

PASTOR

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Tues. 1:00 PM until Mass time
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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

Amy Stafshien, Admin. Assist.....608-452-3841
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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

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

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

900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI 54623

Phone: 608-452-3841

Website: stmarycv.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Lord, Lord, open the door for us! But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’” - Mt 25:11-12

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor

November 12, 2023

Readings: 671A

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

32th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday Readings

November 12, 2023

1) *Wisdom 6:12-16*; 2) *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*;
3) *Matthew 25:1-13*

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- Nov 11/12 ~ Diocesan Annual Appeal kickoff weekend
- Nov 13 ~ PCCW Meeting 5:30 PM
- Nov 16 ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass
- Nov 19 ~ Social/Brunch after 8:00 AM Mass, sponsored by St. Cecelia Guild of the PCCW
- Nov 23 ~ Thanksgiving Day
- Dec 01 ~ Crafter Setup at the CV Village Hall, bake sale goods drop off, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Dec 02 ~ **PCCW Annual Craft Show** at the CV Village Hall, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Dec 2/3 ~ CPR/Defibrillator Training after Mass
- Dec 03 ~ RE in Viroqua after the 10:30 AM Mass for both Coon Valley and Viroqua students.
- Dec 08 ~ The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy Day
- Dec 9/10 ~ Retirement Fund For Religious Weekend
- Dec 17 ~ RE monthly activity after the 8 AM Mass in Coon Valley
- Dec 21 ~ Coffee and Fellowship after the 8 AM Mass
- Dec 24 ~ **Christmas Eve Mass 4:00 PM**
- Dec 25 ~ **Christmas Day Mass 8:00 AM**

Intentions
Nov 11 ~ 4:00 PM - † Woody Roningen
Nov 12 ~ 8:00 AM - † Jim and Betty Callan
Nov 14 ~ 5:15 PM - † Willard and Mina Kubal, Verdel, Sara and David Holte
Nov 16 ~ 8:00 AM - † James Coonan
Nov 18 ~ 4:00 PM - † Larry and Myrtle Geier
Nov 19 ~ 8:00 AM - Don and Roxanne Weber

MASS Intentions

All 2023 Mass Intention Dates are FULL!


If you have questions feel free to email the parish office at 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 by emailing the office.

Next Week in Service — Nov 18/19

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


Readers:	Sat. – Jeana LeJeune Sun. – VOLUNTEER
Ushers:	Sat. – Volunteers Sun. – Volunteers
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Rodney and Kathy Berg



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 (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).

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 November 5, 2023

Pledges received (30): \$107,720.00

Payments received: \$29,130.00

WE HAVE EXCEEDED THE GOAL!

Needed this Month	
\$8,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$1,640.50	Received as of week 1
(\$6,359.50)	Short for the Month

Giving Last Week		11/5/2023	
Adult Env(30)	\$870.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	139.00	Received This Week	\$1,640.50
All Saints (13)	220.00	Running total needed	\$90,000.00
Tree Fund (2)	350.00	YTD Received	\$81,026.87
Votives	61.50	Difference	(8,973.13)
Total	\$1,650		
Mission Sun (2)	\$30.00		



From the Pastor

Hello friends,

This weekend we're bringing back the Diocesan Annual Appeal. This is one of those drives that's been made a bit unusual (some would say abnormal, but I prefer inventing words) through COVID and with the Capital Campaign (into which the Annual Appeal for 22-23 was built), so a part of this weekend involves normalizing it again. To clarify, there are two main ways that we support the work being done at the Diocese for our parishes: first, a quarterly quota based on our attendance, census, and giving, and second this appeal. While the quota supports the standard operating expenses of the diocese, this appeal supports many of the mission-driven efforts that would otherwise be funded by second collections throughout the year. "But Fr. Joe," you may be asking yourself, "didn't we just have an extra collection for the Missions?" Excellent question. Yes, we did, for World Mission Sunday. That's one of the collections the broad Church has us take up every year to support the Society for the Propagation of the Faith – that branch of the Church that operates what we usually think of when we hear "missionary work" (that is, missionaries serving those in tangible need, catechesis and the building of new churches, health care, and education). Beyond that, we try to keep extra asks down.

