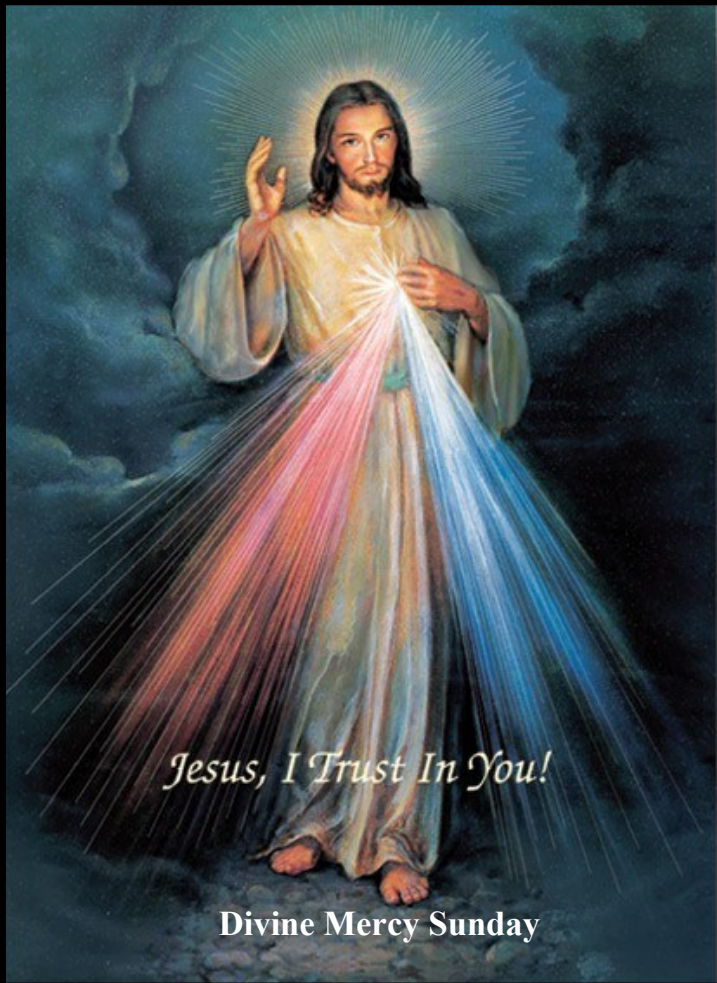


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



April 12th, 2026
2nd Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 18th, 5:15 pm

Reader: Judy Murphy

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Declan & Eleanor Jelinek

Sofia Mata, Morgan Worthington

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family Scrip: Colleen Pulvermacher

Sunday, April 19th, 8:00 am

Reader: Gregg Schmitt

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Adelyn & Ellie Wertz

Alayna Mueller

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Andrew Wright Family Scrip: Christine Schmitz

Sunday, April 19th, 10:30 am

Reader: Alisa Weiss

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Nyla & Vessel Rush, Elijah & Molly Weiss

Gifts: Cheryl Blankenship Family

Mass Schedule

Monday, April 13th **St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr**
No Mass

Tuesday, April 14th
Mass 8:15 am
† Charlie Ray

Wednesday, April 15th
Mass 8:15 am
† Deborah Burke

Thursday, April 16th
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following Mass**
† Lillian Feiner

5:00 to 7:00 pm Adoration and Confession

Friday, April 17th
Mass 8:15 am
† Al Walter

Mass 10:00 am Schmitt Assisted Living
† Jane Erlandson

Saturday, April 18th
Confessions 4:30 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Alan Welte

Sunday, April 19th **3rd Sunday of Easter**
Confessions 7:15 am
Mass 8:00 am
Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:45 am
Mass 10:30 am **First Holy Communion**
Staff of St Mary's

Confessions 12:30 (Spanish)
Mass 1:00 pm (Spanish)
Alexander Gutierrez SP.I.

Parish Calendar of Events

04/18 Extravaganza ... Door open at 6:00 pm

04/19 First Communion, 10:30 am Mass

04/19 Sunday, Youth Group

04/26 Donut Sunday, following 8:00 & 10:30 am Masses

04/30 Confirmation, Viroqua, Confirmation at 6:00 pm

05/15 Saturday, KC Bingo Community Center, 6:30pm

Divine Mercy Sunday

Jesus is Risen! He is truly Risen! Today we come to the end of our Easter Octave, having celebrated the glory of the Resurrection for the past week. What a gift it is to have received the gift of the promise of eternal life as we come to know more deeply how the Resurrection touches each and every one of our lives. It is a gift offered to us that we are to use daily, rooted in faith, inspired by hope, and acting out of love.

Today we also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This feast day, which is always celebrated on the Sunday after Easter, finds its origins in the writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish religious sister who encountered Christ through a series of revelations. These revelations were not entirely new or groundbreaking in their content, as we have always understood Jesus to be merciful, but the specificity and the context in which Our Lord presented this gift of mercy to the world and how we are to celebrate it was new. Below is an excerpt from St. Faustina's diary in which the Lord instructed her to work to establish this day as Divine Mercy Sunday.

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.

These beautiful words are what motivate Pope St. John Paul II to establish and declare the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday as part of the official Church Calendar on April 30, 2000. Since then, the Church has taken part in celebrating this incredible gift, this "ocean of graces" poured out of Christ's most Sacred Heart upon the world. After all, the world so desperately needs the love and mercy of Christ amidst all the confusion and chaos.

