

St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay

June 29, 2025 | Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles | Reading 749 or 750C

CONNECT WITH US

PASTOR

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Social Media

www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley

Bulletins

Bulletin Deadline: Monday, 6 days prior

Parish Office Hours

Varies - most Wednesdays, Thursday morning and most Fridays

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:00pm

Sunday | 8:00am*

**Livestreamed on our Facebook page*

Weekday Masses

Tuesday | 5:15pm

Thursday | 8:00am

Confession

Saturday | 3:30pm - 3:45pm

Devotions

Adoration Tuesday | 4:30pm



UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH
~Matthew 16:18

Administrative Assistant

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Coordinator of Religious Education

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Parish Finance Council

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

Parish Pastoral Council

Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue
Humfeld, Robert Kerska, Lori Pedretti
and Steve Schulte

PCCW

(Parish Council of Catholic Women)
Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy
Peters (Treasurer), Linda Berg (Secretary)

Musicians

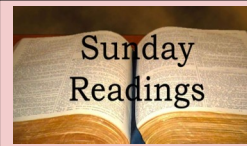
Mary Beth Smith 608-632-9548
Linda Schulte 608-397-3643
Chris Carskadon 608-790-4495

Fr. Joe also serving: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Viroqua

Mass Times:

Weekend: Saturday 6:30pm
Sunday 10:30am

Weekday: Wed - 5:15 pm
Fri - 8:00am



June 29, 2025
 1) Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11
 2) 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
 3) Matthew 16:13-19

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, June 28

SS Peter and Paul, Apostles
 - 4:00pm Mass - † Bob Welsh
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Robert Kerska

SUNDAY, June 29

SS Peter and Paul, Apostles
 -8:00am Mass - Our Parish Family
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti, Rodney and Kathy Berg

TUESDAY, July 01

St. Junipero Serra
 - 4:30-5:00pm - Adoration
 - 5:15pm - Mass - For the Priest

THURSDAY, July 03

St. Thomas, Apostle
 - 8:00am - Mass - † Albert and Julia Sedevie

SATURDAY, July 05

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 - 4:00pm Mass - † Marlis Urbanek
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Robert Kerska

SUNDAY, July 06

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 -8:00am Mass - Our Parish Family
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Mike Kammel and Mark Boland

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.

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- Jun 27 ~ Fr. Joe Anniversary of Ordination
- Jul 1 ~ Grief Share in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- Jul 14 ~ Men's Club Meeting 5:00 PM
- Jul 15 ~ Finance Council Meeting 5:45 PM
- Jul 17 ~ Coffee and Fellowship following 8 AM Mass
- Jul 26 ~ **Summer Family Picnic**
- Aug 14 ~ Coffee and Fellowship following 8 AM Mass
- Aug 18-22 ~ Fr. Joe on PTO to the Boundary Water
- Sep 8 ~ PCCW Meeting at 5:30 PM



Summer Family Picnic

July 26, 2025

Help us spread the word!
 Please post a **flyer** in a visible community space. Extra are in the back of the church.

Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Jul 6, 13, & 20. Aug 10 & 31. Sep 7, 21 & 28.

Open Weekdays: May & Jun-full. Jul 10, 24, 29 & 31. Aug 7, 12, 14, & 26.



Request a specific date by filling out an intention envelope or by emailing the office. As of July 1, 2024 suggested stipend amount is \$20 per Mass. If you have questions feel free to email the office at stmarysev@mwt.net or voice message 608-452-3841.



Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00
 As of June 6, 2025
 Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00
 Payments received: **\$58,346.50**
 THANK YOU!



Needed this Month	
\$10,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$7,547.00	Received as of week 4
(\$2,453.00)	Difference for the Month

Annual Appeal 2024-2025		
As of 6/25/2025	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$15,005.00	\$13,978.31
Target Amount	<u>\$14,050.00</u>	<u>\$14,050.00</u>
Over/Under Target	\$505.00	(\$71.69)
Percent Pledged: 106.90%, Percent Received: 99.49%		
Number Contributing: 31		
To donate online, visit: diolc.org/donate-online/ and in the drop down box choose: 2024(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley		

Giving Last Week		6/22/2025	
Adult Env (28)	\$1070.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	198.25	Received This Week	\$2,088.25
BEET Grant	800.00	Running total needed	\$50,000.00
Votives	<u>\$20.00</u>	YTD Received	\$49,443.56
Total	\$2,088.25	Difference	(556.44)
Food Pantry	\$70.00		

