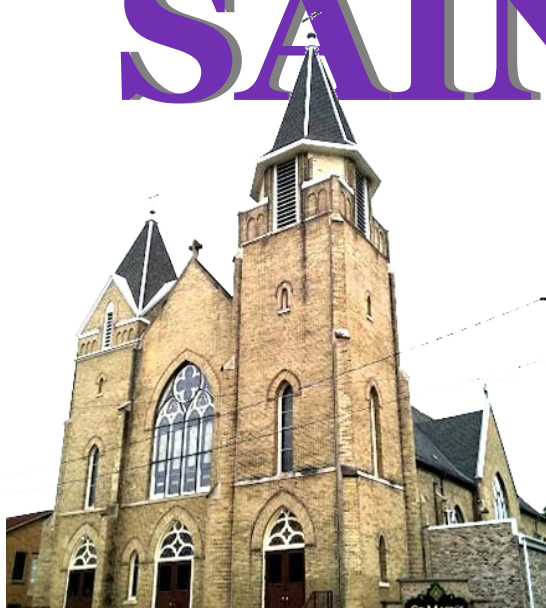


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Parish Mission Statement:

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.

March 3, 2024 - Third Sunday of Lent

“Destroy this temple
And in three days
I will raise it up.”
John 2:13-15



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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Tue, 5:30 pm Wed, Thurs, & 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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 5 5:30 pm	† Ray & Alice Moriarty By: Ken & Mary Jo Engevold
Wednesday, March 6 8:30 am	† Ralph Hamm By: Family
Thursday, March 7 8:30 am	† Kevin Neve By: Leo & Jeanette Crowley
Friday, March 8 8:30 am	Marie Senzig By: Linda Lochner & Vicki McGowan
Saturday, March 9 7:00 pm	† Anna McGowan By: McGowan Family
Sunday, March 10 9:00 am 1:00 pm	Parishiner Mass † Marion Walsh By: Ron & Gail Finnegan



Upcoming Events

Buildings & Grounds Meeting
March 5th @ 6:30 pm

**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



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,

Three Principles in Christian Life

TODAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT. This Sunday readings remind us to go back to the three basic principles of Christian life and they can also be called the Three Rs of Christian life. I found this thought in one of the homilies of a priest.

The first R or principle is RELATIONSHIP: Christianity is not just a religion but also a relationship. The essence of the ethics of Jesus is not only a law but a relationship of person to God. We pray, we worship, we attend Mass and we read the Bible because we want to deepen this kind of relationship with Him. We deepen not only our relationship with Him but also our relationship with the other people. The North American Indians had a very beautiful definition of a friend. For them the word, 'friend' is 'someone who carries my sorrows in his back.' Therefore, we can say that if a person or a friend comes to us for an advice, most often, he wants nothing more than our presence, listening ear, quiet caring and less about our suggestions and solutions to their problems.

The second R or principle is RELIANCE: Reliance or dependence on God is more basic to our fulfillment than dependence on material things. No doubt, money is the sixth sense which enables us to enjoy the other five. But the picture of the merchants being driven out by Jesus from the Temple warns us of preoccupation with money. This second principle reminds us of what somebody had said that money can buy food but not appetite; money can buy medicine but not health; money can buy a house but not a home; money can buy companions but not friends; money can buy everything but not eternal happiness. Let us rely on God because without Him we can do nothing.

The third R or principle is RENEWAL: Religion is in the heart and not only in the knees. It is because no matter how long our prayers are with our knees on the floor of the church but if we do not change our hearts for the better, nothing will happen and nothing will change. It is said that our hearts should be operated because our hearts are full of foolishness like: **H**-hatred, **E**-envy, **A**-anger, **R**-resentment and **T**-timidity.

A Note: Naming the Church Hall – St. Bridget Hall

The year 2024 is a memorable year for St. Mary's Parish Community for a special reason. We are celebrating the 125th anniversary of the building of the present St. Mary's church. We have been preparing for this from last year. As you have noticed in our year planner, March 10th 2024, we have scheduled to name our church hall (basement) as 'St. Bridget Hall'.

The name St. Bridget is not new to St. Mary's parish Community. The first parish of Lyndon Station began in the year 1851, dedicated as St. Bridget Parish. As the church got moved to the new location, the church was renamed as St. Mary's (The detailed Parish history will be published soon).

