

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Dousman, WI

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Priest:** The Rev. Pippa Lindwright

**Deacon:** The Ven. Chuck Zellermyer

#### **Sunday, September 3**

##### **14th Sunday after Pentecost**

8 AM - Holy Eucharist

9 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour

10 AM - Holy Eucharist

11 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour

#### **Monday, September 4 - Labor Day**

Office Closed

7:30 PM - AA Group Meeting (outside group)

#### **Thursday, September 7**

11 AM - Seated Exercise Class

#### **Saturday, September 9**

10 AM - Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

10 AM - Violence Training at Zion, Oconomowoc

12 PM - Outside Event in Parish Hall

#### **Sunday, September 10**

##### **15th Sunday after Pentecost**

8 AM - Holy Eucharist

9 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour

10 AM - Holy Eucharist

11 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour

#### **Monday, September 11**

5 PM - Contemplative Prayer

7:30 PM - AA Group Meeting (outside group)

#### **Tuesday, September 12**

5 PM - Rector & Wardens Meeting

#### **Wednesday, September 13**

9 AM - Morning Prayer

9:30 AM - Wednesday Morning Group Study

#### **Thursday, September 14**

11 AM - Seated Exercise Class

#### **Friday, September 15 - Saturday, September 16**

Holy Wisdom Parish Retreat

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**ONLINE RECORDED EUCHARIST** (posted by Monday)

**Facebook Link:**

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/St-Marys-Episcopal-Church-670614162955490/videos>

**YouTube Link:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@stmarys-dousman>

## A MESSAGE FROM MOTHER PIPPA



**Dear St. Mary's Parish,**

One of my favorite parts of life is the shifting of seasons. Whether that shift happens in church between Advent to Christmas to Epiphany to Lent to Easter to Ordinary time or it is the shifting of the calendar year from Winter to Spring to Summer to Fall, I love tidying up the previous season as I move into the upcoming one. Our program year will start again on September 10, and then we will quickly move into Stewardship, Retreat, and the whirl of fall.

As you move from Summer into Fall, I hope you will mark your calendars with the upcoming events:

September 9 – Safety and Awareness Training at Zion at 10 AM

September 10 – Kick Off Sunday

September 13 – Wednesday Morning Prayer & Class resumes at 9 AM

September 15-16 – Parish Retreat at Holy Wisdom

September 23 – Dousman Beer Garden

September 23 - Vestry Retreat at 9 AM

September 27 – Homebrewed Faith: St. Francis at 7 PM at Rosati's

September 30 – Trialogue Town Hall at 10 AM

October 1 – Pledge Sunday

October 7 – Animal Blessing at 10 AM

October 7 – The Gathering at Ascension Lutheran from 10 AM to 1 PM

October 8 – Prayers & Picnic on the Prairie at 9 AM

October 14 – Adopt-a-Highway at 9 AM

October 21 – Diocesan Convention in Madison

October 25 – Homebrewed Faith: Exorcism at 7 PM at Rosati's

October 28 – Dousman Fall Fest from 11 AM to 3 PM

**Prayers & Blessings,**

**Mother Pippa**



## SUNDAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



**WELCOME:** May the Lord richly bless your time with us. If you have no church home, please consider St. Mary's as your new church home. Sunday's services and other event meeting times can be found above along with any appropriate online viewing links. We are always happy to celebrate Sunday Eucharist with new faces. Please consider joining us again.



**ALTAR FLOWERS:** On behalf of the congregation of St. Mary's, we would like to extend our thanks to **Tom & Carrie A.** for the flowers on the altar today. The flowers are in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Thank you for beautifying our altar today. God's blessings to both of you.



**SEMINARIAN CARE PACKAGE:** Seminarian **Matt P.** begins his last year of seminary this fall. During the month of August, St. Mary's collected items for a care package for his final year of study. Matt will be in attendance today at the 8 AM service. Please join us as Matt receives his gifts.



**CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THE HOPE CENTER:** We are looking to warmly clothe the Hope Center clients this winter. St. Mary's will kick-off its winter coat drive starting today through Sunday, October 29. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your payment out St. Mary's. We will then forward one combined donation at the end of the drive to the Hope Center. Thank you. For questions, please contact Mother Pippa.



blessings to you.

**LABOR DAY:** In observance of Labor Day, **the church office will be closed on Monday, September 4** with no Centering Prayer in the evening. Enjoy yourself as America celebrates the American labor movement and the contributions and achievements of the American worker. Enjoy your three-day weekend marking the end of the summer season. God's



**PARISH SAFETY PLAN TRAINING THIS SATURDAY:** This session will provide instruction on making a parish safety plan as well as practical time for parish leaders to apply what they learn by making individualized parish emergency response plans.

**Date:** Saturday, September 9, 2023      **Time:** 9 AM - 2 PM

**Location:** Zion Episcopal Church in Oconomowoc

**Registration Website:** <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeoyLyV751rIXqrkL-Zquu6lfHhMNZd39FOV50IJBfXy8f13A/viewform>



**PROGRAM KICK-OFF NEXT SUNDAY:** Mark your calendars! On **Sunday, September 10**, St. Mary's will be kicking off our program year. We hope you join us as we give thanks for the community of St. Mary's.

**Start Dates:**

- **Sunday Adult Formation** at 9 AM - start date to be determined

- **Contemplative Prayer** - continues on Monday evenings at 5 PM (no session on Labor Day, September 4)
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** - Saturday, September 9 at 10 AM
- **Morning Prayer** followed by **Group Study** - Wednesday, September 13 at 9 AM
- **Seated Exercise** - continues on Thursday morning at 11 AM
- **Choir** - Thursday, September 21 at 7 PM



**RUMMAGE SALE THANK YOU:** Thank you for everyone who participated in last Saturday's Dousman Rummage Sale in our own St. Mary's parking lot. We sold 28 root beer floats and has three rummage booths. In total we collected \$203 in sales. Fun and fellowship was had by everyone!



**VESTRY OPPORTUNITIES:** Are you feeling called to take on a representative role at St. Mary's? At the Annual Meeting (January 28, 2024) our current term ends, and the new Vestry Team is elected. It is a two-year commitment with monthly meetings. Our Vestry keeps St. Mary's ministering in the community, from forming long-term vision, to making sure our parking lot is striped and level. It's a wonderful way to learn more about the parish. If you are interested, please talk to Mother Pippa or another member of the Vestry.



**LAY MINISTRY SIGN-UP:** The lay ministry sign-up sheets for the months of October through December can be found in the parish hall. Please indicate the dates **you will not be available**. This helps cut down on last-minute rescheduling. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**Sunday, September 17 will be the last day to give your availability.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**ST. MARY'S PARISH RETREAT:** Mark your calendars! St. Mary's is headed to **Holy Wisdom** in Madison on **September 15 and 16** for a retreat. The theme will be Sharing our Faith Stories. Think of an item, poem, prayer, reading, etc. that has formed your faith and bring it to share as we learn more about one another and grow in our faith journeys.

**Cost for the Retreat:** \$90. (If that is a financial burden, please contact Mother Pippa for a scholarship). **Questions?** Talk to [Sally W.](#) or [Mother Pippa](#).



**2024 STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF:** Christian stewardship is a transformational way of living and an understanding that God is the source of all life, and that we are entrusted as stewards of God's world. More details will be forthcoming in the coming weeks. Below are dates to note:

**2024 Stewardship Campaign start date:** Sunday, September 17

**Pledge Sunday:** Sunday, October 1.

**Pledge Cards Available:** Pledge cards will be mailed the week of September 10.



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**VESTRY RETREAT:** St. Mary's will have their fall **Vestry Retreat Day** for its Vestry members on **Saturday, September 23** from **9 AM to 2 PM**. The group will review their individual roles within the vestry and goals set up for the church.

