

St. Mary Parish

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor
Dcn. Tony Shay

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StMarysCoonValley](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley)

October 20, 2024

Readings: 663B



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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

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

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Bulletin deadline: Wednesday noon

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Open most Wednesdays and Thursdays

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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

Sunday10:30 AM

Weekday:Wed - 5:15 PM & Fri - 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

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15pm to 3:45pm and Sunday from 7:15am to 7:45am

Sacrament of Baptism: Submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net AND jrichards@diolclergy.org You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form at: 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

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

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Readings

October 20, 2024

1) Isaiah 53: 10-11; 2) Hebrews 4:14-16;
3) Mark 10:35-45

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, October 19
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-4:00pm Mass - † All Roskos and Roningen Families
(living and deceased, especially Woody Roningen)
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Jeana LeJeune



SUNDAY, October 20
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:00am Mass - † Kylie Von Ruden
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Volunteer
Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti, Rod and Kathy Berg

TUESDAY, October 22
St. John Paul II
- 4:30pm Adoration
- 5:15pm Mass - Our Parish Family


THURSDAY, October 24
St. Anthony Mary Claret
- 8:00am Mass - † Edward and Anna Kerska


SATURDAY, October 26
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-4:00pm Mass - † Joseph Grabowski
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Robert Kerska

SUNDAY, October 27
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:00am Mass - Mary Larson and Family
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Ryan Goodwin
Money Counters: Mark Boland and Mike Kammel

 Eucharistic Adoration	Tuesday 4:30 PM until 5:15 PM Mass.	 Confessions Saturday 3:15pm to 3:45pm
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Upcoming Events/Calendar


- **Oct 20** ~ Religious Education here after the 8 AM Mass (the Safe Environment Training has been postponed) ~ Parish Social after Mass, all are welcome to stop down the basement for food and fellowship (no cost event)
- **Oct 21/22** ~ Priest Fall Ministry Days
- **Oct 22** ~ NO 5:15 PM Mass
- **Oct 26** ~  Wedding of Kelsey Brahmstadt and Greg Minter
- **Oct 27** ~ Advanced Care Planning Workshop in Viroqua from noon to 2:00PM
- **Oct 31** ~ No morning Mass, Vigil Mass at 5:15 PM for ALL Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
- **Nov 3** ~ Religious Education after the 10:30 AM Mass in Viroqua
- **Nov 8** ~ Rel Ed Movie night - Church basement 6-8 PM
- **Nov 12** ~ Finance Council Meeting 5:45 PM
- **Nov 17** ~ Rel Ed Activity after 8 AM Mass




Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>

Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Oct-full. Nov-full. Dec. 15. Jan 4, 11 or 12, 18, & 19.
Open Weekdays: Oct 29. Nov 5, 7, 21, & 26. Dec 3, 17, 25, 26, & 31.


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 or leave a message at 608-452-3841.





Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00
 As of October 11, 2024
 Pledges received (30): \$109,520.00
Payments received: \$47,744.50
 THANK YOU!



Needed this Month	
\$8,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$3,650.00	Received as of week 2
(\$4,350.00)	Difference for the Month

Annual Appeal 2024-2025		
As of 11/16/2024	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$300.00	\$300.00
Target Amount	\$14,050.00	\$14,050.00
Under Target	\$13,750.00	\$13,750.00
Percent Pledged: 2.14%, Percent Received: 2.14%		
Number Contributing: 1		
To donate online, visit: diolc.org/donate-online/ and in the drop down box choose: 2024(445) St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley		

Giving Last Week		10/13/2024	
Adult Env(28)	\$1,402.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	253.00	Received This Week	\$2,172.00
PCB (6)	490.00	Running total needed	\$82,000.00
Votives	\$27.00	YTD Received	\$68,670.75
Total	\$2,172.00	Difference	(13,329.25)
RE Reg	\$70.00	Food Pantry	\$30.00

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

Before getting into some commentary, let me first take a minute to thank everybody who helped with and attended last Sunday's Pancake Breakfast and Wednesday's Fall Dinner. These events are both great for a fantastic meal and visibility in the community, but I remain stubbornly convinced that their greatest benefit is bringing us together in service and fellowship – excellent community building. There is a lot that goes into rallying for these moments, and I am deeply grateful to everyone involved!

