# St. Mary's Parish

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***August 26, 2018***
***Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time***
*Reading 639B*

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**Weekend Masses:**
***St. Mary's,* Sat. - 4:00 PM, Sun. - 9:15 AM**
**Annunciation of the BVM, Viroqua**
Sat. - 6:00 PM, Sun. - 7:30 AM & 11:00 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

**Weekday Mass:**
**8:00 AM** Wednesday
**8:00 AM** Friday

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before Mass on Saturday; other times as announced.

**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 contact Fr. Matt to register for Baptism preparation. Preparation should be completed before the birth of your child, if possible.

**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.

**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 prayer requests will be included in the Mass intercessions.

# *St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI*
# *Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018**

1) Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
2) James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
3) Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

FOCUS: Jesus, who is the fulfillment of God's laws and prophets, tells us how to live out God's commandments.

Today, we think about the best way to live out God's commandments, passed on to us through Moses, by witnessing God's blessings and presence in our midst. We can go beyond our human traditions and rituals by washing our hearts and getting rid of evil thoughts and desires. We practice it by caring for all who are vulnerable and in need.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Moses calls on God's people to witness God's blessings and presence in their midst by keeping his laws and commandments. In the second reading, James asks God's people to follow the Word of God and not the ways of the world. In the Gospel, Jesus warns the Pharisees, scribes and the crowd not to simply observe human tradition and rituals. Rather, they need to look into their hearts and clean out evil thoughts.

## Next Week in Service

If you are not able to be at the Mass scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you for your service to St. Mary's.

| | **Saturday, Sep 1 4:00 PM** | **Sunday, Sep 2 9:15 AM** |
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| Servers: | Whitney and Brittney Mislivecek | Aliyah McCauley and Madelyn Von-Feldt |
| Reader: | Nancy Peters | Tracy Brown |
| Communion Minister: | Virginia Nerison | Jodie Holdorf |
| Ushers: | Joe Berra and Volunteer | Jim Fleming and Peter Holdorf |
| Money Counters: | Laura Wieczorek and Curt Horman | |

## Upcoming Events/Calendar

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| Aug 28 | 7:00 PM | Sunday Reading Reflection Group |
| Sept 5 | 7:00 PM | Parish Council Meeting |
| Sept 7 | Following Mass | First Friday Adoration |
| Sept 9 | Following Mass | ***Religious Education Parent Meeting and Registration*** |
| Sept 23 | Following Mass | 1st day of Religious Education Class |
| Oct 14 | 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM | St. Mary's Annual Pancake Breakfast |

| Giving Last Week | | Week 33 | 8/19/2018 |
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| Adult Envelopes | $859.00 | Needed Weekly | $1,400.00 |
| Offertory | $194.00 | Received This Week | $1,255.00 |
| Assumption | $199.00 | Running total Needed | $46,200.00 |
| **Total** | **$1,252.00** | Running total Received | $41,127.36 |
| 31 of 115 envelopes received | | Difference | (5,072.64) |

Save the Date!
**OCTOBER 14**
Our Annual
**PANCAKE BREAKFAST!**

| Mass Intentions | | |
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| Aug 25 | 4:00 PM | †Edward and Anna Kerska |
| Aug 26 | 9:15 AM | †Audrey Bissen |
| Aug 29 | 8:00 AM | †Frank Kerska |
| Aug 31 | 8:00 AM | †James Berra |
| Sep 1 | 4:00 PM | †Dennis LeJeune |
| Sep 2 | 9:15 AM | The People of God |

# Announcements

**Catechists Needed for 2018-19!**
We currently need at least 2 more teachers for the coming year. Please consider helping serve as a catechist this year at St. Mary's. The commitment would be to helping share our faith with young people once a week on Sunday from 10:15 - 11:30 AM. We have textbooks to help facilitate discussion and guide both teachers and students. Contact Fr. Matt with questions or email stmaryscv@mwt.net Thank you for supporting and nurturing the faith of our parish youth.

