

# St. Mary's Parish

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## St. Mary's, Coon Valley

### Weekend Masses (NEW TIMES):

- 4:00 PM Saturday (max 30 people)

- 8:00 AM Sunday (max 30 people)

### Weekday Mass:

Tues. - 6:00 PM and Thurs.- 8:00 AM

### Area Parishes—Mass Times

#### Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua

Sun. 10:30 AM and 5:15 PM

#### St. Peter, Middle Ridge

Sat. 8:00 PM and Sun. 10:30 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before Mass on Sat. or by appointment, call Fr. Matt or on our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information. <https://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us>

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

### Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick:

Please contact the parish office or Fr. Matt when someone you know is in need of a sacrament or a pastoral visit. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

**Mass Intentions:** Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the church.

**Book of Prayer Requests:** Please call or email Fr. Matt to have an intention added during COVID time. General Book of Prayer requests will be included in the intercessions.



## 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son." - Mt 22:2

*Fr. Matthew Marshall*  
*Pastor*  
*October 11, 2020*

*St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI*  
*28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020**

- 1) Isaiah 25:6-10a
- 2) Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
- 3) Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

**FOCUS:** We are invited to live in the house of the Lord for all eternity.

As we move to the end of another liturgical year, our readings begin to speak to us about the end times. Full of hope and encouragement, they are meant to spur us on to faithful Gospel living no matter what befalls us in this life. Set among them is the responsorial psalm for today, Psalm 23, where the Lord is our shepherd who leads us to green pastures.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

The prophet Isaiah tells of the great banquet the Lord will prepare for his people at the end of time. Paul writes to the Philippians, assuring them that he knows how to live in different sets of circumstances, and that *I can do all things in him who strengthens me*. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable likening the kingdom of heaven to a king hosting a wedding feast for his son.

**Intentions**

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| Oct 10 ~ 8:00 AM - †Deceased members of the Roskos and Roningan Families |
| Oct 11 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch                                   |
| Oct 13 ~ 6:00 PM - Peace in our world, country, and homes                |
| Oct 15 ~ 8:00 AM - †Richard and Cathy Kerska                             |
| Oct 17 ~ 8:00 AM - †Donny Kammel   |
| Oct 18 ~ 8:00 AM - †Norbert and Arlene Seichter                          |

Giving Last Week	Week 40	10/4/2020
Adult Env.(16)     \$775.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory             \$13.43	Received This Week	\$788.43
RE Registration     \$0.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$76,000.00
<b>Total                 \$788.43</b>	YTD Received	\$71,550.57
	Difference	(4,449.43)

**Next Week in Service — Oct 11th**

If you are not able to be at the Mass scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you

Money Counters:	Randy Baranczyk and Leo Nickelotti
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**Upcoming Events/Calendar**

- **October 8-13** ~ Fr. Matt will be out of town. He will still have Mass on Tuesday the 13. Fr. John Ofori-Domah will be the help out priest this weekend.
  - **October 11** - RE Class for grades **K-4** after Mass
  - **October 13**—Church will be closed until Mass time.
  - **October 14** - 7:30 PM **Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
  - **October 17/18** - World Mission Sunday
  - **October 18** - RE Class for grades **5-10** after Mass
  - **October 18** - 11:30 AM to 2 PM **Food Drive** in the St. Mary's Parking Lot.
  - **October 21** - 7:30 PM **Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
  - **October 24/25** ~ **Carved Pumpkin Contest**, drop off a carved pumpkin to display in the St. Mary's Courtyard, Prizes awarded!
  - **October 26-30** ~ **No daily Mass** and church will be closed, Fr. Matt taking some PTO
  - **October 28** - 7:30 PM **Rosary** with Fr. Matt at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>
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- Our Sunday Mass Streaming Live on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>
  - **Church will be open for private prayer Tuesday through Friday from 9AM until 7 PM and Sunday Noon to 7 PM** (please practice good social distancing)

**Announcing!**

OASIS Respite Program for Coulee Region Individuals  
with Mild to Moderate Symptoms of Alzheimer's,  
Dementia or Brain Related Impairments.

Now registering Volunteers and Participants  
**OPENS October 15<sup>th</sup>** Call or Apply Online



**oasisrespite.org**  
**(608) 780 - 0471**

An outreach mission of Causeway Caregivers a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit

**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.

## From Fr. Matt

- Join me and your fellow parishioners to say the **Rosary** every Wednesday in October (7, 14, 21, & 28) at 7:30 PM. We will gather together online or feel free to join us privately. Everyone is welcome! Everyone is encouraged to gather (virtually) to support one another in prayer. Join online at: <https://meet.jit.si/OctRosaryViroquaCoonValley>  
The prayers will last about 20 min.



