

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.

Young Men: 100% Catholic, 100% Boys, 100% Boarding: St. Lawrence Seminary High School is an all-boys, Catholic boarding high school focused on college prep and spiritual depth. Located in Mt Calvary, WI since 1860, SLS students live, learn, work and pray together. Families invited to come visit April 23-24 or April 30-May 1 and to start the application online today! Call (920) 753-7570 or visit www.stlawrence.edu/weekend-visit

See Roe V. Wade the Movie: The Real Story You've Never been Told Coming in April, see Roe v. Wade, a new movie that looks behind the scenes of the infamous 1973 Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion through all 9 months of pregnancy. The story is told through the eyes of Dr. Bernard Nathanson, the New York OB/GYN who paved the way for abortion on demand but later became pro-life. Visit www.dioc.org/respect-life for links to the movie website and trailer. The film will be available for streaming on Amazon Prime and iTunes in April, with the DVD to be released in May. It is currently available for preorder from Amazon, Walmart and Target, as well as Christian booksellers.

Be Part of an Amazing Adventure in Faith: Join the Lay Formation Institute! Registration is now open for the next two-year Lay Formation cycle that begins in fall of 2021. Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! See complete information, schedule and application form at dioc.org/layformation. Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@dioc.org or call (608) 791-0161.

Wisconsin Bishops Speak Out Against "Equality Act": Wisconsin's Catholic bishops join with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in opposing the Equality Act of 2021 (H.R. 5). While all people must be treated with dignity and respect, efforts to prevent discrimination cannot foster inequality and intolerance of religion and people of faith. The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution specifically protects free speech and the free exercise of faith, as both are essential for a free and open society.... To read more and to find out how you can make your voice heard against this dangerous legislation, visit www.dioc.org/social-concerns.

Kid's Korner

Jesus' Body Came Back to Life!



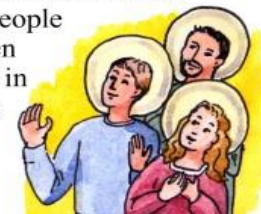
When Jesus rose from the dead, was He just a spirit or did He have a real living body?

Some of the disciples thought He was just a spirit or ghost at first and were afraid. But Jesus showed them He was really alive again, with a real body, by eating some fish. Of course, a ghost can't eat anything because it doesn't have a real body.

When we die, our body will be buried in the ground and turn back into earth. But our soul will not die. At the end of time we will get our body back, but not an old worn out body. This body will really be our own body, but it will be new and fresh, with no problems in it! Jesus showed us what it would be like when He came back to life after His death.

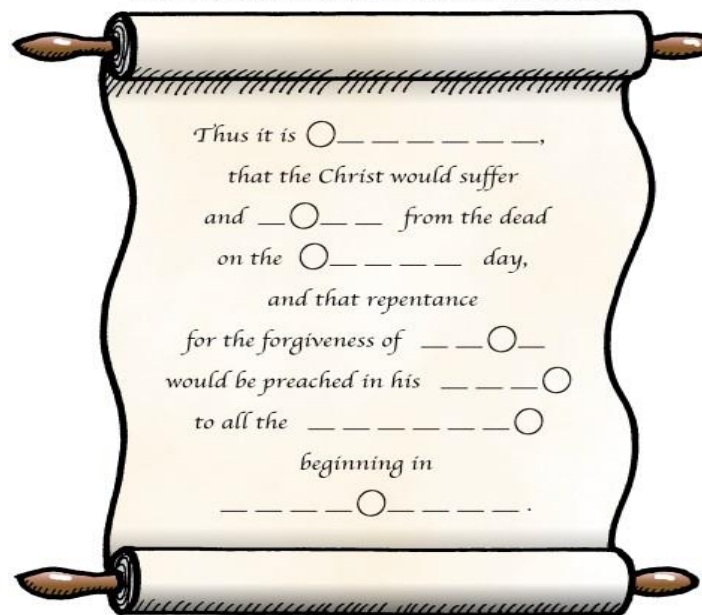


Did you know that we will get our bodies back one day in Heaven? God made people to have a soul and a body, so when we are perfectly happy with Him in Heaven we will be able to rejoice with our bodies and our souls!



Alleluia!

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks. Then use the letters in circles to fill in the blanks at the end.



Jesus wants you to be His _____ to the world!