**Sunday Reading Reflection Group**
Reflection Group will meet on August 28 at 7:00 PM. All are welcome!

**Would You or Someone You Know Want a Visit?**
If you, or if you know someone who is ill or homebound and would like a visit from Fr. Matt or from a fellow parishioner, call the parish office. Please contact us even if you think we already know! It's time to update our lists!

**Religious Education Registration**
Registration letters were mailed to previously enrolled families. For those who did not receive a letter, or if you are new to the program, registration information is posted on our Website at https://www.stmarycv.org/religious-education. Save the dates: September 9th (Parent Meeting and Registration) and September 23rd (1st day of classes). If you have questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Paul Thompson at thom.paulrobert@gmail.com.

**Aquinas Catholic School News**
Aquinas Catholic Schools is now enrolling for the 2018-19 school year. For more information, please visit www.aquinasschools.org or call (608) 784-8585.

Preschool enrollment is still open for the 2018-2019 school year. Offered at both St. Patrick Elementary located in Onalaska and Cathedral Elementary located in La Crosse. Our program provides high-quality early childhood education for 3 and 4-year -old children. For enrollment questions please contact us today: (608) 784-8585 Or visit admissions.aquinascatholicschool.org

**Century Farm Recognition**
The Diocese of La Crosse annually recognizes century farms located in the deanery of the Rural Life Day celebration. This year's 38th annual celebration will take place on September 19 and hosted on the Wall Stone Holstein Farm owned and operated by the family of Dr. AnneMarie Elwing, Keving, Emily and William Walleter located at S7414 Fortner Rd, DeSoto, WI 54624 of the La Crosse Deanery. **If you operate a Century Farm please contact the parish office for the application, deadline is August 31 for this recognition**.

**First Saturday Devotions** – Please join us in observing First Saturday Devotions, as Our Lady requested at Fatima, to obtain peace for the world. On Saturday, September 1st, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, a meditation on one of the mysteries of the Holy Rosary will be given by the Friars of the Immaculate. Their talk will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Shrine Church, followed by the Holy Rosary at 10:30 a.m. and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 11:00 a.m. Confession will be available from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and also following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**Aquinas Fest, Sept. 7, 2018**
We are bringing Aquinas Fest home this year! We look forward to welcoming Alumni, current students, families and friends of our schools to the Aquinas Campus as we kick off a new school year. Events include:
***Aquinas Family Fest Block Party*** 3:00 –7:00 PM AMS/ AHS Cameron Street & Parking Lot for food and Fun.
***Aquinas Fest Football Game*** @ UWL Memorial Field, vs. Onalaska to 7:30 PM, sponsored by Clason Buick-GMC with half-time raffle drawing.
***Aquinas Fest Post Game Social*** following the football game at the Eagles Nest.
For more information call 608-784-0707 or visit: https://www.aquinasschools.org/page/2638

**Sept. 8 Hispanic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe**
The 10th Annual Hispanic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held Sept. 8, from 10:00 am-3:30 pm, including the Rosary, las Mananitas, traditional dances, lunch, Confession and Holy Mass. Visit the diocesan Hispanic Ministry website for a flyer with details.

**St. Joseph Ridge Parish Picnic and Chicken-Q,** Sunday, September 9th serving begins at 10:30 AM and goes until gone, typically around 2:00 PM. $9 for charcoal chicken made by the men of our parish and also includes baked potato, coleslaw, roll, and homemade dessert. Take a drive to St Joseph Ridge Lions Park, corner of Cty Rd M and Schams Ave. one block off of St Rd 33. Cash Raffle, kids games, tip boards, and beverages available too.

**MMOC Chicken Q**
Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston St., La Crosse. Thursday, Sept 13, from 11 AM to 6 PM. The price is $9 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For pre-sale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries call 608-518-6145. No minimum order and no delivery charge.

