



St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay

May 25, 2025 | Sixth Sunday of Easter | Reading 564C

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



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Parish Finance Council

Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek,
Nancy Peters (Secretary), and John
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 (Treasurer), Linda Berg (Secretary)

Musicians

Mary Beth Smith 608-632-9548
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Chris Carskadon 608-790-4495

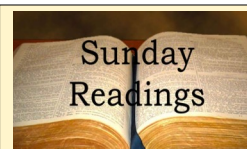
Fr. Joe also serving:

**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



May 25, 2025
 1) Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
 2) Revelations 21:10-14, 22-23
 3) John 14:23-29

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, May 24

Sixth Sunday of Easter
 - 4:00pm Mass - Don and Roxane Weber
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Jeana LeJeune

SUNDAY, May 25

Sixth Sunday of Easter
 - 8:00am Mass - † Leyton and Helen Stafslieen
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

TUESDAY, May 27

St. Augustine of Canterbury
 - 4:30-5:00pm NO Adoration
 - 5:15pm NO Mass

THURSDAY, May 29

St. Paul VI
 - 8:00am NO Mass

SATURDAY, May 31

The Ascension of the Lord/Seventh Sunday of Easter
 - 4:00pm Mass - † Anna Kerska
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Nancy Peters

SUNDAY, June 01

The Ascension of the Lord/Seventh Sunday of Easter
 - 8:00am Mass - † Laura Adams
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti, Rod and Kathy Berg

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.

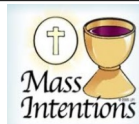
Annual Appeal 2024-2025

As of 05/22/2025	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$14,555.00	\$13,221.63
Target Amount	<u>\$14,050.00</u>	<u>\$14,050.00</u>
Over/Under Target	\$505.00	(\$828.37)
Percent Pledged: 103.59%, Percent Received: 94.10%		
Number Contributing: 30		
To donate online, visit: diolc.org/donate-online/ and in the drop down box choose: 2024(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley		

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **May 26 ~ Memorial Day Service** at the Cemetery 8:15 AM ***time updated**
- **May 26-Jun 6 ~ Fr. Joe** in Lincoln NE for FOCUS - No weekday Masses
- **May 29 ~ *date change** - moved from Tuesday to Thursday - Greif Share in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- **May 31/June 1 ~ Welcome Fr. Tim Reither**, help out priest for the weekend
- **June 3 ~ Grief Share** in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- **June 5 ~ Communion Service** at 8 AM
- **June 10 ~ Grief Share** in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- **June 17 ~ Grief Share** in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- **June 24 ~ Grief Share** in Viroqua from 5-7 PM
- **June 27 ~ Fr. Joe Anniversary of Ordination**
- **July 1 ~ Grief Share** in Viroqua from 5-7 PM

Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Jul 6, 13, & 20. Aug 10 & 31. Sep 7, 21 & 28.
Open Weekdays: May & Jun-full. Jul 8, 10, 22, 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 stmaryscv@mwt.net or voice message 608-452-3841.



Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00
 As of May 22, 2025
 Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00
Payments received: \$58,146.50
THANK YOU!



Needed this Month	
\$8,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$5,654.10	Received as of week 3
(\$2,345.90)	Difference for the Month

Giving Last Week		5/11/2025	
Adult Env (35)	\$2123.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	275.25	Received This Week	\$2,499.25
Easter Env	\$50.00	Running total needed	\$38,000.00
Votives	<u>\$51.00</u>	YTD Received	\$39,120.06
Total	\$2,499.25	Difference	1,120.06
Food Pantry	\$50.00		

Giving Last Week		5/18/2025	
Adult Env (33)	\$1160.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	193.25	Received This Week	\$1,353.25
Total	\$1,353.25	Running total needed	\$40,000.00
		YTD Received	\$40,473.31
		Difference	473.31

