# **SAINT MARY'S**

#### 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.

## March 16, 2025 - The Second Sunday of Lent



While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Luke 9:29-30

Parish Events Special day of Confession (For both CCD Children and adults) Wednesday March 19 7-8pm Ladies Sodality Meeting & Election Thursday March 20, 1pm	Tuesday, 5:30 pm Wednesday, 6:30 pm
There will be no Mass on Thursday March 27 Palm Sunday	<b>Thursday,</b> 8:30 am
Sunday April 13 Holy Thursday April 17 Mass at 7pm Good Friday	<b>Friday,</b> 8:30 am
April 18 Stations of the Cross 2:30 pm Followed by Divine Mercy	<b>Saturday,</b> 7:00 pm
Chaplet Good Friday Service 3.00 pm Holy Saturday	<b>Sunday,</b> 9:00 am
April 19 at 8.30 pm <b>Easter Sunday</b> April 20 9 am & 1 pm	1:00 pm
Divine Mercy Sunday Sunday April 27	
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#### Mass Intentions

March 18 + Larry Hadac By: Leo & Jeanette Crowley March 19 For all Cancer Patients and their Families By: Morrison Family

March 20 † Bud Miller By: Miller Family

March 21 + William Zenk By: Family day,

March 22 **†** Bernadine Walsh By: Mark Walsh

March 23 **Parishioner Mass** 

† Bob Walsh By: Knights of Columbus Solomon Juneau

## Happy St. Patrick's Day!

#### 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

#### Some Additional Note on the Mass of Reparation by Bishop Gerard Battersby

Lenten Greetings!

In anticipation of our upcoming Mass of Reparation (10am, St. Joseph Cathedral of the Workman, March 27th), I wanted to share some of my thoughts about the day. What does this mass of reparation mean?

It would be good for us to take a look at the actions of the Maccabee's on behalf of their slain who had placed their trust in idolatrous amulets and not on the Lord God: they prayed in supplication that the sinful deed would be fully blotted out (2 Maccabee's 12:42). All sin has a social dimension, that is the effect the rebellion from God's plan, that reaches out in a sense to all the Body of Christ. One can say that sin leaves a mark, and that grave sin unrepaired, can even shackle a person or people from receiving the bounty God has set apart for them. Some sins cry out to heaven, as Abel's blood did (cf. Genesis 4:10). They put an obstacle in the proclamation of the Gospel and the reception of the Good News until someone on behalf of those who by death cannot repent, repents.

We will gather together to repent for those ways which our ancestors and even ourselves have mortgaged our future. We do so because it is right that God's laws be obeyed, it is right that we love our neighbor as ourselves, it is right that we say sorry when we offend, it is right that we trust in faith that the blood of the Lamb of God will take away the sins of our both our past and present, if we but repent and believe in the Gospel. We repent first on behalf of the Body of Christ and the Church in La Crosse, in all areas under my authority and yours, that we repent for the dead and the living bishops, priests, religious, deacons, and laity.

We repent for those souls who have committed acts that are inhuman, acts that are in civil, unkind, idolatrous, blasphemous, acts that we often deem as trifling, such that we call them "white lies or gossip" for instance, which despite our protestations to the contrary have outsized effects in unravelling the social fabric. We repair sins that we did not commit and we repair by our act of humility the sins which hold us back in becoming the priests and people whom the Holy Spirit desires to set ablaze with evangelical fervor. I intend to grant a partial indulgence to those who will participate in this act of reparation either in person or by video.

This mass is open to all and I ask that you encourage some form of participation on the part of your parishioners. Please ask them to pray for the bishop, the priests, the deacons, religious and laity of the Diocese. I don't expect to mention every sin that needs repairing, I expect that together we will cast off our crowns and say as one, have mercy Lord for we have sinned. Please do your best to participate in a way that is fitting for you and your people. I thank in advance those priests who have helped me think about renewal, those men and women who have contributed to remembering things we need to repent of, and those who have helped make this Mass of Reparation a reality. Please remember this, this and other acts are meant to prepare the kindling of our hearts to be set ablaze for the sake of renewal. Renewal is God's plan and if we suffer to draw near to him, he will accomplish this for us.

+ Bishop Gerard Battersby

#### Lenten service & Events at St. Mary's Stations of the Cross Every Friday after morning mass

Confessions – Addition to usual time

(Tuesday 5.30 & Saturday 6.00 pm),

8.00 – 8.30 Wednesday – Friday (Before daily

mass)

Special day of Confession (For both CCD Children and adults) - **Multiple priests will be available** Wednesday March 19 th 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Palm Sunday

Usual weekend mass time

Holy Thursday

April 17 th – Mass @ 7.00 pm

Good Friday April 18 th Stations of the Cross 2.30 pm Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet

Good Friday Service 3.00 pm

Holy Saturday April 19 th @ 8.30 pm

Easter Sunday April 20 th Mass @ 9.00 am & 1.00 pm

#### Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus CHARITIES United in Charity RAFFLE

Tickets \$5.00 each. 100% go to charities in Wisconsin! Drawing held Saturday, May 17th, 2025 at 7:15 PM at KI Convention Center, Green Bay Winners will be posted on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Website within 48 hours. Ticket Contact: Steve Powers 608-847-5117 / sdjwpowers@hotmail.com or Ted Czajkowski 847-721-3486 / tedczajkowski@netscape.net Ladies Sodality Elections | The positions of President and Secretary are up for election this year. If you are interested in either position, please contact Linda Lochner 847-867-4941 or Vicki McGowan 608-

547-2426. Voting will be held at the next meeting on Thursday, <u>March 20th 1pm</u>!

