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)

The St. Anthony Retreat Center will have a Lenten Weekend Retreat and Lenten Day of Prayer coming up, as well as a Men's Retreat. The Time to Heal retreat is finally happening this Spring. For those who have lost a loved one from suicide or lost a spouse, this can a very healing experience. See information in the back of church on the bulletin board.

100% Catholic, 100% Boys, 100% Boarding: St. Lawrence Seminary High School is an affordable, all-boys, Catholic residential high school focused on college prep and spiritual depth. Located in Mt Calvary, WI since 1860, SLS students live, learn, work and pray together. Come explore this vibrant high school experience where 150 students from around the globe prepare for life after high school! Visit March 18-19, April 1-2, or April 8-9. Call (920) 753-7570 or visit www.stlawrence.edu

Going Deeper in Prayer during Lent: Lent is a time to set aside more time for daily prayer. If you are interested in: ● praying with a different Scripture each day for a few minutes, or ● praying a decade of the Rosary each day with a very brief explanation of the mystery of Christ's life, or ● understanding better a well-known prayer to make it more personal, visit diolc.org/deeper and choose one.

<u>Cub & Boy Scout Religious Emblems</u>: All Cub Scout & Boy Scout religious emblem applications need to be submitted by April 1^{st.}. Please send to the Boy Scout Catholic Committee chair at: W4894 N Kinney Coulee Rd., Onalaska, 54650, any questions please email to catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com.

Aquinas Catholic Schools: Support the Blugolds by either attending the in-person event at Aquinas beginning at 5:30 p.m. OR participating in the online silent auction. We are selling 150 Golden Tickets again at \$100 each. One winner will be selected on April 2nd & will pick his or her top choice of 15 designated live auction items. Contact aquinas.bc@gmail.com to buy a ticket. There are only a few left! Beer, wine, soda, and water provided along with light appetizers.

Attention Farmers: Project Seed Sales 2022 coming in March and April, A Forage & Seed Corn sale supported by the Diocesan Rural Life Committee, offering high quality, low cost seed in the midst of a challenging economy. Seed corn is offered in both conventional and glyphosate tolerant varieties. There will be alfalfa and clover ready for sale and non-GMO seed can be ordered. Comparable yields make this seed an attractive alternative. Sale dates and locations: March 12 in Richland Center; March 19 in Stanley; March 26 in Colby; April 2 in Cassel; all Kendall area sales will be directed to Richland Center. Full details can be found at www.diolc.org/social-concerns/rural-life/project-seed/.

Kids Korner Looking at Jesus

In today's Gospel reading Jesus took three of His apostles up a mountain where they saw Him shining like the sun and talking with Moses and

Elijah. They were talking about how Jesus was going to go to Jerusalem and be killed. The apostles were amazed and confused.

Jesus let the apostles see Him in glory to help them to understand

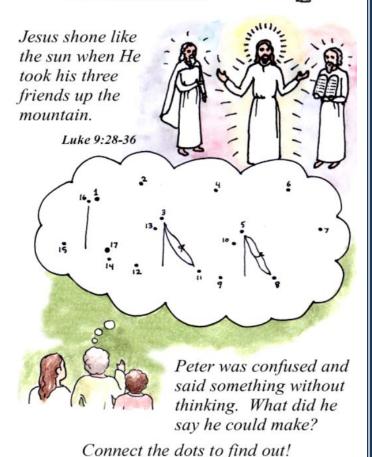
why He had to suffer and die. We won't see Jesus in His glory until we see Him in Heaven, but it is good for us to think about the things that He and Moses and Elijah were talking about.

Look at a crucifix or picture of Jesus on the cross every day. Think about how much He loves you, and think about how you act toward Him.

What can you do to love Him better? Lent is a good time to try to find ways to love Jesus more.

