

October 19, 2025

29th 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 CLERGY

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PARISH STAFF

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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.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 21,

No Mass, Father is attending Fall Ministry
Conference in LaCrosse

Wednesday, October 22

NO MASS - Fall Ministry Conference

Thursday, October 23, (SH)

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

8:15 am +Bruce Adamski by Deb Adamski

Friday, October 24,

7-8 Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Butch Gagas

by Cheryl & Rebecca & Family

Saturday, October 25,

8:15 AM @ SH

+Stanley Wiza & Leo Gagas

by Barb Wiza & Dennis Gagas

+Richard Konkol by Family

Special Intentions for Quinn Glavin

by Emilie Glavin

2:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm +Ernest & Dorothy Dombrowski

by Family

October 26, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am @ SH +Joe & Esther Flees

by Larry & Elaine Gagas

**10:00 am St. Mary's I.C & Sacred Heart
Parish Families**

**The word of God is
living and effective,
able to discern reflections
and thoughts of the heart.**

Hebrews 4:12



"Let us ask God's help before doing anything. If we acted in this way, we would perform wonders, for it would be God acting always in us." - St. Pierre Eymard

NB: There will not be Mass on Tuesday, October 21 and Wednesday, October 22.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Oct 12

Offertory	\$ 288.00
Adult Env & ACH	900.00
Total	\$1188.00

Dear Parishioners:

Today, **October 19**, the Church recognizes its missionary role in spreading the Gospel. The specific department of the Vatican for this effort is the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. We are all called to spread the Gospel as clergy and laity, each in his or her own way. Of course there are those priests and religious brothers and religious sisters whose specific charism is to be missionaries. Envelopes in the pews and at the entrance for your use. We should all take this to prayer and see what the Lord may be asking of us as far as helping this effort monetarily. The envelopes will be available for a few weeks, afterwards we will send the collected amount to where it needs to go. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Sincerely,
Fr. Miller

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.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

23rd-Pat Klosinski 29th-Betty Kitzerow 30th-Lisa Firkus 31st-Lenny Pliska

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 :

Kenny Rozek, Joe Raschka, Valerie Stanczyk, Shirley Pliska, Henry Gagas, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Denny Elsenrath, Adam Cohen, Sharon Zblewski, Jerry Lepak, Ken Wierzba, Jim Zblewski, 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 **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.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen



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

Coordinator of Religious Education Jessica Bielen
(715)347-3367 or jwier319@gmail.com



Confirmation Please remember in your prayers **Madison Stremkowski & Keaton Konopacky** as they prepare for Confirmation. May God continue to guide and fill them with his grace as they journeys closer to him.



ST. MARY'S I.C. FOOD PANTRY

Please continue to donate to our Food Pantry Your non perishable items and monetary donations go to local families. Please help us help those in need. Drop off items in the cart in the entrance of Church.
Please check the expiration date on items you are donating.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL PRAYER

O Holy Spirit, Divine Advocate, You who proceed from the Father and the Son, we humbly invoke Your presence and guidance. Breathe into our hearts a renewed sense of mission, as Jesus breathed on His apostles and said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Enkindle in us a burning desire to share the hope found in the Gospel with all those who dwell in darkness and despair. Grant us the wisdom to recognize the needs of our brothers and sisters, and the courage to respond with generosity and compassion through the success of this Diocesan Annual Appeal. Bless our efforts to fuel the missions of hope within our diocese, that we may bring comfort to the afflicted, healing to the broken, and evangelize the lost. Inspire us to give freely and abundantly, knowing that every gift, no matter how small, contributes to the building of Your Kingdom on earth. May our actions be a testament to our faith, and may our lives reflect the love and mercy of Christ. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Father, one God, forever and ever. Amen. THE MOST REVEREND GERARD W. BATTERSBY BISHOP OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE



Fueling Missions of Hope "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." – John 20:21

We are reminded that every baptized Christian shares in Christ's mission to bring light, love, and healing to the world. Through our Diocesan Annual Appeal, we come together to fuel missions of hope—acts of mercy, service, and evangelization that flow from the heart of the Church. The blue cross anchors our mission in Jesus Christ, the source of grace and truth. The red flame symbolizes the Holy Spirit's power to renew and transform us. The golden waves represent the far-reaching impact of our generosity, touching lives in every corner of our Diocese and beyond. When we support the Annual Appeal, we: - - - Educate future priests and support seminarians Feed the hungry and serve the poor Form the youth and evangelize families Empower parishes and proclaim the Gospel Let us respond to Christ's call with hope and joy. Your gift is a spark that God can transform into a flame. **Pray: ** Lord, send me. Let me be a bearer of hope.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

Yes, we might be a little early. To celebrate **St. Mary's Immaculate Conception 150th Anniversary**, on November 16, 2025: We have created a beautiful CHRISTMAS CARD. A beautiful snow scene of St. Mary's I.C. church on the front with our altar at Christmas inside the card. Please check out the sample of the card in the entrance of Church. These cards are for you to purchase, 10 cards for \$20.00 or 20 cards for \$40.00. Orders will be taken on October 19th & 26th in the entrance. Cards will be ready for pick up on November 16th & 23rd.

