

# St. Mary's Parish

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*The Third Sunday of Lent - March 15, 2020*

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**St. Mary's, Coon Valley**

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday - 4:00 PM, Sunday - 9:15 AM

**Weekday Mass:**

Tues. - 6:00 PM; Wed. and Fri. - 8:00 AM

(if Westby school is closed, delayed, or dismissed early due to weather, Mass is cancelled)

**Local Parishes—Mass Times**

**Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua**

Sat. - 5:15 PM, Sun. - 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**St. Joseph, St. Joseph Ridge**

Sat. - 4:00 PM, Sun. - 8:30 AM

**St. Peter, Middle Ridge**

Sat. - 8:00 PM, Sun. - 10:00 AM

**Holy Day Mass:** Please check the bulletin for times.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before Mass on Saturday; other times as announced or by appointment, request appointment by calling Fr. Matt or via our website under the Sacraments tab.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information.

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

**Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick:** Please contact the parish office when someone you know is in need of either the sacrament or a pastoral visit, or call Fr. Matt. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab.

**Mass Intentions:** Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the back of church and at the side door.

**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 Mass intercessions.

# St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

## The Third Sunday of Lent

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020**

- 1) Exodus 17:3-7
- 2) Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
- 3) John 4:5-42  
or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

**FOCUS:** The goodness and mercy of Jesus is life-giving.

Lent, with its disciplines of prayer, fasting and charity, is all about repentance, renewal and healing from sin. The Gospel tells of Jesus' encounter with a woman who had a long history of brokenness and isolation. As she meets Jesus and experiences his life-changing mercy, so, too, can we receive new life and living water from the Word and sacrament in which we encounter Christ.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In their fear and need, the Israelites grumble against Moses and the Lord. God responds by meeting those needs with water flowing from the rock. Saint Paul writes to the Romans that *we have been justified by faith* through Jesus – his death gives us life. In the Gospel, Jesus meets a Samaritan woman at the well and tells her he is the Messiah.



Giving Last Week		Week 09	3/8/2020
Adult Envelopes	\$1,798.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$165.00	Received This Week	\$1,963.00
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$1,887.00</u></b>	YTD Needed	\$19,000.00
50 Env. Received		YTD Received	\$19,545.00
		Difference	545.00

**Mass Intentions**

We have the following dates available for the next few months: May 6, 19, 20, **23, 24**, & 29. June 28. July 12 & 26.

Please use the Mass Intention Envelopes located in the back and by the side door to request a Mass. Thank you.

Mar. 14 - 4:00 PM ~ Don and Roxanne Weber Family
Mar. 15 - 9:15 AM ~ †Gavin Williams
Mar. 17 - 6:00 PM ~ NO MASS
Mar. 18 - 8:00 AM ~ †Anton Kerska
Mar. 20 - 8:00 AM ~ †Brenden Kidikas
Mar. 21 - 4:00 PM ~ Alex and Rose Roningen
Mar. 22 - 9:15 AM ~ †Deceased members of the ..... Fleming and Ollendick Families

**Parish Procedures about COVID-19:**

**PLEASE if you are ill DO NOT attend Mass.** There is no obligation to attend Mass when we are sick. It is even an act of love and compassion for others to avoid Mass when you are sick. And God is very about love and compassion! To view the weekend Mass online visit: <https://diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/>. If you do happen to go without the Eucharist for more than just one Sunday, please let me know if you would like Communion at home. I will wear a mask to prevent possible spread of illness and happily visit you for prayer.



I have removed the holy water fonts from church to minimize the spread of illness at this time. **At this time we will no longer offer the Sign of Peace.**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Please come to the Sacristy earlier so that you can fully wash your hands up to your elbows in the Sacristy sink. I will do the same during the Lamb of God. Please wash your hands before the Lamb of God. I will also avoid contact after Mass as I greet folks going home. *If I slip up, please remind me.*



Thank you for your feedback about this all last weekend and stay tuned for updates about how COVID-19 affects our community, for additional information on the virus visit: [www.cdc.gov/nCoV](http://www.cdc.gov/nCoV). So far it is not present in our area, but if it does arrive anywhere around La Crosse, our Diocese will probably close all churches for a time. This Sunday let's keep in prayer those many Christian communities around the world who will not be able to celebrate Eucharist together this weekend. Thank you!

