



# St. Mary Parish

900 Central Ave, Coon Valley, WI 54623

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor | Dcn. Tony Shay



June 21, 2026 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Reading 611A

## CONNECT WITH US

### PASTOR

**Rectory:** 400 Congress Ave.  
Viroqua, WI 54665

**Cell Phone:** 608-606-9787

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### Office Hours in the Sacristy

Tuesday 1:00pm until Mass

Thursdays after Mass until noon or by appointment

### DEACON

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### Parish Phone

608-452-3841

### Mailing Address

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Coon Valley, WI 54623

### Email

stmaryscv@mwt.net

**Website** (scan QR code in header)

www.stmaryscv.org

### 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

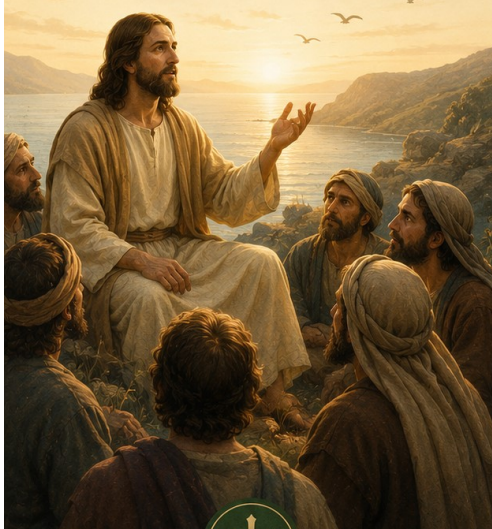
Saturday | 3:30pm - 3:45pm

### Devotions

**Adoration** Tuesday | 4:30pm

## 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Do not be afraid;  
you are worth more  
than many sparrows.



## Happy Father's Day!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
*faith, love & guidance.*

May God bless you abundantly  
for the gift of your love  
and the example of your faith.

God bless all fathers!



BLESSED IS THE MAN WHO TRUSTS IN THE LORD,  
WHOSE HOPE IS THE LORD.

— JEREMIAH 17:7

### Administrative Assistant

Amy Stafslie 608-452-3841  
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### Coordinator of Religious Education

Bridget Goodwin  
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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  
Linda Schulte 608-397-3643  
Chris Carskadon 608-790-4495

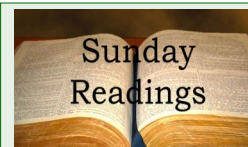
### Fr. Joe also serving:

**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



**June 21, 2026**  
 1) *Exodus 19:2-6a*  
 2) *Romans 5:6-11*  
 3) *Matthew 9:36-10:8*

### Intentions / Schedule

#### SATURDAY, June 20

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00 PM Mass - † Edward and Anna Kerska  
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers  
 Lector: Robert Kerska

#### SUNDAY, June 21

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00 AM Mass - † John Ritter  
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers  
 Lector: Volunteer

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

#### TUESDAY, June 23

Weekday

- Adoration 4:30 PM  
 - 5:15 PM Mass - For the People

#### THURSDAY, June 25

Weekday

- 8:00 AM Mass - † Elisabeth Dullstein

#### SATURDAY, June 27

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00 PM Mass - † Bob Welsh  
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers  
 Lector: Nancy Peters

#### SUNDAY, June 28

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00 AM Mass - Madsen Family (living and deceased)  
 Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers  
 Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti, Rodney and Kathy Berg

### Annual Appeal 2025-2026 (ends June 30, 2026)

| As of 6/19/2026                                                                                                                                                              | Total Pledged     | Total Payments    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Pledged/Paid                                                                                                                                                                 | \$18,625.00       | \$17,166.69       |
| Target Amount                                                                                                                                                                | \$14,565.00       | \$14,565.00       |
| <b>Over Target</b>                                                                                                                                                           | <b>\$4,060.00</b> | <b>\$2,601.69</b> |
| Percent Pledged: 127.88%, Percent Received: 117.86%                                                                                                                          |                   |                   |
| Number Contributing: 26 (active)                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |
| To donate online, visit: <a href="https://diolc.org/stewardship/">https://diolc.org/stewardship/</a> and in the drop down box choose: 2025(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley |                   |                   |

THANK YOU!

