

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

2nd Sunday of Lent

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. - Mk 9:2-3

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Readings for the Week of February 25, 2018

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]
 Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]
 Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

Parish Calendar Events

02/27 First Confessions Parents Meeting 6:30 pm (commons)
 03/01 13 Hour Adoration following 8:15am Mass
 03/02 Holy Mass (Sesquicentennial) 10:00 am
The 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of La Crosse
 03/03 Holy Mass at St. Gabriel's Church in
 Prairie du Chien for the Sesquicentennial 10:00 am
 03/04 Dead Theologians 6:00 pm (Commons)
 03/05 PCCW 6:30 pm (Undercroft)
 03/08 Confirmation Parents/Sponsor Meeting 6:30 pm (commons)
 03/09 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm (*Day of Abstinence*)
 03/11 School & CCD Mass 8:00 am
 03/13 First Confession 6:30 pm
 03/14 Extravaganza planning mtg. 6:30 (rectory)
 03/14 Confirmation Retreat 6:00 to 8:00 pm
 03/15 Pastoral Council mtg. 6:30 pm
 03/15 Social Justice & Charity Meeting 5:30 pm (rectory)
 03/25 KC Pancake Breakfast 8:30 to noon

Weekly Mass Intention Schedule

Monday, February 26th
 No Mass

Tuesday, February 27th
 Mass 8:15 am Blair Raschke
 Elias Gutierrez S.P.I.

Wednesday, February 28th
 Mass 8:15 am David Reither
 † Dr. Alan Kidd

Thursday, March 1st
 Mass 8:15 am 13 Hour Adoration Isaac Wolfe
 Joe Berberich S.P.I.

Friday, March 2nd First Friday
 Sesquicentennial Mass 10:00 am Joseph Pyka
 Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan / Celebrant
 † Elmer Hying

Saturday, March 3rd First Saturday
 Confession: 4:15-4:50
 Mass 8:15 am Brandon Guenther
 † Bill McCarthy
 Mass 5:15 pm
 † Dennis Block

Sunday, March 4th
 Confession: 7:30-7:50 am
 Mass 8:00 am Ethan Hokamp
 Archbishop Jerome Edward ListECKI S.P.I.
 Confession 9:30 - 10:20 am
 Mass 10:30 am Levi Schmitt
 Our Parish Family

Lent

Liturgical Roles for Next Weekend

Saturday, March 3rd @ 5:15 pm

Lectors: Gretchen Jelinek
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mary Cooper
Servers: Cameron & Rory Schultz, Sam Williams, Tristan Arms
Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Billy Jones Family
Music: Mary C./Jesse **Script:** Judy Murphy

Sunday, March 4th @ 8:00 am

Lector: Max Kinney
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Tianna Marshall Scott, Gabrielle & Grayson Schmitt,
 Ben Stowell

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Kelly Stowell Family
Music: Choir/Jane **Script:** Colleen Schroeder

Sunday, March 4th @ 10:30 am

Lector: Cheryl Blankenship
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Connor Unbehaun, Garrison & Mabelle Weiss,
 Ezra Cosgrove
Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Nicole Bauer Family
Music: Teen Choir/Laurie **Script:** Emily Zorea

From your Pastor ...

You are invited to attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 2 at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Mary Church with Bishop William P. Callahan as celebrant. This will be a wonderful opportunity for all of us, especially our students to spend some time praying and speaking with our diocesan Bishop. Following the Mass, the Bishop will be meeting with students divided into groups by their age and grade. Also he will join one of the groups for hot lunch. We do not have the capability to invite everyone for lunch who attends the Mass. Depending on the weather, I am hoping that after the Mass he will be able to briefly greet the adults in attendance.

Following his visit to Saint Mary's, the Bishop is planning to make a visit to Pine Valley where Father Joe Keating is in residence. Following the visit there, (again depending on the weather) we would like to make a brief visit to Saint Mary Cemetery to pray at the gravesites of Father Bernard Mc Kevitt and Father Owen Mitchell. Our plan is to then drive to Saint Therese Perpetual Adoration Chapel in Union Center to make a visit.

Eventually we hope to return to Richland Center and proceed to Viroqua where we plan to visit the building, now owned and operated by the Historical Society where the first Mass was celebrated by Catholics in Viroqua. Following our visit there, we will conclude the day with supper, joined by the priests and deacon from the Prairie du Chien Deanery.

The next day, Saturday, March 3rd all Catholics in the Richland Deanery are invited to again celebrate Mass with the Bishop at Saint Gabriel's Church in Prairie du Chien. Saint Gabriel Church is the oldest existent church in the Diocese of La Crosse, so a fitting place to begin our 150 year celebration.

Our parent's meeting for the children who are preparing for their First Confession was cancelled this last week due to the inclement weather. It is a policy that whenever school is cancelled during the day, any meetings that were scheduled in the evening are also cancelled. The meeting is rescheduled for next Tuesday, February 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons.

First Confession is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.

This year we have 24 young people who will be receiving First Confession and then their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 22 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Another upcoming date that you may wish to take note is our Sportsman's Extravaganza that is scheduled for Saturday, April 14th at the Richland Center Community Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. The tickets that have as its prize, forty acres of hunting land or \$25,000 cash will soon be available.

I hope all of you are persevering through these days of February and using well these days of Lent.

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBIT

The Shroud of Turin will be on display at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Easter Thursday (April 5th) through Divine Mercy Sunday (April 8th)

An informational presentation will be given each day at a scheduled time.