So how is the Annual Appeal different? This drive specifically supports the mission-driven initiatives within our diocese, such as our own mission outreach in Peru, the vocations office and our seminarians, ongoing support and formation of clergy, televised Masses, Catholic education, etc. Our target at St. Mary's this year is \$14,515, and whatever we raise over that target comes directly back to our parish. By way of breakdown, last year's appeal was disbursed with 22% of proceeds going to vocations and support for priests, deacons, and consecrated & religious life, 19% to Missions and Works of Charity, 29% to parish ministry support, 19% to parish services, and 9% to Catholic schools. Over the next few weeks, you'll receive mailings from the Diocese requesting you to contribute to this appeal – I would ask you to seriously consider supporting our broader Church through this work.

God bless you, Fr. Joe



Parish Announcements

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:



Marlis Urbanek

who passed away on
November 4, 2023

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."
Matthew 5:4*

St. Mary's Craft Show—December 2, 2023

Craft Show Flyers

Extra flyers are in the back of church, please help advertise by posting at your place of employment or on a community bulletin board. Thank you!

Quilt Raffle

Remaining quilt tickets have been mailed to those who did not pick up from the back of church. We ask you sell a minimum number of tickets each year. Please return your ticket stubs and money to the parish by November 26th (drop in the collection basket in an envelope clearly marked "Quilt Raffle" or the day of the Craft Show by noon.

Craft Tables Still Available for Dec. 2nd

Have you reserved your craft table for St. Mary's Craft Fair? Time is running out. Please reserve your table now by going online at: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034.

Craft Fair assignments have been made and are as follows:

- Setup - St. Theresa
- Kitchen - St. Rose
- Bake sale/quilt raffle - St. Cecelia
- Clean-up - St. Catherine.

Upcoming PCCW Meeting – Nov 13

The next PCCW meeting will be Monday, November 13 at 5:30PM where we will be finalizing the craft fair.

CPR/Defibrillator Training - Dec 2/3

Ann Gilbertson will give a CPR / Defibrillator training on Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd right after Mass. This can be a new class for you or just a review. Hope you attend!

Annual Report the Bishop Fiscal Year 2022-2023

The Parish report has been completed and reviewed by the Finance Council. A copy of the report is included in the digital version of today's bulletin and printed copies are available in the back of church.

Pancake Breakfast (Oct 15, 2023) Thank You Sponsors

The Great American Pancake Company for the Batter
Valley Market for the Pure Maple Syrup
Steve and Linda Schulte for Eggs and Supplies
Westby Creamery for the Cheese Curds
Kwik Trip for the Juice and Milk

(report on the next page)



Annual Appeal 2023-24

As of 11/10/23	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$515.00	\$515.00
Target Amount	<u>\$14,515.00</u>	<u>\$14,515.00</u>
Over Target	(\$14,000.00)	(\$14,000.00)

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.

Parish Announcements continued

Pancake Breakfast Report 2023

Income	
Collections (71 participants)	\$2,190.00
Ticket Sales	1,800.00
Leftover Sales	95.00
Total	\$4,085.00
Expenses	
Supplies	donated
Milk/Juice	donated
Sausage	\$478.80
Total	\$478.80
Overall Profit	<u>\$3,606.20</u>
	<u>Served</u>
Adult	180
Children	<u>19</u>
Total	199

For a year-to-year comparison see the report posted in the back of the church.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Scout Religious Emblem

Any Cub or Boy Scout interested in earning their religious emblem and not able to do so in your scout unit please contact Cindy Sjolabder at catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com

42nd Annual La Crosse Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Donations needed can be in the form of food (canned green beans, punch, cans of cranberry sauce), money, and/or as volunteers. More information available at: <https://laxthanksgivingdinner.com/>



Donate to Help the Victims of Violence in the Holy Land

Catholic Relief Services, in conjunction with Caritas partners, are working to meet the desperate humanitarian needs caused by the terrorism and fighting in the Holy Land. To learn how you can help, visit www.crs.org

DEATH IS AN END, BUT IT'S NOT THE END

We all have very real questions about death. What Happens when we die? What does scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? The art of dying well is also the art of living well. St. Patrick's Parish (Onalaska) and Cathedral Parish will be offering sessions of "Eternal Rest" on Tuesdays - November 14th (The Hour of Death), and November 28th (The Faithful Departed). The Cathedral sessions will run from 1 pm - 2:30 pm. The sessions at St. Patrick's will run from 6:30 pm - 8 pm. A video will be shown in each class followed by a question and answer period. Classes are free! All are welcome!

