

## PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday..... 6:30pm

Thursday.....8:00am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:15pm to 3:45pm

Sunday.....7:15am to 7:45am

## PARISH OFFICE

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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

Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue Humfeld,  
Mike Kammel, Jim Prindle and Steve Schulte.  
(2 appointed vacancies)

## 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

Sunday .....10:30 AM

Weekday: Wednesdays - 6:30 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. <https://www.stmaryscv.org/visit-us>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Call or email Fr. Joe. You  
can also use our website under the Sacraments tab: <https://www.stmaryscv.org/sacraments>

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please submit a registration by  
mail, or e-mail to both [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) AND  
[fatherjoerichards@gmail.com](mailto:fatherjoerichards@gmail.com) You will be contacted by the  
parish office to finalize your requested date. The  
registration form at: <https://www.stmaryscv.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.  
<https://www.stmaryscv.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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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley)



## Fr. Joe Richards

### October 2, 2022

Readings: 658C

# St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

- 1) [Habakkuk](#) 1:2-3; 2:2-4
- 2) 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
- 3) Luke 17:5-10

**FOCUS:** Christ helps us grow in faith and in the ability to act in his name.

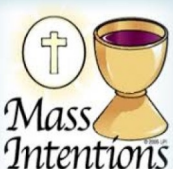
Courage, a gift of the Holy Spirit, lies at the heart of today's Scripture – the courage to be faithful to Christ and the Gospel in all things and in all places. Like the disciples, we should be unafraid to ask Jesus for an increase in faith, for he reminds us that even with the smallest amount of faith we have the ability to do great things in his name.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Habakkuk cries out to the Lord, and the Lord answers. [Saint](#) Paul encourages Timothy to never lack courage or be ashamed of his faith in Jesus Christ. In the Gospel, the Apostles ask Jesus to *increase [their] faith*, and Jesus gives them instruction using a mustard seed as a metaphor.

### 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.



If there is a special weekend date you would like, please get your request(s) in early. The following dates are open for the next few months.


**Saturdays in 2022 are full.**

**Sundays:** Oct 23, Nov 27, Dec 11.

**Weekdays:** Sep 20 & 27, Oct 25, Nov 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, and 29.

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.

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **October 2 ~ Religious Education** following Mass
- **October 3-7 ~ Fr. Joe on PTO—NO daily Mass**
- **October 9 ~ Our Annual Pancake Breakfast!** 
- **October 11 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM**
- **October 18 ~ PCCW Meeting 7:00 PM**
- **October 20 ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8AM Mass**
- **October 23/24 ~ World Mission Sunday**
- **November 1 ~ All Saint's Day Mass - 6:30 PM *Holy Day of Obligation***
- **November 2 ~ All Soul's Day Mass - 8:00 AM**
- **November 6 ~ Religious Education Following Mass**
- **November 8 ~ Finance Council meeting 7:00 PM**

**Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook is back:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>

### Intentions

Oct 01 ~ 4:00 PM - †Adam Hemmersbach

Oct 02 ~ 8:00 AM - †Jim Graham

**Oct 04 ~ 6:30 PM - NO MASS**

**Oct 05 ~ 8:00 AM - NO MASS**

Oct 08 ~ 4:00 PM - †Dennis LeJeune

Oct 09 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch

Sign in using **AmazonSmile** and select **St. Mary Parish** as your preferred charity at [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730).

Remember to shop for deals at **smile.amazon.com**, or with AmazonSmile **ON** in the Amazon app, and AmazonSmile will donate to us at no cost to you."

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 You shop. Amazon gives.

**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, your 2021 Contribution envelope is postal ready!
- **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](https://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).

### Next Week in Service — Oct 8/9

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

Readers: **Sat.** – Nancy Peters **Sun.** – Volunteer

Ushers: **Sat.** – Volunteers **Sun.** – Volunteers

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

### Giving Last Week

		Week 39	9/25/2022
Adult Env.(23)	\$975.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	\$119.00	Received This Week	\$1,319.00
Pancake Bft(6)	\$225.00	Running total needed	\$78,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,319.00</b>	YTD Received	\$69,378.05
		Difference	(8,621.95)



## From the Parochial Administrator



Hello friends,

Thanks to the hard work of several of our people and your own patience to ride the waves while we've figured out what it needs to look like this year, **we're finally launching religious education this weekend – that's big news!**

A quick breakdown of what's coming up (or, if you're reading this after the weekend's Masses, what's just happened): this weekend after the 8:30 Mass Bridget Goodwin and I will be presenting October's curriculum to parents and kids together. I'll step up first to share a little bit about the year's theme (a life of Christian prayer) and to start us off with the first few lessons ("What is prayer" and "Prayer in Salvation History"), then Bridget will share a bit about how she, as both catechist and mother, is planning on implementing the month's material within her family. Each of the two lessons each month will have activities to help you communicate the material to your kids, but remember that not every activity is meant for every kid – for younger kids some of the more interactive and creative material will be appropriate, whereas some of the discussion and interpretive material may be more effective with some of the older kids, even into Middle or High School.

