

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



Mass Schedule

- Monday, March 3rd** **St. Katharine Drexel**
No Mass
- Tuesday, March 4th** **St. Casimir**
Mass 8:15 am
† Joseph and Mary Hach
- Wednesday, March 5th** **Ash Wednesday**
Mass 8:15am **Fasting & Abstinence**
† Robert Booher
- Mass 5:15pm**
† Joe & Margaret Slaney
- Thursday, March 6th**
Mass 8:15am **Adoration following Mass**
Reighly Schultz SP.I.
- Friday, March 7th** **Day of Abstinence**
Mass 10:00 am Schmitt Assisted Living
† Dr Francis & Virginia Bradford
- Mass 5:15pm**
† Ellen Marti
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross
- Saturday, March 8th** **St. John**
Confessions 4:30 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Charles Aber
- Sunday, March 9th** **First Sunday of Lent**
Confessions 7:30 am **Daylight Savings Time**
Mass 8:00 am
Our Parish Family
- Confessions 9:30 am
Mass 10:30 am
† Mike Nigl

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

March 2nd, 2025

Saturday, March 8th, 5:15 pm

Reader: Susan Tully
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jolene Frawley
Servers: Carter Jelinek, Rohen Logue, Andrew Mata,
Vessel Rush, Ronan Ringelstetter
Ushers: Knights of Columbus
Gifts: Steve Bauer Family **Script:** Colleen Pulvermacher

Sunday, March 9th, 8:00 am

Reader: Students
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Bryce & Reese Kohlstedt, Landon Myers,
Oliver Cosgrove
Ushers: Knights of Columbus
Gifts: Students **Script:** Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, March 9th, 10:30 am

Reader: Cheryl Blankenship
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Brayden & Tristan Arms, Jolee Larse
Gifts: Cheryl Blankenship Family **Script:** Judy Barnicle

- 03/01 Sunday ... Youth Group 6:00 to 7:30pm
03/03 Monday ... PCCW meeting 6:30 pm
03/05 ASH Wednesday ... Mass 8:15 am & 5:15 pm
03/05 Wednesday... Soup & Supper following Mass
03/07 Friday ... St Mary's Fish Fry ... 4:30 to 7:00 pm
03/08 Saturday... Men of the Cross ... La Crosse
03/09 Sunday ... Knights of Columbus
4th degree meeting at 6:30 pm & Council 7:00pm

From your pastor . . .

This next Wednesday, the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. There will be two Masses offered with the distribution of Ashes at both. Please be reminded that Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (only one full meal) and abstinence (no meat).

The season of Lent provides an important opportunity for all of us to grow in the spiritual life, to seek, with the help of God, to “become holy as God is holy,” 1 Pet. 1:16. Also, it is the final days of preparation for those who are preparing for baptism and for those who are entering into full communion with the Catholic church, that takes place at the Easter Vigil. We have one adult who is to be baptized, confirmed and receive Holy Communion at the Vigil – Jake Fosterling and two adults, Chris Clark and Nick Hodge, who will enter into full communion by professing the Catholic Faith, being confirmed and receiving their First Holy Communion. Please keep these three men in your prayers during this Lenten season.

I recently came across during my reading, some practical advice for growing in the spiritual life as a Catholic, especially during the Lenten Season. I offer it to you with the hope that you may put some or all of it into practice throughout these coming 40 days of Lent.

To grow and progress in the spiritual life, requires that you first enter into and remain in a state of grace, avoiding any mortal sin. Also, that you will try not to commit venial sins.

Get up at a fixed time, as early as possible. Eight hours of sleep should be enough. More than this or less than six hours of sleep is usually not healthy.

Offer your day to God through the intercession of our Lady. (The Morning Offering is especially recommended).

Work with order and intensity during the day as a way of serving God. Set goals and establish priorities in order to develop a practical schedule. Sanctifying ordinary work is the goal of our life.

