

**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.

**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 [diolc.org/layformation](http://diolc.org/layformation). Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [ministries@diolc.org](mailto:ministries@diolc.org) or call (608) 791-0161.

**Religious Freedom Week:**

June 22-29 Once again, the U.S. Bishops have declared June 22-June 29 Religious Freedom Week. We are all called to defend the God-given right of religious liberty, which faces grave threats in the U.S. and abroad. Join us, as we pray, reflect, and take action on religious freedom. Visit the website <https://diolc.org/social-concerns/religious-freedom-week/> for more information.

**Dive Deeper in Faith – Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI):**

Spend one weekend a month (Friday evening-Saturday afternoon) in an enthusiastic, faith filled community that prays, learns, discusses and dines together. Discover a renewed spirit that says: this is what life in Christ should be like! That is the contagious spirit LFI participants carry back into their families and their parishes. Visit [diolc.org/lay-formation](http://diolc.org/lay-formation) for full details and speak to your pastor about enrolling. Class size is limited, so don't delay!

**Visit the U.S. Bishops' "Action Alerts" Page:**

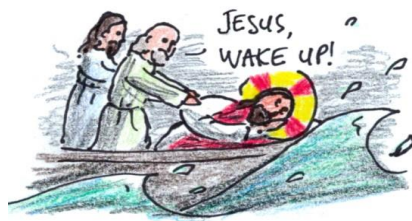
Our Bishops have a list of action items calling upon us to make our voices heard. Many have to do with threats against the unborn, against the dignity of the family, and against religious freedom as individuals and Christian charitable institutions. Visit [voterveice.net/USCCB/home](http://voterveice.net/USCCB/home) for more information and to take action.

**50th Anniversary Celebration:**

If there are any couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year please contact the parish office. The Bishop plans to have a special celebration July 11th to commemorate.

**Kid's Korner**

**Trust in God**



In today's Gospel reading the apostles became very afraid when a storm came up and the boat they were in started to sink.

Jesus was asleep in the boat, but when they woke Him up He told the storm to stop and it did!

Have you ever been very afraid? There are lots of things that can really scare us. Jesus wants us to turn to Him with faith when we are afraid. Sometimes God lets us be scared so that we will remember to ask Him for help.

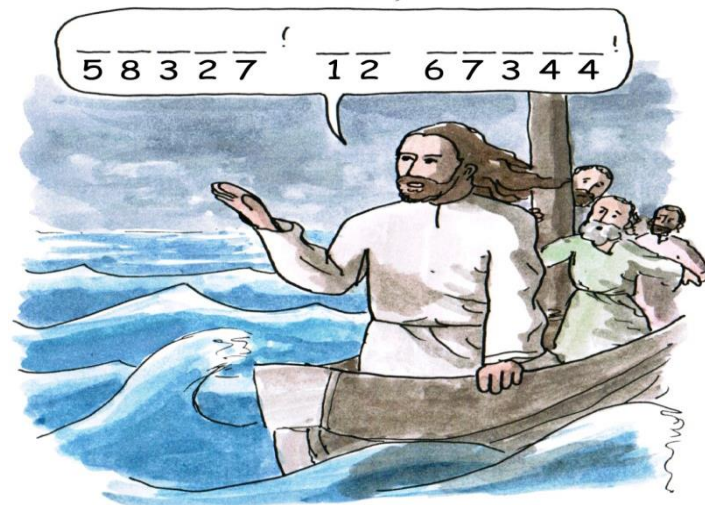


If ever you feel scared, pray to Jesus right away. He can help to calm your fear, and He can help you to make good decisions. God is always there for us, even when things seem hopeless!



Here's an easy prayer you can say  
Jesus, I trust in You!

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 20th, 2021**



In today's Gospel reading Jesus fell asleep in the boat with the apostles when a big storm came up. The apostles were frightened and woke Him. Jesus stood up and said something and the storm and the sea obeyed Him.

What did he say? Use the code to find out!

