

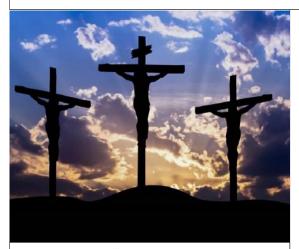
SAINT MARY'S

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.

November 23, 2025 - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today, you will be with me in Paradise."

Luke 23:42-43

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.diolcparish.org

Parish Events

Thanksgiving Mass Thursday, November 27

Thursday, November 27 8:30am

St. Monica Prayer

Tuesday, December 2
After word & communion
service

Christmas Brunch

Sunday, December 7
After 9am Mass

Immaculate Conception of Mary (HDO)

Monday December 8, 7pm Finance Council Meeting

Date change from 12/9

Thursday, December 11, 6:30pm

Pastoral Council Meeting

Date change from 12/9 Thursday, December 11, 7:30pm

Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 10th after 6:30pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 25

No Daily Mass

Wednesday, November 26

No Daily Mass

Thursday, November 27 8:30 am † Jan Pasciak

By: Josephine Pasciak

Friday, November 28

No Daily Mass

Saturday, November 29 7:00 pm † Gerhard Kolb

By: Helga Kolb

Sunday, November 30

9:00 am † Eugene & Donna Fitzgerald

By: The Family

1:00 pm Parishioner Mass

<u>There is no word and communion service</u> <u>on Friday, November 28th!</u>

Fr. Cruz is no longer at St. Patrick's. For sacramental emergencies please contact Fr. Aro at Keyesville & Cazenovia 608-484-4867. Fr. Cryton will be returning on December 5.

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Priest Office Hours

No Priest Office Hours Fr. Cryton away until Dec. 5th

Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Secretary Office Hours

608-666-2421

Monday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm Wednesday 9:00 am - 2:30 pm Saturday 8:00 am - Noon

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Mass Schedule Weekdays

No Daily Masses

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 Fr. Cryton,

The Solemnity of the Christ the King, The Final Sunday of the Liturgical Year

This weekend we joyfully celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe. As we come to the final Sunday of the liturgical year, the Church invites us to lift our eyes to Christ—our Shepherd, our Judge, and our King—who reigns not with power and force, but with mercy, love, and self-giving sacrifice. His Kingdom is one of truth, justice, peace, and compassion, and we are called to be living witnesses of that Kingdom in our daily lives.

This week also brings Thanksgiving Day, a beautiful moment for all of us to pause, reflect, and give thanks for God's countless blessings. Even though I am away from the parish at this time, I hold each of you dearly in my thoughts and prayers. From afar, I thank God for the gift of our parish community—for your faith, your kindness, your support, and the many ways you reflect Christ's love.

As we honor Christ our King and approach Thanksgiving, may our hearts be filled with gratitude for His guidance and His abundant blessings in our lives. Let us continue to grow as a community rooted in hope, united in love, and committed to building His Kingdom here on earth.

Wishing you all a blessed Christ the King Sunday and a grace-filled Thanksgiving Day.

Join for the Thanksgiving Day Mass at St. Mary's on Thursday November 27th at 8.30 am.

Canadian Pacific/Kansas City Holiday Train will be on Thursday, December 11 at 4:15pm at the Railroad Crossing on Division Street. This is our one large fundraising event for the year. It is a terrific musical experience with the awesome decorated Holiday Train- a feast for your eyes! Please bring a canned good item or a cash donation to help fill up our pantry. Cash donations for the evening will be matched!

Remember, our pantry has no paid staff. We have 18 board members and 75 volunteers. All donations go to building upkeep and food! We have seen a 13% increase in those we are assisting. We have served over 600 different families so far this year. Our motto is "Prepared...not panicked". Our job is to help keep families fed in our school district. This can only be done with community assistance which you have provided for the past 42 years. The Bank of Mauston is matching funds through the month of November. WRJC sponsored a successful cash drive – with excellent co-hosts, the Mauston School Key Club has spearheaded their great annual food drive on our behalf.

