

# ***St. Mary Churches-Omro & Winneconne***

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2023



A beautiful day and the awesome power of prayer in action as this group was blessed to pray the rosary together for our community and our country last week.

Be sure to join us on Wednesday, September 13 at 10:00am for the next Rosary in the Park.



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# PASTORAL PONDERINGS

I have enjoyed watching all three seasons of *The Chosen*, especially the parts where we see Jesus and his disciples laughing and enjoying life. The picture of Jesus that we find in the gospels is one of a well-rounded, magnetic personality. The very fact that we humans have a sense of humor indicates that God does too—for we are made in his image. Jesus as the son of God shares the Father's attributes, including a sense of humor. Jesus realized the value of the gift of laughter.



Laughter is a strong medicine that draws people together in ways that trigger healthy physical and emotional changes in the body. Laughter strengthens our immune system, improves our mood, diminishes pain, and



protects us from damaging effects of stress. Nothing works faster to bring our mind and body back into balance than a good laugh. Humor inspires hope, connects us to others, and keeps us grounded, focused, and alert. It also helps us release anger and forgive sooner.

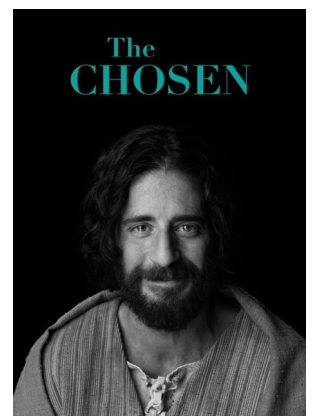
With such power to heal and renew, the ability to laugh easily and frequently is a tremendous resource for our everyday problems, enhancing our relationships, and supporting both physical and emotional health. Best of all, this priceless medicine is fun, free, and easy to use.

As children, we used to laugh hundreds of times a day, but as adults life tends to be more serious and laughter more infrequent. But by seeking out more opportunities for humor and laughter, we can improve our emotional relationships, find greater happiness, and even add years to our life.

I invite us this week to find opportunities to laugh so we can enjoy the benefits of laughter.

God bless you and your family.

Deacon Paul Vidmar



# WINNECONNE NEWS

## St. Mary's Catholic Church Ladies Night Out Group



Relax and Rejuvenate!  
Join the fun!



**When:** Monday, September 11, 2023

**Time:** 6:30pm

RELAX  
REFRESH  
REJUVENATE  
RESTORE

**What:** Relax, Refresh, and Rejuvenate

**Where:** Kaudy Hall, St. Mary, Winn.

**Cost:** Free (donations appreciated)

Come join us for a night of relaxation, mindfulness, celebration and socialization. Light snacks and beverages will be served.

To register, email:

Tanya at [jonya830@gmail.com](mailto:jonya830@gmail.com) or  
text Tanya at 262-441-0674.

## Winneconne

September 3

We are happy to say  
Children's Liturgy  
of the Word is BACK!

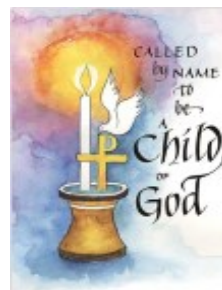


It will start **NEXT Sunday, Sept 3 at the 8:30am Mass!**

Mark your calendars for PMP Fellowship Sunday. It will be on September 3. We will be serving baked goods and refreshments in the vestibule after 8:30am Mass.



## Congratulations



**Adella Rose, Memphis John  
& Elladee Lela Swinford**

Children of Charles & Emily

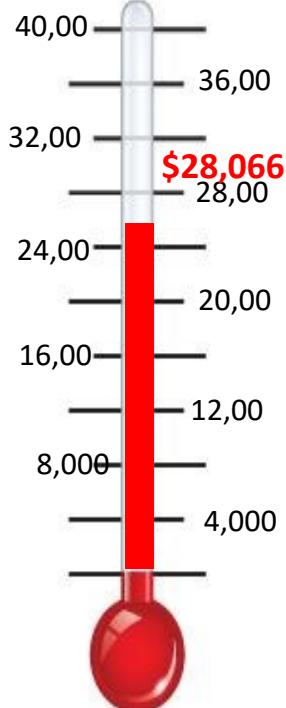
**Welcome to the Family of God!**



St Mary  
Winneconne

**GO FOR  
THE GOAL!**

Our Goal: **\$42,87**



Thank you to those who have donated to the Bishop's Appeal. We are at **65%**.



