



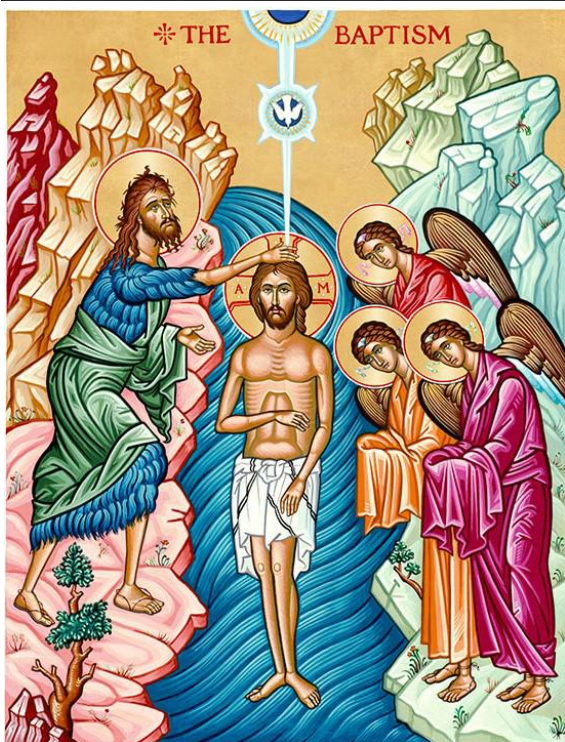
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Parish Mission Statement: The family of St. Mary's of Lyndon Station, Wisconsin is a welcoming community of the Catholic faith united in Catholic tradition and growing in the spirit of Vatican II. We come together at Liturgical and Sacramental celebrations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

January 12, 2025 - The Baptism of the Lord



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22

Parish Events

The Baptism of the Lord

January 12

National Religious

Freedom Day

January 16

Knights of Columbus

Council Meeting

St Bridget's Hall

February 18th

Ash Wednesday

March 5th

Pancake Breakfast

By Knights of Columbus

March 9th

Sacred Worship Meeting

St Bridget Hall

March 11th 6:30pm

Finance Council Meeting

St Bridget Hall

March 13th 6:30

Parish Council Meeting

St Bridget Hall

March 13th 7:30pm

Mass Intentions

Tuesday,

5:30 pm

January 14

† William Zenk

By: Family

Wednesday,

8:30 am

January 15

† Rosemary Lupo

By: Roseleen Jakacki

Thursday,

8:30 am

January 16

† Marjorie Senzig

By: Kevin & Candy Ryczek

Friday,

8:30 am

January 17

† Tim Delmore

By: The Family of Eugene Fitzgerald

Saturday,

7:00 pm

January 18

† Franciszek 'Frank' Klejka

By: Family

Sunday,

9:00 am

January 19

† Bud Miller

By: Jim & Carol Cauley

1:00 pm

Parishioner Mass

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pm

**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:

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

As per the request of Bishop Battersby, we have begun to pay special attention towards devotion to Sacred Heart of Jesus part of pastoral plan of the Bishop for the Diocese of La Crosse. We also have begun to pray the litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus from the first Sunday of January to mark the above-mentioned intention. Let me explain the history and the meaning behind praying the litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Litany of the Sacred Heart is a Catholic devotional prayer that explores different aspects of Jesus's divine love and mercy as symbolized by His Sacred Heart. Each invocation is meant to help the faithful meditate on different aspects of Christ's love and to deepen their relationship with Him.

This was formally approved by Pope Leo XIII in 1899, though devotion to the Sacred Heart has much earlier origins, particularly through the visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century.

