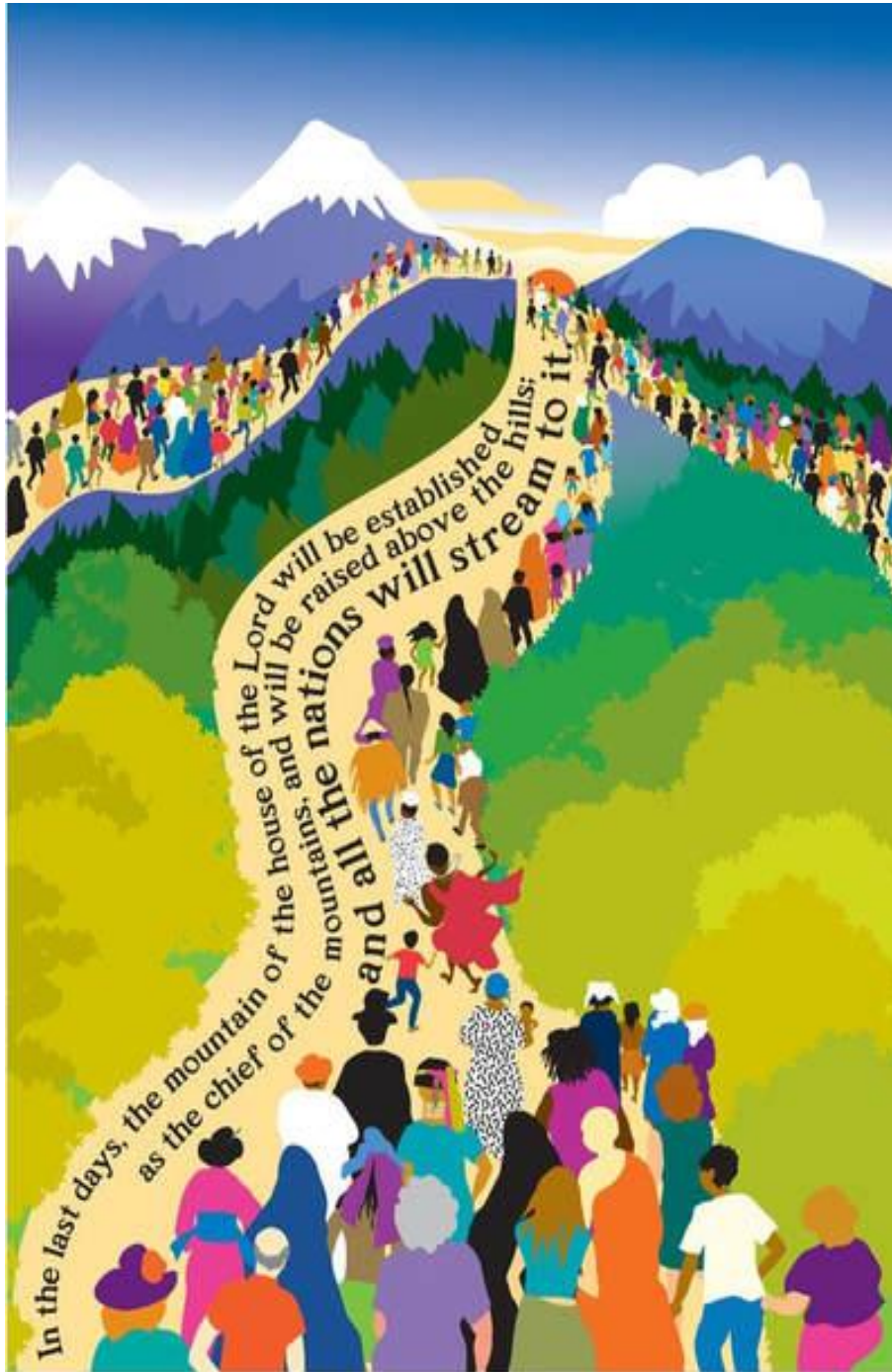




Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



by Bonnie Liefer

January 2, 2022

Epiphany of the Lord

*Readings are in the hymnal,
#1011*

Eucharist

Saturdays - 6:30 PM

Sundays - 10:30 AM

Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Fridays - 8:00 AM

Livestreaming Mass

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

by appointment or in the church
library (see *Church Calendar* on
page 3)

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays after Mass

Benediction at 10 AM

Giving:

Phone app –

<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; <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysViroqua>; Parish Fax (608) 299-3721

Fr. Matthew N. Marshall, Pastor (608) 637-7711; mmarshall@diolclergy.org; for emergencies (608) 738-6806

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400 Congress Avenue, Viroqua, WI 54665

January 2, 2022

“Neighbors”

by Witter Brynner

Neighbors are not neighborly
who close the windows tight, —
Nor those who fix a peeping eye
for finding things not right.

