

St. Mary Churches-Omro & Winneconne

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World Mission Sunday

October 22, 2023

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

**Hearts on fire,
feet on the move**



Pope Francis invites us to set our hearts ablaze with faith and put our faith into action, serving God's mission with joy, enthusiasm, and tireless dedication.

"Hearts on Fire"

As Christians, we're called to kindle the fire of Christ's love in our hearts. Our burning faith fuels our actions, inspiring us to serve others in our daily lives.

"Feet on the Move"

Pope Francis encourages us to not only feel the faith but to act on it. It's our mission to move, serve, and spread the Good News, bringing God's love and peace to all His children.

Liturgy of the Word (LOW)

Monday & Wednesday's in Winneconne

New starting time is 7:30am this week!!



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Fr. Tom Long

Fr. Quinn Mann

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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

It may be a surprise to you that churches need volunteers to thrive. Yes, we have paid staff to do that day-to-day tasks, but in order to really make our church a welcoming atmosphere that people want to flock to, we need lay people to be that warm smile, handshake, listening ear, teacher, prayer warrior. Without our volunteers, our church would be cold and lifeless.

At times we may think we have nothing to offer. In those times, please consider the story of the leaky bucket:

Once upon a time there was a young monk who carried two buckets of water slung on a bamboo pole across his shoulders to and from a well every day.

One of the buckets was perfect while the other one was a leaky bucket with several holes on the sides. Every time the monk filled up the two buckets and got back to the monastery, the leaky bucket would be half empty as water sprinkled out through the holes on its sides.

The leaky bucket was sad that it was imperfect and water was leaking from its sides. One day, on the way to the well, the leaky bucket plucked up enough courage and spoke with the monk with an apologetic tone: “Sir, I am sorry that I am imperfect and could not keep the water from sprinkling through the holes on my sides.”

The monk smiled slightly and nodded his head knowingly, and silently in acknowledgement.

When at the well, the young monk drew the water and filled up the two buckets as usual.

On the way back to the monastery the monk said to the leaky bucket, who was very quiet.

“Look to the side of the road where the perfect bucket passed over. It is barren. Not even a blade of grass grows here.”

Pointing to the blooming flowers on the other side of the road, the young monk said to the leaky bucket. “See these beautiful flowers? These are here only because of the water you sprinkled on them every day. They owe their existence to you, and we are able to enjoy these beautiful flowers, only because of you. Your imperfection has brought benefits to people around you.”



We are like the buckets. All of us are imperfect and all of us have gifts – gifts that will bring value and benefits to others when put to good use. Our imperfections are the channels that allow our gifts to flow to where they are most useful. I invite us to embrace our imperfections and find ways to combine them with our gifts to create value and benefits for others.

We may have a gift or talent that we never thought was useful beyond our home. But all abilities are needed. Do you cook or bake? Treats are always needed for faith formation, special events and funerals. Can you sing? We are short on cantors and musicians for Mass. Can you stand and give direction? Ushers are very helpful in guiding the congregation during Mass. Do you like to tinker? In an old church something is always in need of fixing!

At times I hear, “But Peggy, I can’t do any of those things” or “I am too shy to volunteer for anything.” I have one answer — **Prayer team**. There is always someone in need of prayer. If we cannot do ANYTHING else, we can pray. Prayer is not the least we can do, but the most we can do.

I encourage us to pray and ask God where he is calling us to use our abilities and our imperfections. Then take action. Remember that we are wonderfully and fearfully made!

God’s Blessings,

Peggy Wilms

LOCAL HAPPENINGS



Lectors

Calling ALL Lectors!

This **Wednesday, October 25** after Adorations at **5:30pm** at St. Mary,

Omro, there will be Lector training. All Lectors are asked to attend a required training session. Any questions contact Rose Unser.



Winneconne

November 5 & 19

Children's Liturgy
at the 10:30am Mass

Remembering those who passed away from our parishes.

We will light a candle in memory of those whose funerals were held at St. Mary, Winneconne or Omro from Nov 1, 2022-October 31, 2023.

The Masses will be held on October 28 & 29.



Congratulations to our Confirmandi



Congratulations to our youth who received the Holy Spirit on Tuesday in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

WINNECONNE NEWS

St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

- Mon. Oct. 23 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
6:00pm The Chosen—KH
- Tue. Oct. 24 1:30pm Bible Study-Kaudy Hall
6:00pm Bible Study-KH
- Wed. Oct. 25 7:30am LOW* w/Communion
3:10pm Faith Formation
6:30pm /High School FF
5:30pm Lector Training Omro
6:30pm The Chosen
- Thurs. Oct. 26 All Day-Staff Diocesan Meeting
2:00pm Rosary
- Sat. Oct. 28 3:30pm Confession
4:00pm Mass
- Sun. Oct. 29 10:30am Mass

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*LOW: Liturgy of the Word



October 25
Elementary Classes

3:05-4:30pm

High School Class

6:30-8:00pm in Kaudy Hall



STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Given Week ending 10/15/2023 = \$ 4,508

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6,550

Congratulations to our Winneconne students who made their Confirmation on Tuesday.

