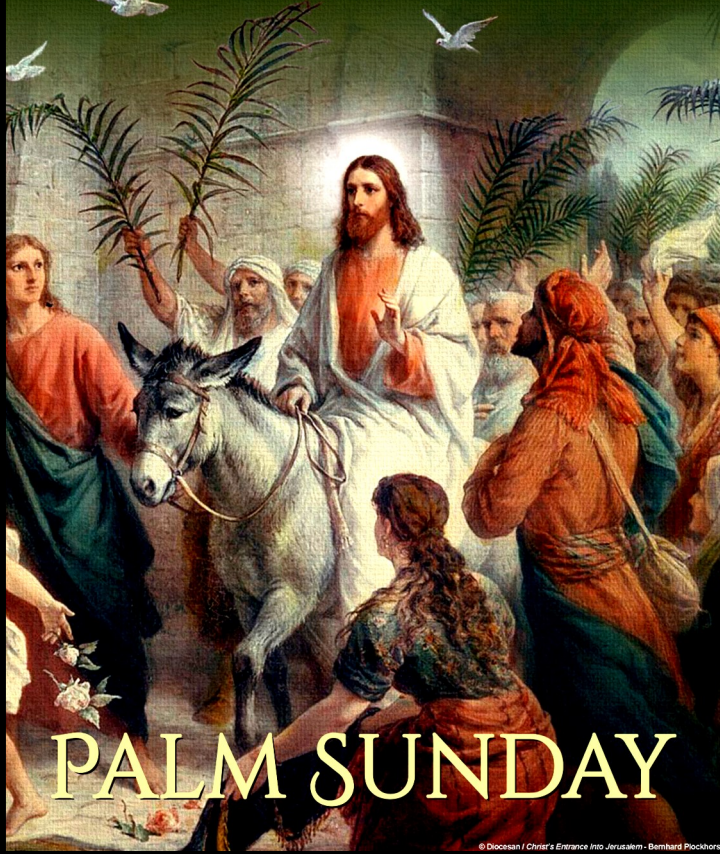


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

**“Blessed is He who comes in the name
of the LORD!”**

Mark 11:9



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PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday, March 24th, 2024

Easter Vigil Mass, March 30th, 8:00 pm

Readers: Paul Peckham, Judy Murphy,
Candace McGrath, Mary Ellen Boak,
Cheryl Blankenship

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Owen Drier, Eleanor Jelinek, Mark Olson
George Laubmeier (G5) Luke & Nicholas Perna

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kendra Bingham, Dalton Johnson, Christina Koch

Easter Sunday, March 31st, 8:00am (No Incense)

Lectors: Mark Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Colyns Morris, Wyatt Mueller, Blake Parker

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Brian Parker Family

Easter Sunday, March 31st, 10:30 am

Lectors: Alisa Weiss

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Elijah, Will & Ella Weiss, Jolee Larse

Gifts: Brian Weiss Family

Mass Schedule

Monday, March 25th

No Mass **Confessions 6:00 to 7:30 pm**

Tuesday, March 26th

Chrism Mass at St Joseph the Workman
Cathedral in La Crosse 10:30 am

Confessions 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 27th

No Mass

Holy Thursday, March 28th

Confessions 6:00 to 6:45pm

Mass 7:00 pm Prayerful Vigil to 9:30 pm

† Janice Marie Bauer

Confessions

Friday, March 29th Good Friday Service 1:00 pm

Confessions 12:15 to 12:50 pm

Holy Saturday, March 30th

Confessions 4:15

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm

† Ralph Bindl



Easter Sunday, March 31st

Confessions 7:30 am

Mass 8:00 am **(No Incense)**

L& D members of the Marie & Leo
Triggs Family

Confessions 9:45 am

Mass 10:30 am

Our Parish Family

Parish Calendar of Events

03/26 Tuesday Chrism Mass 10:30 @ St Joseph
the Workman Cathedral

03/28 Thurs. Mass of the Last Supper 7:00 pm

03/29 Friday Good Friday Service 1:00 pm

03/30 Saturday Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

03/31 Sunday Easter Sunday 8:00 am Mass
No Incense

03/31 Sunday Easter Sunday Mass 10:30 am

04/27 Saturday Sportsman's Extravaganza

05/02 Thursday Confirmation at Viroqua 6:30 pm

05/20 Monday Installation of

Bishop Gerard W Battersby in La Crosse

From your pastor ...

By now most of you have heard the significant news that a new bishop has been appointed by Rome to replace Bishop Callahan, who had submitted his resignation some time ago due to his increasingly fragile health. Bishop Gerard W. Battersby, 63 years old, was appointed the 11th bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse this past Tuesday, March 19th, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. His installation as the new bishop will take place at the Cathedral in La Crosse on Monday, May 20th. Bishop Battersby has been serving since 2017 as one of three auxiliary Bishops in the Archdiocese of Detroit, Michigan. This is an important time for our diocese. Let us pray for our new bishop as we look forward to his episcopal ministry among us.

