



May 12, 2024 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Mark 16:15-20

*"In the divine image He created them
male and female; He created them." Genesis 1:27*

St. Mary Parish

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Parish Office

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Hours
Monday Closed
Tuesday – Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Daily Adoration 1 hour prior to Daily
Mass except Saturday

Tuesday	6:00pm
Wednesday	7:00am
Thursday-Saturday	8:00am
First Friday	7:00am

Sunday	
Saturday (Vigil)	5:00pm
Sunday	8:00am
	10:30am

Confessions

Saturday	4:00pm-4:45pm
Sunday	7:00am-7:30am
	9:45am-10:20am
First Friday	6:00pm-7:00pm

Parish Staff

Rev. Fr. Gregory A. Michaud
Pastor
Emergency Cell: 906.282.2049

Judy Conner
Coordinator of Religious Education

Cindy Hooser
Administrative Assistant

*Congratulations to St. Mary's
First Holy Communion
class of 2024.*

Please keep them in your prayers!



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Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 13 – Office Closed

Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima
6:30pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, May 14

Feast of Saint Matthias, apostle
5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
6:00pm Mass: † Tom Kren
6:45pm Calendar Meeting – Parish Office

Wednesday, May 15

Memorial of Saint Isidore
6:00am Eucharistic Adoration
7:00am Mass: Blessings for Jennifer Neagle

Thursday, May 16

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration
8:00am Mass: † Richard Veltus
9:00am Bible Study – Church Hall
6:30pm Pastoral Council Meeting – Parish Office

Friday, May 17

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration
8:00am Mass: † deceased members of the Grotta & Stein family
11:00am Funeral – Craig England
5:00pm Wedding rehearsal – Jennalee Drinka & David Eiffler

Saturday, May 18 – Incense Free

Memorial of Saint John I, pope and martyr
8:00am Mass: † Janet Boh
8:30am Change of Seasons Breakfast – Church Hall
2:00pm Wedding – Jennalee Drinka & David Eiffler
4:00pm Confession
5:00pm Mass: † Dave Lavey & Sherry Rogstad

Sunday, May 19

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday
7:00am Confession
8:00am Mass: St. Mary's Parish Family
9:45am Confession
10:30am Baccalaureate Mass: Mothers of the Parish
11:30am Baccalaureate Dinner for Senior CCD students & parents

General Parish Information

Father Greg's Emergency Cell 906.282.2049

New Parishioners We invite you to join St. Mary's Parish family! Please contact the Parish Office at 715.743.3840

Prayer Chain Parish Office – 715.743.3840
Meal Ministry Mary Sladich – 715.743.4466
Elizabeth Ministry Renee Schoen – 715.743.4059
Holy Matrimony Contact with the parish is required six months to one year before marriage. Preparation begins with the first contact.

Baptisms May be celebrated during or following any of the Masses. Preparation classes are required. Please call the Parish Office for details.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Gretchen Fitzmaurice – 715.486.6674

Weekly Collection

May 4-5, 2024

Tithe 4,782.00
Student 7.89
Offertory 478.26
Total \$5,268.15

Weekly Budget \$5,600.00

Green Envelope Fund \$245.00
Uganda Orphanage \$300.00

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday-Sunday May 18-19

Lectors

5:00pm Larry Hooser 8:00am Rick Kuhn 10:30am Phyllis Carney

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00pm Mary Hartung 8:00am Wayne Thomas 10:30pm Gary Veltus

Altar Servers

5:00pm Andrew Hooser 8:00am Landon Schoen 10:30am Theodora Hannasch
Adam Hooser Brody Swita Kennedy Kren

Cantor

10:30am Jody & Judy Conner

Ushers for May

5:00pm Donald Kotcon 8:00am Walter Domaszek 10:30am Larry Kyle
Al Spaete Bev Friemoth Gary Ruzic
Doug Spaete Jim Langreck Kevin Schoen
Eugene Walter Jr. Russell Tom Silbernagel
Pagenkopf

Rosary Leader

5:00pm Rogene Matuszak 8:00am Bonnie Langreck 10:30am Larry Kyle

Happy Mother's Day



Parish Announcements

Reminder of Meetings for the month of May:

Tuesday May 14 Calendar Meeting 6:45pm
Thursday May 16 Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30pm
Tuesday May 21 Finance Council Meeting 6:45pm
Thursday May 23 Justice & Peace Committee 7pm
Please mark your calendars if you are on any of these committees.

