

# St. Mary's Parish

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*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 26, 2020*

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

**Weekend Masses (beginning May 30/31, 2020):**

- 4:00 PM Saturday (limited to 30 people)

- 8:00 AM Sunday (limited to 30 people)

- 10:30 AM Sunday (limited to 30 people)

**Weekday Mass:**

Tuesday - 6:00 PM, Wed & Fri - 8:00 AM

**Local Parishes—Mass Times**

**Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua**

Sat. 5:15 PM and Sun. 8:00 and 10:30 AM

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

Sat. 4:00 PM and Sun. 8:30 AM

**St. Peter, Middle Ridge**

Sat. 8:00 AM and Sun. 10:30 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. <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 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 at: <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. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

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

**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.

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## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2020**

- 1) 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
- 2) Romans 8:28-30
- 3) Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

**FOCUS:** The wise seek God.

When Solomon asked for an understanding heart to lead his people, he must have known that it was the one gift that opened the door to every other gift. For wisdom (prudence) is the virtue that guides all other virtues, and grounds judgment. The wise seek God, and those who know him seek to know him more, as Solomon, and the parables, demonstrate.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

God tells Solomon to ask for anything, and he asks for an understanding heart to lead his people. Saint Paul writes to the Romans that, *all things work for good for those who love God*. In the Gospel, Jesus uses three parables [buried treasure, pearl of great price, and a full fish net] to explain the kingdom of heaven.

**Upcoming Events/Calendar**

- Streaming Live on Facebook— our 8:00 AM Mass— <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 and Maximum of 10 persons)
- **August 5 to 18** - Amy is out of office, please contact Fr. Matt for administrative needs.
- **August 15 & 16** - Mission Coop with Fr. Dan Thelen for the Chalice of Mercy.
- **August 15 to 21** - Fr. Matt taking some personal time off, NO weekday Mass and NO Private Prayer.
- **August 16, 2020** 11:30 AM to 2 PM Food Drive in the St. Mary's Parking Lot

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



**Televised Masses:**  
 WXOW CH 19 La Crosse – Sunday: 9:30 AM  
 EWTN (cable/sat.) – Sunday: 7 AM & 11 AM Daily: 7 AM & 6 PM  
 FOX 25-48 Winona Diocese—7:00 AM


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

**Online:**  
 La Crosse Diocese: <https://diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/> or live <https://diolc.org/live> . Daily at 8 AM, Sunday at 9:30 AM

<u>Intentions</u>
July 25 ~ 4:00 PM - †Edward and Anna Kerska
July 26 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch
July 26 ~ 10:30 AM - Our Parish Family
July 28 ~ 6:00 PM - Safety of our military in the US and around the world and their families
July 29 ~ 8:00 AM - †Brandon Kidikas
July 31 ~ 8:00 AM - †Stanley Kerska
Aug 01 ~ 4:00 PM - †Rickard Tronick
Aug 02 ~ 8:00 AM - †Sylvester Dowiasch
Aug 02 ~ 10:30 AM - Our Parish Family

<b>Giving Last Week</b>		<b>Week 29</b>	<b>7/19/2020</b>
Adult Env.	\$618.50	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$77.00	Received This Week	\$2,285.50
DAA Rebate	\$1,590.00	Run. Tot. Needed	\$55,100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,285.50</b>	YTD Received	\$54,700.39
22 Env. Rec'd		Difference	(399.61)

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## Parish Announcements

### Food Drive Update

Here's what 2 1/2 hour brought in last weekend:

\$137.00 for the food pantry

168 Food items

24 Hygiene / cleaning products

Thank-you! We will have another food drive August 16th, 11:30A – 2:00P in the St. Mary's, Coon Valley, parking lot. August will be in support of 2nd Harvest.

### A least one more money counter needed

We are low on counters and don't want to overwork the ones we have. Please e-mail or call our parish office to sign-up: [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) OR 452-3841.

### Mission Coop Appeal-Chalice of Mercy

Chalice of Mercy is a Catholic mission to Ukraine, a country marked by much suffering, including a long and painful chapter of atheistic oppression under Communism, and lately, since 2013 the consequences of the war. Through our mission, we seek to awaken hope and love, to reflect God's Light in a land that has known too much darkness. Our initiatives are carried out in close collaboration with the Catholic Kharkivsko-Zaporizhzhska Diocese.

