

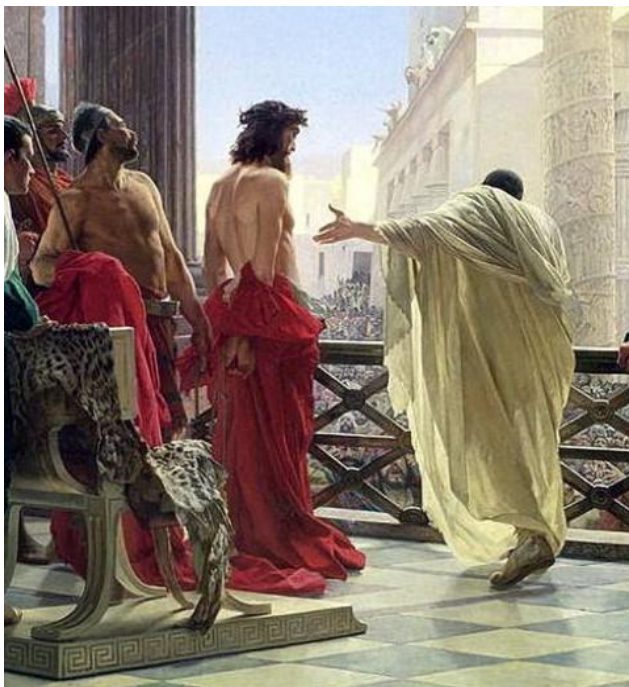
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Parish Mission Statement: The family of St. Mary's of Lyndon Station, Wisconsin is a welcoming community of the Catholic faith united in Catholic tradition and growing in the spirit of Vatican II. We come together at Liturgical and Sacramental celebrations 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.

November 24, 2024 - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



So Pilate said to him, "Then are you a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."
John 18:37

Mass Intentions

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| Tuesday, 5:30 pm | November 26 † Jan Pasciak By: Josephine Pasciak |
| Wednesday, 8:30 am | November 27 † Rosemary Lupo By: Family |
| Thursday, 8:30 am | November 28 Eugene Fitzgerald By: Catherine Murray |
| Friday, 8:30 am | November 29 † Gene Delmore By: Betty Delmore |
| Saturday, 7:00 pm | November 30 † Eugene & Donna Fitzgerald By: Family |
| Sunday, 9:00 am | November 24 Parishioner Mass |
| 1:00 pm | † Marion Walsh By: Wayne & Nancy Greenwood |

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

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9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Confessions
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**And by appointment*

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Saturday 8:00 am - Noon

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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:

Thanksgiving – A Day to Celebrate and Reflect

Thanksgiving Day offers a unique opportunity to reflect on values and lessons that are meaningful in our modern world. From a biblical perspective, Thanksgiving is deeply rooted in the themes of gratitude, worship, and recognition of God’s blessings. Although the modern Thanksgiving holiday is not directly mentioned in the Bible, its principles align closely with biblical teachings.

The Blessing of Provision: *“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.” (Psalm 107:1). Thankfulness reminds us to recognize God’s provision for our daily need and acknowledging God’s goodness and faithfulness in our lives. In a fast-paced, achievement-driven world, Thanksgiving also helps us to pause and express gratitude for what we have. Modern studies show that practicing gratitude can improve mental health, strengthen relationships, and increase overall happiness.*

The Importance of Connection: *“They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God.” (Acts 2:46-47). Sharing meals and fellowship is a biblical act of unity and gratitude. Thanksgiving highlights the value of spending time with loved ones. It serves as a reminder that nurturing relationships, whether with family, friends, or community, brings emotional fulfillment and reduces loneliness.*

Beyond the Celebration: Thanksgiving offers an opportunity to reflect on the year’s challenges and blessings, helping us approach life with perspective and a renewed sense of purpose. By embracing these lessons, Thanksgiving becomes more than a holiday, it transforms into a meaningful practice that enriches our daily lives.

Happy Thanksgiving to you all

There is a basket 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)* Please place only non-perishable food items and monetary donations in the basket. Thank you!**

“Behold: Prayer of the Saints” Young Adult Retreat | Jan. 25, 2025 | Blessed Sacrament Church, La Crosse

This retreat is for young adults aged 18-25 and will be held on January 25, 2025, from 9 am-5 pm at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in La Crosse. Hear inspiring talks about the prayer of the Saints, foster a deeper Catholic community with other young adults, and participate in the life of God via Mass, Confession, and personal prayer. There are also optional evening socials on Friday, January 24 at 7 pm at 608 Brewing Co. and Saturday, January 25 at 6 pm at Pizzeria Dolorosa. The cost is \$25 per person and includes a warm meal. Register at tinyurl.com/ beholdprayer.



August
Lavern
Madland was
baptized last
weekend
after mass.

**Welcome
August!**

It is with deepest sympathies that we inform you that Stanislaw Chowaniec-Bombac passed away on November 16th. Funeral services were held this past Friday, November 22nd, at St Mary’s Parish. Our prayers are with the family through this difficult time.



