

St. Mary Parish

Fr. Joe Richards, Pastor
Dcn. Tony Shay

Church Address:

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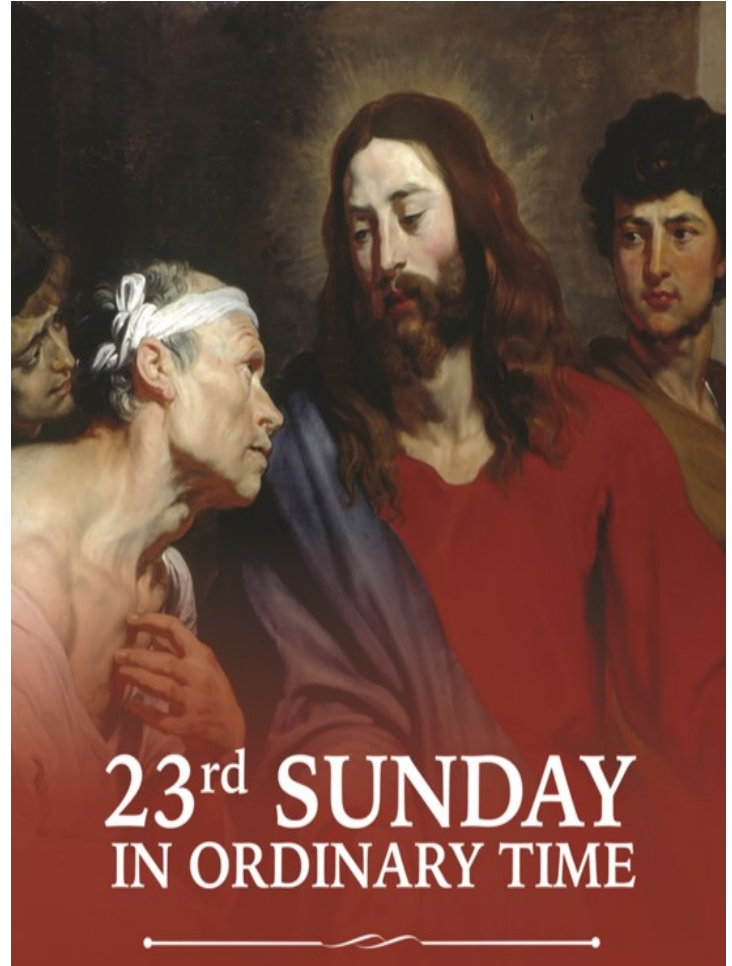
Parish Phone: 608-452-3841

Website: www.stmarycv.org

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 08, 2024

Readings: 645B



**23rd SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

PASTOR

Fr. Joseph Richards

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Office Hours in Coon Valley Sacristy:

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

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

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday noon

E-mail:stmaryscv@mwt.net

Open most Wednesdays and Thursdays

COORDINATOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Bridget Goodwin.....bladams50@gmail.com

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

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Readings

September 08, 2024

- 1) Isaiah 35: 4-7a; 2) James 2:1-5;
3) Mark 7:31-37

Intentions / Schedule

SATURDAY, September 07

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass - † Anna Kerska
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Jeana LeJeune

SUNDAY, September 08

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00am Mass - Our Parish Family
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Marlene Humfeld

Money Counters: Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

TUESDAY, September 10

Weekday

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

THURSDAY, September 12

The Most Holy Name of Mary

- 8:00am Mass - † James Coonan

SATURDAY, September 14

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass - † Donald and Patricia Kammel
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Nancy Peters

SUNDAY, September 15

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:00am Mass - † Gavin Williams
Altar Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Volunteer

Money Counters: Steve Grabowski and Bernie Roesler

Eucharistic



Adoration

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



CONFESSIONS

Sat: 3:15pm to 3:45pm

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **Sep 8** ~ Religious Education Parent Meeting after 10:30 AM Mass in Viroqua ***UPATED place and time****
- **Sep 15** ~ Pat Kammel's Celebration of Life at Leo and Leona's, 1-4 PM
- **Sep 16** ~ Men's Club Meeting at 6:00 PM
- **Oct 06** ~ Religious Education after the 10:30 AM Mass in Viroqua
- **Oct 13** ~ *Our Annual Pancake Breakfast*
- **Oct 15** ~ Advanced Care Planning Workshop 2-3:30 PM
- **Oct 20** ~ Religious Education Safe Environment Training here after the 8 AM Mass
- **Oct 27** ~ Advanced Care Planning Workshop in Viroqua from noon to 1:30 PM



Open Sat. and Sun. dates: Sep 29. Oct-full. Nov 16 or 17, & 24.

