

# St. Mary Parish

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*Dcn. Tony Shay*

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*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*January 28, 2024*

*Readings: 588B*



## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" - Mk 1:23-25

### PASTOR

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### 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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### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Bryan Berg, Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek, Nancy Peters  
(Secretary), and John Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Callan, Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue Humfeld,  
Lori Pedretti and Steve Schulte

### PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women)

Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters (Treasurer), Linda  
Berg (Secretary)

**MUSICIANS:** MaryBeth Smith, Linda Schulte, & 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 [jrichards@diolclergy.org](mailto:jrichards@diolclergy.org) 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, Coon Valley, WI

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday Readings

January 28, 2024

- 1) Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 2) 1 Corinthians 7:32-35;  
3) Mark 1:21-28

### Intentions / Schedule

#### SATURDAY, January 27

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass - † Jim Callan

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Bob Kerska

#### SUNDAY, January 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00am Mass - Roskos and Roningén Families

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

#### TUESDAY, January 30

-5:15pm - † James Coonan

#### THURSDAY, February 1

-8:00am - † Our Parish Family

#### SATURDAY, February 3

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass - † Jerry Roesler

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Nancy Peters

#### SUNDAY, January 28

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00am Mass - Our Parish Family

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Volunteer

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>

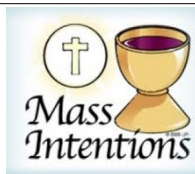
### Annual Appeal 2023-24

As of 01/26/2024	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$9,290.38	\$8,140.38
Target Amount	\$14,515.00	\$14,515.00
<b>Under Target</b>	<b>(\$5,224.62)</b>	<b>(\$6,374.62)</b>
Percent Pledged: 64.01%, Percent Received: 56.08%		
Number Contributing: 22		

To donate online visit: <https://diolc.org/stewardship/> then choose either "single gift, recurring gift, or pledge" and in the parish dropdown, choose; 2023 (445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley.

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- Feb 03/04 ~ Four Chaplains Sunday
- Feb 04 ~ RE in Viroqua after the 10:30 AM Mass for both Coon Valley and Viroqua students.
- Feb 14 ~ **Ash Wednesday**  
7:00 AM Communion service in Viroqua  
12:10 PM Mass in Viroqua  
**5:15 PM Mass in Coon Valley**
- Feb 15 ~ Coffee and fellowship after Mass
- Feb 18 ~ Coffee and refreshments after Mass sponsored by the PCCW - St. Catherine Guild
- Feb 18 ~ RE monthly activity after the 8 AM Mass in Coon Valley
- Feb 20 ~ **5:15 PM Stations of the Cross** - 5:45 PM Mass
- Mar 03 ~ RE in Viroqua after the 10:30 AM Mass for both Coon Valley and Viroqua students.
- Mar 6 - cleaning of the church basement 1:00PM
- Mar 11 - PCCW Meeting 5:30PM
- Mar 17 ~ Coffee and refreshments after Mass sponsored by the PCCW - St. Cecilia Guild
- Mar 17 ~ RE monthly activity after the 8 AM Mass in Coon Valley



**Open Sat. and Sun. dates:** Mar 23 & 31; Jun 1 or 2, 8, 9, 22, 23, 29, 30

**Open Weekdays:** Feb. 13, 15, 29; Mar. 5, 12, 14, 21; Apr. 4, 11, 16, 30; May 2, 7, 14, 23.

Request a specific date by filling out an intention envelope or by emailing the office. 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.



### Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00

As of January 10, 2024

Pledges received (30): \$109,020.00

**Payments received: \$36,254.50**

THANK YOU!



