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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 4, 2024

**Call the office to buy your tickets for An Enchanted Evening
at St. Mary, Omro on February 10 from 6:30-8:30pm**

A magical evening under the stars is planned, including: a delicious dinner catered by The Roxy, home made desserts, live music, door prizes worth \$350, babysitting, drinks and lively conversation.



Come by yourself, with your spouse, with one friend or a group of friends. Tickets are only \$25, but there are a limited numbers of spaces available, so call or email now: 920-685-2258 or stmaryomro@stmarychurches.org.

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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Jesus was very intentional about tending to his spiritual growth. Scriptures recount him going to the desert or the mountains to be silent and pray. If Jesus, who knew his Father God most intimately needed to make time to be alone with God, then certainly that has to be the case for each one of us as well.

During the season of Lent you are being provided with a special and rich opportunity to be with the Lord in prayer and contemplation. Each of the weekends of Lent, twenty minutes prior to Mass beginning, you will find the Blessed Sacrament in exposition. (Jesus, covered under the form of a host is in a glass case, in a Monstrance, which is placed on the altar. Jesus will be in our immediate presence Body, Soul, and Divinity. You will have the opportunity to be at the pinnacle of the mountain with Jesus and you did not even have to make the climb!

What are we supposed to do when there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament? First, we maintain a spirit of silence within the church and between one another.

Next, I recommend you do nothing! It's that easy. Slip into your pew, slow down your breathing and as the Cure of Ars said, "I look at Jesus and Jesus looks at me." Converse with Jesus. Conversation means you must give Jesus His time to speak.



You may wish to use formal prayer. Many people chose to say the rosary or turn to some of the prayers that are in our missalette. Use your words of adoration, thanksgiving, and supplication. Jesus knows what is on your heart, so again, have a conversation with Him.

It would be an excellent time to open the missalette and read the Gospel for the Day.

When you enter the pew, the usual genuflection is used. The double knee genuflection that some of you may remember from your childhood is no longer required. You determine what posture is most conducive to you being with Jesus. You may kneel or sit. Perhaps imagine yourself sitting at His feet as his disciples did.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a beautiful tradition of the Church. For many years it did lose its place in our Liturgical Life, but as our world becomes more broken and filled with loss and fear, the Church is drawing us back to being with Jesus in this special way.

"But it does nothing for me!" Jesus is good with that. Jesus is willing to just be with you, gazing at you, pouring his love upon you. Let Jesus, be Jesus and minister to you, only God knows, how he will draw you to Himself.

Please, care for your Spiritual Life this Lent by making a commitment to come to church twenty minutes early, or even ten. During this time on earth Jesus was in the desert alone in prayer, tending to his soul. You do not have to enter the barren desert on your own, come to the mountain top and be not only with Jesus, but with the whole Community of Believers.

Lyn Zahorik

Director for Spiritual Engagement

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Faith Formation Registration ~ Winter 2024

Bible Studies/Speakers/January—April

Use the following link to register:

<https://forms.gle/aJFH3tAi8tHaH8G4A> OR

Call the church office SMO 920-685-2258 or SMW 920-582-7712 OR

Fill out postcard at church



The Chosen

Format: Refreshments – Video – Discussion

The Chosen is a television drama based on the life of Jesus Christ. This video series portrays Jesus “through the eyes of those who met him.” See Scripture come to life in a new way!

Regardless of where you are on your faith journey, this series is for you!

Season One—Winneconne (continued from fall)

Day: Wednesdays **Time:** 6:30—8:00 PM **Location:** Lower Level of Church

Facilitator: PMP Members

Episode 7: Feb. 7/ Episode 8: Feb. 21

Season One—Omro

Day: Wednesdays **Time:** 6:30—8:00 PM **Location:** Marian Hall

Dates:

Feb. 7 Episode 4

Feb. 21 Episode 5

Mar. 6 Episode 6

Mar. 20 NO CLASS (Family Night)

Mar. 27 NO CLASS (Spring break) April 3 Episode 7 and 8

Facilitators:

Jen Welhoefer, Tina Wickham, Courtney Stachura, Bethany Schoonover

Spanish—Omro

Day: Weds **Dates:** Feb. 7, 21, 28, Mar. 6 **Time:** 4:45PM

Location: Lower Level **Facilitators:** Nelly Lopez, Lupita Montoya



Movie Night With the Saints

Day: Mondays

Time: 6:00 to 7:30pm

Location: Kaudy Hall, SMW

Facilitators: Rick/Roxanne Lee and Linda Dorsett

Feb. 12—St. Maria Goretti

**Feb. 26 —St. Francis of Assisi:
Sign of Contradiction**

Format:

Refreshments – Video —
Discussion



Reflections on the Mass (Part 1)

Date: Feb. 22

Time: 1:00 -2:30 PM or 6:00—7:30 PM

Location: Omro

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



Jesus and the Eucharist

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27,
Mar. 5, 12

Time: 1:30 to 3:00pm

6:00 to 7:30pm

Facilitator: Heather Sleeman
Mary McDonald

Location: Kaudy Hall,
St. Mary, Winneconne

Format: Refreshments –
Video - Discussion

All are welcome!



