



# ST. MARY CHURCH OMRO & WINNECONNE



## Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Mary Omro, proudly proclaim the message of Jesus Christ through word and action. We joyfully celebrate the Eucharist, reach out to all with generosity & hospitality, and continue to grow as a community of love, compassion and faith.

## Mission Statement

We, the caring community of St. Mary's Parish, inspired by the Holy Spirit, welcome everyone to celebrate the Eucharist, share our Catholic faith through education and example, and reach out to others with a generous spirit.

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2012

*In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit, he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!"*



*Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!"*

*"He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."*

*Mark 1 23-25, 27*

### **Sacraments/Membership**

To arrange for baptisms, weddings or to join  
call St. Mary, Winneconne— 582-7712  
Or St. Mary, Omro-685-2258

Parish Director: Sr. Pamela Biehl —  
directorstmary@sbcglobal.net

Sacramental Ministers: Fr. Doug LeCaptain  
& Fr. Luke Ferris

## Parish Director's Ponderings.....

Last weekend we celebrated the **RITE OF WELCOME** at St. Mary Church, Winneconne. This rite welcomes those who are preparing for initiation into the Catholic Church and those who are preparing to complete their Christian initiation through the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist. **This year Rachel and Jeff Jensen will be received into full communion of the Catholic Church on Holy Saturday.**

During these next few months please keep Rachel and Jeff in your prayers as they walk this journey of faith and come to know who we are and what we believe as a Catholic community.

**Last weekend both of our parishes signed an "Adopt a Mission Covenant" with the Catholic Community of Unicoi County.** This project, which the Parish Councils have worked on for the past nine months, has finally taken its first step in becoming a reality for our parishes in Omro and Winneconne. The parish council and I are excited about this wonderful opportunity for stewardship and evangelization that everyone in our parish can be involved in. Please help us get this exciting project off to a positive start by praying for this community and visiting their website: [www.theccuc.org](http://www.theccuc.org)

You can also find out more information about this Catholic Community and their pastor, Fr. Tom Charters by going to the Glenmary Home Missioners website at: [www.glenmary.org](http://www.glenmary.org) and typing in "Erwin, TN" in their search box.

As you know by now I have not been in London, I didn't get mugged and I have not asked everyone I know for money. Someone discovered my password and stole all of my email contacts. I want to assure you that this person did NOT get into anything else except my contacts. They did not take any church financial or personal information because none of that information is kept on my computer. I am sorry for the inconvenience and after receiving almost a hundred phone calls that day I am grateful it was only spam email and nothing more serious.

*P.S. I have been on vacation this past week visiting friends and relatives, studying for Lent and finishing my Christmas cards. I will be back in the office on Monday, January 30.*

*Sr. Pam*

### *Sweetheart Dance*

**Saturday February 11th  
7:00-10:00PM**

**Kaudy Hall, 210 Pleasant Dr.  
Winneconne**

**Sponsored by: Winneconne/Omro K.C's  
Both Parishes are invited to a night of  
dancing & hors d'oeuvres. Tickets will  
be sold at both churches this weekend  
after all Masses.  
Tickets are \$15.00 per couple.**



### **BAKE SALE**

**Omro-Winneconne  
Knights of Columbus  
Council 8810  
February 11th and 12th  
After all Masses at both  
Churches, Omro and  
Winneconne.**

**Treat your loved ones and take home  
some delicious goodies!**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: February 4**  
 4:00PM Marilyn Pollack  
**SUNDAY: February 5**  
 10:30AM Maggie Dishno



**ST. Mary Parish, 210 Pleasant Dr.  
 P.O. Box 487, Winneconne, WI 54986**

**Parish Office:** 920-582-7712/582-4601  
**Fax:** 920-582-0181  
**After hours personal/family emergencies, call the Parish Director at 920-379-1674.**  
**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday**  
 8:00AM-Noon 12:30- 5:00PM  
**Fridays-Closed**  
 Pastoral Associate: Sharon Baker  
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 Coordinator of Faith Formation 1-12: Andy Krueger  
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 Bookkeeper/Adult Choir Director: Joni Volkert  
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 Custodian: Marilyn Bradley  
 Deadline for bulletin: Noon on Tuesday  
 E-mail bulletin announcements to:  
 suestmary@sbcglobal.net  
**Website: www.stmarywinneconne.org**