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**DOUSMAN BEER GARDEN:** St. Mary's is a member of the Dousman Area Chamber of Commerce. On **Saturday, September 23**, Cory Park will host the Brewfinity Beer Truck as well as two food trucks, plus live music. If you are interested in volunteering, please talk to Mother Pippa.

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**HOMEBREWED FAITH SERIES:** Homebrewed Faith continues on the last Wednesday of the month. You are welcome to order dinner or just a beverage as we explore topics of theology. This is held in conjunction with Emmanuel UCC Church in Dousman.

**Date:** Wednesday, September 27, 2023

**Time:** 7 PM      **Topic:** St. Francis

**Location:** Rosati's Pizza, 1288 N Summit Avenue, Unit 101, Oconomowoc

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**TRIALOGUE TOWN HALL MEETING:** After two years of prayer, conversation and discernment, the Trialogue Steering Committee is proposing that the three Wisconsin Dioceses vote to unite into a single Diocese. We are now looking to hear from you! The full report is available in the Parish Hall, and there are a variety of Zoom and in-person town halls

coming up.

You can sign up to participate in the Zoom Town Halls at:

<https://www.episcopalwisconsin.info/news/trialogue-town-hall-meetings>

There will also be an in-person town hall meeting at St. Mary's to learn more about the process on **Saturday, September 30** at **10 AM**.

Using the feedback from the Town Halls, the Steering Committee and governance bodies will finalize resolution of reunion for each diocesan convention. In **October** all three dioceses will vote on the resolution of reunion. Assuming a yes vote, from **November** to **March** the Steering Committee and governance bodies will finalize a joint agreement of union. Then in **April** we would have a special joint diocesan convention to vote on the joint agreement of union.

**Proposal:** <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/A-Proposal-For-Reunion--A-Letter-from-the-Triologue-Steering-Committee.html?soid=1139762142866&aid=eN5s0xgJ68M>

**Website:** <https://www.episcopalwisconsin.info/>

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**ST. FRANCIS PET BLESSING:** All pets are welcome in-person or as photos to the St. Francis Pet Blessing. We will have a short service to give thanks for our pets and bless each one individually. All are welcome (and it's a great opportunity to invite friends to visit).

**Date:** Saturday, October 7, 2023      **Time:** 10 AM

**Location:** St. Mary's parking lot on Hwy. 67

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**GATHERING MEAL MINISTRY:** St. Mary's Church is scheduled to volunteer at the Gathering's meal site in Milwaukee. We will need a minimum of 5 volunteers. Gathering volunteer leaders will be onsite to coordinate activities and provide information, support, and direction.

**Date:** Saturday, October 7, 2023    **Time:** 10 AM to 1 PM

**New Location:** Ascension Lutheran Church, 1236 Layton Blvd, Milwaukee

**Questions:** Contact [Jim L.](#)

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**PRAYERS & PICNIC ON THE PRAIRIE:** To celebrate and bless our beautiful prairieland, St. Mary's will hold a single service by the river, followed by a potluck. We will shuttle people from the south parking lot to the river, and have a tent set up to shield us from the weather.

**Date:** Sunday, October 8, 2023

**Time:** 9 AM (one service this Sunday)

**Questions:** Contact Mother Pippa

**Potluck:** Please bring a dish to share.

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**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY:** This program is a great opportunity to clean and protect the great world we live in, plus get the St. Mary's name out there even more with our name on the sign near the stretch of road we'll be responsible for (DR from Hwy 67 to Sawyer Road). Waukesha County Highway Operations has provided bright colored safety vests to be worn by volunteers and garbage bags. There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall.

**Date:** Saturday, October 14, 2023

**Time:** 9:00 am—Clean-up normally takes 1.5 to 2 hours

**Location:** Meet and park at the Sawyer Road Park-N-Ride at Sawyer & DR.

**Contact:** [Jim L.](#)

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**OCTOBER BINGO & FELLOWSHIP NIGHT:** Join us for an evening of Bingo! We will play for candy prizes and bragging rights. All ages welcome! Supper menu will be determined as the event gets closer, as well as a sign-up sheet to participate.

