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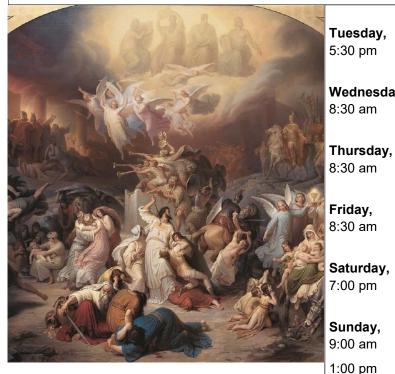
THE OLDEST EXISTING CATHOLIC PARISH IN THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE [est. 1851]

## 117 JUNEAU STREET N. • LYNDON STATION, WI 53944

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.

# November 17, 2024 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday,



"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." Mark 13:26-27

### Mass Intentions November 19 † David Guyse By: Tom & Sheri Guyse

November 20 † Ralph Hamm By: Rita Hamm

November 21 † Jerry Wenger By: Jim & Judy Hall

November 22 + Bob Walsh By: Ken Engevold

November 23 Cassidy Crowley By: Jim & Rochelle Crowley

November 24 **Parishioner Mass** 

+ Bob Roth, Joe Doyle, Ed Walsh & Phil Laridaen

Parish Events Thanksgiving Day Mass 8:30AM **Finance Council Meeting** December 3, 6:30pm **Pastoral Council Meeting** December 3, 7:30pm **Christmas Brunch** December 8 after 9am Mass Mass for the Blessed Virgin December 9, 7pm Confessions December 11 After 6:30pm Mass **Christmas Decorations** Setup December 22, 3pm **Christmas Decorations** Cleanup January 5, 3pm **Community Events** Wreath Making Class Lyndon Station Village Hall November 23, 11am kellydersham@live.com

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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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 Message from Father Cryton:

## The Synod on Synodality – (2021-2024) A brief Note

On Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup> 2024, Pope Francis made the unprecedented decision to accept the final document from the Synod of Synodality as authoritative Church teaching.

The 52-page text includes a theological reflection on the nature of synodality, which it says is the fulfillment of the reforms of Vatican II, as well as proposals for how to apply synodality to relationships, structures, and processes within the Catholic Church.

The end goal is to make the Church more effective at evangelization by making it more participatory and inclusive.

The final document describes synodality as "a path of spiritual renewal and structural reform that enables the Church to be more participatory and missionary, so that it can walk with every man and woman, radiating the light of Christ."

The model of synodality, the document states, is Mary because she "listens, prays, meditates, dialogues, accompanies, discerns, decides, and acts."



A basket will be placed in the vestibule to collect donations for the food pantry. All contributions will go to the Bank of Mauston, which will match the funds before they're forwarded to the food pantry. You may also make donations through the office. Additionally, any offerings made during Mass on Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving weekend will be sent to the Bank of Mauston to be matched and donated to the food pantry. **\*Basket will be collected on the weekend of Thanksgiving (November 23 & 24) and Thanksgiving Day (November 28)\* You may also bring non-perishable food items to be donated as well.** 

**Being Thankful** | During this month when we gather with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving, it is a fitting time to stop and remember the many gifts we have been given. To take it one step further, it is appropriate to look at all we have as God's gift, undeservedly given, and express our gratitude to Him for His goodness and generosity.

Take some quiet time to think back through your life and write down ten things that you want to specifically be grateful to God for this Thanksgiving. Since Eucharist means thanksgiving, returning to Mass on Thanksgiving Day is the best place to express your gratitude. Thank Jesus for all of the good gifts on your list, and most especially, for the gift of Himself to you in the Holy Eucharist. Happy Thanksgiving!

## Annual Appeal has officially begun! The target for our parish this year is **\$21,405.00**

**Frequently Asked Questions on Votive Masses and Masses for the Dead:** The month of November begins with a Mass for All Saints and is followed immediately by Masses for All of the Faithful Departed. The entire month consequently focuses on those souls who have passed before us—those enjoying the beatific vision, and those still waiting for final glory. Fr. Alan Guanella answers a number of frequently asked questions about liturgical celebrations for the saints and the deceased here [https://

docs.google.com/document/d/1X0JsemwwX\_o0qMbXhloTFVLuSyuWNIQKy8XL\_yFbJ14/edit?tab=t.0].



Congratulations Gage & Marina Kobylski who were married at St Mary's on Friday.

Do you know anyone interested in becoming a Catholic and joining the Church? Our autumn sessions for RCIA are starting. Please contact Deacon Tom deacontomhale@gmail.com or the Parish Office 608-666-2421



We would like to wish Happy Birthday to Deacon Tom who's birthday it was on Friday!

There will be a Healing Mass At Sacred Heart in Cashton, Healing Service & Mass Details: Date: Monday Dec. 2, 2024 4:30 PM: Adoration and Confession 5:30 PM: Mass 6:00 PM: Corporate Prayer for Healing 7:00 PM: Individual Healing Ministry (for those seeking additional prayers) 9:00 PM: Closing Feel free to join us as your schedule allows, as times are approximate.