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

I'm writing this on Wednesday, getting ready for the next few days' Priest Unity Days (the annual gathering of priests in the Diocese) up in La Crosse. There's a whole lot of flipping into "this next year" going on in church business right now – some of the guys you've met like Frs. McCarty, Sedlacek, and Reither are starting new assignments, you and me are rounding into the start of our fourth year together, we're entering year two with Bishop Battersby – these starts-of-a-new-year lend themselves to reflection and forecasting. At last year's Priest Unity Days, Fr. Sakowski launched us into pastoral and strategic planning with Bishop Battersby's blessing (say that five times fast), and for the last year he's been working to understand just how the Diocese is doing – a project that includes taking in a broad mix of ethnic groups, demographics, city and rural life, some thriving and some recessing populations, old High School rivalries, deep story, animosity and kinship, old wounds and forgiveness – all to say we are a Church of La Crosse made up of many parts. Over this next year we'll see this whole movement toward pastoral planning shift toward on-site consultation.

Practically speaking, "pastoral planning" involves parish mergers, new associations, and rearrangements to honestly address current needs and opportunities with current resources. Beyond tangible resources and personnel and assets & liabilities, our chief limiting factor is a fear of losing what is known and familiar. The chief opportunity here is to acknowledge and respect the ways we're currently serving the 5% of people in the geographic Diocese of La Crosse who are actively involved in the Church and to ask how we can serve the 95% of people who are not. Both of these require respect and good will.

Fr. Sakowski plans to reach out to the Deans throughout the Diocese (again, a Dean is the Diocese's executive branch rep in smaller geographic regions – in our case, Vernon and Richland Counties) to schedule a series of listening sessions in the fall. Together with several team members he'll be travelling around to hear from folks on the ground what their parish's needs, concerns, and hopes are and to communicate more directly what our shared needs, concerns and hopes are. Keep your ears open for those, and I'll publish them thoroughly. Again, I find tremendous hope in this whole season we're in – I've just wrapped my fifth year as a priest, and I am deeply curious where the Holy Spirit is leading us through these next five years, thirty-five years (my retirement age), and hundred years (the end of which you and I will likely not witness). Perhaps next weekend I'll share some words about the signs of parish vitality we're rallying around, and in the meantime I invite you to pray a simple prayer of invitation with me, "Come Holy Spirit."

God bless you,

Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

Welcome Our New Parish Members!

We're excited to share that photos of our newest parish members are now on display in the back of church. We invite all parishioners to take a moment to view the board, learn a few new names, and personally introduce yourselves when you see them at Mass or around our parish. Let's extend a heartfelt welcome and help them feel at home in our St. Mary Parish family!

Monday, June 30-Thursday, July 4: Annunciation of the BVM Parish Viroqua is hosting Vacation Bible School with

area parishes, conducted by the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist.

Proposed schedule:

- 8:30 AM Mass

- 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Program for K-6

- Friday, July 4, 11:30 AM-2:00 PM, day at Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse

To register, go to: <https://forms.gle/ejUGQSBxFGjggBUA> or scan the QR code.



Fr. Micheal Klos Celebrating 25 Years of Priesthood

Fr. Michael Klos' 25th Anniversary Celebration will take place on Sunday, July 20, 2025, at Sacred Heart Church - Eau Claire. The celebration will begin with Holy Mass at 3:30pm and will be followed by a celebratory luncheon in the church hall. Because you have been an important part of this 25 year journey, I would be honored if you would join me in giving thanks to God. RSVP to "office@shspec.org". Please put "25th Anniversary" in the subject line.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Ends June 30, 2025 DETAIL STATUS AS OF 6/27/2025

Overall Goal Amount: \$14,050.00

Pledged: \$5,200.00

Pledge Payments: \$4,158.31

Unpaid Pledges: \$1,041.69

Received:

One-Time Gifts: \$9,805.00

Pledge Payments: \$4,158.31

Recurring Received: \$15.00

Total Received: \$13,978.31

Over/(Under) Goal: (Based on Amt Rec'd): (\$71.69)

Number of Donors: 31

All payments must be postmarked by June 30, 2025 to count for this year's Appeal. Payments received after that date will be applied to next year's Appeal. **If you have not given this fiscal year, now is the time!** All funds received after the goal is reached are 100% returned to the parish and are not used in calculating future appeals or quotas by the diocese. Payment cards and envelopes are located at the church doors or you may give online at: diolc.org/donate-online/ and in the drop down box choose: 2024(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley



Diocesan/Local Announcements

A Marriage Enrichment Night to Celebrate NFP Week

This night is for all couples currently using or interested in Natural Family Planning the night of July 16, 2025 beginning at 6 PM at the St. Peter Parish Rectory, Middle Ridge, Rockland. Dr. and Mrs. Mark Koehne on the beauty of NFP in their marriage. RSVP requested by calling Rachel Persson by July 13th at 608-356-543. More information on the flying in back of the church.