Let me have faith, is what I pray,
and let my faith be strong! —
But who am I, is what I say,
to think my neighbor wrong?

And though my neighbor may deny
that faith could be so slight,
may call me wrong, yet who am I
to think my neighbor right?

Perhaps we wisely by and by
may learn it of each other,
that he is right and so am I —
and save a lot of bother.

There will be no weekend Masses January 8th and 9th. I will be at my sister's wedding and have been unable to find another priest. Here are some other Mass locations and times if you are able to travel that weekend:

St. Philip, Rolling Ground: 10:30 AM Sunday, 42678 Church Rd., Soldiers Grove, WI 54655

St. Charles, Genoa: 4 PM Saturday, 9:30 AM Sunday, 701 Walnut St., Genoa, WI 54632

Sacred Heart, Cashton: 4 PM Saturday, 10 AM Sunday, 1205 Front Street, Cashton, WI 54619

January 2, 2022

FINANCIAL REPORT

Week of December 20-26, 2021

Adults: \$2,387.00

Youth: \$5.00

Offertory: \$733.11

Retired Religious: \$20.00

Christmas: \$2,785.00

Total: \$5,930.11

November E-gifts: \$1,505.77

Needed Weekly: \$3,400.00

2021-2022

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$36,530.00

Pledged: \$29,165.00

Cash to date: \$26,300.00

THANK YOU!

Ministry Schedule

Sat, Jan. 15, 6:30 PM

SWAP REQUESTED	Eucharistic Minister-
Seth Kiedinger	Altar Server
Dan Kiedinger	Lector

Sun. Jan 16, 10:30 AM

Pat Obernberger	Eucharistic Minister
Alexis Scoville	Altar Server
Sasha Scoville	Altar Server
Sara Hewitt	Lector

If not able to serve as scheduled, please request a sub through MSP. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS & CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, 1 January, 6:30 PM Jim & Germaine

Schaeffer

(Bob Blumerich)

Sunday, 2 January, 10:30 AM +Guy Nicks

(Guy Nicks Family)

Wednesday, 5 January, 6:30 PM +Lu Ann Schmidt

(Pat Biebl)

Thursday, 6 January, 6:00 PM Liturgy Committee

Meeting

in Church Library

Friday, 7 January, 8:00 AM +Tony Hovezak

(Roger & Phyllis Krause)

Saturday, 8 January, No Confessions

Saturday, 8 January No Mass – Father Matt attending sister's wedding

Sunday, 9 January, No Mass

Wednesday, 12 January, 6:30 PM +Ed Klos

(Roger & Phyllis Krause)

Friday, 14 January, 8:00 AM +Joe Biebl

(Dave & Sue Fanta))

Saturday, 15 January, 10 AM Confessions

Saturday, 15 January, 6:30 PM +Johnnie & Rosemary Johnson

(Parker & Julie Moore)

Sunday, 16 January, 10:30 AM +Joe Biebl

(Pat Biebl Family)

Jan 24 – 28 Fr. Matt PTO

Be aware! Mass will be cancelled for a weekday if Viroqua Schools are closed, delayed, or have an early release.

NOTE: No bulletin the weekend of January 8 - 9, 2022.

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Our Pastoral Council is here to serve. Working with our Pastor they help us discern the needs of our community and the call of the Spirit in our time. **Please feel free to contact them** or Father Matt with your concerns.

Thank you to everyone who is interested in volunteering their time, skills, and compassionate nature in providing service to our new Afghan neighbors currently living at Fort McCoy. We need a lot of help over the next few months!

We currently operate:

- Three Women and Children Centers
- Two Sewing Centers
- One Learning Center for children and young adults and supporting over six local centers around the base
- One Legal Center
- Six Indoor Recreational Centers for children and adults

Former Camp Counselors, Retired School Teachers, Physical Education Teachers or Coaches, Social Workers, Compassionate Community Members...Whatever your talent or skill, WE NEED YOU!!

[<https://cclse.org/afghanistan-refugee-assistance/>]

Although the scribes could explain where the Messiah should be born, they remained quite unperturbed in Jerusalem. They did not accompany the Wise Men to seek him. Similarly we may be able to explain every article of our faith, yet remain spiritually motionless. The power that moved heaven and earth leaves us completely unmoved.

What a contrast! The three kings had only a rumor to go by. But it spurred them to set out on a long, hard journey. The scribes, meanwhile, were much better informed, much better versed. They had sat and studied the scriptures for years, like so many dons. But it didn't make any difference. Who had the more truth? Those who followed a rumor, or those who remained sitting, satisfied with all their knowledge?

- Søren Kierkegaard

“...they departed for their country by another way.” ~ Mt 2: 12
