

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



PALM SUNDAY

C I N H E W E A A E

• PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD •

“HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.”

March 29th, 2026

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil, April 4th, 8:00 pm

Readers: Susan Tully, Maly Krajco, Candace McGrath,
George Laubmeier (G4), Judy Murphy

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Owen Drier, George Laubmeier (G5),
Leo, Lucas & Nicholas Perna

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Easter Sunday, April 5th, 8:00 am

Reader: John Tennant

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Blake Parker, Wyatt Mueller
Griffin & Oliver Cosgrove

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Bryan Myers Family

Easter Sunday, April 5th, 10:30 am

Reader: Sara Schultz

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Johnathon & Mary Lynn Hergert
Giada Johnson, Alex Ueek

Gifts: Katy Ueek

Mass Schedule

Monday, March 30th

No Mass

Confessions 6-8pm

Tuesday, March 31st

Chrism Mass 10:30 St Joseph Cathedral (La Crosse)

Wednesday, April 1st

Mass 8:15 am

Confessions 7:15-8am

Confessions 6:00-8pm

Thursday, April 2nd

Mass 7:00 pm

Holy Thursday

Adoration and Silence

Adler Fieldhouse SP.I.

Confessions Noon -12:30

Friday, April 3rd

Good Friday Service 1:00 pm

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

Saturday, April 4th

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil 8:30 pm

† Joe Murphy

Easter Sunday, April 5th

Confessions 7:15 am

Mass 8:00 am

Members of the Triggs and Rognholt Family

Confessions 9:45 am

Mass 10:30 am

Our Parish Family

Confessions 12:30

Mass 1:00 pm (Spanish)

Easter Triduum



From your Pastor

The end is in sight! Of course I am talking about the end of the Lenten Season and the entrance into Holy Week in which we await the moment of Resurrection. Technically, the Church says that Lent ends on Holy Thursday with the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper. This of course doesn't mean that our Lenten observances can end, but that we are not in the final moments of waiting for the victory of Jesus to set us free!

Beginning with Palm Sunday, we now enter into Holy Week, the holiest week of the year when it comes to our Faith. These days are significant as they prepare us to walk and pray with Jesus in His final moments of His earthly mission. This week begins with Palm Sunday, Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and goes until Easter Sunday, the Day of Resurrection. The last few days, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday make up the Triduum, meaning *3 Days*. These 3 days are considered to be the holiest as we enter into one, big liturgy. Beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, we have the commemoration of the institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood at the Last Supper. But as I mentioned, the liturgy doesn't end on Thursday night, as we leave in silence and perhaps spend a few moments in prayer and adoration. The liturgy continues into Good Friday (which is the only day of the year where Mass isn't celebrated!) where we begin in silence as we remember the Passion and Death of Jesus. As we depart, we do so once again in silence as we contemplate Jesus, having been crucified, and laid in the tomb. This silence is quietly broken as we come back together on Holy Saturday night for the Easter Vigil and gather around a fire. Yes, literally a fire, the new Easter Fire. This fire represents the light in the darkness, the newness of life that Jesus gives as He rises from the darkness of grave. The fire is blessed along with the new Easter Candle and we enter into a dark church, carrying candles ourselves, illuminating the church from within as the rest of the celebration continues. It is in this celebration that we proclaim Christ risen but also where we welcome those to be baptized and those who are entering into full communion with the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation, the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. It is here where we also bring back the Alleluia (which has been "buried" all of Lent). This culminates the Triduum, but there is still the celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday morning.

My invitation for all of you is to consider joining in this wonderful and meaningful celebration. It can be a powerful way to participate in the mysteries of our redemption that Christ won for us. Please find the specific start times for each day in the bulletin.

Also, as promised from last week, I will be offering a few extra confession times this upcoming week. They are as follows: **Mon. March 30 – 6-8pm, Wed., April 1 – 7:15-8am, and Wed., April 1 – 6-8pm., Good Friday, 12 - 12:30.**

There are just a few other notes as we look ahead. The Extravaganza is quickly approaching. If you have donations for the evening (outdoor-related items in good, preferably new condition), please drop them off at the rectory anytime before the event.

If you still have your Lydia's House donation in the little blue house, please drop that off at the parish office as soon as possible so we can make sure that donation gets put in with all the rest to help support their ministry. Thank you for your generosity and support!

May this Holy Week be an opportunity for us to grow in closer Christ, who offered Himself completely for our sake so that we may have eternal life.

