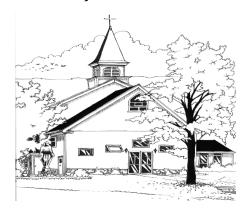
February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary 's Immaculate Conception Parish

7176 Esker Road, Custer, WI 54423 Phone: 715-592-4330 Website: www.stmaryscuster.net

Please submit bulletin notices to stmary@wi-net.com by noon on Tuesday.

Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Mark Miller, Pastor 715-600-6942 fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com Deacon Jim Sniadajewski dcn.jim@sacredheartpolonia.com

You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non emergency situations by calling Sacred Heart office at any time of the day.

PARISH STAFF

Secretary-Donna Wierzba....stmary@wi-net.com Bookkeeper-Rebecca Jones stmaryicfinance@gmail.com Coordinator of Religious Education-Jessica Bielen Custodian-Jeanne Hintz Maintenance/Grounds keeping Josh Genskow

LOVE your enemies **30 GOOO** to those who hate you **BIESS** those who curse you **PRAY** for those who mistreat you

-Jesus

<u>Mass Intentions</u>

Tuesday, February 25, (SH) 8:15 am +Frank Iwanski by Lois Iwanski

Wednesday, February 26, 8:15 am +Myron Soik by Elsie Mansavage

Thursday, February 27 (SH) 7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions 8:15 am +Clarence Ramczyk by Virginia Groshek

Friday, February 28 7-8 Adoration 7:30-8:00 am Confessions 8:15 am: +Gladys Lepak by family

Saturday, March 1, (SH) 8:15 am +Gladys Lepak by Family +Clarence Ramczyk by Joe & Elaine Bunczak +Larry Strong by Clarence & Eleanor Olszewski +Raymond Gagas by Chris Kaminski +Norman Platta by Marvin & Julie Studzinski +Bill Henson by Mark Sturzl

2:45 pm Confessions4:00 pm St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart Parish Families

Sunday, March 2, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am (SH) +Gary Perron by Family

10:00 am +For the Grandparents of Russell & Diane Wysocki



"Be resigned to the will of God in all things; make frequent acts of submission; regard with the eye of faith all interior and exterior troubles as coming from God; do not think of the future - that is, of its misfortunes, its trials, and other occurrences which the imagination may conjure up, but dispel them in the will of God." - St. Paul of the Cross

A Minute with Jesus We need God's help to believe

The Eucharist is beyond our ability to grasp fully. The Eucharist is a mystery, which means we would not know this is Jesus' Body and Blood without the Lord specifically saying these words to us in Scripture. We can understand this mystery to an extent, but not fully because this mystery is of God, Who is infinite. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, please open my heart to believe that You are truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT		
February 16		
Offertory	-	\$ 120.00
Adult Env		
& ACH		1330.00
	Total	\$ 1450.00
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<u>ACH applications:</u> Please consider signing up for ACH for your regular Weekly/Monthly contribution. Please call the office, 715-592-4330 for more information.

Jubilee 2025—'Pilgrims of Hope' Our Heavenly Father, through His Church, is inviting you to spiritual renewal during this Jubilee Year of Hope. Please don't let anything stop you from responding to this call. During the 2025 Jubilee Year, you have the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence, a grace granted by the Catholic Church through the merits of Jesus Christ to remove the temporal punishment due to sin. Such an indulgence, which applies to sin already forgiven, cleanses the soul as if the person had just been baptized. Plenary indulgences obtained during the Jubilee Year can also be applied to souls in purgatory.

One way to obtain the indulgence is by making a pilgrimage to one of the designated places by Bishop Battersby in the Diocese of La Crosse: *The Cathedral of Saint Joseph the Workman - La Crosse *The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe - La Crosse *Sacred Heart of Jesus Church - Eau Claire *Church of the Resurrection Catholic Church - Wausau *Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church - Nekoosa

For further details, visit diolc.org/jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope



Masses: Wednesday, March 5th 8:15 am St. Mary's I.C. 6:00 pm Sacred Heart

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION March 7th,

<u>9 am-3pm at St. Mary's I.C.</u> The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3 pm followed by Benediction. All are welcome and encouraged to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. *Please consider "adopting" an hour to sit with our Lord.* A sign-up sheet is located in the table in the Church entrance.