Looking for a place to have a baby shower, birthday party, family get together, etc.

**Kaudy Hall is now available to rent.** New remodeled hall and kitchen area.

Rent the hall, or hall & kitchen area, hall & audio-visual equipment.

Call the office and let us see what we can do for you.

920-582-7712.

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# WINNECONNE NEWS

## St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

Mon. Aug. 28 7:00am LOW\* w/Communion  
6:00pm KC 4th Degree Picnic  
Tue. Aug. 29 Staff Retreat-Offices Closed  
Wed. Aug. 30 7:00am LOW\* w/Communion  
Thurs. Aug. 31 2:00pm Rosary  
Sun. Sept. 3 8:30am Mass w/ CLOW\*\* & PMP Refreshments

### Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

\*LOW: Liturgy of the Word  
\*\*CLOW: Children's Liturgy of the Word



### St. Mary Winneconne Faith Formation Registration

is now available for 2023-2024.  
Don't delay, register today!  
We have so many great things planned.



## Mark Your Calendar

# ST. MARY CHURCH



Join us for refreshments, fellowship, an opportunity to learn about the upcoming year, and a chance to share your thoughts and ideas.



### FOUR DATES TO CHOOSE FROM:

September 6 @ 6:00pm,  
September 13 @ 6:00pm,  
September 10 @ 9:45am, and  
September 17 @ 9:45am

Everyone is invited.  
Faith Formation families are asked to attend one session.

Open to ALL parishioners!!

### STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

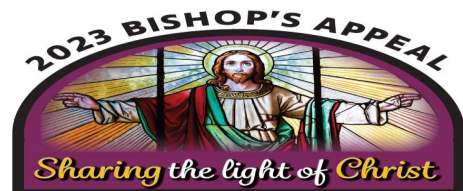
Given Week ending 8/20/2023 = \$5,104

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6,550

The start of Faith Formation is just around the corner. We are getting set behind the scenes to provide an engaging and fun faith filled year.

This year we will be hosting four sessions of "Come & See" this is an opportunity for our whole parish community to gather together to hear about some of the many opportunities, events, experiences we look forward to sharing with you. You only need to attend one. They are all the same.

**It is important that our Faith Formation families pick one session to attend.**



## WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

St. Mary, Winneconne is only at 65% of our Bishop's Appeal goal this year. We thank all who have donated and helped us reach this far. We **NEED** to reach the last 35% of our goal.

Please place your donation in the 2nd collection this weekend to help us reach our goal!! Thank you.

# OMRO NEWS

## St. Mary, Omro Calendar

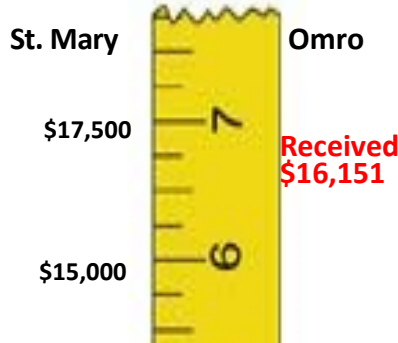
Tue. Aug. 29 Staff Retreat-Offices Closed  
 Sat. Sept. 2 3:30pm Confession  
 4:00pm Mass  
 Sun. Sept. 3 10:30am Mass

**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Omro Area Non-Perishable Food Collection



Bishop's Appeal  
 Goal \$18,919

*Thank you to all those who have already donated. We are at 85% of our goal.*



Please help by putting your donation in the 2nd collection this weekend. Any amount will help!

*Congratulations*

**Myla Margaret Pawelkieicz**  
 Daughter of  
**Kyle and Melissa**



*Welcome to the Family of God!*

**STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro**

Given Week ending 8/20/2023 = \$2,551

WEEKLY GOAL: \$3,941



## Faith Formation

It's not too late to register for Faith Formation classes this fall. Just scan the code below to fill out the online form and make your payment.

