

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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May 3rd, 2026

Saturday, May 9th, 5:15 pm

Reader: Colleen Pulvermacher

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mark Frawley

Servers: Sofia Mata, Brielle Weeden
Declan & Eleanor Jelinek

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family **Scrip:** Judy Barnicle

Sunday, May 10th, 8:00 am

Reader: Gregg Schmitt

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: John Tennant

Servers: Bryce & Reese Kohlstedt
Blake Parker, Gage Tennant

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Brian Parker **Scrip:** Christine Schmitt

Sunday, May 10th, 10:30 am

Reader: Cheryl Blankenship

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Gloria Joseph

Servers: Brayden Arms, Jolee Larse
Baylee & Lexi Wertz

Gifts: Jeffrey Joseph Family **Scrip:** Susan Walter

Mass Schedule

Monday, May 4th

No Mass

Tuesday, May 5th

Mass 8:15 am

Isaac Morris SP.I.

Wednesday, May 6th

Mass 8:15 am

† Charles & Georgine Worthington

Thursday, May 7th

Mass 8:15 am

National Day of Prayer

Adoration following Mass

† Donald Ulatowski

National Day of Prayer 12:00 to 1:00pm

at the Richland County Courthouse lawn

5:00 to 7:00 pm Adoration and Confession

Friday, May 8th

Mass 8:15 am

† Mary Laubmeier

Saturday, May 9th

Confessions 4:30 pm

Mass 5:15 pm

Our Parish Family

Sunday, May 10th

Confessions 7:15 am 6th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

Mass 8:00 am

Juliana Ward SP.I.

Confessions 9:45 am

Mass 10:30 am

† Arlene Miller

Confessions 12:30

Mass 1:00 pm (Spanish)

† Tim Forslund

Parish Calendar of Events

05/03 Sunday, Youth Group 6:00 pm Krouskop Park

05/13 Wed., Spring Program 1:00pm & 6:30 pm

05/16 Saturday, KC Bingo Community Center, 6:30 pm

05/17 Sunday, Children's Liturgy, 8:00 am Mass

05/17 Sunday, Graduation Mass, 10:30

05/17 Sunday, Youth Group 4:00 to 8:00pm

05/27 Wednesday, 8th Grade Graduation

From your Pastor

As we enter the month of May, I always am reminded of practices from my childhood, whether that was making a May Basket and hanging it on my grandmother's door, to early season baseball games as the grass greened up and the puddles from the April showers slowly soaked away. One of the other traditions that I also remember, although not participating in it directly, was May Crowning, where one of the girls from the First Communion class would get to place a crown of flowers on the large statue of Mary in Church. With all these things, and others, May was a turning point of sorts. Spring was in full swing and the warmth of summer was just around the corner.

Now, when it comes to May in the life of the Church, we also have a turning point. May is usually the month that completes the Easter season and where we shift back into Ordinary Time. But the month of May specifically is designated as the Month of Mary. The history of this goes back quite some time, with some of its origins in medieval times based on "Tricesimum," or "Lady's Month." This was a month dedicated to Mary that began on August 15th and concluded on September 14th. It was 30 days in which the faithful were invited to look to Mary as an example of faith. During this time people would pray the rosary, recite prayers, novenas, and reflect on her role in God's plan of salvation. Over time, this month was shifted to May, in which we celebrate a number of Marian feast days, traditionally thirteen in total, some include May 13: Our Lady of Fatima (added later), May 24: Mary, Help of Christians, and many others. There are other Marian feast days that are no longer on the liturgical calendar but can still be a source of prayer and reflection.

Given our parish is under the patronage of our Blessed Mother, this month is a special opportunity for us to continue and deepen our devotion to her. While we won't be adding anything significant, my invitation to you is to take this month as an opportunity to focus on the goodness and example of Mary. Her humility and faithfulness to God was perfect. Her willingness to say yes to God's plan shows how Faith in God can be lived out in a real way. Perhaps as individuals and as families, you can take some time, even daily this month, to ask Mary's intercession. May she be a powerful source of inspiration and the model we seek to imitate.

Lastly, we celebrate with our students who were confirmed from our parish on Thursday in Viroqua. We continue to pray for them as they now take the Gifts of the Holy Spirit into their everyday lives and put them into practice. Congratulations to them and thank you to all who helped them along the way. As we enter this month of Mary, let us continue, like her, to always seek to do the will of God in our everyday lives.

Let us take time this month for prayer and offer thanksgiving to God for His boundless love for us.

In Christ through Mary,

Fr Nate Kuhn



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Please Pray for Our 2026 First Communicants

**Madilyn Bindl, Alan De La Cruz, Ximena De La Cruz Clay Ewing, Grace Frawley, Cameron Moerer, Delilah Rush, Charlotte Schell, Declan Sebranek, Desiree Sebranek, Ellie Turner, Noah Weiss
(names listed alphabetically)**



**Congratulations !
Jay Keckhaver from Burlington, WI
Winner of the 2025 Kawasaki**

St Mary's School Weekly Intention

Dear Jesus,

**Thank you for our school and teachers.
Thank you for food, our beds, and our homes.
Please help us to love others and have joy.
We ask that you help people who are down,
sad, sick or hurting.
We pray for protection as we travel and all we
do. Thank you for heaven.**

4K Class



**Please keep our newly
Confirmed youth in
prayer
(picture will appear in next weeks bulletin)**

Looking for **part time custodial help**
for the summer and cleaning of the school
after the children have gone home.
Contact Stacia at the school 608-647-2422

April 11/12th, 2026

Adult Tithe.....	\$5028.00
Offertory.....	929.92
Student Offertory.....	59.03
Pastoral Care.....	50.00
Building & Maintenance.....	122.00
Catholic School Support.....	20.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care.....	25.00
Easter	500.00
Easter Flowers.....	20.00
Endowment Fund.....	50.00
Total.....	\$6,803.95
April ACH Tithe.....	\$5,665.00

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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.

Church Softball League

Practice is set for May 9th at 12:30 pm

At the east diamond of Krouskop Park.
If you are interested in playing church league but are not able to make the first practice, contact the Parish office.

608-647-2621

Must be 13 or older to play.

Scrip News

Happy May! A reminder that next week is Mothers Day. Treat Mom to dinner out and help support St. Mary's at the same time. Our Scrip-to-go box has gift cards for all the local eateries plus gift cards for shopping for the right present. Don't forget Father's Day is next month. Prepare ahead with a Cabela's, Ace or Menard's card for that special Dad. We can order over 750 brands of cards for you. Just ask your coordinator at

scrip@stmarysrc.com.

Let's get scripping!! scrip@stmarysrc.com.
contactscrip@stmarysrc.com.

Please join the Pastors

**of the Richland County
Ministerial Association
National Day of Prayer**



**Thursday, May 7, 2026;
12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Richland County Courthouse Lawn
(Rain location: Park Street Christian Church)**

St Mary's has an Open Position Part Time Spanish Teaching Position

Email Mrs. Kohlstedt for
more Information
stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com
Or Apply on WECAN



**Richland County
Right to Life, LLC
Richland County Bank
Friday, May 8th,
9am to 2:00 pm**