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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 3, 2024 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength."  
Mark 12:29-30

### Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, November 5**  
5:30 pm  
† Allan Hale  
By: Pete & Linda Lochner

**Wednesday, November 6**  
7:00 pm  
† Franciszek Klejka  
By: Helen Bielski

**Thursday, November 7**  
8:30 am  
George Morrison  
By: Morrison Family

**Friday, November 8**  
8:30 am  
Andrea Bires  
By: Dziewior Family

**Saturday, November 9**  
7:00 pm  
† Sterling Walsh  
By: Wendy Bill

**Sunday, November 10**  
9:00 am  
† Marion Walsh  
By: Wayne & Nancy Greenwood  
Parishioner Mass

1:00 pm

### Parish Events

**Sacred Worship Committee Meeting**  
November 12, 6:30pm

**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

**Christmas Decorations Setup**  
December 22, 3pm

**Christmas Decorations Cleanup**  
January 5, 3pm

**Community Events**  
**Wreath Making Class**  
November 9, 11am  
Lyndon Station Village Hall  
608-666-2500

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Tuesday - Friday  
9:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Confessions**  
Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm  
\*\*And by appointment\*

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Wednesday 9:00 am - 2:30 pm  
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:

### The Significance of The Month of November

The Catholic Church gives each month of the year a unique dedication, which are linked to special prayers, specific feast days, and other Catholic devotions, and are a beautiful way to focus our prayer time and grow in our faith.

As per Sarrah Damm, November tends to be a month that is easily overlooked. Perhaps because it is a month that focuses on things coming to an end. We see this in nature as the life cycle reaches its final act: glorious crimson and gold leaves turn brown, fall to the ground, and in a sense, die. We also see this as the liturgical calendar draws to an end and focuses on the Four Last Things: death, Heaven, Hell, and the final judgment.

But considering our own death, or remembering those who have passed before us, is not easy. Rather, it can be quite painful, especially when grief is recent and raw. It does not help that the rest of the world is starting to prepare for Christmas, which is certainly a more festive and fun distraction. But it's not Christmas, yet; it's not even Advent. It's November, and the natural and liturgical are focused on the end. Therefore, is it any wonder that the Church dedicates the month of November to the holy souls who have died but are not yet in Heaven?

This November, instead of jumping into Christmas, what if we entered the month with an openness to what the Lord has for us? We just may discover beautiful ways to pray, significant traditions to honor, and a new connection with the suffering Church in Purgatory. We give thanks for those who have gone before us and we look with prayer and hope to their new life in heaven and our desire to join them there one day.



In memory of our dearly departed

†Allan Hale  
†Anna Boehm  
†Michael Brady  
†Mary Jean Cauley  
†Ed Gessner  
†George Gore  
†Frank Klejka  
†Jeannie Klipstein  
†Gloria Kramer  
†Mary Claire Marshall  
†Captain Marie Senzig  
†Sterling Walsh  
†Bill Wilde

and in memory of all of our loved ones  
who have gone before us.

**Fall Gathering of Catholic Women** | Join us Saturday, November 9, for a morning of reflections about what it means to be a disciple of Christ and some time to build relationships with other Catholic women from around our deanery. We will meet at St. Patrick parish in Sparta. Registration begins at 8:45am with talks beginning at 9am followed by lunch in the parish hall. Take this opportunity to come away and rest for a little while before the busy season of Advent begins. There is no cost to attend, but we do ask for a small \$5 donation at the door.

**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. The books are now in the vestibule, the provided envelopes can be turned into the basket, during mass collection or to the parish office.

**The "Good News" is Not Meant to be Kept to Ourselves** | The "Good News" is that God created each one of us through love, and through love continues to hold us in existence. Further, our dignity rests above all on the fact that we are called to be united with God. Therefore, our friendship with Him is central to our lives. Although we can forget God or place other things before Him, He never ceases to call each of us to seek Him to find life and happiness. We come in contact with people who need to hear us speak from the heart about the difference that our relationship with Jesus Christ has in our life and to point out the way to seek Him. If we ask Him, the Holy Spirit will always guide us in these efforts.



**VOTE your Catholic Conscience on (or before) Nov. 5!**

Learn everything you need to know about how, when, and where to vote (and to be sure you are registered to vote), as well as what is on your ballot, by visiting [myvotewi.gov](http://myvotewi.gov).

