

# St. Mary Parish

**Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor**  
**Dcn. Tony Shay**

**Church Address:**  
900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI 54623  
**Parish Phone:** 608-452-3841  
**Website:** [www.stmarycv.org](http://www.stmarycv.org)  
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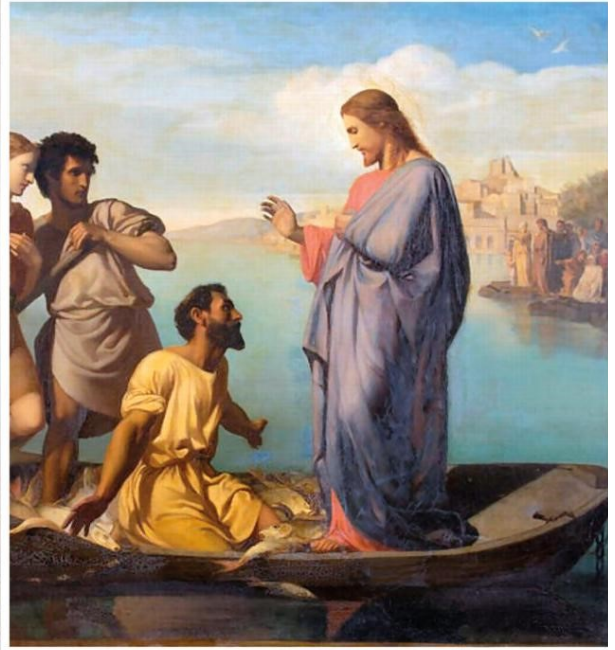
**July 21, 2024**

*Readings: 624B*

## 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,  
his heart was moved with pity for them,  
for they were like sheep without a shepherd;  
and he began to teach them many things.

Mt 9:36



### PASTOR

**Fr. Joseph Richards**

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Tues. 1:00 PM until Mass time and

Thurs. after Mass until noon and by appt

### DEACON

Anthony Shay.....[ashay@diolclergy.org](mailto:ashay@diolclergy.org)

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday.....5:15 pm

Thursday.....8:00am

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:15pm to 3:45pm

### PARISH OFFICE

Amy Stafslie, Admin. Assist.....608-452-3841

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### COORDINATOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mary Gajewski, John Mislivecek, Nancy Peters (Secretary), and  
John Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mike Callan, Ryan Goodwin, Marlene Humfeld, Sue Humfeld,  
Robert Kerska, Lori Pedretti and Steve Schulte

### PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women)

Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters (Treasurer), Linda  
Berg (Secretary)

**MUSICIANS:** MaryBeth Smith, Linda Schulte, & Chris Carskadon

### Fr. Joe also serving:

#### Annunciation of the BVM Parish, Viroqua

Mass Times: Weekend: .....Saturday.....6:30 PM

Sunday .....10:30 AM

Weekday: ..Wednesdays - 5:15 PM & Fridays - 8:00 AM

**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 and  
Sunday from 7:15am to 7:45am

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please submit a registration by mail, or e-mail  
to both [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. The  
registration form at: [www.stmarycv.org/sacraments](http://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments).

**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.

# St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday Readings

July 21, 2024

1) Jeremiah 23: 1-6; 2) Ephesians 2: 13-18;  
3) Mark 6:30-34

### Intentions / Schedule

#### SATURDAY, July 20

*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-4: 00pm Mass - Torres Family

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Jeana LeJeune

#### SUNDAY, July 21

*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-8:00am Mass - † Larry Humfeld

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Volunteer

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

#### TUESDAY, July 23

*St. Bridget*

- 4:30pm Adoration

- 5:15pm Mass - Our Parish Family

#### THURSDAY, July 25

*St. James, Apostle*

- 8:00am Mass - † Ronald Hammes

#### SATURDAY, July 27

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-4: 00pm Mass - † Edward and Anna Kerska

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Robert Kerska

#### SUNDAY, July 28

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-8:00am Mass - † Joseph and Stella Grabowski

