

PASTOR

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Office Hours in Coon Valley Sacristy:

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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Bulletin deadline: Wednesday noon

E-mail: stmaryscv@mwt.net

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)

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

Sunday10:30 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

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 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.

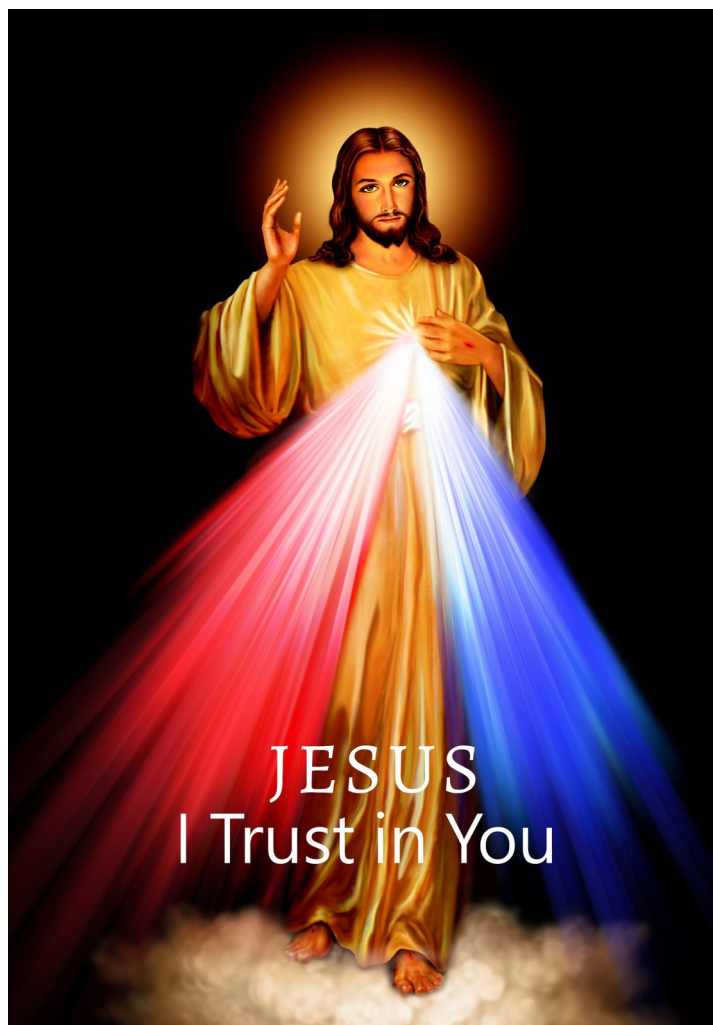
St. Mary's Parish

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JESUS
I Trust in You

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor
Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

Readings: 552A

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

Second Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday Readings

April 16, 2023

- 1) Acts 2:42-47; 2) 1 Peter 1:3-9
3) John 20:19-31

Intentions

- Apr 15 ~ 4:00 PM - † Deceased members of the Roskos and Roningen Families
- Apr 16 ~ 8:00 AM - † George and Bette Fleming
- Apr 18 ~ 5:15 PM - † Raymond Sedeve
- Apr 20 ~ 8:00 AM - † Leyton Stafslie
- Apr 22 ~ 4:00 PM - † Stanley and Francis Kerska
- Apr 23 ~ 8:00 AM - † Nevaeh Niemyjski

Mass Intentions

If there is a special weekend date you would like, please get your request(s) in early.

Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Jun 17, Jul 2, 29 & 30, Aug 6, 13, & 20, Sep 9 & 17.

Weekdays open: Jun 6 & 22, Aug 1, 29, & 31. If you have questions feel free to email the parish office at stmaryscv@mwt.net or leave a message at 608-452-3841.



Upcoming Events/Calendar

- April 15/16 ~ Second collection for DCCW
- April 20 ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass
- April 17-21 ~ Amy on Mission Trip, for Admin needs contact Fr. Joe
- April 24-28 ~ Fr. Joe on priest retreat, **no weekday Mass**
- April 27 ~ Catechism Group meeting 8:30 AM
- April 29 ~ PCCW Spring Luncheon 11AM to 1PM
- April 29/30 ~ *Inspired by the Spirit Reception* after Mass
- May 4 ~ Confirmation in Richland Center at 6:30 PM
- May 8 ~ PCCW meeting at 5:30 PM
- May 13/14 ~ Mother's Day weekend Rose Sale

Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook is back:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Our Parish has started the process of setting up this campaign. We prayerfully ask you to attend an upcoming reception (weekend of April 29/30) to learn more about the details of the funding opportunities for our parish and the Diocese. The *Inspired by the Spirit* campaign will include this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal. It will benefit our own parish and the various missions of the Diocese of La Crosse for years to come.



