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September 19, 2021

Congratulations to our young men and women who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend:

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Maddie Dodd
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Lucas Elskamp
Autumn Esch
Zachary Gresser
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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Hello Everyone:

I am happy to have this opportunity to share some thoughts with you. I am Lyn Zahorik, your Pastoral Care Coordinator. You may also have seen me during Church announcements as Nellie Numbers, Diva Debackpew, Inconsolable Irene, Angel Eliza Gertrude, and Bertha Bingomeister.

When I am not pursuing alternative identities, I have the awesome job of working with our Elders (of which I am one, myself.) When we talk about ministry to the Elderly our first thought is people who are homebound or in care facilities. Indeed, this is an important part of the ministry. It is vital that people who have lived their faith so well, for so many years, know that they are loved, remembered, appreciated, and prayed for. This is accomplished by visits from our Care Ministers, phone calls, cards, Communion Services, Communion calls and special gifts at Christmas and Easter.

However, ministry to the Elderly also includes those of us who are still active and independent. Often, we are still serving in various ministries at St. Mary or doing volunteer work. For that reason, opportunities for education and spiritual growth at the Parish are planned with all ages in mind.

There is not a magic age when we become spiritually independent! Active, homebound, or in a care facility, Elders have a desire to continue to grow in our relationship with Jesus, to experience various ways to pray, and to learn more about the Catholic Church. As Elders, we also have the opportunity (and responsibility) to share with younger generations, what we have learned in our wisdom, age, and grace.

In future columns, I will share with you some specifics of our Elderly Ministry such as the work of our Care Ministers, ElderGrace, Care Notes, Prayer Shawls and TwiddleMuffs!

Suzy Kassem, in her book Rise Up and Salute the Sun: The Writings of Suzy Kassem wrote, “Laugh, and you will turn back the hands of time. Smile, and you will reflect the face of the Divine. Sing, and all the angels will sing with you! Cry… and the tears will remind you of the lessons of today and yesterday, to guide you through the fears of tomorrow.”

This is the essence of the Elders of St. Mary; to laugh, smile, sing, cry, and pray with you and for you. We also desire to share with our Parish Community of St. Mary, our wisdom and humor. Grow old along with us!

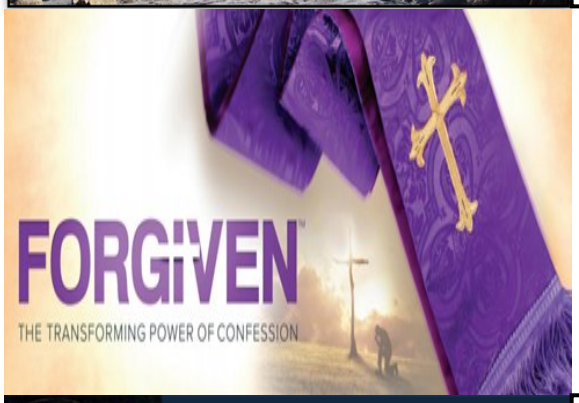
Lyn

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation opportunities. You should have received your booklet in the mail. It is offering several options for increasing your faith. **Please look the booklet over and register asap for the sessions that interest you, so that we can plan accordingly**. You don't want to miss this chance to socialize as you grow in your relationship with Christ and your fellow parishioners. Here is just a brief listing of all the exciting opportunities beginning this month:

St. Mary Church, Winneconne – Lower Level

Time: 7:00 to 8:30pm
Availability: up to 10 participants
Facilitator: Connie Kostichka
Format: Refreshments – Video - Discussion
DATES: **TUESDAYS**
Sep. 14, 28 *(No Session on Sept. 21st)*
Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 **Nov.** 2, 9, 16, 23



St. Mary Church, Omro

Location: Triple Room, Lower Level
Facilitator: Margaret Potratz
Format: Refreshments - Video - Discussion

Dates: **Saturdays**

September 18 & 25
Time: 5:00 to 6:00pm *After Mass

October 2
Time: 4:30 to 5:30pm *Before Mass

Dates: **Sundays**

September 19 & 26
Time: 9:00 to 10:00am *Before Mass

October 3
Time: 9:30 to 10:30am *After Mass

In-Home Opportunity

Time: 4:00 to 5:30pm
Location: 5887 T Bar Lane, Winneconne
Availability: up to 10 participants
Facilitator: Mike and Tracy Losse
Format: Snacks – Video - Discussion
Dates: **Sundays**
Sept. 19, 26, **Oct.** 3, 10, 17, 24
Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, **Feb.** 13

St. Mary Church – Winneconne

Time: 6:00pm to 7:30pm
Location: Kaudy Hall, Winneconne
Facilitator: Rose Unser & Small Group Hosts
Format: Refreshments – Discussion
Dates: **Mondays**
September 20, 27
October 4, 11, 25
No Session on Oct. 18th

St. Mary Church - Omro

Time: 1:00pm to 2:00pm
Location: Dining Hall - Omro
Facilitator: Rose Luebke
Format: Refreshments – Discussion
Dates: **Thursdays**
September 23, 30
October 14, 21, 28
No Session on Oct. 7th

Time: 1:00 to 2:30pm
Location: Kaudy Hall, Winneconne
Facilitator: Heather Sleeman
Format: Refreshments – Video - Discussion
Dates: **Tuesdays**
Sept. 21, 28, **Oct.** 5, 12, 19
Jan. 11, 18 25, **Feb.** 1, 8

Sign up by filling out the registration card that was enclosed with your booklet and mailing it back or dropping it in the collection basket. You may also just call the office and we will sign you up.

