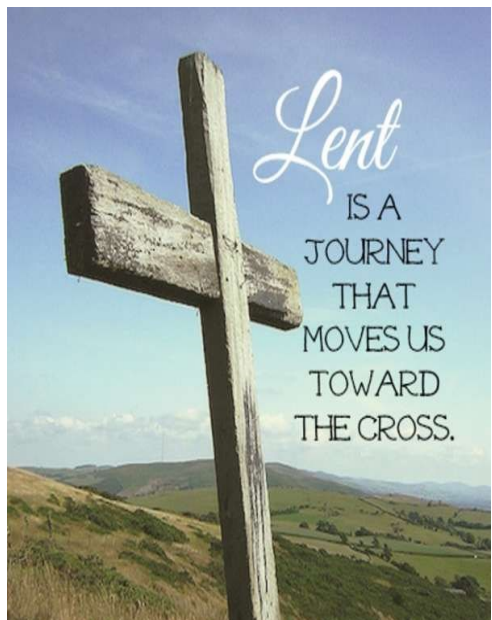


St. Mary Churches-Omro & Winneconne

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2nd Sunday in Lent February 25, 2024



Reconciliation Available

1st and 3rd Wednesdays of month
St. Mary, Winneconne

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of month
St. Mary, Omro

City Wide Reconciliation

Mar. 14, 2pm at St. Raphael

Mar. 21, 6:30pm at St. Vincent site

Stations of the Cross

St. Mary, Winneconne stations
Thursdays at 2:00pm

St. Mary, Omro stations
Mondays at 6:00pm



After **LOW** on Mon & Wed, Winneconne

The tradition continues.....

St. Mary Winneconne

Fish & Smelt Fry

When: Friday March 1 & 15, 2024

Time: 4:00-7:00pm

Where: Kaudy Hall (244 S 3rd Ave., Winn.)

All you can eat Smelt	\$15.00
Baked or Fried Haddock	\$15.00
2pcs of baked or 3 pcs of fried haddock	
Shrimp (6pcs)	\$15.00
Fish & Shrimp Sampler	\$15.00
2pcs haddock (1 baked, 1 fried,) 3 shrimp	
Seafood Platter	\$17.00
2pcs haddock (1 baked, 1 fried,) 3 shrimp & 3 smelt	
Lite Eaters Fish or Shrimp	\$10.00
2pcs fried haddock or 1pc baked haddock or 3 shrimp	
NEW THIS YEAR!!!	
Deep fried Cheese Curds	\$3.00

Served with potato salad or fries, coleslaw, rye bread, dessert and coffee, milk or water. Soda & beer are available for purchase. No children's menu; new this year Lite Eaters Fish or Shrimp.

Calls for take out start at Noon and end at 6:30pm
920-582-7712

Use parking lot side entrance for pickups

Pastoral Coordinator: Deacon Paul Vidmar

920-379-8068

Paul.vidmar@stmarychurches.org

Priest Celebrants:

Fr. Tom Long

Fr. Quinn Mann

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To arrange for baptisms, weddings or to join call

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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Pope Francis has said “Lent is a favorable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ.”

We as Catholics are called to focus more on giving during Lent so that we can grow in love by being charitable to our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Giving not only fills the Lord with joy, but it fills our own hearts with joy as well. We are told to give our time, talent, and treasure to the church and to others.

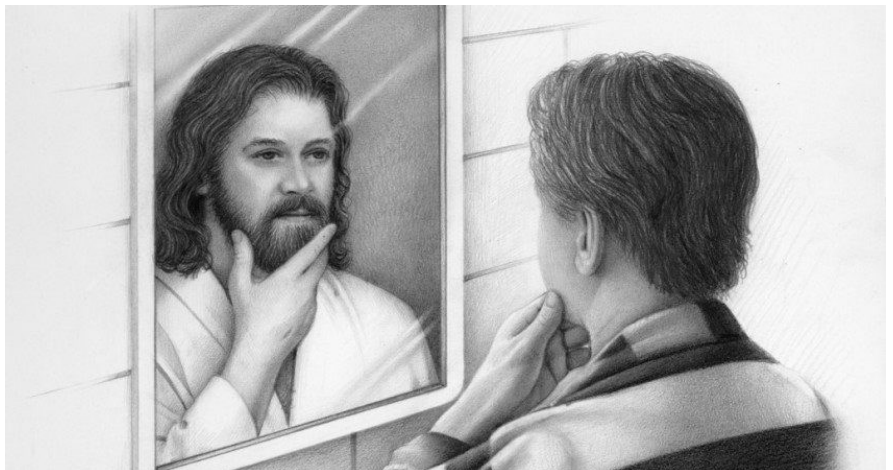
We are to challenge ourselves by giving and to prepare for Christ to transform our hearts through our generosity. As we are in the early stages of Lent, I invite you to consider some of the following ways to give to others. Some of these ideas may push us out of our comfort zone, but that's the point! God is waiting for us outside of our comfort zones, ready to walk with us as we serve His people.