Needs for the upcoming winter season: soups, canned protein, canned veggies or fruit, cereal, 100% juice, regular peanut butter, sugar, flour, spices; any type of health and beauty items – toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, Kleenex, toilet paper. We do watch the dates and the food we distribute should not be older than 2025. We are so very grateful for your assistance this past year and for helping others to know we do care about them. Thank you!

Mauston/Lyndon Community Sharing Pantry Board

The Christmas Brunch is fast approaching on December 7th- Sign up sheets are in the back of church, please sign up as soon as possible so we can have an accurate count for food. We will also have the Cookie Walk this year- it was very popular last year. The cookies will be for sale after all of the masses on the weekend of December 6th and 7th. But- to make this happen- we will need cookie donations! We had a great assortment last year. You can bring your cookie donations on Saturday night or Sunday morning to the basement and they will be sold after all masses.

The **Mauston Community Sharing Pantry** serves people in the Mauston school district. It is open for food distribution on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:00. St. Mary's Parish has joined as a church partner.



Advent begins Nov. 30th | Advent is the season of preparation for the birth of Christ that includes a call to purification through personal spiritual renewal, receiving the sacrament of reconciliation (confession), and making simple acts of penance and sacrifice. Purification is a key theme, involving the cleansing of hearts and minds from worldly distractions to focus on Christ's coming, asking for the grace to "purify hope" and preparing for the Lord. The priest's vestments during Advent are purple, the color of penance and sacrifice. They are a

constant reminder of our need to get ready—to be cleansed and purified. Advent is a season for stepping back from our busy lives, taking time in stillness and solitude, to reflect more deeply on the mystery of God's Incarnation—Jesus taking on human flesh to be among us. This can also include something like not having dessert occasionally, or turning off the TV for one night or setting aside an electronic device for an hour. Or this can include helping someone in need or visiting a person who is lonely. We offer small sacrifices to spend this Advent in true preparation for the real gift of Christmas—Jesus Christ.

Jesus is Our Hope (1 Tim 1:1) | Hope is not simply optimism or wishful thinking. It is a supernatural gift given by God that enables us to trust in His promises, even when all could seem lost. The catechism teaches that "hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the Holy Spirit." (CCC 1817). Hope, then, lifts our hearts beyond fear, failure or weakness. It tells us that the story of our lives, and of history itself, is held in the unbreakable bond with our loving God. As Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "Even when there seems to be nothing left to hope for, only the certitude of God's love gives the courage to act and to persevere." During this Jubilee Year of Hope, ask the Lord to increase the hope that is in you.

December 24 Wednesday 7 pm	Sandy Edwards	Sandy Edwards	Gary Skolarz, 2 more Ushers Needed	1 Family for Gifts Needed
December 25 Thursday 9 am	Mick McCormick	Joan Holig-McCormick , 1 EMC Needed	4 Ushers Needed	1 Family for Gifts Needed
December 25 Thursday 1 pm	1 Lector Needed	1 EMC Needed	1 Usher Needed	N/A

We are still looking for the following assistance with our Christmas Masses. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are able to assist bulletin@stmlys.diolcpar ish.org.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection November 23, 2025 - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2 SM 5:1-3; PS 122:1-5; COL 1:12-20; LK 23:35-43 On this Feast of Christ the King, our readings remind us that we serve the greatest of Kings, who is also the humblest of Kings. Christ exemplifies perfect servant leadership. And what an incredible privilege it is that He has called us to be servant leaders — stewards in the effort to advance His Kingdom. In our second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, Paul describes the great power and dignity that define Christ the King. "All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things and in him all things hold together." It makes you want to stand up and cheer. That's our King! Yet, what a contrasting description of the same King we find in our Gospel passage from Luke. Now we see our King nailed to the Cross. Everyone—from rulers to soldiers, to the criminals on either side of Christ—is mocking, sneering, and reviling Him. They tauntingly urge Him to prove His kingship by coming down from the Cross to end His suffering with a great display of power. "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." But He does not. Amazingly, it is in this moment of weakness and humiliation, when all appears hopeless and lost, that the full extent of His greatness as king is revealed. Though all things were created through and for Him, Christ chooses to live entirely for others, for us! What does this mean for us as his followers and stewards of His kingdom? It means our lives are not about us. They are about Christ and others. We will advance His kingdom to the extent that we embrace this mindset: my life is not about me; it is about serving the King of kings. Let this inspire and motivate us in our daily

Christmas Memorial Poinsettias | Christmas will be here very soon! If you would like to donate to the Christmas Flowers in memory or in honor of someone, we are now taking donations. Please be sure to have your donation to the parish office no later than December 17th. This will give the office time to compile the list of donors and put the list in the Christmas Bulletin.