- **Pumpkin Carving** This has been a tough year! Hard to feel connected to one another, harder to share the joy of the Gospel with the world around us. To help feel that connection and bring some joy to the community I am inviting every family in our parish to carve a pumpkin and place it on our lawn facing Hwy 14. I hope this brings some joy to our parish and the world around us! Please place your pumpkin by Saturday



October 24th so we can see them when we come to Mass and for Halloween. Please pick them up by the next Saturday Nov 7th. Have fun!

- While I am away this weekend, in the event of an emergency, you may contact Fr. Dan Sedlacek, pastor at St. Charles in Genoa at (608) 689-2646

## Parish Announcements

### Amazon Prime Days—October 13 and 14, 2020



Be sure and use AmazonSmile when ordering during the upcoming Amazon Prime Days. Thank you to everyone who has contributed through AmazonSmile. You can help increase AmazonSmile donations to St. Mary Parish by shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730) or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app.

### Parish Financial Support Options

- US Postal Service: mail directly to the parish office.
- 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 3% fee will be assessed by the provider of the giving portal, your contribution will be recorded for the full amount).
- Drop your contribution envelope off at either church, Coon Valley or Viroqua and the funds will be directed to St. Mary's

### Food Drive

We will have one last food drive for the year on **Sunday, October 18th** from 11:30A – 2:00P in the St. Mary's, Coon Valley, parking lot. Donations will go to benefit the Bethel Butikk in Westby.



### World Mission Sunday—Next weekend, Oct. 17/18

The theme Pope Francis has given to this year's prayers and collection comes from the call of Isaiah, "Here am I, Lord. Send me." This is an opportunity for churches around the world to reflect on the call to global missions through social action and evangelism. Envelopes for your donation are in your box and extras are in the back of church.

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### St. Peter's Kurbside Kraut and Sausage Drive Thru

53rd Annual Sauerkraut Supper is different this year. Due to health and safety concerns for workers and patrons there will not be a traditional sit-down supper this year. This year the alternative a polish sausage on a bun with church made sauerkraut, only \$5 each on Wednesday, October 14 from 3:30-7 PM or until sold out. Containers of raw kraut available for additional \$5. On-line advance ordering will be available, visit <http://saintpetersparish.net/>

### October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Abuse is **not** God's will. Help is available 24/7 at the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233), 1-800-787-324 (TTY) or [atwww.ndvh.org](http://atwww.ndvh.org). To learn more about the Catholic response, visit the U.S. Bishop's website for their Pastoral Letter, "When I Call for Help."

<https://www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/when-i-call-help-pastoral-response-domestic-violence>

### We invite you to Community Conversations: Election Update: What You Need to Know

October 21 with Reid Magney and Pastor Mark Solyst. We meet from noon until 1:00 p.m. This year's Conversations will be held virtually until further notice due to COVID-19. Please click the link below to tune in at noon on 10/21/20. These monthly conversations are sponsored by the Interfaith Leaders' Coalition and hosted by English Lutheran Church. <https://www.youtube.com/user/EnglishLutheran>

Through these public conversations each month, we intend to strengthen our community by engaging citizens in thoughtful, theological, non-partisan and non-political conversations about local economic and social issues. If you have questions about the Interfaith Leaders Coalition or Community Conversations, [contact Jennifer](https://www.youtube.com/user/EnglishLutheran) at English Lutheran Church, 784.8876 x201. Jennifer can direct your inquiry to the appropriate person in the Coalition.

### Youth Leader Position

The Viroqua United Methodist Church is seeking an energetic and ambitious individual to serve as Youth Leader. The responsibilities of this position will include coordinating youth activities and making connections with children ages 11-18 for the purposes of worship, education, and support of our youth. The Youth Leader will help to implement a varied program including settings for worship, fellowship, service and fun. Candidates should have a strong interest in working with youth

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and portray a knowledge of Christian principles. This person will work closely with Pastor Erika in the development of this ministry. The position will pay up to 20 hours per month at an hourly rate of \$15 per hour. Candidates will be considered until the position is filled. To apply, please send a letter of application with references and resume to info@viroquaumc.org.

