

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



This Week in Our Parish

SYMBOLON "The Catholic Faith Explained" series, church library,
Sundays, 9:15 – 10:15 AM.

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 6:30 PM** in Marion Hall.

Father Janusz is meeting with 11th and 12th grade students each Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the library. This is a chance for you to learn your faith, ask questions, and to prepare for life after high school. Don't miss out on this opportunity!

November 18, 10:30 AM is the first youth Mass; Grade 10 students will take on all the roles (except cup/host ministers) - 2 readers, 4 ushers, 2-4 greeters (open doors and hand out bulletins), and 3 gift bearers. The rest of the students will sit in the first pews on the tabernacle side of the church. We will let the servers who are already scheduled perform those roles.

The **Thanksgiving Day community dinner** is held at our church each year. Every parish in the area is asked to donate pies, roast turkeys and for workers. There is a sign-up sheet in the atrium if you are able to help with this.

A children's Mass is scheduled for Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

The school supplies that were collected will be distributed in January to St. Charles in Genoa and Sacred Heart in Cashton. Anyone wanting to still add to collection please leave your donation in the atrium.

St. Mary Parish Religious Education program is looking for someone to teach 6th grade Wednesday evenings, 6:30 – 7:45 PM. Please contact Father Janusz if interested.

November 11, 2018

**32nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

*today's readings are in the
hymnal, page 1186*

Sunday Mass

Saturday

5:15 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Daily Mass

Tuesday

5:15 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday
8:00 AM

Youth Mass – 3rd Sunday 10:30 AM
Mass, November to May

Liturgy of the Hours

This ancient communal prayer of the
Church is prayed after all weekday
Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard 30 minutes
before all Weekend and 20 minutes
before all Weekday Masses

Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed 30
minutes before all Masses

Bethel Home

Mass and 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
& 10:00 AM

**Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament**

First Friday of each month
after 8:00 AM Mass until Noon

Parish Website www.stmaryviroqua.org; Parish Fax (608) 299-3721

In case of emergency, Fr. Janusz Kowalski, Pastor (715) 456-1450

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St. Mary Parish is looking for someone to snow blow/shovel the sidewalks and walkways this winter. We need someone who will be able to commit to keeping our walkways snow and ice free during the week and for weekend Masses. In addition, St. Mary Parish is also looking for someone to plow, sand/salt our parking lots and driveway during the week and for weekend Masses. If you are interested, please contact the rectory soon so we can solidify our plan for this winter. This will be a paid position.

Please support the Retirement Fund for Religious - Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. All of us, in some way or another, have benefitted from their many years of service in Catholic schools, hospitals, and parishes. Your gift to the national Retirement Fund for Religious provides funding for medication, nursing care, and more. The collection for this campaign will be at Holy Mass the weekend of **December 8-9**. Thank you for your support! *Roughly 94 percent of donations to the fund directly aid senior religious and their communities.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

May the Lord give you peace.

The bishops of the United States are joining together in a commitment of prayer and reparation leading up to our General Assembly, where we will be making critical decisions in response to the clergy sexual abuse crisis. With my brother bishops across the nation, I will be dedicating myself to seven days of intensified prayer and fasting, from Monday, 5 November, through Sunday, 11 November.

The intentions for this period of prayer and sacrifice are three-fold:

- *For the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse*
- *For the conversion and just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse*
- *For the strength of the bishops to be holy shepherds in protecting and leading our sheep from all harm.*

If you feel called to do so, you are welcome to join me in praying for these intentions. I would also be grateful for any prayers for me and my brother bishops during our general assembly, that we may follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit in responding to the tragedy of clergy sexual abuse in the Church.

Please be assured of my prayers for you, as well.

Sincerely in Christ,
+William Patrick Callahan
Bishop of La Crosse

A sharing of e-mail addresses to request daily prayer mailings:

Divine Mercy Daily marians@marianweb.net. Sign up to receive a short daily reflection from the Diary of Saint Faustina and a follow-up prayer.

