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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.

## April 6, 2025 - The Fifth Sunday of Lent



"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." The Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

John 8:7-11

### Parish Events

**Special Day of Confession  
(For both CCD Children and Adults)**

April 9, 7-8pm

Mass at 6:30pm, no AM Mass

**Cemetery Committee Meeting**

Thursday April 10, 3pm

**Palm Sunday**

Sunday April 13

**A Lenten Talk By:**

**Dr. Sr. Lourthu Mary FMM**

Sunday, April 13 6-8pm

St. Bridget's Hall

**Holy Thursday**

April 17 Mass at 7pm

**Good Friday**

**April 18**

Stations of the Cross 2:30 pm

Followed by Divine Mercy  
Chaplet

Good Friday Service 3.00 pm

**Holy Saturday**

April 19 at 8.30 pm

**Easter Sunday**

April 20 9 am & 1 pm

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

Sunday April 27

### Mass Intentions

**April 8**

† Eugene Fitzgerald

By: Don & Colleen Bradley

**April 9**

† Mary Jean Crowley

By: Harry & Shirley Buttner

**April 10**

Thad Sparby

By: Dziejwior Family

**April 11**

† Bob & Bernadine Walsh

By: Mark Walsh

**April 12**

† Mary & Ed Scully

By: Steve & Judy Scott

**April 13**

**Palm Sunday**

† Duane Franek

By: Pete & Linda Lochner

Parishioner Mass

**Tuesday,**  
5:30 pm

**Wednesday,**  
6:30 pm

**Thursday,**  
8:30 am

**Friday,**  
8:30 am

**Saturday,**  
7:00 pm

**Sunday,**

9:00 am

1:00 pm

*If you would like to donate money towards Easter flowers in memory of loved ones, please put the money in an envelope with your name on it, who you want remembered, and put the envelope in the offertory collection or mail to the parish office. These will be listed in the bulletin Easter Sunday.*

### PARISH OFFICE

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**Priest Office Hours**

Tuesday - Friday

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Confessions**

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm

\*\*And by appointment\*

#### **Secretary Office Hours**

608-666-2421

Monday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

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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....**

**The Lenten Talk 'The Last Seven Words of Jesus'  
Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 8pm @ Bridget's Hall**

**A brief note about the Presenter, Sr. Lourthu Mary FMM**

St. Mary's, Lyndon Station, is honored to welcome **Sr. Lourthu Mary FMM**, a member of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary, from Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India who will be giving a talk on 'Last Seven words of Jesus' for our parishioners. Sr. Lourthu Mary will be sharing her wisdom, spiritual insights, and deep faith with all who attend. Her presentation will be an enriching experience, drawing from her rich academic background and extensive international experience.

Sr. Lourthu Mary's journey of service to God and society spans across education, social development, and spiritual growth. With qualifications that include a B. Com, M.A., M.Phil., U.G.C. – NET, and a Ph.D., she has served as an Associate Professor at Stella Maris College in Chennai, Tamil Nadu since 2002, where she also held leadership roles as Head of the Department for MSW and HRM and Dean of Academic Affairs.

Her influence extends far beyond the classroom. Her global outreach has taken her to countries like Nepal, Germany, Columbia, the USA, and the Philippines, where she has shared her expertise in social justice, youth welfare, and community empowerment. She is also an accomplished author with 12 books, 54 articles, and course materials for MBA programs, Sr. Mary's love for research, reading, and writing reflects her commitment to lifelong learning. But above all, her deep love for the Word of God, social inclusion, and belief in equity guide her in all her endeavors.

We are truly blessed to have Sr. Lourthu Mary with us, and we look forward to the spiritual nourishment and insights she will bring during her presentation. Her life of service, faith, and dedication inspire us all, and we are grateful for the opportunity to welcome her into our community and beyond.

**A few reasons behind *Coving the Statues* during this time of the year**

Statues in churches are traditionally covered during Holy Week, especially from the 5th Sunday of Lent until Easter as a sign of mourning and to help the faithful focus more deeply on the sorrow and suffering of Christ.

Here's a breakdown of the reasons:

1. **Visual Fasting:** Just like we fast from food, covering images is a kind of "visual fasting." It removes distractions and helps people enter more deeply into the solemn and reflective mood of Holy Week.
2. **Anticipation of the Resurrection:** The veiling adds to the drama and anticipation. When the statues and crucifixes are uncovered at Easter, it becomes a powerful visual sign of the resurrection and the return of joy.
3. **Highlighting Christ's Humility:** During his Passion, Christ hid his divinity in a way. Covering sacred images symbolizes that "hiddenness" and helps us meditate on his suffering and self-emptying.

Traditionally, veils are purple, the liturgical color for Lent, representing penance and mourning.

**(Reminder) Chrism Mass | April 15, 2025 |Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse |** The Chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights at which 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!

**Lenten service & Events at St. Mary's**

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday after morning mass

Confessions – Addition to usual time

**Special day of Confession moved to April 9, 7-8pm**

(Tuesday 5.30 & Saturday 6.00 pm),

8.00 – 8.30 Wednesday – Friday (Before daily mass)

A Lenten Talk (Seven words of Jesus)

by Dr. Sr. Lourthu Mary FMM

Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> 6.00 – 8.00 pm

Palm Sunday - Usual weekend mass time

Holy Thursday - April 17<sup>th</sup> – Mass @ 7.00 pm

Good Friday April 18<sup>th</sup>

Stations of the Cross 2.30 pm

Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet

Good Friday Service 3.00 pm

Holy Saturday - April 19<sup>th</sup> @ 8.30 pm


Easter Sunday - April 20<sup>th</sup> Mass @ 9.00 am & 1.00 pm

**Święconka April 19, Holy Saturday 10 am DRODZY**


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KOS'CIELE S'WIETEJ MARYJI W WIELKA SOBOTE O  
GODZINIE 10-TEJ RANO.**

Święconka—In a basket put horseradish, salt & pepper, Babka (home baked round cake), rye bread, butter, smoked ham, smoked bacon, smoked polish sausage, colored-hard boiled eggs, and the children can put some candy in if they wish. You bring the basket to church on Holy Saturday to be blessed.