JERUSALEM THIRD NAME
WRITTEN NATIONS SINS RISE

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 - 3:00 PM

Friday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Dan Korn, Gary Flock, Michael Hundt

(Committee liaisons: Peter Benzing & Mark Gronemus)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tom Schaub, Mark Stephenson, Rob Slattery, Peter Benzing, Chris Pundzak, Kathy Flock

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Pam Benzing, Mary Bach-Filla, LaVonne Hundt

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Leo Leis (Chairman), Mark Gronemus,

Jared Lucey, Don Halderson, David Scharping

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Terese Slattery, Coordinator.....(608) 486-2605

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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 18, 2021



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

4/21 Wed. 8:00 AM – Living & deceased members of the Arentz family (DKS)

4/23 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Elreda Meyer (DKS)

4/24 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Eugene Flock (LF)

4/25 Sun. 10:00 AM – † Theresa Clements (PF)

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/

Parish Calendar of Events

Thur. April 22 – Parish Finance Meeting 7:30 PM

Wed. April 21 – CCD for Grades 7-10, 7-8:15 PM

Sat. April 24 & Sun. April 25 – DCCW Collection

Sun. April 25 – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sun. May 2 – First Communion



Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Easter Flowers: *Thank you to those who donated towards the beautiful flowers that adorn our church.*

- In memory of Jacob Gronemus & deceased members of the Gronemus family (PCG)
- From the Lucey family
- From Marge Lee
- In memory of Bobby & Arlene Arentz (DKS)
- From the Halderson family



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

Third Sunday of Easter

Two disciples were walking on the road to Emmaus. A stranger joined them but they did not recognize him. He asked what they were talking about and they shared their story of disappointment and fear. Then they invited Him to stay and eat with them. Later, they "... recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread." "While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Jesus greets his disciples with the word, "Shalom," God's peace. This is a most appropriate greeting. Peace is what they need more than anything else. As the disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Jesus wishes them Shalom. Then he shares a meal with his disciples and uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. He also mentions "that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem".

Peace, faith, meal and commissioning. Isn't that what we celebrate at every eucharist too? We are given his peace, we are empowered in our faith, we are fed by his Body and Blood and we are sent out. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us to announce the good news of Jesus.

Have a good week!

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Parish News

Census/Registration Update: As of this publication we have received 62 of 103 Registration Update forms. If you have not already done so, please return your form ASAP. Even if you feel all the information is correct, we would like you to return it as confirmation. If you have misplaced it simply call during business hours or email the parish office.

Chicken-Que: Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on **Thursday, May 13**, from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery only. The price is \$10 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For pre-sale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries, call **(608) 518-6145**. No minimum order and no delivery charge. Enter at Weston Street driveway.

Homemade Raised Glazed Donut Sale: Saturday May 8TH Sale starts at 10:00 AM at St. Joseph Ridge Parish- School Hall. The St. Joseph PCCW will be making and selling homemade raised glazed donuts at the school hall. Grab & Go sales beginning at 10AM until gone. Get 'em while they're hot!

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: Each year, we set a day aside to storm heaven with our prayers to ask our Heavenly Father to help young men and women discover what He is calling them to do. God's calling to each person often comes in the silence of their hearts and it is prayer that helps that call grow louder and more clear. Please pray for vocations daily, that the Church may continue to be enriched with many holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. See poster in the back of church for more information. — Fr. Nate Kuhn, Office for Vocations

Feedback Wanted: The Diocese of La Crosse is embarking on a feasibility study that embraces some of the short-term and long-term strategic initiatives and needs of the Catholic community of La Crosse. As part of this study, we have invited approximately 1,650 families from around the Diocese to provide their input so that it may guide the bishop as to how we may proceed. Hearing from so many faithful Catholics should provide the information necessary to forge our path forward. I encourage you, should you receive an invitation to participate in the study, to please do so. Your input will have a direct impact on the decisions we make for our future.

DCCW Collection Sunday: There will be a second collection the weekend of April 23-24. Monies collected will be sent to the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women to help with costs of programs such as Embrace Your Call to Holiness (a women's retreat), Project Milk, fight against human trafficking and Casa Hogar to mention a few. You can also use the envelopes in your parish giving boxes. Thank you for your generosity.

\$10,815.00
TARGET
\$8,010.00
COMMITTED
74%
% OF PARTICIPATION

HIS CHURCH
IS STILL HERE † IT STILL PROVIDES
IS YOU AND ME

WE ARE THE DIOCESE
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Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$2,447.25
	\$747.25
Year to Date Target -	\$71,400.00
Year to Date Total -	\$76,276.36
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Readings for April 25, 2021

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel Reading: John 10:11-18

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.