**Liturgy of the Word with Communion:**

Monday & Wednesday: 7:30AM  
**Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30PM**

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
 SATURDAY & SUNDAY February 4 & 5**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

4:00PM Molly Kerrigan, 1 Volunteer  
 10:30AM Audrey Flora, Kelcie Fuhrman

**LECTORS:**

4:00PM Dave Buech  
 10:30AM Julie VonHolzen

**USHERS:**

4:00PM Jeff Muehlengerg, Bob Pollack  
 Jack & Marisue Quigley  
 10:30AM Steve & Irma Christian, Tammy Davis  
 Erin Flora

**COMMUNION MINISTERS:**

4:00PM Sue Kuhn, Barb Lenz,  
 Tom & Paula Snider, 1 Volunteer  
 10:30AM Craig & Donna Rider, Mike Jordan  
 Connie Boehnlein, Jeanne Furman

**GREETERS:**

4:00PM Bill & Diane Benedict, Kathy Meinen  
 10:30AM Julie VonHolzen, Terri & Kolton Fuhrman  
 Jennifer & Olivia Flora

**MUSICIANS:**

4:00PM Kathy Alan  
 10:30AM Ron Hayes

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: February 4**  
 6:00PM Elmer Thums  
**SUNDAY: February 5**  
 8:30AM Bishop Mark Schmitt



**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
 SATURDAY & SUNDAY February 4 & 5**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

6:00PM Ciera Tucker  
 8:30AM Joelle Berger, Sadie Huth

**LECTORS:**

6:00PM Bob Breu  
 8:30AM Steve Volkert, Glen Mischka

**COMMUNION MINISTERS:**

6:00PM Jill Pernaski, Audrey Rolph  
 8:30AM Jim & Pat Albright  
 Leon & Marge Franzke

**USHERS:**

6:00PM Bob Breu, Laura Heried  
 8:30AM Glen & Carol Mischka

**GREETERS:**

6:00PM 1 Volunteer  
 8:30AM Betty Wirth

**MUSICIANS:**

6:00PM Jodi Bohn  
 8:30AM Jerabeks w/choir

**VIDEO:**

Jenny Volkert

**Liturgy of the Word with Communion:**

1st & 3rd Tuesday: 8:00AM at St. Mary, Omro  
 2nd & 4th Wednesday: 10:30AM at Omro Care Center  
**Reconciliation: Saturday 5:30PM**

**ST. Mary Parish, 730 Madison Ave.  
 Omro, WI 54963**

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 kochmary@charter.net  
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 Custodian: Katelyn Hess  
 Deadline for bulletin: Noon on Tuesday  
 E-mail bulletin announcements to:  
 suestmary@sbcglobal.net  
**Website: www.stmaryomro.org**

**✓ CHECK IT OUT... ST. MARY, OMRO**  
 Mon. Jan. 30 7:00 PM Choir Practice  
 Tue. Jan. 31 : 8:00 AM LOW\* w/Communion  
 Wed. Feb. 1 5:15 Lifelong Faith  
 Sat. Feb. 4 5:30 PM Confession  
 6:00 PM Mass  
 Sun. Feb. 5 8:30 AM Mass  
 1:00 PM Mass in Spanish  
 Sat. & Sun. Souper Bowl & Stuff the Bus  
 Food Collection  
 Bishop's Appeal Collection  
 \*LOW: Liturgy of the Word

### STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING

Week Ending 1/22/2012

Given: \$3,741.07

YTD (July 1 – Jan 22, 2012)

Budgeted Offertory Collection : \$114,307.26  
(Envelopes & Loose)

Actual Offertory Collection : \$115,036.45  
\$ 729.20

Building Maintenance Fund Balance: \$ 1,501.37

## *Lifelong Faith Formation Cruisin' the Creed*

### All Aboard! H.S. Trinity

**EXPERIENCE THE MYSTERY OF THE TRINITY THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT VIA THE FRUIT & THE GIFTS AND OUR TRIUNE GOD, THREE IN ONE!**  
**FEB. 1<sup>ST</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup>**



*Meal @ 5:30 Beef vegetable soup,  
crusty bread & dessert.*

### Gospel Question of the Week (Cure of a Demoniac)

**Adults:** What can you tell others about Jesus with the most assurance?

**Children/Youth:** What is the most important thing you would like others to know about Jesus?

We keep our little ones in prayer as they complete their First Reconciliation preparation and now begin their preparation for First Communion.

