



St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay

April 20, 2025 | Holy Week - Good Friday and Easter Sunday | Readings 529C and 551C

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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

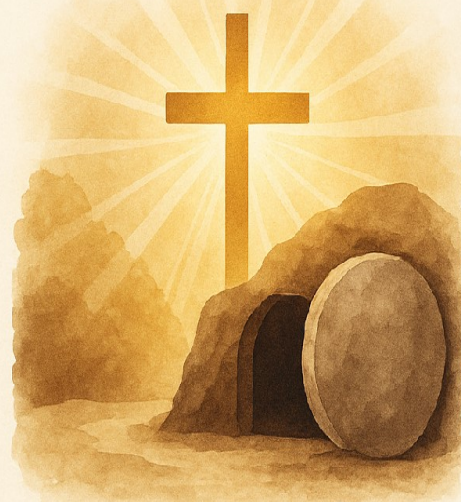
Adoration Tuesday | 4:30pm

GOOD FRIDAY



“He is not here, but has risen.”

EASTER SUNDAY



John 20:1-9

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Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek,
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Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

Parish Pastoral Council

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

PCCW

(Parish Council of Catholic Women)
Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters
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Mary Beth Smith 608-632-9548
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Chris Carskadon 608-790-4495

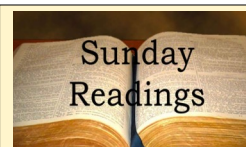
Fr. Joe also serving:

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



April 20, 2025
 1) Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43
 2) Colossians 3:1-4
 3) John 20:1-9

Intentions / Schedule

FRIDAY, April 18

Good Friday

- 12:10pm Service IN VIROQUA
- 3:00pm Service here

SATURDAY, April 19

Holy Saturday

- Mass (IN VIROQUA ONLY)- 8:15 pm

SUNDAY, April 20

Easter Sunday

- 8:00am Mass - † Ed and Betty Gorman
- Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
- Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

TUESDAY, April 22

Easter Tuesday / Earth Day

- 4:30-5:00pm Adoration
- 5:15pm Mass - Our Parish Family

THURSDAY, April 24

Easter Thursday

- 8:00am Mass - † Edward and Anna Kerska

SATURDAY, April 26

Divine Mercy Sunday

- 4:00pm Mass - Roskos and Roningan Families

SUNDAY, April 27

Divine Mercy Sunay

- 8:00am Mass - † Betty Callan
- Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
- Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

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.

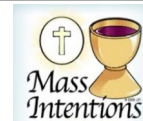
Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **Apr 18 ~ Good Friday Service**
 in Viroqua 12:10 PM
here at 3:00 PM
 The Passion (in Viroqua) 8 PM
- **Apr 19 ~ Bryan Berg's Celebration of Life at the Coon Valley American Legion Hall 1PM -5PM**
- **Apr 19 ~ Holy Saturday**
 in Viroqua at 8:15 PM
- **Apr 20 ~ Easter Sunday - 8 AM Mass**
- **Apr 20-26 - National Volunteer Week**
- **Apr 22 ~ Grief Share in Viroqua from 5-7PM**
- **Apr 23 ~ 1st Communion Prep Class in Viroqua**
 6-7:30 PM 4/23/2025
- **Apr 25-30 ~ Fr. Joe on Priest Retreat no daily Mass**
- **Apr 26 ~ PCCW Spring Luncheon 11 AM - 1 PM**
- **Apr 26/27 ~ Divine Mercy Sunday**
 ~ second collection by PCCW members. Donations will help the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.
- **Apr 27 ~ Parish Social after the 8 AM Mass sponsored by the PCCW St. Theresa Guild**
 ~ 1st Communicants 1st Reconciliation in Viroqua 10:30-12:30 PM
- **Apr 29 ~ Greif Share in Viroqua from 5-7 PM**
 ~ No daily Mass at 5:15 PM Fr. Joe on Retreat
 ~ **5:15 PM Stations of the Cross** -5:45 PM Mass
- **Apr 30 ~ 1st Communion Rehearsal Viroqua 6-7:30 PM**
- **May 1 ~ Confirmation in Richland Center at 6:30 PM**



Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Jul 6, 13, & 20. Aug 3, 9, 10, 16 or 17 & 31.

