

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Dousman, WI



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Priest: Rev. Pippa Lindwright

Deacon: Ven. Chuck Zellermyer **Deacon:** Rev. Ryan Delaney

Sunday, November 19

25th Sunday after Pentecost

8 AM - Eucharist
9 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour
10 AM - Eucharist
11 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour
12 PM - Thanksgiving Basket Shopping Trip
12 PM to 3 PM - Bernese Mountain Dog Club Meeting

Monday, November 20

5 PM - Contemplative Prayer (chapel)
7:30 PM - AA Group Meeting (outside group)

Tuesday, November 21

10 AM - Healthcare Eucharist

Thursday, November 23

9 AM - Thanksgiving Eucharist



Sunday, November 26

Last Sunday after Pentecost

8 AM - Eucharist
9 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour
10 AM - Eucharist
11 AM - Fellowship Coffee Hour

Monday, November 27

5 PM - Contemplative Prayer (chapel)
7:30 PM - AA Group Meeting (outside group)

Wednesday, November 29

9 AM - Morning Prayer
9:30 AM - Advent Group Study:
Practicing Wonder with all Your Heart,
Soul, Strength & Mind (chapel)
7 PM - Home Brewed Faith: Jesus'
Second Coming (Rosati's Pizza)

Thursday, November 30

7 PM - Choir Rehearsal (church)

Saturday, December 2

9 AM - Advent Family Craft Day
(St. Mary's)



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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,

Thanksgiving is nearly here. Thank you to everyone who has donated towards the Thanksgiving Baskets. We will go shopping this Sunday to deliver food to four local families. You are directly enabling them to celebrate Thanksgiving with all the delicious foods. St. Mary's will hold our Thanksgiving service on Thanksgiving Day at 9 AM. I hope you'll join us.

Advent is just around the corner, and we will be collecting gifts for Lad Lake, as well as selling Christmas ornaments for the Hospitality Center. We will be collecting gifts through December 17 (unwrapped please), and the ornaments will be on the little Christmas tree in the Narthex.

Assuming the weather cooperates, we will be hanging up lights this Sunday. If you can stay after either service and help hang lights, Mary-Beth will be delighted to put you to work.

We have two opportunities for Christmas Caroling this year. Carrie has put together carol booklets, so please plan to join the fun. The first date will be on Sunday, December 3 at Three Pillars at 1:30 PM and the second date will be on Sunday, December 10 at Lake Country Health Services at 1 PM. We always have fun and the residents really enjoy singing along with us too. Hope you can make it! Kids are most welcome!

Our final hike of 2023 will be a night hike on Saturday, December 9. Please sign up for this headlamp lit hike that will end with hot cocoa and s'mores. Time is TBA, but will be about 30 minutes before sunset.

Advent and Christmas can be a time of great expectation and celebration, but this season can also be one of worry and grief. In recognition of the harder feelings of the season, we will have our annual Longest Night service on Sunday, December 17 at 4 PM. All are welcome to this quiet service of reflection, comfort and hope.

**Prayers & Blessing,
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.



BINGO & FELLOWSHIP NIGHT THIS SATURDAY

Join us for an evening of Bingo! We will play for candy prizes and bragging rights. All ages welcome! Lasagna and dessert will be served. A sign-up sheet will be available in the parish hall to participate.

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



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS SUNDAY

On behalf of the congregation of St. Mary's, we would like to extend our thanks to **Bill W.** for the flowers on the altar this Sunday. The flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Mary W. Thank you for adorning our altar today. God's blessings to you.



LAST SUNDAY TO DONATE TOWARDS SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THANKSGIVING OUTREACH BASKETS

As per our custom, we will be buying Thanksgiving dinner for four local families. We receive the names from St. Vincent de Paul and we will go shopping this Sunday. If you are able to donate funds to the cause, it is greatly appreciated. In addition to buying food for Thanksgiving, we are often also able to give the families a Pick 'N Save gift card.