When the idea was put forward to name our church hall as one of our jubilee projects, both Jubilee committee and parish pastoral council unanimously agreed to name the hall as St. Bridget Hall as a remembrance of our original church.

I welcome you all to join us for this event on Sunday the March 10th after 9 am mass together with pancake breakfast organized by Knights of Columbus.

March Wedding Anniversaries

James & Adela Hagen and Steve & Judy Scott

Happy Anniversary!



If you don't see your Anniversary listed, please contact the parish office to update our records. Thank you!

Healing Mass & Service at Sacred Heart Church, Cashton, WI

Are you suffering from physical, spiritual, or psychological distress? God's will is for you to be whole! A Healing Service will be held on **March 4th** at Sacred Heart Church in Cashton, WI. The evening begins at **4:30pm** with Adoration, devotions and confessions. **Holy Mass at 5:30pm**, followed by prayers for healing using exorcised and blessed salt, oil, water, with intercessory prayers by our clergy and lay prayer teams.

St Paul's Catholic Church Fish Fry

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Fridays: March 8, 15 & 22

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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

Just a note: Deacon Tom is recovering from a surgery and will not be available for a few weeks. Please pray for his quick recovery.

Lenten Series in your own home – Jesus and the Eucharist Series!

The seven sessions are outstanding in beauty and presentation with inspiring testimonies that draw participants to a deeper faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Each video and handout for the series is available at: diolc.org/eucharist/lead

Please join us next weekend for naming of the church basement & Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

March 10th after the 9 am Mass

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

March Birthdays:

Stanislaw Chowanec-Bombac, Sharon Humecki, Pat Mitchell, Bruce Cassity, Dan McGowan, Jennifer Skowronski, Krzyztof Strzemecki, Andrea Thompson, Jami Edwards, Tara Jo Swinehart, Cory Holig, Theresa Holloway, Katie Walsh, Owen Jones, Kennedy Vieth, Eden Finucan, Loretta Madland, Audrey Swinehart, Sylvie Holloway



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.

Financial Stewardship

February 25, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2350.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$1.00
Offertory.....	\$459.00
Votive candles.....	\$76.00
<u>Ash Wednesday.....</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total	\$2896.00

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Total Pledged & Received: \$95,970.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 59.98%

Number of Donors: 36

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$20,100.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$10,530.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 52.39%

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 9, 7:00 pm

Lector.....Karen Patton
EMC.....Karen Patton
Servers.....Katelyn & Aron Browne
Ushers.....Dan Patton
.....Jim McGowan
.....Matt McGowan
Gift Bearers.....McGowan Family
Musician.....

Sunday, March 10, 9:00 am

Lector.....Sheri Guyse
EMC.....Sheri Guyse
.....Teri Mueller
Servers.....Nellie Jo Erickson
.....Anton Erickson & Brian Fox
Ushers.....Pat Cauley
.....Pete Cauley, Matthew Leja
.....and Tony Oldigs
Gift Bearers.....Pete & Linda Lochner
Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, March 10, 1:00 pm

Lector.....Terri Donnelly
EMC.....
Usher.....Zach Housworth

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COMMENTARY ON THE INVOCATIONS OF THE LITANY OF LORETO (Part 2)

Lord, have mercy on us. The Litany begins with the invocations, "Lord, have mercy on us, Christ, have mercy on us" as well as the invocations to the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity, that is, to God Himself. This introduction appropriately frames our prayer. It reminds us that in the long run, we always pray to God and it is He whom we ask for His mercy. Jesus established the Church, which constitutes His Mystical Body. The Lord therefore invited people to cooperate in His saving work. Mary and the saints have their role to play in the mission of reconciling God with the world. Prayer to Mary and the saints has a different character than prayer to God Himself. At the heart of the matter is a petition for prayer, for intercession, which is why we repeat the refrain: "pray for us." **Queen of peace, pray for us!** This last invocation was introduced into the Litany of Loreto during World War I. At that time, it seemed that the war would not end and that peace would never reign among the nations." Our Immaculate Mother merited this distinction, since it was she who gave us Him, whom the prophet Isaiah foretells as the "Prince of Peace" (Is 9:5), and who Himself said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you" (J 14:27).