1. Buy something for the person behind you in line.
2. Introduce yourself to someone unfamiliar at Mass.
3. Give unique compliments to five people.
4. Tell a loved one how much they mean to you.
5. Do a chore that is not yours.
6. Leave a thoughtful note for someone.
7. Send a care package to a person in the military.
8. Call a family member.
9. Give up social media for the day.
10. Tell Jesus you love him and why.
11. Bring a friend or loved one to Adoration.
12. Smile and say hello to a stranger.
13. Pray to God right away in the morning.
14. Ask a cashier how they are doing.
15. Donate blood.
16. Go to confession.
17. Volunteer at a nursing home.
18. Go to daily Mass.
19. Attend Stations of the Cross.
20. Let someone help you.

I hope we can accept this challenge and find the time this Lent to put some of these ideas into action so that we can deepen our love for God and our neighbor.

God bless you and your family!

Deacon Paul Vidmar



ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Reflections on the Mass (Part 2)

Date: Feb. 29

Time: 1:00—2:30 PM or 6:00 -7:30 PM

Location: Kaudy Hall, Winneconne



SUMMARY OF PRESENTATIONS

We will use the mystagogical method to help us enter into the mystery of the Mass and allow ourselves to be touched and transformed by its power.

Why not go to the movies?

Movie Night With the Saints

Day: Monday, Feb 26

Time: 6:00 to 7:30pm

Location: Kaudy Hall, SMW

Facilitators: Rick/Roxanne Lee and Linda Dorsett

—St. Francis of Assisi

Sign of Contradiction

Format: Refreshments – Video—Discussion



Jesus and the Eucharist

Dates: Feb. 27, Mar. 5, 12

Time: 1:30 to 3:00pm or 6:00 to 7:30pm

Facilitator: Heather Sleeman, Mary McDonald

Location: Kaudy Hall, Winneconne

Refreshments –Video - Discussion

All are welcome!



From RCIA Rites on February 18 for our **Elect:** Hank, Cassidy, Waylon and our **Candidates:** Jim & Hunter

Rite of Sending



Breakfast & Rite of Election & Continuing Conversion



ELECT throughout Diocese of Green Bay



CANDIDATES throughout Diocese of Green Bay



WINNECONNE NEWS

St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

- Mon. Feb. 26 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
6:00pm Movie Night with the Saints
- Tues. Feb. 27 1:30pm Jesus in the Eucharist KH
6:00pm Jesus in the Eucharist KH
- Wed. Feb. 28 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
3:10pm FF
3:45pm Shadow Stations of the Cross
3:45pm RCIA
6:30pm FF HS
- Thurs. Feb. 29 2:00pm Stations of the Cross
1:00pm Reflect on the Mass Part 2
6:00pm Reflect on the Mass Part 2
- Fri. Mar. 1 4:00pm Smelt/Fish Fry
- Sat. Mar. 2 3:30pm Confession
3:40pm Adoration
4:00pm Mass w/ Banners
- Sun. Mar. 3 9:30am Confirmation Class
10:00am RCIA
10:10am Adoration
10:30am Mass w/ Banners & **CLOW

Sat./Sun. 3rd Sunday of Lent

*LOW: Liturgy of the Word
1st Scrutiny Creed

** Children's Liturgy of the Word
Mission Speakers

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Given Week ending 2/18/2024 \$6,229

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6,550

The tradition continues....

St Mary Winneconne Fish and Smelt Fry

Volunteers can sign up for the NEXT 2 FISH
FRYS by going to:

[St. Mary Winneconne: Fish Fry 3-01-2024 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

[St. Mary Winneconne: Fish Fry 3-15-2024 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

Carry out orders starting at noon by calling
920-582-7712 for pick up from 4:30-6:30pm.



New this year – deep fried cheese curds!