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At a Glance

- ♦ 9am Mass ...10:15am Brunch...11:00am Speaker (Anthony Lococo, JD.)
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WINNECONNE NEWS

St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

Mon. Feb. 5	7:30am LOW* w/Communion 5:00pm Liturgical Summit (Kaudy Hall)
Tues. Feb. 6	1:30pm Jesus in the Eucharist 6:00pm Jesus in the Eucharist
Wed. Feb. 7	7:30am LOW* w/Communion 3:10pm FF 3:35pm Decade of Rosary 3:45pm Elementary Mass 4:30pm Confession 6:30pm FF Middle School 6:30pm The Chosen
Thurs. Feb. 8	2:00pm Rosary
Sat. Feb. 10	3:30pm Confession 4:00pm Mass
Sun. Feb. 11	10:30am Mass

Sat./Sun. 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*LOW: Liturgy of the Word
Bishop's Appeal Kick Off
Lenten Prayer Partners

KC Bake Sale/Car Wash & Marriage Prayer
Fr. Carr's Non-Perishable Food Collection

Faith Formation News

Wednesday February 7

Elementary Classes—3:10-4:30pm
Middle school Class—6:30-8:00pm

See you in February!

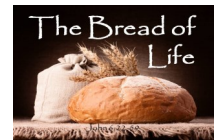
Bread Partner Weekend February 3/4

Students preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be joining us this weekend with their bread. This bread will be blessed at Mass and then shared with someone in the assembly. If you receive a loaf of bread, we ask that you pray for this child as they prepare for their First Communion. Didn't receive a loaf of bread? No problem.

Everyone has an opportunity to pray for these children. Please pick up a prayer card and pray for the children. **Prayer cards can be found at all of the church entrances.**

Blessed Imelda Lambertini, pray for us!

Blessed Imelda Lambertini is one of two Patron Saints of First Communicants.



STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Given Week ending 1/28/2024 \$6,202

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6,550

The tradition continues....

St Mary Winneconne Fish and Smelt Fry

When: February 16, 2024
March 1, 2024
March 15, 2024

Time: 4:00 – 7:00pm

Where: St Mary Winneconne Kaudy Hall
244 S 3rd Ave Winneconne

What: Fried or baked haddock, shrimp,
all-you-can-eat smelt, fish and shrimp
combo or seafood platter

Served with potato salad or fries, coleslaw,
rye bread, dessert and milk or water.
Soda and beer available for purchase.

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!

Volunteers can sign up for the first fish fry, Feb. 16
by going to:

[St. Mary Winneconne: Fish Fry 2-16-2024 \(signupgenius.com\)](http://St.MaryWinneconne:FishFry2-16-2024(signupgenius.com))

Rosary & Mass

February 7th

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR MONTHLY
ROSARY AND MASS

7 FEBRUARY | 3:35 PM

ROSARY @ 3:35
MASS @ 3:45

JOIN US FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION
OF MASS WITH OUR ELEMENTARY
STUDENTS. CHECK WITH YOUR CHILD. DO
THEY HAVE A ROLE?

Middle School and High School Faith in Action

February 18th—11:30-2:30pm

Join us for an afternoon of fun at The Highlands. We will prepare a "Snack and Dessert Bar" in Kaudy Hall beginning at 11:30am. At 1:00pm we will head over to share the snacks and play Bingo with the residents of The Highlands.

Let us know if you will be joining us by [signing up here](#). A permission slip will be required.



OMRO NEWS

St. Mary, Omro Calendar

Mon. Feb 5	5:00pm Liturgical Summit (SMW)
Wed. Feb 7	4:30pm FF Grades 1-6 4:45pm Latino Bible Study 6:30pm FF Grades 7-10 6:30pm The Chosen
Sat. Feb.10	6:30pm An Enchanted Evening
Sun. Feb. 11	8:30am Mass w/CLOW** 9:30am RCIA

Sat./Sun. 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bishop's Appeal Kick Off
**CLOW Children's Liturgy of the Word
Lenten Prayer Partners
KC Bake Sale/Car Wash & Marriage Prayer
(SMW) St. Mary, Winneconne

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro

Given Week ending 1/28/2024 \$3,340

WEEKLY GOAL: \$3,941

Congratulations



*Roman James Wirth
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Kristin and Matthew*

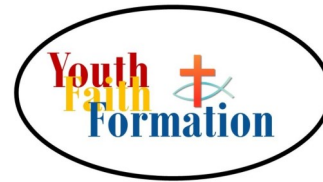
*Welcome to the Family
Of God*



Lenten Prayer Partners, St. Mary Winneconne/Omro

**Make sure to sign up this weekend or next
to be a Prayer Partner!**

- Fill out a slip at the tables in the main entrance of church/Marian Hall.
- On Ash Wednesday pick your prayer partner's name from the basket that will be in the main entrance of church/Marian Hall. You will keep your identity secret from your partner.
- Pray for this person throughout Lent and then reveal your identity with a card or Easter greeting on Easter weekend.
- Let's fill our community with prayer this Lent!