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Ryan Goodwin

Money Counters: Lori Nickelotti, Rodney and Kathy Berg

Eucharistic



Adoration

**Tuesday evenings at 4:30 PM**  
concluding shortly before the  
5:15 PM Mass time.

#### 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.

### Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **Jul 27 ~ Our Summer Picnic** - 11 AM to 4 PM
- **Jul 28 ~ Bishop Gerard Battersby** visiting for 8AM Mass
- **Jul 30 ~ Finance Council Meeting** 5:45 PM
- **Aug 5-14 ~ Fr. Joe on PTO** in the Boundary Waters
- **Aug 6 ~ Communion Service** at 5:15 PM
- **Aug 8 ~ Communion Service** at 8:00 AM
- **Aug 15 ~ Holy Day - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, regular Mass time 8 AM  
~ Coffee and Fellowship after 8 AM Mass  
~ 12:15 Mass in Viroqua for the Holy Day
- **Aug 24 ~ Coon Valley 175th Celebration**, church will be open for viewing from 1-3 PM
- **Aug 26 ~ PCCW Meeting** 5:30 PM
- **Sept 15 ~ Pat Kammel's Celebration of Life** at Leo and Leona's, 1-4 PM



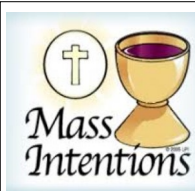
**Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>



#### CONFESSIONS

Sat: 3:15pm to 3:45pm



**Open Sat. and Sun. dates:** Aug 31; Sep. 14 & 29. Oct-full. Nov 9, 16 or 17, 23, 24 & 30.

**Open Weekdays:** Aug 22 & 29. Sep 5, 17, & 19. Oct 3, 15, 17, 24, & 29.

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

As of July 1, 2024 suggested stipend amount is \$20 per Mass. If you have questions feel free to email the parish office at [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net) or leave a message at 608-452-3841.



#### Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00

As of June 28, 2024

Pledges received (30): \$109,020.00

**Payments received: 41,399.50**

THANK YOU!



#### Needed this Month

\$8,000.00 at \$2000 per week

\$3,192.00 Received as of week 2

**(\$4,808.00) Difference for the Month**

Giving Last Week		7/14/2024	
Adult Env(31)	\$985.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	189.00	Received This Week	\$1,174.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,174.00</b>	Running total needed	\$56,000.00
		YTD Received	\$46,163.74
		Difference	(9,836.26)

## From the Pastor

Hello friends,

First for this weekend, an invitation. For just over a year now (starting with John Francis) there's been a **Bible Study running on Thursday mornings**. Shortly after the 8:00 Mass in Coon Valley, some five to ten folks from both parishes get together in Coon Valley or at the Daily Brew or in Viroqua to look at the readings for the coming weekend's Masses and reflect on them together. This is a very inviting and freeflowing group of folks who invest that time each week entering into the Lord's Word, and you are very welcome to check it out. If you are interested in hearing more (including where the Study is meeting on a given week), contact Bob Kerska at [vscrek@mwt.net](mailto:vscrek@mwt.net) – he's your man to get in the loop.

Second, I think we are far enough into my tenure as your Pastor (thank you to everyone who has been congratulating me on two years here) to name an elephant who's been hanging out in that corner of the room over there – the big question **“how long are we gonna have this guy?”** It's a very fair question. Both Viroqua and Coon Valley have had a disproportionately high turnover of Pastors in recent memory, which crafts a narrative of transition and hesitation. If that tenuous thread fits in your personal Church tapestry, I do not blame you one bit. Whether you like a guy like me or not, it's hard to feel any kind of permanence or longevity or even to establish trust when you also carry a history of regular goodbyes and hellos.

