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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.



After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

Matthew 2:9-11b

**St. Mary's Prayer List** | Please pray for Roxann Walsh, Marlene McGowan, Lizzy Mitchell, the Quinlan Family, 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](mailto:bulletin@stmlys.diolcparish.org)\*\*\*

## January 4, 2026 - Epiphany of the Lord

<u>Parish Events</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>
<b>St. Monica Prayer</b> Tuesday, January 6 After 5:30pm Mass	<b>January 6</b> † Anna McGowan By: McGowan Family
<b>Christmas Decoration Clean-up</b> Tuesday, January 6, 6:00pm	<b>January 7</b> † William Zenk By: Family
<b>Ladies Sodality Meeting</b> St. Bridget's Hall Thursday, January 8th, 1:00pm	<b>January 8</b> † Wally Postava By: Zofia & Matt Leja
<b>Parish General Meeting</b> <b>Sunday, January 11, 6:30pm</b>	<b>January 9</b> † Mary Jean Cauley By: Elizabeth Mitchell
<b>Ash Wednesday</b> February 18	<b>January 10</b> † Bob Walsh By: KC Solomon Juneau
<b>Palm Sunday</b> March 29	<b>January 11</b> † Doris Nerat By: Joe & Penny Scully
<b>Easter Sunday</b> April 5	Parishioner Mass
<b>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord HDO</b> Thursday, May 14	
<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> May 24	
<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b> Sunday, May 3	
<b>Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ</b> Sunday, June 7	

If you would like to schedule Mass intentions please contact the parish office. We currently have availability for both weekdays and weekends.

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\*\*And by appointment\*

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608-666-2421  
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(There are currently no  
weekday secretary 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



## **A Message from Fr. Cryton,**

### **The Epiphany Mirrors Our Parish Faith Journey**

As we begin this New Year and gather for the first Sunday of 2026, our hearts are filled with gratitude and joy. This year is especially meaningful for St. Mary's Parish, as we celebrate 175 years of our faith journey as a parish community.

According to our parish history, the first Holy Mass was offered in 1851. In its early years, the parish was dedicated to St. Bridget, and later entrusted to the loving patronage of St. Mary, under whose care we continue our journey today. I warmly encourage you to read our parish history book to appreciate the faith, sacrifice, and perseverance of those who came before us.

Providentially, we begin this anniversary year with the Feast of the Epiphany. Today's feast tells the story of the Three Magi, who set out on a long and uncertain journey, guided by a star, seeking Christ. Their journey mirrors our own parish story, marked by faith, trust in God's guidance, and the courage to move forward even when the path was not always clear.

Like the Magi, generations of faithful parishioners followed the light of Christ, worshiped Him, and offered their gifts of prayer, service, time, and resources to build and sustain this parish community. Today, we are the heirs of that faith, and we are now called to continue the journey, keeping Christ at the center of all that we do.

As we celebrate Epiphany, may we ask for the grace to recognize Christ revealed among us in the Eucharist, in one another, and in our mission as a parish. May this 175th anniversary year be a time of thanksgiving for the past, renewal in the present, and hope for the future.

***May the Star of Christ continue to guide St. Mary's Parish for generations to come.***

**Thank you Gary Picha!** Thank you to Gary Picha for sponsoring our 2026 parish calendar. Calendars are now available in the vestibule.

#### **Jubilee Year of Hope: The New Year 2026: Jesus is Our Hope (1 Tim. 1:1)**

 Moving forward in this New Year, we are called to be beacons of hope in the world, as called for in Romans 15:13: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." Let us continue to ask the Lord to increase our faith and hope in Him so that as beacons, we will help others to encounter Jesus through acts of love and mercy.

Thank you to all those who have donated items for our Food Pantry. Total donations from our parish in 2025 were:

- Advent Reverse Collection - 244 lbs
- December 1st to 23rd - 133 lbs
- November (including Thanksgiving) - 198 lbs
- Monetary donations including the matched donation by the Bank of Mauston - \$2,250.00

Total Food donations for 2025 - 575 lbs! Thank you to everyone who helped!

**March for Life** ~ Join us Sunday, January 25, 2026 to March for Life at the Juneau County Courthouse 101 State Street, Mauston, WI from 1:00 p.m. Until 2:30 p.m. The march will be followed by a reception in Reardon Hall at St. Patrick's Church. The March for Life can be done by both young and old alike. It is a simple, yet effective way for all those who call on the name of the Lord to show that they are opposed to abortion. Life Marchers simply walk in front of the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, holding signs Please join us at the Juneau County Courthouse where local Pastors will lead us in support of life.

**Rebuild My Church Updates** | This summer and fall, 3,622 people of the La Crosse Diocese participated in 40 listening sessions to help launch Rebuild My Church, an ongoing effort of renewal and pastoral planning for Our Diocese. Stay tuned for regular updates. To the right is a QR code. That will take you to the latest updates. You can view the recording of the Listening sessions, and see the latest updates at: <https://diolc.org/rebuildmychurch/updates/>



**Help Wanted** - St Mary's Parish Office is currently looking for a volunteer for some part-time help during the week starting in January. We are looking for someone to assist with being in the office for half a day or more depending on availability. Duties would include answering the phone, retrieving the mail and greeting parishioners who come in during office hours. This will be a seasonal position and is expected to end in early spring. If interested, contact the parish office at 608-666-2421.