This program has recently and effectively been reinterpreted to me as "so it's basically homeschooled religious education?" It's a great question. And the stripped-down answer is yes. With our two main goals of (1) putting the Mass at the heart of anything we do (especially religious formation) and (2) recentring religious formation where it's most effectively done – in the family – our organizational goal is to give you the tools you need to help your family grow as disciples together. For all the parents reading this, that starts first with your own formation, discipleship, and relationship with the Lord, and only once that process is happening does it pour out of that personal work into your kids' formation, discipleship, and relationship with the Lord.

As far as other business goes, first, please join us for the **pancake breakfast next weekend**. I'm handing the 10:30 Mass off to Fr. McCarty, provided he survives the next week with me, so I hope to see you there!

Second, here's another reminder that this week **I will be out of town Sunday afternoon through Friday evening**. I'll be taking three other priests up into the Boundary Waters (for anyone particularly interested, around Kawishiwi, Polly and Sawbill Lakes) for a few nights in the wilderness. This is not my first proverbial rodeo, so I make it a high probability that most of us make it back out alive. I certainly will. The practical effect of this around the parish is that there will not be daily Mass at either Viroqua or Coon Valley this week. If you would like to join them, Deacon Tony will be leading a Communion Service Wednesday evening in Viroqua (6:30), followed by an hour of adoration. If you need a priest throughout the course of this week, please contact Fr. Daniel Sedlacek in Genoa at 608-689-2646.

Finally, Fr. Michael Klos shared with me that someone you may know well, **Jean (Gilkes) Lange passed away this past week**. Fr. Klos will be handling funeral arrangements out at Sacred Heart in Cashton, with a visitation Monday from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and the funeral on Tuesday at 10:30. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord!

God bless you all, Fr. Joe

## Parish Announcements

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

**Jean (Gilkes) Lange**

who passed away on

September 28, 2022

Funeral will be Tuesday, October 4th at  
Sacred Heart in Cashton

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



## Pancake Breakfast—Oct. 9th

### Meeting after Sunday, October 2nd 8:00 AM Mass

Please stay for a few minutes after Mass to meet about next Sunday's Breakfast.

**Men's Server Signup:** There is a signup sheet in the back of church for the Men to help sell tickets, serve, prepare sausage and make pancakes during the breakfast.

**PCCW Bake Sale:** All women of the parish are expected to donate at least \$15 of baked goods for the bake sale or make a donation of \$15. You may also donate garden items or crafts if you prefer. The baked goods and garden produce donations for the pancake breakfast may be dropped off at church Saturday, October 8 from 4:00-6:00 P.M. or Sunday, October 9 before 8:00 A.M.

### PCCW Pancake Breakfast Worker Guilds

#### **Pancake Breakfast Assignments**

Set-up - St. Rose Guild  
Kitchen - St. Cecelia Guild  
Bake Sale - St. Catherine Guild  
Clean-up - St. Theresa Guild

We will need considerable help to make our Pancake Breakfast a success, so please share your time and talents. Guild chairs will be calling for your assistance.



### Advertising

Included with the bulletin is a flyer for the upcoming breakfast. Please help with advertising by posting one or several (extra in back of church) in the community or your place of business. Thank you!

### Pancake Breakfast Collection

As in the past, we will be having an extra **collection for the Breakfast**. Please return your envelope in time for the breakfast. Suggested donation is \$20+.

**Quilt Raffle:** Quilt tickets will be available for sale at the pancake breakfast, but the **drawing will occur at the Craft Show on December 3**. All ladies of the parish can pick up their tickets to sell at the pancake breakfast.

## Be Present, Be Counted

October is here. Be mindful that the Diocesan wide October Mass attendance counts begin this weekend—October 1st and 2nd and will occur each weekend through October 22nd and 23rd. Please make sure that you are present in Church, so that you are counted.



## Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

### Are you looking for a way to live your faith through service?

Then become a volunteer or employee with Catholic Charities of the La Crosse Diocese! We are currently looking for volunteers to help in our La Crosse Warming Center this season. Take a look at the Volunteer website at: <https://cclse.org/volunteer-opportunities/> for information on how to get signed up! We also have excellent career opportunities! Check out the employment page at: <https://cclse.org/employment-opportunities/>.

### Looking for a Parish Festival or Event to attend?

The Diocese has designated a specific website to list parish events. Check out [diolc.org/parish-festivals/](http://diolc.org/parish-festivals/) to see the list various activities at churches through out the Diocese.

