

St. Mary Parish

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor
Dcn. Tony Shay

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

July 28, 2024

Readings: 627B

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**“JESUS TOOK THE
LOAVES, GAVE
THANKS.”**

JOHN 6:11



PASTOR

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Tues. 1:00 PM until Mass time and

Thurs. after Mass until noon and by appt

DEACON

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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: ..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

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 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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Readings

July 28, 2024

- 1) 2 Kings 4:42-44; 2) Ephesians 4:1-6;
3) John 6:1-15

Intentions / Schedule

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

TUESDAY, July 30

St. Peter Chrysologus

-4:30pm Adoration
-5:15pm Mass - The Hernandez Family

THURSDAY, August 01

St. James, Apostle

-8:00am Mass - † Stanley and Francis Kerska

SATURDAY, August 03

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass - † Joan Urbanek
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Nancy Peters

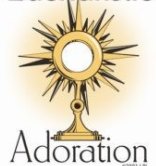
SUNDAY, August 04

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00am Mass - † Joseph and Stella Grabowski
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Mike Kammel and Mark Boland

Eucharistic



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

Adoration

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **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 14** ~ Holy Day Vigil Mass in Viroqua - *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* - 5:15 PM
- **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



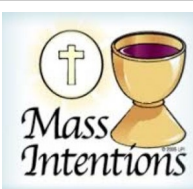
Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook

<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 or leave a message at 608-452-3841.



Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

5 Year Goal : \$105,000.00
As of July 26, 2024
Pledges received (30): \$109,020.00
Payments received: \$42,624.50
THANK YOU!



Needed this Month

\$8,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$4,091.00	Received as of week 3
(\$3,909.00)	Difference for the Month

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.

Giving Last Week		7/21/2024	
DAA Rebate	\$1,770.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Adult Env(23)	645.00	Received This Week	\$2,669.00
Offertory	203.00	Running total needed	\$58,000.00
Votives	51.00	YTD Received	\$48,832.74
Total	\$2,699.00	Difference	(9,167.26)
Food Pantry	\$85.00		

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

First thing: a BIG thank you to everyone who helped with the picnic this weekend. When several of our folks brought this up to me as a possibility last year, my immediate reaction was a hushed “nice.” Tangible artifacts just like this are remarkably important – in the first place, they bring insiders together and invite outsiders in. In the second place, they indicate the love you have for our community. The fact that this whole thing is parishioner-generated is an example of the type of initiative that really makes us tick. It takes a village to make Saturday happen, and I am deeply grateful for the energy, time, and talent you invested in our Parish. I take credit only for putting my stamp of approval on it and for generating dunk tank revenue.

Second thing: A few weeks ago, I mentioned two new staff positions up in Viroqua – a Coordinator of Ongoing Formation (Pat Obernberger) and a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Director (Carly Zadow). Both of these positions serve Viroqua primarily with heavy coordination with Coon Valley. Carly spent the last week and a half up in La Crosse for an intensive training program, and I’d like to share some of her reflections with you here:

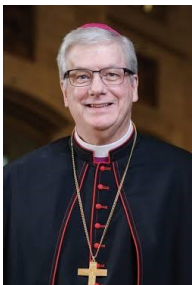
Hello! I know many of you, but in case we have yet to be introduced, my name is Carly Zadow. My husband Ben and I sit in the middle-ish left pews in Viroqua, mostly on Sundays. He has a reddish beard, and I perpetually have a bow in my hair.

As Father announced a couple of weeks ago, we are starting Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a Montessori-based method of faith formation for kids under twelve. I just finished a training to learn how to begin this program with our 3-6 year olds here. Let me give you some background on how I got involved in this program.

When I was studying Early Childhood Education in college, I always felt very drawn to the Montessori method. When I began RCIA a few years later, I wondered if there was a way to integrate Montessori with faith formation. This idea was set aside for the next several years until Alex and Father Joe approached me with the idea of starting CGS. After doing some research, I realized that this program was exactly what I had in mind during RCIA, so I decided to accept this position and attend the training, and I am endlessly grateful that I did.