\*Lentin resources are available for adults & children\*

Lentin Mite Boxes and Rice Bowls are available in the vestibule.

A Minute with Jesus: Jesus is the "Living Bread from Heaven." | Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51). Jesus gave this living bread to His apostles for the first time at the Last Supper. Jesus gives this living bread to us in holy Communion. The living bread is Jesus Himself Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, please strengthen my faith to believe that You are the living bread received in Holy Communion. This week, read Jesus's explanation that He is the living bread from heaven (John 6: 48-51).

Chrism Mass | April 15, 2025 |Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse The chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights. At it, the Bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the sacraments of baptism and the anointing of the sick and consecrates the sacred chrism used in the sacraments of confirmation and holy orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and the faithful pray for them. The chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 15, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. Please consider attending!

An Opportunity for a Deeper Experience of God's Presence - Jubilee of Hope 2025 You are encouraged to participate in this Jubilee of Hope to receive God's gifts and experience His presence in a much deeper way. The gift of hope is especially important for us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines hope as "the theological virtue by which we desire the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 1817). Ask God to increase the gift of hope in you. Further, make simple acts of hope by saying, "Jesus, I trust in You." For further details, visit diolc.org/jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope

We would like to thank Jeanette Crowley on the many years of dedicated service to Saint Mary's Parish. She has worked as

our parish secretary, served on the pastoral council and volunteered in countless other ways to enrich our community. Jeanette is retiring from the pastoral council after 25 years, and we are truly grateful for all she has dong for us.

Thank you Jeanette!

LADIES PAINT NIGHT - April 8th, 6:30pm. Paint night with Terry, additional details will be in next week's bulletin. Cost will be \$25 (which includes all supplies). To reserve a spot please contact Linda Lochner 847-867-4941

The pastoral council will be electing 2 to 3 new members for the council after Easter. Please keep an eye out for further details.



#### CCD id's Cophep

This week's CCD Student of the Week is: Lucas Crowley

Grade: 1

Q: When do you like to pray and what is your favorite prayer?

A: I like to pray before bed. My favorite prayer is the Lord's Prayer.

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 in March 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.\*\*\*

#### **Financial Stewardship**

#### March 9, 2025

Adult Envelopes\$2	787.00	
Offertory\$	377.50	
Ash Wednesday\$1	077.00	
Ash Wednesday Offertory\$	160.00	
Student Envelopes	\$5.00	
Votive candles	.\$62.25	
	468.75	
(163 registered families)		

Fiscal year-	<u>-to-date</u>
Contributed	\$118,966.12

## **Liturgical Roles**

Saturday, March 22, 7:00 pm		
Lector	Joyce Fuller	
EMC	Joyce Fuller	
Servers	Stella & Beckett Finucan	
Ushers	Gary Fuller,	
Dan Patton & Dan McGowan		
Gift BearersJim Crowley Family		
Musician	Heidi Finucan	

#### Sunday, March 23, 9:00 am

Lector	Sandy Edwards
EMC	Ken Engevold
	Carol Cauley
Servers	Karol,
∫Aman	da & Karina Strzemecka
UshersEa	arl Verette, Bob Dethloff,
Tony	/ Oldigs & Craig Kobylski
Gift Bearers	John & Joan Burch
Musician	Jade Pusel

### Sunday, March 23, 1:00 pm

Lector	Rochelle Crowley
EMC	Zach Housworth
Ushers	Rodney Senzig





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 March 16, 2025 - Second Sunday of Lent GN 15:5-12, 17-18; PS 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; PHIL 3:17-4:1 or PHIL 3:20-4:1; LK 9:28B-36 | In last week's Gospel, we followed Jesus into the desert, where He fasted and prayed. This week, He leads us up a mountain to witness His Transfiguration. Why both of these experiences? He is preparing us to go with Him in a few short weeks to a hilltop - Golgotha - where He will lay down His life for our sake. This ultimate sacrifice is a profound demonstration of His love for us. He will finally take us to an empty cave where He triumphed over sin and death. Jesus perfectly understands our humanity. He knows we need desert experiences — times of self-denial and testing — to arrive at mountain-top moments when we see and feel His glorious presence in our lives. The Apostles' reaction to Jesus' Transfiguration is a powerful example. They "had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory." This awakening, this realization of His glory, is what we strive for in our spiritual journey. The reason for our fasting, prayer, and almsgiving during Lent is to be reawakened to all God has done for humanity and all He has done for each of us personally. It is too easy to get lulled into complacency in our daily routines and "sleepwalk" through life. While nothing is inherently sinful in this routine, Christ calls us to do much more as Christian stewards. He calls us to be responsible, committed, and actively participate in His work. This Lent, let us train ourselves, or more precisely, allow Him to train us to say "Yes" to His will and to offer our lives back to Him in gratitude. In so doing, we, too, will become "transfigured." This season of Lent is a powerful opportunity for transformation, a time when we can awaken to a new, more spiritually fulfilling way of life. So we live fully awake; this is a stewardly way of life and glorious indeed.

<u>St. Mary's</u> <u>Jubilee</u> History Book

- The St. Mary's Jubilee History Book is still available for \$20 in the Narthex. This book is filled with inspiring photos, rich history and historic memories.