Open Weekdays: May 22. Jun-full. Jul 1, 8, 10, 22, 24, 29 & 31.



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 April 16, 2025
 Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00
Payments received: \$55,876.50
THANK YOU!



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

Annual Appeal 2024-2025

As of 04/16/2025	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$13,055.00	\$11,429.97
Target Amount	<u>\$14,050.00</u>	<u>\$14,050.00</u>
Under Target	\$995.00	\$2,620.03
Percent Pledged: 92.92%, Percent Received: 81.35%		
Number Contributing: 26		
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		4/13/2025	
Adult Env	\$2287.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	<u>266.00</u>	Received This Week	\$2,553.00
Total	\$2,553.00	Running total needed	\$30,000.00
Good Friday	\$10.00	YTD Received	\$30,826.96
Easter Flowers	\$100.00	Difference	826.96

From the Pastor

Hello friends, and happy Easter!

A few weeks ago, a hidden gem from Isaiah snuck itself into the first reading – “See, I am doing something new!” I buried this under the powerful story of the Woman caught in adultery, but it’s worth naming again. For the last forty-something days we have been doing the hard work of Lent – through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving making ourselves aware of the difference of that season, of our own need for redemption, and of many of the ways we try to provide and fend for ourselves. We’ve been inviting Jesus into our own stories to prepare ourselves, to get ready to enter into Him into His story. It’s hard work, and arriving at the end of Lent emotionally and spiritually ready for it to be over does not mean you didn’t do that hard work well. Into the middle of Lent this simple line stands out – right as you and I recognize what needs to be made new, this Word is spoken, “See, I am doing something new.”

This line is mirrored in a few other places. Revelation 21: 5 shows the One seated upon the throne (you know who) speaking this Word: “Behold, I am making all things new.” 2004’s *The Passion of the Christ* doesn’t match with the power and authority of scripture, but it does share a powerful moment when the soon-to-be-crucified Jesus on the first Way of the Cross falls and speaks to His rushing-to-His-side Mother a mix of the two lines, “See, Mother, I make all things new.” As I heard this reading from Isaiah, I couldn’t help feeling that moment, Jesus in His suffering, death, and finally His resurrection taking all of creation into Himself, meeting us in our own suffering and death by joining us in it, and finally – triumphantly – breaking the prison bars of death by rising from the dead.

There is power in letting ourselves encounter the risen Christ. There is power in many of the scenes we will witness in the next weeks’ readings, with Jesus appearing to His disciples (importantly, still bearing the marks of His ordeal), with the Church coming together through the Acts of the Apostles, all the way through the same Holy Spirit who has been moving in Jesus’ life descending on and into His Church at Pentecost. We have been doing the hard work of Lent for the last forty-something days here – now the next fifty days are a time for us to live Christ’s resurrection with Him, to let ourselves be swept up into new life with Him. “See, I am doing something new!” These are words worth hearing.

God bless you, my friends, and happy Easter! Fr. Joe



Parish Announcements

THE PASSION: Join our sister parish in Viroqua for a live performance of Jesus’ passion and death on Good Friday, April 18th at 8:00 PM. Parental discretion is advised as this is a realistic representation. *Recommended for age 12 and up.*

Good Friday Collection

All funds collected on Good Friday will go to support the Holy Land.

Celebrate the Life of Bryan Berg

Join the Berg Family in celebrating the life and legacy of Bryan J. Berg, a truly remarkable individual who touched so many lives.

Date/Time: Saturday, April 19th, 2025 - 1PM to 5PM.