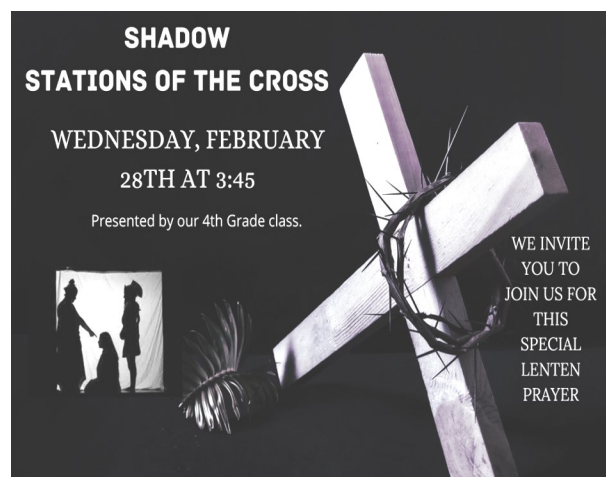


Come enjoy great food and fellowship!

Faith Formation News

Wednesday February 28

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



The shadow stations of the cross will be presented by our 4th grade students. We hope you will join us as we lead you in praying this special Lenten prayer.

St. Joseph Meal and
Holy Week Experience
March 20th.



5:30pm: Meal in Kaudy Hall

6-7pm: Holy Week Experience in the church
Everyone is invited. All families enrolled in our Faith Formation programs should plan to attend as this evening is in place of all classes.

This is a great way to build community and grow in your faith in a fun, family friendly way.

Bishop's Appeal 2024

St. Mary, Winneconne received our goal for the Bishop's Appeal for this year. We have been assessed at \$45,363.

Our staff and parish receive support from the Bishop's Appeal on many behind the scene areas. Our Staff was able to attend the Entrust Retreat due to the Bishop's Appeal monies. It taught practical ways to help more people know and love Jesus. Please pray how you will respond to the letter you received from the Bishop.



OMRO NEWS

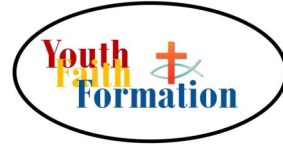
St. Mary, Omro Calendar

Mon. Feb 26 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
 Wed. Feb 28 4:30pm FF Grades 1-6
 4:30pm Adoration & Confession
 6:30pm FF Grades 7-8

Sun. Mar. 3 8:10am Adoration
 8:30am Mass
 10:00am Confirmation Class

3rd Sunday of Lent

Omro Area Non-Perishable Food Collection
 1st Scrutiny Creed



Wednesday February 28th

Grades 1-6 Class at 4:30pm

Grades 7 & 8 Class at 6:30pm

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro
 Given Week ending 2/18/2024 \$4,739
 WEEKLY GOAL: \$3,941



2nd Grade Families

Saturday, March 9th

First Communion Retreat at 1:30pm

at St. Mary Winneconne

It has been over 25 years since the roof has been replaced on our church in Omro. We have scheduled the roof to be replaced this spring. The investment is \$35,000. If you would like to donate to this project, it would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Deacon Paul or the office in Omro.



Would you like to be a prayer partner for those preparing for the sacraments? You are invited to pick a name from the basket located in Marian Hall. Show them your support by writing a card or letter and place it in the basket in Marian Hall or drop it off in the Faith Formation office.



JOIN US FOR A WEE BIT O FUN

ST. MARY OMRO
SUNDAY MARCH 17, 2024
12:30- 2:30 PM
DINING HALL

FOOD, FAMILY, FRIENDS, FABULOUS PRIZES & FUN FOR ALL AGES

WE WILL BE HAVING A BAKE SALE & 50/50 RAFFLE

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN DONATING PRIZES OR BAKED GOODS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO THE PARISH OFFICE. THANKS IN ADVANCE!

Bishop's Appeal 2024

Our goal was set for the Bishop's Appeal for this year at \$19,375. Our parish is helped from sponsoring our speakers, Entrust, training new staff. You should have received your envelope in the mail. Pray about how you will respond.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Readings for the Week of February 26

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10,16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/
 Mt 21:33-43,45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Sunday: Ex 20:1-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/
 Jn 2:13-25

3rd Sunday of Lent



Omro
 During the 8:30am Mass
 February 25
Winneconne
 During the 10:30am Mass
 March 3 & 17



In this, our 17th year, we are blessed to continue offering you a timeless, inspiring production celebrating the life, death and triumphant resurrection of our Lord. Strengthen your Lenten journey March 21st through 24th at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre in Appleton. This production is appropriate for all ages.

