

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



This Week in Our Parish

Communal Penance Service for all members of the parish will be held beginning at **6:30 ~ 8:30 PM Sunday, March 18**. Four priests from the Diocese – Msgr. Hundt, Fr. Klos, Fr. Wells, and Fr. Wolfe - will conduct the service.

"Soup, Socks & Skivvies" - RE Department Lenten Almsgiving initiative - Donations of soup, NEW socks, and NEW underwear accepted through **Sunday, March 18th**. Drop spot located in a corner of the atrium. Please **DO NOT** drop donations at the RE office or parish office. Thank you for giving!

Lenten Program

Communal Penance Service will be held **6:30 ~ 8:30 PM** on Sunday, March 18.

Palm Sunday Mass will be celebrated at **6:00 PM** on Saturday, March 24 and **7:30 AM** and **11:00 AM** Sunday March 25.

Holy Week

Holy Thursday Mass begins at **7:00 PM** on Thursday, March 29.

Good Friday Liturgy begins at **1:00 PM** on Friday, March 30.

Easter Vigil will begin at **8:30 PM** on Holy Saturday, March 31.

Easter Sunday Mass will be celebrated at **8:00 AM** on Sunday, April 1.

Holy Thursday Mass begins at 7:00 PM on Thursday, March 29. Mass will be followed by Adoration until 10:00 PM. Night Prayer at 10:00 PM.

Please note: Our Easter Sunday Masses will be combined into **one Mass to be held at 8:00 AM, 1 April, Easter Sunday in Viroqua**. St. Mary's in Coon Valley will reschedule their Easter Sunday Mass to 9:45 AM.

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8 – celebration of the Feast of the Divine Mercy. Immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Benediction. All members of the parish are welcome to attend.

Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Monday, April 9 is our parish's Patronal Feast Day. Fr. Klos will be with us to say Mass at 6:00 PM.

March 18, 2018

5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday Mass

Saturday

6:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard before
Saturday Mass

Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed 30
minutes before all Weekend Masses

Bethel Home

Rosary held on 3rd Friday of each
month at 10:15 AM

Norseland

Mass and rosary held on 2nd & 4th
Wednesday each month at 9:30 AM

Wednesday 21 March - 7:30 AM

rosary---8:00 AM Communion
Service followed by morning
prayer

Friday 23 March - 4:30 PM

rosary
5:00 PM Stations of the Cross
Communion Service
Evening prayer

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March 18, 2018

Fr. Maria Dass will celebrate the weekend Masses March 24-25, and Fr. William Kulas will celebrate Holy Week Masses and services—Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday. The La Crosse Diocese will continue to send a priest to cover weekend Masses after February 28th; but there will be no week-day, Monday through Friday, Masses after February 27, until further notice.

*As a community of faith,
St. Mary Parish celebrates the love of Jesus
through sacred worship and religious education;
we cherish the dignity of each person,
and we aspire to minister to all.
We revere our history,
embrace God's presence among us each day,
and walk hopefully into the future.*

Schedule of Area Daily Masses:

St Mary (Gays Mills) Monday & Thursday 8:30 AM

St Philip (Rolling Ground) Tuesday 8:30 AM

Sacred Heart (Cashton) Tuesday & Friday 8 AM

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe 11 AM

St Charles (Genoa) M/W/Th/F 8:00 AM, Tuesday 8:30 AM

Please pay attention: Kindly maintain silence inside the church. If you wish to talk and visit, please move to Atrium because some parishioners are praying.

50th Jubilee Celebrations – FINAL Request for Names – Due March 13th - Each year, we ask for your help in securing the names, addresses and phone numbers of those couples in your parish who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during this calendar year of 2018. As you work to gather this information please ask for the assistance of your parish staff.

Ecumenical Lenten Rotation - **Wednesday, March 21** – Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5:15 PM – Chili supper; free-will offering; 6:30 PM – Worship Service.

Rice Bowl helps Catholic Relief Services AND the Local Community with Project Seed - Did you know that, besides helping Catholic Relief Services alleviate hunger worldwide, 25% of the donations collected through your Rice Bowls stays in the Diocese to fund Project Seed? Since 1996, Project Seed has offered high quality, low cost seed to area farmers, with initial savings of 20-30%. Further assistance is available in cases of hardship. For more information visit www.dioc.org/social-concerns and click on the “Rural Life” tab.

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend March 11, 2018

Adults: \$3,111.10

Offertory: \$249.55

Youth: \$2.00

Good Friday: \$25.00

Easter Flowers: \$679.00

Total: \$4,066.65

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

THANK YOU!

2017-2018

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$\$34,455.00

Pledged: \$36,213.00

Cash to date: \$33,163.00

Saturday, 17 March, 6:00 PM +People of St. Mary Parish

Sunday, 18 March, 7:30 AM +Sandi Kuehn

(Jim Kuehn Family)

Sunday, 18 March, 11:00 AM +PCCW

(PCCW)

Monday, 19 March, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Tuesday, 20 March, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Wednesday, 21 March, 8:00 AM +No Mass – Communion Service

Thursday, 22 March, 8:00 AM +No Mass

Friday, 23 March, 5:00 PM +No Mass – Communion Service

Saturday, 24 March, 6:00 PM +Stanley & Carmelia Gros

(Diana Sarma)

Sunday, 25 March, 7:30 AM +Virginia Leis

(Jim & Shirley Wuench)

Sunday, 25 March, 11:00 AM +People of St. Mary's Parish

Saints of the Week

**St Joseph*

**St Turibius of Mogrovejo*

Bethel Home & Services, Inc. – Annual Meeting; March 20, 2018; registration, 6:30 PM; meeting, 7:00 PM.

Sunday, March 25, 7:00 PM – Celebration of the Passion of Jesus Christ. Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 1205 Front Street, Cashton, WI; performed by Religions Education Program and Sacred Heart Catholic School Students; free will offering; reception to follow in Parish Hall.

Diaconate Discernment Retreat Saturday, April 7 - Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church – preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat at St. Anthony's Retreat Center on April 7, 2018. Then call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [608-791-0161](tel:608-791-0161). A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2019 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat (this spring or next) is a prerequisite. For more information, visit diolc.org/diaconate.

Caregiving, Medieval Women Mystics and Nature Retreats at St. Anthony's - April 14 - "Coping with Compassion Fatigue – A Workshop for Caregivers": Presented by Elizabeth Lewis (Cost: \$65). **April 27-29** - "Medieval Women Mystics": Presented by Fr. Jim Bartelme (Cost: \$185). **May 18-19** – "Exploring Nature's Ways": Presented by Sr. Jolynn Brehm, FSPA (Cost: \$90). Contact St. Anthony Spirituality Center at 715-443-2236, info@sarcenter.com. Go to www.sarcenter.com to register for an upcoming event. St. Anthony's is located 8 miles outside of Wausau on 40 beautiful acres of wooded land.

On behalf of the Viroqua Ministerial Association, we are holding you in our prayers during this time of transition—losing Fr. Joe and waiting for your new priest. Sincerely, Rev. Jean Waldron

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