**WE HAVE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL WITH PAYMENTS!**



#### Needed this Month

\$8,000.00 at \$2000 per week  
 \$5,128.00 Received as of week 2  
 (\$2,872.00) Difference for the Month



Traveling this summer? Find a Mass time:

<https://catholicmasstimes.app/> or  
<https://masstimes.org/>

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **Jun 21** ~ Father's Day and first day of summer
- **Jun 25-27** ~ Priest Unity Days
- **Jun 27** ~ Fr. Joe's Anniversary of Ordination
- **Jul 4** ~ 250th Anniversary of our county's independence
- **Jul 4/5** ~ Mission Co-op, please welcome Fr. Peter Raj
- **Jul 16** ~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass
- **Jul 26** ~ **Summer Parish/Community Picnic**
- **Jul 27-Aug 5** ~ Amy on PTO, parish office closed



### Mass Intentions

Below are open dates for the next few months.

**Open Sat. and Sun. dates:** Jul 19 and 26. Aug 9, 15, 22 or 23 and 30. Sep 5, 12, 19 or 20, 26 & 27.

**Open Weekdays:** Jul 21, 23, 28, & 30. Aug 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, and 25. Sep 1, 8, 15, 17, 22, 24, & 29.

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 [stmarysev@mwt.net](mailto:stmarysev@mwt.net) or voice message 608-452-3841.



### Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00

As of June 12 2026

Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00

Payments received: \$77,638.50 (73.94%)

THANK YOU!

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

| Giving Last Week |                   |                    | 6/14/2026   |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Adult Env        | \$2,395.00        | Needed Weekly      | \$2,000.00  |
| Offertory        | 327.00            | Received This Week | \$3,442.00  |
| DAA Rebate       | 720.00            | Total needed       | \$48,000.00 |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>\$2,722.00</b> | YTD Received       | \$48,872.18 |
|                  |                   | Difference         | 872.18      |



## From the Pastor

Friends,

I am a horrible accountant. Truly horrible. One of the greatest gifts the twenty-first century has given me is online banking – my checkbook would otherwise be off by a few digits this way or the other. For my sake and our parishes' sake, it is a tremendous blessing to have Amy and Fran sitting in the chairs they sit in – for my sake, they and all our staff and volunteers keep things ticking along and in good shape to free me up to do the pastoral work I do. For our parishes' sakes, let's just say it's good that I'm not the bookkeeper.

Anyway, we've established that my forte is not in keeping tidy books. One tidy book I have managed to keep over the last six years is a little black book (actually Volume Two now), tracking when I celebrate which Mass, and less accurately what the Mass intentions are offered for (again, Fran and Amy make sure those are in order on gameday). What this little black book does tell me is how many Masses I'm at, and all things being equal this Saturday at our 6:30 Mass ought to be turning the number over to Mass #3000. Mass 3000 is no different than Mass 2999 or Mass 3172, but still, there's something cool about a good round number.

Mass 3000 also has me thinking over anniversaries. This coming Saturday will be my sixth anniversary of priestly ordination (May 4 for deacon ordination, but that date's in the rearview mirror now), and in just a bit (July 5, I think) we'll be turning over our own fourth anniversary together. I am grateful today for these last four years together. I was a true greenhorn when I moved into this Viroqua rectory (where I'm writing this article on Thursday night), inexperienced in what it means to be a Pastor and walk the focused walk of shepherding with a dedicated flock. You have all been remarkably gracious through these four years together, helping me to figure out the business and the ministry and the accompaniment of Pastors, and your good grace has opened the door for us to receive the Holy Spirit's presence together with docility and receptivity. I am confident that in twenty or thirty or two years I'll look back on where I am in my Pastors today with a kind "man, I was just a kid." For now, I am simply grateful to you and to the Lord for the gift of our time together.