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 **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 for the first time to His apostles 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 the explanation that Jesus gives that He is the “living Bread from Heaven” in John 6: 48-51

**Lent: Reclaim your thoughts** | You are invited to find and read a compelling Catholic book because reading good books is part of our ongoing search for truth, and we know that Jesus Christ is the truth. Further, reading is essential to help us think clearly and logically. God’s Word exhorts us: “Brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things” (Philippians 4:8) You are invited to seek out and read a compelling Catholic book. Reading good books is part of our ongoing search for truth—and as Catholics, we know that Jesus Christ is the Truth. Spiritual reading also helps form our ability to think clearly and logically. God’s word exhorts us: “Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy— think about such things.” (Philippians 4:8)

 **Stewardship Bulletin Reflection April 6, 2025 - Fifth Sunday of Lent EZ 37:12-14; PS 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; ROM 8:8-11; JN 11:25A, 26; JN 11:1-45; JN 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33B-45** Once again, this week, we are reminded of the unfailing love and boundless mercy of the God we serve. The theme of the readings for this fifth Sunday of Lent Luke beautifully encapsulates the unfailing love and boundless mercy of God as he tells the story of the woman caught in adultery. In the face of those who would have stoned her, Christ says, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on, do not sin anymore." This statement is a powerful reminder of God's love and mercy, which we can always rely on. When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is gracious, merciful, and transformative. His forgiveness is not just a wiping away of our sins but a complete renewal, making us new creations in Christ. This renewal is a source of great hope and encouragement for us all. What is more impressive is that this all-perfect and holy God of ours draws so very near to us. Our sins do not drive Him from us but instead to us so He can set us free. Look carefully at Christ's actions and posture in the Gospel reading as He deals with both the crowd of people, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the adulterous woman. "All the people started coming to Him, and he sat down and taught them." "He bent down and began to write with His finger." He "straightened up" when confronting the Scribes and Pharisees about their sins. And he "straightened up" when He assured the woman that He did not condemn her for her past. Like a skilled teacher or loving "big brother," Christ bends down to where we are; He sits among us, He stands to confront us when needed, and He stands to look us in the eye to remind us of our true dignity. While we may feel unworthy of the great privilege of serving Him, this is not a cause for despair but rather a reason for greater joy. Let us serve Him with all our hearts, knowing that our service brings Him joy and fulfillment.

**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). Bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share. You must be signed up to attend. 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.*

**Community Events**

Community Meals for people 60+ at the Lyndon Station Elementary School April 9, 23, May 7 & 21

Hatch Public Library is celebrating 25 years open with an open house April 11 4-6pm

Hatch Public Library is hosting Natty Kranz on a talk, “Coping with Stress through Journaling” April 8, 1pm

Mauston-Lyndon Station Sharing Supper at Mauston High School April 24

Juneau County Health Department is celebrating 100 years on April 9 from 11am-6pm

CPR Class at St. Bridget’s Hall May 14 6:30pm  
For details contact Natty Kranz

**Church Restoration Project**

Goal: \$230,000  
Total Pledged: \$ 72,125.00  
Total Received: \$ 27,845.00  
Percent of Goal Pledged:  
31.36%  
Number of Donors: 21  
Total Pews Pledged: 19  
Total Pews  
Needing a Pledge: 49

**St. Mary’s Prayer List** | Please pray 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. **\*\*\*If you or someone you know would like to be included on the prayer list please notify us at [bulletin@stmlys.diocparish.org](mailto:bulletin@stmlys.diocparish.org)\*\*\***

**Financial Stewardship**

**March 30, 2025**

Adult Envelopes.....\$2170.00  
Offertory.....\$503.00  
Student Envelopes.....\$6.00  
Utility Envelopes.....\$20.00  
Holy Days.....\$20.00  
Votive candles.....\$43.50  
Total \$2,762.50  
(163 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$127,271.88

**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, April 12, 7:00 pm**

**Lector**.....Katelyn Browne  
**EMC**.....Joyce Fuller  
**Servers**.....Stella & Beckett Finucan  
**Ushers**.....Dan McGowan,  
.....Jasan Franek & Matt McGowan  
**Gift Bearers**.....Jim Crowley Family  
**Musician**.....Heidi Finucan

**Sunday, April 13, 9:00 am**

**Lector**.....Jodi Nelson  
**EMC**.....Sheri Guyse  
.....Carol Cauley  
**Servers**.....Karol,  
.....Amanda & Karina Strzemecka  
**Ushers**.....Earl Verette, Tom Guyse,  
.....Bob Dethloff & Tony Oldigs  
**Gift Bearers**....Dennis & Donna Rranek  
**Musician**.....Jade Pusel

**Sunday, April 13, 1:00 pm**

**Lector**.....Zach Housworth  
**EMC**.....Zach Housworth  
**Ushers**.....Rodney Senzig



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