God is Our Father and He has a very special, personal and deep love for each one of us. Our hope is that through our prayer and action, we might reveal the treasured dignity that each one of us has before Him. We serve and protect all human rights and life from the moment of conception until natural death. We organize medical assistance to the most impoverished hospitals, hospices and orphanages in Ukraine. We reach out with support, help and relief to children with special needs. We help single mothers and families that find themselves in the most difficult situations. But most of all, our hope is that through His works, Our Father might be known, loved and honored throughout the world.

### 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](http://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).

### Staying Connected

- The parish bulletin will continue to be available on our Website—[www.stmarycv.org](http://www.stmarycv.org)
- We are mailing the bulletin to those over the age of 80 (if their age is recorded in our database)
- Copies of the bulletin will also be available in the church for pickup during private prayer times.

- If you know of someone who does not have internet and could benefit from having the bulletin mailed to their home, please contact the parish office with the person(s) name(s).

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### St. Patrick's, Sparta—Summerfest

August 14, 15, & 16. Fri. is motorcycle ride 5:00 PM until done, is a group ride to the Great River Road house in Desoto, WI. Sat. activities at the Eagles Club picnic for proper social distancing, including horseshoes, bags, flea and craft marked firewood auction, food stands children's activities and more. Sunday Baked Chicken dinner will be carry out only starting at 10 AM until gone. For information call 608-269-2655 or visit: <https://www.facebook.com/SummerfestSparta/> or <https://stpatricksparish.weconnect.com/>

### The Parenting Place has a Diaper Bank

Struggling and need diapers? You may find help through The Parenting Place. In La Crosse, email [elizabethdigby-britten@theparentingplace.net](mailto:elizabethdigby-britten@theparentingplace.net) or text 608-792-3923 to request sizes you need. Diapers will be available for pickup on Thursdays from 11a-2p at the front entrances. (Please wait for a response confirming your request before coming to pickup diapers.) Visit: [theparentingplace.net](http://theparentingplace.net)

### 75th Anniversary of Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

August 6 and 9 mark the 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the first, and one hopes the last, time atomic weapons were employed in war. In observation of this 75th anniversary, the US Bishops invite Catholics in the United States to come together in solidarity in our personal prayers and Masses on Sunday, August 9. For information on the Church's response to nuclear armaments, visit [usccb.org/nuclear](http://usccb.org/nuclear).

### Wisconsin and U.S. Bishops Address Racism

Bishop Callahan and his brother bishops of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference have issued a statement addressing the brutal killing of George Floyd and the painful reality of racism. You can read it, and find brief videos and other resources, at [diolc.org/racism](http://diolc.org/racism). The statement also provides a link to the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter against racism, Open Wide our Hearts.

### Wisconsin Farmer Wellness Hotline

Diocese of La Crosse farmers now have another resource they can use when facing extreme stress and other challenges. They now have access to a free and confidential counseling resource, by contacting the Farm Center at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. This is a 24/7 Farmer Wellness Hotline; it can be reached at 1-88- 901-2558. Licensed

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## Diocesan/Local Announcements Continued

mental health professionals contracted by the department will provide immediate, in-the-moment care. In addition, long-term options are available. Persons who prefer an in-person session can request to meet with a local provider through the Farm Center's (1-800-942-2474) longstanding Counseling Voucher Program.

### St. Joseph's Powerful Intercession

In this diocesan Year of St. Joseph, it is inspiring to note that St. Teresa of Avila was miraculously healed through his intercession, and she had this to say: "To other saints, the Lord seems to have given grace to help us in some of our necessities. But my experience is that St. Joseph helps us in them all ... I only request, for the love of God, whoever will not believe me will test the truth of what I say, for he will see by experience how great a blessing it is to recommend oneself to this glorious patriarch and to be devoted to him." [diolc.org/year-of-st-joseph](http://diolc.org/year-of-st-joseph)

**Cathedral Live Stream Mass Schedule** [diolc.org/live](http://diolc.org/live)  
 Live Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday) from the Cathedral  
 Mass in English – 8:00am  
 Mass in Spanish – 8:30am  
 Live Sunday Mass from the Cathedral Mass in  
 English – 9:30 a.m. Mass in Spanish – 10:30 a.m.

