

# Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



## Mass Schedule

Monday, April 17th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 18th

Mass 8:15 am

Celi Milendez SP.I.

Wednesday, April 19th

Mass 8:15 am

† Pedro Feliz Jr.

Thursday, April 20th

Mass 8:15 am Adoration following Mass

† James Carter Sperry

Friday, April 21st

St. Anselm

Mass 8:15 am

Andnine Yu SP.I.

Saturday, April 22nd

First Holy Communion Practice 10:00 am

Confessions 4:00 to 4:50 pm

Mass 5:15 pm

† Alan Welte

Sunday, April 23rd 3rd Sunday of Easter

Confessions 7:30 to 7:50 am

Mass 8:00 am

Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:30 to 10:20 am

Mass 10:30 am First Holy Communion

Mueller Families SP.I.

## Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th, 2023

### Saturday, April 22nd, 5:15 pm

Lector: Gretchen Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Eleanor Jelinek, Danicka

Ushers: Knights Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family

Scrip: Susan Tully

### Sunday, April 23rd 8:00 am

Lector: Chay Schmitt

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Thomas Honer, Emma Jelinek,  
Alexander & Carter Kloehn

Ushers: Knights Gifts: Andrew Wright Family

Scrip: Fran Wilkinson

### Sunday, April 23rd, 10:30 am

Lector: Candace McGrath

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Aubrey & Bryce Kohlstedt,  
Brielle Weeden & Will Weiss

Ushers: Knights Gifts: First Communicants

Scrip: Judy Barnicle

## Parish Calendar Events

04/15 Saturday, Knights of Columbus Bingo 6:30 pm  
at the Richland Center Community Center

04/16 Sunday, Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30 pm

04/23 Sunday, 10:30 Mass, First Holy Communion

04/29 Saturday, 24th Annual Extravaganza

05/04 Thursday, Confirmation here @ St Mary's 6:30 pm  
Practice at 5:30 pm

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.  
Whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread  
that I will give is my flesh, for the life of the world”

Jn 6:51

## **From your pastor . . .**

Next Sunday, April 23 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, First Holy Communion will be celebrated. Practice will take place on Saturday, April 22 at 10:00 a.m. At least one parent should attend with the first communicant.

This Second Sunday of Easter is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. The gospel for this day is always from Saint John as he describes the appearance of the resurrected Lord in the upper room (the same room where the Last Supper had been eaten). In that encounter, Saint John describes the risen Christ “breathing” on the apostles and then making the declaration: “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” Here we have in very clear terms the institution of the Sacrament of Penance. Two things should be noted. 1. Jesus breathing on the apostles harkens back to the second chapter of Genesis when God breathes his Spirit into the first man. The first human being is spiritually endowed from the breath of God. Now in the evening on the first day of Christ’s resurrection he endows his apostles with his Spirit so they can re-create men and women through forgiveness of their sins. 2. The risen Christ indicates how the apostles’ authority to forgive sins is to be accomplished. It requires making a judgment concerning the contrition necessary on the part of the penitent.

There are many, including some Catholics who question why sins must be confessed to a priest. It is because of this passage from Saint John’s gospel that indicates some kind of conversation that involves an admission of sin needs to happen to be able discern whether to forgive or to retain the sins confessed. Christ reveals that His Divine Mercy is dispensed according to a particular form that involves a confession of sins to a person with apostolic authority to retain or loose.

The Sacrament of Penance is one of the most beautiful and consoling sacraments, yet many Catholics for whatever the reason dismiss it’s importance. When something essential for salvation such as the Sacrament of Penance is set aside, it should not surprise us that our Lord will send a message from above to get our attention. Sometimes his Blessed Mother, Mary, delivers a particular message while at other times he may choose a particular person here on earth.

He did this in the 1930’s, when he chose a simple nun by the name, Sister Faustina Kolwalski (now Saint Faustina) living in a secluded convent in Krakow, Poland to become his “secretary of Divine Mercy.” She wrote a rather long diary that was dictated to her through interlocutions by Jesus himself. The message of Divine Mercy given to Saint Faustina was a grace that God has given to his Church and to the entire world concerning the importance of receiving God’s mercy as well the importance of engaging in daily acts of mercy toward our neighbor. Carrying out works of mercy is to be the distinguishing mark of Christian identity.

The traditional works of mercy are of two kinds, corporeal and spiritual.

The seven corporal works of mercy are: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned and bury the dead.

The seven spiritual works of mercy are: counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offenses, bear wrongs patiently and pray for the living and the dead.

Hopefully we will use the abundant graces that come to our lives during this holy season of Easter to engage in works of mercy, both corporeal and spiritual as well to allow these graces to lead us to the throne of mercy found in the confessional.

Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary Parish.

**Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel**

## EASTER FLOWERS & MEMORIALS

*In Loving memory of*



Jack Bauer	Easter Flowers
Ronald & Janet Bladl	“ Lyle Baltz
	“ Ruby Baltz
	“ Irwin Bladl
	“ Florence Bladl
Cheryl Blankenship	“ Marty Blankenship
	“ Edward & Elise Gaura
Jon & Jane Bosworth	“ Easter Flowers
Frank Brewer	“ Karen Brewer
Jerome & Sandy Durst	“ St. Mary’s Parish
Gretchen Jelinek	“ Marvin Jelinek
	“ Mary Jelinek
William & Judith Hilleman	“ Easter Flowers
Ramedias Jara	“ Joe Jara
	“ Deceased Members
	“ Felix & Jara Families
	“ Alandy Families
Irene Joyce	“ Joe Joyce & Parents
	“ Mary Knothe
	“ Mark Knothe
	“ Jane Knothe
	“ John Kinney
	“ Maguerite Kinney
Ann Machovec	“ Larry Machovec
	“ Deceased Members
	“ of Frawley Family
David & Delores Lenz	“ Joe Doerer
	“ Terri Doerer
Mari Lu Marshall	“ John Sweenik
	“ Irene Swenik
	“ Jack Curnow
	“ Shirley Curnow
Candace McGrath	“ Nicholas Lawson
Jennifer Meyer	“ Agnes Auz
	“ Kenneth Auz Sr.
	“ Keith Auz
Tena Moore	“ Easter Flowers
Bernadine Mueller	“ Francis Mueller
	“ Randy Mueller
	“ Miranda Mueller
	“ Linda Mueller
Marcia Mueller	“ Randy Mueller
	“ Miranda Mueller
	“ Carol Kraska
Judy Murphy	“ Joe Murphy
Mary Jo Nigl	“ Mike Nigl
	“ Rudy & Jeanne Nigl
Audrey Oliver	“ Easter Flowers

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Paul & Julie Peckham	“ Jane Guelig
	“ Edmund Guelig
	“ Harvey Bestor
	“ Jean Bestor
	“ Bill Shaw
	“ Jesse Shields
Rodney Reetz	“ Sandy Reetz
	“ Nordy Reetz
	“ Fae Reetz
	“ Cleo “Tootie” Hasburgh
Frank & Vietta Reising	“ Tina Franseen
	“ Seth Trindal
Terry & Barbara Ryan	“ Foley Families
	“ Ryan Families
Paul & Mary Jo Salisbury	“ Francis Mueller
	“ Randy Mueller
	“ Miranda Mueller
	“ Linda Mueller
	“ Julius Salisbury
Colleen Schroeder	“ Bill Schroeder
Jason & Sara Schultz	“ Easter Flowers
Joe Simon	“ Carl Simon
	“ Margaret Simon
Joe & Susan Triggs	“ Charles Beranek
	“ Joanne Beranek
	“ Leo Triggs
	“ Marie Triggs
Bradford & Diane Walker	“ Easter Flowers
Brian & Alisa Weiss	“ Gary Weiss
Louie Wiliams	“ Ruth Williams
	“ Jerry Hackl
Melanie Ziaja	“ Richard Ziaja

**Congratulations**  
**Nicholas Perna & Grant Worthington**  
 who entered into full communion with the Catholic  
 Church at the Easter Vigil  
 April 8, 2023





24th Annual  
Sportsman's  
Extravaganza  
Saturday, April 29, 2023



Richland Center Community Center  
1050 N. Orange St.

Looking for new items for Door Prizes  
Items relating to Sportsmen & Sportswomen  
Items can be  
dropped off at the rectory

Readings for the week of April 16, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31  
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8  
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15  
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21  
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36  
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4,13-14/Jn 6:1-15  
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21  
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



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3. Enter your email	3. "I belong to a Parish
4. Click link in email	4. Find St Mary's by zip
5. You're in!	5. Enter your email, done!

April 8/9, Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,445.00
Offertory.....	868.00
Student Offertory.....	31.71
Pastoral Care.....	5.00
Building & Maintenance.....	51.00
Catholic School Support.....	26.00
Easter Flowers.....	120.00
Religious Retirement.....	1996.00
Total.....	\$6542.71
Holy Thursday.....	\$553.75
Good Friday.....	\$302.00
March (ACH) Automatic Contributions	\$5, 550.00

LDCCW Sunday Collection

The La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be taking up a second collection, the weekend of **April 15th & 16th**. These monies will go to fund several projects around the Diocese like Casa Hogar, assistance to Seminarians, PCCW Kitchen Reawakening Grants, camp Scholarships, donations to Catholic college Groups within the Diocese, and more.

If you, or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your prayer request to [prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com](mailto:prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com)

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Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church **please** notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged, but **not less than six months** prior to the proposed wedding date.