Now for the commentary. Last weekend I mentioned the tension between global concern and local action. Building on that, I'd now like to get political (which is not at all the same as "partisan"). Take a deep breath, and let's name a few election-related elephants in the room (pun not intended). Elephant One: there are Democrats in our parishes, there are Republicans in our parishes, and there are independent voters in our parishes. I am very glad that we can share the space of liturgical worship and community together. Elephant Two: Jesus Christ founded neither the Republican Party nor the Democratic Party – He founded the Catholic Church. Elephant Three: Jesus was not non-political. The political struggles between Pharisees and Sadducees, Romans and Jews, Jews and Gentiles weave throughout His story, and He doesn't shy away from these struggles.

It is good for you and me to be interested and involved in politics with charity and integrity. The part that I tend to lazily forget is the need to form my mind and conscience to vote well. If you are looking for a tool to help you understand how to vote as a Catholic, allow me to point you to a document the US Bishop's Conference (USCCB) recently updated: "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship." In this document, the Bishops start with the Four Principles of Catholic Social Teaching: the Dignity of the Human Person, Subsidiarity, the Common Good, and Solidarity. From there they develop how Catholic Social Teaching considers some of the specific major issues in today's political landscape by topic: Human Life, Promoting Peace, Marriage and Family Life, Religious Freedom, Economic Justice, Health Care, Immigration, Education, Promoting Justice and Countering Violence, Combatting Unjust Discrimination, Care for Our Common Home, Communications & Media & Culture, and Global Solidarity. A quick Google search for the document title will pull it right up, or you can find it directly at <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/upload/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship.pdf>.

From there it's up to us to study up on the candidates for both national and local elections and handpick who best lines up with our tuned-up consciences. Again, if you're wondering who to vote for as a Catholic I have good and bad news for you. The bad news is I'm not going to tell you who to vote for. I only get to vote once, not 427 times. The good news is that God trusts us enough to let us use the minds and hearts He's given us.

God bless you, and happy studying, Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements



The Church in the United States was once mission territory, supported by the generosity of Catholics worldwide. Today, we continue this legacy by supporting the Pontifical Mission Societies, ensuring that the Gospel reaches the ends of the earth. Our contributions help build and sustain communities of faith in places where the Church is still growing or facing persecution. This mission is a testament to our faith in action, reflecting the universal call to share Christ's love. As we reflect on this year's theme, "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," let us recommit to supporting our global Church family.



Surviving the Holidays

provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season.

Join us for this 2-hour seminar

Grief can seem overwhelming, especially during the Holiday seasons. What was once a joyous time is now dimmed by emotional pain caused by the loss of a loved one, no matter how long they have been gone! Please join us for this special event.

Date/Time: Sun., Nov. 10, 2024 from Noon-2 PM

Location: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
400 Congress Ave, Viroqua, WI 54665

Register: email - Stmaryparish@mwt.net or
call 608-637-7711 or online at: griefshare.org/holidays

Parish Announcements continued

Annual Report the Bishop Fiscal Year 2023-2024

The Parish report has been completed and reviewed by the Finance Council. A copy of the report is included in the digital version of today's bulletin and printed copies are available in the back of church.

Pancake Breakfast Update

Thank you to all who volunteered and donated to our Pancake Breakfast last Sunday. We served 176 Adults and 12 youth. As of 10/16/2024 we have had 67 donations for a total of \$1,740. A full report on the Breakfast will be published after all final expense have been received.

Rosary Before Mass in October

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The rosary will be said 20 minutes before the weekend masses. All are welcome to come early and join us.