The Season of Advent Begins in Two Weeks | This year the season of Advent begins on Sunday, December 1st. Advent is the four weeks that we set aside for preparing our hearts before the annual celebrations of Christ's birth on Christmas. The Incarnation - God becoming man - is the turning point of history. Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that He promised to send us a Savior after the original sin of Adam and Eve. And He kept His promise. The Son of God was born in Bethlehem in order to give His life for us on the cross so that our sins can be forgiven, so that we "may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10) Living life to the full means knowing the truth, having a relationship with Jesus in prayer and being united with Him in the sacraments. This is no small matter, and of course, we want to take this time of preparation during Advent seriously. Choose one simple way that you can spend time during Advent more focused on the "reason for the season."



#### A Minute with Jesus: Give Thanks for God's Greatest Gift!

God's greatest gift to you is the gift of His own Son. Jesus is your Savior and loves you unconditionally. Jesus desires to be with you always and therefore Jesus gives Himself to you in the holy Eucharist so that He can live in your heart. The holy Eucharist is Christ Himself. You know that Jesus is your greatest friend because He gives Himself to you completely in the holy Eucharist. It is helpful to remember that the word Eucharist means thanksgiving. Be thankful to our Heavenly Father in a much deeper way this Thanksgiving for the incredible gift of the Eucharist.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, thank You for giving Yourself to me in holy Communion and being my closest friend.

This week, prayerfully read how you are called to be thankful in Colossians 3:15.

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, Karen Patton, Charlotte Rybicki, Preston Shields, Aiden Topper, MV, Katie Walsh, Rachel Dombroski, Darren Honnold, 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!!!** 

What Are You Looking For? The first question that Jesus asks in John's Gospel is, "What are you looking for?" He is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus' response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

St. Mary's Jubilee History Book For Sale | Cost per book is \$20.00 cash or check made out to St. Mary's Parish. The books are now in the vestibule, the provided envelopes can be turned into the basket, during mass collection or to the parish office.

Wednesday, December 11th, Mass will be at 6:30pm. Following mass, Father will be holding confessions for CCD children and parishioners.



# CCD | Kid's Corner

This week's CCD Student of the Week is:

## Nellie Erickson

### Grade 4

Q: What do you enjoy the most about CCD? A: I really like seeing my classmates and friends every week.

## **Financial Stewardship**

| November 10, 2024         |            |  |
|---------------------------|------------|--|
| Adult Envelopes           | \$1444.00  |  |
| Student Envelopes         | \$6.00     |  |
| Offertory                 | \$792.50   |  |
| Holy Days                 | \$10.00    |  |
| Utility Envelopes         | \$20.00    |  |
| Votive candles            | \$86.00    |  |
| Total                     | \$2,358.50 |  |
| (161 registered families) |            |  |
| Fiscal year-to-date       |            |  |

Contributed. .....\$61,843.49

## **Liturgical Roles**

| Saturday, November 23, 7:00 pm |                            |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Lector                         | Karen Patton               |
| EMC                            | Karen Patton               |
| Servers                        | Stella & Beckett Finucan   |
| Ushers                         | Dan Patton                 |
| Dc                             | an McGowan & Dennis Franek |
| Gift Bearers                   | Jim Crowley Family         |
| Musician                       | Heidi Finucan              |

#### Sunday, November 24, 9:00 am

| Kevin Heimerl          |
|------------------------|
| Kristi Seidl           |
| Sheri Guyse            |
| Nicole Dethloff        |
| Brian Fox              |
| .Tom Guyse, Pat Cauley |
| e Walsh & Bob Dethloff |
| Mick & Joan McCormick  |
| Jade Pusel             |
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| Sunday, November 24, 1:00 pm |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| Marcy Krogh                  |  |
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| Rodney Senzig.               |  |
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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 Reflection November 17, 2024 Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time DN 12:1-3; PS 16: 5, 8-11; HEB 10:11-14, 18; MK 13:24-32 | Today's readings starkly contrast the joy of the holiday season, which is fast approaching, warning us instead of dark times ahead and our inevitable judgment day. The first reading from the prophet Daniel describes a time "unsurpassed in distress since nations began" and warns that "many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, and others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace." The second reading, from Hebrews, speaks of Christ who "waits until his enemies are made his footstool." However, when we firmly establish for ourselves as individuals — as a family and as a parish that we will give God the first and best portion of our Time, Talent, and Treasure — the warnings we read in the Scriptures today should be no cause for alarm. Instead, we can view these words as a source of encouragement — "Keep Calm and Steward On," no matter what comes our way. One of the blessings of a stewardship way of life is the peace it brings in challenging times. Whether in our homes, workplaces or even our beloved Church itself, we can take great comfort in knowing we have a concrete plan to maintain our priorities properly. And when we put God first in all aspects of our lives, we will experience the peace that He gives, surpassing all understanding.