Registration closes September 1st so don't hesitate to check this off your list. **Classes start Wednesday,**



**October 4th.**



*Have you ever thought about volunteering in Our Faith Formation Program?*

- ◇ If you love to work with children
- ◇ If you love to teach and share about our Faith
- ◇ If you want to learn more about your own Faith
- ◇ If you are looking for a way to be a part of the Church

**Then getting involved is right for you!**  
 St. Mary's Faith Formation program is in need of catechists for 2nd Grade Sacramental Preparation (First Reconciliation and First Communion) aides and substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year.

**No teaching background is required. Teaching materials provided.**

If you have any interest, questions, or want to be involved, please take time to pray about it and then call or email! I am more than happy to answer your questions!

**Contact:**

**Heidi Seaman**

[heidi.seaman@stmarychurches.org](mailto:heidi.seaman@stmarychurches.org)

**(920)685-2258**

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Readings for the Week of August 28

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5,8b-10/Mt 23:13-22  
St. Augustine, Bishop & Dr. of the Church

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mk 6:17-29  
The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13  
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

## Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Do You Knit or Crochet? Prayer Shawls are in demand.

Christian Action Ministry in Winneconne delivers them to the nursing homes, Bella Medical Clinic and to those who need the comfort of prayers in both our parishes. If you have the gift of knitting or crocheting and would like to share that gift with others, please drop off completed prayer shawls at the Omro or Winneconne parish office. Need a pattern, google prayer shawls & you will find a variety of patterns.

If you need yarn for your project, contact Sue at 920-528-7712 or Peggy at 920-685-2258.



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## HELP FOR PARENTS



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"Raising Children Rooted in Faith while Living in Today's Society"

### THURS, SEPT. 14 | 6 PM | ST RAPHAEL

Presenter Katie Douglas is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. She is a married mother of three girls, and member of St. Raphael's church. She is excited to share her story of faith, family, struggles of parenting and how to navigate it all.



## Fall Festival 2023

September 9th 324 Nicolet Blvd, Menasha

 <p>6:30pm - 10pm</p>	 <p>1pm - 2:30pm</p>	 <p>3:30pm - 5pm</p>
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Free For Kids!

Find and Keep a Real Fossil!

All Kid's Games 10am until 5pm

**Deadline for the Bulletin  
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Peggy Wilms: peggy.wilms@stmarychurches.org

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: September 2**

4:00pm (SMO) Barbara Fleck

**SUNDAY: September 3**

8:30am (SMW) Marvin Dillinger

10:30am (SMO) Lawrence Crowley

**Saturday & Sunday September 2 & 3**

SMO– St. Mary, Omro

SMW– St. Mary, Winneconne

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVING-LITURGICAL  
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Altar Servers:**

4:00pm (SMO) **2 Volunteers**

8:30am (SMW) **2 Volunteers**

10:30am (SMO) **2 Volunteers**

**Lectors:**

4:00pm (SMO) Ken Bressers

8:30am (SMW) Rose Unser

10:30am (SMO) Janet Wegner

**Ushers:**

4:00pm (SMO) Sue Yell, Lila Ellis

8:30am (SMW) Peggy Benjamin, JoAnn Winnekens,  
**2 Volunteers**

10:30am (SMO) **2 Volunteers**

**Greeters:**

4:00pm (SMO) 2 Barb Geffers, **Volunteer**

8:30am (SMW) Linda Dorsett, JoAnn Winnekens,  
**2 Volunteers**

10:30am (SMO) Lawanda & Ron Jungwirth

**Communion Ministers:**

8:30am (SMW) Sherrie Johnson, Rose Unser

**Sacristans:**

4:00pm (SMO) Margaret Potratz

8:30am (SMW) Sherrie & Tim Johnson

10:30am (SMO) Janet Wegner

**Intercessory Prayer Ministers:**

4:00pm (SMO) **2 Volunteers**

8:30am (SMW) **2 Volunteers**

**Musicians:**

4:00pm (SMO) Ted Kreuzer

8:30am (SMW) Annemarie Birschbach/Mary Gallenberg

10:30am (SMO) Ted Kreuzer



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Faith Formation Coordinator: Heidi Seaman

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator: Mary McDonald

Pastoral Associate: Rose Unser

Director of Spiritual Engagement: Lyn Zahorik

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