Parish Socials - Oct 20/ Nov 17/ Dec 15

A Parish Social will be held after the 8AM masses on Oct 20 by St. Cecelia Guild, Nov 17 by St. Rose Guild and Dec 15 by St. Theresa Guild. **There is no charge to eat at the socials so plan on stopping down after mass to visit with other parishioners.**

Religious Education - Oct 20

Safe Environment training scheduled for this weekend has been postponed to a later date. The RE activity will still take place here in Coon Valley after the 8 AM Mass on October 20th. For more information please visit our website at: www.stmaryscv.org/religious-education

Calling all couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025 or 2026

Every year we are honored to do something special for couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Each couple receives a packet and certificate, as well as an invitation to attend one of three celebrations that include Mass with the Bishop followed by a dinner. We use information provided by your parish's records to know where to send the packets and invitations. We are preparing for the anniversaries happening in 2025 and would like to get a head start on the 2026 anniversaries as well. **Please contact the parish office to ensure your wedding date is listed in the parish's records.**

Diocesan/Local Announcements

"Thank a Pastor - We Need Your Help!"

There is so much love for our holy men of God – this gives us a chance to share it. Give thanks at: forms.office.com/r/XeYiFesipN or scan the QR code.



Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit at MMOC - Nov 9-11

In the history of the Catholic Church, there have been Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. This Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15-year old from Milan, Italy. The Exhibit will be available for viewing at Mary Mother of the Church parish on Saturday, Nov. 9th thru Monday, Nov. 11th, with a presentation by Patrick Brueggen on Monday, Nov. 11th at MMOC (2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, WI) at 7 pm. We highly encourage you to view the exhibit during this Year of the Eucharistic Revival. **Viewing times at MMOC, of the Exhibit and Relics are:**

Saturday, Nov. 9th 3 pm to 6 pm (Mass time is 4 pm)

Sunday, Nov. 10th 7 am to Noon (Mass at 8 am and 10 am)

Diocesan/Local Announcement continued

Monday, Nov. 11th 5-7 pm Speaker Patrick Brueggen at 7 pm. **All are welcome to attend. No reservations necessary. This event is sponsored by Mary Mother of the Church PCCW and Men's Club**

Annual Fall Bazaar - Nov 9

Join the members of Middle CV Lutheran Church (between Coon Valley and Chaseburg on Hwy 162) for lunch and a fun filled hour (from 11 AM to noon) of craft items, baked goods, and a raffle drawing at 11:45.

Activity Corner

JUSTIFYJES
CRUSHLIFEI
AFFLICTION
UUFSDIEDFF
PLEASEDDFI
GLROROALER
INIURSYIRM
VENINSSGII
ESGUILTHNT
SSERVANTGY

Isaiah 53

Word-Find



Try to find in the puzzle the words written in CAPITALS in today's first reading.

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

The Lord was PLEASED
to CRUSH him in INFIRMITY.

If he GIVES his life as an OFFERING for sin,
he shall see his descendents in a long LIFE,
and the will of the Lord will be accomplished
through him.

Because of his AFFLICTION
he shall see the LIGHT in FULLNESS of DAYS;
through his SUFFERING, my SERVANT shall
JUSTIFY many,
and their GUILT he shall bear.

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

St. Mary Parish
Annual Report
July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Statement of General Statistics

- ~Catholic population of the parish – 284.
- ~The percentage of people in the boundaries of the parish that are Catholic – 15%.
- ~Catholic households in the parish – 111.
- ~The number of envelope holders who give \$100 or more per year – 60.
 (this number is used for Diocesan calculations)

**Total cash balance of Parish, Works of Charity, Mass Intentions,
 PCCW and Men's Club checking on July 1, 2023: \$15,598.71**

