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Parish Mission Statement:

The family of St. Mary's of Lyndon Station, Wisconsin is a welcoming community of the Catholic faith united in Catholic tradition and growing in the spirit of Vatican II. We come together at Liturgical and Sacramental celebrations to be nourished so we may respond to the gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our daily lives. We strive as a Christian community and in our personal lives to serve God and all of His people, especially the poor.

PARISH OFFICE

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Priest Office Hours

Fr. Cryton is currently away

Secretary Office Hours

Tuesday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
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Communion Service with Deacon Tom

Weekdays (starting January 18th)
Wednesday-Friday 8:30-9:00am

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

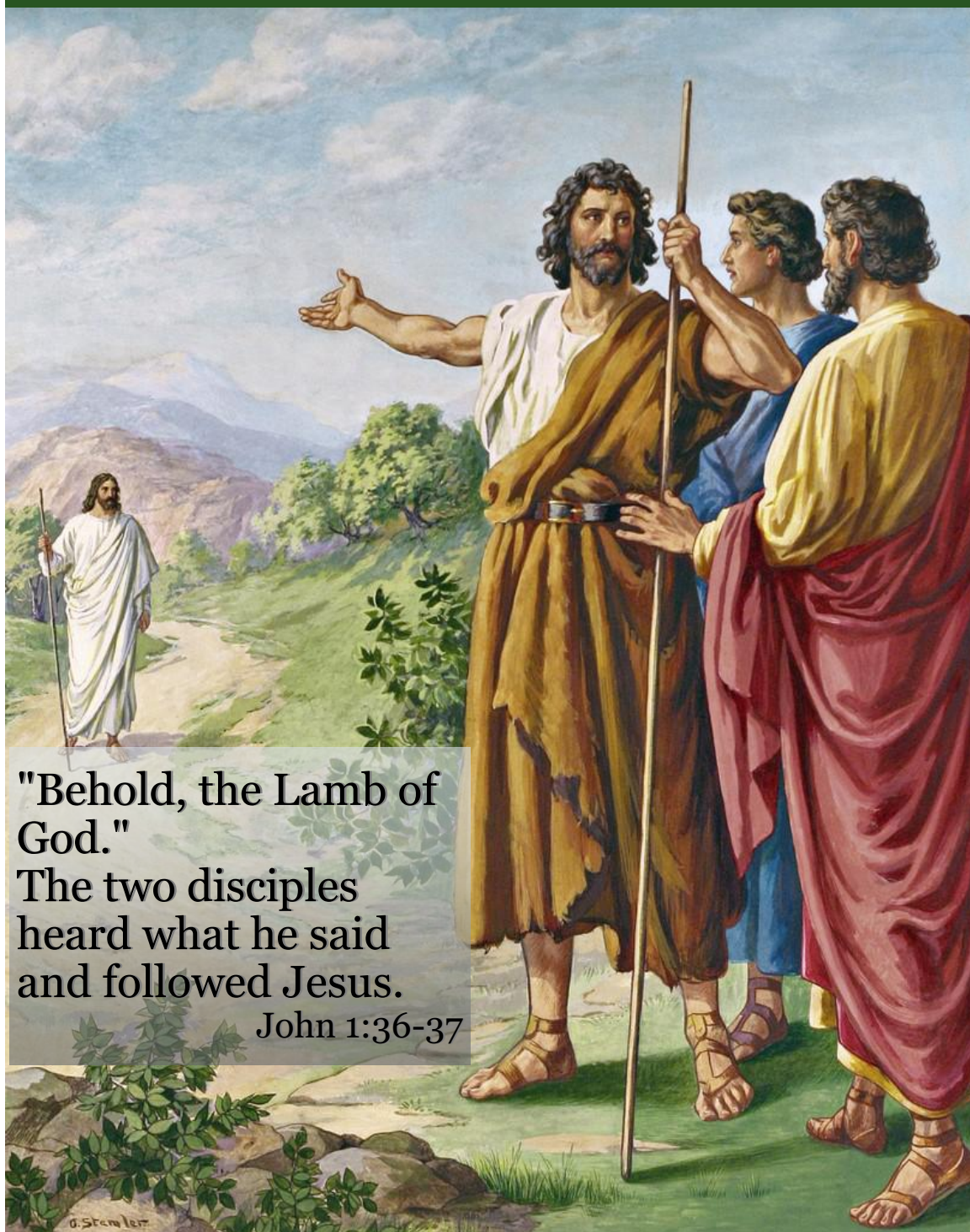
Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Saturday 6:35 pm
Sunday 8:35 am & 12:35 pm

January 14, 2024 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Behold, the Lamb of
God."

The two disciples
heard what he said
and followed Jesus.