### Needed this Month

\$8,000.00 at \$2000 per week

\$6,118.50 Received as of week 3

**(\$1,881.50) Under for the Month**

### Giving Last Week

		1/21/2024	
Adult Env(34)	\$2,210.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	\$263.00	Received This Week	\$2,578.00
Cap. Improv(1)	\$100.00	Running total needed	\$6,000.00
Child Env(5)	\$5.00	YTD Received	\$6,118.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,345.00</b>	Difference	118.50
Missions	\$100.00	Flowers	\$100.00

## From the Pastor

Hello friends,

Just a few weeks after wrapping up Advent/Christmas, we are already coming up on Lent (starting with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14). A key note: the 44 days of Lent do not prepare us for the Resurrection – they prepares us for the full run of the Easter Triduum (the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, Christ's passion and death on Good Friday, and His resurrection at the Easter Vigil). Don't worry, after this short season we'll spend an even longer time celebrating the resurrection. Let's talk shop.

First, let's talk Lenten practice. Over the next few weekends I'll very likely mention the importance of using the timebound season of Lent to cut out something that's getting in the way of your relationship with Christ and to add in something that can build it up. Lenten practices are very good A) to remind us by letting ourselves be intentionally uncomfortable that we are not made for comfort and B) to show us that we're being led by Someone bigger into Something bigger. I hope you hear me saying this gently, but if your customary Lenten practice started back in second grade, it may be time to level it up a bit. The classic Lenten medicine involves prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In that order, over the next few weeks take some time to discern where the Holy Spirit is calling you into deeper relationship (my personal recommendation would be to insert one or two of the extracurriculars below into your weekly schedule), where He is calling you to let go of something that you like but don't need, and where He is calling you to give back/give to.

Finally, let's look at some relevant details concerning **Lent's schedule**.

- **Ash Wednesday, on February 14**
  - \* Communion service in Viroqua at 7:00 AM
  - \* Mass in Viroqua at 12:10 PM
  - \* Mass in Coon Valley at 5:15 PM (this replaces our customary Wednesday Mass in Viroqua this week only)
- **Tuesdays** (starting February 20) in Coon Valley
  - \* 5:15 Stations of the Cross
  - \* 5:45 Daily Mass
- **Wednesdays** (starting February 21) in Viroqua
  - \* 5:15 Stations of the Cross
  - \* 5:45 Daily Mass
  - \* 6:15-7:00 Adoration & Confessions
- **Thursdays** (continuing February 15) in Coon Valley, 8:00 AM Mass
- **Fridays** (continuing February 16) in Viroqua, 8:00 AM Mass
- **Confessions**
  - \* Wednesdays 6:15-7:00 PM in Viroqua
  - \* Saturdays 3:15-3:45 in Coon Valley, 5:45-6:15 in Viroqua
  - \* Sundays 7:15-7:45 AM in Coon Valley, 9:45-10:15 in Viroqua

That's it for today. God bless you, Fr. Joe

## Parish Announcements

### PCCW NEWS

#### Craft Show Summary

The bills are now all in for the craft fair and this is how we did. Thank you to all the ladies who helped with this event by working at the craft fair, buying/selling quilt raffle tickets, baking items for the bake sale, and donating food for the concession stand.

#### Income

Craft tables	\$995.00
Bake sale	\$958.51
Concessions	\$566.50
Quilt Raffle	<u>\$780.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,300.01</b>

#### Expenses

Supplies	\$259.49
Hall Rental	\$310.00
Quilt Cost	<u>\$395.62</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$965.11</b>

**Net Profit** **\$2,344.90**

#### Quilter Needed

The PCCW always raffles off a quilt at the craft show in December. We currently have a quilt top that needs to be finished. Are there any talented quilters in the church who could do this? Please contact Clarice Kammel if you're interested in finishing the quilt or know of someone who could do it.

#### Church Aprons

The new blue aprons we have in the church kitchen were purchased by a generous donation in memory of Joan Clements. If you haven't seen them yet please take notice the next time we have an event.



#### New Portable Sound System

The PCCW has purchased a portable sound system to be used for church events. This will be kept in the church basement and is available for use at parish functions. Thank you ladies for purchasing this needed item.

#### Basement Cleaning—Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for volunteers to help clean out the side room in the basement in addition to cleaning the entire basement. If you are able and willing to help, a group of ladies will be meeting on **March 6th at 1:00PM**. The more helpers we have the faster this job will be done. Please consider volunteering.