Receipts

Adult Envelopes	\$77,130.00
Youth Envelopes	\$13.00
Offertory Collections	12,574.30
Votive Candles, Catholic Life Mag, Grants, and Misc.	7,434.90
Special Collections-Capital Improvement	225.00
Net Profit of Pancake Breakfast	3,798.20
PCCW and Men's Club	12,147.46
Memorials	885.00
Total Interest Earned (checking and savings)	1,945.16
Religious Education Tuition	245.00
Net Funds withdrawn from Savings Acct	20,210.14
Works of Charity	404.00
Accounts Payable (employee taxes)	1,227.11
Collections for Mass Intentions	<u>1,665.21</u>

Total of all Receipts: \$139,904.48

Disbursements

Salaries – Parish Priest	\$17,154.30
Salaries – Other Clergy	500.00
Salaries – All Other	24,039.75
Professional Fees and Services	1,292.40
Payroll Taxes	2,112.11
Group Insurance and Retirement	8,183.00
Household Expenses	83.23
Office Supplies	1,887.31
All Utilities	7,195.58
Auto and Travel Allowances	236.80
Liturgical and Church Goods	1,756.16
Instructional Supplies, Texts	1,216.18
** Repairs and Maintenance	21,211.71
Property and Liability Insurance	2,520.00
** Miscellaneous, Contact Services and Rentals Paid	2,651.51
Diocesan Assessment/Quota	2,935.00
Aquinas Catholic Schools Subsidy	9,874.96
PCCW/Men's Club Expenditures	9,185.57
Funds deposited to Savings Account (transfer and interest)	1,690.39
Distribution from Funds for Works of Charity Acct	500.00
Prior Years Accounts Payable	1,359.08
Total of All Disbursements:	<u>\$117,585.04</u>

**Total cash balance of Parish, Works of Charity, Mass Intentions,
 PCCW and Men's Club checking on June 30, 2024: \$37,918.15**

Beginning Balance (all funds)	\$15,598.71
Receipts	139,904.48
Disbursements	117,585.04
Ending Balance (all funds)	\$37,918.15

Diocesan Collection Appeals and flow through

(These are funds are not shown in receipts or disbursements)

World Mission Sunday	381.00
Mission Co-Op	542.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	390.00
Rice Bowl	59.34
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	225.00
Holy Land/Good Friday Collection	567.00
Cemetery Collection - Memorial Day	145.00
Other Misc. (Food Pantry, etc.)	<u>1,287.50</u>
Total	<u>\$3,596.84</u>

**** Repairs/Maintenance/Contracts/Misc.**

Rectory Gutters/Power line to garage	19,150.25
Rectory Precast Stairs	1,620.00
Trees (9 in total)	1,412.84
E.O. Johnson Copier Contract (cancelled May 2024)	\$422.00
Plumbing repair - Rectory	\$217.00
Other misc. repairs and supplies	<u>1,041.13</u>
Total	<u>\$23,863.22</u>

Total cash balance of Parish savings accounts

at the Diocese on June 30, 2024: \$51,819.28

Spiritual Statistics – July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

5 Baptisms
1 Confirmations
1 Received Their First Holy Communion
0 Baptized Christian received into full communion (RCIA)
We did not have solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for periods of time throughout the year
Sunday Mass is at 8:00 AM and Saturday Mass of Anticipation is at 4:00 PM
0 Marriage where both parties are Catholic
0 Marriage of mixed religion
0 Parishioners in seminary studies
0 Parishioner preparing to be received into an institute of consecrated life – Religious Life
0 Parishioners participating in lay ministry programs
Times for hearing confessions: Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM
or by appointment.
We had regularly scheduled penance services with individual confessions during Advent and Lent
About 15 parishioners received the Anointing of the Sick
2 Deaths in the parish
0 full burials, 2 cremation burials in the parish cemetery
3 Students from parish attend Catholic school system (K-8)
21 attend K-8 Public School
0 attend Catholic high School (9-12)
8 attend public high school (9-12)
14 Public grade school students (K-8) attended Rel. Ed. Classes
2 Public high school students (9-12) attended Rel. Ed. Classes

Employment Statistics

1 Priest on payroll
4 employees working 26 weeks or more per year (0-19 hours/wk)
1 seasonal employee