

November 10, 2024

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**St. Mary 's
Immaculate Conception Parish**

7176 Esker Road, Custer, WI 54423

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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

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PARISH STAFF

Secretary-Donna Wierzba...stmary@wi-net.com

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Jessica Bielen

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MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism class and request a date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 12,

8:15 am +Shannon Blanchard

Wednesday, November 13,

8:15 am +Ann Britz

by Kevin & Michelle Wasieleski

Thursday, November 14, @ SH

7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Ronald Karch by Agnes Milanowski

Friday, November 15

7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Richard, John & Helen Schulist

by Bernard & Marlene

Saturday, November 16, @ SH

8:15 am

+Peter Wrycza by James & Kathy Wrycza

+Ronald Karch by Tom & Julie Wanserski

+Clarence Ramczyk by Virginia Groshek

+Larry Strong by Bernard & Marlene Schulist

+Lorraine Wroblewski by Virginia Groshek

+Leon Ostrowski by Lorraine Pflugardt

+Ernie & Dorothy Dombrowski; Richard &

Denise Fisher by Joan Woyak

2:45 pm Confessions @ SH

4:00 pm St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart
Parish Families

Sunday, Nov 17, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am @SH +Shannon Blanchard

10:00 am +Michael Wierzba & Felix Zwicky

by Eunice & Larry

**FOR THEY ALL CONTRIBUTED OUT
OF THEIR SURPLUS, BUT SHE OUT
OF HER POVERTY HAS PUT IN ALL
SHE HAD TO LIVE ON."**

- MARK 12:44



"Jesus claimed in short to have received authority on earth equal to that which he has in heaven. The things of heaven, at the beginning, have been illuminated by the Word. And at the end of time, thanks to the authority granted to the Son of God, the things of earth will be like those of heaven, which is already perfect. So then it is clear that Christ is calling his disciples to work faithfully with him by means of their prayers. That all earthly events may come to be transformed by the authority that Christ has received both in heaven and on earth; this ought to be our prayer." - Origen

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT

All Saints & 11-3-24

Offertory	\$ 128.00
Mission Sunday	50.00
Christmas Flowers	25.00
Building Fund	1045.00
Adult Env & ACH	2333.00
Total	\$ 3581.00

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

Envelopes for the Ground Level Hall and Church Renovations can be found in your Parish support envelopes. This project is for current and future generations of St. Mary's parishioners. Please be generous.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO OUR BUILDING FUND

"For we are co-workers; you are God's field, God's building."
1 Corinthians 3:9
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GOAL

PLEGGED AND RECEIVED

OF DONORS

BUY SCRIP

after Mass

November 24th

If you need scrip before Scrip Sunday, please call Shelly (715-592-3775)

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Everyone should have received from the diocese a packet. Extra pledge cards and brochures are in the entrance of the Church. It's important that all of us contribute to this appeal. If everyone participates, we can meet the goal. The appeal will end June 30, 2025. Whatever balance is remaining the parish will have to pay it. Please keep this in prayer. *Thank you to those who have already contributed.*

A Minute with Jesus: God gives you freedom to choose. Make the best choice to love Him above all things! God is your Creator and only wants what is best for you. God created you to be His beloved son or daughter so that you may spend eternity with Him. We must remember! It is *our choice: we want to be open and receive God's love knowingly; or we can refuse it. God gives us this freedom to choose Him. Let us choose to receive God's love by receiving the Eucharist – Jesus Himself.*

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *God, help me not to prefer anything more than You nor to substitute anything for You. Thank You for the grace that will always strengthen me to choose You above everything.*

This week, read how we are to love God with all of our mind, heart, soul and strength in Mark 12:28b-3

YOU CAN DRINK THE WATER! We have the results from Portage County, and our water has tested SAFE TO DRINK.



A Big Thank you to those who have been involved with the WELL PROJECT All the phone calls, emails,

filling out the forms, clearing the land, many hours went into this project. So please THANK..... Pat Johnson, Ron Wierzba, Marie Helminiak, Christine Sapa, Kirk Wille, Josh Genskow, Nick Stremkowski, Randy Maslowski, and Bernard Schulist.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU:

Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating and Bertram-Junemann Well Drilling, they did additional work for no charge to St. Mary's I.C.