Jesus is Our Hope (1 Tim 1:1)

God created us for life with Him - life without sorrow, pain, tears and all the difficulties that go with life on planet earth. Jesus gave His life for us so that our sins can be forgiven and we can spend eternal life with Him—a life of joy, peace and perfect love in the presence of God—a life that never ends. Wherever you are on your journey of friendship with God, ask Him for the grace to be more committed to deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ through daily conversation, attending Mass every Sunday and growing in the gift of hope to be with Him, along with family and friends, forever.

Sacred Heart STEAK NIGHT Dinner & Raffle

Polonia, Wisconsin

Sacred Heart Church
Saturday, November 1st, 2025 • Drawing at 7:00 pm
Dinner Tickets are \$30 each and are available at: Polonia Café, Sylvia's,
Pineries Bank, and Sacred Heart Parish



Country Fresh Meats' 12-13-ounce ribeye choice of mushrooms and onions, baked potato, an amazing salad bar, and delicious desserts.

Mass will be at 4:00 p.m.
Dinner service begins at 5:00 p.m.

Bevent Lions ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, October 26, 8AM-Noon
St. Ladislaus Parish, Bevent. Potato & regular pancakes, sausage, applesauce, milk, coffee, juice & desserts
12yrs. and older \$10:00 6 to 12yrs \$5:00 Under 6 free.
Great prizes at the mini & large raffles.

October is Respect Life Month:

In October, the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month. For links to a pro-life article on La Crosse's Alliance Women's Clinic in the current issue of *Catholic Life* magazine, and to a video-recorded interview with Ginna Cross, founder of Alliance, visit the [diocesan Respect Life website](#). You will also find a link there to the U.S. Bishops' Respect Life website, featuring many downloadable resources.



Gazebo/Convent Gift Shop. Gazebo Gift Shop behind Polonia Convent is open dawn to dusk. Self-serve with instructions inside the gazebo. Enjoy browsing and supporting this on-going fundraiser which helps the MSDI Polonia Convent. Thank you to all who come and shop and blessings to you!! • New items added frequently so please come and see inside the gazebo!

CALIX: A Catholic Substance Abuse Recovery Support Group:

Calix is an association of Catholics wanting to live free of addiction to alcohol or drugs, and it is also for affected family members. It is not a substitute for AA or Al-Anon, but provides a Catholic perspective to complement these 12-step programs. "Calix," Latin for "chalice," was founded in Minneapolis in 1947 by a group of five men, all recovering alcoholics, who saw their Catholic faith as a sure path to serenity without alcohol. If you are interested in learning about the Calix group that meets every other Tuesday by Zoom in the Diocese of La Crosse, email Christine at healthandharmonywi@gmail.com.

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, Oct 26

LECTOR Tom **USHERS** Kyle & Vincent
SERVERS Hutton, Keaton, Nolan
MONEY COUNTERS Tom, Brad, Bette
MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl

SUNDAY, Nov 2

LECTOR Emily **USHERS** Betty & Ron
SERVERS Elizabeth & Leo
MONEY COUNTERS David, Rosemarie, Marie
MUSICIANS Carolyn & Jacquie



St. Philip Church
Rudolph, WI

Pancake Breakfast

(Potato and Buttermilk Pancakes)
BAKE SALE - BASKET RAFFLE
Sunday, November 2nd, 2025

Serving 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wagner Hall



Serving
Potato and Buttermilk Pancakes,
Pork Sausage Patties
Applesauce and Sweet Rolls

Adults - \$10.00 Ages 6-12 - \$5.00
5 and under - Free

Mass at 8:30 am

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October is Dedicated to the Rosary:

Families are encouraged to pray together a decade of the Rosary each day for peace in your hearts, your home and our country. For those wishing a higher level of meditations, Bishop Barron prays the Rosary on YouTube with compelling meditations. Google the particular mysteries of the Rosary by typing in Bishop Barron joyful mysteries, for example.