Pastoral Council Elections Results: Congratulations to the following parishioners for being elected to the Pastoral Council for the next two years: Bob Barth, Theresa Hammond and K. Weirauch. The next meeting is Thursday May 16th at 6:30pm in the Parish office. All current members and newly elected members should attend. Please mark your calendar. Thank you to all of the candidates for their willingness to have their names placed on the ballot.



Mother's Day Rose Sale This Weekend

May 11th & 12th after each Mass

The Rose is a symbol of the Pro Life movement because it expresses the unique beauty and fragility of Life. The Clark County Right to Life wishes all Mother's and their families a Happy Mother's Day!



Following the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, June 2nd, our parish family will take to the streets of Neillsville, to intentionally show our love for our Eucharistic Lord. Plan to join for all or part of the procession. When we carry our Eucharistic Lord through the

streets, we give public witness of our faith and devotion to Our Lord, truly present in the Holy Eucharist. For those who would like to participate, but may not be able to walk the entire way, cars will be available.



An Invitation - Currently there is a group of men and women that meet every Thursday morning from 9-11am to reflect on and discuss the coming Sunday's Gospel and readings.

Workbooks with Sunday's readings and reflections are available to order for \$20.00 (Or just bring your bible, or just yourself!) All who attend have said this weekly reflection has made the Sunday Gospel so much more meaningful and with added anticipation for Father' Greg's homily. Come every week, once or twice a month. All are welcome any time. Meetings are in the Church Hall.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Faith Formation News



Family Formation

Family Formation and CCD Registration for the 2024-2025

- We ask parents with children that will be in Kindergarten through 12th grade this fall fill out and submit with your payment the Registration forms located in the Narthex or on St Mary's website under Religious Education. We ask that you return them along with your payment by June 30, 2024 to get the early bird discount of \$10! After July 1st, there will be an additional \$10 late fee added.

CCD teacher needed for the fall of 2024: We ask that you continue to keep our CCD and Family Formation programs in your prayers. We need to start with prayer and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide and provide for our programs. We value the varied gifts and talents of our parish family contributing to its success. Please consider volunteering your talents as a catechist!

At this time, we are in need of a 6th and 12th grade catechist.

The 6th grade catechist will follow the Family Formation method we have been using for the last 2 years and will teach once a month, typically the first week of the month from 6-7 pm. The curriculum is provided for the catechist. If you feel God might be calling you to this position, please contact Judy Conner, CRE for more information. The senior year catechesis is an examination of all Christian vocations and the discernment of God's will and focuses on living a moral Christian life. It includes the examination of the sacraments related to all vocations, the dignity of the human person and its relationship to God, characteristics of living a moral life within a vocation, Catholic sexual morality as expressed in John Paul II's Theology of the Body and the importance of prayer. Please talk with Fr Greg or Judy Conner, CRE if you are interested and/or have questions.

Adventure Camp – There are 2 weeks available this year for Adventure Camp. Week 1: June 23-28, 2024 and Week 2: July 7-12, 2024. These two weeks are for youth in grades 6-12. The cost is \$430 per person (including adults) for an early bird registration (registered before June 10, 2024). The regular price after June 10, 2024, rises to \$450 per person (including adults). Funds are available thru the Family Life Committee to help with cost. For more information, registration link, click here: diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/.

Spiritual Bouquet – Seminarian Matthew Szymanski will be ordained a Deacon on June 1, 2024 at 10am at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse, WI. In support of Matthew, who was here the summer of 2021, Father Greg would like to send him a Spiritual Bouquet. Please see the display in the Narthex. There are spiritual bouquet sheets to fill out and a box to put them in when they are completed. Thank you!

PCCW News

Project Milk Fundraiser: No Bake Bake Sale - The PCCW will be having a "No Bake Bake Sale" to raise money for Project Milk. Hundreds of families in Peru are struggling to put food on the table for some that means rotating days on which children can eat. Your donation goes straight to the purchase, preparation and shipment of the milk. Ladies are requested to contribute monetarily. The envelopes can be found in the carport. **The PCCW will be collecting through May 26, 2024.** Thank you for your generosity.