RESCHEDULED: March for Life Wisconsin has been rescheduled to Saturday, July 26, 2025. In the interest of ensuring the safety of our attendees, including families with children, this joyful and peaceful march to protect every human life has been rescheduled to 2-4pm on Saturday, July 26, 2025, on the State Street steps at the State Capitol in Madison. Please join us then to stand for life! For future updates, please visit our website at MarchforLifeWisconsin.org

Calling all Catholic Women!

If you are a Catholic woman over the age of 21, please consider joining our Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court La Crosse #1183. We are currently 52 members strong and we want to grow! We meet monthly, the second Wednesday, from Sept. – June, 10:00 a.m. at the undercroft of St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. The Catholic Daughters are one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas. Catholic Daughter women enjoy each other's company at monthly meetings, share Catholic spirituality, give generously to local and national charities, and work for the Church and community. To learn more about our court and the Catholic Daughters, please contact Marie Allen, 608-784-5189, email: marie.v.allen@charter.net or visit www.catholicdaughters.org. We'd love to meet you.

St. Charles Homecoming - Jul 6

The 122nd St. Charles Homecoming Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 6th, at the church, 707 Eagle St., Genoa, WI. The annual event is held on the first Sunday in July. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Each meal includes Pogy's grilled chicken and sides, as well as a serving of homemade risotto, which is a cheesy rice delicacy passed down through generations of Italian immigrants who settled in the area. Raffle drawings will begin at 3 p.m. Most events will be held outdoors, with dining options available inside the adjacent school. Entry is free and open to the public. Meals cost \$15 each, smaller hot dog plates available for younger attendees for \$6. For more information, visit St. Charles School and Parish Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesSchoolGenoa>.

DARE to Follow July 8-10 at Holy Cross Diocesan Center

We are called to be Holy Men of God. Dare to Follow is for young men in grades 6-10 who are interested in hearing where God is calling them. Join us for activities, discernment, and time with Bishop Battersby and priests from our area. <https://diolc.org/priesthood/2025-dare-tofollow/>

32nd Annual Corn Boil - July 31

Located at the Vernon County Fair Grounds, Viroqua, Thursday, July 31, 2025. Serving 12-2 PM and 4-7 PM. \$12 for Adults, \$6 for kids (4-10). Meal includes brat or hotdog, chips, baked beans, soda, dessert and ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT CORN ON THE COB. Corn to go: shucked or cooked and butter \$8/dozen. 100% of proceeds go to support Door of Hope Pregnancy and Family Care Center.

Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

Retrouvaille | August 15-17, 2025 | Wausau, WI

Upcoming Central Wisconsin Retrouvaille Marriage Help Program– Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vi) has been a lifeline for marriages for over 45 years. For more information about /or to register for the program beginning with a weekend stay on August 15-17, 2025 in the Wausau area, call (confidential toll free) 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) or visit the website at HelpOurMarriage.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter | September 12-14, 2025 |

Dubuque, IA. Married couples, Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Our next weekend is September 12-14 in Dubuque. For more information call Greg and Denise at (563) 920-9419 or drubner9419@gmail.com.

Activity Corner

True or False:

Who Knows Who Jesus Is?

Jesus asked His disciples "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" See if you know how they responded.

1. The apostles said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." True or False?
2. The apostles said, "Some say Methuselah, others say Barnabas, and still others say Solomon." True or False?
3. Then Jesus asked the disciples Who THEY thought He was. True or False?
4. Peter said, "You are John the Baptist resurrected from the dead!" True or False?
5. Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." True or False?
6. Jesus told Peter that the Father in Heaven had told him Who He was. True or False?
7. Jesus said to Peter, "...you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it." True or False?

Answers: 1.True, 2.False, 3.True, 4.False, 5.True, 6.True, 7.True

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

Sacrament of Baptism: Submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net AND jrichards@diolclergy.org 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.

All are Welcome!



St. Mary's Church Annual Family Picnic On The Lawn

SATURDAY, JULY 26TH
11am- 4:00 pm

**Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a
fun afternoon with family & friends!**

Pulled Pork Sandwiches , Stuffed Baked Potatoes, Walking Tacos,
Kids Hot Dogs, Desserts & Ice Cream Treats.
Bounce House, Dunk Tank, Parents vs Kids Contests & More Games

Live Music

Jen Wilder 11:30 to 1:00 pm
Leather & Lace 1:00 to 3:00

St. Mary's Catholic Church
900 Central Ave
Coon Valley, WI

All are Welcome!



Scan the QR code to
access complete event
details.