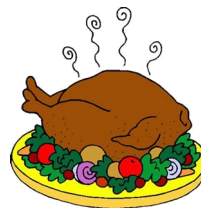
Thank you, also, to all those who came out to support our Confirmandi.



We are sorry the Dinner Party had to be cancelled due to lack of responses.

Christian Action Ministry
(CAM)

Collection for Turkeys



CAM will have boxes at the entrances to collect money the weekends of November 4/5 & 11/12.

The monies will go to purchase 50 turkeys for Winneconne Area Assistance Center.

Thank you for helping make it a Happy Thanksgiving.

OMRO NEWS

St. Mary, Omro Calendar

- Mon. Oct. 23 Noon Chosen
6:00pm Rosary
6:00pm Parish Council
- Wed. Oct. 25 4:30pm Adorations & Confession
5:30pm Lector Training
- Thurs. Oct. 26 All Day-Staff Diocesan Meeting
Office Closed
- Sun. Oct. 29 8:30am Mass

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro

Given Week ending 10/15/2023 = \$3,380

WEEKLY GOAL: \$3,941

The Little Pantry is up and operating! It is stocked with goodies for the neighborhood kiddos in need.

Feel free to drop off any wrapped snacks, such as granola bars or applesauce packets, canned good with pop top lids like SpaghettiOs, soups or non-perishables, including mac and cheese. You may place these in the pantry yourself or drop them off in the office and we will re-stock as needed.



*Faith
Formation*

Wednesday October 25th

No Faith Formation Classes

The elementary students celebrated Mass on Wednesday this week and learned how to pray a decade of the Rosary.



You are invited to Eucharistic Adoration dedicated to **"Immaculate Heart of Mary"** at **St. Mary, Omro** this **Wednesday, Oct. 25** from **4:30-5:30pm**. Confessions will be held during this hour with Fr. Bill.



*For the family
and friends of
Kay Biebl*

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

Readings for the Week of October 23

Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21/
Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/
Mt 22:34-40

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Are you grieving and overwhelmed by the chaos and unrest in our world?

Come join us in prayers of reparation for the sins of our country and world.

Father Carr's Chapel
1062 N Koeller St, Oshkosh
(enter through the back Chapel door)

Friday evenings

6pm-7pm

Bring your rosary



Thank you to all those who braved the weather and participated in the Fatima Rosary Walk last Saturday. It was a spirit-filled day!



Snippets from the pilgrimage to Holy Hill last Friday.

What a beautiful place to spend time in prayer and communion with other followers of Christ!



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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: October 28

4:00pm (SMW) Jim Lenz

SUNDAY: October 29

8:30am (SMO) Alex Albright

10:30am (SMW) Matt & Ethel Neuman

Saturday & Sunday October 28 & 29

SMO– St. Mary, Omro

SMW– St. Mary, Winneconne

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVING-LITURGICAL
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Altar Servers:

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

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

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

Lectors:

4:00pm (SMW) Mike Jordan

8:30am (SMO) Jodi Hess

10:30am (SMW) Connie Kostichka

Ushers:

4:00pm (SMW) Jerry, Emma & Addi Cegielski,
Kathy Hartzheim

8:30am (SMO) The Huth Family

10:30am (SMW) Jim & Isaac Day,
Peggy Benjamin, JoAnn Winnekens

Communion Ministers:

4:00pm (SMW) Mike Jordan, Rose Unser

10:30am (SMW) Connie Kostichka, Jackie Saunders

Greeters:

4:00pm (SMW) Chelsy Cegielski, Kathy Hartzheim
2 Volunteers

8:30am (SMO) The Poppy Girls

10:30am (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, **3 Volunteers**

Sacristans:

4:00pm (SMW) Rose Unser

8:30am (SMO) Jodi Hess

10:30am (SMW) Connie Kostichka

Intercessory Prayer Ministers:

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

10:30am (SMW) Connie Kostichka, **Volunteer**

Musicians:

4:00pm (SMW) Joanne Loy/Gail Breu

8:30am (SMO) Kristin Day/Rose Luebke

10:30am (SMW) Kristin Day/Joanne Loy



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