Location: Coon Valley American Legion Hall

PCCW Spring Luncheon - Next Saturday, Apr 26



The PCCW will be hosting their annual Spring Luncheon on **Saturday, April 26 from 11 AM to 1 PM**. This event is open to all, not just the ladies, and the food is always delicious. At 11:30 AM our guest speaker, Linda Schulte will be presenting her experience from her recent Mission trip to Casa Hogar in Peru. Please help spread the word by distributing the updated flyers with the QR Code from the back of the church.

The hosts for the Spring Luncheon will be **St. Catherine & St. Cecilia Guilds**. Members of these guilds will be receiving a phone call asking them to donate a LARGE salad or a pan of bars. Items can be dropped off the morning of the luncheon starting at 9:00AM. Please have the items there by 10:45AM so it can be prepared for the start at 11:00AM.

Divine Mercy Second Collection - Apr 26/27

There will be a second collection at the April 26/27 masses by PCCW members. Donations will help the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women with the many programs they sponsor. This is a yearly collection. Please be generous with your donation.

Lenten Rice Bowls and Student Mite Boxes - please drop in the collection during Holy Week.

Palm Sunday Cash Contributed by Envelope

If you contributed to the parish on Palm Sunday (last weekend) and gave cash in your numbered envelope we need you to let us know the amount that you contributed by emailing stmaryscv@mwt.net. After the weekend collection was counted, the cleaners came through and inadvertently recycled the envelopes (unfortunately it was also garbage pickup day). We have record of the total cash contributed by way of the envelopes, but not each individual contribution. If you do not have email, please call the parish and leave a voicemail with your information 608-452-3841

Parish Announcements continued

National Volunteer Week

April 20–26, 2025

The Catholic Church joins the nation in celebrating **National Volunteer Week**, a time to recognize the *heart and hands* behind the many acts of service that keep our parish and community thriving.

Thank You to All Our Volunteers!

Your time, energy, and compassion make a difference in countless ways. We honor your commitment and hope to inspire others to follow your lead.

- Deacon
- Sacristans
- Decorators
- Readers/Lectors
- Altar Servers
- Music Ministry – Cantor/Choir
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Religious Education Coordinator
- Visitors to the Elderly & Shut-ins
- PCCW & Men's Club Officers and Event Coordinators
- Money Counters
- Church Cleaners
- Buildings & Grounds Supervisor
- Grounds Keepers

We are also grateful for parishioners who serve and support **community programs** such as:

- New Hope & Birthright – Pregnancy Crisis Centers
- Watermark Mission-Disaster Recovery (watermark-mission.org)
- Bethel Butikk & Vernon County Food Pantry
- Casa Hogar, Peru (homeajpm.org)

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others..." – 1 Peter 4:10

This list may not capture every act of service, but it reflects the breadth of care within our faith community.

Thank you for your dedication, compassion, and witness to Christ's love.



Diocesan/Local Announcements

Park Drive, La Crosse). A light breakfast and lunch will be served. All tools will be provided. Visit: <https://www.habitatlacrosse.org/what-we-do/neighborhood-revitalization/neighbors-day/> to register for assistance or volunteer.

Activity Corner

Easter Word-Find

J G A R D E N E A R L Y
L E J E S U S I M O N S
O D U S T O N E M A R Y
O I B U R I A L O W M S
K S C R I P T U R E A W
I C A R T O M B N E G S
N I R E A I P O I P D S
G P E C D F E D N I A E
C L O T H S T Y G N L M
B E L I E V E D R G E P
O M T O D A R K H E N T
D E A N G E L S A D E Y

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



EARLY in the MORNING, while it was still DARK, Mary MAGDALENE had gone to see JESUS' TOMB. But when she got there she found it EMPTY! She ran and got SIMON PETER and the other DISCIPLE to show them. The STONE had been rolled back. The two men went in and saw that the BODY was gone, and only the BURIAL CLOTHS were sitting there. They BELIEVED although they didn't yet understand what the SCRIPTURE said about the RESURRECTION of Jesus. Mary stayed WEeping outside, but when as she stood LOOKING in, she saw two ANGELS. Then she saw a man in the GARDEN. She thought He was the gardener until He said, "MARY!" Then she knew who it was:

