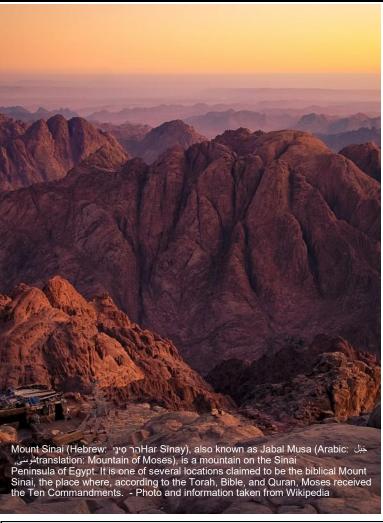
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Parish Mission Statement:

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

September 1, 2024 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 3 5:30 pm Kathy Straub

Wednesday, September 4

8:30 am † Bridget Wells By: Ken & Mary Jo

Engevold

Thursday, September 5 8:30 am

Paige Santer By: Dziewior Family

Friday, September 6 8:30 am

† Rosemary Lupo By: Gene & Vickie Gawronski

Saturday,

September 7 † James Nate 7:00 pm By: Mary Jane-

Sunday. 9:00 am 1:00 pm

Linda Nate September 8 **Parishioner Mass**

† Bill & Theresa Kondriotka By: Stella Szwab

Upcoming Events

Cleaning of St. Bridget's Hall September 5th, 9:00 am

Rural Life Day

Lone Rock September 18th, 10am

Jubilee Celebration September 22nd

10 am Mass, No 1 pm Mass

Finance Committee Budget Meeting September 24, 6:30 pm

Ladies Sodality Meeting October 10, 1:00 pm

Red Cross Blood Drive

October 15, 12-4pm at the Lyndon Station Firehouse

Cemetery Committee Meeting October 15th, 3:00 pm

> **Knights of Columbus** Roundtable

> St. Bridget's Hall October 24th, 6:30 pm

Now therefore, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. Deuteronomy 4:1

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Confessions

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm "And by appointment

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

Rosary

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

A Heart that Pleasing to God

Christ in our Gospel today quotes Isaiah when He criticized the hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees: "This people honor with their lips, but their hearts are far from me," The heart, for the Bible, is the innermost place for human being's knowledge, feelings, emotions and decisions. The heart is also the principle of good and evil thoughts (Mk 7:21; Lk 6:45) as well as the instrument of faith (Rom 10:10) and can be the seat of wisdom (1Kings 3:12). Not only these, the heart stands the entire personality of the person and the real source from which everything in the person flows. The Bible talks about several heart types that can either bind us to God or keep us off from Him. In 'Heart & Emotions', Andrew describes types of heart in the Bible.

The Good Heart: The heart that is open to God's Word and produces a lot of fruit is said to have a healthy heart. The heart is what is receptive to the operation of the Holy Spirit and willing to carry out God's desire. Even though the virtuous heart is not flawless, it is always ready to confess its errors and ask God for forgiveness.

The Hardened Heart: The heart that has become hardened is one that is resistant to change and closes off to God's Word. It is the heart that refuses to turn from sin and accept forgiveness. The effect of consistently rejecting God's grace is a hardened heart, which causes spiritual blindness and a lack of awareness of God's truth.

The Divided Heart: The heart that struggles between serving God and serving self is said to have a divided heart. It is the heart that is contradictory and erratic in all of its actions. Lack of commitment causes the divided heart, which results in a life of uncertainty and indecision.

The Broken Heart: The broken heart is the heart that has to be healed since it has been damaged by sin. It is the heart that recognizes its need for God's mercy and grace and is contrite and humble before Him. A profound sense of grief for sin and a strong desire to repent define the broken heart.

The Proud Heart: The heart that is filled with pride and self-importance is the proud heart. The heart that elevates itself above others and rejects to bow to God's rule is the problem. The arrogance and lack of humility that come from a proud heart.

The Fearful Heart: The fearful heart is the heart that is filled with fear and anxiety. It is the heart that lacks faith and is not putting its confidence in God's promises. God did not give us a spirit of fear, but one that is full of power, love, and a sound mind.

The Rebellious Heart: The heart that rebels against God's authority and is not submissive is said to have a rebellious heart. The refusal to follow God's instructions comes from the heart, which breeds disobedience and rebellion.

Come to Rural Life Day | Sept. 18, from 10 AM-2 PMSchmidt 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. Join us as we joyfully thank God for the food that sustains our lives, the land on which it is grown, and the dedicated families who farm it.