LIGHT THE CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

Stay after service on this **Sunday, November 19** (or November 26 if the weather is bad) to put up Christmas lights! Parish member **Mary-Beth E.** will lead the team to put lights, wreaths and snowflakes outside. We could particularly use someone to steady the ladders, help with the extension cords and hang the lights. All help is appreciated. These cheerful spots of light in darkness will be a tangible sign of Advent, as well as a general delight to the eyes.



LIFE PLANNING SERIES MONDAY EVENING

(reschedule from last week)

The life planning series concludes with the final talk about planning for the future.

Dates: Monday, November 20, 2023

Time: 6 PM **Location:** Chapel

Topic: Minimum Distributions & Designated Charities

Guest Speaker: Karen A. from Edward Jones





THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP THIS THURSDAY

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



VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR 8 AM COFFEE HOUR

We are looking for a volunteer to partner up with **Sally K.** for the **8 AM service coffee hour**. Two partners sharing the coffee hour duties is an easier task to complete, versus doing it alone.

**Please contact the parish office if you are available to serve.*



CHAPEL ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

In October we received a \$5K bid to lay membrane over the seam between the bell tower and the rest of the chapel roof. When it rains, and the wind blows just so, we get water seeping into the building. This money was not in our annual budget, so we decided to sell pumpkin, apple and pecan pies to raise the funds to repair the chapel roof. We are excited to announce that pre-sales before and sales during Dousman's Halloween on Main netted St. Mary's **\$5,223.62** to put toward the chapel roof repairs. We thank the community and our parish members for making this fundraiser a very successful event.

UPCOMING EVENTS



ADVENT GIVING TO BENEFIT LAD LAKE RESIDENTS

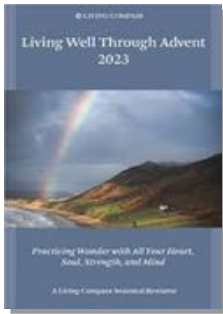
This Advent, we will be again collecting item(s) for the residents of Lad Lake to remind them that they are not forgotten by St. Mary's during the holiday season. Starting **Sunday, November 26** through **Sunday, December 12**, parish members can purchase an item(s) and then drop off their purchase(s) in the donation box located in the church narthex. Item(s) should be unwrapped.

**A list of the donation items can be found in the church narthex, the Sunday church bulletin or the weekly eNews.*



HOSPITALITY CENTER CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

The Hospitality Center in Racine is asking for our help to decorate their Christmas tree and make the season bright for all of their guests! Starting **Sunday, November 26** through **Sunday, December 12**, St. Mary's will have round ornaments imprinted with the Hospitality Center logo to purchase for a donation to the Hospitality Center. Your support will help the Hospitality Center continue to feed, clothe and care for the most vulnerable among us. There will a separate envelope that will go directly to the Hospitality Center for donations.



WEDNESDAY MORNING ADVENT STUDY

The Wednesday morning study group will again have sessions from the Living Well through Advent Living Compass series. The focus of the study will be the simple practice of pausing to reflect on the signs of WONDER around us. We hope you can join the group as you prepare for the birth of Jesus.

If you cannot attend the group sessions, you can follow the daily readings of WONDER by picking up a Living Compass booklet on the table in the church narthex. It has great daily readings and questions that explore your faith during this Advent season.

Dates: Wednesday, November 29 through December 13, 2023

Topic: Practicing Wonder with all Your Heart, Soul, Strength & Mind

Time: 9:30 AM to 11 AM **Location:** Chapel

Questions: [Maggie M.](#)



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 2nd Coming

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



FAMILY ADVENT CRAFT 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 2, 2023

Time: 9 AM - 12 PM **Location:** St. Mary's Episcopal Church



FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

On **Sunday, December 3**, we will enter into the preparatory season of Advent. Advent is a time when we look at the times of preparation in our lives, giving thanks for the times of energy, but also for the times of darkness and growth. In place of the Collect for Purity, we will give thanks for the gifts the darkness gives to us - dreams stirring; finding rest and peace from the chaos of the world; seeds coming to life; seeing the beauty of the stars; Mary's womb, where Jesus, God's Son, became human; the dark of the night, where the Holy Family sought rest; and the dark of a barn, where our Savior was born. During this season may we be blessed by the light and may we be blessed by the darkness.