**Knowledge of Truth: Faith and reason guide us** | Truth is not something we invent. It is something we receive from God, discover through reason, and share with others. Truth corresponds to reality as it truly is, and its ultimate source is God, who is Truth itself (John 14:6). When people claim that everyone can have their own truth, there is no longer a shared foundation for right and wrong.

*The full bulletin insert, written by Fr. David Olson, is available in PDF and JPG by clicking [here](#). (<https://diolc.org/catechesis/bulletin-inserts/>)*

**Jan. 17 Pro-Life Workshop with Emily Geiger: Effective Dialogue with 'Pro-Choice' People** - What we've learned from talking with thousands. Join us for an engaging and practical workshop with Emily Geiger of the Equal Rights Institute, designed to help Catholics communicate the truth about the dignity of human life with clarity, charity, and confidence. Emily's proven approach to pro-life dialogue has been tested on college campuses across the country. A dynamic and thoughtful speaker, she has appeared on MSNBC, EWTN, Relevant Radio, Focus on the Family, Christianity Today and more. This workshop will equip participants with concrete tools for meaningful, respectful conversations—especially in challenging or emotionally charged situations.



**Date:** Jan. 17

**Time:** 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

**Location:** Our Lady of Peace Parish, 1414 W 5th St., Marshfield 54449

**Lunch:** included.

Visit [diolc.org/respect-life](https://diolc.org/respect-life) for complete details and to register, or scan the QR code to the right.

**REMINDER** - there is a Parish General Meeting next Sunday, **January 11th at 6:30pm**. All committee members and all parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to attend. During the meeting, each committee will present its report for the year 2025, including financial report as well as updates on the church restoration and painting projects.

Congratulations to Rochelle and Jim Crowley who welcomed their daughter Lily into the world on New Years Day!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter is coming to the Diocese of La Crosse | February 13-15, 2026 | Sparrow's Nest, Sparta, WI**

Looking for a way to rekindle the love and romance in your marriage? Your marriage is your most important human relationship. This powerful experience of discovery helps you renew your commitment, deepen your intimacy and reignite the passion that brought you together. Space is limited...click [here](http://www.wwme.org) (<http://www.wwme.org>) to save your spot today!

What did people say at the 40 listening sessions this fall? Those comments are now available for viewing, along with a summary of the top trends. You can also check out a brief video from Fr. Derek Sakowski sharing a Christmas story illustrating what it means to "pivot from maintenance to mission" at [this link](#).



[Inspired By the Spirit](#)

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$96,395.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 60.25%

Number of Donors: 36

[Diocesan Annual Appeal](#)

Goal: \$23,545.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$16,020.56

Percent of Goal Pledged: 68.04%

Number of Donors: 47

## **Financial Stewardship**

**December 28, 2025**

Adult Envelopes.....\$2,226.00

Offertory.....\$1,593.00

Student Envelopes.....\$6.00

Student Christmas Envelopes.....\$28.00

Christmas.....\$3,547.00

Votive candles.....\$86.00

Total \$7,486.00

(163 registered families)

[Fiscal year-to-date](#)

Contributed.....\$81,073.12

## **Liturgical Roles**

### **Saturday, January 10, 7:00 pm**

Lector Steve Hesprich

EMC Steve Hesprich

Servers Stella, Beckett & Noble Finucan

Ushers Jim McGowan, Gary Fuller, Dennis Franek

Gift Bearers McGowan Family

Musician Heidi Finucan

### **Sunday, January 11, 9:00 am**

Lector Ted Czajkowski

EMC Joan Holig-McCormick, & TBD

Servers Elouise, Nellie Jo & Anton Erickson

Ushers Matt Leja, Earl Verette, Jim Cauley, Tom Guyse

Gift Bearers Mick & Joan McCormick

Musician Carol & Andrea

### **Sunday, January 11, 1:00 pm**

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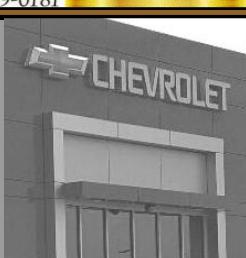
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**Stewardship Bulletin Reflection January 4, 2026 - The Epiphany of the Lord IS 60: 1-6; PS 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13; EPH 3:2-3A, 5-6; MT 2: 1-12** As our Christmas celebration continues, today we observe the great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word "epiphany" comes from Greek and means manifestation or appearance. Recognizing God's manifestations in our lives helps us feel connected and grateful, inspiring us to live as faithful stewards. Our Gospel passage from Matthew highlights the Magi's example of living as good stewards through their actions and recognition of God's presence. As good stewards, the magi watched for signs of God's presence in their lives. "We have seen the star at its rising," they say. Good stewards are keenly aware of the "star" of God's presence and His gifts in their lives. It is this awareness that fills them with gratitude and the desire to worship God and share His gifts with others. The magi, upon witnessing God's presence in their lives, "were overjoyed." When we acknowledge God's gifts and presence, we can feel a deep, lasting joy that sustains us beyond worldly promises, filling us with hope and spiritual fulfillment. Finally, the magi were so awestruck when they encountered the newborn Jesus that they prostrated themselves before him and "opened their treasures and offered him gifts." Sharing our material gifts becomes a loving act of worship, deepening our sense of purpose and devotion to God's love. Let us actively seek and rejoice in God's manifestations in our lives, remaining watchful for new ways to share ourselves and our gifts in gratitude to our King in the year ahead.

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