There is no cost, a free will offering will be accepted.
<http://www.gaudalupeshrine.org/events/holy-shroud-exhibit>

Sportsman's Extravaganza



April 14th
Save the Date!!!

The Parish Council of Catholic Women

would like to invite all the women of our parish to our meeting

Monday March 5th, 6:30 pm

In the Undercroft

Door prize winner is Joanne Schmitz

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday March 3rd

10:00 to 3:30 pm

St. Mary's Community Center
1828 Lynn Avenue, Altoona WI.

Featuring Rita Deniger

Julie Brindle (715) 456-6351 chillaquin1@yahoo.com

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

January 24/25 Stewardship Thank You!

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,453.10
Offertory.....	433.00
Student Offertory...(includes Student Ash Wednesday Mass)	266.40
Pastoral Care.....	11.00
Religious Education.....	00
Building & Maintenance.....	2.00
Catholic School Support	79.00
Festival.....	2.00
Easter Flowers	45.00
Total.....	\$4,291.50
December (ACH) Automatic Contributions.....	\$6,835.00
January (ACH) Automatic Contributions.....	\$6,835.00
Diocesan Annual Appeal Overage	
Received January 2018.....	\$14,618.00

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Parish Rectory Office Hours



Monday... 9:00 to 3:00 pm
Tuesday... 9:00 to 3:00 pm
Wednesday... 9:00 to 3:00 pm
Thursday... 9:45 to 3:00 pm
Friday... Office Closed

If you would like a year end statement please contact the rectory 647-2621

Scrip Announcements

COME AND EAT AT THE KC BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25. BUY SCRIP TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH AND SCHOOL

Scrip will be available in the main entrance of church and in the undercroft following both Masses on Sunday. There are many cards available for immediate purchase and many more cards can be ordered with delivery in less than a week.

THANK YOU to all of the people who buy Scrip on a regular basis. New buyers are welcome which would help increase the amount of profit that can be returned to the parish and school. You get the FULL value for the cards you purchase so it NO extra money out of your pocket. It is easy and convenient. Give it a try!!

Profit for January \$1479.89

SCHOOL NEWS

St Mary School is part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. If you would like more information, please contact Vicki Faber at vicki.faber@stmarysrc.com. This could possibly help your family with tuition

RICHLAND CENTER



The next FISH FRY
FRIDAY
March 16th

4:30 to 7:30 pm save the date!

FORMER STUDENTS / PARENTS OF ST. MARY'S / MADONNA CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOLS, KEYESVILLE, WI

Since at least 1932, supported by and attended by many, St. Mary's / Madonna Catholic Grade Schools in **Keyesville** served the surrounding area. The school last operated 50 years ago. Anyone interested in helping plan an **all-school reunion event**, meet at St. Mary's Hall at 9:00 a.m. (after 8:00 a.m. Mass) on March 4th. Call John Schmitz at 608.233.1629 with any questions.

Pregnancy Helpline of Boscobel

608-375-5339 Office 608-375-4820

Services include free baby clothes, (birth -2T), free baby furniture, referrals for ultra sounds, adoption, healing from abortion. Support before and after your baby arrives.

We ask God to bless you for choosing life for your baby!

National Marriage Encounter March 10-11

A National Marriage Encounter Weekend is scheduled for March 10th and 11th in Eau Claire.

Marriage Encounter is designed for couples who are interested in having a closer relationship in their marriage.

The weekend will begin on Saturday morning with 7:30 registration and close on Sunday afternoon by 3:45 pm.

For more information contact Chippewa Valley Marriage Encounter, 127 E. Mac Arthur Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701; phone at 715-832-3296, e-mail at rippek@charter.net or through our website at www.marriage-encounter.org/Affiliates/chippewa.htm



Easter Flowers

If you so choose there are envelopes in your packets for Easter Flower donations., or you may enclose a note with your donation for a memorial or gift.



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Formed.org Enter our Parish Code **6R477F**
Any questions... contact Donna Urbach
@ donna.urbach@stmarysrc.com

2017/2018 Calendar Drawing Winners

February 8, 2018... Steven Wallace, Kaukauna, WI

February 13, 2018... Bernie Besl, La Crosse, WI

February 15, 2018... Lucille Mulder, Onalaska, WI

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

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Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)

President- Candace McGrath Vice-President-Rose Birkholz

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Secretary - Sue Walter Treasurer - Patty Pulvermacher

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Email: grandknight3492@gmail.com www.richlandcenterknightsforcolumbus.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society

To Join: Call Kim @ 475-9475

For Assistance: Call Jeanne @ 647-2075

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.

This Weeks Events

Tuesday, February 27th

First Confessions Parents mtg 6:30pm (commons)

Thursday March 1st

13 Hour Eucharistic Adoration
following 8:15 am Mass

Friday March 2nd Day of Abstinence

150th Anniversary of the

Diocese of La Crosse

Holy Mass 10:00 am



13 Hour Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, March 1st, following Holy Mass



Prayer
Fasting
Abstinence
Works of Love

Lent

Let light shine out of darkness ...

2 Corinthians 4:6

A Place to Rest

I returned home light of heart,...begging our Lord to wrap my heart deep in that opened side,...or lock it up in His little tabernacle, where I shall now rest forever.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Pastoral Care

Lent is here

A springtime of hope
with fasting, almsgiving & prayer
Consider being a part of the prayer
chain this Lent.

If you are interested

Please contact

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