~Fr. Matt

**Next Week in Service**

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

	Sat., Mar 21 4:00 PM	Sun., Mar 22 9:15 AM
Servers:	<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>Volunteers</b>
Reader (s):	Robert Kerska	<b>Kids Mass</b>
Communion Minister (s):	Jeana LeJeune	John Roesler
Ushers:	<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>Kids Mass</b>
Money Counters:	Mike Kammel and Mark Boland	
Altar Server sign up at:	<a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d49acad2ea1fb6-server4">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d49acad2ea1fb6-server4</a>	

Upcoming Events/Calendar		
Mar. 15	After Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 17	6:00 PM	<b>NO Mass</b> -Fr. has a Deanery Meeting
Mar. 18	6:00 PM	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Mar. 19	6:30 PM	Men's Club Meeting
Mar. 22	After Mass	<b>Trip to the Synagogue</b>
Mar. 25		<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Mar. 28	3:00 PM	<b>Choir Practice</b> for Holy Week
Mar. 28 & 29	During Mass	Sacrament of Anointing
Mar. 29	After Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 30	10:30 PM	Fr. Matt turns 32-Happy Birthday!
Mar. 31	6:00 PM	<b>NO Mass</b>
Apr. 1	6:00 PM	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Apr. 3	8:00 AM	Mass and <i>First Friday Adoration</i>
Apr. 4/5	4:00 PM/ 9:14AM	Palm Sunday
Apr. 5	After Mass	Religious Education Classes
Apr. 8	6:00 PM	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Apr. 9	7:30 PM	<b>Holy Thursday</b>
Apr. 10	3:00 PM	<b>Good Friday</b>
Apr. 11	4:00 PM	NO Regular Mass this day
Apr. 11	8:00 PM	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
Apr. 12	9:15 AM	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
Apr. 12		NO Religious Education Classes
Apr. 14	7:00 PM	PCCW Meeting
Apr. 25	11 AM to 1 PM	<b>Spring Luncheon</b> -All are welcome!

## Parish Announcements

### Easter Flowers

If you wish to donate toward the Easter Flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, special envelopes for this purpose are located at the church doors.

### Join the Choir—Upcoming Practice-Sat. Mar. 28th

We need your voice, please join the choir on Saturday, March 28th at 3:00 PM as we practice for Holy Week. No previous experience required.

### Holy Week-Liturgical Ministries Sign up

If you are able to assist during Holy Week as an Altar Server, Reader, Usher or Eucharistic Minister, please sign up in the back of church. Thank you.

### Spring Luncheon

St. Mary's will be hosting its annual spring luncheon on Saturday, April 25. Members of St. Rose and St. Theresa Guilds will be serving this year. Chairpersons of those guilds will be calling members asking them to donate a large salad for the luncheon. Please know that men as well as women and their family members are invited to attend this delicious event. **This year we will have a guest speaker, Sara Anderson, at our luncheon.** Cost is \$7/person.

### Quilt Tickets

All ladies of the parish are asked to sell \$20 worth of quilt tickets for the quilt raffle. Please get your tickets from your guild chair if you haven't already. The quilt will be on display in church beginning March 21 and tickets will be sold after mass each weekend until the spring luncheon. The drawing will take place at the spring luncheon April 25th.

### Sacrament of Anointing

On March 28 & 29 we will offer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to any and all parishioners during the Mass. The Sacrament is meant to help us feel the compassionate presence of God in our hurts physical, mental/emotional, and spiritual. All are welcome to come forward to experience the nearness of the Lord Jesus, and to ask for help in the struggles of our human lives.

### CRS Rice Bowl - Hunger in Our World

When Jesus fed the 5,000, he said, "Give them some food yourselves." Reflect on the challenge of global hunger. How can you contribute to support the hungry? Grab a Rice Bowl from the back of church and fill it with your loose change this Lent. For more information visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org).

### Student Mite Boxes

Each student has received a Mite Box. Parents, please encourage your student to give from their hearts. Funds raised by our children go to help other children in need through the Missionary Childhood Association (MCA). Monies collected are directed toward building of schools, providing health and nutrition programs, and teaching and learning resources through MCA.

**Amazon Smile** is the charitable arm of Amazon.com. If you order on Amazon, use Amazon Smile the same as you would as regular Amazon, and choose St. Mary's Parish as your charitable organization. Log in to: [amazon.com/smile](http://amazon.com/smile) and click the word "supporting" under the search bar. You can search for St. Mary's by typing, "St. Mary Parish Coon Valley" or simply click the link on our parish website: [stmarycv.org](http://stmarycv.org)



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### Synagogue Trip Rescheduled

The trip has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 22, please mark your calendars and plan accordingly. **Please signup if you wish to attend, even if you signed up previously.** Signup sheet is located in the back of church.

### Free Lenten Materials

Feel free to take home any of the Lenten Material on the back of church. There are several options no matter your age.