Next Week in Service — Apr 22/23

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

Readers:	Sat. – Nancy Peters	Sun. – Ryan Goodwin
Ushers:	Sat. – Volunteers	Sun. – Volunteers
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman	

CONFESSIONS

Saturday
3:15pm to 3:45pm

Sunday
7:15am to 7:45am



Fr. Joe's Office Hours:

Tues. from 1:00-6:30 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.

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 (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).

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.

Giving Last Week		Week 15	4/9/2023
Adult Env.(22)	\$1,280.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Easter Env (29)	\$1,180.00	Received This Week	\$2,681.00
Offertory	\$221.00	Running total needed	\$30,000.00
Total	\$2,681.00	YTD Received	\$28,156.00
Rice Bowls(2)	\$27.60	Difference	(1,844.00)
Gd Fr/Holy Land	\$550.00		

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

There's been a lot going on lately and a few schedule changes, so let me use this weekend's bulletin to share a few updates concerning April 2023's status quo.

- **Weekday Mass Schedule:** After praying the Stations at 5:15 during Lent and after gathering a consensus preference among our weekday Mass regulars and Pastoral Councils, we have officially changed the Tuesday (in Coon Valley) and Wednesday (in Viroqua) Masses from 6:30 PM to 5:15 PM, effective immediately. The Thursday (Coon Valley) and Friday (Viroqua) 8:00 AM and weekend Masses stay unaffected.
- **Capital Campaign:** You may be receiving or may have already received an invitation to a campaign reception after Masses the weekend of April 29/30. These receptions operate by open invitation to give you more details about the campaign, our projects, and to ask questions about what's coming up. Of course, if you have any specific questions before that weekend please feel free to ask me directly. Past that, those info sessions will be another good way to hear about things.
- **Campus Projects:** If you drove by the church last week you may have seen the Von Ruden guys laying out new sidewalks around the church. Things are looking good. Thank you to Bruce and his team for fixing up our cement work and drainage!
- **Upcoming Retreat and Mission Trip:** You saw in last week's bulletin that Amy's on a mission trip this week and unavailable for parish business. I'm a big fan of Amy's penchant for mission trips—in general they are very grounding experiences, offering powerful reminders of the *why* behind what we do and opening doors to relationships we didn't know we needed. If you ever have a chance to participate in one, discern it well. Anyway, pray for Amy this week. Next week (April 24-28) I'll be out in Oconomowoc for the diocesan priests' retreat. My brothers and I take a retreat every year as part of our ongoing formation and as one of many necessary necessities to maintain our spiritual health, and this week will be a good moment to take stock of the last year and prepare for what's ahead. This also means there will not be daily Masses that week in Coon Valley or Viroqua, although the weekend schedule remains unaffected.

That's it for this week. I'm writing this article a few days after Holy Week and unpacking the experience we just shared, and in short I am grateful for how everyone came together to pray, how both Coon Valley and Viroqua worked together on the liturgies, and for the way the Holy Spirit keeps drawing us deeper and deeper into the resurrection. God bless you all, and thank you for trusting me with this pastoral responsibility!

~Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

PCCW News

If you're a creative person and would like to help create new centerpieces and runners for the tables in the basement please let Clarice Kammel know.

DCCW Second Collection—Apr 15/16

There will be a second collection next weekend for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. This collection, called Council Sunday, supports many programs in our diocese such as scholarships for kids, seminarians, and deacons-to-be, as well as Casa Hogar, Project Milk, Youth Ministry, Special Needs Ministry, and so much more. Please be generous.

Spring Luncheon—Apr 29

Our annual Spring Luncheon will be held April 29th in the church basement. Serving is from 11:00AM-1:00PM. The meal consists of a variety of salads, meat & cheese trays, crescent rolls and bars. Please invite your friends to join you for this delicious meal. The cost is only \$7. Members of St. Catherine & St. Cecelia Guilds will be serving this year and are asked to provide one large salad each. The guild chairpersons will be contacting members to help work at this event. We will need help with set-up the night before at 6:00PM. and during the luncheon.