Open Weekdays: Sep 17, & 19. Oct 1, 17 & 29. Nov 5, 7, 19, 21, & 26.

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 September 6, 2024
Pledges received (30): \$109,020.00
Payments received: \$46,344.50
THANK YOU!



Needed this Month	
\$10,000.00	at \$2000 per week
\$1,453.00	Received as of week 1
(\$8,547.00)	Difference for the Month

Giving Last Week		9/1/2024	
Adult Env(32)	\$1130.00	Needed Weekly	\$2,000.00
Offertory	243.00	Received This Week	\$1,453.00
PCB (4)	\$80.00	Running total needed	\$70,000.00
Total	\$1,453.00	YTD Received	\$57,513.75
		Difference	(12,486.25)



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

From the Pastor

Hello friends,

You may have heard me throwing out the terms “**Pastoral Council**” and “**Finance Council**” and thought to yourself, “Just look confident, don’t let anyone know you don’t know what that is.” The Finance Council is a team of parishioners well suited to look at, understand, and help the Pastor understand the movement of the Parish’s income and expenses. They’re concerned with the dollars and cents of the parish. The Pastoral Council is all about the culture of the parish – liturgy, formation, programming needs, etc. They’re about helping the Pastor see the needs of his people and extending his vision and mission to the parishioners. A critical element is the way both Councils provide important continuity between Pastors.

Anyway, just a few days ago the Pastoral Councils from both our parishes got together for a potluck and meeting down in Coon Valley. Both of these councils have been invaluable to me over the last few years, but there’s always been the hiccup that a member of one parish’s council has no official communication about what’s going on in the other parish’s council (past the fact that we have Humfelds on each). This meeting was all about building a bridge and giving the councilors in each group a chance to know the other.

If by “business” we mean scheduling events or starting up new programming, we didn’t get much “business” done on Thursday. We didn’t even get through the full set of three questions I had them consider beforehand (what unifies our parishes, what makes my parish distinct, and what challenges will we face working together?). Before anything we introduced ourselves – who am I, how long have I actively involved myself in the parish, and what particularly interests me about our parish life? Common themes included community building, faith formation, and liturgical ministry. Once we finally tucked into the questions we saw even more commonality come out – love for the feel and aesthetic of each parish, the variety of ages at our liturgies and the crossover of parishioners from one parish to the other, collaborating and participating in picnics and Passion Plays, pooling resources for Religious Education and adult formation, the list goes on. We saw common concerns – the need to welcome and open ourselves up to outsiders exploring our established communities (that is to say, “hello, I’m Scott, are you new to St. Mary’s?”), the need to develop/build up Men’s Clubs in the parishes, getting kids involved in things like serving and community events. As for the third question, we had already blown past the hour and a half I had asked of the councils, so we tabled it until our next combined meeting in half a year. I am grateful for the evening, both to hear points of pride and concerns and common desires and also (more importantly even) for the moment of shared community. Please continue to pray for all our work, and thank you again for welcoming me here as your Pastor!

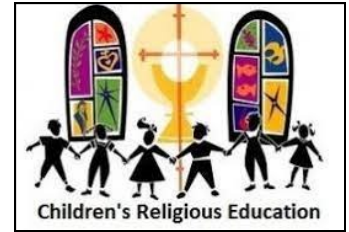
God bless you,

Fr. Joe

Parish Announcements

Religious Education

Our informational parent meeting is this Sunday, **Sep 8 in Viroqua Marian Hall**, after the 10:30am Mass; safe environment training will be provided at noon. A second Safe Environment training will be here in Coon Valley after the 8 AM Mass on October 20th. **Plan for Family of Faith activities to start in October (1st Sunday in Viroqua and 3rd Sunday in Coon Valley)** with this year's theme: The Sacraments. For more information please visit our website at: www.stmaryscv.org/religious-education



Our Annual Pancake Breakfast - October 13 Save the Date and Donate

As in past years, we are requesting at least a \$20 donation per family in lieu of a raffle. Envelopes are in the back of the church in alphabetical order for each registered family. Thank you in advance for your support.



Little Rock Scripture Study

We will tackle The Gospel of Luke, which is handled in two parts — six sessions of Part 1 will run between Oct. 10 and Nov. 21 and Part 2 will pick up in the New Year. This year we will offer both Thursday evening and Friday morning meeting times to fit into different schedules. If you’d like to join us, or have questions, please contact Melanie Halvorson (melhalvor@gmail.com or 312-315-9048) or sign-up on the sign-up sheets in the back of the church.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Healing Service and Mass, Mon., Sept 9th 4:30—9:00 pm

Join us for a special Healing Service and Mass at Sacred Heart in Cashton. This is an opportunity for physical, emotional, and spiritual healing through prayer and the sacraments.