Unfortunately, mother nature sent a storm and our First Reconciliation celebrations in Omro were cancelled. However, the cookies traveled to Most Blessed Sacrament and were enjoyed by all. Thank you to our bakers Joanne Beulen, Carol Mischka, Joan Oleson, & Carol Weiss. Also thank you to Amy Gitter & Rita Lee for agreeing to host the Family Reception and cook the Priests & Coordinators dinner.

### WELCOME LITTLE ONE!

*Sadie Mae Neuman*

Daughter of Matthew & Rachel Neuman was baptized this weekend. Please pray for Sadie Mae, her parents, and godparents as they bring her up to keep God's commandments.



### Unable to Attend Sunday Mass?

**Watch our Taped Broadcast  
Channel 97 Charter TV at:  
4:30 p.m. Wednesdays  
1:00 p.m. Saturday  
1:00 p.m. Sunday**



Next Environment Meeting:  
Feb. 7 @ 6:30 pm.

We will evaluate Christmas and plan for LENT. New members welcome.  
Please RSVP to Pam Van:

[pam.vandenneuvel@stmaryomro.org](mailto:pam.vandenneuvel@stmaryomro.org)

# WINNECONNE

## ✓ CHECK IT OUT **ST. MARY, WINNECONNE**

Mon. Jan. 30 7:30 AM LOW\* with Communion  
6:30 PM Certification Class for Catechists

Wed. Feb. 1 7:30 AM LOW\* with Communion  
3:00 PM Faith Formation Gr. 1-5  
6:30 PM MS Class

Sat. Feb. 4 3:30 PM Confession  
4:00 PM Mass

Sun. Feb. 5 10:30 AM Mass

Sat. & Sun. Souper Bowl & Stuff the Bus  
Food Collection  
Bishop's Appeal Collection

\*LOW: Liturgy of the Word

## STEWARDSHIP OF SHARING

Week Ending 1/22/2012

Given: \$4,676.90

YTD (July 1 – Jan 22, 2012)

Budgeted Offertory Collection : \$152,987.10  
(Envelopes & Loose)

Actual Offertory Collection : \$149,778.45  
\$ (3,218.65)

Building Maintenance Fund Balance: \$ 3,922.31

## Father Carr's Help on Wheels January is Canned Goods



This month St. Mary—Winneconne is collecting canned goods for Fr. Carr's Place 2B. You may place your donation(s) in the white basket on wheels in the entrance (parking lot side). We have received very positive responses from Fr. Carr's for the help they have received.

Thank you!!

# WINNECONNE



Wednesday February 1st

- Elementary children will meet for class at 3:00PM
- Middle School youth are invited to join us for Youth Group at 5:15PM. This month we will discuss simple and easy ways to show others they matter. It's as easy as a smile or a kind compliment, a small gift or card. Bring a friend and join us for a meal, meaningful conversation, and fun!
- Middle School class begins at 6:30PM and lasts until 8:00PM.

*Wanted All Knitters and Crocheters --*

*Parkview Health Center is in need of prayers shawls for their residents. The chapel at the Center can become too cool for the residents. The Center would really appreciate shawls especially as new residents arrive.*

*The Prayer Shawl Ministry here at St. Mary's also needs to make shawls and lap blankets for Sr. Dora's Mission & our parish. Our parish makes use of the prayer shawls by giving them to those in the hospitals, nursing homes or parishioners in need of comfort.*

*If you like to knit or crochet, consider making a shawl for this ministry. The average size of a shawl should be approximately 24" x 60" and can be any color. Softness is a key component. Shawls or lap blankets can be dropped off at the Church Office.*

If you need instructions you may contact the office or search the internet for prayer shawl instructions and you will get knitting and crocheting instructions.

**Thank you for your help in this ministry.**



## GLASSES FOR NICARAGUA

### **THIS WEEKEND IS YOUR LAST CHANCE!**

St. Mary, Omro & Winneconne  
will be collecting eye glasses.

We are looking for the following:

Adult prescription glasses

Reading glasses

Children's glasses

Safety glasses

Sunglasses (prescription or non-  
prescription)

Glass Cases

Look for the baskets in the entrances  
of the churches.

