

# **St. Mary Churches-Omro & Winneconne** [www.stmarychurches.org](http://www.stmarychurches.org)

## **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time** **September 28, 2025**

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M-Th 8-4pm

Fridays Closed

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**Office Hours**

M-Th 8-5pm;

Fridays Closed

**Liturgy of the Word**

Mon & Wed 7:30am St. Mary, Winneconne

**Weekend Masses**

**Saturday:** St. Mary, Winneconne

3:30pm Confession

4:00pm Mass

**Sunday**

8:30am St. Mary, Omro

10:30am St. Mary, Winneconne

**Reconciliation**

1st & 3rd Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm

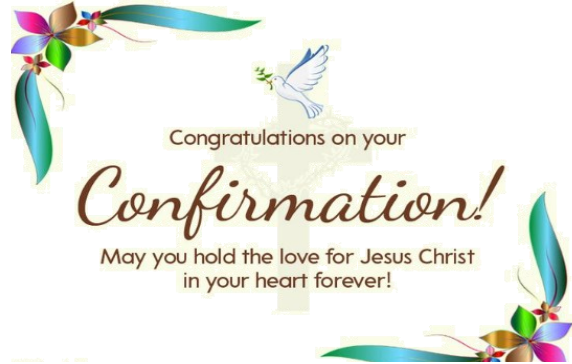
St. Mary, Winneconne

2nd & 4th Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm

St. Mary, Omro

**Sacraments/Membership**

To arrange for Baptisms, Weddings or to join the parish please call the office.



*Omro*



*Winneconne*



***Welcome to our parishes.***

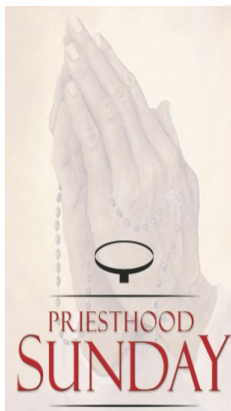
# PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Mother Teresa of Calcutta passed away in September, 27 years ago. Here are some of my favorite sayings from Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

- ♦ “If you judge people, you have no time to love them.”
- ♦ “I know God will not give me anything I can't handle. I just wish that he didn't trust me so much.”
- “Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.”
- “Your true character is most accurately measured by how you treat those who can do nothing for you.”
- “The world has changed by your example, not your opinion.”
- “Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies.”
- “Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love.”
- “I can do things you cannot, and you can do things I cannot. Together we can do great things.”
- “A life not lived for others is a life not lived.”
- “Go out into the world today and love the people you meet.”

God bless you and your family.

Deacon Paul Vidmar



## *Take a Moment to Say Thank You*

*Today is **Priesthood Sunday**—a special time to recognize and appreciate the incredible dedication of our priests. Let's take a moment to thank God for the gift of their vocation and for the many ways they serve our parish and community with faith, compassion, and love.*

*To Fr. Tom, Fr. Ben, Fr. Bill, & Fr. Dave:*

*Thank you for your unwavering commitment to the Lord and to all of us. Your guidance, prayers, and presence are a true blessing.*



## **REMINDER: Mass Times Change Starting in October (Next Weekend)**

Beginning **Saturday, October 4**, Mass will be:

4:00pm St. Mary, Winneconne

Beginning **Sunday, October 5**, Mass times will be:

8:30am St. Mary, Omro

10:30am St. Mary, Winneconne

## **LOVE IN ACTION INITIATIVE**

### **Ministries Unite to Better Serve Our Parish Communities**

The **Love in Action Initiative** is a newly formed ministry which includes the following two ministries:

- **Fellowship Ministry** (formerly Parish Mission Planning)
- **Christian Kindness Crew** (formerly Christian Action Ministry and Stewardship Committees)

These ministries continue to offer many life-giving services, including monthly meals for Father Carr's, Fellowship Sundays, Ladies Night Out, Easter baskets and Christmas stockings for the homebound, Extended Adoration, Prayer Shawls, and more! Our hope is to expand these offerings by making these available in both parishes as well as providing additional support for families experiencing bereavement or prolonged illness. There are many different ways to participate!

We invite our parishioners in Omro and Winneconne to prayerfully consider joining this ministry if you aren't already involved. Volunteering is a rewarding way to live out our call to be the hands and feet of Jesus. For more information, please contact Patty by email or call either parish office: **Patty.volp@stmarychurches.org**.  
**St. Mary, Omro, 920-685-2258 or St. Mary, Winneconne, 920-582-7712**

## **October Corporal Works of Mercy Saturday, October 18, 9:00am–noon**

We are looking for volunteers to assist with fall cleanup on Saturday, October 18 at our parishes and for parishioners in need. This is a meaningful way to enjoy the season, connect with others, and provide service to our parish communities. Please use the links below or email Patty if you can help out!