Wednesday February 7th

Grades 1-6 4:30pm

Grades 7-10 6:30pm

*Please keep our First
Communicants and Confirmation
Candidates in your prayers as
their journey continues.*



OUR LADY OF LOURDES NOVENA FEBRUARY 3-11

In honor of our school's patron saint, Our Lady of Lourdes, we will be praying a novena, nine days of prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes.

Visit lourdes.today/our-lady-of-lourdes-novena to take part in the novena.



We are in need of a new upright freezer for our kitchen. Our old one is leaking and on it's last leg. A new freezer would cost \$800. If you are interested in donating a new freezer, please contact the office 920-685-2258. Thank you.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Readings for the Week of February 5

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13/Mk 6:53-56
St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30/Mk 7:1-13
Sts. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32;12:19/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32;13:33-34/
Mk 8:1-10
St. Scholastica, Virgin

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2,44-46/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/
Mk 1:40-45

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Winter Mingle 2024



What an enjoyable evening!!



Omro
During the 8:30am Mass
February 11 & 25

Winneconne
During the 10:30am Mass
February 4 & 18

Liturgical Ministry Schedule—Ash Wednesday

Altar Servers:

4:30pm (SMW) Tim Johnson, **Volunteer**
6:00pm (SMO) Devon Reuman, **Volunteer**

Lector:

4:30pm (SMW) Patty Volp
6:00pm (SMO) Kathy Hayes

Ushers:

4:30pm (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, Kathy Hartzheim,
Jack & Deb Woelfel
6:00pm (SMO) Scarlett & Vanessa Poppy

Sacristan:

4:30pm (SMW) Monica Lapin
6:00pm (SMO) **Volunteer**

Greeters:

4:30pm (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, Kathy Hartzheim,
Sherrie Johnson, **Volunteer**
6:00pm (SMO) **2 Volunteers**

Communion Ministers:

4:30pm (SMW) Patty Volp, Monica Lapin

Musicians:

4:30pm (SMW) Kristin Day/Mary Gallenberg
6:00pm (SMO) Ron Hayes



Make Holy These Gifts with Father Vanden Branden was an excellent, thought provoking presentation; well worth braving the cold for.



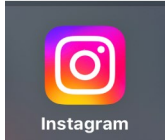
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: February 10
4:00pm (SMW) Mary Schesniak

SUNDAY: February 11
8:30am (SMO) Lawrence Crowley
10:30am (SMW) Richard & Roseann Tews

Check us out on the web:
stmarychurches.org

Stewardship of Serving-Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday & Sunday February 10 & 11

SMO—St. Mary, Omro

SMW—St. Mary, Winneconne

Altar Servers:

4:00pm (SMW) Evelyn Steffes, Erika Leksander
8:30am (SMO) Reese Wickham, Devon Reuman
10:30am (SMW) Tim Johnson, **Volunteer**

Lectors:

4:00pm (SMW) Judy Reetz
8:30am (SMO) Ken Bressers
10:30am (SMW) Patty Volp

Ushers:

4:00pm (SMW) Deb & Jack Woelfel, **2 Volunteers**
8:30am (SMO) MaryJo Hinderman, Mike Glodowski
10:30am (SMW) Peggy Benjamin, Addi, Emma & Jerry Cegielski

Sacristans:

4:00pm (SMW) Mike & Tracey Losse
8:30am (SMO) Tina Wickham
10:30am (SMW) Anne Baldwin

Communion Ministers:

4:00pm (SMW) Mike & Tracey Losse
10:30am (SMW) Patty Volp, Jeff Baldwin

Greeters:

4:00pm (SMW) **4 Volunteers**
8:30am (SMO) Ron & Lawanda Jungwirth
10:30am (SMW) Chelsy Cegielski, Jeff Baldwin, JoAnn Winnekens, **Volunteer**

Intercessory Prayers:

8:30am (SMO) **Volunteer**
10:30am (SMW) Chelsy Cegielski, Tim Johnson

Musicians:

4:00pm (SMW) Annemarie Birschbach, Kim Berndt
8:30am (SMO) Ron Hayes, Amy Karn
10:30am (SMW) Kristin Day, Sean & Anna Lynch

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