You can read it, and find brief videos and other resources, at diolc.org/racism.

Wisconsin Farmer Wellness Hotline

Diocese of La Crosse farmers now have another resource they can use when facing extreme stress and other challenges. They now have access to a free and confidential counseling resource, by contacting the Farm Center at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. This is a 24/7 Farmer Wellness Hotline; it can be reached at 1-88- 901-2558. Licensed mental health professionals contracted by the department will provide immediate, in-the-moment care. In addition, long-term options are available. Persons who prefer an in-person session can request to meet with a local provider through the Farm Center's (1-800-942-2474) longstanding Counseling Voucher Program.

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or tbrown@diolc.org.



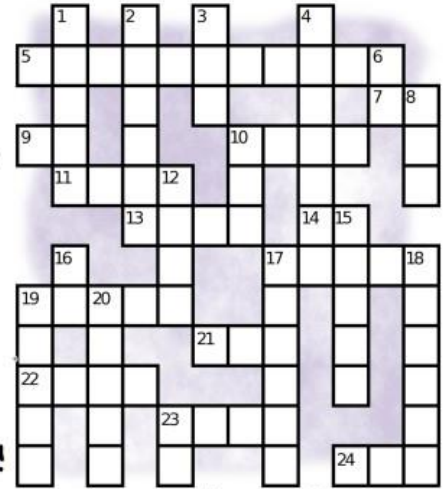
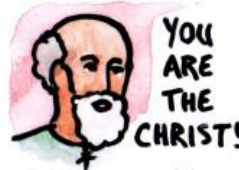
AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

KIDS CORNER

"Who do you say that I am?" CROSSWORD

See how well you know what happened in today's Gospel story!



- ACROSS
5. "...the gates of the _____ will not prevail..."
 7. "...this rock I will build my Church..."
 9. "Whatever you bind on earth shall _____ bound in Heaven."
 10. "I will _____ you the keys of the kingdom..."
 11. "On this _____ I will build my Church."
 13. Jesus made Peter the _____ of the Church on earth.
 14. "Whatever you loose on earth will be loosed _____ Heaven."
 17. "_____ and blood have not revealed this to you..."
 19. _____ asked them, "Who do you say that I am?"
 21. God _____ Peter in charge of His Church on earth.
 22. Jesus changed Simon's _____ to Peter.
 23. "Flesh and blood _____ not revealed this to you..."
 24. "...You are the Christ, the _____ of the living God!"
- DOWN
1. _____ said, "You are the Christ..."
 2. "On this rock I will build my _____."
 3. "Blessed _____ you, Simon..."
 4. "...the gates of the netherworld shall not _____..."
 6. "Who _____ people say that the Son of Man is?"
 8. "Flesh and blood have _____ revealed this..."
 10. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living _____!"
 12. "I will give you the _____ to the kingdom of Heaven."
 15. When will the gates of the netherworld prevail against the Church?
 16. _____ belong to the Church that Jesus started.
 17. The Heavenly _____ revealed to Simon who Jesus was.
 18. "...the keys to the kingdom of _____..."
 19. "Blessed are you, Simon, son of _____"
 20. Peter's name before Jesus changed it.
 23. Jesus ordered the disciples to tell no one that _____ was the Christ.

Week of August 23rd Readings

- Sunday:** 1) Isaiah 22:19-23 2) Romans 11:33-36
3) Matthew 16:13-20
- Monday:** 1) Revelation 21:9b-14 2) John 1:45-51
- Tuesday:** 1) 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 2) Matt 23:23-26
- Wednesday:** 1) 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18 2) Matt 23:27-32
- Thursday:** 1) 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 2) Matthew 24:42-51
- Friday:** 1) 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 2) Matthew 25:1-13
- Saturday:** 1) 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 2) Mark 6:17-29
- Next Sunday:** 1) Jeremiah 20:7-9 2) Romans 12:1-2
3) Matthew 16:21-27

Answers to Crossword: ACROSS: 5: Netherworld 7: on 9: be 10: give 11: rock 13: head 14: in 17: flesh 19: Jesus 21: set (or put) 22: name 23: have 24: son DOWN: 1: Peter 2: Church 3: are 4: prevail 6: do 8: not 10: God 12: keys 15: never 16: we 17: Father 18: Heaven 19: Jonah 20: Simon 23: he