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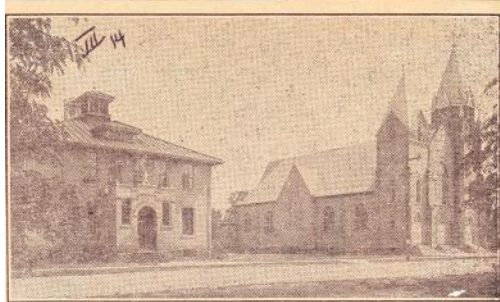
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Parish Mission Statement:

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.

September 22, 2024 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



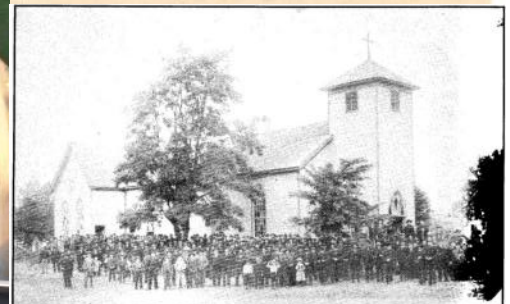
ST. MARY'S SCHOOL AND CHURCH
This view shows both St. Mary's parochial school and church



ST. MARY'S RECTORY, LYNDON STATION
Adjoining St. Mary's church, and a credit to the pari.



Bishop Griffin and priests present at dedication of Calvary Group in 1935 at St. Mary's cemetery in honor of Scanlan family



A NEW SAINT BRIDGET'S CHURCH WAS BUILT IN THE NEW VILLAGE OF LYNDON STATION IN 1863 — A FRAME STRUCTURE 60 BY 30 FEET.



1899 - 2024 | 125 Year Jubilee Celebration of St. Mary's Church

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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

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

A Felicitation Message from Fr. Cryton Outschoorn

The year 2024 marks a momentous occasion for St. Mary's Lyndon Station as we celebrate the 125th Jubilee of the present church. It is a time for us to praise God with gratitude on the many blessings and milestones that have shaped our community.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of the clergy who have faithfully served St. Mary's Parish throughout its history. Their dedication and tireless commitment have laid a strong foundation upon which we continue to build today. We are beneficiaries of their wisdom, guidance, and pastoral care, and we carry forward their legacy with reverence and gratitude. To all our parishioners, past and present, I offer my sincere appreciation. Your faithfulness, generosity, and steadfast support have been instrumental in nurturing this community into what it is today. Each one of you has played a crucial role in shaping the vibrant spirit that defines Saint Mary's.

As we celebrate this Jubilee, I am filled with joy and gratitude for the privilege of shepherding this flock and being part of this celebration. It is a blessing to witness the faith and love that radiate from each of you, and I am inspired by your commitment in living out the Gospel in your daily lives. Together, let us continue to grow in faith, hope and love, as we strive to be a beacon of light and compassion in our community and beyond.

Looking ahead, my prayer is that Saint Mary's Parish may continue to flourish and grow in the years to come. May we deepen our commitment to Christ and His Church, and may we always be guided by the Holy Spirit in all that we do. I pray Mary our mother continues to intercede for our parish community. With faith and trust in God's providence, I am confident that our parish will continue to be a source of blessings and grace for generations to come.

With Prayerful Wishes,

***Fr. Cryton Outschoorn** Pastor, St. Mary's Lyndon Station*



Greetings to my fellow parishioners at St. Mary's in Lyndon Station,

As we celebrate our 125-year Jubilee I am doubly blessed to be both a parishioner and serve the parish as an ordained deacon. Our parish stands at the forefront of welcoming communities in the area. I am always amazed, yet never amazed to see the commitment of the parishioners in working to keep our parish alive and growing. It's a blessing to talk to parish members whose grandparents or great grandparents helped build this church. I applaud the work that the History Committee has done to put this valuable booklet together. We continue to ask Our Blessed Mother Mary to intercede for us as we petition Her with our prayers of petition for our daily needs. Psalm 116 is a thanksgiving psalm and in verse 12 it asks a question. It asks, "How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me?" For me it's asking for a servant's heart to minister to the parishioners of St. Mary's and as a parishioner to be able to Open Wide the Doors of Our Church and proclaim: All Are Welcome Here! May you and your family be abundantly blessed,



***Tom Hale** Deacon, St. Mary's Lyndon Station*



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To the Rev. Cryton Outschoorn

and the Faithful of St. Mary's Catholic Parish,

As Bishop of the Diocese of LaCrosse. It is with great joy that I celebrate with you the 125th anniversary of St. Mary's Parish. We give thanks for God's faithfulness and the many blessings he has bestowed upon all of the faithful of St. Mary's Parish.