St. Nicholas Event - December 3, 2023 1:00 pm. Come to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for Holy Mass and stay to meet Saint Nicholas! Hear him tell the story of his life, sainthood, and how he became "Santa Claus." Join for cookies, hot chocolate, and picture opportunities. Visit: GuadalupeShrine.org/events !

Activity Corner

Psalm 63 Word-Find

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in this part of today's Psalm. The leftover letters will spell out a little prayer to God when you write them in the blanks at the end.



PARCHEDPOWER
 MWYSBANQUETW
 OITHIRSTSULI
 SLIPSTOWARDT
 ALTHPHUFLESH
 NAMEIGLORYIO
 CALLNOIRSTWU
 TGAZEDVVSFOAT
 UBLESSEMOUTH
 ALIFEHANDSER
 RICHESGOODRT
 YHEEKINDNESS

O GOD, you are my God whom I SEEK;
 for you my FLESH PINES and my soul THIRSTS
 like the EARTH, PARCHED and WITHOUT WATER.

Thus have I GAZED TOWARD you in the SANCTUARY
 to see your POWER and your GLORY,
 for your KINDNESS is a greater GOOD than LIFE;
 my lips shall glorify you.

Thus WILL I BLESS you while I LIVE;
 lifting up my HANDS, I will CALL upon your NAME.
 As with the RICHES of a BANQUET shall my SOUL be
 satisfied,
 and with exultant LIPS my MOUTH shall praise you.



NEVER DOUBT THE POWER OF PRAYER

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.

To add a request call 608-452-3841 or email stmaryscv@mwt.net



St. Mary's Craft Show

December 2, 2023

8 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Coon Valley Village Hall

108 Roosevelt St.

Coon Valley, Wisconsin



- A Seasonal Tradition for 22 years
- Crafts and Baked Goods of all kinds
- Lunch Counter Opens at 8:00 a.m.
- Free Admission

More info contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 and/or e-mail

Peters@mwt.net or St. Mary's at 608-452-3841 or

visit stmarycv.org and click on "Craft Show" Tab

Tables available for crafters \$30 before Nov. 1st, \$35 after Nov. 1st,
tables provided

St. Mary Parish
Annual Report
July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Statement of General Statistics

- ~Catholic population of the parish – 302.
- ~The percentage of people in the boundaries of the parish that are Catholic – 15%.
- ~Catholic households in the parish – 115.
- ~The number of envelope holders who give \$100 or more per year – 59.
(this number is used for Diocesan calculations)

**Total cash balance of Parish, Works of Charity, Mass Intentions
and PCCW checking on July 1, 2022: \$37,503.60**

Receipts

Adult Envelopes	\$74,959.00
Offertory Collections	6,858.41
Votive Candles, Catholic Life Mag, Grants, and Misc.	4,154.48
Special Collections-Capital Improvement	1,780.00
Net Profit of Pancake Breakfast	3,580.11
PCCW and Men's Club	8,901.59
Memorials	1,140.00
Total Interest Earned (checking and savings)	1,599.10
Religious Education Tuition	292.00
Other Revenues	300.00
Net Funds withdrawn from Savings Acct	1,049.80
Diocesan Annual Appeal Rebate	1,875.00
Works of Charity	231.00
Accounts Payable (employee taxes)	1,359.08
Collections for Mass Intentions	<u>1,430.00</u>

