

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!

St. Mary's Annual Craft Show-Crafter Registration Now Open! We are currently accepting crafters for our 20th Annual Craft Show on December 4, 2021 in Coon Valley, WI. Visit our website: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show for registration application and information or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 or email Peters@mwt.net.

Pregnancy Resource Centers: Pro-Woman, Pro-Life If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, there are many pro-life pregnancy care centers around the diocese. For a complete listing, visit diolc.org/respect-life and click on "Pregnancy Help."

Church Rummage Sale: Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Fall Rummage Sale on Friday, September 17, 11 am - 3 pm, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, September 18, 8 - 11 am, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

Join us for Rural Life Day – Sept. 22: The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 40th annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday, September 22, hosted by Carla Kostka and her son, Barry, at their Castle Rock Organic Farms, S12360 Young Road in Osseo. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by their good stewardship of the land. The day begins with 10 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop William Patrick Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by members of St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish. For a flyer or brochure, visit www.diolc.org/rural-life. For more information, contact Deacon Bob Zietlow, Rural Life Committee Liaison, rzietlow@diolc.org.

Oct. 18 Gospel of Life White Mass and Banquet with Bishop Callahan: Join us Monday evening, October 18, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman in La Crosse. The Keynote presenter, John Travaline, MD, an expert in Catholic medical ethics, will speak on: "Seeing Human Dignity Through the Theology of the Body." Schedule: 6:00 pm – White Mass with Bishop Callahan, honoring Catholic healthcare professionals; 7:00 pm – Banquet; 7:45 pm – Presentation; Cost: \$20/person \$10/students. All are welcome! To learn more and to register, visit diolc.org/gospeloflife.

Baptized In Christ

Congratulations to Vienna Faustine Slattery, daughter of Robert & Nicole Slattery baptized on August 22, 2021



Congratulations to Flora Immaculata Menn, daughter of Austin & Mary Menn baptized on August 29, 2021



PASTOR

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS

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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

Melissa Schaub.....Secretary

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PARISH WEBMASTER Christopher Pundzak

SACRISTANS Richard Korish & Austin Menn

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mary Hundt, Coordinator.....(608) 780-6172

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,
Jared Lucey, Don Halderson, David Scharping

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FUNERAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Debra Leis.....(608)632-7830

MUSIC

Terese Slattery, Coordinator.....(608) 486-2605
Leland Gregorich, Organist

**St. Peters Catholic
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Middle Ridge, WI
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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 12, 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

9/15 Wed. 8:00 AM – † Fred Peltz (ANN)

9/17 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Kathy Doyle (ANN)

9/18 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Bobby & Arlene Arentz (DKS)

9/19 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. Peter's Parish Family

54th Annual Sauerkraut Supper

Mark your calendars for Wednesday
October 13, 2021
Serving from 4-8 PM \$14 per carry-out
Watch for a sign up sheet for help coming soon!

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$1,981.00</u>
	\$281.00
Year to Date Target -	\$17,000.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$12,808.99</u>
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Readings for September 19, 2021

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12-20
Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3
Gospel Reading: Mark 9:30-37

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.

Ministry Servers

Saturday September 18 -
Servers: Rebecca Schaub & Isabell Korn
Ushers: Tom Schaub & Phil Gronemus
Lector: Melissa Schaub

Sunday September 19 -
Servers: Kate & Madi Gronemus
Ushers: Gary Gronemus & Mark Stephenson
Lector: John Hundt

***Reminder* We understand everybody's schedules get busy. If you are not able to make it on a day you are scheduled PLEASE make the effort to find a replacement or at least let somebody know ahead of time!!**

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

Tues. Sept. 14 – Parish Advisory meeting @ 6:30PM
Wed. Sept. 15 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM
Sun. Sept. 19 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM
Sun. Sept. 19 – 10 AM Mass for CCD students
Tues. Sept. 21 – Parish Corp. meeting @ 10:20AM
Wed. Sept. 22 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM
Sun. Sept. 26 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM
Mon. Oct. 11-Tues. Oct. 12 – Fr. Biju gone to Fall Ministry Conference
Wed. Oct. 13 – Sauerkraut Supper 4-8 PM
Tues. Oct. 19 – Cemetery Committee mtg @ 7:30PM
Thurs. Oct. 21 – Finance Council meeting @ 7:30PM



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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend we hear how Peter declares that Jesus is the Christ. Soon after that Jesus teaches that those who would follow him must take up his or her cross. Peter had expectations about what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We, too, have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter, however, we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more that we can ever imagine.

This weekend we mark the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on our country. Twenty years ago, the lives of many of us were changed when on Tuesday, September 11, 2001 at 9:59 am South Tower of the World Trade Center collapsed and events which later followed not only in New York but other parts of the country as well. For some it was the heart wrenching loss of someone close, or a friend or co-worker. For some it was the beginning of living in fear and distrust. For some it was being thrust into war and violence. For some it has been a time of growth in faith and reaching out to others who may hold beliefs different than ours. As we pray for those who lost their lives, I invite you to pray for First Responders (firefighters, EMT's, police, military and others). As we recall the terrible events of September 11, 2001, may each of us who profess our faith in Jesus resolve to do all we can to promote peace and understanding in our part of the world.

Sep 14th is the feast of the exaltation of the Holy Cross. After ending Christian persecutions in 313, Constantine sent his mother, Helena, to the Holy Land where her team is said to have unearthed Christ's tomb. Here, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was built. Excavations also reportedly unearthed the three crosses of Mount Calvary, the wood of the "True Cross" being the instrument of Jesus' Crucifixion and associated with miraculous healings. We have another important feast on Sep 15th the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. Under the title Our Lady of Sorrows, Mary is the first witness of the church and stood with Jesus through his pain and glory—his life, death, and Resurrection. Happy feast to everyone.

Please keep the CCD students and teachers in your thoughts as they begin their academic year.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju

Parish News

Sauerkraut Supper: Our annual dinner is BACK but still with a few changes. This event will include our full menu but will be for carry out/drive thru only. Mark your calendars for October 13th. Serving will begin at 4 pm and will go until 8 pm or we run out. The price will be \$14. Raw kraut will be available again too. Raffle tickets are available now in the back of church. **HELP SAVE THE PARISH MONEY by picking up yours TODAY!!!**

15th Annual Ridgefest: Celebrate the Ridge History Park on Sunday September 19, 2021 from 11 AM- 4 PM with a classic car, truck & tractor show, live polka music, food & beverages, silent auction & bake sale, Farmers market, horse & wagon rides, Barrel train & kites for the kids and a petting zoo. Bake sale items are needed!! Please bring them the morning of. We will be offering Arlene Schmidt's special Nativity set collection & her Rosary collection. This is a MUST SEE!! Join us for some great fun for the whole family!

The Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph" We are very excited to invite you to join us for the 2021 Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph!" On Saturday, October 23, 2021, we have a seat for you at the table to, not only join us for the day, but to develop friendships with Catholic men from around the Diocese of La Crosse. While this will be a great day for prayer, spiritual nourishment, fellowship, and food, it will also be an opportunity to talk about action steps Catholic men can take in their own parishes and communities to minister to other Catholic men throughout the year. You will hear from nationally known speakers: Jon Leonetti and Monsignor Joseph Hirsch. The day will also include a time of Adoration and opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will end the conference with a Eucharistic procession and Mass with Bishop William Patrick Callahan. And there is more exciting news! Dads, you can bring your high school and college-age sons with you at no extra charge (Free spots are limited)! What a great experience for fathers and sons to have together! We hope you will not only register for this awesome day but spread the word to other Catholic men! To Register, please visit www.menofthecross.org.