### Lenten Disciplines-Fasting & Abstinence

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday, February 26th. Lenten regulations are as follows:

1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Prayer Services Offered

Coon Valley Lutheran is offering Lenten prayer services each Wednesday during Lent. Supper is in the church hall at 6 PM and the service begins in church at 7 PM.

### St. Patrick's Day Movie

*I Am Patrick* showing at Marcus Theater on Ward Ave. March 17 - 18 at 6:30 PM. For more info please see the movie's trailer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hu\\_JOy5uFoc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hu_JOy5uFoc)

### Blood Drive

CV Lutheran is hosting a Blood Drive on Monday March 30th from 1 - 6 PM. Mike Lusk taking appointments: 452-3472. Walk-ins are also welcome. Online registration available at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).

### Free Income Tax Assistance

For individual or married households making less than \$66,000. Saturday, March 21 and Saturday, April 4 from 9 AM to 4 PM at the Wester Technical College Campus, La Crosse, Business Education Center, 405 8th St. Call Customer Credit Counseling Services at 608-784-8380 to set up and appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but not guaranteed assistance. For more about tax assistance, self-filing services, and what to bring to your appointment, visit: <https://westerntc.edu/tax-assistance>.

### Love a Good Fish Fry?

Lent is upon us and that means the season of Friday fish fries! To find a list of local churches that are hosting these go to <https://diolc.org/fishfrynder>.

### Fish Fry at St. Pat's Onalaska

St Patrick's Church in Onalaska is offering an all-you-can-eat sit down Lenten fish fry (baked or batter fried fish, baked potato or French fries, grilled cheese, coleslaw, roll and drink) on March 20, 27 and April 3, 5-7:30pm in the school gym. Adults \$11, children 6-10 yrs \$7, 5 yrs and under eat free. Salad bar is \$1 extra. Carryout available. Call our parish for any questions 783-5535

### Treats and Treasure Sale at Norskedalen

Donate, shop or just enjoy a delicious baked goods sale. Peruse through collectibles, estate items, antiques, toys, books, home decor, and other various items or try our delicious lefse and bake sale. Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 8 am to 3 pm Coon Valley Village Hall. Donation drop off is on Thursday the 19th from 8 a.m. - 5 pm, and Friday the 20th from 8 am - 3 pm at the Village Hall.

### Ready, Set, Gogh!

The Franciscan Spirituality Center's 4th Annual **Art Dash** will be Thursday, March 26, 2020, at The Cargill Room at The Waterfront Restaurant and Tavern, La Crosse. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., and the dash for art promptly at 6:30 p.m. Tommy Orrico will sketch free caricatures for **Art Dash** guests between 5-8 p.m. Everyone who buys a \$100 ticket will go home with a piece of original art, but which piece is up for grabs!

### Meatball and Lefsa Dinner

Sat., Mar. 28 from 4-7 PM at Lower Coon Valley Lutheran Church. 51801 N. Stoddard Rd, Stoddard (located between Stoddard and Chaseburg). \$10 for Adults, \$5 children 6-11, free for 5 and under. Menu: Meatballs & Gravy, Homemade Lefsa, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Green Beans, Homemade Bread, various deserts and beverage. Carry outs available. Bake Sale. To order tickets or for more info call Pastor Fox 608-769-0112, Teresa Goede 608-797-4368 or the day of 608-483-2384.

### Aquinas Booster Silent and Live Auction

Saturday March 28th Aquinas High School Gymnasium JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT. Complimentary Steak, Chicken, and Pork food stations including a dessert station later in the evening. Beer and Wine all evening! 5:00 Doors Open, 5:00 Silent Auction Starts, 5:30 Food stations Open, 7:30 Live Auction Starts. If you are unable to attend but would still like to support Aquinas Booster Club, text message BLUGOLD to the number 41444. You will be sent a link to a secure online donation form.

### Televised Masses

#### for Shut-ins:

WXOW CH 19

La Crosse – Sunday:  
9:30 AM

EWTN (cable/sat.) –  
Sunday: 7 AM & 11  
AM Daily: 7 AM &  
6 PM

### Catholic

#### Broadcasting:

EWTN Catholic  
Cable Television  
Vernon Telephone  
Cable – Chan. 143  
MediaCom Chan 15  
– Coon Valley  
Chan 74 – La Crosse  
also available via  
satellite

### Natural Family

#### Planning:

Information on  
natural family  
planning can be  
obtained by calling  
715-235-6226 or  
visiting the web site  
at <nfp@diolc.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.

- The parish accepts checks from **Bill Pay**. Set up St. Mary's Parish as a bill and mail directly to the parish office (if possible, use your envelope number as the account number).