St. Mary's I.C. Faith Formation Program

Coordinator of Religious Education Jessica Bielen
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St. Mary's Immaculate Conception
Faith Formation

Scan this QR code and join!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11th-Karen Britz & Bernard Schulist
13th-Jeremy Piesik 18th-Shelly
Stremkowski 20th-Deacon Jim &
Lori Stoltz 21st-Jeanne Dodge
22nd Kathy Rucinski 23rd-Bonnie
Kosobucki 27th-Marlene Schulist

**REMINDER: Please contact
the office: 715-592-4330 or
stmary@wi-net.com**

If you have a change of address,
phone number, or if you would
like to join our parish family.

Thank you



CONFIRMATIONS to
*Vincent (Sebastian) Sapa, Zach
(Sebastian) Piesik and Caly (Mary) Lepak: Remember that God
is always with you. He's ready to support you in all of your
efforts, missteps, and successes. May you find strength and
perseverance through him and his guidance today and always.*

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.

Please remember in your prayers

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish:
*Chelsea Stoltz, Pat Maslowski, Sharon Zblewski, Joe Raschka, Jean Miller,
Shirley Pliska, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Henry Heim, Carol Zinda,
Jerry Lepak, Mike Mrozek, Ken Wierzba, Brigid & Al Pellatt*

If anyone is in need of spiritual care at your home or the 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.
This is important, hospitals do not make us aware of these situations.

For prayer support through the unpublished
St. Mary's I.C. Parish Prayer Chain

*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.*

The very best way to offer thanks to God is through the holy Eucharist. The word Eucharist, from the Greek, means
"thanksgiving." When the holy Eucharist is celebrated, it is an action of thanksgiving to God for His works of creating
everything out of nothing, redeeming us through the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus and sanctifying us in
being cleansed, healed and strengthened through our cooperation with God's grace received in the sacraments. Let
us join the people in our parish community and attend Mass on our national day of Thanksgiving. Receiving Jesus in
the holy Eucharist and expressing gratitude to our Heavenly Father for all of His benefits will help us to keep the
proper focus amidst family relations, good food and the other enjoyable activities of Thanksgiving Day



During the month of November, we will be lighting a candle in memory
of our deceased parish family members that passed away this past
year.... **Myron Soik Chuck Egle, Richie Zblewski, Judi Johnson and
Gladys Pampuch** *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let the perpetual
light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest
in peace. Amen*

Come Follow Me! When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. He was minding his own business, when Jesus approached him and asked him to put his nets out into the deep water for a catch. Although hesitant, he did as Jesus asked him and caught an over-abundance of fish! When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, “Come, follow me...” and Peter did. In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him. Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? Perhaps this is the Lord’s invitation to follow Him. To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or 608.791.2667.

Harvest Dinner, St. Adalbert Parish, Saturday, November 23rd. 4pm-8pm. Mass @7:30pm Homemade Chicken Soup, Baked Chicken, Nueske's Ham, Kielbasa & Kraut, Stuffing, Potatoes, Gizzard Gravy, Corn, Squash, Cranberry Relish, Bun, Pies & Bars, Coffee & Milk. \$18, 12yr 5 \$10. 4& under Free. Gun Raffle, 50/50, Cash Bar, Pull Tabs, Bake sale.

St. Casimir’s PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Sunday, November 17th, 8:30 am—12 noon. Adults \$12.00 6-12 years \$6.00 pre-school Free 9 am Mass with Polka Music. Raffle Baskets, Bake Sale and Cutlery Sale

“Ye Olde Madrigal Feast” featuring the Midwest’s Merry Carolers Madrigal Troupe - **Sunday, Dec 15th @ St. James, Amherst.** Cocktail hour 3 pm with an elegant meal & interactive entertainment 4 pm. Tickets are limited and selling fast! Please call 715-824-3455 for tickets.

Post-Abortion Healing Ministry Phone Line and Retreats Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help projectrachel@diolc.org or 608.860.6698 There are also post-abortion healing retreats offered, the Diocese of Madison (March 28-30, 2025, and Nov. 7-9, 2025). For information, it madisondiocese.org/rachel

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The standard price for an annual subscription is \$49.00; however, your price will be \$39.00. Each month your copy will be available for pickup at the parish. If you would like to reserve or renew your subscription, please complete the order form located below and return it to your parish office with your \$39 payment made payable to St. Mary’s I.C. by December 1st.

