

# Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



"The Dormition of the Theotokos"

## "Seven Stanzas for Easter"

by John Updike

Make no mistake: if He rose at all  
it was as His body;  
if the cells' dissolution did not reverse, the  
molecules  
reknit, the amino acids rekindle,  
the Church will fall.

It was not as the flowers,  
each soft Spring recurrent;  
it was not as His Spirit in the mouths and  
fuddled  
eyes of the eleven apostles;  
it was as His flesh: ours.

The same hinged thumbs and toes,  
the same valved heart  
that-pierced-died, withered, paused, and  
then  
regathered out of enduring Might  
new strength to enclose.

Let us not mock God with metaphor,  
analogy, sidestepping, transcendence;  
making of the event a parable, a sign  
painted in the

faded credulity of earlier ages:  
let us walk through the door.

The stone is rolled back, not papier-mâché,  
not a stone in a story,  
but the vast rock of materiality that in the  
slow  
grinding of time will eclipse for each of us  
the wide light of day.

And if we will have an angel at the tomb,  
make it a real angel,  
weighty with Max Planck's quanta, vivid  
with hair,  
opaque in the dawn light, robed in real linen  
spun on a definite loom.

Let us not seek to make it less monstrous,  
for our own convenience, our own sense of  
beauty,  
lest, awakened in one unthinkable hour, we  
are

embarrassed by the miracle,  
and crushed by remonstrance.

**August 15, 2021**

## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings are in the hymnal,  
#1205

### Eucharist

Saturdays - 6:30 PM

Sundays - 10:30 AM

Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Fridays - 8:00 AM

### Livestreaming Mass

[www.facebook.com/StMarysViroqua](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysViroqua)

### St. Mary's prerecorded Masses on Channel 15:

Sunday Mass airs:

Tues. 11:30 am; Wed. 9:30 am;

Thur. 7:30 am; Fri. 5:30 am;

Sat. 3:30 am; Sun. 4:30 pm;

Mon. 2:30 pm.

### Pastoral Visits:

Please contact the parish office if you or a loved one is in need of a pastoral visit. Let us know if you would like to be remembered in our parish's public prayers.

### Baptism

Call the church office,  
(608) 637-7711, for information  
and scheduling.

### Confession

Saturday – 10:00-11:00 AM  
in the church library  
or by appointment

### Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays after Mass  
Benediction at 10 AM

### Giving:

Phone app –

[https://tithe.ly/give\\_new](https://tithe.ly/give_new)

On-line –

<https://diolc.org/annunciation-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary-parish-viroqua/>

### Parish Office & Church:

OPEN: MTuWF – 8 AM-4 PM

Sat. – 9 AM-8 PM

Sun. – 9 AM-Noon

Parish Website [www.stmaryviroqua.org](http://www.stmaryviroqua.org); <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysViroqua>; Parish Fax (608) 299-3721

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## *Pastoral Council Candidates*

**Gladys Jacobson:** *no statement available at this time*

**Joe Willis:** *no statement available at this time*

**Michele Halvorson:** Strengthening our sense of community among adults, and especially among our youth.

**Pat Peterson:** Under trusted leadership members can express their faith in a setting where each feels they belong and are respected.

**Gale Frie:** *no statement available at this time*

**Phyllis Krause:** We have to increase younger parishioners' involvement...Jesus' words come to mind: *come to serve rather than be served.*

**Cathy Lund:** We need continuity, communication, and community.

**Craig Poshepny:** Consistent leadership to help lead, guide, and push towards a more active church family.

**Cole Hewitt:** The purpose of our Parish community should be to love God above all else, and to lead others to Him and His salvation.

**Kris Brueggen:** We have to find creative ways to engage people and involve them in parish life. This should be a welcoming place for everyone.

**Dennis Vinger:** My perspective is that we need to get more youth involved and back into our parish. I understand that covid is still wreaking havoc, however, I believe that God will watch over us all of us and so by nursing our individual relationship with our Lord we can safely come back and have God's blessing. Jesus loves the kids and they are the backbone of our future.

**Parker Moore:** Fellowship, acceptance, and forgiveness. We are all in a little different place spiritually and differences are not bad, just different.

**Raven Stevenson:** Our parish needs to focus on economic, environmental, and racial justice We do this by seeking our own understanding of these issues. We find this understanding by listening to those who suffer these injustices. Immigrants, the poor, LGBTQ people, native peoples, women, children (born and unborn), and anyone who does not enjoy the ability to simply expect the bountiful privileges of our economy and society.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

Week of August 2-8, 2021

Adults: \$2,105.00

Offertory: \$289.00

Assumption: \$30.00

Total: \$2,424.00

July E-gifts: \$1,663.20

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

## MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH CALENDAR

**Saturday, 14 August, 6:30 PM +Mary Sue Ludwig & Julaine Riendl**

(John Leahy Family)

**Sunday, 15 August, 10:30 AM +Adam Hemmersbach**

(Roger & Joyce Humfeld)

**Monday, 16 August, No Mass**

**Tuesday, 17 August, No Mass**

**Wednesday, 18 August, 6:30 PM +Johnnie Johnson**

(Johnnie Johnson Family)

**Thursday, 19 August, No Mass, Parish Office Closed**

**Thursday, 19 August, 6-7:30 PM Finance Council Meeting in Marian Hall**

**Friday, 20 August, 8:00 AM +Jeanine McAllister**

(Veronica Tresner)

**Saturday, 21 August, 10:00 AM Confessions**

**Saturday, 21 August, 6:30 PM +Letitia Solverson**

(Pat Biebl Family)

**Sunday, 22 August, 10:30 AM +Johnnie Johnson**

(Veronica Tresner)

**Friday, 27 August, 1:00 PM Funeral Mass for Joseph Biebl**

## **Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish's Mission Statement**

*As a community of faith, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish celebrates the love of Jesus through sacred worship, religious education, family life, and social justice;*  
*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.*

***Venit hospes, venit Christus!*** You will perhaps notice that we have guests at the rectory. After consultation with the Pastoral Council I decided that for a time the rectory will be sanctuary for a family in transition between housing. Please accord them the respect and privacy you can expect on your own property. Please welcome them warmly if they join us in prayer. Please be very proud that our community can help serve others from the gifts God has given us! **"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me..." (Mt 10: 40)**

## **Fr. Matt**

Preparation for the **Community Thanksgiving Dinner** has begun. We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate the planning process. We are happy to pay these coordinators as well. Please contact Joyce Humfeld if interested: (608)634-4059.

The **St. Charles Parish of Genoa Women's group**, under the direction of Fr. Daniel Sedlacek, will be holding a study this fall on the book, *RETURN, How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church*; author: Brandon Vogt, foreword by Bishop Robt. Barron. Four sessions will begin in September and end in December. The study will be held in St. Charles School cafeteria. If any parishioner is interested in attending, contact Anne Marie Elwing at 608-648-3450 so books can be ordered. (The 4 dates and time will be determined later.)

**St. Patrick's Parish Summerfest, August 20-22, 2021** – Friday-Meat & Greet & Saturday-Mexican & American Food Stands, games & live Mariachi Band at *Eagles Club* picnic grounds; Sunday-baked chicken dinner, auction & raffle drawing at St Patrick's School. (*poster on bulletin board*)


**Vernon County ADRC Al!ve & K!ck!n Tour – August 25, at 11 AM**, Westby Performing Arts Center, 206 West Avenue South, Westby, WI. Performance by St. Paul Minnesota theatrical singing group “Alive and Kicking”/sack lunch. Register: 608-637-5201.

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*“Yet you have made us little less than the gods...” ~ Ps 8:6*