Patty.volp@stmarychurches.org.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS  
SUPPORT OF THIS REWARDING  
MINISTRY!**

[St Mary Winneconne and Omro: CWOM- FALL  
CLEAN UP](#)



The leaves are falling!  
Are you looking for help with your Fall cleanup?  
Let us take care of it for you! Please call either  
church office and let us know how we can help  
you. Fall cleanup is scheduled for

**Saturday, October 18.**

St. Mary, Omro—920-685-2258  
St. Mary, Winneconne—920-582-7712

### **SAINT OF THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**

#### **St. Therese of Lisieux**



Be sure to pick up your Saint of the Month calendar in church entrances to learn more about this Saint. Click on the link below to learn the full history and works of St. Therese of Lisieux.

[Adult Faith Formation - ST. MARY CHURCHES](#)

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#### **St. Therese | Littlest Saints**

Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.

Our parish has a free Formed subscription for you!  
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to create your account and select our parish  
to get free access to this content and much more!



# WINNECONNE NEWS

## St. Mary, Winneconne Calendar

- Mon. Sept. 29 7:30am LOW\* w/Communion  
6:00pm The Chosen (KH)
- Tues. Sept. 30 1:30pm Bible Study (LL)  
6:00pm Glorious Mysteries  
(in Church)
- Wed. Oct. 1 7:30am LOW\* w/Communion  
3:05pm FF Elem  
3:45pm Elem Mass  
4:30pm Confession  
6:00pm MS Social (KH)  
6:30pm FF Middle School
- Thurs. Oct. 2 2:00pm Rosary  
2:30pm Joyful Mysteries  
(in Church)
- Sat. Oct. 4 3:30pm Confession  
4:00pm Mass
- Sun. Oct. 5 9:30am FF High School/Confirm  
10:30am Mass w/Baptism &  
Ministry Fair & Refreshments
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
\*LOW: Liturgy of the Word  
**Ministry Fair Lower Level**  
LL: Lower Level of Church

### STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING Winneconne

Given Week ending 9/21/2025	
Envelopes	\$3,274.00
Loose cash	\$ 891.00
Online & ACH Giving	<u>\$2,038.00</u>
Total	\$6,203.00
WEEKLY GOAL:	\$6,464.00

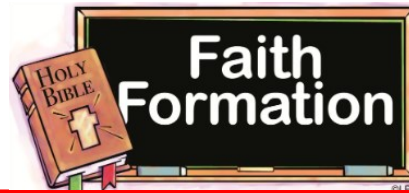
*Those who are generous will be blessed*  
**Proverbs 22:9**

**Confession**  
**Wednesday, October 1, 4:30-5:30 pm**



**Check out the Ministry Fair at  
St. Mary Winneconne on October 5  
after the 10:30am Mass!**

The church lower level is where you will learn more about the awesome ministry opportunities for you to use your many God-given spiritual gifts. There will be refreshments and door prizes as well! **HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!**



## Classes begin this Wednesday!

Classes will begin THIS Wednesday, October 1

3:05-4:30pm **Elementary Classes**

3:45-4:30pm pm **Elementary Mass**

**(Everyone Invited)**

6:00-6:30pm Middle School Social

6:30-8:00pm **Middle School Classes**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS:** Drop your student off and pick up at the front entrance to Kaudy Hall!

**Classes for High School & Confirmation Class**

will begin **NEXT Sunday October 5, 9:30am-12:30pm**



**SIGN UP!**



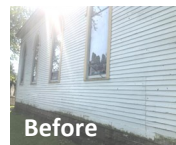
For the family and friends of

### Paula Snider

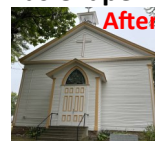
Paula was called home to our loving Father in Heaven. May Jesus' words console you, strengthen you, and fill you with peace.



*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*



Before



After



After

### Thank You St. Thomas Chapel Repairs

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Dan & Teri Dowling and Dowling Construction Crew for their generous work repairing St. Thomas Chapel this summer. The fresh coat of paint and thoughtful repairs have truly brought our chapel back to life. Thank you so very much for your time, talent, and care!



