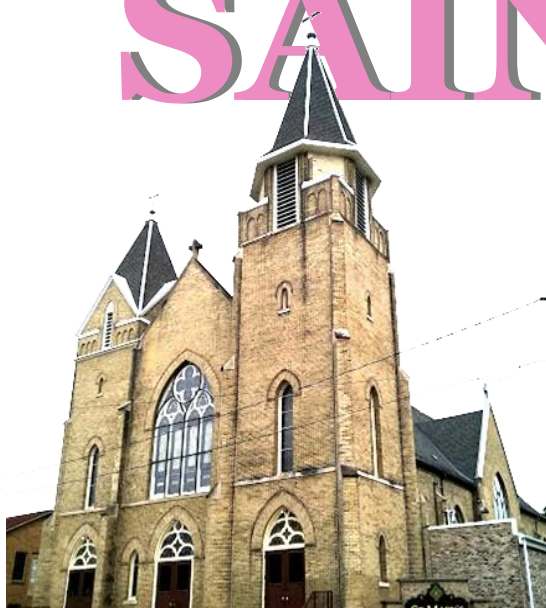


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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Tue 5:30 pm, Wed - Fri 8:30 am

Weekends

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:25 am

Confessions

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm
Wed-Fri 8-8:20 am & by appointment

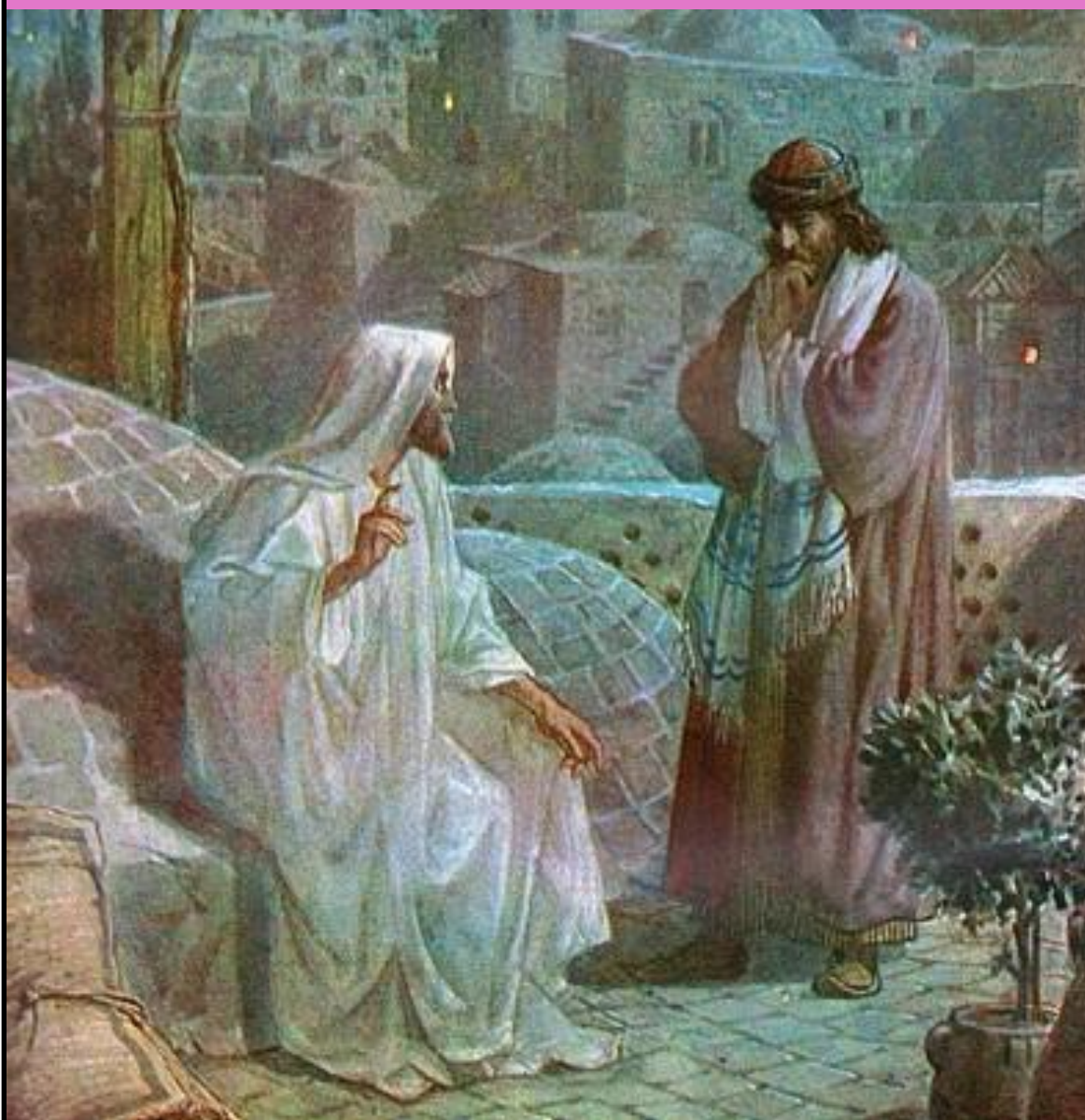
Rosary

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

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.

