



St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay



May 10, 2026 | Sixth Sunday of Easter | Reading 562A

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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

Tom Duerst, Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek, Nancy Peters (Secretary), and John Roesler (Bldg and Grounds)

Parish Pastoral Council

Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue Humfeld, Robert Kerska, 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

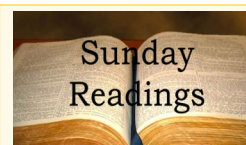
Fr. Joe also serving:

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 10, 2026
 1) Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17
 2) 1 Peter 3:15-18
 3) John 14:15-21

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, May 9

Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day Weekend

-4:00 pm Mass - † Danny Powers
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Jeana LeJeune

SUNDAY, May 10

Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day

-8:00 am Mass - † Kylie Von Ruden
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Mike Kammel and Mark Boland

TUESDAY, May 12

SS Nereus and Achilleus and St. Pancras

-NO Adoration
 - 5:15 PM - Communion Service † the souls in purgatory

THURSDAY, May 14

St. Matthias, Apostle

- NO Mass - † Roskos and Roningen Families
 (living and deceased)

SATURDAY, May 16

The Ascension of the Lord (7th Sunday of Easter)

-4:00 pm Mass - † Karao Family (living and deceased)
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Robert Kerska

SUNDAY, May 17

The Ascension of the Lord (7th Sunday of Easter)

-8:00 am Mass - † Marie Servais
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
 Lector: Volunteer

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman



Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00
 As of April 20, 2026
 Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00
 Payments received: \$75,623.50 (72.02%)
THANK YOU!

A breakdown of how the Inspired by the Spirit Campaign funds have been allocated is posted in back of the church.

Annual Appeal 2025-2026

As of 5/7/2026	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$18,625.00	\$16,446.69
Target Amount	\$14,565.00	\$14,565.00
Over Target	\$4,060.00	\$1,811.69

Percent Pledged: 127.88% , Percent Received: 113%

Number Contributing: 26 (active)

To donate online, visit: <https://diolc.org/stewardship/> and in the drop down box choose: 2025(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley

THANK YOU!
WE HAVE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL WITH PAYMENTS!

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **May 9/10** ~ Mother's Day Rose Sale to support WI Right to Life, suggested donation \$2-3 per rose.
- **May 11-15** ~ Fr. Joe on priest retreat, no weekday Mass
- **May 12** ~ Communion Service at 5:15 PM ~ Grief Share in Viroqua 5-7 PM
- **May 19** ~ Grief Share in Viroqua 5-7 PM ~ Finance Council Meeting 5:45 PM
- **May 20** ~ Anniversary of the installation of Bishop Gerard Battersby as La Crosse's 11th Bishop.
- **May 21** ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass ~ Pastoral Council Meeting
- **May 26** ~ Grief Share in Viroqua 5-7 PM
- **May 25-Jun 5** ~ Fr. Joe in Lincoln, NE for FOCUS
- **May 31** ~ May end of the year celebration for First Communicants, Confirmation Student and Graduate— Parish Social after 8 AM Mass sponsored by all the PCCW Guilds
- **Jun 2** ~ Grief Share in Viroqua 5-7 PM

Mass Intentions

Below are open dates for the next few months.

Open Sat. and Sun. dates: May full. Jun full. Jul 4, 12, 19, 25 and 26.

Open Weekdays: May full. Jun full. Jul 2, 7, 9, 14, 21, 23, 28, & 30.

Request a specific date by filling out an intention envelope or by emailing the office. 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.