As I gear up for my own expansion Eastward, I invite you to join me in cultivating a renewed curiosity about the Lord's goodness, creativity, and invitation. This season is a curveball that I certainly didn't expect four years ago, and I remain convinced that the Holy Spirit has great work and freedom in mind for us. Pray for me, pray for our brothers and sisters in Wonewoc and Hillsboro, and know of my prayers for you.

God bless you,  
Fr. Joe

## Parish Announcements



One of the blessings of our parish community is the many ways people quietly share their time, talents, and resources to care for St. Mary Parish. We are grateful for the dedication of our Finance Committee, volunteers, and parishioners who help maintain and improve the buildings and grounds that serve as a place of worship, prayer, and community.

Following the information shared in the May bulletin, we want to keep our parish family updated on the ongoing care and maintenance of our church and cemetery.

After the spring storms and ongoing concerns with a leaking metal roof, we have contracted with **Winona Heating and Roofing to complete necessary repairs beginning June 22.** Work will include replacing the metal roof, removing the chimney down to the roof line, replacing missing shingles, and reattaching the loose gutters.

We are also grateful to local contractor **Robert Hoff**, who will be removing the overgrown arborvitae in front of the church. Over time, the tree has grown large and has been shedding debris onto the roof, contributing to clogged gutters and maintenance concerns. Robert has offered this work free of charge, and we are grateful for his assistance.

In addition, quotes have been received for replacing the **church furnace**, which is outdated and no longer functioning properly. The Finance Committee continues to review this need along with other maintenance priorities to ensure responsible stewardship of parish resources.

The Finance Committee has also completed its review of **cemetery** rules and regulations and approved the purchase of a new display board for the cemetery, which will provide helpful information for families and visitors using this sacred space.

We are also continuing the process of selecting and contracting for replacement **pew cushions**. Please keep this project in your prayers as we seek thoughtful decisions that best serve our parish community and provide a welcoming place for worship.

**Thank you** to everyone who continues to support St. Mary Parish through your prayers, generosity, and willingness to help. Together, we continue the important work of caring for the place where we gather to celebrate our faith.

### Living at Home

*Restore the Roots* is a monthly newsletter designed to help individuals and families live the liturgical year at home. Each issue includes information about upcoming feast days, saints, Catholic traditions, prayers, and simple ideas to help deepen your faith and celebrate the richness of our Church throughout the year. **Copies of the June issue are available in the back of church.** We invite you to take one home to keep your faith growing beyond Sunday Mass!

## Parish Announcements *continued*

### Diocesan Annual Appeal 2025-2026 Update

We have already exceeded our parish goal by 18%. **The Appeal remains open through June 30.** If all outstanding pledges are fulfilled, our parish will exceed its goal by an incredible 28%. *If you have not yet participated and feel called to do so, Appeal cards and envelopes are available near the church doors or give online at: <https://diolc.org/donate-online/> (in the dropdown choose: 2025(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley).*

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Trinity's Community Picnic & Rubber Duck Races –Jun 21

Community Picnic and Rubber Duck Races, held at Mormon Coulee Park (N1171 Park Drive, La Crosse, WI 54601) on Sunday, June 21, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM. The event will feature a community picnic, games, outdoor worship, a rubber duck race raffle, a coffee bar, and a bake sale.

### Community Conversation, Connection and TACOS!

In-person: Franciscan Spirituality Center on July 14 (Tuesday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.): We see you, and we appreciate you! Anyone who works or volunteers at a nonprofit organization is invited to this informal gathering to connect and process with one another while enjoying a FREE taco lunch. Save your spot by registering at: <https://fsc.retreatportal.com/events/>

### Religious Freedom Week—June 22-29, 2026

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. **Beginning June 22, the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher,** the U.S. Bishops invite Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom. To learn more and to participate, visit the <https://www.usccb.org/committees/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week>

## This Week on *FORMED*



### Saint Thomas More: The Age of the Author

This engaging series delves into the lives of the saints who led the Catholic Counter-Reformation. In this episode, learn about St. Thomas More, a patient witness to the faith who endured a heroic martyrdom at the hands of Henry VIII.

