

**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** ~ SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021 ~ Come join the fun and find that one of a kind gift for the Holiday Season from several local vendors and crafters. Open from 8:00 AM-1:30 PM at the Coon Valley Village Hall, 108 Roosevelt St. Concessions available throughout the show. Visit our website: stmarycv.org and click on the Craft Show tab for information, or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 Peters@mwt.net

**St. Joseph Ridge Parish Gun Raffle:**  
Tickets are \$10 each (only 500 will be sold) will be sold after Mass at St. Joseph Ridge Parish or by contacting Fr. Biju or the St. Joseph Ridge Parish Office.  
· 1st Prize: Ruger American Camo 350 Legend  
· 2nd Prize: Weatherby 12 ga, Automatic  
· 3rd Prize: Browning A-Bolt Synthetic 243  
· 4th Prize: Legends LSI Pointers 12 ga. Automatic  
· 5th Prize: Savage Axis XP-243 w/scope  
Drawing will be held at the February Friday Fun Night at St. Joseph Ridge Parish School on February 25, 2021 at 9 PM.  
**Please contact Fr. Biju if you would like tickets.**

**Sunday, December 5, 2021 2:00pm & 5:30pm:** Join us for the annual Aquinas High School Christmas Concert as we kick off the Christmas season in style!

**Cookie Walk & Craft Sale:** Mary, Mother of the Church Parish will be holding their Cookie Walk & Craft Sale on Saturday, December 11, at the Parish Hall located at 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, from 7:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Homemade cookies will be sold by the pound, plus homemade Candies, Breads, Pies, Handcrafted Items and Scrip Gift Cards available for sale. Serving Continental Breakfast and Lunch (homemade soup and chili). Raffles and hourly Door Prizes.

**Advent Retreat:** Unshakeable Joy. Sign up for a free 26-day Advent retreat with Chris Stefanick and Cardinal Cantalamessa. With 26 days of joy-filled videos and daily reflections, made specifically to fit your busy schedule, we know that YOU can unlock the secret to Unshakeable Joy today. Visit [reallifeatholic.com](http://reallifeatholic.com) to register.

**Celebrate the Immaculate Conception & Close of the Year of St. Joseph:** Bishop William Patrick Callahan will preside at the 12:10 pm Mass on Wednesday, December 8, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman to celebrate both the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (a holy day of obligation) and the Close of the Year of St. Joseph. Join us for this special celebration honoring both the Blessed Mother and her spouse, St. Joseph, either in person or via livestream at [diolc.org/live](http://diolc.org/live).

**Kids Korner**

**Christ is the King!**

Every year on the last Sunday before Advent, we celebrate the feast day of Christ the King.

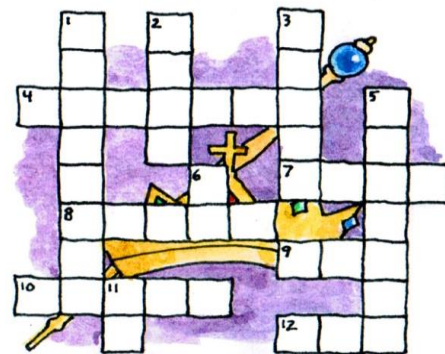
Jesus is a good king who loves His people so much that He died so we could go to Heaven.

What can you do to show Jesus that He is the king of your life? What can you do to show other people that Jesus is your king?

What is something special that you can do today to celebrate the feast of Christ the King?



**Christ the King Crossword**



Revelation 1:5-7

Here is a part of today's second reading. Use the words at the bottom to fill in the blanks and the puzzle.

D=down  
A=across.

(3D) \_\_\_\_\_ Christ is the (1D) \_\_\_\_\_  
(4A) \_\_\_\_\_, the firstborn (11D) \_\_\_\_\_  
the dead and ruler of the (2D) \_\_\_\_\_ s of  
the earth. To (12A) \_\_\_\_\_ who loves us and  
has (8A) \_\_\_\_\_ us from our (7A) \_\_\_\_\_  
by his blood, who has made us into a  
(5D) \_\_\_\_\_, priests for his (9A) \_\_\_\_\_ and  
Father, to him (6D) \_\_\_\_\_ (10A) \_\_\_\_\_  
and power forever and ever. Amen.

**OF GLORY BE HIM WITNESS  
GOD FAITHFUL SINS KING  
FREED KINGDOM JESUS**

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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

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

**CEMETERY SEXTON** Tom Schaub...(608) 486-4012

**FUNERAL COMMITTEE CHAIR**

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

**MUSIC**

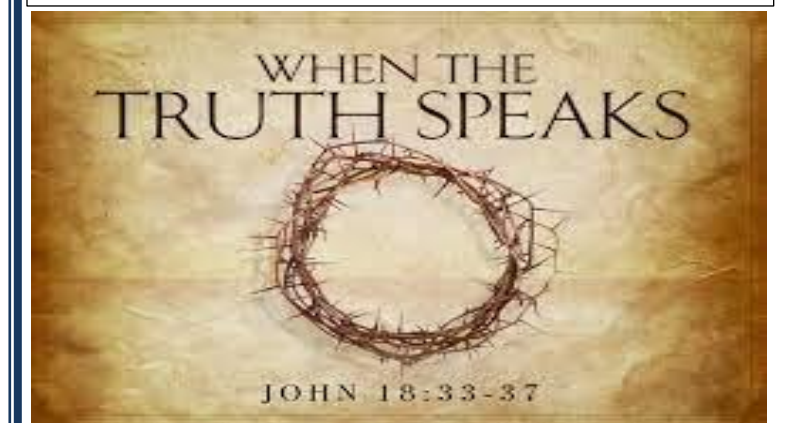
Terese Slattery, Coordinator.....(608) 452-4605  
Leland Gregorich, Organist