A Minute with Jesus: The Best Way to Offer Thanks to God | The very best way to offer thanks to God is through the holy Eucharist. The word Eucharist, from the Greek, means “thanksgiving.” When the holy Eucharist is celebrated, it is an action of thanksgiving to God for His works of creating everything out of nothing, redeeming us through the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, and sanctifying us in being cleansed, healed and strengthened through our cooperation with God’s grace received in the sacraments. Let us join the people in our parish community and attend Mass on our national day of Thanksgiving. Receiving Jesus in the holy Eucharist and expressing gratitude to our heavenly Father for all of His benefits will help us to keep the proper focus amidst family relations, good food and the other enjoyable activities of Thanksgiving Day. Let’s pray this right now and every day this week: Thank you, Jesus, for the many blessings in my life, most especially that You give Yourself to me in the holy Eucharist. This week, pray this verse: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” (Philippians 4:6)



Community Events:

**Christmas Open House
At The Boorman House**
(Juneau County
Historical Society)
November 30,
December 1, 7 & 8 from 12:00-
7:00 each day.

Vaccination Clinic

Juneau County Public Health
200 S Hickory St, Mauston
Friday, December 6th
2pm-6pm
Walk-ins Welcome
Holiday Parade
Mauston
December 7th 6pm

Breakfast With Santa

At Elroy American Legion
Auxiliary, December 8th
8:30am-11am
Holiday Train
Mauston - December 9th

Holiday Market

Woodside Ranch & Convention
Center, Mauston
December 14th 10am-3pm
Jingle & Mingle!
Mile Bluff Medical Center
December 18 4:30-6:30pm

Thanksgiving: A Day of Public Thanksgiving and Prayer | Since this national holiday is to be “a day of public thanksgiving and prayer,” it is helpful to specify things for which we are grateful to God. In fact, naming five things each day in a simple prayer of thanksgiving leads to an ongoing attitude of gratitude and a better outlook on dealing with the difficult parts of life. The list can include such things as good health, family and friends, the grace to forgive, delicious food, the ability to walk, something going well at work or school, God knowing us personally and loving us, being able to communicate with God through prayer, our baptism, when we became children of God and He begins to dwell within us, Jesus giving His life for us on the cross, being healed from ongoing habits of sin and their effects through the sacrament of reconciliation. Happy Thanksgiving!



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!!!**

The Season of Advent Begins December 1st | Advent is a very important time to prepare ourselves spiritually, leading to a truly meaningful celebration of the birth of the most important person in all of history: Jesus Christ. The traditional customs of our Catholic Faith provide us with important ways to prepare our hearts to welcome the Christ child. One traditional custom is the Advent wreath, which helps us to stay focused on this time of preparation and can be assembled by using evergreen limbs from a tree in the yard and four candles. The evergreens, which retain their green, vibrant life through the year, signify continuous life. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ who was victorious over sin and death through His Passion, Death and Resurrection. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. The light of the candles shines in the darkness, which is most evident during this time of the year as it is darker due to shorter daylight hours. We use candles in the Advent wreath, signifying the coming of Christ who is “the Light that came into the world” to dispel the darkness of sin and to radiate the truth and love of God. Jesus is the Light of the world!

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

St. Mary’s Choir, led by Jade Pusel, will be singing at The Boorman House (211 N. Union St, Mauston) Saturday, December 7th from 3-4pm. Please consider attending and showing support to our wonderful choir!

Christmas Brunch is fast approaching on December 8th!!! - Sign up in the back of church by December 1st for our Christmas Brunch.

***New* We will be having a cookie walk with our Christmas Brunch, as well as at the 7pm and 1pm masses the weekend of December 8th. To make this happen we will need cookie donations! You can bring your cookie donations on Saturday night or Sunday, they will be sold after all masses. All money that is raised from this event will go toward the ongoing repairs in the church.**



CCD | Kid’s Corner

This week’s CCD
Student of the Week is:
Aron Browne

Grade 4

Q: What are you thankful for?

A: I am very thankful for my family.



Financial Stewardship

November 17, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....\$2748.00
Student Envelopes.....\$11.00
Offertory.....\$469.00
Votive candles.....\$25.00

Total \$3,253.00

(161 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$65,096.49

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, November 30, 7:00 pm

Lector.....Katelyn Browne
EMC.....Joyce Fuller
Servers.....Stella & Beckett Finucan
Ushers.....Jasan Franek
.....Gary Fuller & Matt McGowan
Gift Bearers.....Fitzgerald Family
Musician.....Heidi Finucan

Sunday, December 1, 9:00 am

Lector.....Ken Engevold
EMC.....Ken Engevold
.....Joan Holig-McCormick
Servers.....TBD
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Ushers.....Pete Cauley, Tony Oldigs,
.....Earl Verette & Tom Kowalke
Gift Bearers.....Kevin Heimerl & Kristi Seidl
Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, December 1, 1:00 pm

Lector.....Terri Donnelly
EMC.....Terri Donnelly
Ushers.....Zach Housworth

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Stewardship Bulletin Reflection November 24, 2024 The Solemnity Of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe Dn 7: 12-14; Ps 93: 1-2, 5; Rev 1: 5-8; Jn 18: 33B-37 | We celebrate the Feast of Christ the King on this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism, and individualism and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority. The establishment of this feast was not just a decree from the Pope but a call to action for all of us. It was a collective hope that this feast would achieve three significant goals: that nations would recognize the Church's right to freedom, that leaders and nations would acknowledge their duty to respect Christ, the King of kings, and that we, the faithful, would be encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies. As we observe this feast, it's crucial to remember that it holds profound significance for all, particularly for us as Christian stewards. It serves as a poignant reminder of three fundamental truths that guide our stewardship. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge, loving, merciful, and just. His authority is our security. Second, if Christ is King of all, He is also King of me. I am not the "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a valued servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me, integral to His community. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. His humility and service characterize Christ's Kingship, and it should inspire and motivate us to empty Ourselves for the good of others. The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good, and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live other than as a humble servant like my King?