

St. Mary Churches-Omro & Winneconne

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024



Celebrating The Epiphany in style last weekend. Thank you to our 6 Wisemen who made things more real.



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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

I believe Timothy knew what he was talking about. I too feel like I am a champion for our young people. We can learn so much from them. They are so open, honest, and like little sponges waiting to learn how they can be more like Jesus.

I really can't encourage you enough to join us some Wednesday afternoon for Mass (watch bulletin for dates) with our Elementary students. It is so beautiful! There is so much excitement on their faces as they literally run over to church from school asking "are we going to Mass today?" Each class is given opportunities to participate in the liturgy. From setting up for Mass and ringing the bell to proclaiming the Gospel while standing on a stepstool at the ambo. The children show us that they are part of our community of faith. "..., but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." Their voices ring out in song and prayer during that Mass and it just melts my heart and reminds me to slow down and take this opportunity with our Lord for His light is shining bright in and through each one of those children.

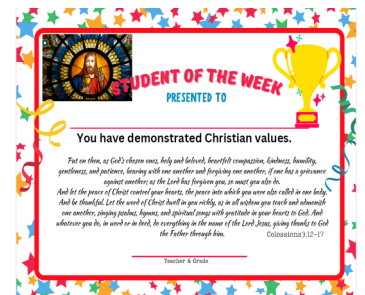
Our St. Mary Winneconne students are not only setting examples for us at Mass but for each other in the classroom.

New this month -Students in each of our elementary classes will have an opportunity to earn a **Student of the Month Award**. Students can earn this award by demonstrating Christ-like behaviors during class. Using the following scripture as our guide students can earn one of two awards each week:

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:12-17

A Light to Others Award is awarded to the most helpful student in the class. This student shows kindness and compassion during class. This student puts others first, by helping classmates and the catechist. They strive to give assistance to whoever needs it.

Enlighten and Engage Award is awarded to the student that goes above and beyond to engage and participate in class discussions and activities. This student, while eager, remembers to follow classroom rules to ensure a respectful and peaceful classroom.



In celebration of the **Students of the Month** we will have a monthly recognition at Mass. Students and their families will be invited to join us at Mass where they will have an opportunity to participate in the Mass, be recognized, and blessed for their Christ-like behavior in the classroom, receive a certificate and gift, and join us for refreshments—refreshments that they had a hand in selecting! Hmmm... what will they come up with?

Everyone is invited!

Join us in celebrating our St. Mary Church Faith Formation children!

The first recognition award will be at our 10:30am Mass in Winneconne on January 21st.

Andy Krueger,
St. Mary, Winneconne
Faith Formation Coordinator

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 6: Jan. 17/ Episode 7: Feb. 7/ Episode 8: Feb. 21

Season One—Omro

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

Dates: Jan. 24 Episode 2 and 3

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:** Jan. 10, 17, 24, 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

Jan. 22 -God’s Doorkeeper—
St. André Bessette

Feb. 12—St. Maria Goretti

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

Format:

Refreshments – Video —
Discussion



Fr. Brad Vanden Branden will be presenting

MAKE HOLY THESE GIFTS

Date: Mon, Jan. 29 **Time:** 6:00— 7:30pm **Location:** Kaudy Hall, SMW

Jesus Christ, on the night before He died, celebrated the Last Supper with His disciples. It is that same sacrificial gift of the Eucharist that has nourished the Church for centuries. Come and reflect on the power of the Eucharist and how the Trinity is present to us whenever we share in the Body and Blood of the Lord.



Jesus and the Eucharist

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: Jan. 30, 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!