You can learn where the candidates stand on the issues from a variety of websites. Here are just three of them:

- \* [ivoterguide.com](http://ivoterguide.com) (Faith-based source)
- \* [vote411.org](http://vote411.org) (Secular source)
- \* [votesmart.org](http://votesmart.org) (Secular source)



For resources on forming consciences for faithful citizenship, visit [diolc.org/faithful-citizenship](http://diolc.org/faithful-citizenship).

For a Novena for Faithful Citizenship, visit [faithfulcitizenship.org](http://faithfulcitizenship.org) and scroll down.



**A Minute with Jesus: You receive Jesus Himself in Holy Communion** | God desires that you spend eternity in heaven with the Blessed Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus was willing to die for you so you may be united with Him forever in heaven. However, you can be united with Jesus even now, by receiving Jesus in holy Communion. Your closest union with Jesus on earth is receiving the holy Eucharist – Jesus Himself – at Mass. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to receive Your love. Strengthen my faith to believe that when I receive holy Communion at Mass, I receive You. I am so thankful for You, that You want me to be with You now and forever in heaven. This week, read how Jesus teaches us that if we eat the "living bread" – the holy Eucharist – we will live forever in John 6:48-58.



**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;

**St. Patrick Parish - Mauston Women's Retreat, "Fanning The Flame"**. Join us for a day of Adoration, prayer, talks, discussion, activities and time away with your friends on Saturday, November 23rd starting at 8:00 AM. Please call St. Patrick's to Register 608-747-681. There is a \$10 Registration Fee. The deadline for Registration is November 11th. Free daycare will be provided if you need it. Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be served.

**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**



**Financial Stewardship**

**October 27, 2024**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2308.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$5.00
Offertory.....	\$629.50
Holy Days.....	\$5.00
Votive candles.....	\$51.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,998.50</b>

(161 registered families)

**Fiscal year-to-date**

Contributed.....	\$55,798.99
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**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, November 9, 7:00 pm**

<b>Lector.....</b>	Steve Hesprich
<b>EMC.....</b>	Steve Hesprich
<b>Servers.....</b>	Katelyn & Aron Browne
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Matt McGowan
.....	Dan Patton & Dennis Franek
<b>Gift Bearers.....</b>	McGowan Family
<b>Musician.....</b>	Sharon

**Sunday, November 10, 9:00 am**

<b>Lector.....</b>	Sandy Edwards
<b>EMC.....</b>	Joan Holig-McCormick
.....	Ken Engevoid
<b>Servers.....</b>	Nellie Jo Erickson
.....	Anton Erickson, Brian Fox
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Craig Kobylski, Pete Cauley
.....	Tony Oldigs & Tom Kowalke
<b>Gift Bearers.....</b>	Erickson Family
<b>Musician.....</b>	Heidi Finucan

**Sunday, November 10, 1:00 pm**

<b>Lector.....</b>	Zach Housworth
<b>EMC.....</b>	Zach Housworth
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Rodney Senzig

This week the CCD students were able to dress up for Halloween and celebrate together!



**CCD | Kid's Corner**

This week's CCD Student of the Week is:

**Anton Erickson**

Grade 6

Q: What is your favorite thing about CCD?

A: Getting to eat the cakes that Mrs. Braun makes for everyone's birthdays.



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**Stewardship Bulletin Announcements November 3, 2024 Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time DT 6:2-6; PS 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; HEB 7:23-28; MK 12:28B-34** | Today's Gospel presents Jesus' teachings on the two greatest commandments: Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

These "greatest commandments" relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life: giving our time, talent, and treasure. The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. Since time is a gift from God, I show my love for Him and gratitude for this gift by giving Him the best portion of my time. Setting aside time is not just about setting aside time for prayer but about fostering a personal connection with God, making Him the priority in our daily lives. The use of talents refers to how I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. For instance, if you have a talent for cooking, you can prepare meals for those in need. If you are good at teaching, you can volunteer to teach faith formation children in the parish. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time, it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have since He has told us that whatever we do for others, we are also doing for Him. Using material gifts—or treasure—likewise demonstrates the love of God and neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life, and I am putting my material resources to the service of my neighbor in the parish community and beyond. Giving should bring us joy, knowing we contribute to the greater good. When we live for God and others, we live a stewardship way of life. And like the wise scribe in today's Gospel, we are moving closer to the kingdom of God, our ultimate destination. A life of service is stewardship's hope and inspiration, guiding us toward our ultimate goal.