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

I'm hitting the road for a week and a half down in Lincoln, helping out with FOCUS' new staff training. You may recall that I made the same trip this time last year – presuming that this time turns out like last, my time will be split between reacquainting myself with folks, hearing confessions and celebrating Masses, and taking five or six spiritual direction sessions most days. It's a bit of a working vacation – returning to my own missionary roots and certainly exercising priestly ministry, but with a break from administrative work. Last weekend I mentioned to varying degrees my own gratitude to you for bearing with me through this absence – a Pastor's absence from the parish carries with it a change of pace and certainly a disruption to our weekday schedule. As a grumpy old priest once put in seminary, "Gentlemen, make sure you take your time off. A) so you get a break from your people, B) so your people get a break from you." At the same time, there's also something to us supporting the work FOCUS is doing together – by my rough count we have some ten graduates from the parishes attending universities with FOCUS teams, and several of our grads have encountered and are engaged with the work happening out of various Newman Centers around the country. My work there is all about preparing these young men and women for their work over the next year – pray for them and the Lord's work on their hearts!

As for the next few weeks, allow me to share a few up-and-coming notes.

- **First**, regarding emergencies. Should you or someone you know in the area need a priest over the next few weeks I have Fr. Sedlacek and Fr. Bowe on retainer to step in – give their parishes a call at need.
- **Second**, regarding weekday services. The weekends will be uninterrupted with Fr. Tim Reither coming from Onalaska, but our regular weekday schedule is off through June 6. Thank you to Dcn. Tony and Dcn Richards (my Dad) for providing the following services:
 - **Memorial Day – a service up at the Coon Valley Cemetery, beginning at 8:15 AM *time update***. Should there be nasty or questionable weather, keep an eye on the St. Mary Coon Valley Facebook page where Steve will post updates.
 - **May 28 and June 4** – communion services in Viroqua at the regular 5:15 PM time, followed by adoration.
 - **June 5 – a communion service at 8:00 AM in Coon Valley.**
- **Finally**, an invitation for the week after my return. You may recall our quarterly healing services, customarily held in Cashton. Fr. Bowe is running renovations right now, so our next service will be in Viroqua instead, starting at 4:30 on June 13 – this time switching it to Friday. We have a few posters around – check them out and ask me any questions you have.

God bless you! Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

Memorial Day Prayer Service at our Cemetery - May 26

Join us for a Memorial Day Prayer Service led by Deacon Shay at **8:15 AM (time updated)** on Monday, May 26, at St. Mary Cemetery, located at the corner of Hwy 162 and Koenen Road in Coon Valley. This solemn gathering honors and remembers the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country. Military honors will be performed by the Coon Valley American Legion Post 116 at 8:30 AM. All are welcome to attend this time of prayer, remembrance, and gratitude.



Summer Girls Bible Study

This summer, Viroqua will be hosting a bible study for girls ages 9-13. We will be meeting 5 times on Monday afternoons throughout the season. Please contact Carly Zadow (608-792-4872 or zadow2021@gmail.com) for more information and to sign up by June 8th. Thank you!

Happy 90th Birthday, Rosey Roningen!



Let's help Rose Roningen celebrate a very special milestone—her 90th birthday on June 12th! Rose has been a cherished member of our parish for many years. Though she is currently unable to attend Mass, we can show her our love and appreciation by showering her with birthday cards.

Please send your birthday wishes to:

Rose Roningen
E4033 Petticoat JCT
Coon Valley, WI 54623

Let's fill her mailbox with joy and blessings!



ST. MARY PARISH
PCCW
NEWS

- ◇ Thank you parishioners for your generous donations recently towards the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. We collected \$354. This money has been sent to the DCCW to help support all their worthy programs.
- ◇ Thank you to everyone who purchased roses on Mother's Day weekend. We had 100 roses and raised \$291 to be given to Right to Life.
- ◇ The PCCW will donate \$200 to John Francis and his Biking for Babies program.
- ◇ The PCCW recently had an area seamstress make new table runners to help decorate our tables in the church hall. These cost \$305 and are really brightening our tables in the church hall.
- ◇ The next PCCW meeting will be on Sept 8 at 5:30PM.