## Week of Oct. 11th Readings

by Kieran O'Mahony, OSA

### Monday 12 October

*Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1* - The argument here is dense. The main idea is that Christians are the spiritual descendants of the free-born wife (Sarah). Because she is free, her descendants too should be free from the Jewish Law. Hence the wonderful last line of the reading.

*Luke 11:29-32* - In true prophetic mode, Jesus takes on those who have *not* believed in him. He evokes great figures from the past, Jonah and Solomon. The words of condemnation are meant, not in the tone of grim retribution, but rather as yet another call not to miss “the day of salvation.”

### Tuesday 13 October

*Galatians 5:1-6* - Paul teaches that Christ has set us free from the burden of the Law; there is no going back. On the contrary, “what matters is faith that makes its power felt through love.”

*Luke 11:37-41* - Because we are followers of Jesus, we tend to side with him emotionally in the controversies of his ministry. But it is vital not to leave such stories in the past. Religious hypocrisy, like the poor, is with us always. The harsh words of Jesus are directed to each one of us.

### Wednesday 14 October

*St Callistus, bishop of Rome, martyr Galatians 5:18-25* - Two ways of living are contrasted here, in graphic terms. No one is completely one or the other; nevertheless, the direction we should take is clear: “Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.”

*Luke 11:42-46* - There is a risk in all traditions that we focus on the marginal and miss the heart of the matter. This certainly seems to have happened with *some* Pharisees in Jesus’ day. It is likewise not unknown in church practice, alas!

### Thursday 15 October

*St Teresa of Ávila, religious and doctor - We move today from Galatians to Ephesians, a very different kind of letter. In fact, scholarship is divided as to whether Ephesians comes from Paul himself or from the Pauline tradition or Pauline school. We note: there are considerable differences in style, vocabulary and theological outlook. It also looks as if Ephesians is dependent on Colossians, being in some measure an expansion of the latter. Perhaps in a later period, the letter attempts to represent the apostle’s teaching for a new generation.*

*Ephesians 1:1-10* - If we were to name all the gifts we have in Christ, how would we begin? In this prayer from Ephesians, the writer blesses God again and again for all he done for us in Christ.

*Luke 11:47-54* - In Luke’s Gospel, the primary “category” for Jesus is that of prophet—something very apparent from today’s Gospel. He himself learned from the destiny of the prophets, finally coming to appreciate that his ministry too would come to a tragic end. We can see something of the way in this furious scene.

### Friday 16 October

*St Hedwig, religious; St Margaret Mary Alacoque, religious, St*

## Week of Oct. 11th Readings

*Gall, abbot and missionary.*

*Ephesians 1:11-14* - What is it that marks out the Christian believer? Who am I as a follower of Jesus? This reading names who we are and invites us to embrace our identity.

*Luke 12:1-7* - Previous controversies continue in the first part of this Gospel—except that Jesus no longer talking to the Pharisees but to his disciples, that is, to us. The heavy moralizing is raised by the leaven of witty savings in the second paragraph.

### Saturday 20 October

*St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr - Ephesians 1:15-23* - Our reading today is a glorious, richly inspired prayer, which we can take away with us and reflect on later in the day. Our only response must be “amen, amen.”

*Luke 12:8-12* - The first saying is blunt challenge not to disown Christ. The third saying is a reassurance that the Holy Spirit will help us when we are threatened for our belief. Most mysterious of all is the “sin against the Holy Spirit” which, against all we believe about God, apparently cannot be forgiven. What can this mean? It does not mean any particular sin but rather the closing of the heart, in a fundamental way, to God’s grace in Jesus. That too, of course, can be forgiven—but only on condition that the closed heart has been opened.

## KIDS CORNER

### True or False:

#### Who is Invited to the Wedding?

In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus compares the kingdom of Heaven to a king giving a wedding feast for his son. What happened in the story? See if you know which of these are true statements and which are false:

1. The first time the servants went out to call those who were invited, all the guests came. True or false?
2. When the king sent out the second group of servants, some people didn’t come, but went off to their farms and businesses. True or false?
3. Some people mistreated and even killed the servants. True or false?
4. The king decided that nobody else was worthy to come to his son’s wedding. True or false?
5. The king decided to send his servants out into the streets to call everyone to come to the wedding. True or false?
6. When the servants called the people in the streets, they all came and filled the banquet hall. True or false?
7. When the king came in to look at his guests and found one that wasn’t dressed for the wedding, he had him thrown out of the place. True or false?



Answers: 1.F 2.T 3.T 4.F 5.T 6.T 7.T