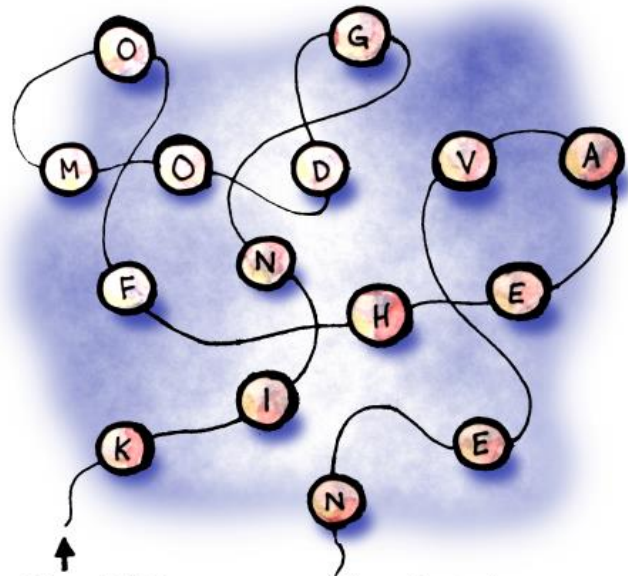
### Queen of the Americas Guild Annual Conference

July 31-August 1, 2020 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us for this two day conference/retreat examining Our Lady of Guadalupe's relationship to Human Life and Its Cradle in the Family Formed by Marriage. Enhance your faith and learn more about the miracle of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the history of our Faith. Visit: [queenoftheamericasguild.org](http://queenoftheamericasguild.org), call 630-584-1822 or email [staff@queenoftheamericasguild.org](mailto:staff@queenoftheamericasguild.org). Flyers are also in the back of church.

**Discouragement – All of us face this!** Attend this important Virtual Conference "Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement" with Fr. Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V. Fr. Timothy Gallagher, a world-renowned teacher and spiritual director, will present on "Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement" at a Virtual Conference on August 29th. Learn to find freedom from one of the greatest obstacles in life – the "cage" of everyday discouragement we all experience. The presentations by Fr. Gallagher will be live-streamed by ZOOM webinar. These presentations on overcoming spiritual discouragement will be extremely practical and understandable for any interested adult. Fr. Gallagher's warmth and style of speaking is for people of all states in life and all levels of formation. The schedule will include 4 talks by Fr. Gallagher, beginning at 10 a.m. For further details, a downloadable brochure or to register online, go to [diolc.org/witness](http://diolc.org/witness). Cost is \$15 which includes Fr. Gallagher's book shipped to your home.

**Retrouvaille Marriage Help Weekend: August 7-9**  
 "Our Retrouvaille experience helped us so much to better deal with the problems we were facing." Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel disillusionment, coldness or conflict in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Visit <https://www.helpourmarriage.org/for> this couple's story and online inquiries. For information or to register for the next program in Central Wisconsin, see website or Call (Confidential) 1-877-922-HOPE(4673).

## KIDS CORNER



*What did Jesus say was like a buried treasure  
 or a pearl of great price?  
 Use the letters on the string of pearls  
 to fill in the blanks and find out!*

The \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Week of July 26th Readings

Sunday:	1) 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 2) Romans 8:28-30 3) Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
<b>Monday:</b>	<b>1) Jeremiah 13:1-11 2) Matthew 13:31-35</b>
Tuesday:	1) Jeremiah 14:17-22 2) Matthew 13:36-43
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>1) Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 2) John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42</b>
Thursday:	1) Jeremiah 18:1-6 2) Matthew 13:47-53
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>1) Jeremiah 26:1-9 2) Matthew 13:54-58</b>
Saturday:	1) Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 2) Matt 14:1-12
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	<b>1) Isaiah 55:1-3 2) Romans 8:35, 37-39 3) Matthew 14:13-21</b>