Over the years the faithful of St. Mary's have been a shining light witnessing the presence of Jesus Christ and His Church. The life of grace and celebration of the sacraments have enriched and strengthened each of you. Through God's grace, we are able to celebrate this glorious milestone and many blessings. Let us pray that God continues to bless the faithful of St. Mary's Parish and provide the strength and courage to always stand with him.

Be assured of my prayerful remembrance as you celebrate this important anniversary. God be with you.

Very truly yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby
Bishop of LaCrosse



To the good people of
St. Mary's Parish in Lyndon Station:
My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Your kind pastor, Father Cryton, informed me of your celebration of 125 years as a parish, and he invited me to offer you a few words as the dean. I could say "Congratulations" and "God bless you," and I offer those sentiments as well. But on a more personal note, I'll tell you that while I was pastor in nearby Mauston 15 years ago, I came to know that the Catholic faith runs deep at St. Mary's in Lyndon, and yourfierce love for your parish and for Our Lord has been a beautiful thing to behold. Your little corner of God's vineyard is alive and well and producing much fruit to the glory of God, owing to your faith, hope and love. May the Lord continue to make you a bright light in Lyndon Station and beyond!

Yours in Jesus,
Father Eric Berns, Dean [Tomah Deanery]

Dear Fr. Cryton,

September 2024

I wish to reach out to you and all the parish and parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

I pray that your celebration of the 125th Jubilee of St. Mary Church is a wonderful day and one filled with many graces for the parish.

As I recall my time there fondly I ask that God bless all those involved are renewed by this celebration as an opportunity to grow in hope for the work that the Holy Spirit is doing in St. Mary parish.

As the celebration falls during my Mass here at St. Peter's parish, I will not be able to attend the jubilee celebration. Please know that all of you will be kept in prayer that day.

Asking God's blessings

Fr. John Potaczek



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, Rachel Dombroski, 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!!!**

We will be updating the prayer list every three months to verify that all individuals on it wish to remain so. For the current list, if you would like to be removed or added please let the parish office know. Thank you and God bless.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday,	September 24
5:30 pm	Dan Kohne By: Vicki Kohne
Wednesday,	September 25
8:30 am	† Rosemary Lupo By: Family
Thursday,	September 26
8:30 am	† John Hall By: Family
Friday,	September 27
8:30 am	† Gene Delmore By: Betty Delmore
Saturday,	September 28
7:00 pm	† Joe Szwab By: Stella Szwab
Sunday,	September 29
9:00 am	† Cheri Reimer By: Pete & Linda Lochner
1:00 pm	Parishioner Mass

Upcoming Events

**Finance Committee
Budget Meeting**
September 24, 6:30 pm

**CCD Open House &
Registration**
September 25, 7pm

Ladies Sodality Meeting
October 10, 1:00 pm

Red Cross Blood Drive
October 15, 12-4pm
Lyndon Station Firehouse

Cemetery Committee Meeting
October 15th, 3:00 pm

Knights of Columbus Roundtable
St. Bridget's Hall
October 24th, 6:30 pm

**Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast**
October 27th after 9am Mass



The Holy Father Francis

cordially imparts the requested
Apostolic Blessing to

Rev. Fr. Cryton Outschoorn
and the Parishioners
of St. Mary's Church

on the occasion

of the 125th Foundation Anniversary
and through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary
invokes an abundance of divine graces

Lyndon Station - September 28, 2024

Ex Aedibus Vaticani, die 27.09.2024

*Cardinal Giovanni D'Ercole
Ecclesiarum Secretarius*



St. Mary's | A Brief Guide Through Her History



1851 Father M. Gaertner Came from Sauk City to celebrate the first mass in the new settlement.

The new church was completed in 1853. The name of the new church located at the present St. Mary's Cemetery was St. Bridget's Catholic Church.

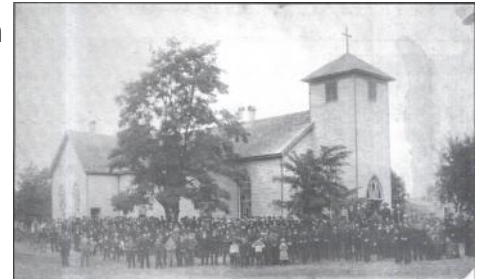
In 1856 Father Stehle was appointed pastor. He purchased thirty acres of land where the present St. Mary's Cemetery is located. He had the church moved along with the remains of persons who had been buried by the old church.

In 1863, parishioners of St. Bridget's decided to build a church in the new Village of Lyndon Station. The church was a frame structure 60x30 feet.