John 1:36-37

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 16
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

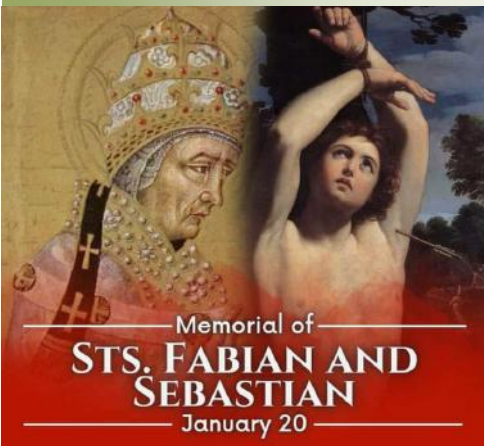
Wednesday, January 17
7:15 pm Communion Service
w/Deacon Tom

Thursday, January 18
8:30 am Communion Service
w/Deacon Tom

Friday, January 19
8:30 am Communion Service
w/Deacon Tom

Saturday, January 20
7:00 pm † Marion Walsh
By: Jerry & Renee
Sobojinski

Sunday, January 21
9:00 am † Bernadine Walsh
By: Mark Walsh
1:00 pm Parishioner Mass



Upcoming Events

Fr. Cryton on Vacation
January 8th-February 9th

Ash Wednesday
February 14th
Masses @ 8:30 am &
7:00 pm

**Naming the Basement &
Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast**
March 10th

Finance Council Meeting
March 12th @ 6:30 pm

Ladies Sodality Meeting
March 14th @ 1:00 pm

**Sacred Worship Committee
Meeting**
March 18th @ 6:30 pm

Being a Witness of Christ

A reflection from *My Catholic Life!*

“Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, “We have found the Messiah” — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus.” John 1:40–42

Andrew was a follower of Saint John the Baptist until John directed him to Jesus. One day John saw Jesus walk by and pointed to Jesus, telling Andrew and another disciple, “Behold, the Lamb of God.” The two disciples followed after Jesus. After spending the day with Jesus, Andrew was so impressed that the next day he excitedly went to find his brother, Simon Peter, to tell him about Jesus. As is mentioned in the passage above, he enthusiastically tells Peter, “We have found the Messiah.” Then, once Peter meets Jesus, Peter also becomes His disciple.

A similar experience occurs between the brothers Philip and Nathanael (see John 1:43–51). Jesus calls Philip to follow Him, and he does. After coming to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, Philip goes to tell his brother Nathanael that he has found “the one about whom Moses wrote in the law, and also the prophets.” Nathanael believes and follows our Lord. Thus, a series of conversions began after John the Baptist gave testimony that Jesus was the “Lamb of God.”

Though we can be certain that Jesus did not need the testimony of John the Baptist to convert Andrew, nor the testimony of Andrew to convert Simon Peter, nor the testimony of Philip to convert Nathanael, this is how it happened. Jesus chose to use these three to bring about the conversion of others.

In God’s divine plan of salvation, He regularly uses the mediation of others to bring forth the conversion of hearts. We see this on many levels. First and foremost, He uses our Blessed Mother as the Mediatrix of Grace to bring forth His grace upon us all. She is the instrument and Jesus is the source. Through her mediation, there are other saints who act as intercessors. And there are countless angels who also act as distributors of God’s grace and mercy. God is the source of all but uses the heavenly hosts to bring forth His grace upon us all.

The same is true within our earthly existence. In addition to the numerous angels and saints who act as intercessors and mediators, God uses each one of us to bring about His Kingdom here and now in the lives of many. Every time we speak God’s words or witness to God through our actions, we become instruments of God’s mercy. And if we fully commit ourselves to the divine will, there are many who will be converted by God’s grace through us.

Reflect, today, upon the holy and sacred calling you have received to act as a mediator of God’s infinite grace and mercy. First, think about the many people God wants to touch through you. Also think about the fact that those people might never be drawn to God if you fail to act. God can do all things and touch many people in varied ways, but the fact remains that He does want to use you for His mission. Say “Yes” to that mission so that you, like many others, will share in the glorious calling of being an intercessor and a mediator of God’s grace.

Most glorious Lord, You are abundantly generous in Your grace and mercy and desire to bestow Your love on all people. Please use me for Your divine mission of evangelizing the world. I say “Yes” to You, dear Lord. Use me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

Gloria Kramer passed away Thursday, January 4th. Her funeral was here at St. Mary’s on Saturday, January 13th.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in peace!



St. Mary’s Prayer List

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Mary Jean Cauley, Mary Crowley, Chris DeLange, Fr. Clayton Elmhorst, Jim & Adela Hagen, Chuck Huber, Roseanne Kenneth, Noah, Mary Claire Marshall, Lizzie Mitchell, Pat Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Karen Patton, Charlotte Rybicki, Marie Senzig, Preston Shields, MV, those who are sick, unemployed, in need, & all families who are suffering in any way; from illness, cancer, uncertainty, & anxieties; Families & Friends, please... **PRAY THE ROSARY!!!**



Retrouvaille

Is your marriage in distress? No matter how hopeless it seems, forgiveness and trust are possible. Retrouvaille is a Catholic-based program that helps couples through difficult times in their marriages, some even after separation or divorce. It is not counseling or group therapy. The next program begins with a weekend on February 16-18, 2024, in the Wausau area. Call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673). Fully Confidential. More at www.HelpOurMarriage.org *No couple is turned away for lack of finances.* Please click on this link or use your camera's smartphone to scan the QR code to the right to access the brochure. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DyrLYH74WoOSYOzA0cFue2lLAQrOZtmv/view?usp=sharing>



DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.