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## Activity Corner

### Fill-in-the-Blanks

Fill in the blank spaces with the words from the list. Use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end!

What I tell you in the dark,  
utter in the \_ \_  \_ \_ ;  
and what you hear whispered,  
\_ \_  \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ upon the  
housetops. And do not fear those  
who kill the \_ \_  \_  
but  \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ kill the soul;  
rather \_ \_  \_ \_ him who can kill  
both body and soul in Hell.  
Are not two \_ \_ \_  \_ \_ \_ \_  
sold for a \_  \_ \_ \_ ?  
And not one of them will fall to the ground  
without your \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ '  \_ will.  
But even the hairs \_  \_ your head  
are numbered.  
Fear \_  \_ , therefore;  
you are of \_ \_  \_ value than many sparrows.  
So \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  \_ \_ \_  
who acknowledges me before men,  
I also will acknowledge  
\_ \_ \_  \_ \_ my Father who is in heaven;  
\_  \_ whoever denies me before men, I also  
will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

SPARROWS  
EVERYONE  
PROCLAIM  
FATHER'S  
CANNOT  
BEFORE  
PENNY  
LIGHT  
MORE  
BODY  
FEAR  
NOT  
BUT  
OF

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**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](http://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday from 3:15pm to 3:45pm

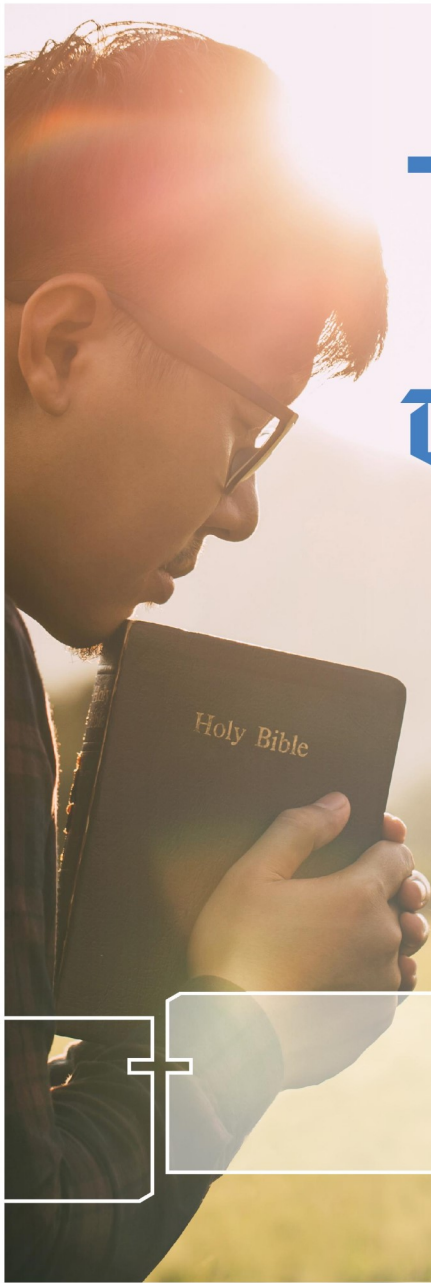
**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please use the registration form at: [www.stmarycv.org/sacraments](http://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments). Then mail or email it to [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) and [jrichards@diolclergy.org](mailto:jrichards@diolclergy.org). You will be contacted by the parish 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](http://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.





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  4. Click on blue box "sign up"
- ⇒ **Join your parish will now appear**
  1. Enter the zip code "54623"
  2. *St. Mary Church, 904 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI* will appear. Click on it to select.

3. Submit button will turn blue, click on submit
- ⇒ **Set up a password for security purposes will pop up now, enter a password of your choosing that fits the required parameters and confirm it.**

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