

St. Mary's Parish

900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI 54623



Fr. Matt Marshall

Pastor

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and
the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Reading 634C, 759, and 637C

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St. Mary's, Coon Valley

Weekend Masses:

Saturday - 4:00 PM, Sunday - 9:15 AM

Weekday Mass:

Tues. - 6:00 PM; Wed. and Fri. - 8:00 AM

Local Parishes—Mass Times

Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua

Sat. - 5:15 PM, Sun. - 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

St. Joseph, St. Joseph Ridge

Sat. - 4:00 PM, Sun. - 8:30 AM

St. Peter, Middle Ridge

Sat. - 8:00 PM, Sun. - 10:00 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.

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information.

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 here: <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.

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

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 Mass intercessions.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Wisdom 18:6-9
- 2) Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11: 1-2, 8-12
- 3) Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

FOCUS: Find us ready, Lord!
 Faithfully living the life of a disciple requires great trust in a God who can seem distant or even absent, depending on the circumstances of our lives. Sometimes we create the distance by giving priority to the distractions of the world, and sometimes tragic events beyond our control can cause us to doubt God's presence. Maintaining steadfast faith requires dedicated care and attention to our relationship with God. Jesus' example and the power of the Holy Spirit provide us the strength and guidance we need to remain ready to meet him when he comes again.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The reading from the Book of Wisdom recounts the faith of the forefathers on the night of Passover. The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us of Abraham's unwavering faith in things unseen. In the Gospel, Jesus uses a parable to teach the importance of right priorities –

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2019
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
- 2) Hebrews 12:1-4
- 3) Luke 12:49-53

FOCUS: God's love is like a raging fire!

In today's Gospel, Jesus outlines many of the ways in which his coming into the world will cause division, and not peace. He comes to *set the earth on fire* – not to destroy it, but to emblaze it with the fullness of God's love for us. The divisiveness arises not from Jesus himself, but from peoples' response to him: choosing either to build up that fire, or to tamp it down. Let us be those who feed the fire of the kingdom, not extinguish it.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Jeremiah is imprisoned under the authority of King Zedekiah because the people are upset by his words. But a court official convinces the king to release him. The writer of Hebrews challenges the community to *rid [themselves] of every burden and sin* and to keep their *eyes fixed on Jesus*. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples he has come not to establish peace, but division.

Thursday, August 15, 2019
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

- 1) Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
- 2) 1 Corinthians 15:20-27
- 3) Luke 1:39-56

FOCUS: Let us strive to be, like Mary, faithful servants of our God.

Even though we recognize Mary as the Mother of God, we must also see her as the servant she was. Her *Magnificat* is a primer for us all, recognizing not only God's greatness, but the work he has called us to do – show mercy to others and care for those less fortunate.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading from Revelation, John writes of a heavenly vision of a woman giving birth to a son, and of hearing a voice call attention to the salvation and power of God. In Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians, he reaffirms not only Christ's resurrection, but also that all who live Christ's word will rise in the end. In the Gospel from Luke, Mary travels to visit Elizabeth who blesses Mary as the Mother of God. Mary responds with praise and glory to God in her *Magnificat*.

<u>Mass Intentions</u>		
We have the following dates available for the next few months: Aug. 27, Sept 3, 4, 10, 11, 18, & 27. Oct 1, 11, 15, 16, 18, 22, 29 & 30		
Please use the <i>Mass Intention Envelopes</i> located in the back and by the side door to request a Mass. Thank you.		
Aug. 10	4:00 PM	†Art and Evelyn Gajewski
Aug. 11	9:15 AM	†Laura Adams
Aug. 13	6:00 PM	Our Parish Family
Aug. 14	8:00 AM	†Edward Kerska
Aug. 15	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Aug. 15	7:00 PM	†Jeannette Bell
Aug. 16	8:00 AM	Our Parish Family
Aug. 17	4:00 PM	†Deceased members of the Roskos and Roningen Families
Aug. 18	9:15 AM	†Bernard & Cecelia Humfeld
Aug. 20	6:00 PM	Our Parish Family
Aug. 21	8:00 AM	Our Parish Family
Aug. 23	8:00 AM	Our Parish Family
Aug. 24	4:00 PM	†Edward and Anna Kerska
Aug. 25	9:15 AM	†Audrey Bissen

Giving Last Week		Week 31	8/4/2019
Adult	\$1,230.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,400.00
Offertory	\$131.00	Received This Week	\$1,361.00
Total	\$1,361.00	Running total Needed	\$43,400.00
Cap. Improv.	\$100.00	Running total Received	\$47,875.51
34 of 115 Sunday env.		Difference	4,475.51