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



WINNECONNE NEWS

St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

- Mon. Jan. 15 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
6:00pm Finance Council Meeting
6:30pm Ladies Nite Out
- Tues. Jan. 16 6:00pm Parish Council Meeting
- Wed. Jan. 17 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
3:05pm Elementary FF
3:30pm Altar Serving Training
4:30pm Confession
5:30pm Greeter Training
6:30pm MS Classes
6:30pm The Chosen LL
- Thurs. Jan. 18 11:00am Widow/Widower Lunch
2:00pm Rosary
- Sat. Jan. 20 3:30pm Confession
4:00pm Mass
- Sun. Jan. 21 9:00am RCIA
10:30am Mass w/Student Recognition
Award & Refreshments & **CLOW

Sat./Sun. 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- *LOW: Liturgy of the Word
**CLOW: Children's Liturgy of the Word
Stewardship Speaker
KCS Life Savers 4 Life
Word of God Sunday

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Given Week ending 1/7/2024 = \$5,437

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6,550

Winter Mingle
Saturday, January 27
4:00pm Mass then...

Adults- Kaudy Hall 5-8:00pm
Children- Lower Level of church
(Call the office with
how many children & ages)

- * After Mass come and enjoy a social hour with hors d'oeuvres, beverages and desserts in Kaudy Hall!
- * Children will gather in lower level of the church for pizza, a movie and lots of fun and activities.

* **All New this Year**
Caricatures will be done

Don't miss this special evening for
EVERYONE in the parish

RSVP: sue.kuhn@stmarychurches.org
582-7712. Drop ins are welcomed!

Sponsored by your Parish Council!

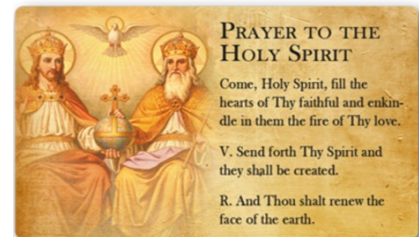
FAITH FORMATION

Wednesday January 17

- **Elementary Classes —3:05-4:30pm**
- **6:30-8:00pm Middle School**

Join us for 10:30am Mass on January 21, where our Student of the Month will be recognized. Then stick around for refreshments afterward.

St. Mary Winneconne and Omro Confirmation Retreat is coming up. Held in Winneconne February 3rd—1pm-8pm



Our Sanctuary Candle will burn in honor of Vivian Masanz for the next 2 weeks.

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 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)



OMRO NEWS

St. Mary, Omro Calendar

- Mon. Jan. 15 6:30pm Ladies Nite Out **(SMW)**
Tues. Jan. 16 4:30pm Finance Council Mtg
Wed. Jan. 17 4:30pm FF Gr. 1-6
4:45pm Latino Bible Study
5:00pm Children's Mass
5:30pm ALL Greeters Training **(SMW)**
6:30pm FF Gr. 7-8 w/Adorations
Thurs. Jan. 18 11:00am Widow/Widower
Lunch **(SMW)**
Sun. Jan. 21 8:30am Mass w/ refreshments

**Sat./Sun. 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
(SMW) St. Mary, Winneconne**
KCS Life Savers 4 Life
Word of God Sunday
Stewardship Speakers

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro

Given Week ending 1/7/2024 = \$2,826
WEEKLY GOAL: \$3,941

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 or bring a friend. 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.



Wednesday, January 17th

Grades 1-6 4:30pm
Grades 7 & 8 6:30pm



2nd Grade Sacramental Prep Families

Parent/Student Liturgy Talk

Wednesday, January 24th at 5:00pm



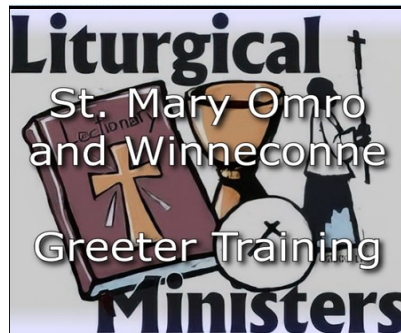
Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, February 3rd 1:30pm at
St. Mary Church, Winneconne

Please keep our Candidates in your prayers as they continue on their journey towards Confirmation.

Thank you to all who attended Mass and a reception for Fr. Joe Mattern's 90th birthday!

It was a wonderful celebration and he was very humbled and honored.