**Date:** Saturday, October 14, 2023

**Time:** 4-6 PM    **Location:** Parish Hall

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**HOMEBREWED FAITH SERIES:** Homebrewed Faith continues on the last Wednesday of the month. You are welcome to order dinner or just a beverage as we explore topics of theology. This is held in conjunction with Emmanuel UCC Church in Dousman.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 24, 2023

**Time:** 7 PM    **Topic:** Exorcism

**Location:** Rosati's Pizza, 1288 N Summit Avenue, Unit 101, Oconomowoc

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**ALL SAINTS' DAY:** We will be celebrating All Saints' Day with an All Saints' Day evening Mass.

**Date:** Sunday, November 1, 2023     **Time:** 5 PM

**Location:** St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Sussex



**NOVEMBER BINGO & FELLOWSHIP NIGHT:** Join us for an evening of Bingo! We will play for candy prizes and bragging rights. All ages welcome! Supper menu will be determined as the event gets closer, as well as a sign-up sheet to participate.

**Date:** Saturday, November 18, 2023     **Time:** 4-6 PM

**Location:** Parish Hall



**THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP:** St. Mary's will celebrate our Thanksgiving Service with Holy Eucharist (which itself means giving thanks) and all that we are thankful for before going off to cook, watch sports and eat!

**Date:** Thursday, November 23, 2023     **Time:** 9 AM



**HOMEBREWED FAITH SERIES:** Homebrewed Faith continues on the last Wednesday of the month. You are welcome to order dinner or just a beverage as we explore topics of theology. This is held in conjunction with Emmanuel UCC Church in Dousman.

**Date:** Wednesday, November 29, 2023

**Time:** 7 PM     **Topic:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming

**Location:** Rosati's Pizza, 1288 N Summit Avenue, Unit 101, Oconomowoc



**ADVENT FAMILY WORKSHOP:** Fun for the whole family! Join us to make decorative Advent crafts. The event will be hosted by St. Mary's and Emmanuel UCC.

**Date:** Saturday, December 9, 2023

**Time:** 9 AM - 12 PM     **Location:** Emmanuel UCC



**LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE:** In the long, dark winter nights, memories of past experiences and the pain of present situations can become overwhelming. For some, the Christmas season is very difficult. The Longest Night service invites people to listen, pray and sing if they are able. During this service we pray that you will find hope and comfort in knowing that you are not alone. We'll also honor in a special way loved

ones who've gone before us.

**Date:** Sunday, December 17, 2022     **Time:** 5 PM



**CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY WORSHIP:** All are welcome to come and hear the Christmas story. There is no rehearsal prior to service.

**Date:** Sunday, December 24, 2023

**Time:** 2 PM



**CHRISTMAS EVE LATE WORSHIP:** Come for Christmas Caroling beginning at 8:30 PM

**Date:** Sunday, December 24, 2023

**Time:** 9 PM

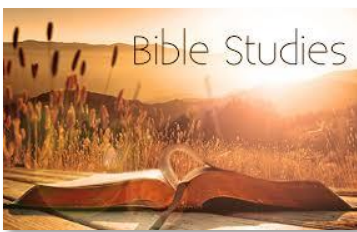


**CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP:** We will be offering one service on Christmas Day.

**Date:** Monday, December 25, 2023

**Time:** 10 AM

## BIBLE STUDIES



### SUNDAY ADULT FORMATION:

**Day:** Sunday mornings after first worship service

**Fall Start Date:** Date to be determined

**Time:** 9:10 AM      **Study:** To be determined

**Location:** Parish Library      **Questions:** Contact [Sally W.](#)

### WEDNESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP:

**Fall Start Date:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023

**Morning Prayer:** 9 AM      **Study Time:** 9:30 AM

**Topic:** Living Compass      **Location:** Parish Hall

**Questions:** Contact [Mother Pippa](#)



## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES



### CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER:

**Day of Week:** Monday Evenings

**Time:** 5 PM

**Location:** Chapel



### MORNING PRAYER:

**Day of Week:** Wednesday Mornings

**Fall Start Date:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023

**Time:** 9 AM      **Location:** Parish Hall



**HEALING & ANOINTING SERVICE:** Prayers for healing and anointing are offered the first Sunday of the month at the end of both services (8 AM & 10 AM). After the service, participants should come forward and kneel at the altar rail. When Mother Pippa stops in front of you, please feel free to

share as much or as little about your prayer request as you'd like. She will then pray together with you and anoint your head with oil blessed by the bishop. All are welcome.