Next Week in Service

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

	Sat., Aug 17, 4:00 PM	Sun., Aug 18, 9:15 AM
Servers:	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Reader (s):	Jeana LeJeune	Ryan Goodwin
Communion Minister (s):	Mary Gajewski	Jodie Holdorf
Ushers:	Andy LeJeune and Volunteers	Dan VonFeldt and Volunteer
Money Counters:	Willy Urbanek and Loree Nickelotti	
	Sat., Aug 24, 4:00 PM	Sun., Aug 25, 9:15 AM
Servers:	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Reader (s):	Robert Kerska	Carol Roesler
Communion Minister (s):	Marge Antoniewicz	John Roesler
Ushers:	Volunteers	Mark Boland and Volunteer
Money Counters:	Mike Kammel and Mark Boland	

Upcoming Events/Calendar

Aug. 11		Anniversary of the installation of Bishop William Callahan, as La Crosse's 10th Bishop
Aug 14	All Day	St. Joseph Ridge Brewer's Bus trip
Aug 15	7:00 PM	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Holy Day of Obligation
Aug 27	7:00 PM	Parish Council Meeting
Sept. 6	After Mass	First Friday Adoration
Sept. 7	After 4 PM Mass	Religious Education Registration, Parent and Catechist Meeting
Sept. 22	After Mass	First Religious Education Class for the School Year

Parish Announcements

Brewers Game Bus Trip with St. Joseph Parish

Trip is August 14th. The times for pick up will be the St. Joseph Ridge church parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and departing at 7:45 a.m. and pick up at the West Salem park and ride at approximately 8 a.m. and departing at 8:15 a.m. All are welcome to bring along lawn chairs and a small cooler. Any other questions, please contact Donna at: 608-788-3740.

Religious Education Registration Coming Soon

It's that time again! Watch for registration mailings to arrive at the end of August. Parents and catechists, please mark your calendars. We will have a meeting Saturday, September 7th following the 4 PM Mass. First day of class is Sunday, September 22nd following the 9:15 AM Mass.

Going on Summer Vacation

Summer is travel season, just because you are on the road doesn't mean you need to vacation from the God or the church. Check it out before you go. Listing for the United States can be found at: www.masstimes.org.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Care for Caregivers

In partnership with Shalom World TV, Nourish for Caregivers is excited to announce the release of its new 12-episode faith-based TV series, Be Nourished! shalomworldtv.org/benourished Nourish is a Christ-Centered Ministry that supports the practical, emotional and spiritual needs of family caregivers. Often caregivers feel alone and isolated; and, Be Nourished has proven effective at addressing this challenge.

Need help with items to send you kids back to school?

All who need help are welcome to participate in the Back 2 School Program. Begin by filling out an online application at www.cclse.org. If you need assistance with filling out the application, please call Catholic Charities at 608-782-0710, M - TH, between 9 am and 4 pm. The front desk volunteers will be available to assist you.

Aug 17-18~St. Patrick's Summerfest, Sparta

Saturday, outdoor Arts & Crafts show starts at 8:30AM, Auction, Petting Zoo, Bounce House, Mini Golf, authentic Mexican and American Food. Mass at 4:30 Mariachi Estrella Band from 6-9 PM
Sunday, Mass at 8:15 AM and 10:30 AM. Activities start at 8:30 AM, Country Store local produce homemade foods and bake sale, Art & Crats Show continues, Raffles, silent Auction, Live Benefit Auction, family games for kids. Famous Baked Chicken Diner from 10:30 AM until gone. For info, call 608-269-2655 for visit: <http://stpatriksparish.weconnect.com>

Aug. 19~Good Grief: Healing While Grieving

A facilitated support group for people experiencing the pain of loss. At Franciscan Healthcare, 700 West Ave. So, Hospital Building, Lang Conference Rm, 1st Floor. Alternating Mondays, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Topic **Aug 19** is "Good Grief: Towards Healthy Mourning." For info call 608-785-0940, ext: 22218

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Aug. 24~Presence in the Struggle: Responding With Head and Heart

August 24, Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Presenter: Mike Hesch. Investment: \$65, includes lunch. **Registration deadline: August 10.** How can we respond to stress and challenges in ways that are helpful to ourselves and those around us? Using both our heads and our hearts, we can change how we see the struggle. During this daylong retreat, we will explore ways to tap into the amazing power of practicing gratitude and acceptance as responses to stressors. The day will include large- and small-group time as well as opportunities for spiritual exploration, including meditation and a labyrinth walk. Come discover the possibilities of living a grateful and accepting life. To register, please visit www.FSCenter.org or call 608-791-5295.

Aug. 24~St. Joseph Ridge Parish Picnic

Join us on the Ridge for great food, entertainment and drinks. Our Annual Picnic is Aug. 24th from 4-9 PM. We are offering a Chicken Q meal, adult beverages, tip boards and more. All are welcome!

Sept. 9~US Bishops Call for Annual Day of Prayer for Peace and an end to Racism

Bishop George V. Murry, SJ, of the Diocese of Youngstown, Ohio, Chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism, has called for an annual Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities on September 9, the Feast of St. Peter Claver. He wrote, "St. Peter Claver is a model for us in understanding that hard work and perseverance is required to combat the sin of racism and build community; we must begin and end this effort in prayer together, even as we seek to act in concrete ways."