The Word Among Us - The Word Among Us publication will be available through the summer months for all parishioners starting with the June issue. You will find them in the carport by the bulletins. Thank you to St. Mary's PCCW for sponsoring the book throughout the summer.



CHANGE OF LOCATION

Spring Change of Season Saturday May 18th

The annual Spring Change of Seasons project co-sponsored by Saint Mary's Justice and Peace Committee and Interfaith Caregivers of Clark County will be Saturday May 18th. Cleaning consists of gutter cleaning and window washing. **The event will start at 8:30am with breakfast at St. Mary's Parish.** Please contact Interfaith at 715-743-2885 or email judydonmorrow@hotmail.com or contact Gary Veltus at 715-937-6551. Remember we can only accomplish this program with enough volunteers. This would be a good project for Scouts, FFA and Church groups. Consider volunteering to help those in need.



There is a food pantry donation basket in the Narthex in the seating area. Feel free to make a donation any time,

weekend or week day, of non-perishable food/paper supplies/baby needs. When the basket is full, it will be delivered to our local food pantry in the name of St. Mary Parish. (If any organization has a food drive, the items will be donated to their cause as well.) This is an opportunity for the family of St. Mary's to praise and give thanks to God. "Your generosity will give thanksgiving to God" 2Cor 9:11

Pilgrimage to Poland - See the Catholic Treasure of Poland!

Please join us on a pilgrimage to Poland! Highlights include Jasna Gora Monastery, home of Our Lady of Czestochowa, the Sanctuary of Divine Mercy and the Divine Mercy Image, the Museum and Chapel of St. Maximilian Kolbe, the cell where he was martyred in Auschwitz, the birthplace and baptismal Church of St. John Paul, and so much more! Daily Mass. October 3-12, 2024. \$3,695/per person based on double occupancy. \$150 discount if you enter coupon code Bulletin150 on the registration form. For more information, please visit www.QoHTours.com or call us at 1-800-213-4295.



"The Answer" Eucharistic Rally: We are very excited to announce "the Answer" Eucharistic Rally that will be held on June 7, 2024 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. This event kicks off the six days that the Marian Route of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be in the Diocese of La Crosse. "the Answer" Eucharistic Rally will begin with a Eucharistic Procession across the Cameron Street Bridge in La Crosse and will end at the La Crosse Center where the rest of the rally will take place. The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, powerful speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagize, and Josh Rosa, music from Luke Spehar, and plenty of vendors. **This event is \$20 per person.** This rally is for youth, young adults, adults, families, etc. You can find more information about the event and the other days the Marian Route will be in our diocese by visiting: <https://diolc.org/the-answer/> or scan the QR code above. **If you would like to carpool please give Mary Luedtke a call at 715-937-5054 with any questions.**

Save the Date: National Eucharistic Procession Monday, June 10, 2024

Join in the National Eucharistic Procession (Marshfield) beginning at 2PM at the Park 'n Ride (South of Kwik Trip/Draxler's Transport), processing on the Veteran's Pkwy Bike/Walking Trail, concluding at St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel located in the lower level of St. John the Baptist Church. Please see the poster in the Narthex for more information .

Save the Date: National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Mission Presentation, Exhibits, Adoration and Prayers Monday June 10th and Tuesday June 11th

Join us at St. John the Baptist Church, Marshfield, on Monday, June 10, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm for a presentation on Blessed Brother James (Santiago) Miller by Fr. Alan Guanella and on Servant of God Fr. Joseph Walijewski, by Fr. Sebastian Kolodziejczyk. The evening also includes Diocese of La Crosse Mission exhibits from 4:30-6:00pm and 8:00-9:00pm; in the Columbia Room/St. John the Baptist School, Marshfield, and Adoration from 8:00pm (June 10) through 7:00am (June 11) in St. John the Baptist Church; Matins, including prayer intentions for miracle healings through the intercession of Fr. Walijewski, led by Fr. Robert Thorn from 3:00am-4:00am.

Just a reminder that if you are participating in the Diocesan Annual Appeal this year to please have your pledge form in by the deadline date of June 30, 2024.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

2023-2024 Assessment

\$45,050.00

As of May 9, 2024

\$32,465.00

Parishioner participation: 32%

Please prayerfully discern your pledge and return your card in the offertory collection or mail it directly to the Diocese of La Crosse. Thank you to those who have already submitted their pledge for this year.