For more show information and tickets, please visit: www.newpassionplay.org or call the Xavier box office at (920)-733-8840. Open hours are Monday and Wednesday from noon to 3:00 pm.

St. Mary's Catholic Church Ladies Night Out Group



Join the fun!



When: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 6:30pm

What: 1) Fill Easter baskets for the needy
If your last name starts with:
 A-L please bring bag of snack size candy
 M-Z please bring small toys or books
 2) Decorate Cross craft



Where: Kaudy Hall

Cost: Free; donations appreciated



To register, use the QR Code to the right or Sign up Genius link below or email Tanya at jonya830@gmail.com.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050545ADAA2AA7F58-47736277-ladies>



Some Simple Ideas to Enjoy Your Lenten Journey

- Start a gratitude or prayer journal.
- Clean your house. Donate things you don't need that could benefit others. Try donating 40 things for 40 days.
- Start walking. Spend 20 minutes in silence with God each morning (and get some exercise while you're at it).



Thrivent Members are now able to direct their Thrivent Choice Dollars from now until March 31st. Please contact Rebecca Poppy at the Oshkosh office 920-479-2667 and tell her which fund you would like your Choice Dollars directed to .



TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR SHOE CLOSET!!

We will once again be collecting New and Gently Used Shoes (NO BOOTS PLEASE) thru March 22, 2024. We are also in need of New Socks.

Shoes should be in good condition. If possible, please rubber band or tie shoelaces together. *Tote is in the main entrance of the church in Winneconne for you to drop your donations off.*

Thank you for making a difference!

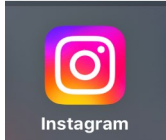
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NOON on Tuesday**

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 4:00pm (SMW)	March 2 Margaret & Dewey Kronitz
SUNDAY: 8:30am (SMO) 10:30am (SMW)	March 3 Nancy Ryner Robert Botello

Check us out on the web:
stmarychurches.org

Stewardship of Serving-Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday & Sunday March 2 & 3

SMO—St. Mary, Omro

SMW—St. Mary, Winneconne

Altar Servers:

4:00pm (SMW) **2 Volunteers**
8:30am (SMO) Sydney Kirsch, Aubrey Krier
10:30am (SMW) **2 Volunteers**

Lectors:

4:00pm (SMW) **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMO) Janet Wegner
10:30am (SMW) Chris Brill

Ushers:

4:00pm (SMW) Kathy Hartzheim, Steve Kuenster,
Frank & Kaye Rogers
8:30am (SMO) Mona Freund, **Volunteer**
10:30am (SMW) Pauline, Jeff & Paul Jandrin,
Tammy Davis

Sacristans:

4:00pm (SMW) Monica Lapin
8:30am (SMO) Janet Wegner
10:30am (SMW) Anne Baldwin

Communion Ministers:

4:00pm (SMW) Monica Lapin, **Volunteer**
10:30am (SMW) Chris Brill, Jackie Saunders

Greeters:

4:00pm (SMW) Kathy Hartzheim, Kathy Meinen,
Blanch Fiegel, **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMO) **2 Volunteers**
10:30am (SMW) Amy Goltz, Kristin Kasuboski,
2 Volunteers

Intercessory Prayers:

8:30am (SMO) Patty Volp, **Volunteer**
10:30am (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, **Volunteer**

Musicians:

4:00pm (SMW) Kristin Day, Ted Kreuzer
8:30am (SMO) Ron Hayes, Rose Luebke
10:30am (SMW) Cameron Carndall, Emily Makovec

St. Mary, Omro

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Fridays: Closed

Administrative Assistant: Peggy Wilms
Bookkeeper: Pat Samolinski
Custodian: Janet Wegner
Faith Formation Coordinator: Heidi Seaman
Pastoral Associate: Rose Unser
Adult Faith Formation Coordinator: Mary McDonald/
Patty Volp

Adult Faith Formation Assistant: Jolene Johnson
Director for Spiritual Engagement: Lyn Zahorik

St. Mary, Winneconne

210 Pleasant Dr. P.O. Box 487
Winneconne, WI 54986-0487

stmarywinn@stmarychurches.org

Parish Office: 920-582-7712

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday
8:00am-Noon 12:30-5:00pm

Fridays: Closed

Administrative Assistant: Sue Kuhn
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