### Lions Larsen-Winchester Autumn Pancake Breakfast

All you-can-eat Pancakes

**Sunday October 5**

**8am to Noon**

**Winchester Elementary School**

(Winchester Historical Bldg)

Adults: \$8; Ages 4-12: \$6, Age 4 and under Free

They will be serving all you can eat pancakes, with sides of ham, scrambled eggs & desserts

All proceeds go to Charities!!



# OMRO NEWS

## St. Mary, Omro Calendar

Mon. Sept. 29 12:30-2:00pm The Chosen,  
Season 5 (Triple Room)  
Wed. Oct. 1 4:30pm FF Gr. 1-6  
6:30pm FF Gr. 7-10  
6:30-8pm Faith Formation  
Fall Kick-Off (Grades 7-11)  
Sun. Oct. 5 8:30am Mass  
8:30am-12:30pm  
Confirmation Class

### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Omro Community Food Pantry Collection

### STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING-Omro

Given Week ending 9/21/2025  
Envelopes \$1,852.00  
Loose cash \$ 506.00  
Online & ACH Giving \$ 841.00  
Total \$3,199.00  
WEEKLY GOAL: \$4,044 .00

*Those who are generous will be blessed  
Proverbs 22:9*

## Extended Eucharistic Adoration



**Wednesday, October 22**  
**1:30 pm-5:30 pm**  
**St. Mary Omro**

As John Paul II has stated

*"In the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration we meet  
the merciful love of God that passes through the  
Heart of Jesus Christ!"*

Please join us for this beautiful time in prayer as we  
pray not only for our own personal intentions but  
for those in our community and in our world.

Come and spend any amount of time you can in  
prayer with our Lord and Savior, whether 5 minutes  
or 55 minutes. In an effort to keep at least 2 adorers  
in our Lord's presence at all times, please call either  
church office or use the links below to sign up.

St. Mary, Winneconne: 920-582-7712

St. Mary, Omro: 920-685-2258

[St Mary Winneconne and Omro: Extended  
Eucharistic Adoration- St. Mary, Omro- 10-22-  
25, 1:30-5:30PM](#)



## FAITH FORMATION

### Classes for Wednesday, October 1

Grades 1-6 4:30 pm  
Grades 7-10 6:30 pm



### FAITH FORMATION FALL KICK-OFF ON OCTOBER 1 AT 6:30PM. ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 7-11

We're excited to begin another year of growing in  
faith together! This gathering will include prayer,  
food, fun activities, and an introduction to what's  
ahead this year.



**Confirmation Classes  
begin Sunday, October 5  
at 8:30 am**

CONFIRMATION

**Sunday, September 28**  
**REFRESHMENTS**  
**Stop in Marian Hall after**  
**10:30 am Mass**



### Omro Food Pantry Collection Sunday, October 5

Needed items are: cereal, baked beans,  
ketchup, canned pineapple, canned meats,  
crackers, brownie mix, pancake mix, syrup.

**Basic food items seem to go the fastest!**

Items can be dropped in the basket located by  
the parking lot door at the Marian Hall entrance  
or in the parish office. Thank you!!

### Mark Your Calendar!

**Sunday, October 12, 8:30 am**

As part of his pastoral visit, **Bishop Ricken**  
will be presiding at the 8:30 am Mass at  
St. Mary Omro with a reception  
following Mass in dining hall.

**Readings for the Week of September 29**

**Monday:** Dn 7:9-10,13-14/Jn 1:47-51  
 Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels  
**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56  
 St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church  
**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8/Lk 18:57-62  
 St. Therse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and  
 Doctor of the Church  
**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12/Mt 18:1-5,10  
 The Holy Guardian Angels  
**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16  
**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12,27-29/Lk 10:17-24  
 St. Francis of Assisi  
**Sunday:** Hb 1:2-3,2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14  
 Lk 17:5-10  
**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Respect Life Sunday**

**ACCESS AWARENESS MASS**

Holy Spirit Church, Kimberly

**Saturday, October 11**

**4:30 P.M. VIGIL**

Social reception to follow

All are welcome





**SCAN FOR DETAILS!**  
 dioc.io/accessmass

**WALK** for Life

**Saturday, October 4, 2025**

Join Deacon Paul and Kelly for the annual Walk for Life, as Vida continues the beloved tradition started by Bella! This inspiring event supports life-changing services for those facing unplanned pregnancies and parents in crisis.

To "Support a Walker or Donate" visit [friendsofvida.org/walk-for-life/](http://friendsofvida.org/walk-for-life/) Click "support a Walker of Donate" (circled in red.) You also can donate by using the envelope you will receive as you leave church.