You can also register via the following link: **https://forms.gle/DxTjaTej8xoD9o886**

WINNECONNE NEWS

St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

Mon.	Sep. 20	7:30am LOW* w/ Communion
		8:30am Environment Help Needed
		6:00pm Finance Council Mtg.
		6:00pm Bible Study
Tue.	Sep. 21	5:45pm Parish Council Mtg
Wed.	Sep. 22	7:30am LOW* w/ Communion
Thur.	Sep. 23	2:00pm Rosary
Sat.	Sep. 25	5:30pm Confession
		6:00pm Mass
Sun.	Sep. 26	8:30am Mass

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Speaker for Rock the Village
*LOW: Liturgy of the Word
Priesthood Sunday

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Winneconne

Given week ending 9/5/2021 = $5,060

WEEKLY GOAL: $5,846

SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday, October 9th
8AM-NOON

The fall session of **"Rock the Village"** is set! It's an amazing way to get outside, enjoy the beautiful weather, meet some wonderful people, get some great exercise, and most importantly, another way to be good stewards serving our Lord by tending to the environment with the time and energy he has so graciously given to us!

Please consider helping out with this project. Your time and commitment will be greatly appreciated as will the opportunity to help those in need with fall clean-up!

If your are **in need of some Fall clean up** OR **if you are available to help with fall clean-up**, **please register early** by clicking on or copying the link below to your web browser or by reaching out to Sue Kuhn 582-7712 at the parish office, or Patty Volp at: Patricia.volp@sbcglobal.net

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Congratulations to our winners from the Parish Raffle:

$1,000 1st Prize-Katie Voss
$500 2nd Prize-Ann Geurts
$250 3rd Prize-Deb Woelfel
$100 4th Prize-Sam Benedict
$50 5th-10th Prize:
Beth Potter
Leanne Smith
Lee Wolf
Ken Geurts
Ervin Nettekoven
Paul Treder
$25 11th-25th Prize:
Sandy Casper, Marie Knapp-Cowling, Chris Allen, Marlene Nieto, J. Woelfel, Amy VandenBoom, John Michalski, Marv & Carol Dillinger, Joven Loria, Mike Reinke, Andy Engeldinger, Larry Stratton, Fr. Kevin Ripley, Todd Reuss, Jean Reinke
$100 Special Gift Card Drawing: Pat Samolinski

We would like to thank everyone who helped to support our raffle. With your help we were able to net $8,523.

Thank you,
The Raffle Committee

September 19th at 10:30am Mass

On this **Catechetical Sunday** when we commission our catechists for the coming year, we will also bless our parents who begin that work of handing on the faith in their homes.

Please join us for Mass followed by refreshments and an opportunity to visit your child's classroom and catechists/small group leaders.

Need Help with the Environment at St. Mary Winneconne

Winneconne is looking for help to change the environment backdrop on **Monday, September 20th at 8:30am. No sign up needed we'll be happy with all helpers.**

We are also looking for people to join the team on a regular basis to help us in making the church a welcoming place to gather.

You can make a difference.

OMRO NEWS/ COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Mary, Omro Calendar

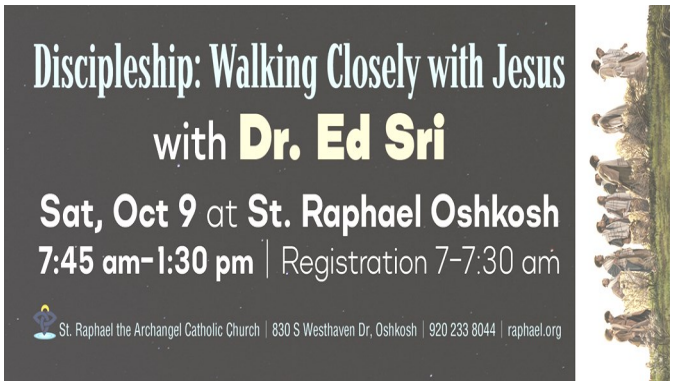
Tues. Sep. 21	10:30am LOW* @ Omro Care
	4:30pm Finance Council Mtg
Wed. Sep. 22	4:30pm Latino Bible Study
	4:30pm FF Grades 1-6
	6:30pm FF Grades 7-11
Sat. Sep. 25	3:30pm Confession
	4:00pm Mass
	5:00pm Forgiven Series
Sun. Sep. 26	9:00am Forgiven Series
	10:30am Mass w/ CLOW** & Annual Mtg after Mass

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catechetical Sunday
**CLOW: Children's Liturgy of the Word
Priesthood Sunday

STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING- Omro
Given week ending **9/12/2021** = $ 3,162

Fiscal Year to Date through date above

Actual Offertory Collection:	$33,190
Budgeted Offertory Collection:	$36,097
	$ 2,907 **Short**



Dr. Edward Sri is Coming to Oshkosh!