### UNSCRIPTED with Chris Rogers

We are excited to introduce a new web series where we simply talk with people from around the Diocese of La Crosse about faith, vocation, life, family, and whatever else comes up in conversation. We have just released the first video in the series where we talk with Father Steven Weller. This episode was recorded two days before he was ordained to the priesthood!

Father Weller gives us a profound look into his mind and heart just before his ordination. Our hope is to reach as many people as possible, so we are asking you to please share the link below on your social media pages, with your parishioners, family, friends, etc. Also, if you have an idea for a guest to be on the show, please contact us. "UNSCRIPTED" Link: <https://youtu.be/YiO-Rv4epf0>

### Have Your Pet Blessed - Oct 2

All are welcome — the public and their pets — to a pet blessing event on the front lawn of Villa St. Joseph, Sunday, Oct. 2, at 1:30 p.m. Pets can receive a blessing from Father Conrad during the event. The celebration of pets, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, will be held in conjunction with the Coulee Region Humane Society. All pets must be leashed or contained. In the event of rain, we will hold the Pet Blessing in the east garage in back of the Villa. A pet supply drive will precede the event. You may order from their online wish lists and have the items sent directly to the Humane Society by scanning the code for Amazon or Chewy below! Or check out the list on the google doc at:



<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FUKX43fFfyH36QsOv-PigYfCenMrMpdRax6KqWnb6Ug/edit>

### Life Chain - Oct 2

Participate in Life Chain on Sunday Oct. 2 Join a large and beautiful throng of Life Chain participants giving silent pro-life witness along Losey Blvd. in La Crosse on Sunday, Oct. 2 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Life Chain will stretch along Losey from La Crosse St. to Ferry St. Volunteers with available signs will be stationed at every corner.

### Fall Rummage Sale - Oct 7

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Fall Rummage Sale on Friday, October 7, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, October 8, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

### 55th Annual Sauerkraut Supper - Oct 12

St. Peter Parish, Middle Ridge Annual Sauerkraut Supper—carry out only. Serving 3:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Church-made Kraut and pork ribs, polish sausage, glazed carrots, mashed potatoes and gravy, home-made pie. \$15 for a dinner. Raw kraut (2.5 lb) available for \$5.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- All those who are suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are working tirelessly to help the ill recover.
- All the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- All 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](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net)



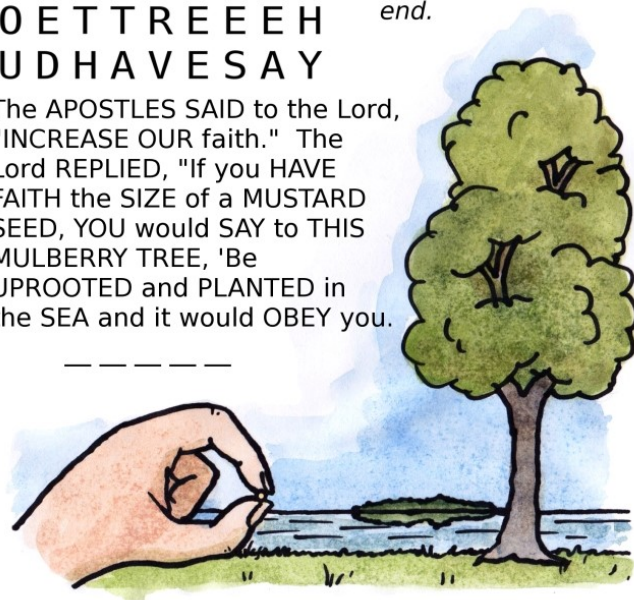
## Kids Corner

### Mustard Seed Word-Find

M U S T A R D F A  
U P R O O T E D R  
L I N C R E A S E  
B P S E E D P A P  
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R A T H I S S D I  
R N I F A I T H E  
Y T O U R Z L S D  
O E T T R E E H  
U D H A V E S A Y

Here is part of today's Gospel reading. See if you can find all the words written in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

The APOSTLES SAID to the Lord, "INCREASE OUR faith." The Lord REPLIED, "If you HAVE FAITH the SIZE of a MUSTARD SEED, YOU would SAY to THIS MULBERRY TREE, 'Be UPROOTED and PLANTED in the SEA and it would OBEY you."





# Pancake Breakfast

## FUNDRAISER

Come out and support our organization with a delicious stack of pancakes, eggs, sausage, cheese curds, applesauce, milk, orange juice and coffee!

Also purchase a tasty treat to take home from the bake sale!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th • 7:30 AM—NOON**

**\$10.00**

PER ADULT

**\$5.00**

KIDS 6-12

**ALL YOU  
CAN EAT!**

**St. Mary  
Parish**

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