A heart-felt thank you from the Society for the Propagation Of the Faith and our Diocesan Mission Office to St. Mary Parish in Lyndon Station for answering our Holy Father's call to be "Missionaries of Hope Among the People" with your generous response Of prayer and sacrifices for World Mission Sunday. We will forward your financial contribution of \$1,659.00 to our national office. They can in turn support Catholic institutions most in need.

-Rev. Woodrow H. Pace

"In All Circumstances Give Thanks" (1 Thes. 5:18) | During this season of Thanksgiving, let us become more aware, throughout each day, of the things for which we can be thankful, even in the midst of difficult circumstances. Make an actual list, and then turn to God and thank Him. Or make a resolution to thank God for three things every night. We have every reason to be thankful. Jesus gave His life for us, experiencing the worst possible pain on the Cross, so that we can have eternal life with Him forever. Since Eucharist means thanksgiving, returning to Mass on Thanksgiving Day is the best place to express your gratitude. Thank Jesus for all of the good gifts on your list, and most especially, for the gift of Himself to you in the holy Eucharist.

There is a tote in the vestibule near the stairs to the basement to collect food donations. The donations will be brought to the food pantry on Wednesdays. If able, please consider sharing some non-perishable items with those in need in our community. Thank you!

Meat Raffle - Saturday, November 29, 2:00pm, at Leo's Upper Dells Bar. All proceeds go to St. Mary's Church and St. Luke's Church.



CCD Kid's Corner - This week all of the CCD students made a colorful chain of different parts of their lives that they are thankful for! We've placed this paper chain on the piano in the front of church for all to enjoy. Our CCD students have truly big hearts and are thankful for the blessings in their lives! (There is no CCD this Wednesday due to Thanksgiving.)

Church Restoration Project

Goal: \$230,000

Total Pledged: \$ 242,230.47 Total Received: \$ 174,174.47 Percent of Goal Pledged: 105.32%

Percent of Goal Received: 75.72% Number of Donors: 84 Total Pews Pledged: 61 Total Pews Needing a Pledge: 0

Inspired By the Spirit

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$96,245.00 Percent of Goal Pledged: 60.15%

> Number of Donors: 36 Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal: \$23,545.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$12,635.00 Percent of Goal Pledged: 53.66% Number of Donors: 33

Financial Stewardship

November 16, 2025

Adult Envelopes	\$10,461.00
Offertory	\$528.00
Student Envelopes	\$10.00
Votive candles	\$66.00
Total	\$11,065,00

(163 registered families) Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed.....\$56,771.72

<u>Liturgical Roles</u>

Saturday, November 29, 7:00 pm

Lector	Paul Zajackowski
EMC	TBD
Servers	Stella, Beckett,
Ushers	& Noble Finucan
Ushers	Dennis Franek,
Jim McGowa	n & Dan McGowan
Jim McGowa Gift BearersLeo 8	Lanette Crowley

Sunday, November 30, 9:00 am

Musician.....Heidi Finucan

Lector	rMelissa Schanke	
EMC	Melissa Schanke	
	Carol Cauley	
Servers.	Carol Cauley Karol,	
	.Amanda & Karina StrzemeckaKevin Heimerl, Matt Leja,	
Ushers	Kevin Heimerl, Matt Leja,	
	Earl Verette & Tom Guyse	
Gifts	Earl Verette & Tom GuyseFitzgerald Family	

Sunday, November 30, 1:00 pm Lector.....Zach Housworth EMC.....Zach Housworth

Musician.....Jade Pusel

Ushers.....Rodney Senzig



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~ 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

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