March 10, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Lent



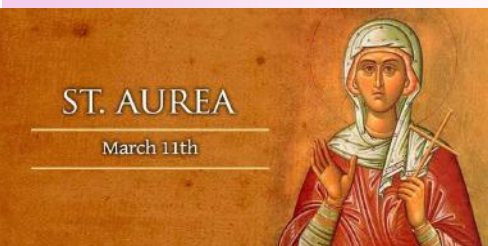
Jesus said to Nicodemus:

“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
So must the Son of Man be lifted up,
So that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”

John 3:14-21

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, 5:30 pm	March 12 Michael Sauter By: Angela Dziewior
Wednesday, 7:15 pm	March 13 † Clarence & Rose Hall Sr. By: Jim & Judy Hall
Thursday, 8:30 am	March 14 Health of John Blau By: Leo & Jeanette Crowley
Friday, 8:30 am	March 15 † John 'Jack' Smart By: Andy & Judy Robinson
Saturday, 7:00 pm	March 16 † John Hall By: Rita Hall Family
Sunday, 9:00 am	March 17 † Donna Fitzgerald By: Family
1:00 pm	Parishioner Mass



Upcoming Events

Naming the church hall & Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

March 10th after 9am Mass

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

Święconka

March 30th @ 10:00 am

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday 7:00 pm

Good Friday Service 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil Saturday 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm



Join us every Friday of Lent
after the 8:30 am Mass for
Stations of the Cross
led by Fr. Cryton

A message from Fr. Cryton,

Lenten Reflection on Laetare Sunday

ON THIS FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, the Church invites us to rejoice because God loves us so much. This Sunday of Lent has traditionally been considered as “Laetare Sunday”, and it is fitting to think of this day as a time for joy. Hence in this time of penance and conversion,

LET US BE JOYFUL the fact that God has been merciful to us and is willing to extend His mercy to us over and over again.

LET US BE JOYFUL that when we live and practice mercy each day, we allow the good things that God gives to all of us as a result of our fidelity: happiness, peace, serenity and consolation are results of a mercy-filled life.

LET US BE JOYFUL as we prepare to encounter the Lord as He offers his life for us: we will never experience true joy unless we encounter the Paschal Mystery in our own lives, as Christ’s Passion and Resurrection is the fount and wellsprings of true happiness in life.

As we are approximately halfway through Lent this Sunday, it is good to remind ourselves of the lessons that we have learned so far during this wonderful season. A reflection from a journal, ‘Seminarians’ Musings’, help us to reflect the following thoughts.

1. The reality of sin: Sin, which is willful disobedience to the commands of God, exists. It exists on a personal level (when we by knowledge, will, and freedom choose to sin rather than do good), and in a societal level (when our collective decisions and policies do not follow the will of God but rather our own wills). This sin is caused by our hardness of heart or the incapacity to see as God sees things, and at the same time by our human weakness and sinful inclinations that we have gained from our first parents.

2. The reality of God’s mercy: Where sin abounds, the grace of God prevails. In many readings during this season, we have seen how God calls his own people back from the darkness and blindness of sin into new life through the various covenants he has established with his people. In the fullness of time, Jesus was sent by the Father to be the vessel of His mercy, to bring it to a people who needed light, healing, refreshment, peace, and forgiveness.

3. The mission of Jesus and his Church: It is this love in the form of mercy that becomes the “heart” of the mission of Jesus on earth. Today’s Gospel is about the intimate conversation of Jesus and a Pharisee named Nicodemus. In this brief but very powerful Gospel passage, we learn that the love of God for sinful humanity is the reason that Jesus was sent on earth. He comes to save the world by His own redeeming action, rather than condemning us in our sins.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

If you wish to donate money towards Easter flowers in memory of loved ones, please put the money in an envelope with your name on it, who you want remembered, and put the envelope in the offertory collection or mail to the parish office by March 24th. These will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.



St. Mary’s Prayer List

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Mary Jean Cauley, 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!!!

TRAVEL BY COACH BUS to “the Answer Eucharistic Rally on Friday, June 7th with St. Patrick Parish - MAUSTON

St. Patrick Parish will be chartering a Coach Bus, to depart from St. Patrick’s Church Mauston, at 8 AM June 7th. We will depart the LaCrosse Center at 6 PM. The cost of the bus and registration fee for the Rally will be \$60. We encourage anyone to sign up. If you have already registered for the Rally with the Diocese you can still sign up with St.

Patrick Church to ride the Charter Bus for \$40. **This event is for youth and adults!**

You can also register anytime through the end of March or until the bus is full, by calling the St. Patrick Rectory, 608-747-2681 or e-mail Laurie at pastoralcare@stpatricksmauston.com.