**PRAYER MINISTRY:** Do you ever wonder how people are included in our Sunday prayers? It's quite simple—if you have someone you'd like the church to pray for, you can send an email to Lynn at [stmarys@milwpc.com](mailto:stmarys@milwpc.com) and she will add them to the bulletin prayer list. She will also add any details you would like to share with our Prayer Team. The only restriction is that if you want to include a parishioner on the prayer list, please check with them to make sure you have permission. If you would like to become a member of this prayer ministry, Lynn can also add to the group.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Create a beautiful, tangible symbol of your love and care for those who are in need of healing by knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl. The group meets the second Saturday of each month at 10 AM in the parish hall. If you are interested in joining this group, contact [Kathy M.](#)

**Saturday 2023 Dates:** September 9, October 14, November 11, and December 9.

**Time:** 10 AM **Location:** Parish Hall

## THINGS TO KNOW



**CHECK OUT OUR NEW OUTDOOR WALKING PATH:** This summer we have a lovely new Prairie Trail to explore. St. Mary's received a grant from the Creation Care Team to put in some walking paths, fight some invasive plants, and reintroduce native flowers.

**JR and Marit F.** pulled many truckloads of buckthorn and honeysuckle out from around our white oak tree, and **Craig B.** has mowed some new paths. Please enjoy exploring our beautiful space! And thanks to JR, Marit and Craig for all their hard work in creating it! If you would like to help clear or maintain the path, please contact [Marit](#) or [JR](#).



**YOUR CUP COUNTS – SHOP ONLINE FOR SINGING ROOSTER COFFEE AND THEIR OTHER PRODUCTS:** Singing Rooster has created an affiliate program whereby supporters of the Haiti Project can shop online for Singing Rooster coffee. St. Mary's earns proceeds and the DIOMIL Haiti Partnership will earn proceeds on the retail sales. To order from Singing Rooster, please use the St. Mary's proprietary link:

<https://singingrooster.org/partner/672>



**DISCRETIONARY FUND DONATIONS APPRECIATED:** If you feel able to donate to Mother Pippa's discretionary fund, there is a high demand for assistance. Please remember that these funds are available to parishioners as well, if you need help. It is also helpful for her to have gift cards on-hand for groceries and gas for those outside the parish in need.



**ST. MARY'S ONLINE GIVING:** Online giving is a very versatile way to donate: you can give with a credit card or through your bank; you can give once or repeatedly; you can give to the general fund or to a special collection. And once you give the first time, you can create an account for future giving. Switch over to online giving by going to our website, <https://stmarys-dousman.com/> and clicking the new "Donate" menu option at the top of the page.

## CONNECT WITH US



**ST. MARY'S PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** The parish office is open **Monday through Thursday** from **9 AM to 4 PM**. Mother Pippa and Lynn are available on those days to assist the parish. Carrie is in the office on Tuesdays for Music Ministry needs.

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**PASTORAL CARE:** We are here to help and serve you. The office staff and Mother Pippa can be contacted by phone at 262-965-3924 or by email at [stmarys@milwpc.com](mailto:stmarys@milwpc.com). If you have an emergency hospitalization, are scheduled for a hospital procedure, or for any other reason need a pastoral visitation, please contact Mother Pippa at the church office. For after office hours pastoral concerns or emergencies, contact Mother Pippa through her email at [motherpipps@milwpc.com](mailto:motherpipps@milwpc.com).

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