So let me give you **the official version**: I am here on a six-year assignment, starting July 5 2022, renewable one time. What things are going to look like when that renewal comes up in four years is a big question that's going to have to stay a big question for the next three years and eight months, but what I can say is that when I received this assignment from the Diocese, the Personnel Council (the chief advisors to the Bishop on priest placements and HR) made it clear to me that they were aware of the peculiar circumstances surrounding my assignment as well as that very history of high turnover. Of course, if the Bishop were to ask me to pack up and go up to Eau Claire or to La Crosse or to go study Canon Law (Heaven help us – I'd be horrible at that) my sense of obedience would have a very hard time saying no. But I'll also say that when I met with the Bishop a month ago and explained our histories he expressed his own concern for you. All that's to say that I am going to treat the next four years and the six years after that just the way I've treated the last two years: taking one day at a time with a presumption of perseverance and a constant labor for our parishes' trust, restoration, and growth. I can't/won't tell you how to feel about all this, but I certainly do invite you to simply offer your own trust to the Lord to be the true Good Shepherd watching over us, His flock.

God bless you, Fr. Joe

## Parish Announcements

**NEXT SATURDAY!**  
**July 27, 2024 from 11 AM - 4 PM**



### What we will need:

- **Advertise with the flyers** in the community (extras in the back of the church). **Invite** everyone you know!
- **Volunteers** to set up and to help things run smooth that day, sign up sheet is in the back of the church.
- We will also be asking the ladies of the parish to bring **cookies or bars** for dessert. Since the weather may be hot it is best to avoid items that can't tolerate the heat and will melt.

## Diocesan/Local Announcements

### Organ Recital - Jul 21

July 21, 2024 @ 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Offered by Leo Abbott, who is a graduate of the St. Paul Choir School, Cambridge, and the Chaloff School of Music, Boston.

### St Patrick's Church Rummage Sale/Bake Sale - July 26-27

St. Patrick's, Onalaska, will be having a rummage sale and bake sale on Friday, July 26, (7:30 am - 4 pm) and Saturday, July 27 (7:30 am - 3 pm). Holiday items, Collectors corner with antiques and unique items, household items, furniture, bikes, toys, bedding, jewelry, baked goods and more! Donations for the Rummage Sale will be accepted starting June 19. Contact the parish office for drop-off times and information: 608.783.5535, ext. 2.

### Healthy Living with Chronic Pain Gundersen Health

System will be hosting a virtual workshop Wed., afternoons for 6 wks starting August 7. This workshop focuses on strategies for understanding and managing pain and stress management for adults. For information, please contact Vicky at 608-775-6870 or [wellness@gundersenhealth.org](mailto:wellness@gundersenhealth.org).

### 16 Years Dedication Anniversary of the Shrine - Jul 31

July 31, 2024 @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. You are invited to celebrate the 16th Anniversary of the Shrine's Dedication, a day to thank God for all who have shared in Cardinal Burke's vision for this place of pilgrimage. At its dedication in 2008, the church became a true sacred space, set apart for divine service, for prayer and especially for the Sacred Liturgy. 12:15 pm Holy Mass—Celebrant: His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke <https://guadalupeshrine.org/post/events/16th-dedication-anniversary/>

### 31st Annual Corn Boil – Aug 1

Door of Hope hosting their annual corn boil on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lunch hours 12 -2 PM and Dinner hours 4-7 PM. All the



## Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

sweet corn you can eat! Adults \$10, Children 4-12 \$5, 3 and under free. Corn to go: \$8/dozen. The meal also includes hot dogs, chips, beans, soda and ice cream. Bulk ticket purchase of 10 or more available prior to event for \$9 each. Contact Door of Hope at: office@viroquaohope.com with questions.

### Chant Camp for HS Students – Aug 12-16

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, invites High Schoolers (ages 14-18) to a week-long, traditional chant camp course August 12-16. No experience needed. Register online at [GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-music](http://GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-music) or contact Scott Turkington [sturkington@guadalupeshrine.org](mailto:sturkington@guadalupeshrine.org)

### A Nature Walk With Francis and Clare: Aug 16th 7-9 pm & Aug 17th 9am-4pm

Presenter: Raymond List, Franciscan Spirituality Center, Using the theme of St. Francis' Canticle of Creation, you are invited to a walk of gratitude within nature. You will be invited to reflect on the experience of Francis in nature as expressed in the Canticle and then make your own addition to the Canticle as a way of bringing the Franciscan heritage into modern life.

