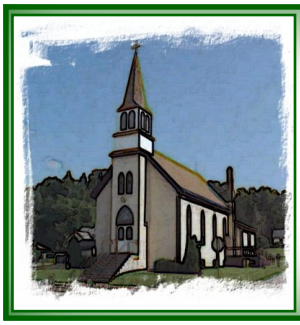

St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay

July 13, 2025 | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Reading 621C

CONNECT WITH US

PASTOR

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Viroqua, WI 54665
Cell Phone: 608-606-9787
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Tuesday 1:00pm until Mass
Thursdays after Mass until noon or by appointment

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Mailing Address
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Email
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Website
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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

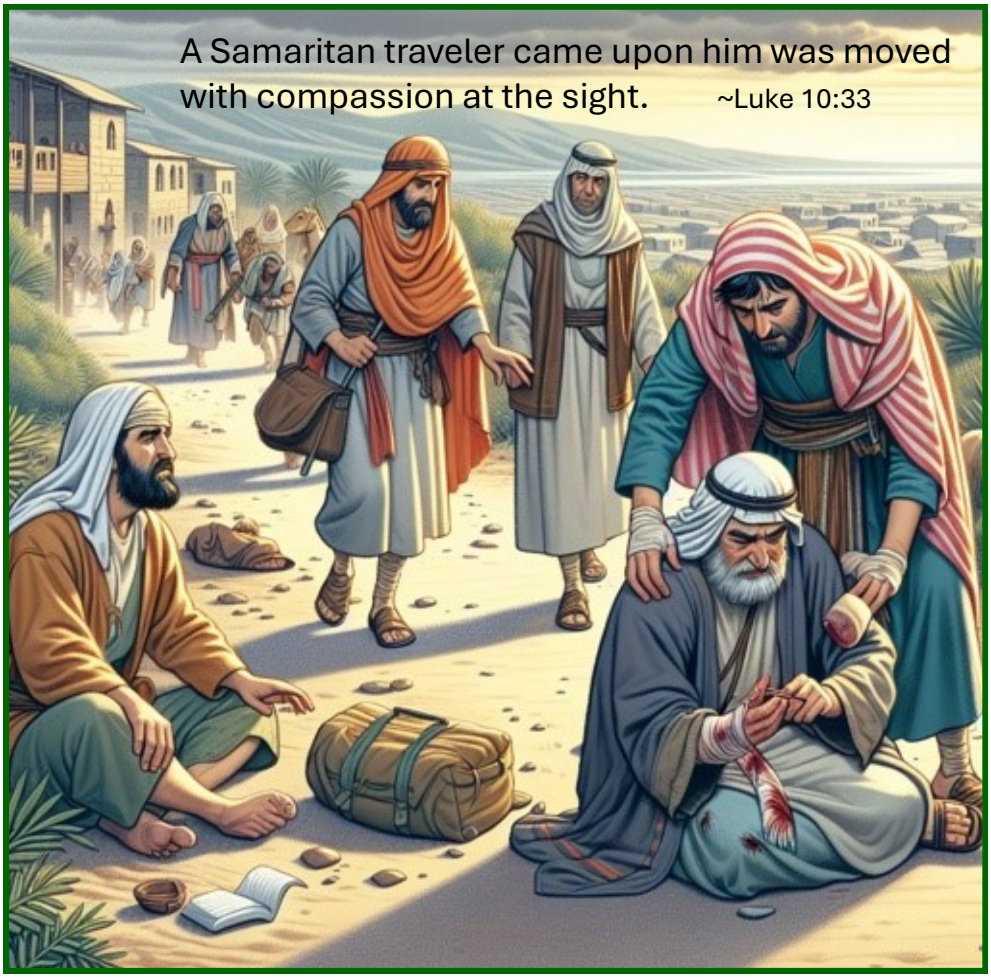
MASS SCHEDULE

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



Administrative Assistant
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Coordinator of Religious Education
Bridget Goodwin
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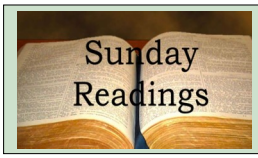
Parish Finance Council
Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek, Nancy Peters (Secretary), and John Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

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



July 13, 2025
1) Deuteronomy 30:10-14
2) Colossians 1:15-20
3) Luke 10:25-37

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, July 12
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 4:00pm Mass - † All Roskos and Roningen Families (living and deceased)

Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Nancy Peters

SUNDAY, July 13
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:00am Mass - † Bryan Berg
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

TUESDAY, July 15
St. Bonaventure
- 4:30pm Adoration
- 5:15pm Mass - Donald and Rita Weber

THURSDAY, July 17
Weekday
- 8:00am - Mass - † Danny Powers

SATURDAY, July 19
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 4:00pm Mass - † Leyton Stafslien

Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Jeana LeJeune

SUNDAY, July 20
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:00am Mass - Our Parish Family
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Volunteer

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

Traveling this summer? Find a Mass time:
https://catholicmasstimes.app/ or
https://masstimes.org/

DID YOU KNOW?