The Jubilee Book Committee needs your help!!

We are still in need of photos and documents for our book.

Photos and Documents from **the past to the present** are needed for the following chapters of the book:

HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS OF ST. MARY'S, THE PRIESTS OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY, ST. MARY'S DINNERS & FESTIVALS, ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, THE CEMETERY OF ST. MARY'S PARISH,

WEDDINGS OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, BAPTISMS OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, 1ST COMMUNION OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, CONFIRMATIONS OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, OUR BEAUTIFUL ST. MARY'S PARISH (Old - Present Photos of St. Mary's, Improvement Projects Photos), ST. MARY'S SURVIVES COVID

We ask that all photos were taken within the church or outside the church, at the school, at the cemetery ...

Scans of your photos and documents can be sent directly to stmarysjubilee2024@gmail.com Or arrangements can be made to scan your photos, by dropping them off at the parish office during business hours, Or by calling Vicki McGowan 608/547-2426.

All Photos Must Be Submitted BEFORE MARCH 30th

We thank you for your help! We certainly do not want you and your family left out of our book.

Sincerely,

St. Mary's Jubilee Book Committee



Welcome to the Catholic Church Claire Katherine Lierman! Claire was baptized last Sunday, March 3rd. She is pictured here with her sister, Sophia, parents James and Lindsey, and Godparents Katherine and Sterling Walsh. These two families also recently joined as parishioners, so we extend a warm welcome to St. Mary's to them!!!

There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for Triduum liturgical roles. Please help out if you can!

St Paul's Catholic Church **Fish Fry**

408 W. River St., New Lisbon 53950

Fridays: March 15 & 22

Tickets: Adults \$13.00 6-12 years \$6.00

Serving 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Let's celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick with a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner! Serving 11-1 on Sunday, March 17th in Rear-don Hall at St. Patrick's Church. Serving corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots and dessert! Cost \$10.00 per person/\$30.00 per family. Carry-outs also available

Additional Confession times at St. Mary's during Lent:

Wednesday-Fridays 8:00 am - 8:20 am during exposition of the blessed Sacrament before morning Mass

Tuesdays @ 5:00 pm & Saturdays @ 6:00 pm will remain the same during Lent @ St. Mary's

For the sick and homebound:

If you would like to receive communion and/or wish for confession, please call the parish office @ 608-666-2421.

Communal Reconciliation Services in the Area:

St. Cecilia - Wis. Dells - March 16 @ 9:00 AM

St. Patrick - Mauston - March 21st @ 7:00 PM

Financial Stewardship

March 3, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2333.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$6.00
Offertory.....	\$433.25
Votive candles.....	\$45.00
<u>Holy Days.....</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>
Total	\$2967.25

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Total Pledged & Received: \$96,045.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 60.03%

Number of Donors: 36

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$20,100.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$10,550.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 52.49%

Number of Donors: 48

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, March 16, 7:00 pm

Lector.....Katelyn Browne
EMC.....Natty Kranz
Servers.....Katelyn & Aron Browne
Ushers.....Dan McGowan
.....Dennis Franek & Jasan Franek
Gift Bearers.....Jim Crowley Family
Musician.....Carol Costerisan
.....& Andrea

Sunday, March 17, 9:00 am

Lector.....Larry Mueller
EMC.....Larry Mueller
.....Teri Mueller
Servers.....Karina, Amanda
.....and Karol Strzemecki
Ushers.....Earl Virette
.....Tom Guyse, Jim Cauley
.....and Craig Kobylski
Gift Bearers.....Fitzgerald Family
Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, March 17, 1:00 pm

Lector.....Rochelle Crowley
EMC.....Marcy Krogh
Usher.....Rodney Senzig

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COMMENTARY ON THE INVOCATIONS OF THE LITANY OF LORETO (Part 3)

Mother inviolate, pray for us! The first woman, Eve, sinned and brought on herself the following sentence: "I will intensify the pangs of your childbearing; in pain shall you bring forth children." (Gen 3:16). Mary, as immaculately conceived, she was not subject to the effects of original sin. And it was thus that she gave birth to the savior as a Virgin, as completely pure, without suffering and pain. This is a special mystery, which St. Augustine explain: "Just as the rays of the sun penetrate glass, and despite this do not harm it nor destroy it, so also Mary bore Christ, the Sun of righteousness, without any violation of her virginity." **Virgin most powerful, pray for us!** St. James writes: "The fervent petition of the just man is powerful indeed" Could not the most special friends of God, the saints, accomplish this? 5 How much more so can the Most Holy Virgin? St. Anselm calls upon her: "O Immaculate Virgin, higher than the patriarchs, higher than the martyrs, higher than the confessors, higher also than the virgins..." Mary is Mother of the All-Powerful Son of God. If Her Son is All-Powerful by nature, then she is all-powerful by grace, so she is the Virgin most powerful in every sense of the word.

