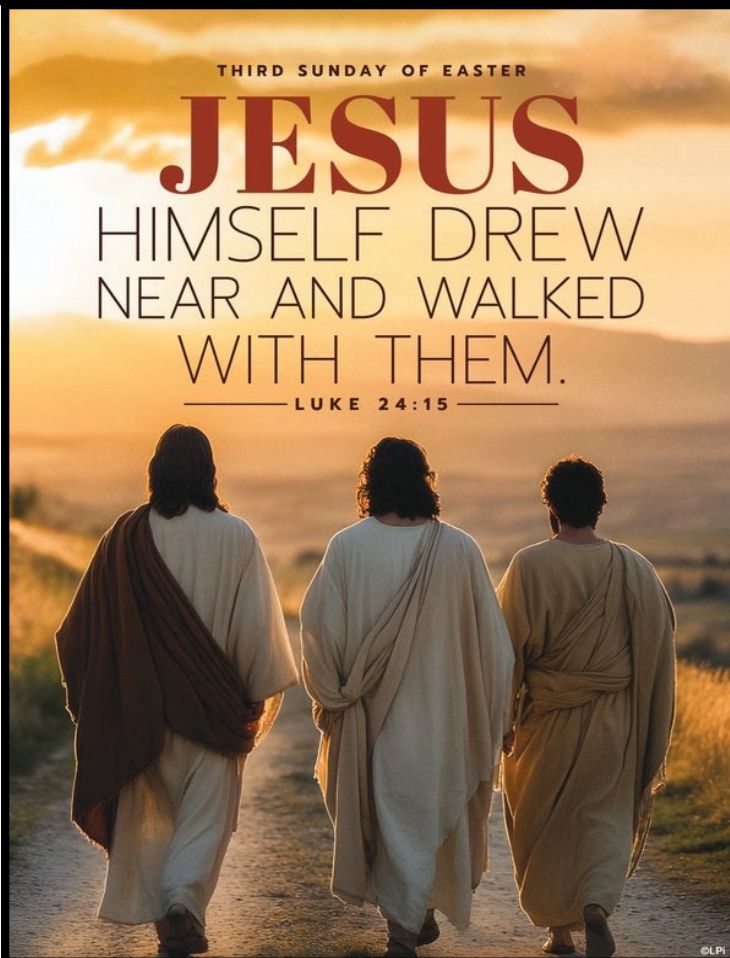


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



April 19th, 2026
3rd Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 25th, 5:15 pm

Reader: Susan Tully

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Carter Jelinek, Rohen Logue

Ethan & Colin Kauffman

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Steven Bauer Family **Script:** Judy Murphy

Sunday, April 26th, 8:00 am

Reader: Andrew Wright

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Griffin & Oliver Cosgrove

Ben Bosworth, Gage Tennant

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: TBA **Script:** Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, April 26th, 10:30 am

Reader: Sara Schultz

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Alex Ueek, Jolee Larse,

Madalyn & Kathryn Stadele

Gifts: Katy Ueek Family **Script:** Shelly Schmidt

Mass Schedule

Monday, April 20th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 21st

St. Anselm

Mass 8:15 am

† Tom Hammer

Wednesday, April 22nd

Earth Day

Mass 8:15 am

† Duane & Donna Meyer

Thursday, April 23rd

St. Adalbert, Bishop

Mass 8:15 am

Adoration following Mass

† Arlene Meyer

St. George

5:00 to 7:00 pm Adoration and Confession

Friday, April 24th

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen,

Mass 8:15 am

Arbor Day

† Richard Anthony "Tony" Schulze

Saturday, April 25th

St. Mark, Evangelist

Confessions 4:30 pm

Mass 5:15 pm

Melissa & Michael Wertz SP.I.

Sunday, April 26th

4th Sunday of Easter

Confessions 7:15 am

Mass 8:00 am

Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:45 am

Mass 10:30 am

Alyssa & Connor Fieldhouse SP.I.

Confessions 12:30 (Spanish)

Mass 1:00 pm (Spanish)

† Mary Barnett

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Parish Calendar of Events

04/19 Sunday, Youth Group 6:00 to 8:00 pm

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

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

Reception following

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

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

From your Pastor

This last week, as I was considering the weather, as one does amidst the craziness, I was reminded of a pithy quote regarding Midwest weather, "If you don't like the weather today, wait for tomorrow, because there is a good chance it will be different!" While it gives us something to talk about, at the end of the day it isn't something we can control, so we place our trust in God and keep moving forward with the joy we find in the Resurrection of Christ!