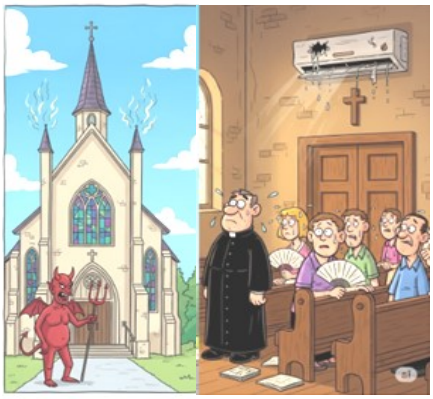
If you are 70 ½ or older, you can do a **qualified charitable distribution (QCD)** of up to $100,000 a year from your **IRA directly to a charity**. The distribution won't show up in your adjusted gross income and CAN count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD). The QCD allows you to be more 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

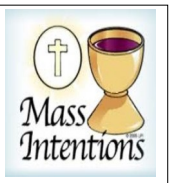
- **Jul 12** ~ Welcome Fr. Wolf helping out while Fr. Joe is away for a wedding
- **Jul 14** ~ Men's Club Meeting 5:00 PM
- **Jul 15** ~ Finance Council Meeting 5:45 PM
- **Jul 17** ~ Coffee and Fellowship following 8 AM Mass
- **Jul 26** ~ ***Summer Family Picnic 11 AM – 4 PM***
- **Aug 14** ~ Coffee 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 Humor

The A/C at our church conked out last Sunday, and it was absolutely sweltering. The ushers were fanning everyone with hymn books, and someone joked, "It's so hot in here, I bet the devil himself is knocking on the door!" The priest, overhearing, just smiled and said, "Don't worry, folks, we've got the doors locked. We're not letting him in to cool off!"



Open
Sat. and Sun. dates: Aug 10 & 31. Sep 21 & 28. Oct 12, 19 & 25. Nov 16, 22 or 23, & 30.
Open Weekdays: Jul 24 & 31. Aug 7 & 26. Sep 2, 9, 11, 16, 25 & 30. Oct 2, 7, 9, 16, 21, 23, 28 & 30. Nov 18, 20, 25 & 27.



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 July 11, 2025
Pledges received (30): $109,520.00
Payments received: $60,116.50
THANK YOU!

Needed this Month	
$8,000.00	at $2000 per week
$1,475.00	Received as of week 1
($6,525.00)	Difference for the Month

Giving Last Week			7/6/2025
Adult Env (30)	$1319.00	Needed Weekly	$2,000.00
Offertory	156.00	Received This Week	$1,475.00
Total	**$1,475.00**	Running total needed	$54,000.00
		YTD Received	$52,453.56
		Difference	(1,546.44)

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

I need to start off with an apology – a few weeks ago Fr. Michael Klos and I held an impromptu business meeting on a golf course and talked about a little anniversary celebration for him. Fr. Klos has a part in both our parishes' histories – he's a native son of St. Mary's in Viroqua (Westby), and his first multi-year pastorate was at St. Mary's in Coon Valley – and on June 24 he celebrated his 25th ordination anniversary. The apology part – after we discussed a possible Wednesday evening celebration (this past Wednesday, also the second anniversary of his mother Pat Klos' death) we never solidified any plans, so I never communicated any plans to you. Despite my worst efforts, the evening turned out quite well – Fr. Klos joined us for that Mass and the two of us had a needed moment to break bread down at the Driftless. Thank you to everyone who providentially prayed with us Wednesday evening!

Wednesday evening also coincided with the memorial of a set of saints you may be unfamiliar with – St. Augustine Zhao Rong and his companions. St. Augustine & co. represent a community of Chinese martyrs who laid down their lives over almost a millennium and a half of evangelization in China – a work that's still continuing today. It's a telling and powerful thing when a foreign missionary serves and sacrifices in a foreign land – he or she is saying, "the Lord's love and Gospel mission are so important that I'm willing to lay it all down with a people who aren't even my own." It reveals the catching effectiveness of the Gospel even more when missionaries are raised up in the ministered-to community – when, despite ongoing hostility and resistance – the Gospel catches on enough to move new converts to follow Christ all the way. To put that more clearly, a mark of missionary success is the raising up of disciples and saints and martyrs and missionaries among the community being directly served. St. Augustine Zhao Rong and his companions fit this model – they were Chinese locals served by foreign missionaries who laid down their lives following Jesus Christ among their own people.

All this came together Wednesday evening – remembering Pat and Ed and the home that, among other life artifacts, raised up a priest; celebrating the anniversary of one of our own locals who's laid down 25 years of his life (and more to come) to leave home and carry the Gospel with him; and honoring this community of martyrs who've received the Gospel, given it space to expand, and carried it out with them. These are some of the benchmarks of success I'm striving for – as a foreign missionary to this land (I'm a native Californian and more recently a native La Crossian) working to raise up local missionaries and disciples and saints and martyrs in this land, and it is beautiful to see you responding with open hearts to our Lord's invitation. We are in good company!