**St. Peters Catholic  
Church  
Middle Ridge, WI  
W697 State Hwy 33  
Rockland, WI 54653**



Parish website: [www.saintpetersparish.net](http://www.saintpetersparish.net)

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE  
NOVEMBER 21, 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

11/24 Wed. 8:00 AM –

† Jay & Carol Wolfenden (PTS)

11/26 Fri. 8:00 AM –

† Jerry Hundt (AMH)

11/27 Sat. 8:00 PM –

† Harriet Leis (SSM)

11/28 Sun. 10:00 AM –

† Robert & Dorothy Slattery (PTS)

2021-22 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$10,765.00

Total Pledged: \$2,725.00

Total Received: \$2,175.00

Under Goal: \$8,040.00

**Pray Often & Daily!!!**

Parish Finances

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$1,299.00
	-\$401.00
Year to Date Target -	\$34,000.00
Year to Date Total -	\$24,837.57
	-\$9,162.43

Readings for November 25, 2021 - THANKSGIVING

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 8:55-61

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 1:39-55

**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 November 27 -**

Servers: Andrew & Matthew Schaub

Ushers: Mike Schaub & Tim Leis

Lector: Kristen Schaub

**Sunday November 28 -**

Servers: James Hundt & Lukas Slattery

Ushers: Rob Slattery & Peter Benzing

Lector: Pam Benzing

**\*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

Sun. Nov. 21 - Prayers to Honor the Deceased at the Cemetery after 10 AM mass

Wed. Nov. 24 - No CCD for Grades 7-10

Sun. Nov. 28 - No CCD for Grades 1-6

Wed. Dec. 1 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Sun. Dec. 5 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Sun. Dec. 5 - Rosary in church @ 7:00 PM

Mon. Dec. 6 - PCCW meeting @ 7:30 PM

Tues. Dec. 7 - Parish Advisory Meeting @ 6:30PM

Wed. Dec. 8 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Fri. Dec. 10 - Parish Office Closed

Mon. Dec. 13 - Parish Finance Meeting @7:30 PM

Sun. Dec. 19 - Christmas Decorating after mass

Wed. Dec. 22 - Reconciliation @ 6 PM until finished



St. Joseph's Ridge Mass Times

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

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

Confession time available after Mass

Monday .....5:30pm

Tuesday..... 5:30pm

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)

Thursday.....8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe & Thanksgiving Day**

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The feast of "Christ the King" was first established in 1925, and Pope Saint Paul VI expanded its name to "King of the Universe" in 1969. At his trial, Pilate could not help but exclaim, "Are you a King, then?" (John 18:37...). In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. Most of us do not have direct experience with kings or royalty, we have a sense of who they are. We know that royalty have sovereignty over their kingdoms. We know that those who are subjects to royalty offer them allegiance and honor. To understand how Christ is our king, we extend and magnify what we know to be true of the best of human royalty. Christ's kingship extends to all places, all people, and all times. It is eternal. Christ manifests his kingship through his death on the cross in which he offered salvation to everyone. Those who can see with eyes of faith recognize Jesus to be our heavenly king.

On Thursday this week, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. There are a lot of reasons for being thankful. The Thanksgiving feast should remind ourselves of the beauty of our lives, our faith, family, friends, country peace and prosperity. At the same time do not forget the elderly and the less privileged. There are many who find the day of thanksgiving another day of struggle and sighs. In our busy moments of life let's not forget them. If you are traveling during the holiday weekend, may you have a safe and pleasant journey. As you travel, share a smile or warm greeting with others to share the holiday spirit.

I am sure that you have heard about the death of Stanley Bernard Hundt. His funeral was on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2021. He died on November 14, 2021, one day after his 85th birthday. His family is dear to both our parishes. Prayers for them and may his soul rest in peace.

Have a good weekend. Long live Christ the King (Viva Christ the King)

Fr Biju

Parish News

**Serving Schedules:** Please find the new schedules in the back of church. Note the mass times for Christmas & New Years as they are different from previous years.

**To Honor the Deceased:** We have the "Book of the Names of the Dead" set out for anyone to add names to. The Catholic Book of the Dead looks at the heritage of the final journey in the joyful light of the Resurrection. Through the intercession of Mary, the angels and saints, we come to realize that death is the beginning, not the end of life. Please pray for those written amongst its pages! **Perpetual Care:** On November 21<sup>st</sup> after mass there will be a special prayer service in the cemetery to honor those who have passed before us. There will also be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection at the masses that weekend to go towards the care of our cemetery.

**PCCW Meeting:** There will be a meeting on Monday December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend.

**Diocesan Annual Appeal:** Watch for updates in the box below the mass intentions. Our goal for the Annual Appeal this year is **\$10,765.00**. Please prayerfully consider donating.

**Giving Opportunity:** Our current Holy Water tank is nearing the end of its usefulness due to corrosion. We have chosen a new one at the cost of \$895.00. If you would like to donate towards the new tank you can place your donation in a marked envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Are you celebrating your 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2022??** If you have reached this milestone of marital bliss please contact the parish office by December 31<sup>st</sup>. There are special things being planned for you!

**New Comic Book on the "Champion of the Poor":** A new action-packed, full-color comic book biography tells the inspiring life story of Father Joe Walijewski, priest of the Diocese of La Crosse and founder of the Casa Hogar orphanage in Peru. From his days as an impressionable young boy in Michigan, where he discovered a unique call to the priesthood, to his daring adventures as a missionary in South America, readers are immersed into the heroic actions of a courageous Champion of the Poor. Parishes and individuals are invited to pre-order now to receive the comic book in time to be a Christmas gift. To see sample pages and to pre-order, visit: [voyagecomics.com/fatherjoe](http://voyagecomics.com/fatherjoe)