

St. Mary's Parish

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The Second Sunday of Lent - March 08, 2020

Reading 505A

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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 AND 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.

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The Second Sunday of Lent

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2020

- 1) Genesis 12:1-4a
- 2) 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
- 3) Matthew 17:1-9

FOCUS: A holy encounter with God calls us to act on our faith.

When Peter witnesses the transfiguration of Jesus, and the appearance of Moses and Elijah, his first instinct is to “freeze that moment,” by providing tents for the three of them. But that encounter, like any encounter with God’s majesty and providence, is not meant to be frozen or hidden in a tent. It is meant to move us forward in, and to act upon, our faith.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Abram is sent by God to a new land, so that from him, God will create a new nation. In the second reading, Timothy is encouraged to bear his share of the hardship in living and proclaiming the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus takes Peter, James and John up a mountain where he is *transfigured before them*.



Giving Last Week		Week 09	3/1/2020
Adult Envelopes	\$1,008.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$349.00	Received This Week	\$1,887.00
Ash Wednesday	\$505.00	YTD Needed	\$17,100.00
Catholic Life	\$25.00	YTD Received	\$17,582.00
Total	\$1,887.00	Difference	482.00
		38 Env. Received	

Annual Appeal 2019-2020		
As of 03/04/2020	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$15,045.00	\$14,445.00
Target Amount	<u>\$11,755.00</u>	<u>\$11,755.00</u>
Under Target	\$3,290.00	\$2,690.00
Percent Pledged: 127.99%, Percent Received: 122.88%		
Number Contributing:	39	
<i>WE HAVE REACHED OUR TARGET!!! ALL DONATIONS FROM THIS POINT FORWARD WILL BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH!</i>		
Thank you all who have donated! Extra cards and envelopes are located at the church doors, or you may give online at: https://diolc.org/donate-online , under Designation, choose: 2019 (445) St. Mary Parish. Keep in mind that any money donated beyond the goal is returned to the parish untaxed by the Diocese.		

Mass Intentions

We have the following dates available for the next few months: Mar. 20, 27, **29**, & 31. Apr. 15. May 6, **16 or 17**, 19, 20, **23, 24**, 26, & 29.

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

Mar. 07 - 4:00 PM ~ †Michael Raasch
Mar. 08 - 9:15 AM ~ Our Parish Family
Mar. 10 - 6:00 PM ~ †Arlene Seichter
Mar. 11 - 8:00 AM ~ †Edward and Anna Kerska
Mar. 13 - 8:00 AM ~ NO MASS
Mar. 14 - 4:00 PM ~ Don and Roxanne Weber Family
Mar. 15 - 9:15 AM ~ †Gavin Williams

Next Week in Service

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

	Sat., Mar 14 4:00 PM	Sun., Mar 15 9:15 AM
Servers:	Volunteers	Wyatt and Aliyah McCauley
Reader (s):	Robert Kerska	Keith Kenyon
Communion Minister (s):	Mary Gajewski	Sue Humfeld
Ushers:	Andy LeJeune and Volunteer	Mark Boland and Dave Humfeld
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Rodney and Kathy Berg	
Altar Server sign up at:	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d49acad2ea1fb6-server4	

Upcoming Events/Calendar		
Mar. 9	7:00 PM	PCCW Meeting
Mar. 8		NO Religious Education Classes
Mar. 10	6:00 PM	Mass and <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Mar. 13	8:00 AM	NO MASS—Fr. Matt has school Mass with the Bishop
Mar. 15	After Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 17	6:00 PM	<i>Stations of the Cross, NO Mass</i> —Fr. Matt at Deanery Meeting
Mar. 19	6:30 PM	Men's Club Meeting
Mar. 22	After Mass	Trip to the Synagogue
Mar. 24	6:00 PM	Mass and <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Mar. 28 & 29	During Mass	Anointing
Mar. 29	After Mass	Religious Education Classes
Mar. 30	All Day	Fr. Matt turns 32—Happy Birthday!
Mar. 31	6:00 PM	<i>Stations of the Cross, NO Mass</i>
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. 7	6:00 PM	Mass and <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Apr. 9	7:30 PM	<i>Holy Thursday</i>
Apr. 10	TBD	<i>Good Friday</i>
Apr. 11	4:00 PM	NO Regular Mass this day
Apr. 11	8:00 PM	<i>Holy Saturday</i>
Apr. 12	9:15 AM	<i>Easter Sunday</i>
Apr. 12		NO Religious Education Classes—Happy Easter!