Parish Announcements continued

Each year the Coon Valley American Legion Post 116 presents a brief program at area cemeteries to honor our fallen soldiers. Below is the schedule:

7:30 am Koethe Cemetery
7:45 am Trinity Church (Mormon Coulee)
8:00 am St. Joseph Ridge Cemetery

8:30 am St. Mary Catholic/North Ridge Cemetery

9:30 am Bethany Church (Esofea)
10:00 am Coon Valley Lutheran Church
10:30 am Parade—Coon Valley/Central Avenue with a program at the Coon Valley Veterans Memorial Park



Healing Service – Jun 13

Come experience God's supernatural love on Friday, June 13 at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Viroqua *updated location*. The evening begins at 4:30 PM with Adoration, followed by 5:30 PM Mass, corporate prayer for healing, and individual healing ministry. All are welcome—come for part or all of the evening.

Help Seminarian John Francis—Biking For Babies

Our seminarian, **John Francis**, who started the Bible Study group, will be participating in a mission program this summer called **Biking For Babies**. It is an organization that raises funds to help pregnancy resource centers. John Francis will be biking from Lincoln, NE to St. Louis, MO in July, a 600-mile trip. His personal goal is to raise \$6000, with a total missionary goal of \$450,000. I wanted to provide you with the address to help support him and his mission work. You can donate online at <https://givebutter.com/b4b-2025missionary/ne-team-1> or mail a check to Biking for Babies, PO Box 644, St. Charles, MO, 63302. MAKE SURE TO PUT HIS NAME IN THE MEMO LINE TO GIVE HIM THE CREDIT FOR HIS GOAL. Thanks for considering this worthy cause. He asked that if we are unable to contribute financially, please keep in your prayers the women going through crisis pregnancies that they will be able to utilize services at pregnancy resource centers.



Save the Date
Summer Family Picnic
July 26, 2025

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Novena to the Holy Spirit starts May 30 - June 7, 2025

A nine-day Novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for the celebration of Pentecost is available for download here: diolc.org/catechesis/catechetical-leaders-info. A few copies are also available in the back of church. The focus of each day of the Novena is to pray for an increase of one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. These supernatural gifts are necessary to live the Christian life. It will be powerful if all are encouraged to join in as a parish to pray the Novena.

Diocesan/Local Announcements continued



March for Life Wisconsin - Jun 14

Join Pro-Life Wisconsin, Wisconsin Catholic Conference, Wisconsin Family Council, and Wisconsin Right to Life for a joyful and peaceful march to protect every human life at the Wisconsin State Capitol on Saturday, June 14, 2025, from 2-4pm. Find out more and sign up to take the bus at MarchforLifeWisconsin.org. Bus tickets are \$15 for individuals and \$45 for families. Questions? Contact Pro-Life Wisconsin Outreach Director Lesley Chisholm at 262-796-1111 X116 or Lesley.C@ProLifeWI.org.

Activity Corner

Gospel Match-up

*How well do you know today's Gospel?
See if you can match up the parts of the sentences.*

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| 1. If a man loves me, he | ● | ● | A. make our home with him. |
| 2. My Father | ● | ● | B. is my gift to you. |
| 3. We will come to him and | ● | ● | C. will not keep my words. |
| 4. He who does not love me | ● | ● | D. will keep my word. |
| 5. These things I | ● | ● | E. have spoken to you, while I am still with you. |
| 6. The Holy Spirit | ● | ● | F. will love him... |
| 7. A peace that the world cannot give, this | ● | ● | G. will teach you all things. |

Answers: 1-D, 2-F, 3-A, 4-C, 5-E, 6-G, 7-B

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.