As we continue to journey during this Easter season, our readings offer us the opportunity to reflect on the moments and days following the glorious moment of Jesus rising from the dead. Our Gospel for today one of those moments that we often refer to as "The Road to Emmaus." This comes as the disciples were leaving Jerusalem following the events of Jesus' Passion and Death. This leaving is the first point that we should take note of. While all the others stayed, even though uncertain as to what would happen next, these two headed out. They foolishly, as Jesus would say, didn't understand that what Jesus had told them was literally true. It wasn't until after Jesus had appeared to them and walked with them and said the blessing over the bread that they were to share that their eyes were opened. In that moment of realization, in the Eucharist, they came to understand and know Jesus.

There have been some who have described this encounter with Jesus as the second Mass, the first being at the Last Supper. If we pause and consider what took place, we can see how this was the case. As the disciples walked, Jesus came and was journeying with them. He began by explaining the Scriptures to them so that their hearts were burning within them. Then, they came to the table where Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it and gave it to them. Sounds a lot like our Mass, even some 2000 years later!

Today, I invite us to consider this moment of encounter with Christ in the Eucharist. It is appropriate that we do this on the weekend where we celebrate 1st Communion with our 2nd graders. Every time we come to Mass, when we hear the Scriptures proclaimed, and draw near to the altar to receive the most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus in the Eucharist, we are given to opportunity to see Jesus, truly present with us. We too are called to be stirred and our hearts set ablaze with His love for us. We are, like the disciples following that moment, to go and share the news, that the Risen Jesus has come to us and we truly believe! We pray for those who receive our Lord for the first time this weekend, that they too may become bearers of the light of Christ in the world and that their witness will inspire others.

I also want to take the opportunity, although only somewhat prematurely, to thank everyone who participated and helped make our Extravaganza a success. There are many who volunteered and donated that made this event possible. I have mentioned to some people, when I arrived last summer, one of the questions that I received often was whether we would continue to have these events. My hope was that we would and that they continue to bring not only us as a parish together but also be an opportunity for our community to gather with us as well. Thank you all for your support and contributions!

As we continue forward, let us hold each other up in prayer, celebrate the joy of the Resurrection, and continue to seek out Christ, especially as we receive Him in the Eucharist.

In Christ through Mary,

Fr Nate Kuhn





Please join me in congratulating and celebrating with those who received Sacraments this Easter Vigil.

Pictured above, from left to right: **Annaliece Rynes** (Confirmation), **Stephanie Stafford** (Baptism, 1st Communion, and Confirmation), **Gene Rynes** (Confirmation), **Katie Kepler** ((Baptism, 1st Communion, and Confirmation), **Brandy Wilkerson** (1st Communion and Confirmation), **Damon Garcia** (Confirmation) and **Alma DelaCruz** (Confirmation). Please be sure to greet them and continue to keep them in prayer as they continue their journey of Faith!

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Part Time Spanish Teaching Position**

Email Mrs. Kohlstedt for More Information
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**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
Audrey Oliver	“ Flowers
Paul & Julie Peckham	“ Jane & Edmund Guelig
	“ Cameron & Agatha Peckham
	“ Meghan Hansen
	“ Julie Keller
	“ Bill Shaw
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
Jason & Sara Schultz	“ Flowers
Ronald & JoAnn Tennant	“ Larry & Lillian Tennant
	“ Joe & Margaret Slaney
Jos eph & Sue Triggs	“ Sara Triggs
	“ Charles & Joanne Beranek
	“ Leo & Marie Triggs
Brad & Diane Walker	“ Flowers
Richard Wastlick	“ Betty Wastlick

Richard Wastlick
Brian & Alisa Weiss

June Welte

Melanie Ziaja

“ Betty Wastlick
“ Gary Weiss
“ Jerry Hackl
“ Alan Welte
“ Welte Family
“ Verdun Family
“ Richard Ziaja



Please Pray for Our
2026 First Communicants
April 19th, 2026

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

Dear Lord as we celebrate Earth Day this week we ask you to bless our planet. We pray for those that help pick up trash and teach us how to recycle. We pray that our friends and family are healthy and continue to breathe clean air. We pray that those that cut down and use trees will also then plant them. This week we also continue to pray for the poor, sick, and homeless. Thank you Lord for giving us a beautiful planet with Grass for playing on, Trees to give us oxygen, and a place for all of us to call home. - 1st Grade Class



Fr Nate & his “Sister” Sr. Anna Cecilia