### **Become a Hospice Hope Volunteer**

Training Sessions will be held on  
Thursday, February 16 & 23

Hope Lutheran Church in Wautoma

If you have a desire to be of help to others,  
develop your ability to relate well to people  
during crisis times, grow personally, give  
something back to your community,  
experience the challenges of new  
experiences, and have a direct personal  
impact on your world, please consider being  
a hospice volunteer.

For more information call:

Cathy Wolfe, Volunteer Services Liaison  
920-924-4662 or 800- 236-4156

Or

Penny Werth, Hospice Chaplain  
920-294-6220 or 800-361-9499



### **NEXT WEEKEND, FEBRUARY 4 & 5 SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY AND STUFF THE BUS**

St. Mary, Omro & Winneconne along with  
UCS will be collecting food to help restock  
the local pantries on February 4 & 5.  
Items currently needed include toilet paper,  
toothbrushes & toothpaste, diapers, sham-  
poo & conditioner, bar soap, laundry deter-  
gent, soup, canned fruits & vegetables, ce-  
real, pasta products and spaghetti sauce.  
Monetary donations will also be accepted.



**NO ONE SHOULD GO HUNGRY!**

**Kwiatkowski  
Funeral Home**  
425 Jefferson Ave, Omro  
685-2207  
Parish Member

 **Schoonover  
Pheasant Farm**  
**Call: 920-685-2628**

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Ph. (920) 582-4242  
www.muellerfuneralhomeinc.com

## Readings for the Week of January 29

Monday: 2Sm 15:13-14, 30 16:5-13  
Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: 2Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a,  
30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: 2Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40  
or 2:29-38  
Friday: Sr 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29  
Saturday: 1Kgs 3:4-14/Mk 6:30-34  
Next Sun.: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1Cor 9:16-19, 22-23  
Mk 1:29-39



### *On Following Jesus Today*

*By: Kristina M. DeNeve  
Evangelization and Welcoming Director  
Diocese of Green Bay*

In today's Gospel, we have a man with an unclean spirit publically yell "You are the Holy One of God!" These days, we understand an "unclean spirit" to mean a psychological disorder. By using this characterization, however, Mark wasn't focusing on the man's illness or societal status. Mark was telling us that evil, even evil personified, recognizes Jesus' true identity.

If someone came up to you and asked who Jesus was, what would you say? You are not evil personified and, even though you probably have your struggles, you hopefully are not incapacitated by mental illness. Beyond this, if you are baptized, you are actually considered a follower of Jesus, a disciple. So, what would you say? Who is Jesus (for you)?

Answering this question in today's society is not easy. Religious liberty has come to mean that faith is a private affair, inappropriate for polite conversation. Even if you buy into this premise, we disciples should at least be able to answer this question for ourselves and for our loved ones. Who is Jesus for you?

## Calling all preschoolers!

All aboard the Kindergarten Round Up Express

What: **Kindergarten Round Up** at St. Frances Cabrini and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Schools.  
When: **Wednesday, February 1.** All children  
Who: All children 5 years old before 9/1/12.

Your choice of 2 sessions.

**1st Session: 8:30 to 11 a.m.** and the **second 2nd Session: 12 to 2:30 p.m.**

Both sessions include prayer, gym time, snack and an art project.

### **Reservations are required by January 29.**

Please bring your child's birth certificate for verification. For more information or to make a reservation, please contact St. Frances Cabrini at (920) 235-0637 or St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at (920) 235-4060.

Catholic Schools Week January 29

All are welcome and invited to visit the schools as well. Seton will host the **Celebrate Seton Café** this **Sunday, January 29** from **1 to 3 p.m.** On **Wednesday, February 1, Cabrini** will host an **open house** from **8 a.m. to 3 p.m.** and **Parent Night** of Information from **6 to 7:30 p.m.**

St. Frances Cabrini and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton are part of Unified Catholic Schools of Oshkosh. To learn more about UCS or Catholic Schools Week, log on to [UnifiedCatholicSchools.org](http://UnifiedCatholicSchools.org). We hope to see you there!

## Lourdes High School's Knight of Interest

### High School Preview Event

Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Bill Behring Commons

Lourdes High School, Oshkosh

Interested students and their parents are invited to preview Lourdes High School and gather information about the curriculum, environment, and opportunities for personal, academic, and spiritual growth.