Youth Leadership Retreat: We are excited to offer a Youth Leadership Retreat at Crosswoods Camp in Mason, WI the weekend of October 25-27, 2024. One of the most important things we can do in youth ministry is to teach, train, and encourage our young people to use their God-given gifts for Him. While they are the future of the Church, there are also, very much, the present and now is the time to invite them to be part of our Church now. Too often we see our young people get Confirmed, then leave. This is our opportunity to say, "Wait! There's so much more!" and "We need you!" This leadership retreat will be a time for you to work with your young people to help them understand how to identify and use the gifts and talents God has given them, and make a plan for how they can use them in your parish. Please have your youth and chaperones register for this retreat using this link: https://argentasoftware.com/interfaces/49870/portalParticipant/frmLogin.aspx?TeamID=49884

Retrouvaille: Healing Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (French for "Rediscovery") is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. For more information, call 1.877.922.HOPE (4673), visit the website HelpOur-Marriage.org or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right. Please include the QR code in your parish bulletin. The program remains fully confidential and affordable. The next program begins with a weekend stay in the Wausau area, Aug. 16-18, 2024.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Married Couples

Do you know a couple who have been married 70, 75 or more years? Worldwide Marriage Encounter highlights and honors couples who have very long marriages. Every state in the US will honor one nominated couple who is married the longest. Please nominate a couple by going to wwme.org and nominate them at the top of the page. Nominations should be in by September 1st. For questions call 641-753-6953

September Wedding Anniversaries:

Maurice & Margaret Gurgel 49 years, Paul & Chris Jaskulski 45 years, Leo & Jeanette Crowley 43 years, Joseph & Wendy Rhyner 34 years, James & Bridget Hall 31 years, Darwin & Karen Patton 28 years, Daniel & Jennifer Skowronski 27 years, Jasan & Shannon Franek 26 years, Krzyztof & Barbara Strzemecki 21 years, James & Lindsey Lierman 3 years

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

September Birthdays:

Jeanette Conway, Frances Miller, Janice Pinterics, Peter Edwards, Richard Domke, Deborah Kowalke, Sofia Leja, Judy Scott, Laura Gavinski, Cindy Hamus, Tom Guyse, Mark Walsh, Angela Locken, Shannon Franek, Mark Crowley, James Crowley, Rochelle Crowley, Christopher Schuenke, Andrew Erickson, Darriane Sobojinski, Lauren Franek, Samantha Kobylski, Katelyn Browne, Marcus Kreiman & Ronan Edwards

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

St. Mary's Jubilee History For Sale at the Parish Festival September 1st!

The History Committee plans on selling the 125th Jubilee book at a tent at the Parish Festival on September 1st. The book includes 148 pages of past and recent pictures, information, and events of our parish! Cost per book is \$20.00 cash or check made out to St. Mary's Parish. Contact Jeanette Crowley 608-547-1350 with any questions.

As you may have noticed, we are currently testing out different types of bulletin formats and prints. Over the next few weeks you may see a variety of changes as we work to determine the best bulletin print style and format for our parish. We would welcome any feedback you have as we work through this testing phase. **Thank you for your patience with us!!!**

St. Patrick Parish - Mauston Annual Fall Festival Sunday, September 8th from 9 AM - 3 PM Food, kids' games, raffles, bingo, cake walk, music, beer tent, craft store, silent auction and more! Win \$5,000 in our Fall Festival Raffle. Bid on more than 100 items on our on-line auction from Sunday, August 25 through Monday, September 9. https://StPatricksAuction2024.ggo.bid

St Patrick's 19th Annual Golf Outing 2024

Sunday September 15, Tee Time 1pm—9 Holes with Hamburgers and Brats Available! Tickets \$55* Registration: Call CRGC 608-847-4658

A Minute with Jesus: At Mass, the Scripture Readings prepare us to receive Jesus
There are two major parts to the Mass: the liturgy of the word and the liturgy of the Eucharist. In
the liturgy of the word, we listen to three readings and a psalm from the Bible. These readings
help us recall all that God has done for us: His love and His plan for us. We stand up for the third
reading – the Gospel, the most important reading – because Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
deliver the message that Jesus brings, and include quotations of His very own spoken words. After the
Gospel, the priest or deacon helps us to understand these readings from sacred scripture and how to
apply the message to our daily life in order to be a more faithful follower of the Lord. Hearing the words
of scripture and the homily prepare our hearts to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.
Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to come to Mass with an open heart,
ready to hear the readings from scripture and the homily in order to know You better.
This week, read from the letter of Paul to Timothy about the importance of God's Word: "All Scripture is
inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, correction and training in righteousness, so that
the man (or woman) of God may be fully competent and equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:1617)

2024-2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal: "For We are God's Co-workers" 1 Corinthians 3:9 This year's theme will focus on what Bishop Battersby calls a "turning toward mission: the Mission of Jesus."

This year's theme is rooted in 1 Corinthians 3:9: "For We are God's Co-Workers." The theme highlights the collaborative relationship between God and us, the faithful, in building His kingdom. This verse emphasizes several critical aspects of practicing our faith as Catholics. It enables us to fulfill our baptismal call to holiness and bring Christ's love to the world, especially those most in need. As we prepare the launch of this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal, the thoughts below will help you focus on how your ministry encourages:

Trusting in God's Providence: The Church calls us to have a profound trust in God's providence and plan for creation. Pope Benedict XVI states, "A Christian who lets himself be guided and gradually shaped by the faith of the Church, in spite of his weaknesses, limitations, and difficulties, becomes like a window open to the light of the living God." This trust enables us to cooperate faithfully with God's work.

