1899 - 2024 Proudly Celebrating 125 Years of St. Mary's Church



THE OLDEST EXISTING CATHOLIC PARISH IN THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE [est. 1851]

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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.

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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

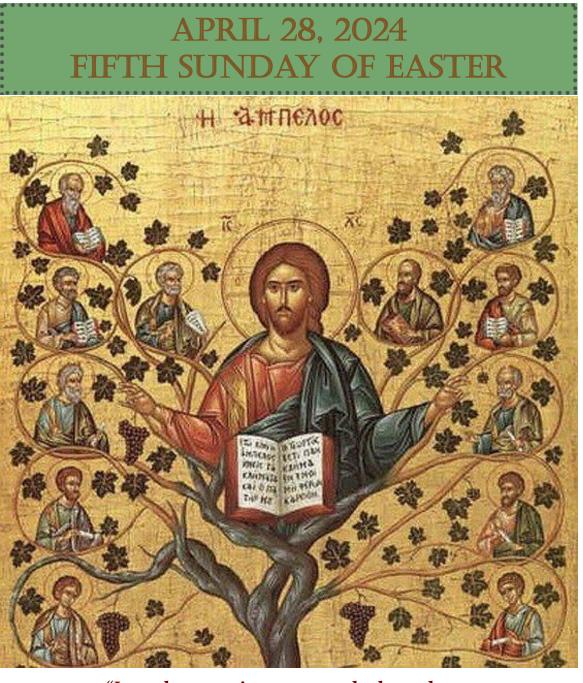
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm **Also by appointment**

Rosary

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



"I am the true vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."



Mass Intentions

Tuesday,	April 30
5:30 pm	Poor Souls in
	Purgatory
	By: Angela Dziewior

Wednesday, May 1 8:30 am Mark Fox

Thursday,
8:30 amMay 2
† Cheri Reimer
By: Pete & Linda
LochnerFriday,
8:30 amMay 3
† Gene Delmore
By: Betty Delmore

Saturday, May 4 7:00 pm † Anna McGowan By: Family

Sunday,
9:00 amMay 5
Parishioner Mass1:00 pm† Carol Doyle,
Mary Laridaen,
Eileen Roth,
And Marion Walsh

Upcoming Events

Ladies Sodality Blood Drive @ Lyndon Station Fire Station May 3rd 12pm-4pm

May Crowning & First Communion May 5th @ 9am Mass

> Cemetery Clean-up May 7th 4:00pm-6:00pm

> Ladies Sodality Meeting May 9th @ 1pm

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

May 11th & 12th after Masses

Memorial Mass @ Cemetery May 26th

> Corpus Christi June 2nd

Graduation Mass & Donut Sunday June 9th @ 9am Mass

> Ladies Sodality Banquet June 18th @ 5:30pm

General Cleaning of St. Mary's Church July 29th @ 9:00am

> Parish Festival September 1st



A Message from Fr. Cryton,

We the Christians are called to Bear Fruits of Holiness

"I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5).

The Gospel in the 5th week of Easter gives us another beautiful metaphor to show the importance of being connected with the Lord. Jesus invites us to bear much fruit through abiding in him.

What is the fruit referred to by Our Lord? The fruit referred to by Our Lord is "the holiness of a life made fruitful by [our] union with Christ (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2074)."

Our Lord asks from each one of us abundant fruits of holiness and apostolate. But this will only be possible if we are united with Christ: Our Lord Himself said: "for apart from me you can do nothing (Jn 15:5)." Let us reflect with Fr. Rolly A, means that helps us to bear fruits in our life.

LOVE, IN ORDER TO BE FRUITFUL, REQUIRES UNION WITH THE BELOVED. IF WE REALLY WANT TO GROW IN LOVE WITH OUR LORD, WE NEED TO UNITE OURSELVES WITH HIM THROUGH FAITH AND GRACE. HOW AND THROUGH WHAT MEANS?

• **Prayer:** Daily conversation with Our Lord (mental PRAYER) during which we get to know Our Lord better and thus grow in our friendship and love for Him. Remember, one cannot love someone whom he does not know. We need to deal frequently with Our Lord in order to grow in our friendship and love for Him.

• **Confession:** Frequent reception of the Sacraments of CONFESSION to make sure that we have our Lord in our soul, that is, we are in the state of grace;

• Holy Eucharist: Frequent reception of the Sacrament of the HOLY EUCHARIST in which we receive not only grace but the Author of grace Himself;

• **Presence of God:** Maintaining PRESENCE OF GOD throughout the day through acts of love, of petition, of thanksgiving...and this while we carry out our ordinary activities whether at home, at school or at work;

• **Our Devotion:** A loving and filial devotion to Our Lady and St. Joseph who were the people who knew and love most and best Our Lord Jesus Christ;

• Fulfilling the Commandments: Daily struggle to make Our Lord happy in our thoughts, words, desires and deeds... practicing the VIRTUES and fulfilling His COMMANDMENTS out of love.

Moreover, A CHRISTIAN WHO REALLY LOVES CHRIST, WANTS WHAT HE WANTS. AND WHAT DOES CHRIST WANT? SOULS! ALL CHRISTIANS ARE CALLED TO HOLINESS AND APOSTOLATE. You and I are instruments of Our Lord to bring souls closer to Him not only through our prayers, but also through our words, our good example and real friendship with the people He has placed beside us, with all the naturalness and while fulfilling our human obligations in the ordinary conditions of our life.

"BE A EUCHARISTIC SOUL! IF THE CENTRE AROUND WHICH YOUR THOUGHTS AND HOPES TURN IS THE TABERNACLE, THEN, MY CHILD, HOW ABUNDANT THE FRUITS OF YOUR SANCTITY AND APOSTOLATE WILL BE (St. Josemaria,)!"