**Rural Life Day**
Wednesday, September 19, the Diocese of La Crosse will

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hold the 38th annual Rural Life Day on the Wall Stone Holsteins farm owned and operated by the family of Dr. Anne Marie Elwing, Kevin, Emil, and William Walleser located at S7414 Fortner Rd., DeSoto, WI 54624 of the La Crosse Deanery. The day begins with 10 AM Mass celebrated by His Excellency Bishop William Patrick Callahan and is followed by awards, recognitions, a blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by the women of the parish. For more information, contact Dan Kitzhaber, Rural Life Liaison, dkitzhaber@diolc.org, or via phone at 715-600-0521.

**Share the Journey Resources from Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**
Pope Francis launched the Share the Journey campaign last September in partnership with CRS, Caritas Internationalis, the USCCB and Catholic Charities USA. The Pope is encouraging people to understand and walk in the shoes of refugees and other immigrants. CRS has added many informational resources at their Share the Journey website: www.sharejourney.org.

**Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe**
**Save the Dates!**
Summer Hours - 9AM-6PM - Jun 1 to Labor Day
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**
Diocese of La Crosse Hispanic Pilgrimage 2018
**FRIDAY - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12-13**
Marian Symposium: Mary Coredemptrix: Relevance and
Remedy for Our Time
https://www.guadalupeshrine.org/events/marian-symposium

**Free and Reduced Lunch Option**
The Westby School District has provided Family Applications for free and reduced lunch. If you need assistance and would like to apply, simply grab and application off the table in back of church and follow the instructions.

**Career Opportunity**
The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Luger J. Borger, General Agent, at 715-551-0228 or Ludger.Borger@Kofc.org

**Catholic Charities Employment Opportunities!** Are you looking for a job where you can make a difference in someone's life and get paid at the same time? Check out all the employment opportunities at Catholic Charities. We currently have several positions open: Dwelling Place Personal Care Worker
La Crosse Warming Center Coordinator
Special Education Paraprofessional
Adult Services Support Specialists
To learn more about these positions or to apply please visit us at cclse.org or call 608-519-8004.

**The Franciscan Spirituality Center** offers the following new programs for support, understanding and compassionate listening:
**Grief Circle**
September 4, 11, 18, 25 - Tuesday, 10 a.m. -noon, Facilitators: Jean Pagliaro and Beth Allen, Investment: $15 for four-week series, Registration deadline: August 21
This group is for those who are grieving the death of someone they loved. It is a safe place to share your thoughts, feelings and concerns about what is happening to you. It is a place where you can talk about your loss with other people who understand, because they are also grieving. Sometimes, friends and family, although well-intentioned, may not understand the meaning of your loss and the depth of your pain. The support of others on the same journey can provide a great deal of comfort and healing.
**Divorce Recovery**
September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Monday, 6:30-8 p.m., Facilitator: Audrey Lucier, Investment: $20 for eight sessions, includes workbook, Registration deadline: August 27
This new group meets Monday evenings for eight weeks and offers support and a path for healing from divorce, separation or the end of a long-term romantic relationship. The negative emotions that accompany divorce can be overwhelming. Anger, anxiety, regrets and resentments can make it difficult to deal with the challenges of rebuilding your life. In this group, we will learn practices based in self-compassion to help you heal, forgive and form new loving relationships.
**Register at www.FSCenter.org, 608-791-5295 or in person at 920 Market Street in La**

**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

**Youth Religion Education Program:**
Classes meet after the Sunday Mass from September to May. Coordinator: Paul Thompson. Email: thom.paulrobert@gmail.com

**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>

**Catholic Charities:**
Catholic Charities offers many services in our diocese. Programs offered include: emergency services, adoption services, mental health counseling, financial counseling, HIV/AIDS ministries, immigration services, in-home support for children with disabilities, and domestic abuse services. For more information please call 1-888-212-HELP or visit <www.cclse.org>.