Participating in God's Mission: Called to participate in God's mission on earth through baptism, 1 Corinthians 3:9 underscores the idea that every believer has a role in spreading the Gospel and building up the Church.

Collaborating with Divine Grace: The concept of being co-workers with God implies that we work alongside Divine Grace. While God initiates and sustains the work, human cooperation is essential. God's grace and our free will are complimentary.

Uniting as a Community: This verse also highlights the importance of unity and teamwork. We are to support and uplift each other in our spiritual journeys and service to the Church.

Servicing via our Vocation: Every one of us has a vocation, whether to the priesthood, religious life, marriage, or single life. We are to view our daily work and duties as part of our collaboration with God.

Stewarding our Gifts: As children of God, we are to be good stewards of His creation and our gifts of time, talents, and treasure, as well as encouraging and helping others to be good stewards of their time, talents, and treasures. Stewardship involves evangelizing the Gospel's good news and recognizing our role as collaborators with God in the unfolding and protecting of creation. As Pope Paul VI affirms, "To evangelize is the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her most profound identity." The faithful carry out this mission by using their gifts to bring the Good News to the world.

In summary, 1 Corinthians 3:9," For We are God's Co-Workers," reminds us that our faith calls us to a life of trust in God, zeal for the Church's evangelical mission, and profound love and care for the poor by actively participating in God's work enthusiastically, fostering a sense of purpose, community, and responsibility in our spiritual and everyday lives.

St. Mary's Prayer List

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Chris DeLange, Fran Dethloff, Fr. Clayton Elmhorst, Jim & Adela Hagen, Chuck Huber, Roseanne Kenneth, Noah, Lizzie Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Karen Patton, Charlotte Rybicki, Marie Senzig, Preston Shields, Aiden Topper, MV, Katie Walsh, 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!!!**

Financial Stewardship

August 27, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1588.00
Student Envelopes	\$4.00
Offertory	\$1831.00
Votive candles	\$77.00

\$3,500.00

(159 registered families)

Total

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$29,759.31

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$95,345.00 Percent of Goal Pledged: 59.59% Number of Donors: 36

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, September 7, 7:00 pm

Lector	Steve Hesprich
EMC	Steve Hesprich
ServersKatelyn Bro	owne & Aron Browne
Ushers	Dennis Franek
Jasan F	ranek & Gary Fuller
Gift BearersMcGowan Family	
Musician	TBD
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Sunday, September 8, 9:00 am

Lector	Sheri Guyse
EMC	Sheri Guyse
	Ken Engevold
Servers	Nellie Jo Erickson
	Anton Erickson & Brian Fox
Ushers	Tony Oldigs
	Tom Guyse
	Connie Walsh & Mark Walsh
Gift Bearers	Moore Family
Musician	TBD

Sunday, September 8, 1:00 pm

Lector	Marcy Krogh
EMC	Marcy Kroah
Usher	Rodney Senzig



~ ACH Giving ~

St. Mary's offers automatic transfers via ACH from your bank account for your giving! There are forms in the vestibule. All you have to do is fill one out, include it with a voided check and drop it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office. You'll never have to remember to bring an offering envelope to Mass again! You can also cancel, skip, or modify donations at any time.

Contact the parish office for more information Phone: 608-666-2421 or Email: office@stmlys.diolcparish.org

Stewardship Bulletin Announcements September 1, 2024

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time DT 4:1-2, 6-8; PS 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5; JAS 1:17-18, 21B-22, 27; MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Today's readings call us to pause momentarily and consider how we respond to God's love for us daily. Our Gospel recounts a dialogue between the Pharisees and Jesus. The Pharisees questioned why Jesus' disciples did not practice the ritual washing before eating a meal. Jesus' response reminds us to ask ourselves 'why.' Why do we remain faithful to God's commands? Why do we pray or go to Mass? Why do we participate in the sacraments? Why do we love others? Our faith, when lived out of love, has the power to transform us and those around us. It's not just about obligations, fear, or duty, but about the profound love that Jesus showed us and calls us to share. St. James reminds us that every moment of each day is an opportunity to respond to God's infinite love for us with love and gratitude in return. Suppose we approach our relationship with Jesus with this in mind. In that case, we begin to realize that the gift of the Mass is an opportunity to worship God, the sacraments are ways to draw us closer to Him, and His commandments are opportunities to love Him more faithfully. If we approach our day-to-day moments with this in mind, we begin to see just how many blessings God has given us. Looking at life through the lens of gratitude helps us see each moment as a gift with endless opportunities to respond in love. Gratitude is not just a feeling, but a way of life. It's how we, as Christian stewards, should live — recognizing our lives as a gift and an opportunity to love God in response to how He has loved us.