Try to attend Mass, receiving Holy Communion, as often as possible. This is the best sacrifice we can offer to God. Prepare yourself for Mass by spending some time in prayer.

Spend some time in mental prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Pray the Angelus. Traditionally, the Angelus is prayed at sunrise (6:00 a.m.), Noon and sunset (6:00 p.m.). (At Saint Mary’s the Angelus bell rings at Noon and at 6:00 p.m.)

Pray the rosary, if possible, with your family. To meditate on the sorrowful mysteries of the rosary during Lent is a traditional practice.

Do some spiritual reading. Start with the New Testament or some well-known spiritual book. Ten to fifteen minutes each day is recommended.

Make a short examination of conscience at the end of the day before going to bed. Two or three minutes is enough. Follow these steps: Humble yourself in the presence of God. Tell him, ‘Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.’ Ask for the spiritual light to acknowledge your defects and virtues and to see the dangers and opportunities of the day. Ask for repentance, amendment, and encouragement.”

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



Ash Wednesday Soup and Supper Sandwich



Wednesday, March 5, 2025
6:00 to 7:30 pm Following the 5:15 Mass
Everyone Welcome
Free will donation, proceeds go to Local Food Pantry
Sponsored by the Parish Council of Catholic Women

**"Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return"**



LOST & FOUND

If you have left or lost items in church, please check the whicker drawers in the vestibule of church There are also some coats etc. in the closet to your left as you enter into the doors of the vestibule. Please share this with anyone who may be looking for a lost item. After March 31st, these items will be donated to the local Thrift Store

**SPiritual Adoption Virtual
BABY SHOWER
Coming to a close
For the month of February 2025**

**Gifts donated to: The Door of Hope Pregnancy
and Family Care Center, Viroqua, Wisconsin
Also Little Lambs Closet, Richland Center**

Needs List (New Items ONLY)
New baby clothes size 6month -2Toddler
Wipes, Wraps and carriers, Diapers size 4-5, Size 5 Pullups.
Baby socks for 6 months plus, Baby shoes, Baby bottles
Formula, Tummy Time Mat, Baby Play Arch or Gym
Monetary Donations (put into the collection basket)

**There is a box in the back of church. It will remain
through this week and picked up next weekend!**

So you still have a chance to donate. Thank You!

**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**

Thrift Store Volunteers Needed
St Mary's is one of the churches that are part of Church Women United. This group started the Thrift Store.

St Mary's is in need of a few more volunteers. This is something that you can do to give back to the Richland community. You would be bagging and checking out customers. Shifts are W-T-F 4 hours 9-1 or 1-5, Saturday 10-1 and 1-4.

**We try to only ask you for 3 to 4 hours
every other month.**

You can work with a friend or partner. If you think this is something you might be interested in please call 608-647-3594 with questions.

Thank you for considering.



Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1
Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2
Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
(see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13



The SEVEN SORROWS of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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Changes that went into effect July 1, 2024

from the Catholic bishops
of the State of Wisconsin

Mass Stipend \$20.00 (formerly \$10.00)

Funeral fee \$75.00 (formerly \$50.00)

Wedding fee \$100.00 (formerly \$75.00)

These offerings are paid to St Mary's Parish



Fish Fry

Friday, March 7th

Drive Up Fish Fry, 4:30 – 7:00 pm

Baked or fried fish, Baked or cheesy potatoes, coleslaw, applesauce and a garlic biscuit.

The cost of the meal is \$12.00 with the option to add extra fish for \$2.00 per piece.

proceeds benefit St Mary's School

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February 22/23, 2025

Adult Tithe.....	\$7,303.00
Offertory.....	505.00
Student Offertory.....	17.08
Pastoral Care.....	135.00
Parish Festival.....	25.00
Cemetery Care.....	25.00
Total.....	\$8,010.08
ACH Tithe, January 2025	\$5,690.00

Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal: \$32,715.00

Total Pledged : \$39,525.00

Total Received to date (1/28/25) \$38,900.00

Over Goal Received: \$6,185.00

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

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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.