Father John Mears was pastor from 1876-1892. He built the first parochial school which opened April 28, 1877. At this time the name of the parish was changed to St. Mary's.

By 1894, St. Mary's Church had grown to 900 members. A new and greatly enlarged St. Mary's was dedicated in 1900.

Stone was laid for the base of the new church July 15, 1899. The cornerstone followed on September 28, 1899. The church was built during the pastorate of Father Nevins, and was dedicated on May 8, 1900, by the Most Rev. James Schwebeck, Bishop of La Crosse.



The stone for the church was cut and hauled from the Lemonweir Mills area. The river washed sand was brought from the John Dougherty farm along the Wisconsin River. Over a two year period men with teams of horses pulling wagons and stone boats worked countless hours hauling the materials used by the masons and carpenters.

Among those who contributed labor for the construction were: Richard Fox, Bartley Cauley, William Daley, William Tracy, Patrick Carroll, Pat Dougherty, Richard, Michael, and Patrick Dixon, Jack McGowan, Michael and Pete Collins, Frank Senzig, Edward and John Coughlin, John,

Thomas, and James Walsh, Tom and Theresa Anglim, Michael and Jane Eagan Scully, John J. Roth, Patrick Havey, the Fred Rogge Family, and the John Cauley Family.

The families of St. Mary's Parish continue to build on the legacy of their ancestors. In 2013 the parish started the window restoration project, and was able to restore and preserve the beauty of these works of art.

In 2018 the parish once again took on the task of updating and preserving the parish with the floor project, which continues to provide a timeless beauty for all who enter.

St. Mary's Parish has stood through time as a refuge to it's community members, providing for the spiritual welfare of it's people. Like it's families, St. Mary's continues to be a place for worship, community, fellowship and love that will continue to welcome all in the years to come.





St Mary's Parish would like to thank the Jubilee Committee for the hard work and dedication over the last year that they put into this most wonderful celebration.

Penny Scully, Joan Holig-McCormick, Jeanette Crowley, Jade Pusel, Sandy Hale, Sandy Madland, Mick McCormick, Fr. Cryton Outschoorn, Vicki McGowan, Linda Lochner, Carol Cauley, Kim Walsh-Bethhauser, Deacon Tom Hale, Jim Cauley, Sheri Guyse, Bill Blank, Ted Czajkowski, Dennis Frannek and all of the members of St Mary's Parish!

Happy Jubilee Day!

The congregation of St Mary's has done an extraordinary job preparing for this day. Thank you to every one of you for the prayers, time and work leading up to our celebration of 125 years of our Church. Without all the members of our Parish, we would not be celebrating this milestone. I pray that the community of Lyndon Station will have St Mary's for another 125 years.

Blessings to all,
 Sheri Guyse
 Finance Chairperson

Fellow Parishioners,

As we celebrate our 125th Jubilee today I would like to thank everyone for their hard work to help make our celebration a success. I would like to thank Father Cryton and the Jubilee Committee along with the Ladies Sodality. Many events would not have been successful without your behind-the-scenes work. Also, the support from the Parish Council, Finance Council along with Maintenance and Sacred Worship Committee's did not go unnoticed. I am very proud of our Parish Family for what we have accomplished!

Jim Cauley
 Parish Council Chairman

Congratulations to the McGowan Family of St. Mary's Parish, recognized at the 43rd Annual Rural Life day in Lone rock September 18, 2024.



Do you feel called to be a Deacon? The deacons of the Diocese of La Crosse seek to live their vocation as humble images of Christ the Servant. They are mostly men with wives and families. They have had, and often continue to have, active careers. Before they began their formation toward the diaconate, most were already serving their parishes as dedicated members of the laity. The Church needs more servant leaders. The Church needs more deacons. If you are think that God may be calling you to this ministry, now is the time to inquire and explore. Contact me now to discuss the formation process and get more information for our upcoming Discernment Retreat which is required for entry into the program.

Deacon Bob Riedl Director – Office of the Diaconate – La Crosse riedl@diolclergy.org

CCD Open House and Registration Night—September 25th at 7pm
For more information contact Sandy Madland at 608-393-2515

Join Bishop Battersby for the Oct. 18 Gospel of Life White Mass & Banquet:



On Friday, Oct. 18, at 6:00 PM, Bishop Battersby will celebrate the “White Mass,” at which the faithful honor and pray for Catholic healthcare professionals. A banquet will follow, with Bishop Battersby as the keynote speaker on “Prayer and the Eucharist: The Heart of Mission,” showing us how we can be equipped to proclaim the Life-giving Gospel of Jesus Christ in this challenging world. All are warmly invited to the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman for the Mass, as well as the banquet and talk to follow (\$25/person, \$15/student). To learn more and to register for the banquet, visit www.diolc.org/GospelofLife or scan the QR code to the right. Deadline: Oct. 11 – But space is limited, so register soon!