INDOOR DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

Stay a couple minutes **after the 10:00 AM service** on **Sunday, December 3** and help set up the crèche and decorate the Nave. We will also set up the Christmas trees. We will need a couple strong people to lug the trees inside and set them up. We could also use help putting up the Nativity scene, under the supervision of our Altar Guild. Thank you!



FELLOWS HIP NIGHT HIKE

As we explore the beautiful Wisconsin scenery, we'll be hiking the Hwy C Segment of the Ice Age Trail. It will be an easy hike, on a fairly flat surface.

Date: Saturday, December 9, 2023

Time: TBD (about 30 minutes before sunset)

How to Sign Up: A sign-up sheet is posted in the parish hall

Questions: Contact [Carol C.](#)



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, December 9, 2023 **Time:** 10 AM to 1 PM

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

Questions: Contact [Mother Pippa](#)



CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Parish Music Director Carrie A. invites parish members and friends to join us for Christmas caroling. This is a great way to share some Advent/Christmas joy. The presence, music and warmth are always appreciated and are such wonderful gifts. We always have fun and the residents really enjoy singing along with us too. Hope you can make it! Kids are most welcome!

Date #1: Sunday, December 3, 2023 **Time:** 1:30 PM

Location: Three Pillars

Date #2: Sunday, December 10, 2023 **Time:** 1 PM

Location: Lake Country Health Services



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, 2023 **Time:** 4 PM



HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE (Christmas Eve Day)

All are welcome to come to our regular Sunday morning eucharist. Christmas Eve programs will be held at the 10 AM and 9 PM services.

Date: Sunday, December 24, 2023

Time: 8 AM



CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY WORSHIP

All are welcome to come and act out the Christmas story. There is no rehearsal prior to service.

Date: Sunday, December 24, 2023

Time: 10 AM



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

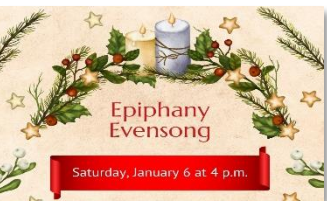
Time: 10 AM



LESSONS & CAROLS SUNDAY

Join us for a festive service of Lessons and Carols. We will hear a selection of readings from Holy Scripture and sing some favorite Christmas carols. Hope to see everyone there!

Date: Sunday, December 31, 2023 **Time:** One service at 10 AM



SPECIAL EPIPHANY EVENSONG

St. Mary's will be celebrating the Epiphany with a special Evensong Service on **Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 4 PM** in the chapel. Please make plans on attending this special service.



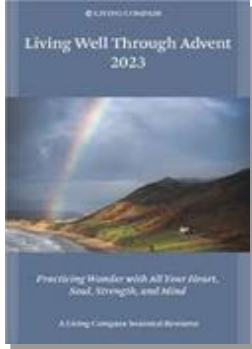
SAVE THE DATE - 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

Our parish will have its Annual Meeting the last Sunday in January. During the annual meeting, we'll look at the year 2023 in gratitude and take stock of where we are today in our life, ministry and mission. We'll examine our finances and vote to affirm the budget adopted by our vestry. We'll also choose leadership for the coming year. There will be a potluck gathering prior to the start of the Annual Meeting.

Date: Sunday, December 28, 2024 **Church Service:** 9 AM (one service today)

Potluck time: 10 AM **Annual Meeting Start Time:** 10:30 AM

BIBLE STUDIES



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(no class November 9 and November 15)

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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:** Chapel



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 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 you 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 Dates: December 9, 2023, January 13, 2024, February 10, 2024, March 9, 2024, April 10, 2024, May 11, 2024, and June 8, 2024

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. Please enjoy exploring our beautiful space! And thanks to **JR, Marit and Craig** for all their hard work in creating it!



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.



ST. MARY'S MAILING ADDRESS

Please make sure anything you send to St. Mary's in the mail is addressed to **PO Box 126**. Anything addressed to our street address will be rejected by the Dousman post office and won't make it to the church.



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. 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 motherpippa@milwpc.com.



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