In Christ through Mary,

Father Nate Kuhn



Sportsman's Extravaganza

Saturday, April 18th

The Grand Prize: 2025 Kawasaki UTV

Purchase your tickets online through our website, call or stop at the rectory. The winner will be announced that evening. Many raffles, chances to win, good food and companionship. Please Join Us!

Grand Prize
New 2025
Kawasaki UTV



Extravaganza Items Needed!

Accepting donations of New Items for our Extravaganza!

Items can include Camping, Hunting, Fishing and all things Outdoors!

We are also looking for door prize items! Please drop off at the rectory!

St Mary's has an Open Position Part Time Spanish Teaching Position

Email Mrs. Kohlstedt for More Information
stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com
Or Apply on WECAN

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$33,415.00 Amount Received: \$50,400.00

Amount Received Over our Goal, \$16,985.00

3/19/2026 *Thank you !*

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March 14/15, 2026

Adult Tithe	\$3,487.00
Offertory	\$50800.00
Student Offertory	\$20.05
Religious Ed	\$25.00
Easter Flowers	\$200
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$4,240.05</i>
February ACH Tithe	\$5,665.00

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Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church **please** notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged, but **not less than six months** prior to the proposed wedding date.

Holy Thursday, April 2nd, 7:00 pm

Readers: Mary Ellen Boak

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Elijah & Molly Weiss, Morgan Worthington,
Alex Ueek

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Timothy Honer Family

Good Friday, April 3rd, 1:00 pm

Reader: Stephanie Worthington, Paul Peckham

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Nyla & Vessel Rush, Morgan Worthington,
Alex Ueek, Bryce Kohlstedt

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

SCRIP NEWS

Spring is in the air! Can't wait to get at that yardwork? Stock up on all your supplies with Ace Hardware, All American Do-It Center, Menards, Target or WalMart Scrip gift cards from our Scrip-to-go box. Rather go elsewhere? We can order Home Depot, Lowes and Fleet/Farm for you. Not sure? Try a Visa gift card, good anywhere Visa is accepted.

Just order from your Scrip seller, ask your Scrip coordinator at scrip@stmarysrc.com or shop on your phone with the RaiseRight app.

Readings for the week of March 29, 2026

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 9-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/ Mt 26:14-27:66or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/ Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/ Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/ Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15 18/ Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/

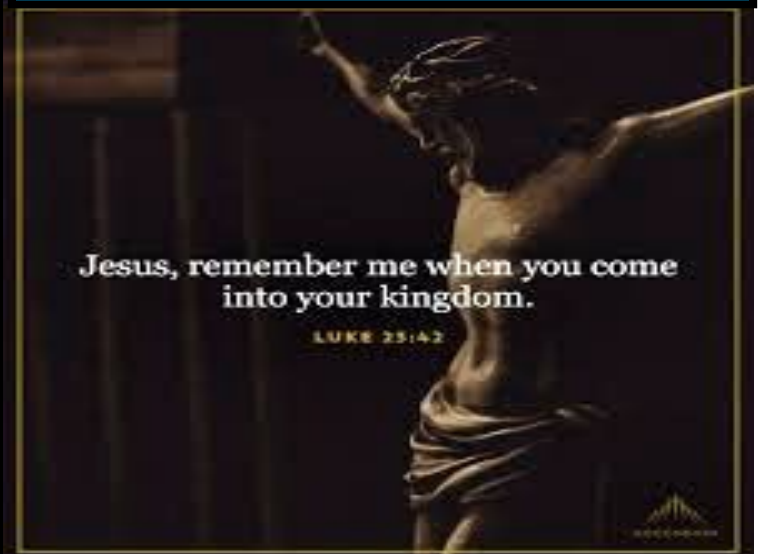
Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/ Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/ Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/

Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1 2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10



St Mary's School Weekly Intention

To be prayerful and peaceful for all. We ask for the intercession of Saint Michael to protect the Catholic Church and all Christians and all those trying to live peaceful lives. - 4th Grade Class



Parish Calendar of Events

- 03/31 Chrim Mass 10:30 St Joseph Cathedral (La Crosse)
- 04/06 PCCW Meeting 6:30pm
- 04/12 Sunday, Children's Liturgy, 8:00 am Mass
- 04/18 Extravaganza
- 04/19 Sunday, First Holy Communion 10:30 Mass
- 4/26 Donut Sunday, following 8:00 & 10:30 am Masses