#### LDCCW Spring Conference—Apr 13

Mark your calendar for April 13 to attend the La Crosse Diocese Council of Catholic Women's Spring Conference. It will be held at the Radisson in La Crosse this year. The guest speaker will be Abby Johnson who was the subject of the movie Unplanned. **St. Mary PCCW members will be helping with this event this year.** More information on the event will be coming soon.

#### Spring Luncheon, April 27, 2024

#### Mark Your Calendar!

The PCCW's spring luncheon will be held on **April 27** this year. Please mark your calendar now so you can attend this delicious annual event.



## Parish Announcements continued

### Women's Charcuterie Board Party – Feb 9

Hey Girls! How do you charcuterie? All the ladies of St. Mary's are invited to a charcuterie board party Feb. 9th at 6p.m. in Marian Hall in Viroqua. This is your opportunity to show off your creative culinary self with others. Your mission is to produce a board that is appealing, delicious and shareable. You can also bring along your favorite bottle of wine or another beverage of your choice. We look forward to your creation!

### 2023 Contribution Statements

Statements have all been picked up/mailed/distributed. Thank you for supporting St. Mary Parish!

### Inspired by the Spirit and Annual Appeal Statements

The Year End 2023 Gifts: The Diocese has closed the 2023 gift calendar year for tax purposes. Tax statements will be mailed during the last week of January.

### Birthright Baby Bottle Campaign - Jan 20 to Feb 25



The annual fundraiser for Birthright of La Crosse is here. Birthright is an international volunteer organization with a La Crosse chapter since 1976. Birthright is available to those with an unintended pregnancy to provide information, a listening space, and love, along

with referrals and emotional and spiritual support when needed.

The bottles are available to take home this weekend. Fill with your spare change, cash or a check. Please read the insert for more instructions and return at your earliest convenience or by Sunday February 25, 2024. Thank you and know your pro-life support will be appreciated by moms, dads, and babies to be.

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

In the United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. Please use the special envelopes provided in the pews and make checks out to St. Mary Parish. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at [www.usccg.org/cchd](http://www.usccg.org/cchd)

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### CV Legion Four Chaplains Sunday Pancake Breakfast- Feb 4

Come on down to the Legion Hall from 7 AM to Noon next Sunday, Feb 4 for some pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, milk, juice and coffee. Meal for adults is \$10 and children 5-12 year olds only \$5, under 5 are free.

**World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life** will be celebrated on the weekend of Feb. 3-4. Please pray for all those who have answered the call to consecrated life, aspiring towards joy-filled holiness in the service of the Church and world. Pray also for many more laborers to enter the vineyard so that Jesus Christ may be better known, experienced, and loved.

## Activity Corner

### Unscramble: Jesus Casts out a Demon

*Sort out the letters to fill in the blanks.*

*Use the letters in the boxes to fill in the last row of boxes.*

And immediately there was in their synagogue a  
\_ □ \_ (NMA) with an unclean spirit; and he cried  
out, "What have you to do with us,  
\_ \_ \_ □ \_ (ESSJU) of Nazareth? Have you come  
to \_ \_ \_ □ \_ \_ \_ (YDSETRO) us? I know who  
you are, the □ \_ \_ \_ \_ (OYLH) One of God."

But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and  
\_ □ \_ \_ \_ (MEOC) out of him!"

And the unclean \_ \_ \_ □ \_ \_ \_ (TRSIPI),  
convulsing him and crying with a loud  
\_ \_ □ \_ \_ (IOCEV), came out of him.

And □ \_ \_ \_ \_ (YEHT) were all amazed, so that  
they questioned among themselves,  
\_ □ \_ \_ \_ (YSNIAG), "What is this? A new  
teaching!"

With □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ he commands  
even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."



### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



- Those sick and suffering in any way, may they find healing and strength in our Lord.
- For military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- Our political leaders, may their decisions be made for the good of all.
- For the people of Ukraine, Israel and Gaza whose lives have been affected by acts of war.
- 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.

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