Daily Catholic Wisdom yourfriends@catholicwisdom.org. Sign up to receive a snippet of Catholic thought every day from literary giants, beloved saints and relevant voices from today. Read it in 60 seconds, live it out the rest of the day.

Pray More Novenas johnpaul@praymorenovenas.com. Sign up for the novenas of your choice.

For our parish, if you know of anyone who is hurt or needs assistance, contact the parish office.

Bethel Butikk in Westby serves all of Vernon County. If you are in need of clothing, food, etc., they will provide.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend November 4, 2018

Adults: \$5,358.60

Offertory: \$321.04

Youth: \$2.00

Mission Sunday: \$70.00

All Saints: \$452.52

Total: \$6,204.16

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

2018-2019

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$32,405.00

Pledged: \$16,581.00

Cash to date: \$12,467.25

THANK YOU!

Saints of the Week

**St. Josaphat*

**St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*

**St. Albert the Great*

**St. Margaret of Scotland*

**St. Gertrude*

**St. Elizabeth of Hungary*

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, 10 November, 5:15 PM +**Agnes Thielker**
(Carol Leis)

Sunday, 11 November, 8:00 AM +**Math Mullenberg Family**
(Pat Spaeth)

Sunday, 11 November, 10:30 AM + **People of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

Monday, 12 November, +**No Mass**

Tuesday, 13 November, 5:15 PM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**
(Veronica Tresner)

Wednesday, 14 November, 8:00 AM +**Bill & Lena Hauk and Family**
(Jerry & Carol Langkamp)

Thursday, 15 November, 8:00 AM +**Paul Penchi, Jr.**
(Roger & Joyce Humfeld)

Friday, 16 November, 8:00 AM +**Agnes Thielker**
(Lucille Krause)

Friday, 16 November, 10:15 AM +**Mass at Bethel Home**

Saturday, 17 November, 5:15 PM +**Carletta Bausch**
(Jim & Ann Graham)

Sunday, 18 November, 8:00 AM +**People of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

Sunday, 18 November, 10:30 AM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**
(Patricia Rubasch)

Good things happen when you help. Join us. Donate blood during Red Cross Month! **Tuesday, Nov. 13, 12:00-5:30 pm**; Church of Christ, 825 Nelson Pkwy, Viroqua.

Upcoming Retreats at St. Anthony's - **Nov. 16-17 Beauty in a Broken World** - This one-night retreat for women will call attention to the ways that we are surrounded by both beauty and brokenness, and the lessons we can learn from this juxtaposition. **Dec. 9 Journey to Bethlehem** - Please join us at St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon, WI on December 9th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for our annual Advent Day of Prayer. This year's Advent Day of Prayer, facilitated by Sr. Sandy Setterlund, FSPA, will prepare us to journey with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem, pondering in our hearts, as Mary did, what the Nativity of the Lord means to each of us and how we can honor the gift of Jesus' birth always. The day includes celebration of Sunday Mass as well as continental breakfast and the noon meal. The cost for this day is \$45. Please call St. Anthony's at 715-443-2236 or visit our website at sarcenter.com to register for this day of prayer. If you would like to stay at St. Anthony's on the night before or after this event, please call to inquire about the cost and availability of overnight accommodations.

Sunday, December 2, 2018 – 12th Annual St. Charles Steak Fry – serving 11 AM to 2:30 PM; cost: \$13/person. Location: Retreat Sportsmen's Club, E3460 County Road M, DeSoto.

A Christmas Concert to benefit A Place of Grace will be held **Sunday, December 2nd, 2 PM** at the Roncalli Newman Chapel, 1732 State Street, La Crosse. Music will be provided by Prairie Smoke with special guest Ariane Lydon on harp and guitar. Cash and non-perishable food donations will be joyfully received to assist in the mission of A Place of Grace.

This week we highlight **Vosseteig Funeral Homes** as the bulletin sponsor of the week.
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Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish's Mission Statement

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.

Please note:


Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Book Club will meet regularly the third Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM in the church library.

Youth Masses will be celebrated the 3rd Sunday 10:30 Mass, November to May.

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Veterans' Day – November 11

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." ~ John Fitzgerald Kennedy