OVERNIGHT: \$175, includes private bedroom, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. COMMUTER: \$105, includes lunch on Saturday.

### Calling Catholic Singles - Aug 16-18

Looking to meet 400+ faithful single Catholics from all over the USA and beyond? Join us August 16th-18th, 2024 at the 23rd National Conference for Single Catholics in Las Vegas, Nevada (or participate virtually and engage with others via online socials and small group discussions.) This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages! The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. (If attending in-person, use the promo code PARISH24 for a discount.) Visit [NationalCatholicSingles.com](http://NationalCatholicSingles.com) for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 704-665-0455.)

### Pilgrimage to India—Jan 21-Feb 2, 2025

Visit India with your host, Fr. Peter Manickam and co-host Dennis Boucher. On the pilgrimage, you will visit Mother Teresa Tomb, St. Thomas tomb, Taj Mahal, New Delhi, etc. Includes airfare, accommodations, meals and transportation. Excludes personal expenses. For more information contact: St. Maximilian Kolbe Church; Sharon Christenson call: 715-281-7784, email: [sharon.jc@live.com](mailto:sharon.jc@live.com) or contact Dennis Boucher a: 386-315-9994 or email him at: [dboucher136@gmail.com](mailto:dboucher136@gmail.com). Visit the website: [indiamissionjoy.org](http://indiamissionjoy.org). Flyer is posted in the back of the church. **Secure your spot with a deposit by July 30, 2024.**

### Queen of the Americas Guild Conference - Oct 18-19

Please consider joining us for a wonderful weekend of prayer and spirituality at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Learn more about Our Lady of Guadalupe's role as Mother of the church and the Queen of the Americas Guild. For information call 630-584-1822 or visit: [queenoftheamericasguild.org](http://queenoftheamericasguild.org). Flyer and brochures are in the back of the church.



Traveling this summer? Find a Mass time:

<https://catholicmasstimes.app/> or

<https://masstimes.org/>

## Activity Corner

### Psalm 23 Word Puzzle

Who is this Psalm about?

Unscramble the letters in blanks and use the ones in circles to fill in the answer at the bottom!

In ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (EGRNE) pastures

he gives me repose;

beside restful waters he leads me;

he refreshes my ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (LOSU)



He guides me in right paths

○ \_\_\_\_\_ (FRO) his name's sake.

Even though I walk

in the ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (AKRD) valley

I fear no evil, for you are at my ○ \_\_\_\_\_

(IEDS)

with your rod and your staff

○ \_\_\_\_\_ (HATT) give ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (EM) courage.

You ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (EADSRP) the table

before me

in the \_\_\_\_\_ ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (HGTSI) of my foes;

you anoint my \_\_\_\_\_ ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (EAHD) with oil;

my cup \_\_\_\_\_ ○ \_\_\_\_\_

(FOWLVOESR)

Only goodness and kindness follow me

all the days of my life;

and I shall dwell

in the house of the \_\_\_\_\_ ○ \_\_\_\_\_ (DOLR)

for years to come.



**This Psalm tells us about the**

Answers: green, soul, for, dark, side, that, me, spread, sight, head, overflows, Lord, Good Shepherd.

Wishing you a blessed summer!

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



- Those sick and suffering in any way, may they find healing and strength in our Lord.
- For military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- Our political leaders, may their decisions be made for the good of all.
- For the people of Ukraine, Israel and Gaza whose lives have been affected by acts of war.
- For those fighting cancer, especially members of our parish.
- For children suffering with life threatening conditions and illnesses.
- The intentions listed in our parish Book of Prayer.

To add a request call 608-452-3841 or email [stmaryscv@mwt.net](mailto:stmaryscv@mwt.net)



# St. Mary's Church Family Picnic On The Lawn

**SATURDAY, JULY 27TH**  
**11am- 4:00 pm**

**Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a  
fun afternoon with family & friends!**

**All are Welcome!**

Hog Roast, Bounce House, Dunk Tank, Snow Cones,  
Bingo, Kids Games and More!  
Live Music by Leather & Lace (12 - 2)

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