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday.....8:00 PM

Sunday.....10:00 AM

**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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**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Dan Korn, Gary Flock, Michael Hundt  
(Committee liaisons: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis)

**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,  
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**12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**JUNE 20, 2021**

**And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.  
Mark 4:39**

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

**6/23 Wed. 8:00 AM – † Roman Kotek (RK)**

**6/25 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Dave Hundt (HEC)**

**6/26 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Bobby & Arlene Arentz (DKS)**

**6/27 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. Peter's Parish Family**

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/](http://diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/)

Parish Calendar of Events

**Sun. June 20** – Server Refresher Course after mass

**June 26 & 27** – Visiting Priest for Mission Co-op

**Wed. June 30** – Deadline for DAA donations (Please allow 1 week before for processing)

**Tues. July 6** – Cemetery Committee meeting @7 PM

**Mon. July 12** – PCCW meeting @ 7 PM

**July 31 & Aug. 1** – Fr. Biju gone for Mission Appeal

**Tues. Aug 3** – Finance Council Meeting @ 7:30 PM

**Tues. Aug. 10** – Cabbage Cutting @ 5:30 PM

**Aug. 8-20** – Fr. Biju gone for Retreat

**Wed. Oct. 13** – Sauerkraut Supper



Eucharistic Adoration

**Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm**

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

**Pray Often & Daily!!!**

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$5,633.76
	+ \$3,933.76
Year to Date Target -	\$86,700.00
Year to Date Total -	\$92,038.43
	+ \$5,338.43

Readings for June 27, 2021

**First Reading:** Wisdom 1:13-24

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

**Gospel Reading:** Mark 5:21-43

**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.

St. Joseph's Ridge Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.  
 First Saturday Mass.....8:30am  
 Monday .....5:30pm  
 Tuesday..... 5:30pm  
 (Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)  
 Thursday.....8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

**"Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"**

The episode in today's Gospel is about Jesus rebuking the wind and quieting the sea. Jesus was in the stern, asleep, waves were breaking over the boat. The disciples wake Jesus up, they ask "Do you not care that we are perishing?" Do you not care? These are people whose lives have already been radically changed, by their encounter with Christ. They have left everything to follow him; they have witnessed miracles and healings and have experienced first-hand Jesus' love, and yet they still doubt his care. What do you feel? Jesus asks them "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" With God life never dies. The God who calmed the seas for the disciples will calm the storms in our life too. Remember, even in the midst of waves and wind, God never stops caring.

Later this week the priests of our diocese will be gathering in La Crosse for Priest Unity Days. On Thursday, June 24, Bishop Callahan will celebrate the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral. The Chrism Mass is usually celebrated during Holy Week, but has been delayed until now because of gathering restrictions due to the pandemic. Priest Unity Days will conclude on Saturday, June 26, with the ordination of three new priests: Timothy Reither from St. Charles Parish Chippewa Falls, Eric Mashak from Cooks Valley, and Arturo Viguera from Stevens Point. Unfortunately, attendance at both the Chrism Mass and the ordination Mass is restricted this year, but both can be viewed on the diocese's YouTube channel.

A happy and blessed Father's Day to all fathers, grandfathers, Godfathers, foster fathers and step-fathers. We ask God's blessing upon you. Pray that God may keep you healthy. Pray that you be blessed with the Spirit of love that they may grow in holiness and draw their family ever closer to you.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju

Parish News

**Server Training:** Fr. Biju will have a brief refresher course for servers after the Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> mass. Please plan to attend so we can get the new schedule put together.

**Serving Schedule:** We will be creating a schedule for mass helpers again soon. Please let us know if you are willing to be put on the schedule as an usher, lector or mass server. Extraordinary Ministers will be requested "as needed". We've heard from a few but not many.

**Church Roof Repairs:** The outside roof repairs are complete but we are still waiting to hear from the insurance company on the interior damage coverage. If you would like to donate towards the roof repairs you can place your donation in a marked envelope in the collection basket.

**Mission Coop:** Father Honoré Kombo from the Democratic Republic of Congo will speak at all the Masses in our Parish on the weekend of June 26-27, 2021 on behalf of his Diocese of Kikwit in the Congo as part of the Mission Co-op. The Diocese of Kikwit has recently celebrated its Centenary of Evangelization (2012-2017). Building on milestones of over 100 years of Evangelization, they take on the challenges to continue the work of the Mission today. Father Kombo will give the missionary appeal in support to the pastoral work of 194 Diocesan Priests, to help equip 5 most important diocesan hospitals with medicines and other basic health supplies, and to give children from very poor families an opportunity for education. A second collection will be taken up for that purpose. Thank you for your generous response to his appeal for the Church's Mission in the Congo!

**Pray for our Farmers:** The recent dry, hot weather has posed a serious threat to farmers in our region. Please remember them daily in your prayers, that they will have the moisture and other needed conditions for a successful growing season and harvest.

**Maintenance Position:** St. Peter's is **STILL** looking for a general maintenance person. Knowledge of electrical, plumbing, HVAC and general carpentry preferred. If interested please contact the parish office or a member of the Finance Council.

**Father's Day Outing:** Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Bohemian Valley Sportsman's Club. Serving charcoal chicken. Activities include Music, Horse pull and a Trap Shoot. Raffle a deer rifle and cash prizes.



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