God bless you, Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

Thank you to those that financially supported me and the mission of Biking for Babies and all that have prayed for the many pregnancy resource centers serving mothers and babies. Thanks to you, we were able to raise over $10,000 that will go to support these critical organizations across the country. This Monday, July 14th, the 'Nebraska team' and I will be embarking on the National Ride traveling from Lincoln, NE and arriving in St. Louis, MO on July 20th. Please keep me and my team in your prayers this week! Thank you so much.

In Christ, *John Francis*

Ladies' Night Out

All women of the parish are invited to Join the women from St. Mary's Viroqua for a ladies' night out of fellowship. We will be meeting at Old Towne Inn Supper Club in Westby on July 31 at 6 PM. This will give you a night off and a chance to meet women from Viroqua and form new friendships. *Please RSVP so that reservations can be made by calling or texting Joyce Humfeld at 608-606-0873 by July 25th.*

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.

Parish Picnic Dessert Request

All women of the parish are kindly asked to bring a pan of bars or cookies to share at the parish picnic. Since ice cream will be served, treats that pair well with ice cream would be especially appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

Update:
New Air Conditioner installed for the Church

After inspection by our fellow parishioners and HVAC experts Mark Boland and John Roesler, it was deemed the old A/C was too worn out to be repaired. The company Mark works for Bagneifski offered a reasonable quote and quick turnaround time for a replacement. On Friday a new A/C was installed to keep us cool for many summers to come.

Thanks Mark B.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

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.

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.

Father Martin's New "Martin's Minutes" as our Diocesan Vicar for Clergy:
Father Martin joined the diocese as our new Vicar for Clergy and while the role is new, his weekly "Martin's Minutes" continues! Please check out his down-to-earth and brief thoughts at the following link or by using your smartphone to scan the QR code to the right. This is a perfect item to copy and paste into your bulletin, share via Flocknote or place on your website. youtube.com/watch?v=89YHy7UE2rY

RESCHEDULED: March for Life Wisconsin has been rescheduled to Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 2-4 PM 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

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.

Retrouvaille | August 15-17, 2025 | Wausau, WI
Upcoming Central Wisconsin Retrouvaille Marriage Help Program– Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vī) 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

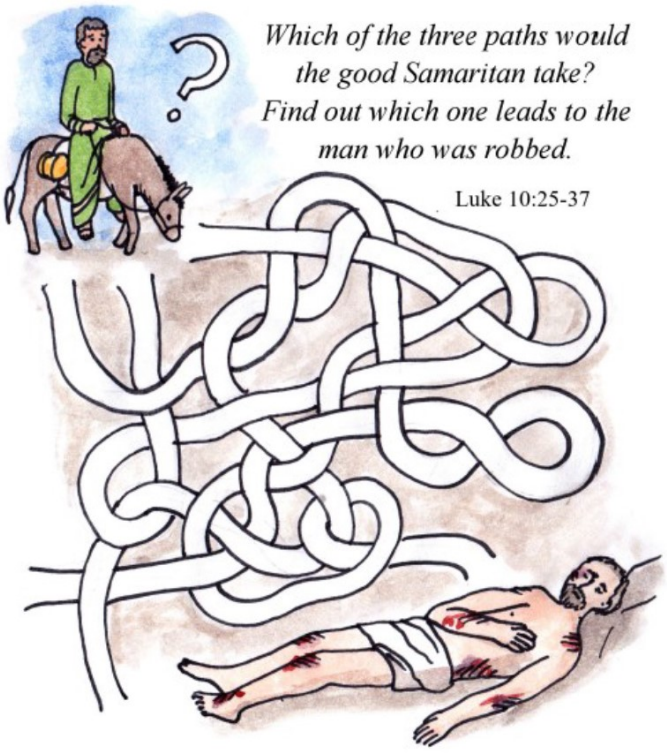
Worldwide Marriage Encounter | September 12-14, 2025 | Dubuque, IA. Married couples, Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Our next weekend is September 12 -14 in Dubuque. For more information call Greg and Denise at (563) 920-9419 or drubner9419@gmail.com.

Single and Catholic? Join 400+ singles coming from all over the US (and beyond) at the **20th Anniversary National Conference for Single Catholics** in **Denver, Colorado** on **August 22nd-24th, 2025!** *(Can't travel? Join the virtual option with online socials and small group discussions).* This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass with Archbishop Samuel Aquila, adoration, fellowship and more. (Use the promo code **PARISH25** for a discount.) Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register.

Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

Activity Corner

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 13th, 2025



Jesus told the Parable of the Good Samaritan to show the people what it means to love your neighbour after someone asked Him "Who is my neighbour?"

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.