Eucharistic Adorers Needed

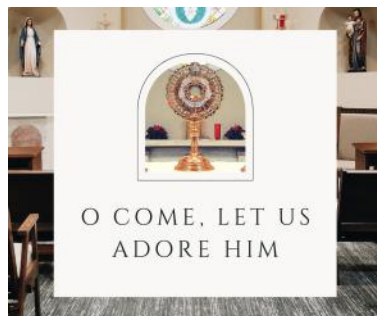
Our Lady of Refuge Eucharistic Adoration Chapel at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Reedsburg.

Thursdays

4:00-5:00 PM
(Second, fourth, and fifth weeks of the month only)

Fridays

1:00-2:00 AM
(Second week of the month only)
2:00 - 3:00 AM
3:00 - 4:00 AM



Able to spend one or more of these hours with Our Lord?
Contact Rich Braun at (608) 495-6117



Pictures from last Sunday's blessing of the new Mary statue

If you haven't already done so, please take a moment to pick up your 2024 contribution envelopes. If you see a box that belongs to a family that has a hard time getting to church please make a point of dropping their envelopes off to them. If you would like envelopes please contact the parish office at 608-666-2421 or email office@stmlys.diolcparish.org

Also, your 2023 contribution statements will be available for pick up at the end of the month. Please take a moment to do this so we can save the postage to mail them.

Fr. Cryton is on vacation until February 9th. There will be the regular weekend Masses with visiting priests, but no weekday Masses. Starting January 18th Wednesdays-Fridays Deacon Tom will be having a communion service at 8:30 am. January 17th Deacon will have a communion service at 7:15 pm which will include the CCD students.

Fr. Jey from St. Patrick's in Mauston will fill-in as needed. Contact the parish office with any needs that arise and pray for safe travels, great family time, and relaxation for Fr. Cryton!

Financial Stewardship

January 7th, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4,177.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$5.00
Offertory.....	\$604.00
Votive candles.....	\$76.00
Utility Envelopes.....	\$500.00
Holy Days.....	\$70.00
Total	\$5,432.00

(156 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$83,551.16

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$95,820.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 59.89%

Number of Donors: 36

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$20,100.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$9,960.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 49.55%

Number of Donors: 44

There are envelopes in the back of church if you would like to contribute.

Every gift makes a difference and is truly appreciated!

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 20, 7:00 pm

Lector	Steve Hesprich
EMC	Steve Hesprich
Servers	Katelyn Browne
.....	Aron Browne
Ushers	Matt McGowan
.....	Dan McGowan
.....	Dan Patton
Gift Bearers	Jim Crowley Family
Musician	Carol Costerisan

Sunday, January 21, 9:00 am

Lector	Ted Czajkowski
EMC	Carol Cauley
Servers	Karina Strzemecki
.....	Amanda Strzemecki
.....	Karol Strzemecki
.....	Brian Fox
Ushers	Tony Oldigs
.....	Earl Verette
.....	Tom Guyse
.....	Jim Cauley
Gift Bearers	Mark Walsh
Musician	Jade Pusel

Sunday, January 21, 1:00 pm

Lector	Zach Housworth
EMC	Zach Housworth
Usher	Rodney Senzig

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Servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, CCD teachers, the ladies that take care of the altar & flowers, Musicians, Choir, Dennis (our maintenance man), and everyone that helps keep St. Mary's a special Parish!

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"Behold: God is With Us" Young Adult Retreat - January 27, 2024

The world needs Jesus. Our souls need Jesus. Out of God's abundant love for us, He became man: the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14). Jesus is the answer to the longings of our heart, and He is our way to eternal life. Knowing He would ascend into heaven, Jesus leaves us Himself- body, blood, soul, and divinity- under the guise of simple bread and simple wine. Why? So that our intimate love and union with Him (flesh to flesh) may continue in this life as we await the perfection of His love and union in the next. "Behold: God is With Us" or "Behold", for short, is an opportunity for you to retreat from the busyness and stresses of this world and find rest and consolation in Jesus and other young adults like you. All 18-35-year-olds are welcome to join us for a day of enriching talks, silent prayer/ reflection, small group discussion, adoration, confession, and Mass. Most importantly, learn how to remain connected post-retreat to a lively community of young adults striving for Sainthood. This day-long retreat will occur at Blessed Sacrament Parish in La Crosse, WI. Check-ins will begin at 8:30 am and the retreat will conclude after the 4:30 pm vigil Mass. An optional after party will take place to follow! Breastfeeding babies are welcome! Lunch will be provided! All of this and more for the low cost of \$20. Let us behold the Lord together! Register here: <https://argentasoftware.com/interfaces/49870/frmEventTicketSalesForm.aspx?EventID=4042>, or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code on the right.