Total of all Receipts: \$109,509.57

Disbursements

Salaries – Parish Priest	\$16,797.20
Salaries – Other Clergy	220.00
Salaries – All Other	26,058.00
Professional Fees and Services	1,428.27
Payroll Taxes	2,054.03
Group Insurance and Retirement	7,649.47
Household Expenses	60.64
Office Supplies	1,308.13
All Utilities	7,389.49
Auto and Travel Allowances	154.21
Liturgical and Church Goods	6,304.46
Instructional Supplies, Texts	26.00
** Repairs and Maintenance	37,757.30
Property and Liability Insurance	2,538.00
Miscellaneous and Rentals Paid	162.14
Catholic Life	391.50
Diocesan Assessment/Quota	4,592.00
Aquinas Catholic Schools Subsidy	8,724.96
PCCW/Men's Club Expenditures	5,316.17
Funds deposited to Savings Account (transfer and interest)	0.00
Distribution from Funds for Works of Charity Acct	0.00
Prior Years Accounts Payable	2,482.49
Total of All Disbursements:	<u>\$131,414.46</u>

**Total cash balance of Parish, Works of Charity, PCCW, and
Mass Intentions checking accounts on June 30, 2023: \$15,598.71**

Beginning Balance	\$37,503.60
Receipts	109,509.57
Disbursements	131,414.46
Ending Balance	\$15,598.71

*** Diocesan Collection Appeals and flow through
(These are funds taken in and then disbursed)**

World Mission Sunday	415.00
Mission Co-Op	245.00
Student Lent	3.91
Retirement Fund for Religious	330.00
Rice Bowl	47.97
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	56.00
Holy Land/Good Friday Collection	570.00
Cemetery Collection - Memorial Day	165.00
Other Misc. (Food Pantry)	<u>1,355.53</u>
** Total	<u>\$3,188.41</u>

Repairs and Maintenance

Gutters on church	\$21,743.00
Sidewalk around the church and new gutter drain	6,500.00
Garage roof	4,625.60
New carpet church steps	1,436.70
Sound system	579.00
Other misc. repairs and supplies	<u>2,873.00</u>
Total	<u>\$37,757.30</u>

**Total cash balance of Parish savings account
at the Diocese on June 30, 2023:**

\$50,128.89

Spiritual Statistics – July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

1 Baptisms
1 Confirmations
1 Received Their First Holy Communion
0 Baptized Christian received into full communion (RCIA)
We did not have solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for periods of time throughout the year
Sunday Mass is at 8:00 AM and Saturday Mass of Anticipation is at 4:00 PM
0 Marriage where both parties are Catholic
0 Marriage of mixed religion
0 Parishioners in seminary studies
0 Parishioner preparing to be received into an institute of consecrated life – Religious Life
0 Parishioners participating in lay ministry programs
Times for hearing confessions: Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM, Sunday 7:15-7:45 AM or by appointment.
We had regularly scheduled penance services with individual confessions during Advent and Lent
About 15 parishioners received the Anointing of the Sick
4 Deaths in the parish
1 full burials, 2 cremation burials in the parish cemetery
2 Students from parish attend Catholic school system (K-8)
22 attend K-8 Public School
0 attend Catholic high School (9-12)
13 attend public high school (9-12)
13 Public grade school students (K-8) attended Rel. Ed. Classes
2 Public high school students (9-12) attended Rel. Ed. Classes

Employment Statistics

1 Priest on payroll
4 employees working 26 weeks or more per year (0-19 hours/wk)
1 seasonal employee

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Hwy 162 and Koenen Rd

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash balance	\$6,598.15
Investments with Diocese (Perpetual Care)	\$21,456.29
Investments with Others (Perpetual Care)	\$0.00
Other Investments	\$0.00
Other (describe)	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$28,054.44</u>

LIABILITIES

Unpaid bills and taxes due	\$0.00
Balance of loans with Diocese	\$0.00
Balance of loans with Others	\$0.00
Other (describe)	\$0.00
TOTAL	<u>\$0.00</u>

CEMETERY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Receipts:

Lot sales	\$700.00
Grave openings	\$50.00
Foundations and markers	\$0.00
Investment income	\$3,108.35
Other	<u>(\$847.13)</u>
Total Receipts	\$3,011.22
Cash balance end of last year	<u>\$25,618.49</u>
Total	<u>\$28,629.71</u>

Disbursements:

Salaries	\$327.38
Social Security	\$0.00
Supplies and repairs	\$0.00
Insurance	\$0.00
Other (co. tax owed to GF)	<u>\$247.89</u>
Total Disbursements	\$575.27
Cash balance end of this period	<u>\$28,054.44</u>
Total	<u>\$28,629.71</u>