Divine Attributes in the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

I'll delve deeper into the divine attributes expressed in the Litany of the Sacred Heart, which reveal profound theological truths about Jesus's divine nature:

- 1. "Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father"** - This invocation emphasizes Jesus's divine sonship - It reflects the eternal relationship within the Trinity - Highlights that Jesus is not created but eternally begotten of the Father - Points to Jesus's equal dignity with the Father while maintaining distinct personhood
 - 2. "Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother"** - Speaks to the mystery of the Incarnation - Shows the Holy Spirit's role in Jesus's conception - Emphasizes both divine action and human cooperation through Mary - Demonstrates how divinity entered into human nature
 - 3. "Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of God"** - Refers to the hypostatic union - the joining of divine and human natures in Christ - "Substantially" emphasizes this isn't just a moral union but a complete fusion of natures - Reflects the teaching of Chalcedon that Christ is fully God and fully human - Shows how Jesus's heart encompasses both divine and human love
 - 4. "Heart of Jesus, of Infinite Majesty"** - Proclaims Christ's divine kingship - Points to His unlimited power and authority - Reflects His eternal nature and boundless greatness - Reminds us that His heart, though loving, is also worthy of supreme adoration
 - 5. "Heart of Jesus, Holy Temple of God"** - Shows Christ's body as the dwelling place of divinity - References Jesus's words about the temple of His body - Connects to the Old Testament temple as God's dwelling place - Emphasizes the sacred nature of Christ's humanity
 - 6. "Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle of the Most High"** - Similar to the temple reference but more intimate - Points to Jesus as the meeting place between God and humanity - Recalls the Old Testament tabernacle where God dwelt among His people - Emphasizes Christ's role as mediator between divine and human
 - 7. "Heart of Jesus, House of God and Gate of Heaven"** - Shows Christ as the way to the Father - References Jacob's vision at Bethel - Emphasizes Jesus's role in making heaven accessible to humanity - Points to His heart as the entrance to divine life.
- These divine attributes help us understand Christ's divine nature - They show how divinity and humanity are united in Jesus - They show how Jesus is both fully divine and fully human, with His heart representing the perfect union of divine and human love. **(To be continued...)**



A Minute with Jesus: Jesus' name means "God saves" | The angel told Joseph in a dream that this Child was to be called "Jesus, for He will save His people from their sin" (Matt 1: 21). *Jesus saves us from our sins by dying on the Cross and then giving us His resurrected body in the Eucharist. The holy Eucharist is the Church's most precious treasure. What a gift, that we may have a life-giving encounter with Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist.* Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, thank You for coming into the world to give us the greatest gift – Yourself in the holy Eucharist. This week, read the account of the angel appearing to Joseph in Matt 1: 18-25

Notice: Due to the increase of illness going around, the wine cup will not be shared at mass for a few weeks

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life: (Celebrated in Parishes February 1-2) | In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on Feb. 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day, the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. Please pray for consecrated persons at Holy Mass in the *Prayers of the Faithful* and include a mention in your parish bulletin (samples are below). For more information: [NRVC \(https://nrvc.net/274/publication/4171/article/27429-world-day-for-consecrated-life-february-2\)](https://nrvc.net/274/publication/4171/article/27429-world-day-for-consecrated-life-february-2)

Prayers of the Faithful | For those in consecrated life, that they may persevere in their commitment to the Lord and serve with joyful hearts and total dedication. We pray to the Lord...

Consecrated Virginity Informational Weekend | Jan. 31 - Feb. 2, 2025 | Holy Cross Diocesan Center, La Crosse

"The rite for the consecration of virgins belongs to the treasures of Roman Liturgy. Jesus Christ left holy virginity as a legacy to His bride (the Church), one of His most precious gifts." Have you been given this gift? Join us Jan. 31 - Feb. 2 at Holy Cross Diocesan Center for an enriching, informational weekend about living in the world as a consecrated virgin. A registration form can be found by clicking at diolc.org/events or you can simply contact Barbara Swieczak at 608.788.7700 ext: 2271. For information in general about consecrated virginity for women living in the world, see diolc.org/consecratedlife/consecrated-virgins.



St. Mary's Prayer List | Please pray for Jerry Scully, for 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 are refreshing the names on this list to maintain accuracy. If you or someone you know would like to be included on the prayer list please notify us at bulletin@stmlys.diolcparish.org. Every 3 months we will refresh the names to stay current.****

"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.