Parish Announcements

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting and 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.

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.

Thank You!

A big thank you to all who sent birthday wishes to Joan Urbanek. It helped to brighten her day to receive so many beautiful cards.

Thank You Funeral Helpers

Thank you to all those who helped sing in the choir and/or serve at the luncheons for St. Mary members' funerals at St. Joseph Ridge. Your willingness to support parish members, even when events are not held at our church, is very much appreciated. If you would like to be contacted in the future to possibly help with funerals, please contact Clarice Kammel at 452-3698.

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.

Anointing

At the end of the month the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be made available to any and all parishioners during the Saturday and Sunday Masses. 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.

Student Mite Boxes

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

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.

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.


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Thanks for using AMAZON SMILE!

We received our biggest payout yet from Amazon on February 20th—\$41,07!

If you haven't logged to Amazon Smile yet, please do so the next time you order. Amazon Smile is the charitable arm of Amazon.com, please choose St. Mary's Parish every time you make a purchase through Amazon Smile. Log in to: 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

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.

Listening Across the Political Divide: Skills Training

At this training you will: learn what it takes to have constructive, non-polarizing conversations; get a chance to practice these conversations; and be motivated to have these conversations with people in your life. Tuesday March 10th 2:30 - 5 PM. Western Technical College - Lunda Center, 319 7th St. N., La Crosse

Painting Party

Coon Valley Lutheran will be hosting a **Painting Party** on Sunday March 15th at 1 PM. *The Happy Canvas* by Linda will be guiding the class. Plans are to make Spring paintings. There is a \$30 investment which includes all supplies and refreshments. Please sign-up at Coon Valley Lutheran or call over at the church to request a space: 452-3772

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

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.

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 Western 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-filling services, and what to bring to your appointment, visit: <https://westerntc.edu/tax-assistance>.

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.

Justice and Peace Stations of the Cross

April 10 • Friday, 10 a.m.-noon. Investment: Free and open to the public. No registration necessary. Meet at the front entrance to the Franciscan Spirituality Center. An annual tradition, this form of the Way of the Cross is a silent prayer walk from the heart of La Crosse to the Mississippi River. Along the way, we stop to pray and sing at places that represent suffering in our community and world today. The two-mile walk recalls the journey of Jesus as he carried his cross to Calvary. Adults, students and families are all welcome to experience this special Good Friday event. Please dress according to the weather. Please also note that participants will have to walk back to the stations' starting point or arrange for a ride back from Riverside Park.

If You Can't Make it to Turin, Come to the Shrine!

A High Quality Life-sized Reproduction of the original Shroud of Turin, which is permanently housed and maintained in Turin, Italy, will be on display at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, WI from April 16-19, 2020. For more information on this exhibit, or other events at the Shrine, visit guadalupeshrine.org or call 877.799.4059.

Joyful Prayer with Julian of Norwich

APRIL 24-26 • Friday, 7 p.m.–Sunday, noon. Presenter: Carl McColman. Investment: • Full: \$310, includes overnight stay, all meals and Saturday evening social, • Commuter: \$210, includes Saturday lunch, dinner and social. **Registration deadline: April 10.** Julian of Norwich was a 14th century mystic and author who, even in her own lifetime, was renowned as a visionary and spiritual director. She was the first woman to write a book in the English language, and her reflections on the Motherhood of God continue to inspire us today. This retreat will weave together Julian's joyful, optimistic spirituality with contemplative prayer practices inspired by her teachings and by the wisdom of The Cloud of Unknowing.

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).