

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

Fifth 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, February 10, @ SH

8:15 am +Norman Eiden by Family

Wednesday, February 11

8:15 am Don & Judi Johnson

by The Children of Don & Judi

Thursday, February 12 @ SH

7 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Jeanette Kaminski

by Roger Klesmit

Friday, February 13,

7 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Paul Cieslewicz by Family

Saturday, February 14, @ SH

8:15 am +Mark Peskie by Family

+Myron Orlikowski by Orlikowski Family

+David K Trzebiatowski

by Dave & Pauline Wysocki

2:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm +Deceased members of Gagas,

Gliniecki & Kostuch Families

by Ralph & Theresa Kostuch

Sunday, Feb 15, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am @ SH St. Mary's I.C. &

Sacred Heart Parish Families

10 am +Edward Sapa by Sapa family





"The Old Testament especially teaches us that zeal is as essentially a duty of all God's rational creatures as prayer and praise, faith and submission. Zeal consists in a strict attention to his commands, an intense thirst for the advancement of his glory, a shrinking from the pollution of sin, and an indignation at witnessing his honor insulted. It demands a heroic determination to yield him service at whatever sacrifice of personal feeling." - St. John Newman



Masses for Ash Wednesday
February 18th
8:15 am @ St. Mary's I.C.
6:00 pm @ Sacred Heart

Preparing for Lent

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Each one of us needs cleansing and healing in our lives and so the 40 days of Lent are a call to enter this time of "purification and enlightenment."

However, before we turn our attention to faults, failures and making sacrifices, we want to focus on God's love and review all the ways that He has blessed us. Our starting point in preparation for the season of Lent is to realize and remember what God has done for us, recently or even looking farther back. And, of course, we want to be thankful! For the next several days, set aside some quiet time to think of five different things each day for which you are thankful to Jesus. The list could include such things as your spouse, health, children / grandchildren, food, a warm house. Remembering and thanking God for His generous love is the best way to enter Lent, but also, to continue this practice throughout Lent.

Feb 2nd was The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day, the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. Candles are blessed and are available in the entrance of Church. A suggested offering of at least \$3.00 would be appreciated.

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, Henry Gagas, Valerie Stanczyk, Shirley Pliska, Anna Sipe, Sharon Zblewski, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Denny Elsenrath, Jim Zblewski, Ken Wierzba, Jerry Lepak, Adam Cohen, Bob Zimauer, 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
February 1**

Offertory	\$	82.00
Building Fund		360.00
Adult Env & ACH		1,543.00
Total		\$1,985.00

**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.

MASS OFFERINGS:

**WE HAVE SOME
WEEKDAYS
AVAILABLE IN
APRIL & JUNE.**
Please contact the
office 715-592-4330
this week to
schedule a Mass.



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

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

birthday blessings

9th-Mary Egle 17th-Julie Trembl
18th-Amy Stremkowski
20th-Kirk Wille



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.

BUY SCRIP After Mass
February 22nd

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

**Thank you for supporting
our scrip program**

YOU ARE INVITED



HOSTED BY FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE

What You Will Learn at the Workshop

Become aware of the signs and characteristics of 24 charisms. Take the Catholic Spiritual Gifts Inventory. Begin to recognize the charisms—spiritual gifts—you’ve been given. Learning how using your charisms will bring you greater purpose, joy, and peace. Understand why charisms are essential to serve others.



Catherine of Siena Institute
Called and Gifted Presenters

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP

Discover your God-given spiritual gifts.

You have received gifts in Baptism through which God intends His love to reach others. Come and discern specific charisms you were given!

March 21, 2026

Our Lady of Peace Parish,
Marshfield, WI

Registration fee is \$45. Cost includes full day of sessions by Catherine of Siena Institute presenters, lunch and workshop materials. This workshop and process are for adults at least 20 yrs. old. For more information: diolc.org/calledandgifted Questions? Beth Johnson bjohnson@diolc.org at 608-791-2658

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 18

LECTOR **USHERS**
SERVERS Keaton, Hutton, Nolan
MUSICIANS Mary & Jim

**Blessed Brother James Miller Day
| February 13, Sacred Heart
Church All Are Invited!**

11:00 AM: Mass celebrated by Bishop Gerard Battersby **12:30 PM:** Lunch
1:30 PM: Expert panel: “Remembering Blessed Br. James, Model of Missionary Love”

Panelists: Louise Shafranski, Brother Larry Schatz, Fr. Tom Lindner, and Fr. Alan Guanella.

Healing Ministry for those Who Have Lost a Baby Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of losing a child through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, or abortion? Rachel Ministries of the Diocese of La Crosse offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608.860.6698 or email Hope4U@diolc.org.

St. Joseph Parish
Winterfest
Friday, February 13, 2026
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Fish Fry & Raffle
Dine-in or Carryout
Menu Options:
\$15 - Fried or Baked Fish (2 pc.)
\$17 - Fried Shrimp (8 pc.)
\$16 - Combo: Fish (1 pc.) & Shrimp (4 pc.)
Included: Coleslaw, Choice of Potato, Beverage, and Dessert
Children's Meals Available -
Free for children ages 7 & under
Dine-In: 1st come, 1st served
Phone pre-orders accepted day of: 715-341-1617.
1709 Wyatt Avenue, Stevens Point www.PointCatholicFaith.org



FEBRUARY 22, 23, & 24

Beginning at 6:30 P.M. each evening
at ST. JOSEPH PARISH
1709 WYATT AVE., STEVENS POINT

Deacon Arthur Miller,
a nationally known preacher
of God's Holy Scripture,
will join us as we embrace
"Radical Love."

The kind of self-denying love
that can only be accomplished
through the grace and power
offered to us through Jesus Christ.



Sponsored by the parishes of:
St. Joseph, St. Stephen, St. Peter, and St. Casimir

Find us online at:
www.PointCatholicFaith.org

March for Life Wisconsin - Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison Saturday, April 25, 2-4pm, the Wisconsin Catholic Conference—along with Pro Life Wisconsin, Wisconsin Right to Life, and Wisconsin Family Council—will host the 2026 March for Life at the State Capitol in Madison. The event is free and open to the public. Mark your calendars and share this information with your friends. Bus transportation will be available from Wausau, Portage, Wisconsin Rapids. info@marchforlifewisconsin.org for more information.