With the celebration of **Palm Sunday**, we enter the holiest week of the year. When you leave the Church with your palms, please treat them with the reverence that a blessed object (sacramental) deserves. When their use is discontinued, the palms should either be burned or buried in the soil.

The Holy Week schedule is as follows:

The Last Supper of our Lord that is celebrated on Holy Thursday, will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will include the ritual of the washing of feet. After the Mass on Holy Thursday, there will be a time to keep a silent, prayerful vigil in the Church until 9:30 p.m. This time for prayer parallels our Lord's desire for his apostles to stay awake with him "for one hour" in the Garden of Gethsemane after the Last Supper. Incense will be used at this Mass.

The **Good Friday service** will begin at 1:00 p.m. There are four parts to this service: 1. The reading of the Passion, 2. The Intercessory Prayers, 3. The veneration of the cross and 4. Reception of Holy Communion. It is a day of fasting (one full meal) and abstinence (no meat). It is recommended that this day be spent in as much silence and prayer as possible. There is no incense used at this service.

The Easter Vigil service will begin at 8:00 p.m. It is in the dark of night that the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World is proclaimed as risen from the dead. It is during this vigil service that we will celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and reception of Holy Communion of Kedra Bingham, Dalton Johnson and Christian Koch. Joining them for the Sacraments of Confirmation and first Holy Communion, will be Jennifer Mota, who is a baptized Catholic who had not received any of the other sacraments. Incense will be used at this Mass.

Easter Sunday Masses will be celebrated at the usual Sunday Mass times: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. The renewal of baptismal vows takes place at both Masses. Incense will not be used at the 8:00 a.m. Mass but will be used at 10:30 a.m.

Please note the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession that is listed elsewhere in the bulletin.

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



“Receive Communion often, very often...there you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured. Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing...”
 “The guest of our soul knows our misery; He comes to find an empty tent within us— that is all He asks.”
 St. Therese of Lisieux

ProLife Wisconsin Social

Join Pro-Life Wisconsin for a night out with fellow pro-lifers at our Spring Social on April 18, 2024 from 6pm-8pm at the **Lodge at Mauston (104 Lodge Lane Mauston) WI.** Enjoy dinner, drinks, fantastic company, and hear powerful real-life testimony from one of our faithful sidewalk counselors, Mr. Don Hudzinski. Tickets are \$40 each available through Monday, March 25. For more information and to register go to ProLifeWI.org/spring-social.

Nine Month Novena with His Eminence Cardinal Burke Marian Catechist Apostolate (Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe)

Our office would like to make you aware of a new campaign being launched by His Eminence Cardinal Burke. This will be a nine-month novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe that culminates in a consecration to her. His Eminence has committed himself to this massive campaign for the conversion of the people of the Americas to Christ through the intercession of Our Lady, because our world is in need of God’s grace, and because Our Lady’s intercession is among the surest ways to secure it. Each month, His Eminence will provide regular written reflections, meditations, and prayers, to aid our journey with him. The novena will begin on March 12 and continue on the 12th of each following month, with the ninth month of the novena on November 12 and the consecration on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

You can learn more about this campaign at novena.cardinalburke.com



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If you, or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your prayer request to prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com

Please keep in prayer the following Catechumens:

Kendra Bingham
Dalton Johnson
Christina Koch



as they enter into their final week of preparation to be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil

Readings for the week of March 24, 2024

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/ Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/ Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12,13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1, 2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

Spiritual Adoption Program

We, as individuals and as a parish family have the opportunity to participate in a wonderful program to "spiritually adopt" one unknown baby for the next nine months.

Each of us can pray for our child that he or she will be carried to term and experience the fullness of life as God intended

. For just a moment, picture a young woman who just week discovered that she is seven weeks pregnant. What she may not know is that her baby's heart has been beating for four weeks, it can flex its fingers and toes, suck on his or her thumb and is totally dependent on her. She may not know where to turn. She may be struggling with her fears of being a mother. She may be experiencing pressure and advice from many caring and well-intentioned family members and friends. Our prayers can make a difference in whether this baby will be born safely. Our prayers can also be a form of spiritual support for all parents.

Please take a **prayer card** placed at one of the entrances and pray the very brief prayer daily for your "adopted child." While this child may remain unknown to us, God knows who the child is. Therefore we ask that you name your child in order to stay focused on the reality that your prayers are helping to keep an actual unborn child safe.

At the end of the nine-month period we as a parish will celebrate the "birth" of our spiritually adopted babies with a baby shower. In this way we can also help, in a very tangible way, the mother as she brings to term a beautiful gift of life. All gifts collected at the shower will be donated to *Door of Hope, Pregnancy and Family Care Center in Viroqua and Little Lambs Clothing Closet in Richland Center* to help mothers in need.



March 16/17, 2024

Adult Tithe.....	\$ 4,183.00
Offertory.....	294.25
Catholic School Support.....	250.00
Religious Education.....	40.00
Easter Flowers.....	310.00
Total.....	\$5,077.25
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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.