Location: Sacred Heart Church - Cashton

4:30 PM: Adoration (Praise/Worship, Rosary, Confessions)

5:30 PM: Holy Mass

6:00 PM: Group Prayer for Healing

7:00 PM: Individual Healing Ministry

Please come and experience the healing power of Christ.

Jesus Promised: *“These signs will accompany those who believe... They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover.” - Mark 16:17*

Come to Rural Life Day | Sept. 18, from 10 AM-2 PM | Schmidt Family Farm in Lone Rock:

Join hundreds of the faithful for the 43rd Annual Rural Life Day at the Schmidt Family Farm on Wednesday, Sept. 18 from 10 AM-2 PM at 29281 Fairview Rd. in Lone Rock. Bishop Battersby will celebrate Mass at 10 AM, after which he will present awards recognizing parishioners and farm families, and bless animals, crops and machinery. Lunch will be served.

Diocesan/Local Announcements

Mary Mother of the Church Chicken Que - Sep 12

The Fall Chicken Q will be held on Thursday, September 12. Tickets are \$12 for a dinner which includes half a chicken, baked potato with toppings, homemade baked beans, coleslaw and a roll. Tickets are available at Masses in the gathering space in church. For reservations, please call 608-518-6145 or email chickenque@mmoclacrosse.org

Walking with Women, Praying the Scripture - Sep 19

Come and See! All women are welcome to attend Walking with Women, Praying with Scripture! This is NOT a physical exercise of the body. We practice the ancient exercise of lectio divina, engaging our five senses while reading the Gospels. This practice has been passed down through the church for ages, aiding the faithful to experience a deeper encounter with Jesus in His Living Word. As a group, we desire to offer Christian community for women of all ages. We will be gathering in the Undercroft at **St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral beginning on Thursday, September 19, at 6 p.m.** Please contact Mari Erickson or Amy Mulhern at walking9praying8@gmail.com for more information.

'Silent City' September 21st 11:00 am—3:00 pm

Silent City is a guided walking tour through the Catholic Cemetery (519 Losey Boulevard S.) featuring theatrical performances about the history and community impact of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration. Tours leave every 15 minutes and last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets available at <https://www.lchshistory.org/silent-city-tickets>

Victory of the Light Leadership Conference – Sep 21

Are you looking to Grow Your Council and Make your Leaders the Best They Can Be and Improve the Skills They Already Have? Attract New Leaders? This Conference is for you! Saturday, September 21, 2024. From 10 am to 4 pm at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, 460 W. Fourth Street, Richland Center, WI 53581. Please Find Registration at www.ldccw.org or contact President Candace V. McGrath at candace.ldccw@gmail.com or call 608-647-0400 for more Information. Brought to you by the Leadership Development Team of the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Cost \$10 Which Includes a Catered Lunch. **Please RSVP by September 14th.** Flyer and forms in the back of the church.

ORGAN RECITAL - Sep 22

The first in a series of three autumn organ recitals will be performed at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, 530 Main Street, La Crosse on Sunday September 22 at 3:30 pm by David Lim, Lecturer of Music at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls. The recital will be about one hour in duration. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be accepted. Ample parking available. Come hear this fine organist perform a varied and exciting program!

Pro-Life Witness – Sep 25-Nov3

Join 40 Days for Life campaign in La Crosse:

From Sept. 25 to Nov. 3, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – to stand and peacefully pray at a particular hour during a 40-day vigil on the sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood at 1201 Caledonia St., La Crosse. For more information and to sign up, please get in touch with Marie Allen by visiting 40daysforlife.com/en/lacrosse. The 40 Days for Life opening rally will be held at 4 pm on Sunday, Sept. 15, at Northside Community Church, 1300 Caledonia St., La Crosse. Topic: Post-abortion ministries in our area. All are welcome!

Activity Corner

Our Lady's Birthday

C H J E W S I N M P
H A P P M O T H E R
O W Y J A N N O S E
S A B O R N B L S P
E I I A Y R F Y I A
N T T C H D A A R
W I T H O U T Y H E
M N B I R T H D A Y
A G R M Y J E S U S
P U R E C H R I S T

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle.

Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



On September 8th we celebrate Mary's BIRTHDAY. She was CHOSEN by God to be the MOTHER of JESUS before she was even BORN. To PREPARE Mary to receive His SON, God made her PURE and WITHOUT SIN right from the first moment of her life.


JOACHIM and ANN were HOLY JEWS who were WAITING for the MESSIAH to come. God chose them to be the FATHER and mother of MARY, who would become the mother of CHRIST.



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Happy
september

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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- 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