Whether you walk or donate, your support makes a lasting impact!!

**St. Mary's Catholic Church Ladies Night Out Group**



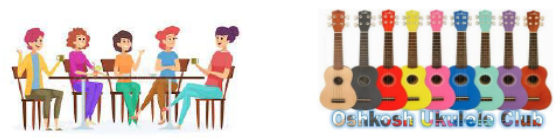
**Join the fun!**

**When:** Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 6:30pm

**What:** 1) Enjoy the great music of the Oshkosh Ukulele Club featuring the oldies, patriotic songs, etc.  
 2) Autumn games for prizes  
 3) Food, drinks and fellowship  
*Chance to win door prizes.*


**Where:** St Mary Winneconne Church basement

**Cost:** Free; donations appreciated for the Oshkosh Ukulele Club  
 No need to register. Just come join in the fun!  
 Questions? Call Tanya at 262-441-0674.



**Winneconne Open for a Cause**

Hello everyone. My name is David Reetz, and I'm reaching out to share details about my annual fundraiser—and to ask if you'd consider supporting it. This year's event will be held on: **Saturday, October 11**  
**Marble Lanes, Winneconne**  
**Starting at 2:30 PM**



This year, we're raising funds for **Loren Pahl**, a fellow Winneconne resident, husband, and father of three. In early 2024, Loren was diagnosed with colon cancer that had spread to his liver and abdomen. Over the past year and a half, he has undergone numerous treatments and surgeries, which have prevented him from returning to work.

**Every dollar raised on October 11 will go directly to Loren's family** to help with their needs during this incredibly difficult time.

If you'd like to contribute—whether through a monetary donation or by putting together a raffle basket—please don't hesitate to reach out. You can contact me at: **920-740-2213** or [coari31@hotmail.com](mailto:coari31@hotmail.com)

Thank you so much for considering a donation to this worthwhile cause. Your support truly makes a difference!



## MASS INTENTIONS

### **SATURDAY:**

4:00pm (SMW)

### **October 4**

Francis Crowley

### **SUNDAY:**

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

### **October 5**

Joe & Zona Jungwirth  
Don Natrop

### Altar Servers

4:00pm (SMW) Katarina Clerkin, **Volunteer**  
8:30am (SMO) **2 Volunteers**  
10:30am (SMW) **2 Volunteers**

### Lectors

4:00pm (SMW) Dave Voss  
8:30am (SMO) Lori Meyerhofer-Fisher  
10:30am (SMW) Gary Scheidegger

### Ushers

4:00pm (SMW) Dennis Bahrke, **3 Volunteers**  
8:30am (SMO) Confirmation Students  
10:30am (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, **Volunteer**  
Jerry & Emma Cegielski

### Sacristans

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

### Communion Ministers

4:00pm (SMW) **2 Volunteers**  
10:30am (SMW) Chelsy Cegielski, Jill Verich

### Greeters

4:00pm (SMW) **3 Volunteers**  
8:30am (SMO) Confirmation Students  
10:30am (SMW) JoAnn Winnekens, Chelsy Cegielski,  
**Volunteer**

### Intercessory Prayers

10:30am (SMW) Chris Brill, Chelsy Cegielski

### Musicians:

4:00pm (SMW) Chrissy Volpe, Katie Karweik  
8:30am (SMO) Joanne Loy, Amy Karn  
10:30am (SMW) Annemarie Birschbach, John Verich

*Thank you*

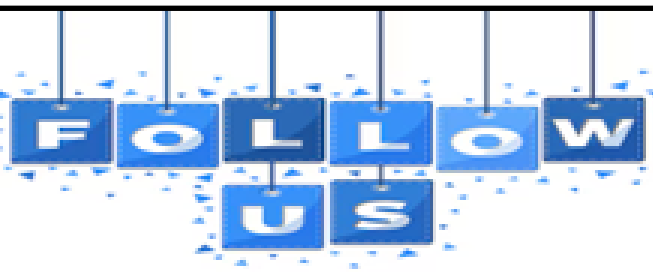
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Adult Faith Formation Coordinator: Patty Volp  
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Pastoral Associate: Rose Unser  
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### **Deadline for the Bulletin**

**NOON on Tuesday**

### **E-mail bulletin announcements to:**

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Cammy Miller: [cammy.miller@stmarychurches.org](mailto:cammy.miller@stmarychurches.org)

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

#### **Winneconne**

October 19, 10:30 am Mass

#### **Omro**

CLOW will return in April 2026



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