St. Mary’s Jubilee History Book For Sale!!!

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.

Oct. 1 Movie Showing: “Unplanned” is the inspiring true story of one woman’s journey of transformation. All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she was involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counseled countless women about their reproductive choices. Her passion surrounding a woman’s right to choose even led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in. Until the day she saw something that changed everything, leading Abby Johnson to join her former enemies at 40 Days For Life, and become one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America. *[Information on movie showing time will be in next week’s bulletin]*

Financial Stewardship

September 15, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1717.00
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Utility.....	\$60.00
Holy Days.....	\$10.00
<u>Votive candles.....</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>

Total \$2,276.00
 (159 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$34,935.31

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, September 28, 7:00 pm

Lector.....	Joyce Fuller
EMC.....	Joyce Fuller
Servers.....	Katelyn Browne & Aron Browne
Ushers.....	Jim McGowan,Dan McGowan & Matt McGowan
Gift Bearers.....	McGowan Family
Musician.....	Jade Pusel

Pro-Life Witness – Join the 40 Days for Life campaign in La Crosse: From Sept. 25 to Nov. 3, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – to stand and peacefully pray at a particular hour during a 40-day vigil on the sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood at 1201 Caledonia St., La Crosse. For more information and to sign up, please contact Marie Allen by visiting 40daysforlife.com/en/lacrosse or scanning the QR code to the right. The 40 Days for Life opening rally will be held at 4 pm on Sunday, Sept. 15, at Northside Community Church, 1300 Caledonia St., La Crosse. Topic: Post-abortion ministries in our area. All are welcome!



Sunday, September 19, 9:00 am

Lector.....	Ken Engevoid
EMC.....	Ken Engevoid
.....	Sheri Guyse
Servers.....	Nellie Jo EricksonAnton Erickson & Brian Fox
Ushers.....	Matt Leja, Pat CauleyPete Cauley & Jim Cauley
Gift Bearers.....	Pete & Linda Lochner
Musician.....	Heidi Finucan

A Minute with Jesus: Preparing to Receive Jesus

When we are at Mass, and preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, our minds will sometimes wander. When we find ourselves distracted in this way, we want to simply return our eyes to the altar and listen with our hearts as the priest prays the words of Jesus, asking the Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into His Body and Blood of Jesus. As we go forward to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, it is a good practice to repeat the following prayer: “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed” (Mt 8:8).



Let’s pray this right now and every day this week in preparation for next Sunday: “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.” (Mt 8:8) This week, read Isaiah 26:3: “He does keep in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee.”

Sunday, September 19, 1:00 pm

Lector.....	Rochelle Crowley
EMC.....	Zach Housworth
Ushers.....	Rodney Senzig

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

Stewardship Bulletin Announcements September 22, 2024 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time WIS 2:12, 17-20; PS 54:3-4, 5, 6, 8; JAS 3:16-4:3; MK 9:30-37 | Today's readings illuminate the daily struggle between good and evil and how we can transform this struggle through the transformative power of gratitude. Let's reflect on how gratitude can help us overcome our struggles and grow in our faith. In our Gospel, we see an example of how surrendering to our passions negatively affects us. Jesus was with His disciples when they began arguing about who was the greatest in the group. Looking at our own lives, we might find many instances where we fall into the same tendencies—the apostles' struggles are not so different from our own. We constantly compare ourselves to others, feel the need to point out another's faults, or choose to fight back in an argument out of pride. We know we should act one way but choose another. It's a comforting thought that even the apostles, who were so close to Jesus, had their struggles. When Jesus hears what the apostles are discussing, He has them focus on a child. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." If we reflect on the moment someone receives a child, often, their hearts are overwhelmed with joy and gratitude for this gift. There is no jealousy or anger, just thanksgiving and appreciation. The apostles were busy bickering about who was the best. Their pride and envy clouded their vision, so much so that they could not stop their bickering to be grateful for the gift of being so close to our Savior that they were chosen to be His closest followers. We become enslaved to our passions when caught in the raging war of envy and pride. We are ultimately ungrateful for what we have been given. We overlook the blessing God has given us and the gifts and talents He has entrusted to us. Today, let us recall that we have an infinitely loving God who cares deeply for us. His love is a source of comfort and reassurance. Consider all He has blessed you with and how you can use those blessings for His glory. In His love, we find peace and strength.