Today, let us celebrate the mercy of God, realizing His desire for our forgiveness and to draw us into his loving embrace. Traditionally, the practice of reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet is practiced today along with other devotions which can be found online, including at one of the official websites, www.thedivinemercy.org. Let us together pray that the mercy of God will reign in our world and in our hearts!

Lastly, we are quickly approaching our Extravaganza this coming weekend. I want to take the opportunity to thank all those who have been planning and organizing to make it possible. If anyone still has items they would like to donate for door prizes, you can drop them off at the rectory. We look forward to a great event. Thank you!

**In Christ through Mary,
Fr Nate Kuhn**

Sportsman's Extravaganza

Saturday, April 18th

The Grand Prize: 2025 Kawasaki UTV

Purchase your tickets online through our website, call or stop at the rectory.

The winner will be announced that evening. Many raffles, chances to win, good food and companionship. Join Us!

Grand Prize
New 2025
Kawasaki UTV

Next Weekend!



Extravaganza Items Needed!

Accepting donations of New Items for our Extravaganza!

Items can include Camping, Hunting, Fishing and all things Outdoors!

We are also looking for door prize items! Please drop off at the rectory!

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

FAMILY VACATION RAFFLE St. Mary's 7th Grade Class Fundraiser

Round trip airfare up to \$1000.00 to sunny Punta Gorda, Florida. Ground Transportation not included. Free 7 day stay at Coastal Cozy. Stay must be booked during an open rental period before the end of 2026. Rental details can be found at Coastal-Cozy.com.

Bryan & Nicole Myers have offered their 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on the water in Punta Gorda. Many amenities including beach supplies, fishing gear, bikes, boogie boards and a heated pool are included.

Tickets : \$20.00 each or (3) for \$50.00

Drawing will be held May 13th following the St. Mary's Spring Concert

Contact a 7th Grade Student or stop in at the School Office To purchase your tickets

April 4/5th, 2026

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,211.00
Offertory.....	2,587.35
Pastoral Care.....	20.00
Building & Maintenance.....	20.00
Catholic School Support.....	5.00
Parish Festival.....	20.00
Easter	2385.00
Easter Flowers.....	80.00
Total.....	\$8328.35
February 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.



Easter Flowers & Memorials



James & Linda Barnett “ Charles Barnett
 “ Mary Barnett
 “ William Barnett
 Jack Bauer “ Flowers
 Dave & Anne Barsi “ Flowers
 Ronald & Janet Bladl “ Lyle & Ruby Baltz
 “ Irvin & Florence Bladl
 Cheryl Blankenship “ Marty Blankenship
 “ Edward & Elsie Gaura
 Donna Bodinet “ Flowers
 Jon & Jane Bosworth Flowers
 Virgil Cosgrove “ Flowers
 Jerome & Sandy Durst “ Jerry Durst
 Susan Ghastin “ G3 & Mary Laubmeier
 “ George & Viola Laubmeier
 Watt & Maria Gilbert “ Flowers
 Kraig & Jean Kinney “ Richard Hackl
 Dave & Delores Lenz “ Doerrer & Lenz Families
 Deb Marshall “ Flowers
 Mari Lu Marshall “ Jack & Shirley Curnow
 Candace McGrath “ Nicholas Lawson
 “ Robert Peter Rockweiler
 Frankie Moran “ Bobbie Moran
 Bernadine Mueller “ Francis Mueller Family
 Judy Murphy “ Joe Murphy
 Phil & June Nee “ Jim Nee
 “ Rosemary Nee
 “ Frank Stafford
 “ Flowers
 Audrey Oliver “ Jane & Edmund Guelig
 Paul & Julie Peckham “ Cameron & Agatha Peckham
 “ Meghan Hansen
 “ Julie Keller
 “ Bill Saw
 Audrey Pletzer “ Herb Pletzer
 Rodney Reetz “ Sandy Reetz
 “ Nordy & Fae Reetz
 “ Joe & Cleo Hasburgh
 Allen & Patricia Rippchen “ James & Alice Lux
 Terry & Barb Ryan “ Foley, Ryan & Families
 “ Bock Families
 Colleen Schroeder “ Bill Schroeder
 Paul & Mary Jo Salisbury “ Francis Mueller
 “ Randy & Marcia Mueller
 “ Miranda Mueller
 “ Pat & Linda Mueller
 “ Mueller & Seep Families
 “ Flowers
 Jason & Sara Schultz “ Larry & Lillian Tennant
 Ronald & JoAnn Tennant “ Joe & Margaret Slaney

Joseph & Sue Triggs “ Sara Triggs
 “ Charles & Joanne Beranek
 “ Leo & Marie Triggs
 Brad & Diane Walker “ Flowers
 Richard Wastlick “ Betty Wastlick
 Brian & Alisa Weiss “ Gary Weiss
 “ Jerry Hackl
 Melanie Ziaja “ Richard Ziaja



Please Pray for Our 2026 First Communicants

Madilyn Bindl
 Clay Ewing
 Grace Frawley
 Cameron Moerer
 Delilah Rush
 Charlotte Schell
 Declan Sebranek
 Desiree Sebranek
 Ellie Turner
 Noah Weiss
 Alan De La Cruz
 Ximena De La Cruz

St Mary's School Weekly Intention

Let us pray for the 2nd grade class as they get ready to receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. May we always know the joy and blessing it is that we are receiving Jesus in Communion each and every time we go. Let us also pray for all 2nd grade classes as they prepare to make their First Communion. - 2nd Grade

Readings for the week of April 12, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 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 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35