Annual Pro-Life Events | Every January, thousands of pilgrims travel to Washington to pray together for an increase in respect for the dignity of every human life at the National Prayer Vigil for Life.. The National Prayer Vigil for Lief is a pro-life prayer vigil held on the eve of the March for Life each January since 1979. Thousands of pilgrims from across the nation pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life. It is held at the basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. To learn more visit: <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/annual-pro-life-events>

Human Trafficking Prevention Month
January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Learn more about the vast, tragic reality of human trafficking, and what you can do to make a difference, by visiting [usccb.org/offices/migration-refugee-services/human-trafficking](https://www.usccb.org/offices/migration-refugee-services/human-trafficking), or scanning the QR code to the right.



Save the Date! Men of the Cross: Forgiveness and Freedom | Will be held March 8, 2025 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in La Crosse. We are excited to have Bob Kroll as our keynote speaker and Mass with Bishop Battersby. More information is coming soon!

Upcoming Central Wisconsin Retrouvaille \Retro- v\Marriage Help Program
|Retrouvaille has been a lifeline for marriages for over 45 years. Whether a couple has drifted apart, separated, or even divorced, this 3-phase program offers hope for all who want to restore their marriages and rebuild loving relationships. Affordable, Catholic in origin and open to couples of all faiths, the next program begins with a weekend stay in Wausau area February 14-16, 2025. For local info and fully confidential registration call: 877-922-HOPE (4673). More at [HelpOurMarriage.org](https://www.HelpOurMarriage.org).

Community Events

Red Cross Blood Drive

January 14th, 2025 12-4 p.m. at Lyndon Station Fire Station

Move & Groove

Sing, dance and make music during this high-energy, active program. Perfect for littles with extra wiggles!

Hatch Public Library

January 17, 10am

Out WI Go

For Free Fishing Weekend
January 18-19

March For Life - Mauston

Juneau County Courthouse

January 26, 1 - 2:30pm

Sharing Supper Mauston / Lyndon Station

Mauston High School

January 30, 5-6pm Meal

4pm Kids crafts & Games

Financial Stewardship

January 5, 2024

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4956.00
Offertory.....	\$455.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$7.00
Christmas.....	\$100.00
Holy Days.....	\$805.00
Holy Days Offertory.....	\$192.00
Utilities.....	\$500.00
Votive candles.....	\$29.00

Total \$7,044.00

(163 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$92,360.34

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 18, 7:00 pm

Lector.....Steve Hesprich

Servers.....Katelyn & Aron Browne

Ushers.....Gary Fuller,

.....Dan Patton & Jim McGowan

Gift Bearers.....Jim Crowley Family

Musician.....Carol Costerisan / Andrea

Sunday, January 19, 9:00 am

Lector.....Sandy Edwards

Servers.....Karina,

.....Amanda & Karol Strzemecka

Ushers.....Mark Walsh, Connie Walsh

.....Matt Leja & Craig Kobylski

Gift Bearers.....Miller Family

Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, January 19, 1:00 pm

Lector.....Terri Donnelly

Ushers.....Rodney Senzig



CCD | Kid's Corner



This week's CCD
Student of the Week is:
Loretta Schanke

Grade: 3

Q: What is your favorite Bible story?

A: David and Goliath

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Stewardship Bulletin Reflection January 12, 2025 — The Baptism of the Lord IS 42:1-4, 6-7 or IS 40:1-5, 9-11; PS 29:1-4, 9-10 or PS 104:1B-4, 24-25, 27-30; ACTS 10: 34-38 or TI 2:11-14; 3: 4-7; LK 3:15-16; 21-22 | As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership characterized by humility and leading by example. It's a paradox that the sinless Savior, who did not need a baptism of repentance, chose to be baptized. This act of humility, where Jesus made Himself one with his people, was a powerful demonstration of servant leadership. It was a way for Him to draw us closer, to create a relationship with us, and to open us to His teachings and influence. As a servant leader, Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we must "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." As followers of Jesus, it is our responsibility to emulate his actions. If we want those we lead to be generous and hard-working, we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves. Immediately after His baptism, we witness a powerful affirmation of Jesus' leadership. The Father opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form, and audibly declares, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." This divine affirmation reminds us that when we follow Jesus and emulate His servant-leadership, the Father will also be pleased with us. Let us be grateful for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too. Our gratitude is not just a pleasing gesture to the Father but a testament to our understanding of His grace and our commitment to His teachings.