The training was intensive, but also spiritually nourishing, like a retreat. The main “theme” for me was that the child ought to be treated as an individual who is fully capable of having a deeply personal relationship with Jesus Christ. It is the adult’s primary job to guide the child with the mindset of the lowly servant, being an instrument rather than an “instructor” in the traditional sense. I was bewildered at what our trainer shared about the profound relationships that some of her students had cultivated with Christ through CGS, and I look forward to stewarding this kind of relationship between Jesus and his little ones here in our parish. I want to thank all of you who have been so supportive of me pursuing this, and I can’t wait to see what this program does for our parishes.

Parish Announcements



Welcome Bishop Gerard Battersby

Coffee and Donuts After Sunday Mass this Weekend

All are welcome to join us downstairs in the parish hall for a beverage, a donut and fellowship.



Diocesan/Local Announcements



to the family and friends of:
Reverend Edmund Doerre

who passed away on

July 24, 2024



Fr. Doerre served as pastor here at St. Mary’s from 1981-1989 while teaching at Aquinas High School. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 AM on Monday, July 29, at St. Patrick Church in Onalaska. Bishop Battersby will be presiding. Visitation is at the church from 10 AM until the service.

Diocesan/Local Announcements continued

60,000 Catholics Gather for Eucharistic Congress

A National Eucharistic Congress is an especially powerful manifestation of the unity of the Church. This was evident as a massive throng of 60,000 Catholics gathered to worship Jesus in the Eucharist through the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, adoration and engaging sessions with dynamic speakers. The Congress was a very important time for our country, as prayer and worship of Jesus reaffirmed the source and summit of our faith, putting Jesus where He belongs—at the center. 75 people from the Diocese of La Crosse attended this historic and transformative Congress. Photos of the Massive Eucharistic Procession is available here: <https://www.ncregister.com/cna/photos-massive-eucharistic-procession-through-downtown-indianapolis>

31st Annual Corn Boil – Aug 1

Door of Hope hosting their annual corn boil on August 3rd. Lunch hours 12 -2 PM and Dinner hours 4-7 PM. All the 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@viroquahope.com with questions.

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.

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 or contact Scott Turkington 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.

Casa Hogar Volunteers Needed

Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II, our orphanage in Lurin, Peru, is looking for volunteers to work with the families, visitors, and, best of all, the children at the orphanage. If you are interested, please go to www.homeajpm.org/volunteer

Gardens and Gazing on St. Joseph Ridge August 17th

5:30 pm to 9:00 pm at FSPA land on St. Joseph Ridge. All are invited to join us for a family-friendly evening on FSPA land on St. Joseph Ridge -- complete with a garden tour, a short hike and stargazing! Attendees are encouraged to bring their own snacks, lawn chairs and telescopes or binoculars to enjoy the ridgetop views. Also, check out information regarding the Villa's prairie <https://www.fspa.org/stories/cultivating-a-legacy-of-sustainability-and-stewardship-on-st-joseph-ridge>

Activity Corner



E A T E N C R O W D
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Loaves and Fishes Word-Find

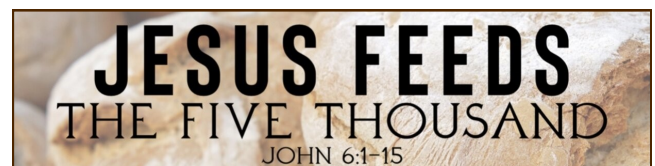


See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

When Jesus saw that a large CROWD was coming to him, he said to PHILIP, "Where can we BUY enough food for them to eat?" He said this to TEST him, because he knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of BREAD would not be enough for each of them to have a LITTLE." ANDREW said to him, "There is a boy here who has five BARLEY loaves and two FISH; but what good are these for so MANY?" Jesus said, "Tell the people to sit down." Now there was much GRASS in that place. So the men SAT down, about five THOUSAND in number. Then JESUS took the loaves, gave THANKS, and distributed them to those who were seated, and also as much of the fish as they WANTED. When they had EATEN their FILL, he said to his disciples, "GATHER the PIECES left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled TWELVE BASKETS with fragments of the loaves, left by those who had eaten.



Jesus _____ the bread and fish.



Traveling this summer? Find a Mass time:

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

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 stmmaryscv@mwt.net