Sept. 13~Rural Life Day Mass and Celebration

Plan to attend this year's celebration on Friday, Sept. 13th, hosted by Otter Creek Farms located at 6608 Cty Rd A, Pittsville, WI 54466. Bishop Callahan will celebrate Mass at 10 a.m. followed by a program and meal. This day is set aside to highlight the uniqueness of rural life values and to rejoice in the way that rural life contributes to the Church at large.

Sept 12-15~Grow in Faith Together as a Married Couple

Experience a more joy-filled marriage. Take part in the Domestic Church retreat at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center on September 12-15th. Couples attending the retreat will experience a renewed love as spouses and find themselves united together in Christ. Register today at: diolc.org/marriage-enrichment/. For more information, call 608-791-2673. Financial scholarships are available.

Oct 4-6~Scout Camporee-SAVE THE DATE

ST. GEORGE RIDES AGAIN, at Camp Decorah, Holmen, WI. Come experience programs and activities that you can't always find on unit outings or even summer camp, fun opportunities for all scouts, creative completions with amazing prizes. Introduction to Ad Altare Dei & Pope Pius XII emblems, Cracker Barrel, Campfire, Movie, Games, Saints Talent Show. Provisional camp for lone scouts not coming with a unit will be available. Leaders guide available upon request, medical forms required. **For more infor-**

mation contact: La Crosse DCCS Chairman Cindy Sjolander 608-783-4911 or email catholicscoutslacrossediocese@gmail.com

Oct 26~Build up Father/Son Bonds

The 2019 Men of the Cross Conference theme is The Father's Way. A special rate is being offered for Father-Son attendees. Held in La Crosse on Saturday, October 26, this year's keynote speaker will be Steve Ray, a dynamic convert sure to engage men of all ages. For more details and to register, go to menofthecross.org.

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) will be held November 21- 24, 2019 in Indianapolis, IN. NCYC is held biennially and gathers more than 22,000 Catholic teens, youth ministry coordinators, bishops, pastors, parents, chaperones, and diocesan leaders.

Necessary Parenting Conversations

Research tells us that parents have a powerful influence in each child's life. Children want to know what parents think and why they believe what they do. They want to talk. They want to be heard. They want to connect! Learn how to engage children in conversation and guide them towards the best in every situation during the 5-part Necessary Conversations webinar series. Register for the series today at: twl4parents.com/necessary-conversations-webinar/. This series is brought to you by Teaching the Way of Love; your source for Catholic Parenting.

The Franciscan Spirituality Center is launching a new staff-led book discussion group.

Come join us for lively conversation and refreshments on the second Thursday of the month (7-8 p.m.) starting September 12. Your investment is just \$10 per session, which includes wine and refreshments. Please register at www.FSCenter.org or 608-791-5295. Books may be purchased at the FSC's Sophia Bookstore.

Here's the schedule:

September 12~"Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others" by Barbara Brown Taylor. The best-selling author recounts her moving discoveries of finding the sacred in unexpected places while teaching about world religions to undergraduates in rural Georgia. *FSC facilitator: Audrey Lucier*

October 10~"The Overstory" by Richard Powers. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize in Fiction, this sweeping work tells the story of a variety of individuals who come together in desperation to save the endangered forests. Eventually, they realize their own survival and the survival of the human race may depend on the wisdom of trees. *FSC facilitator: Steve Spilde*

November 14~"Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again" by Rachel Held Evans. Using memoir-style reflections, poetry, fiction, soliloquies and vignettes, the late, best-selling author examines some of the Bible's most difficult stories and shares "the paradigm-shifting and life-changing scholarship" she has encountered to engage readers' skepticism, imagination, hopes and doubts. *FSC facilitator: Jean Pagliaro*

December 12~"From Scratch: A Memoir of Love, Sicily, and Finding Home" by Tembi Locke. In this true-life, cross-cultural love story, the author-actress discovers the healing powers of food, family and unexpected grace after the death of her husband.

Televised Masses for

Shut-ins:

WXOW CH 19 La Crosse – Sunday: 9:30 AM
EWTN (cable/sat.) – Sunday: 7 AM & 11 AM Daily: 7 AM & 6 PM

Catholic Broadcasting:

EWTN Catholic Cable Television
Vernon Telephone Cable – Chan. 143
MediaCom Chan 15 – Coon Valley
Chan 74 – La Crosse also available via satellite

Youth Religion Education Program:

Classes meet after the Sunday Mass from September to May.

Natural Family Planning:

Information on natural family planning can be obtained by calling 715-235-6226 or visiting the web site at [<nfp@diolc.org>](mailto:nfp@diolc.org)

Catholic Charities:

Catholic Charities offers many services in our diocese. Programs offered include: emergency services, adoption services, mental health counseling, financial counseling, HIV/AIDS ministries, immigration services, in-home support for children with disabilities, and domestic abuse services. For more information please call 1-888-212-HELP or visit [<www.cclse.org>](http://www.cclse.org).