National speaker and prolific author, Dr. Edward Sri will speak at St. Raphael the Archangel **on Saturday, October 9 from 7:45am – 1:30pm.** He will speak on various aspects of being a disciple. This is a great opportunity to bring someone who has not committed themself to being a disciple of Jesus to the event. Purchase an extra ticket and invite them along as your guest. Tickets are **$15/person** and can be purchased from the St. Raphael website: ***raphael.org/tickets*** or in the parish office**.** Come to grow closer to Jesus ---and leave as a disciple with a heart closer to His.

Faith formation

Faith Formation Classes
Wednesday, September 22nd

Grades 1-6 at 4:30pm

Grades 7-11 at 6:30pm

All are invited to stay for a short Annual Meeting next Sunday, September 26 after the 10:30am Mass. Join us as we give a brief overview on how the parish is doing and what has been happening in our parish. Refreshments will be served & Packers do not played until that evening.

Thank you to the Yost Family who donated money, in honor of Betty Yost, that was used to purchase the vestments for Deacon Paul.

Searching for CLOW Leaders

We are in need of enthusiastic people to lead our young children in Children's Liturgy of the Word. With CLOW you will proclaim the Sunday scripture readings and then lead the children in songs and activities which will help the scripture come alive to them.
All the needed materials will be provided to you for each session. You would lead no more than once a month.
We are currently in need of adult leaders and teen aides for the upcoming year. Classes are held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at the 10:30am/8:30am Mass from September through May.

If you would like to be part of this fulfilling ministry, please contact Peggy in the office at 685-2258 or email peggy.wilms@stmarychurches.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

Readings for the Week of September 20

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18
Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13
St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Join pro-life Wisconsinites for the first-ever March for Life Wisconsin on Saturday, October 2, 2021!

We will gather at noon at the Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison to hear from pro-life leaders. The March will follow and will conclude in prayer at 3:00p.m. outside of Planned Parenthood.

Buses from various Wisconsin cities are available for easy travel to and from Madison. For more information, visit:

ProLifeWI.org/marchforlife

BE MY V♡ICE W♡LK FOR LIFE 2021
October 2 at 9am

You may also choose to WALK when and where you are able to; Or...SPONSOR Deacon Paul's Walk For Life. Sponsor forms and materials in parish entrances.

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Who will cry for the children?
Who will be their voice?

ME! YOU! US!

♡ MARK YOUR CALENDAR...FOR LIFE
First Saturday in October
October 2, 2021 ♡

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Omro

During the 10:30am Mass

Sept. 26

Winneconne

During the 8:30am Mass

Sept. 19

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY:	**September 25**
4:00pm (SMO)	Christopher John Chute
6:00pm (SMW)	Carol Brennand
SUNDAY:	**September 26**
8:30am (SMW)	Mary Kostichka
10:30am (SMO)	Gloria Jungwirth Dunlop

Stewardship of Serving-Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday & Sunday September 25 & 26
SMO—St. Mary, Omro
SMW—St. Mary, Winneconne

Lectors:
4:00pm (SMO) Bob Breu
6:00pm (SMW) Michelle Witzke
8:30am (SMW) Phil Johnson
10:30am (SMO) Lexi Rilling

Ushers:
4:00pm (SMO) Seaman Family
6:00pm (SMW) Mike & Sandy Casper, Frank & Kaye Rogers
8:30am (SMW) Paul, Pauline & Jeff Jandrin, JoAnn Winnekens
10:30am (SMO) Jerry & Sue Nowicki

Sacristans:
4:00pm (SMO) Margaret Potratz
6:00pm (SMW) Donna Stratton
8:30am (SMW) Tim & Sherri Johnson
10:30am (SMO) Margaret Potratz

Greeters:
4:00pm (SMO) Marilyn Gruetzmacher, **Volunteer**
6:00pm (SMW) Sherry & Roger Rozek, Jennifer Yetter
8:30am (SMW) Jennifer & Olivia Flora, Dave Geurden
10:30am (SMO) Huth Family

Communion Ministers:
4:00pm (SMO) Bob Breu, **Volunteer**
6:00pm (SMW) Donna Stratton, **Volunteer**
8:30am (SMW) Molly Johnson, Sherri Johnson
10:30am (SMO) Annette Longworth, **Volunteer**

Bishop Rickens
Sunday Mass
7:30am on WFRV.

Or
Livestream Mass from
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Mass Attendance	Winneconne	Omro
Sat. 9/4	71	116
Sun. 9/5	164	76
Mass in Spanish	-	45
Sat. 9/11	55	71
Sun. 9/12	73	59

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