L.E. 2.F 3.D 4.C 5.B 6.A

www.thekidsbulletin.com



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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

 ${\it Melissa~Schaub.......Secretary/Bookkeeper}$

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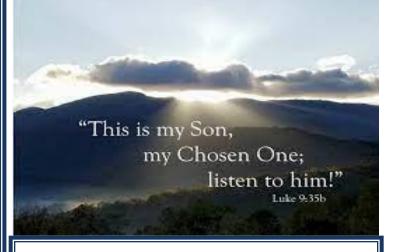
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St. Peters Catholic Church Middle Ridge, WI W697 State Hwy 33 Rockland, WI 54653



Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 13, 2022



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

<u>3/16 Wed. 8:00 AM</u> – † Fred Peltz (ANN)

<u>3/18 Fri. 8:00 AM</u> – † Levina Hauser (TMN)

<u>3/19 Sat. 8:00 PM</u> – † Roman Kotek (RK)

3/20 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. Peters Parish Family

2021-22 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$10,765.00

Total Pledged: \$6,980.00

Total Received: \$6,860.00

Under Goal: \$3,785.00

Participation: 64%

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

 Weekly Target \$1,700.00

 Last Week's Total \$1,967.75

\$267.75

Year to Date Target - \$61,200.00 Year to Date Total - \$52,623.30

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Readings for March 20, 2022

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-15
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-12
Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9

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 March 19 -

Servers: Rebecca Schaub & Isabell Korn

<u>Ushers</u>: Bill Korn & Ron Hurtz

Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday March 20 -

Servers: Kate & Madi Gronemus

<u>Ushers</u>: Gary Gronemus & Mark Stephenson

Lector: Ann 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

Wed. March 16 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM
Wed. March 16 - Stations of the Cross @ 7:30 PM
Sun. March 20 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 -9:45 AM
Tues. March 22 - Parish Council meeting @ 7:00 PM
Wed. March 23 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM
Wed. March 23 - Stations of the Cross @ 7:30 PM
Sun. March 27 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45- 9:45 AM
Tues. March 29 - Cemetery Comm mtg @ 7:30 PM
Wed. March 30 - Stations of the Cross @ 7:30 PM
Tues. April 5 - Finance Council meeting @ 6:45 PM
Sun. April 3 - Rosary in church @ 7:00 PM
Wed. April 13 - Confessions at 6 PM until done
(Two priests available)



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

Monday5:30pm

Tuesday......5:30pm

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)

Thursday.....8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 9:28b-36

On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. When it took place Peter, John, and James were so weighed down with sleep. The three disciples struggled between sleep and wakefulness. While Jesus was praying "the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white." Moses and Elijah were also there talking with Jesus. "Since they had stayed awake" they saw Jesus' glory.

The spiritual journey is always a battle between falling asleep and staying awake, between absence and presence, between darkness and light. Sleepiness is not simply a physical matter; it is a spiritual issue and condition too. Spiritual sleep is a form of blindness. It blinds us to the beauty and holiness of God's presence and the goodness. Peter, John, and James experienced the transfiguration of Christ because they stayed awake despite the weight of sleep. They saw the light of divinity fully manifest in a human being. Therefore, Stay Awake!

As we continue our Lenten journey and Jesus continues his own journey towards Jerusalem remember that the Fridays of Lent are days of penance, characterized by abstinence from eating meat at least by those who are 14 and older. Also, on Wednesdays I encourage families to come to the Stations of the Cross at 7 at St. Joseph and 7:30 at St Peter. Through it we relive the Via Dolorosa (Sorrowful Street) with Christ. Guided by passages from the scriptures and prayers from the liturgy, we are able to meditate upon our Lord's suffering for the sake of our redemption. This is one of the ways by which we can participate in Lent focused on Jesus. Last week we offered it for peace in the Ukraine.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju

Parish News

<u>Cabin Feverfest</u>: Thank you all who helped make our euchre tournament & luncheon a great success by donating food and their time! We had 11 tables and made just over \$400. Everyone had a great time!

<u>First Sunday Rosary</u>: We will be praying the rosary on the first Sunday of each month in church at 7:00 PM. The next one will be **April 3rd**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

<u>Diocesan Annual Appeal</u>: There is still time to get your pledge in. We are currently \$3,785 short of our goal. If you need a new form please contact the parish office.

Sign Up for FREE Daily Lenten Reflections: Chris Stefanick – Real Life Catholic: reallifecatholic.com

Bishop Robert Barron – Word on Fire: wordonfire.clickfunnels.com/lent-english

Matthew Kelly – Dynamic Catholic: dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html

Fr. Mike Schmitz – a 7-minute podcast each day: media.ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-presents/fr-mike-schmitz For other Lenten Resources, visit diolc.org/catechesis/catechist-training-resources-forteaching/lent-resources

Diocese Of La Crosse Guidelines For Reporting Instances Of Child Abuse: The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.