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, Nov 17

LECTOR Deb **USHERS** Randy I & Anthony
SERVERS Zach, Samantha, Spencer
MONEY COUNTERS Jeremy, Lisa, Kirk
MUSICIANS Carolyn & Jacquie

SUNDAY, Nov 24

LECTOR Christine **USHERS** Travis & Vincent
SERVERS Elizabeth Leo, Landon
MONEY COUNTERS Brad, Bette, Marie
MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl

SUNDAY, Dec 1

LECTOR Kenny **USHERS** Betty & Ron
SERVERS Caly, Maddie, Elizabeth
MONEY COUNTERS David, Rosemarie, Denise
MUSICIANS Carolyn & Jacquie

THE BENEFITS OF A CHARITABLE BEQUEST

A charitable bequest is an easy way for you to help us in our work and benefit. Here are some of the benefits of bequest giving:

- It costs you nothing today to make a bequest
- Your bequest can be changed down the road
- You can still benefit your heirs with specific gifts
- A bequest may produce estate tax savings
- You can leave a legacy through a bequest

To learn more about bequest giving please contact us. Ask for a FREE Estate Planning Guide!



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Name: _____

Parish: _____

Qty: _____

Enclosed: \$ _____

(Please return this form to your parish office by December 1st)



GIVE - THANKS GIVE - BACK



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

NOVEMBER 3rd – November 24th

Please help us restock our Food Panty so we can give some families a Thanksgiving Blessing. Following is a suggested list of items you can donate. You can bring the items to St. Mary's I.C. each week or bring your filled box on Sunday, November 24th. Please check expiration dates, we will not accept outdated items. Thank you!

November 3rd - macaroni & cheese

November 14th – corn

November 4th – soup

November 15th – juice

November 5th – cake mix

November 16th – green beans

November 6th – frosting

November 17th – stuffing mix

November 7th – cereal

November 18th – potatoes

November 8th – brownie mix

November 19th – gravy

November 9th – rice

November 20th – crackers

November 10th – pasta

November 21st – sugar

November 11th – spaghetti sauce

November 22nd – carrots

November 12th – jelly

November 23rd – fruit

November 13th – peanut butter

November 24th – cranberry sauce

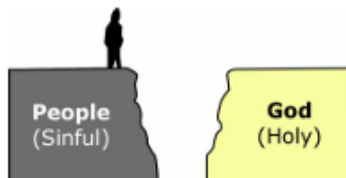
Sponsored by St. Mary's I.C. Justice & Peace Committee

"The Good News"

1) God's Love and His Plan

God created us out of love. He loves us and offers a wonderful plan for our lives. God gave us free will so that we can freely choose to love Him. To be truly happy, we need to be in relationship with God.

2) Our Sin Problem Causes Separation from God



We sin and separate ourselves from God, becoming blind to His love and His Plan.

3) God's Remedy: Jesus' Crucifixion, His Resurrection and the Church

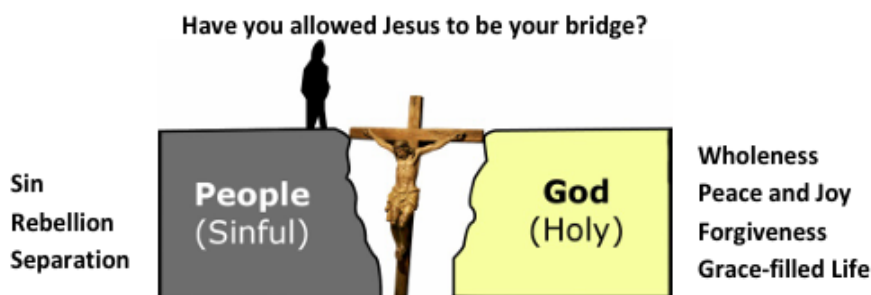


Jesus came as our Savior. Jesus is the only answer to our sin problem – He is our Bridge to God.

Out of His love for us, Jesus suffered excruciating pain and died in our place so that our sins could be forgiven. Jesus rose from the dead defeating Satan, sin and death.

Jesus established the Catholic Church on the Apostles with Peter as the Head. Jesus gave the Apostles the teachings so we can know the Truth and He instituted the Sacraments so we could receive and cooperate with His grace to live according to the Truth. Jesus chose to remain with us; we can receive Him in the Holy Eucharist. Jesus desires a deep friendship with us through frequent conversation.

4) Our Response



What are we to do?

- Turn to the Lord and ask for the specific help that you need.
- Ask Jesus for the gift of faith to believe the "Good News" that He is your Savior. Believing involves trust and commitment.
- Pray on a daily basis, developing a personal relationship with Christ.
- Acknowledge personal sinfulness and trust Christ's promise of forgiveness. Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and cooperate with His grace to break sinful habits.
- Receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist every Sunday.
- Know that we will face trials & suffering. Jesus asks us to carry our cross and He will be with us.