Are you interested in serving St. Mary's in an important and rewarding way? **Parish Council will hold elections** for the next two year terms in April. There are four available and we need volunteers or and/or nominations for all 4.

Council *THANK YOU TO Patrick Johnson* who has served us diligently for multiple terms and is not eligible to run for another term this year. Christine Sapa, Carolyn Iwanski and Nora Stransky are completing their first term and are eligible for another, if they choose to run. Please volunteer to

run or nominate a candidate you know would be willing to serve a two year term. Nomination forms can be found in the entrance of Church or contact the office by March 16.715-592-4330.

St. Mary's I.C. Faith Formation Program Coordinator of Religious Education Jessica Bielen (715)347-3367 or jwier319@gmail.com

THE NEXT FAMILY MASS WILL BE SUNDAY, March 9th.

Unplug! Set an easy goal The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5. It is helpful for us to decide on what we will do before Lent actually begins so that we are ready on Ash Wednesday. Would you like to "unplug" from screens by setting an easy goal of time to fast? There will be a simple theme for each week to help stay committed: *Set aside social media and phones *Step out of your comfort zone *Stand tall against what is difficult *Spend time with family *Savor sacred Scripture - renew your mind *See better what is true, good and beautiful

Prayers for those in need are so very important; so if you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.

<u>Please remember in your prayers</u>

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish: Kenny Rozek, Adam Cohen, Valerie Stanczyk, Henry Gagas, Jean Miller, Sharon Zblewski, Jerry Lepak, Denny Elsenrath, Joe Raschka, Shirley Pliska, Ken Wierzba, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Jim Zblewski, Mike Mrozek, Brigid & Al Pellatt

If anyone is in need of spiritual care at your home or hospital (e.g. Confession, Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick) please call the parish to make arrangements. Father Miller is here for your spiritual and sacramental needs. Also, be aware that if you are in the hospital for an extended period of time, and would like a visit, please contact the parish. Hospitals do not make us aware of these situations.

For prayer support through the unpublished <u>St. Mary's I.C. Parish</u> <u>Prayer Chain</u> please call Elsie Mansavage 715-592-4174, or the Parish Office 715-592-4330 or stmary@wi-net.com FIRST NAMES ONLY will be used; members promise to respect your request in confidence.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

 1st-Rosemarie Cieslewicz 3rd-Ruthie Pliska
 7th-Rosemarie Wanserski 11th-Sharon Zblewski
 12th-Patsy Charneski 17th-Terry Fritschler 19th-Jenny Yenter 20th-Cheryl Gagas 22nd-Marlene Bronk
 24th-Larry Zwicki & Louise Betro 27th-Kenny Rozek

<u>BUY SCRIP</u> After Mass <u>March 9th & 23rd</u> If you need scrip before Scrip Sunday, please call Shelly (715-592-3775) Thank you for supporting our scrip program





St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Faith Formation

Scan this QR code and join!



CAN A WEEK Campaign Wednesday, March

5th is the first day of LENT and the start of CAN A WEEK Campaign which will briefly merge during Lent with our Food Pantry. We will continue to help our three families. More aid is needed NOW than ever before, 10.6% or 7.100 persons out of 70,378 residents in Portage County are below the poverty level. With a world filled with chaos, uncertainty, isolation, unemployment, loss of business, and death, the challenge is overwhelming, we can help by collecting towards our CAN A WEEK Campaign. Donating a can of nonperishable food weekly during Lent helps those that need an extra hand for households to survive. Expired cans will be thrown in the garbage. Please drop your donation off in the shopping cart in the Church entrance, before April 13th. Monetary donations especially SCRIP is appreciated.

If you know of a friend or neighbor that needs help, recorder is always on at 715-592-4330 or 715-592-4971.