Rosary for the Month of May

During the month of May we will recite the rosary recited before the weekend masses. If you are able to help lead, please call or text Karen Callan 608 397-3490. Be at the church at least 20 minutes before the start of mass to participate.

The next PCCW meeting will be held on Monday, May 8th at 5:30PM.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls and Lenten Mite Boxes

Please return bowls and boxes this coming week by dropping them in the collection basket.

Catechism Study Group

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month (there are a few exceptions) after the 8:00 AM mass for eight sessions. The **next meeting will be April 27**, with the following dates being May 11 & 25, June 8, 22 & 29. If you would like to join this group, contact Clarice Kammel.



Catechism

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Amara Rose Foundation - located in Westby WI

Honoring lives lost to addiction by raising awareness, educating, promoting prevention and **helping those struggling with addiction**. Drug use and overdose deaths are at an unprecedented level...This is a fight we cannot afford to lose, and it will take as many of us as possible to combat the epidemic. While abusing any type of drug or alcohol can cost a life, fentanyl is the biggest killer in our country right now. A lot of our focus will be on combating the fentanyl epidemic. One life lost is too many. Visit: www.amararosefoundation.org or email info@amararosefoundation.org If you or someone you know need needs immediate help, dial 988 to reach a trained crisis worker. Substance Abuse Hotline: 1-800-662 HELP or online chat at 988lifeline.org

Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

MMOC Rummage Sale - Apr 21

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Spring Rummage Sale on Friday, April 21, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, April 22, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

St. Charles School Spring Carnival – Apr 23

Fun for the whole family! Please join the St. Charles School for games, raffle, a dessert walk, food and beverages. on April 23rd 10:30 am-1:30 pm. Call (608)689-2642 for more information

Founders Day-Aquinas Catholic Schools Foundation-Apr 23

The annual Founder's Day Celebration will take place on **Sunday, April 23, 2023**, at the **Radisson Hotel Ballroom**. The Aquinas Catholic Schools Foundation invites all to attend. For info or to RSVP visit: aquinascatholicsschools.org/founders-day

La Crosse Neighbors Day Volunteers Needed – Apr 23

Your neighbors are counting on you. The day is a yearly event in which over 400 volunteers come together to help their elderly and disabled neighbors in La Crosse get their yards ready for spring by raking leaves, turning garden beds, washing windows, and trimming shrubs. **Volunteer as an individual, team, or family.** Sat., April 22nd from 8 am to 3 pm. Check-in at the Myrick Park Center (789 Myrick Park Drive, La Crosse). A light breakfast and lunch will be served. All tools will be provided. To register visit: www.habitatlacrosse.org/neighbors-day

Chicken-Que - May 11

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on Thursday, May 11, 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.

5 Day Youth Choir Camp - Jun 19-23

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe is hosting a five day Youth Choir Camp (Ages 7 -18) June 19-23, 2023, 9:15am - Noon . Many elements of music will be studied each day, with emphases on singing, tuning and intonation, rounds, Gregorian chant, hymns, chanting of Psalms, games and of course fun! The entire group will come together twice each day, singing things they've learned, and will also sing for the 12:15pm Mass in the Shrine Church each of the five days.

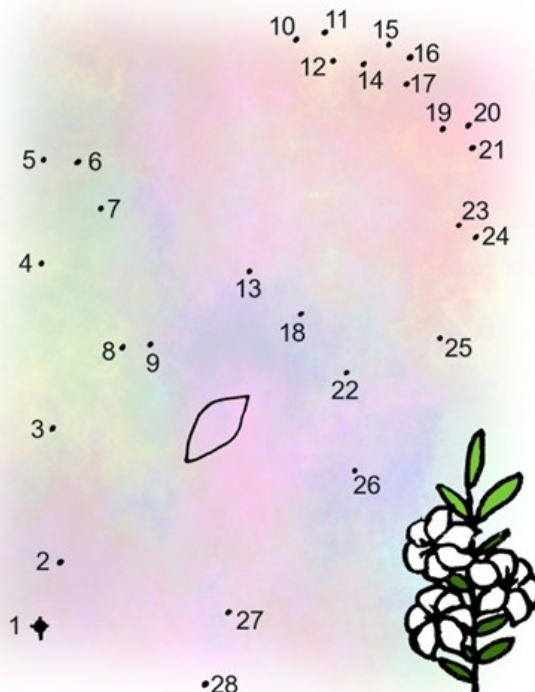
Register online at www.guadalupe Shrine.org/sacred-music or contact Scott Turkington sturkington@guadalupe Shrine.org

Come Follow Me!