Needed this Month	
\$10,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$1,809.00	Received as of week 1
(\$8,191.00)	Difference for the Month

Giving Last Week		5/3/2026	
Adult Env	\$1,315.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	344.00	Received This Week	\$1,809.00
Memorial	50.00	Total needed	\$36,000.00
Easter	100.00	YTD Received	\$36,295.93
Total	\$1,809.00	Difference	295.93

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

I've got some forecasting business for you this weekend. First off, my schedule around here (and therefore our liturgical schedule) is going to be thrown off over the next few weeks. This is a bit scattered, so let me put it in bullets:

- *This coming week* I'm going to be on retreat with the Diocese's priests out in Oconomowoc. Keep us in prayer, and note that this'll mean no daily Mass this week, although Deacon Tony and Deacon Dad will lead adoration and a communion service at the regular Mass times on both Tuesday and Wednesday.
- *The next week* (May 16 through Pentecost) is full speed ahead, as usual.
- *From May 25-June 5*, I will be in Lincoln to help out with FOCUS' New Staff Training again, meaning our weekday liturgical schedule will be off again. Fr. John Parr (a Viroqua native) will rejoin us for the weekend in the middle. During this window I'll certainly be available over the phone and email, although I'll likely have a bit of a delay in returned response.

Over the last few weeks our Councils have been talking shop about some arrangements **starting July 1**. Big questions have included who's where when, what does our Mass schedule look like, how are we handling sick/hospital calls, etc. Perhaps it might be easiest to consider these four parishes in clusters – Viroqua and Coon Valley, Wonewoc and Hillsboro. Again, bullet points might be easiest:

- **Weekend Masses:** Fr. Famiyeh and I will rotate weekends, meaning I'll be out here and he'll be out there this weekend, and we'll rotate next weekend. An exception to this rule will be July 5/6 when we'll both be out there and July 12/13 when we'll both be out here for introductions. Weather, vacations, etc. may cause adjustments, but I think this every-other weekend rotation will be a reliable status quo.
- **Weekday Masses:** (This is subject to change but I think it'll stick) I will be here Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and out there on Friday. Similarly Fr. Famiyeh will be out there Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and here on Friday. This way if he has the weekend Masses here he can just stick around Friday and Saturday night (and same for me out there). Our weekday schedule looks very similar to our current one with the exception of bumping our Friday 8:00 AM Mass in Viroqua back to 12:10. We'll also add a few more opportunities for adoration and confession (I'm thinking something on Friday and something on Saturday mornings), and office hours/priest-on-call will follow the cluster we're celebrating Mass at.

There'll be much more to come as things unfold, but hopefully this serves as a start.

God bless you! Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements



Mother's Day Rose Sale: Honor your Mother the weekend of May 11th & 12th with a rose! The PCCW is sponsoring the annual Mother's Day Rose Sale after both masses. A \$2-\$3 donation per rose is requested, with all proceeds going to Wisconsin Right To Life.

End-of-Year Religious Education Celebration & High School Graduate Recognition

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our parish students at our End-of-the-Year Student Celebration following Mass on Sunday, May 31! During this special celebration, we will recognize our First Communicants, Confirmation students, and High School Graduates.

To help make this event a success, we are asking parishioners to sign up to bring food and/or volunteer to help with the celebration. A sign-up sheet has been placed in the back of church.

Thank you for helping us honor and celebrate our students and their faith journey!

May the Month of Mary - Rosary before Mass

May Rosary: May is traditionally dedicated to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary. To commemorate our parish namesake, the rosary will be recited 20 minutes before the weekend masses in May. Please make an effort to join us. Thanks!



Buildings and Grounds — What's Happening Church Roofing:

Following the severe storm on April 14, we noticed damage to our church building. We have filed a claim with our insurance company after shingles were lost, newly installed gutters began to detach, and water from the metal roof leaked into the basement. An adjuster will be visiting soon to assess the situation. As we move forward, we are gathering quotes for the needed repairs and for replacement of the metal roof and repairs. We ask for your prayers as we work to care for and preserve our church home.

Church Pew Cushions:

We are also exploring options to replace the pew cushions to enhance the comfort of our worship space. Quotes will be reviewed at the upcoming Finance Council meeting. Thank you for your continued support and stewardship.

