

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.

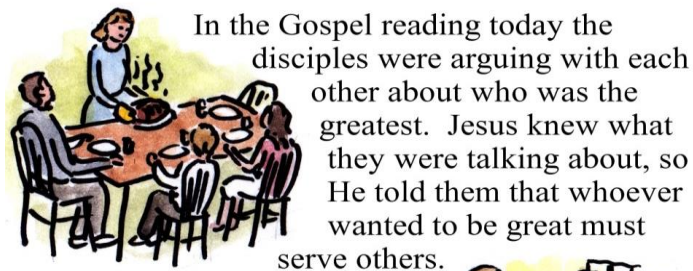
Join us for Rural Life Day – Sept. 22: The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 40th annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday, September 22, hosted by Carla Kostka and her son, Barry, at their Castle Rock Organic Farms, S12360 Young Road in Osseo. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by 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.dioc.org/rural-life. For more information, contact Deacon Bob Zietlow, Rural Life Committee Liaison, rzielow@dioc.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 dioc.org/gospeloflife.

The La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is hosting an amazing Service Commission SHARESHOP! Come on Saturday, October 16, beginning with 8:00am Mass until closing session ending at 3:45 pm. We have two absolutely top speakers, a tour of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, sharing Deanery ministries, Mass, Adoration, a delicious lunch--and time to be together! The day is free, but you are asked to RSVP your lunch count by October 13th to: secretary@ldccw.org or call Candace at 608-647-0400. If you need a hotel, a block of ten rooms have been reserved at the Candlewood Hotel. Call 608-785-1110 by October 7th and ask for an LDCCW room. All details are on our website at ldccw.org. Come for the whole day--you won't want to miss a minute!

Kids Korner

Who is the Greatest?



In the Gospel reading today the disciples were arguing with each other about who was the greatest. Jesus knew what they were talking about, so He told them that whoever wanted to be great must serve others.

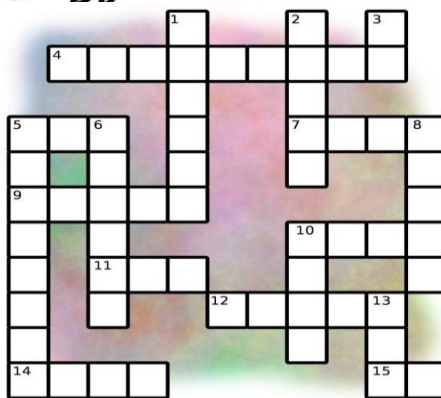
Can you think of anyone who serves you? What about your parents? Priests, teachers and doctors also serve us. How can you serve others?



What would you like to do when you grow up? How will you be able to serve people then?



Psalm 54 Cross-Word



Unscramble the words in today's Psalm to fit them into the puzzle. a=Across d=Down

O God, by your name (ESAV 14a) me, and by your (THGMI 2d) (FENDED 6d) my cause.
 O God, (ERHA 7a) my (YREPRA 1d); hearken (OT 15a) the (DROWS 12a) of my mouth.
 For the haughty have (NERIS 8d) up against (EM 3d), the ruthless seek my (FLEI 10a); they (TES 13d) (NTO 11a) God before their eyes.
 Behold, (DGO 5a) is my helper; the (DOLR 10d) sustains my life.
 Freely will I (EFFOR 9a) you (FICESACIR 4a); I will praise your name, O Lord, for its (NSSEGDOO 5d).



PASTOR

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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 – 3:00 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

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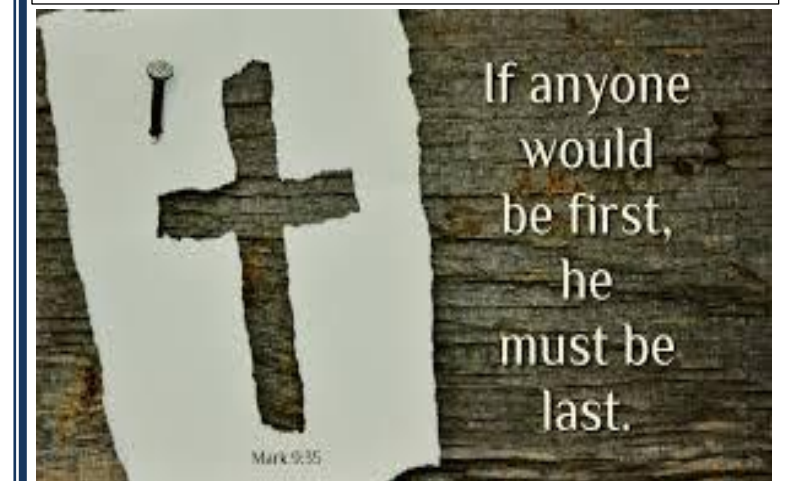
St. Peters Catholic Church
Middle Ridge, WI
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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 19, 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

9/22 Wed. 8:00 AM – † Jim Smith (ANN)

9/24 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Mary Eileen Divine-Meyer & family (PTS)

9/25 Sat. 8:00 PM – Living & deceased members of the Lee family (ML)

9/26 Sun. 10:00 AM – Living & deceased members of the Al Antony family (AA)

New Serving Schedules can be found in the back of church!!

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$969.25</u>
	-\$730.75
Year to Date Target -	\$18,700.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$13,778.24</u>
	-\$4,921.76

Readings for September 26, 2021

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29
Second Reading: James 5:1-6
Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-48

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 25 -

Servers: Andrew & Matthew Schaub
Ushers: Mike Schaub & Don Halderson
Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday September 26 -

Servers: James Hundt & Arnie Nicolai
Ushers: Mark Gronemus & Leo Leis
Lector: Kathy Flock

***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. 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
Wed. Sept. 29 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM
Sun. Oct. 3 - 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

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catechetical Sunday**

September 19th, we celebrate Catechetical Sunday with the entire Church. This week we especially want to recognize our Faith Formation Catechists who begin their mission of teaching. Also, catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all Catholics to rededicate themselves to the mission of handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel as a community of faith. We are all called to help pass on the faith and commit to be life-long learners. I invite you to pray for all the CCD staff. Please take the CCD classes seriously as it is going to have an impact in their personal life and in the life of the church. I would also remind the parents to send your students regularly for the class. Let our children grow up knowing God and church.

In today's gospel, Jesus foretells his imminent suffering, death and resurrection. Unfortunately, instead of reflecting on what Christ was saying, his disciples were busy quarrelling secretly over who was the greatest. Of course, their argument was aimed at the earthly government they imagined that Christ had come to establish. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Jesus then summons the Twelve and teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all. By using a child as an example for us today, Jesus teaches that we have to become like children in order to be great, whereby we are to live our lives in humble service to God and to one another.

Have a great week

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 Ridgifest: 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!

Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale, and Quilt Raffle: Sunday, October 10, 2021, at St. Mary's Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI. Serving from 7:30 a.m. to noon! Ages 11 and up only \$8, Children 6-10 only \$4, and 5 and under Free! Break your fast with us for all you can eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, applesauce, and a beverage; take your chance on a beautiful quilt; and purchase some goodies to take home. Dine in or carry out!

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.