May Crowning and First Holy Communion

Next Sunday, May 5th at the 9:00 am Mass will be the crowning of Mary.

Rylee Crowley, Loretta Schanke, and Kylie Seidl will also receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the very first time during this Mass!

The weekend of May 11th & 12th the Knights of Columbus will be having their tootsie roll drive after Masses. Proceeds will go to help people with intellectual and physical disabilities.

The 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Financials are available on the table in the vestibule along with spiritual statistics. Contact any of the Finance Council Members with questions. Members are Sheri Guyse, Tanya Walsh, Mick McCormick, Vicki McGowan, and Garrett Madland.

Upcoming Ladies Sodality Officer Elections

We will be having an election for Vice President and Treasurer at our next Sodality meeting on Thursday, May 9th at 1pm. If you are interested in becoming an officer, please submit your name to Linda Lochner by <u>Wednesday, May 8th</u> so that you will be on the ballot. Election of President and Secretary will take place in 2025.

Ladies Banquet

The Ladies Banquet is Scheduled for Tuesday, June 18th at 5:30pm. More information will be available in future bulletins. We are in need of 'A Few Good Men' to help serve the food. If you are able to help out, please call Linda Lochner at 847-867-4941



~LAST CALL~ Attention High School Seniors!!

St. Mary's Parish will again be offering **\$250** Scholarships this year to graduating seniors that have been an active part of St. Mary's Parish. Guidelines and applications can be requested from the parish office by phone, e-mail, or pick up at the rectory. Application deadline is: <u>April 30, 2024</u>

Education Series for Seniors Senior Fitness & Balance

Thursday May 9, 1:30-2:30pm Presented at Mauston Terrace Heights Retirement Community. Attend this free education on senior fitness and balance presented by Mile Bluff's Athletic Trainers. This education series will focus on senior health and navigating the longterm care system. For more information and to reserve your spot call 608-847-2377.

<u>St. Mary's Prayer List</u>

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Mary Jean Cauley, Chris DeLange, Fr. Clayton Elmhorst, Jim & Adela Hagen, Chuck Huber, Roseanne Kenneth, Noah, 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**!!!

Cemetery Clean Up - May 7th 4:00 pm- 6:00 pm

Please come out to the cemetery on Hwy J and help clean it up! A light luncheon will be included after cleanup.

Lot owners/families, please remove any decorations/memorials lying on/by lots prior to clean-up on May 7th as the cleanup crew will remove and discard many materials

Ladies Sodality Spring Blood Drive @ the Lyndon Station Fire Station

Friday, May 3rd 12pm-4pm

Call 1-800-RED CROSS *or visit* https:/www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time and type in the zip code 53944 to find the blood drive to sign up



Tomah Deanery Council of Catholic Women Spring Gathering

Saturday, May 4th, 2024 St. John the Baptist Catholic Church - 504 Enderby St, Wilton, WI Program begins at 9:00 am (Registration from 8:45-9)

Come help us celebrate the Month of Mary at the Tomah Deanery Spring Gathering. Bring your rosary with you as we will be praying the rosary as part of our program. There will be a speaker from Family Promise of Monroe County.

<u>Financial Stewardship</u>

April 21, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$2253.00
Student Envelopes	\$4.00
Offertory	\$649.00
Votive candles	\$53.00
Total	\$2,959.00
(150 registered families)	

(159 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date Contributed.....\$123,235.16

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00 Total Pledged & Received: \$95,120.00 Percent of Goal Pledged: 59.45% Number of Donors: 36

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$20,100.00 Total Pledged & Received: \$11,020.00 Percent of Goal Pledged: 54.83% Number of Donors: 51

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

Every gift makes a difference and is truly appreciated!

<u>Liturgical Roles</u>

Saturday, May 4, 7:00 pm

Lector	.Paul Zajackowski
EMC	Mary Crowley
Servers	Katelyn Browne
	Aron Browne
Ushers	Matt McGowan
Jim McGowan & Dan McGowan	
Gift Bearers	McGowan Family
Musician	TBD

Sunday, May 5, 9:00 am

LectorSheri Guyse	
EMCSheri Guyse	
Joan Holig-McCormick	
ServersNellie Jo Erickson	
Anton Erickson	
Brian Fox	
UshersTom Guyse	
Jim Cauley	
Craig Kobylski & Tom Kowalke	
Gift BearersRylee Crowley,	
Loretta Schanke, Kylie Seidl	
MusicianJade Pusel	

Sunday, May 5, 1:00 pm

Lector	Marcy Krogh
EMC	
Usher	





COMMENTARY ON THE INVOCATIONS OF THE LITANY OF LORETO (Part 10)

Tower of ivory, pray for us! Just as people assembled from everywhere at Solomon's tower of ivory to attain his counsel, so also does everyone come to Mary, to obtain at her feet the counsel of salvation. Mary is the tower of ivory also in view of her unparalleled whiteness, by which she brightly shone far and wide, and in view of the loftiness of her virtues.

Tower of David, pray for us! Mary is called the house of David in view of her gift of fortitude. The gates of hell never prevailed against her soul. On the contrary, she defeated them and like a fortified tower helps us to triumph over them again and again. The expression "Tower of David" is connected with the praise from the Song of Songs: "Your neck, like a tower of David, built in courses; a thousand 13 shields hung upon it, all the armor of warriors." Aside from this, the invocation is directly connected with that powerful tower, which guarded the northwest cornice of Sion and was called the tower of David.

