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## **2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday April 7, 2024**

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# PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Most people think of Easter as a single day. It's never had the commercial appeal of Christmas, and because it's always on a Sunday, most people don't get any additional days off from work. But for Catholics, Easter isn't just a day, it's a whole season. The Easter season is 50 days long and stretches all the way to the feast of Pentecost. It's not only a season, but a celebration; an invitation to joy.

During Lent we tend to excel at the reflective practices. Lent is a time of laying things aside, to create more space for Christ in our lives, to develop practices that open us up to the risen Jesus. We spent 40 days in the wilderness, searching our souls, failing, and resting in grace. Lent prepares us for Easter, where we celebrated our hearts out until they were overflowing with joy.

It seems like we put more energy into Lent than Easter. We are now in the Easter season. It is a time to remember that Jesus was not in a rush to ascend into heaven. Jesus spent time appearing to his disciples and preparing them for Pentecost. I invite us to joyfully celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior so we can become better prepared for the Feast of Pentecost.

Here are some ways to celebrate during these 50 days:

- The Easter season is a time of celebration! The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary are particularly fitting for this time. Pray a decade as a family each night.
- Use a special candle at family meals to recall the light of Christ.
- Every day, read together a section from the Easter story in one of the four gospels.
- Put up a sign or banner that proclaims, "He is risen!"
- Add three alleluias to your prayers each day.
- Do a family act of kindness for a person in need to express thanks for the resurrection.
- Celebrate life by doing something as a family to support unborn children and their parents.
- Get a container of blessed water from the church and bless your family members each day.
- Place a resurrection icon or picture in a place of honor.
- Read Luke 24:50-53 or Acts 1:6-11 and ask family members to imagine themselves present at Jesus' ascension.

Do not try to do all of these things. I invite you to just pick a few ideas that seem right for you.

Happy Easter and God bless you and your family!

Deacon Paul Vidmar







*Alleluia*  
Christ is risen!

*Alleluia*  
Christ is risen!



*Alleluia*  
Christ is risen!

*Easter Vigil March 30, 2024*





# WINNECONNE NEWS

## Calendar

St. Mary, Winneconne

Mon. April 8 7:30am LOW\* w/Communion  
4:00pm CAM Meeting  
6:00pm Picnic Meeting

Tues. April 9 10:00am Staff Meeting (SMO)  
4:30pm Stewardship Meeting  
7:00pm KC Meeting

Wed. April 10 7:30am LOW\* w/Communion  
3:10pm Elementary FF  
6:30pm HS Classes

Thurs. April 11 2:00pm Rosary  
6:00pm Fish Fry Wrap Up Meeting

Sun. April 14 8:30am Mass w/Baptism  
9:30am RCIA

**Sat./Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
\*LOW: Liturgy of the Word  
SMO: St. Mary, Omro  
Non perishable food for Fr. Carr's  
Photo Directory Speaker

## Peru Mission Trip:

This summer 10 high schoolers and leaders will be traveling to Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II in Lurin, Peru for an incredible faith filled mission trip. The orphanage is home to 64 of Peru's poorest children ranging in age from 5 - 17 years. The mission team will complete service activities at the orphanage, attend Mass and holy hour daily, work with children to gain confidence, develop skills and know that Jesus and others love them.

Ways to support the mission team:

- **Pray** - please pray for planning, safe travels and that each member of the team is open to growing closer to Jesus and the Church through this trip
- **CA\$H for CASA Containers** - look for the white containers with CA\$H for CASA at each of the church doors - thank you!
- **Consider sponsoring a mission teen** (many who are trying to save for college) - The flight, room/board at the orphanage, and supplies will cost \$2500 per teen. Any amount to sponsor a youth is appreciated. Connect with Andy for additional details and arrangements.
- **Wishlist Supply** - the mission team will be taking 2 suitcases each; details coming soon!

Thank you for your support as the Mission Team works to Faith, Family, Future for all Children! For more information: <https://www.homeajpm.org/> program

## Faith Formation News Week of April 10

Elementary Class—3:10-4:30pm  
High School Class—6:30-8:00pm

### Attention Elementary Families!

You are invited to join us  
at 4:00pm on April 17<sup>th</sup>  
in the church.

### Why?

Our Elementary Faith Formation classes want to share with you what they learned this year. The children and catechists have fun with this and it is a very entertaining 30 minutes. I hope you will mark it on your calendar.



*I know your kids will love to see you there.*



A Big thank you to all who donated

shoes and socks for Belize. Thanks to you our drive was a success. Lisa M Zang!

### Picnic Idea Tossing Time Rescheduled!!

Time to get ideas going for the Parish Picnic. It is rescheduled for **MONDAY, APRIL 8 at 6:00pm** in Kaudy Hall. Hope to see you there. We'd love to hear your ideas. All are welcome.



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 28 at 8:00am** at St. Mary, Winneconne.

The Oshkosh Choraliers will sing for us right before Mass. 8:00-8:20am. Plan on joining us!

### STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Once per month report of Year-to-Date (YTD)  
Weekly income (Envelopes, cash, automatic deduction)  
7/1/23-3/31/24 Given \$270,830(\$8,970 over budget)  
Other income (Holy days, Sponsorships, misc)  
7/1/23-3/31/24 Given \$36,963(\$8,438 over budget)  
Total income above budget YTD \$17,408

# OMRO NEWS

## Calendar

### St. Mary, Omro

Mon. April 8 11:00am Funeral  
 Tues. April 9 10:00am Staff Meeting  
 4:30pm Stewardship Meeting (SMW)  
 7:00pm KC Meeting (SMW)  
 Wed. April 10 4:30pm Adoration with Confession  
 6:30pm FF Last Class Family Night  
 Sat. April 13 3:30pm Confession  
 4:00pm Mass  
 Sun. April 14 10:30am Mass w/CLOW\*\*

**Sat./Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
 SMW: St. Mary, Winneconne

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro

Once per month report of Year-to-Date

Weekly income (Envelopes, cash, automatic deduction)

7/1/23-3/31/24 Given \$139,718(\$5,680 under budget)

Other income (Holy days, Sponsorships, misc)

7/1/23-3/31/24 Given \$32,655(\$6,135 under budget)

Total income shortage to date \$11,815



*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*

*For the family & friends of*

*Donald Lewis*

*He was called home to our  
loving Father in Heaven. May Jesus'  
words console you, strengthen you and  
fill you with peace.*

The Bishop Appeal reaches out to parishes in the entire Green Bay Diocese. The Bishops Appeal assists those in need, our staff, and people that are in need outside of our Diocese. Please give generously to the Appeal. Every little bit helps, no matter how small or large. Thank you!

**St. Mary, Winneconne** will be collecting food for Father Carr's Place 2B, next weekend, April 14. They are in need of the basics: peanut butter, tuna, chicken in a can, spaghetti-o, laundry soap, body soap, shampoo, hand soap, ravioli etc.....

Thank you for your continued support.

It is much appreciated.



**Blessings to our 2nd graders  
on this special day as they  
join us at the Lord's table  
for the very first time**



**Wednesday April 10th 6:30pm**

Join us for dinner at 6:30pm followed  
by performances from our  
1st-8th grade students!



Please RSVP to Heidi at

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

by Monday, April 8th.



**Adoration & Confession**

This **Wednesday, April 10**, everyone is invited to **Adoration from 4:30-5:30pm with Confession**. It will be held at **St. Mary, Omro**.

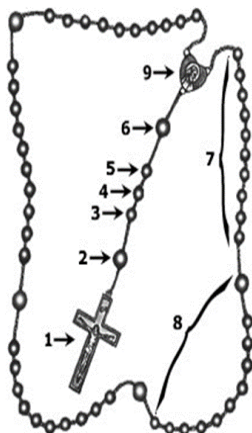
# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Readings for the Week of April 8

- Monday:** Is 7:10-14;8:10/Heb 10:4-10/  
Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37/Jn3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15,17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/  
Lk 24:35-48  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

### How to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

1. Make the sign of the cross.
2. Opening prayer: You expired Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You! (3 times).
3. Our Father
4. Hail Mary
5. Apostles Creed
6. On each of the 5 large "Our Father" beads pray: Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
7. On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads pray: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,
8. Concluding prayer: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3 times).
9. Closing Prayer: Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.



## The ABCs of Divine Mercy

**Ask for His Mercy.** God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

**Be Merciful to Others.** God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

**Completely Trust in Jesus.** God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

To observe Divine Mercy Sunday, we should:

- \* Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on the Sunday after Easter
- \* Sincerely repent of all sins
- \* Place complete trust in Jesus
- \* Go to confession
- \* Receive communion on Divine Mercy Sunday
- \* Venerate the image of Divine Mercy
- \* Be merciful to others through actions, words and prayers



**Deadline for the Bulletin  
NOON on Tuesday**

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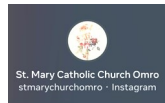
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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>April 13</b>
4:00pm (SMO)	Living & Deceased
	Members of Schuster Family
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>April 14</b>
8:30am (SMW)	Archie & Minnie Flanigan
10:30am (SMO)	Dorothy Wade

**Saturday & Sunday April 13 & 14**

SMO—St. Mary, Omro  
SMW—St. Mary, Winneconne

**Altar Servers:**

4:00pm (SMO)	<b>2 Volunteers</b>
8:30am (SMW)	<b>2 Volunteers</b>
10:30am (SMO)	<b>2 Volunteers</b>

**Lectors:**

4:00pm (SMO)	Bob Breu
8:30am (SMW)	Eric Bauer
10:30am (SMO)	<b>Volunteer</b>

**Ushers:**

4:00pm (SMO)	Mary Jo Hinderman, <b>Volunteer</b>
8:30am (SMW)	Paul, Pauline & Jeff Jandrin, Jim Day
10:30am (SMO)	Mike Glodowski, <b>Volunteer</b>

**Sacristans:**

4:00pm (SMO)	<b>Volunteer</b>
8:30am (SMW)	Sherrie & Tim Johnson
10:30am (SMO)	<b>Volunteer</b>

**Communion Ministers:**

8:30am (SMW)	Eric Bauer, Sherrie Johnson
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**Greeters:**

4:00pm (SMO)	Blake Stachura, <b>Volunteer</b>
8:30am (SMW)	Linda Dorsett, Emmy Day, <b>2 Volunteers</b>
10:30am (SMO)	Ron & Lawanda Jungwirth



**St. Mary Winneconne and Omro will offer the  
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
during all Masses on Good Shepherd  
Sunday April 20 & 21.**

All who are sick, elderly, facing surgery, or seeking the gift of God's healing are welcome to participate. The primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany illness or the frailty of old age.

The communal celebration of the Anointing of the Sick at a parish Mass is greatly encouraged by the Church as it provides a setting wherein the total community can come together to support those who are ill, their families and caregivers.

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