

Diocesan and Community News

Supporting your Church: In good times and bad times, Catholic faithful have supported the church generously. Your Parish needs your generous support to continue. Collections at Weekly Masses are the main source of income. We need to consider alternative options to continuing your contributions to the Church. Our bank is not able to process ACH payments. You can mail in your weekly/monthly offering to the parish office. (W697 State Hwy 33 Rockland, WI 54653) Thank you for your generosity!

Wills & Estates:

As you prayerfully execute your will or do estate planning please consider keeping the St. Peter Parish in mind. The most common and simplest way to include the parish in your last wishes is to include a bequest in your will or trust.

First Saturday Devotions: First Saturday Devotions are starting again at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us at 11:15 a.m. for a meditation on the Holy Rosary followed by the Holy Rosary at 11:45 a.m. and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 12:15 p.m. Confession will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 a.m. and also following Mass.

Let's vote Pro-Life in November: We Americans have shared many years of pride for our country and accomplishments. We have also suffered pain in the loss of thousands of our military who died to keep us safe. We have survived the Great Depression and many, many storms such as tornadoes, hurricanes, and earthquakes through the years.

But we still have the biggest hurdle of all. We need to abolish abortion once and for all! It is the killing of tiny innocent babies in the womb of their mothers. Babies are a precious gift from God. And no one has the right to kill them! They used to be safe in their mother's womb. But since 1973 when abortions were made legal it has become the most dangerous place for a baby to be. All the baby wants is to be loved and cherished.

With the November 3rd election coming up, we have the means to right this terrible wrong.

Abortion has already killed over 62 million babies in the USA since 1973. We could help save the lives of millions of babies.

We still have spots for enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year! At Aquinas, students explore their passions, give back to their communities, grow in faith and prepare for a successful future. Our schools are open to families of all faiths, and we offer several tuition assistance programs. We offer in person face to face learning or virtual learning. To learn more or to start your enrollment process visit us at www.aquinaschools.org or contact us at (608) 784-8585.

Already apart of the Aquinas family make sure to follow us on social media pages Facebook and Instagram!

You may still observe the Sabbath from home via televised Mass (La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday) or online at diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/

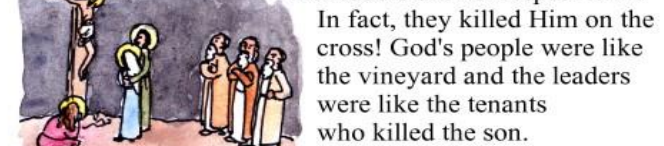
Kid's Korner

Tenants of the Vineyard

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard that was leased out to tenants. When the owner's servants came to collect the pay, the tenants beat them. When the owner sent his son, they killed the son because they thought they would be able to take the vineyard if the son was dead.



This story is about God's people. For hundreds of years God cared for His people, leaving leaders in charge. But when He sent His Son Jesus, the leaders did not respect Him.



In fact, they killed Him on the cross! God's people were like the vineyard and the leaders were like the tenants who killed the son.

In a way your life is like a vineyard too. God has given it to you and cared for you all your life. When God wants you to do something for Him, you have the choice of doing what He asks or being like the bad tenants and refusing. Whenever we don't do what is right, we are offending Jesus. But you don't want to be like those bad tenants, do you? Make sure that everything you do is for God!



The Evil Tenants Word-Find



Find the words that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle and use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks:

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 S O I C O M E S S N E
 O W N E R K I L L E D

Jesus told this PARABLE: There was a landowner who planted a VINEYARD and built a tower and a WINE PRESS. When he went away, he LEASED it to tenants. In time, he sent SERVANTS to get his PRODUCE, but the tenants BEAT one, killed one, and STONED another. The man sent more servants, but the TENANTS did the same thing AGAIN. Finally, he sent his SON, thinking that they would RESPECT him at least. But the tenants saw the son coming and said, "Here comes the HEIR. If we kill him we can get his INHERITANCE!" So they SEIZED him, THREW him out and KILLED him too! Jesus asked, "What will the land OWNER do when he COMES?" The people said, "Put the tenants to DEATH and lease the vineyard to tenants who WILL pay."

PASTOR

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....8:00 PM

Sunday.....10:00 AM

Please keep capacity to 75 people.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday and Friday.....8:00 AM

ADORATION

Wednesday.....7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays during Adoration & By Appointment

PARISH OFFICE (located in the church Sacristy)

Hours: Wednesday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Friday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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Dan Korn (Chairman), Gary Flock, Michael Hundt, Pat Lucey

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tom Schaub, Mark Stephenson, Rob Slattery, Ann Hundt, Peter Benzing, Chris Pundzak

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Pam Benzing, Deb Leis, LaVonne Hundt

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 Leland Gregorich, Organist

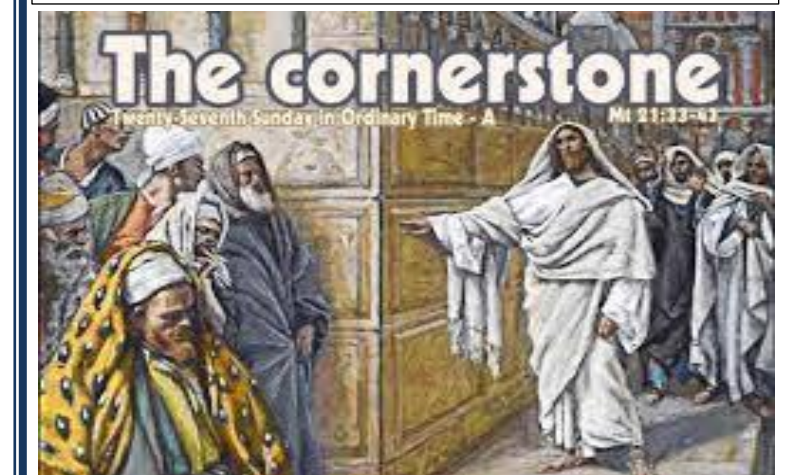
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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2020



CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

- Joining the Parish • Weddings • Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick (Please call Father Biju's cell phone)
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited

Parish Intentions

10/7 Wed. 8:00 AM – For healing of all who have been abused & for the conversion of those who abused them (RJK)

10/9 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Leonard, Alberta & Andy Kick and Judy Murphy (AMS)

10/10 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Art Leis (GDF)

10/11 Sun. 10:00 AM – 51st Wedding Anniversary of Richard & Jan Korish (RJK)



Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$1,262.00</u>
	-\$438.00
Year to Date Target -	\$23,800.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$29,495.24</u>
	+\$5,695.24

Readings for October 11, 2020

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14

Prayer for Spiritual Communion: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You with all my heart. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already in my heart and unite myself to You completely. Please do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen.

Parish Calendar of Events

Wed. Oct. 7 – Grades 7-10 CCD 7:00 PM

Sat. Oct. 10 – Public Square Rosary at Noon near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sun. Oct. 11 – Grades 1-6 CCD 8:45 AM

Wed. Oct. 14 – Curbside Kraut & Sausage Fest 4:00 – 7:30 PM (Carry-outs Only)

Oct. 17&18 – Bishop's Annual Appeal Kickoff

Sun. Oct. 18 – World Mission Sunday



Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

Confessions available.

St. Peter's Parish

Middle Ridge
W697 Highway 33, Rockland, Wisconsin

October 14, 2020

3:30pm-7:00pm
Or until sold out

Kurbside Kraut and Sausage

Drive Thru Only
Pre-Ordering Available

Website - <https://saintpetersparish.net>

Price \$5
Each

Includes:
Polish Sausage on Bun with
Church-made Sauerkraut



St. Joseph's Ridge Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.

First Saturday Mass.....8:30am

Monday5:30pm

Tuesday..... 5:30pm

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)

Thursday.....8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

Matthew 21:33-43 The Parable of the Tenants

We are in the month of October; a month dedicated to the devotion to our lady. Slowly but surely, we are moving into winter. All around we see the visible signs of fall. Nature is at her best with spectacular display of color. Farmers are hurrying up with the final stages of harvest. Nature and the harvested field give us the impression of time and hard work. Jesus in his teaching often made use of imageries of nature and fields. Bible often expressed the relationship between God and His people through the imageries of vine and vineyard. In the first reading God speaks of his love for his vineyard which is Israel (Isa 5:1-7), "Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard..." Through Isaiah God described his chosen people, Israel, as a vineyard and declared how disappointed he is that instead of yielding grapes they produce sour grapes (Isa 5:4).

The Gospel of today provides us with a variation on the theme of the vineyard that is violent, tense, threatening! In the parable in the Gospel (Matt 21:33-43) the landowner sent servants many times to collect the produce of the vineyard. The servants represent the prophets of the Old Testament. The people of Israel mistreated the prophets, and some were killed. Showing unbelievable patience, God, sent His Son as His representative, thinking the tenants would welcome Him. Instead they killed Him. Through the parable of today's Gospel, the Church confronts you and me with the question, "How do we carry out the responsibilities God has given to each of us?"

Wishing you a good weekend.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju

Parish News

Wedding: Congratulations to Jessica Hurtz & Joe Young who were wed on September 26th. May God bless your union!!!

Life Chain: On October 4th from 2:00-3:00 pm members of the Christian community will once again line Losey Boulevard to show its solidarity in stating that "Abortion is wrong". The demonstration will start at La Crosse St and extend down Losey Blvd for as far as the participants will go. This worthy event will be a memorable & blessed success if we as a Christian community in the greater La Crosse area actively stand for the sanctity of LIFE!!

Public Square Rosary Rally: Please join us on this Crusade to pray the Holy Rosary on Saturday October 10th at Noon near the outdoor statue of the Blessed Mother at St. Peter's in Middle Ridge. Reasons to pray the Public Square Rosary; **This year is the 103rd anniversary of the miracle of the sun:** On October 13, 1917 Our Lady performed a miracle at Fatima witnessed by 70,000 people, including atheists, communists and anti-Catholics. Some of them converted. The 2020 Public Square Rosary Rallies will remind the person on the street that conversion IS possible!

Preparing for Our Lady's triumph: The Immaculate Heart of Mary will triumph over evil. It is a great privilege to be among those who trust in her triumph and honor her in the public square. **Public prayer is powerful:** In *The Secret of the Rosary*, Saint Louis Marie de Montfort states: "Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering." WHAT BETTER TIME THAN NOW?? For more information contact Terese Slattery at 486-2605.

Month of October Rosary: This fall we will not be doing the "Rosary in the Home" as in the past. Instead we will pray the Rosary before BOTH weekend masses starting a half hour before mass. Please join us!!