ALL GREETERS
(Omro & Winneconne)
Mark Your Calendars
for **Greeter Training**

Wednesday
January 17, 2024

5:30pm

St. Mary Church
Winneconne



COMMUNITY NEWS

Readings for the Week of January 15

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Mk 3:1-6
 St. Anthony, Abbot
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9,19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/
 Mk 3:20-21
 St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr, St. Sebastian, Martyr
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10/1 Cor 7:29-31/
 Mk 1:14-20

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
Word of God Sunday



Enrollment for First Communicants in Winneconne who will receive Jesus for the first time this Spring.



Omro

During the 8:30am Mass
 January 14 & 28, February 11 & 25
Winneconne
 During the 10:30am Mass
 January 7 & 21, February 4 & 18



JOURNEY THROUGH THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH AT 6:00PM
ST. MOTHER TERESA CENTER-FR. CARR'S PLACE 2B

Join us for Brian Keliher's presentation of the "Stations of the Cross." Brian will share some of his story how God has been at work in his life and the life of his family. As he has come to recognize God's presence in the midst of suffering, he invites us to reflect on our own lives, and how God is with us, even through moments of pain and loss. After listening to Brian share some of his own story, we will enter into praying the Stations of the Cross. Brian's artwork will invite us to reflect on our journey with Christ through suffering to the resurrection.

DISHES NEED A HOME

We have several dishes in our kitchens that do not belong here. You may have brought food in for a function and forgotten about it. Please take a walk to the kitchen in Omro or Kaudy Hall to see if one of the dishes on the table or in the hall is yours. You may need it for the next time you bring treats to church.



Contemplating Eternity

A trillion years from now, your children's souls will still exist. This will only be the beginning of eternity. How can we help prepare their souls (and our own) to spend eternity in God's love and grace?

- Format:** Videos (10—15 minutes each) *+Delivered weekly via e-mail to view on your own time.*
- Audience:** Parents, Grandparents, Godparents, Aunts & Uncles
- Dates:** Every Monday - 1/8/2024 - 3/25/2024
- Facilitator:** Lisa Lynch
- Topics:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation + The Sacrament of the Eucharist and Adoration
 + Prayer and Sacred Scripture + One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic Church
 + Devotion to Mary and the Saints
 + Understanding the Constant Battle between Good and Evil
 + Engaging in Spiritual Warfare + Calvary: The Necessity of the Cross
 + Cultivating Virtue + Connecting with the Church Community



+All parishioners who receive the email bulletin will automatically receive weekly lessons delivered to their e-mail.
 +Links and info will also be available on FaceBook and the Webpage.

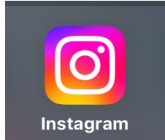
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY:
4:00pm (SMW)

January 20
Vivian Masanz

SUNDAY:
8:30am (SMO)
10:30am (SMW)

January 21
Mr & Mrs Joseph Galazka
For our parishioners

Check us out on the web:
stmarychurches.org

Stewardship of Serving-Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday & Sunday January 20 & 21

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

Altar Servers:

4:00pm (SMW) **2 Volunteers**
8:30am (SMO) **2 Volunteers**
10:30am (SMW) KC Members

Lectors:

4:00pm (SMW) **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMO) Lexi Rilling
10:30am (SMW) KC Member

Ushers:

4:00pm (SMW) Kathy Hartzheim, Dennis Bahrke,
Frank & Kaye Rogers
8:30am (SMO) Lisa Rilling, Jack Wellhoefer
10:30am (SMW) KC Members

Sacristans:

4:00pm (SMW) **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMO) Jen Wellhoefer
10:30am (SMW) Jeff Baldwin

Communion Ministers:

4:00pm (SMW) **2 Volunteers**
10:30am (SMW) KC Members

Greeters:

4:00pm (SMW) Sherry & Roger Rozek,
Jennifer Yetter, **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMO) Lila Ellis, Liam Forster
10:30am (SMW) KC Members

Intercessory Prayers:

8:30am (SMO) **Volunteer**
10:30am (SMW) Darlene Scheidegger,
JoAnn Winnekens

Musicians:

4:00pm (SMW) Ted Kreuzer, Paul Kamikawa
8:30am (SMO) Ron Hayes, Rose Luebke
10:30am (SMW) Ted Kreuzer, Paul Kamikawa

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