

July 12, 2026

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish

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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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You may reach Father Miller for both emergency
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PARISH STAFF

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

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Jessica Bielen

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Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 14, (SH)

8:15 am +Dorothy Gagas

by LeRoy & Pat Wierzba

Wednesday, July 15

8:15 am +Edward Sapa by Sapa family

Thursday, July 16 @ SH

7 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Betty Kowalski

by Audrey & Rose Ann Gagas

Friday, July 17

7 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

***8:15 am Living & Deceased members
of St. Mary's Altar Society***

SATURDAY, JULY 18 @ SH

8:15 am +Dorothy Gagas by Family

+Edwin Damask by Carl Brzezinski

+Holly Gorell by Nancy Dulak

2:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm +Ronald Karch

by Bernadetta Karch

JULY 19, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am @ SH St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart
Parish Families

***10 am Special Intentions for Bernard &
Marlene Schulist on their 60th
Wedding Anniversary***





"We do not cease praying so long as we continue to do good. The prayer of the heart and of good deeds has more value than prayer of the lips." - St. Augustine

Dear Parishioners:

Last Sunday Fr. Mark Marangone, sx, was at our parish for his Mission Appeal. I would ask all of us to take to prayer what the Lord may be asking of us to help him and his fellow priests in their work. If you have already contributed, thank you! If you have not, there are envelopes available at the entrances. I will have them there for a number of weeks. Checks are to be made payable to the parish and placed in that envelope, and we will forward the funds to the Mission Office at the Diocese and they will get the money to where it needs to go.

I hope you are having a good summer. Remember that even when we are away on vacation, we still need to go to Mass, so be sure to plan ahead and spend time with the Lord on Sundays!

Sincerely,
Fr. Miller

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:
Tom Sbonik, Shirley Pliska, Denny Elsenrath, Henry Gagas, Joe Raschka, Jack Stremkowski, Valerie Stanczyk, Kenny Rozek, Sharon Zblewski, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Connie Groholski, Jim Zblewski, Jerry Lepak, Bob Zimbauer, 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 parish. Hospitals do not make 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.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT		
July 5		
Offertory	\$	137.00
Building Fund		235.00
Mission		473.00
Adult Env		
& ACH		1847.00
Total	\$	2692.00

**THANK YOU TO
ALL WHO HAVE
DONATED AND
CONTINUE TO
DONATE TO OUR
BUILDING FUND**



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.





JULY BIRTHDAYS

13th-LeRoy Kropidowski 16th-Joyce Molski
19th-John Carey 20th-Jessica Johnson,
Tom Stremkowski 23rd Lorraine Kluck
27th-Tom Sbonik 29th-Anthony Turzinski 30th-Chris Hintz

First Friday Devotion. For many years, Exposition of the blessed Sacrament from the end of morning Mass until after the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm on the first Friday of the month has been an integral part of the devotional life of Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart parishes. The Blessed Sacrament can't be exposed without some faithful in adoration. It is becoming increasingly difficult to assure that this practice is happening.



For First Friday Adoration to continue, more parishioners from both parishes will need to take part to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never alone when exposition is taking place. Please consider signing up for an hour so that this beautiful expression of faith and devotion may continue. There is a sheet in the entrance of Immaculate Conception for this purpose. If you have any questions you can address them to either Fr. Miller or Deacon Sniadajewski.

A Catholic Phrase to Understand Better: A disciple of Jesus Christ

Those who believe and live out by imitating Jesus' message and way of life are His disciples (meaning pupil or learner). To His disciples, Jesus reveals the mystery of His Kingdom and gives them a share in His mission, joy, and His sufferings. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, glossary) Jesus wants an intimate communion with His disciples, which He expresses in these words: "Abide in Me, and I in you" (John 15:5). "He who eats My flesh and drinks My Blood abides in Me and I in Him" (John 6:56).

The word disciple relates to the word discipline, specifically regarding a student learning a discipline, which is a process. We are children of God in a life-long learning process. As collaborators, Jesus wants us to learn so we can, by the power of the Holy Spirit, interiorize His teaching and His very Life and become co-laborers to help others encounter Him and become His disciples.



June 27th, the Church gathered in joy at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman as Bishop Gerard W. Battersby ordained Father Kyle Lang to the sacred priesthood of Jesus Christ. Please continue to pray for Father Lang. God Bless Him.

BUY SCRIP After Mass **Sunday, July 26th.**

If you need scrip before Scrip Sunday, please call St. Mary's I.C. office (715-592-4330) Donna will get your order ready for you
Thank you for supporting our scrip program

Bring a bouquet!

Share your Flowers from your garden with St. Mary's I.C.



Help us add beauty to our Church by donating bouquets for our sanctuary. Please contact the parish office (715-592-4330) to arrange drop off. Thank you for sharing your Flowers!

Spirit FEST

JULY 26, 2026 - 11:30AM-5:30PM

- * MASS - 10:30 APOSTLE'S CHOIR
 - * LIVE MUSIC OLD TIME BRASS: 11:30 AM-2:30 PM
THE GRAY CATZ: 2:30 PM-5:30 PM
 - * STEVENS POINT NOON LIONS - HAMBURGERS, BRATS, HOT DOGS
 - * STEVIE'S - UWSP FOOD TRUCK/ POLITO'S PIZZA/ KING CONE
 - * SWEEPSTAKES/BINGO
 - * BASKET RAFFLE/DESSERT SPIN
 - * BOOK NOOK/HAITIAN ART
 - * REFRESHMENTS BY KC'S
 - * FREE KIDS GAMES
 - * GAMES OF CHANCE FOR ADULTS-FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
- MUSIC FOOD/ BEVERAGES RAFFLES GAMES
HOLY SPIRIT PARISH - 2151 STANLEY ST, STEVENS POINT



Point Catholic Faith
FREE! VACATION BIBLE CAMP
July 21-23
8:30-11:30 a.m.
at St. Joseph's

Come learn about how each one of us is uniquely loved by Jesus!
All children going into K-5th Grade are welcome.

WEIRD ANIMALS
Where Jesus' Love is Guaranteed!

REGISTER HERE!

Adult and Teen volunteers needed!



*Join us Sunday, July 19,
after the 10 am Mass for our
COFFEE & DONUT SOCIAL*

*ALL ARE WELCOME We will honor our
2026 High School Graduates Hosted by Group 6*

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, July 19

LECTOR Kirk **USHERS** Randy & Anthony
SERVERS Hutton & Keaton
MONEY COUNTERS Kirk, David, Rosemarie
MUSICIANS Jacquie & Carolyn

SUNDAY, July 26

LECTOR Christine **USHERS** Kyle, & Vincent
SERVERS Nolan, Keaton
MONEY COUNTERS John, Marie,
MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl



Vincent Sapa
SPASH Graduate
Vincent will
be attending
UW-LaCrosse
this fall to pursue
a career in their
health sciences
programs
(undecided).



Zachary Piesik
SPASH Graduate
Zach will be
going to UWSP
to major in
Engineering.


Congratulations
CLASS OF
2026