When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, "Come, follow me..." and Peter did. In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him. Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you.

Activity Corner

Second Sunday of Easter April 16th, 2023



*Saint Thomas wasn't there the first time Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead.
What did Thomas say he would have to see before he believed that Jesus was alive?
Connect the dots to find out!*

Directory photos planned for September 2023

If you are interested in helping with this project message the parish office or contact Clarice Kammel at 608-792-2198.



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

Church Sidewalk Project

Thanks to *VonRuden Concrete*



Easter Flowers

Donated in memory/honor of:



Tyler Turben

By Sharon Anderson

The Easter Season

By Keith and Jody Boraas

Jim and Betty Callan

Bob and Leona Welsh

By Michael and Karen Callan

George and Bette Fleming and Families

Ted and Hilda Ollendick and Families

By Jim and Barb Fleming

Larry and Myrtle Geier

Mary Brueggen

Chuck and Theresa Brueggen

By Curt and Jean Geier

Eva Adam

Maria Rabotski

By Don and Mary Gajewski

Arlene and Norbert Seichter

Stella and Joseph Grabowski

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By Dave and Sue Humfeld

Edward and Anna Kerska

By Robert E. Kerska

Bernard and Cecilia Humfeld

Larry Humfeld

By John and Julie Mislivecek Family

Ralph Pedretti

By Andrew Pedretti

Jayne Peterson

By Jeff and Lisa Peterson

Allen and Mercedes Christen

William and Rose Marie

By Francis and Carol LeJeune

Cheryl Roesler

By Joe Roesler

Donald and Rita Weber

Alfred and Mildred Roesler

By John and Carol Roesler

Roskos and Roningen Families

By Rosey Roningen

Ed and Betty Gorman

By Steve and Linda Schulte

Leyton and Helen Stafslie

Lucas Seelow and Nevaeh Niemyjski

By Amy Stafslie and Family

Dan Tiedeman

Don Kammel

By Caroline Tiedeman

Kylie Von Ruden

By Bruce, Shirley, Chase and
Kenzie Von Ruden

Joan Urbanek and Daniel Urbanek

By Clarence Urbanek

Hazel Williams

Gavin Williams

Ken Williams

By Rich and Sue Williams

Tami Effinger

Richard Effinger

By Robert and Dawn Withington

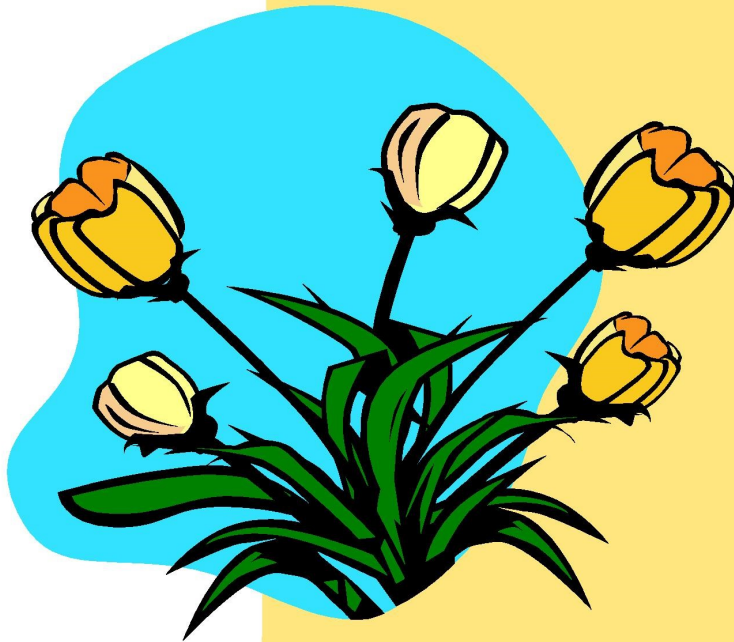


Thank you for supporting St. Mary Parish, if you donated and do not see your listing here, please contact the parish office.

Spring Luncheon

Time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Date: Saturday, April 29th, 2023



Only \$7 per person

Open to the general public. Invite your family and friends and join us for lunch.

Lisa Olson, children's book author, will present her newest book at 11:30 AM

Questions? Call 452-3841

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Door Prizes

Offered by St. Mary's PCCW,
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