CUSTER, WI 54423



SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd **STARTS AT 1:00 PM DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM OVER \$600.00 IN CASH PRIZES!**



St. Bronislava Holy Name

Breakfast *Serving 8:30AM to 11:30AM or until all are served

*St Bron's Mary Room, 3200 Plover Rd, Plover

All are on Sunday: March 2, 2025

Veterans eat free this day* as Vet's Day is Nov 11th as a Thank You for their service

Table Service by the St Bron's

Boy Scout Troop 201 and their parents

Menu includes:

- "All You Can Eat" Buttermilk Pancakes, Potato Pancakes & French Toast
- Breakfast Links/Ham (4 per person)
- Milk. Orange/Tomato Juice & Coffee



Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, February 23

LECTOR Christine USHERS Kyle, Vincent SERVERS Samantha & Spencer MONEY COUNTERS Lisa, Jeremy, Tom MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl

SUNDAY, March 2

LECTOR Nora USHERS Betty & Ron SERVERS Hutton, Keaton, Nolan MONEY COUNTERS David, Rosemarie, Marie **MUSICIANS** Jacquie & Carolyn

SUNDAY, March 9

LECTOR Tom USHERS Travis & Randy M SERVERS Leo & Landon MONEY COUNTERS Tom, Jeremy MUSICIANS Mary & Jim



MARY COMES TO INSPIRE YOUR FAITH!

Join us as we explore one of the most amazing events in the history of the Church. Fr. Tim will be presenting the vital message of Guadalupe for our troubled times. Let us stand close to Mary as she teaches us how to live for and love Jesus in our daily lives that all may come to believe and follow!

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- Mary's Message of Evangelization for our time.
 Meaning of the Miraculous Image of Guadalupe
- Reasons why Marian Devotion is essential Deeper Appreciation of how to share our Faith



Fr. Tim Oudenhoven, S.T.D Director of the Marian Messengers Priest of the Diocese of La Crosse, WI



A THREE PART MISSION WITH THE MARIAN MESSENGERS MON-WED, MARCH 10-12 HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH - 2151 STANLEY ST, STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

(715) 344-9117 https://holvspiritstevenspoint.org 6:30PM-7:30PM

ALTAR SOCIETY SOCIAL MEETING-Monday, Feb. 10th, 12:00 pm, saying of the rosary in church, followed by a lunch prepared by Rose 2. Meeting followed with a good time for all celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Bring a friend, all women of the parish welcome.

DID YOU KNOW? The Senior Nutrition Program offers a variety of services including Senior Dining, Home Delivered Meals, and other food insecurity prevention programs. Programs are funded under the Federal Older Americans Act and are designed to provide meals and supportive services to people 60 years of age and over, and their spouses. No eligible participant will be denied a meal based on ability to contribute toward the cost of the meal. To learn more or to sign up for a meal call the ADRC at 715-346-1401



Men of the Cross "Freedom in Forgiveness" | Mar. 8, |Blessed Sacrament Church, La Crosse

Who: All men Cost: \$30 per person, includes lunch (High School students who attend with a parent or guardian are free.) Speakers: Bob Kroll and Dominic Carstens. Mass with Bishop Battersby Registration: menofthecross.org

Our relationship with Christ is many things. He is your refuge, someone to celebrate your joys, mourn with you in your sorrows, and is the one to break the chains that bind you and set you free. What are the chains that bind you? The world tries to convince you that the baggage you carry is not too heavy and that you probably deserve to carry that burden. But that is a lie. Christ wants you to be set free. There is Freedom in Forgiveness! Maybe you have been carrying around the same burden for a long time. Maybe you really don't understand forgiveness, how to forgive others, or how to forgive yourself. You may have forgotten what it feels like to be free. Join men from all over the Diocese of La Crosse and beyond, to experience Freedom in Forgiveness through Mass, inspiring talks, honest discussion and fellowship. The Church needs men to live free, allowing them to help other men break the chains that bind them so they may also live the joy-filled life that Christ wants for us.