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Diocesan/Local Announcements

15th Annual Meatball and Lefse Supper - Apr 26

Lower CV Lutheran Church is hosting their annual supper on Saturday, April 26 from 4-7:30 PM. Cost is \$15, Kids 6-12 \$10 and 5 and under free. Menu: Meatballs and gravy, homemade lefse, mashed potatoes, corn and green beans, various desserts, coffee and mild. Carry outs available. Pick up some extra goodies from the bake sale. For info contact Teresa at 608-483-2612

Neighbors Day 2025 - Apr 26

We're excited to announce that Neighbors Day 2025 is just around the corner and we're inviting you to join us on **Saturday April 26**. Boost team morale and foster a sense of pride in your organization by volunteering: Neighbors Day is a family friendly, active, outdoor event that brings people together for a common good. **When?** Saturday, April 26 from 8:00am to 3:00pm. **Where?** The Nature Place at Myrick Park (789 Myrick

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.

Easter Flower Donations in Memory/Honor of:

Tyler Turben

By Sharon and Sara Anderson

Pauline Berg

By Rodney and Kathleen Berg

Cole James Berra

By Dennis and Kay Berra

Adrienne Nodland

Gloria Bradley

By Keith and Jody Boraas

Jim and Betty Callan

Bob and Leona Welsh

By Michael and Karen Callan

Arlan and Virginia Dwyer

Rhonda Buckmaster

Bob Janeiro

Randy Jones

By Keith Dwyer

Fleming and Ollendick Families

Jan Brandau and Family

By Jim and Barb Fleming

Larry and Myrtle Geier

Mary Brueggen

Chuck and Theresa Brueggen

By Curt and Jean Geier

Maria Rabotski

Evelyn Gajewski

By Don and Mary Gajewski

Arlene and Norbert Seichter

Stella and Joseph Grabowski

By Steve and Michelle Grabowski

Edward and Anna Kerska

By Robert E. Kerska

Bernard and Cecilia Humfeld

Larry Humfeld

Corrine Mislivecek

By John and Julie Mislivecek Family

Allen and Mercedes Christen

William and Rosie LeJeune

By Francis and Carol LeJeune

William and Rose Marie LeJeune

Frank and Dennis LeJeune

By Sandra Ritter, Jean, Joan, and
Peggy LeJeune

For the Parish

By Aaron and Kelly Palmer

Ralph Pedretti

By Andrew Pedretti

Albert and Stella Hohlfeld

Gary and Scott Hohlfeld

By Roger and Nancy Peters

Connie Peterson

Jayne (Peterson) Frydenlund

By Jeff and Lisa Peterson

Cheryl Roesler

By Joe Roesler

Donald and Rita Weber

Alfred and Mildred Roesler

By John and Carol Roesler

Roskos and Roningen Families

By Rosey Roningen

Abbillyne Mitchell

Evelyn Rutz-Thornton

Dawn Coburn

By Richard and Jenna Schams

Toni Sheehan and Ray Sheehan

By Maripat Sheehan

Cameron Sokolik

Arnold and Phylis Schute

Veryl and Virginia Coffin

By Doug and Pam Schute

Leyton and Helen Stafslie

Lucas Seelow and Nevaeh Niemyjski

By Amy Stafslie and Family

Dan Tiedeman

Don and Pat Kammel

By Caroline Tiedeman

Kylie Von Ruden

By Bruce, Shirley, Chase and
Kenzie Von Ruden

Ken and Hazel Williams

Gavin Williams

By Rich and Sue Williams

Thank you for supporting St. Mary Parish, if you
donated and do not see your listing here, please
contact the parish office.

Spring Luncheon



Time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Date: Saturday, April 26th, 2025



Only \$10 per person

Open to the general public. Invite your family and friends and join us for lunch.

At 11:30 a.m. guest speaker - Linda Schulte presenting her mission trip to Casa Hogar in Peru

Door Prizes

Questions? Call 608-452-3841

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