Diocese to Celebrate Wedding Anniversary by Decades

The Diocese has updated how wedding anniversaries are celebrated. Couples marking milestone anniversaries (10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 years) will now be invited to "*Legacy of Love: Celebrating Decades of Married Life*," a special Mass with Bishop Battersby followed by photos and a simple reception. Couples celebrating 50th, 60th, and 70th anniversaries will also receive a certificate and letter by mail. ***If 2026 or 2027 is a decade year for you, please contact the parish office to ensure your wedding date is in our records so you receive an invitation.*** This year will be celebrated on: Aug. 9 2026: 1 pm Holy Cross Diocesan Center, La Crosse

Gathered in Grace (Moms Group)- Driftless Region

Mom Group starting for local parishes. If you are a mom

Parish Announcements *continued*

looking to enrich yourself spiritually, join the GroupMe group called "Gathered in Grace - Driftless Region" for more information. We will gain interest from the community and begin meeting once a week in September. If you have any questions, feel free to text/call Alex Kararo at 612-578-6706 or Sarah Gronemus at 608-386-9546. Scan the QR code to join the group with no obligation.



Casa Hogar and Uganda Missions

Several parishioners will be traveling on mission trips through the Diocese of La Crosse Mission Office. From **May 12-17** several parishioners from both Coon Valley and Viroqua are going to Casa Hogar. They will be spending time with the students and completing some painting that is needed. Casa Hogar has created a wish list of things they could use. If you have any questions you may contact Steve Schulte or any others who are going.

From **July 21-August 6** Mike and Clarice Kammel will be traveling with a group to Uganda. They will be spending time at Our Lady of Guadalupe School with Sr. Salome. There they will assemble and distribute essential food bags, visit the city where St. Francis helped provide a well for clean water, and work at a coffee plantation. There is also a wish list of items they could use in Uganda. If you have any questions please contact Clarice Kammel.

Copies of both wish lists are located in the back of the church if you would like to donate. All donations can be placed in the designated boxes in the back of the church or given to those traveling on these mission trips.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Middle School Catholic Girls Group

Sacred Hearts Catholic Church in Cashton invites all middle school girls to join their group that will meet every 4th Sunday of the month from April through January from 4-5:30 PM. Each month a light dinner will be provided at no cost. Each gathering will include a Bible reading, learning about a Saint and a team-building activity. Organizers are Traci Castro, Missy Guralski and Becky Brown.

A Mother's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father,
we thank You for the gift of mothers.
Bless them with Your love, strength,
and gentle wisdom. May they reflect
Your goodness and nurture their
children in faith and love.
Give them joy, peace,
and the grace they need
each day.
Through the intercession of
Mary, our Blessed Mother,
we ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.



Activity Corner

An Acts of the Apostles Word Find

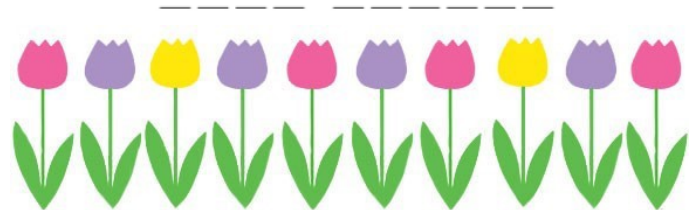
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N I E S P I R I T T

Today's first reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. See if you can find all the words from the reading that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

PHILIP went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the

CHRIST to them. The people united in WELCOMING the MESSAGE Philip PREACHED, either because they had heard of the MIRACLES he worked or because they saw them for themselves. THERE was great REJOICING in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that SAMARIA had accepted the WORD of GOD, they sent PETER and JOHN to them, and they went DOWN there, and PRAYED for the Samaritans to receive the HOLY SPIRIT, for as yet he had not COME down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the NAME of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid HANDS on them, and they RECEIVED the



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: Please use the registration form at: www.stmarycv.org/sacraments. Then mail or email it to stmaryscv@mwt.net and jrichards@diolclergy.org You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date.

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.