# **Diocesan and Community News**

<u>Supporting your Church:</u> 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)

**Spring Luncheon:** Please join us for lunch on April 30<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM – 1 PM at St. Mary Parish, 900 Central Ave, Coon Valley. Only \$7 per person. There will be door prizes and a music presentation on an Autoharp starting at 11:45 AM. Open to the general public, bring your friends and family!

**Chicken Q:** Mary, Mother of the Church Parish, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Chicken-Que on Thursday, May 12, from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery only. The price is \$12 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For presale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries, call (608) 518-6145. No minimum order and no delivery charge. Enter at Weston Street driveway.

**Rummage Sale:** Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Spring Rummage Sale on Friday, April 29, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, April 30, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

From Fr. Joe Walijewski Legacy Guild/Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II: Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II orphanage in Lurin, Peru, a mission of the Diocese of La Crosse, is looking for volunteers 20 years and older for 3 to 12 month periods. Volunteers take on a variety of tasks which vary according to the duration of stay and the volunteer's interests and capabilities. Needs range from education or tutoring, nursing assistance, administrative tasks or manual labor (painting, gardening, cleaning, etc.). Duties vary, but all volunteers will work directly with the children and families. Due to volunteer restrictions regarding the number of volunteers we can accept at one time, all long-term volunteers are chosen following an application process. Additional information is available at homeajpm.org/volunteer or email Noel Furger at <u>nfurger@frjoesguild.org</u>

**Mayoral Prayer Breakfast:** The Coulee Region Prayer Consortium is once again sponsoring the Annual Mayoral Prayer Breakfast, a beautiful interfaith prayer initiative which coincides with the National Day of Prayer. The focus is on prayer for our elected officials, educators, emergency responders, military personnel and area business and professional leaders. It includes a meal, special prayers and a speaker. This year's keynote will be delivered by Tom Thibodeau, professor and founder of the M.A. in Servant Leadership at Viterbo University. The Mayoral Prayer Breakfast will be held at the Waterfront Cargill Room from 7:29-8:45 a.m. on Thursday, May 5 and is open to the public. Tickets (\$15) are available at Living Word Christian Church in La Crosse or online at www.crprayer.org. <u>Sesus is Risen!</u> <u>Alleluia!</u>

Today we celebrate the greatest feast day in the year! Jesus has come back to life! Alleluia!

Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday to take away our sins. But He didn't just die- He came back to life again so that we could come back to life one day too.

The Apostles were afraid when Jesus was killed. They were very sad and tried to comfort each other. Imagine their surprise when Mary Magdalene came rushing in and told

them that the body of Jesus was gone from the tomb! Peter and John ran to see. When they saw the empty tomb they knew what had happened.

Jesus had come



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DEANGELSADEY EARLY in the MORNING, while it was still DARK, Mary MAGDALENE had gone to see JESUS' TOMB. But when she got there she found it EMPTY! She ran and got SIMON PETER and the other DISCIPLE to show them. The STONE had been rolled back. The two men went in and saw that the BODY was gone, and only the BURIAL CLOTHS were sitting there. They BELIEVED although they didn't yet understand what the SCRIPTURE said about the RESURRECTION of Jesus. Mary stayed WEEPING outside, but when as she stood LOOKING in, she saw two ANGELS. Then she saw a man in the GARDEN. She thought He was the gardener until He said, "MARY!" Then she knew who it was:

# PASTOR

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### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	
Sunday	10:00 AM

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday a	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 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
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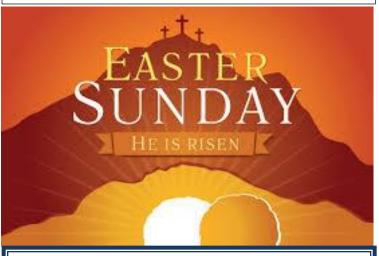
#### MUSIC

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: <u>www.saintpetersparish.net</u> EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, 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**

4/20 Wed. 8:00 AM - + Kate & Bernard Hundt (SAH) 4/22 Fri. 8:00 AM – + Joyce DeFlorian **(DF)** 4/23 Sat. 8:00 PM - + Roman Kotek (**RK**) 4/24 Sun. 10:00 AM -+ Stanley B Hundt (AH)

# 2021-22 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$10,765.00 Total Pledged: \$7,330.00 Total Received: \$7,250.00 Under Goal: \$3,435.00 Participation: 68%

# Pray Often & Daily!!!

# **Parish Finances**

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$2,167.00
	\$467.00
Year to Date Target -	\$69,700.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$65,819.75</u>
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# Readings for April 24, 2022

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16 Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-19 Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

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 April 23 – 8:00 PM Servers: Rebecca Schaub & Isabell Korn Ushers: Tim Leis & Phil Gronemus Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday April 24 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Madi & Lily Gronemus Ushers: Gary Gronemus & Peter Benzing Lector: Kathy Flock

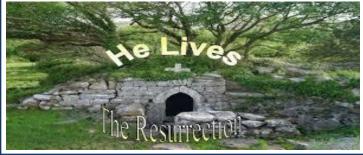
\*Reminder\* We understand everybody's schedules get busy. If you are not able to make it on a day you are scheduled PLEASE make the effort to find a replacement or at least let somebody know ahead of time!!

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

# **Parish Calendar of Events**

Wed. April 20 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM Sun. April 24 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45- 9:45 AM Wed. April 27 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM Sun. May 1 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45- 9:45 AM <u>Sun. May 1</u> – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM Sun. May 1 – First Holy Communion @ 10 AM mass Wed. May 4 - Confirmation at the Cathedral



# St. Joseph's Ridge Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.		
8:30am		
Confession time available after Mass		
5:30pm		
5:30pm		
(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)		
8:30am		

# From the Pastor's Pen

"Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!"(from The Easter Proclamation). After forty days of prayer and sacrifice we have arrived at the great feast of Easter. I want to wish all our parishioners and their families a blessed Easter as we celebrate the Risen Christ.

In the opening line of the gospel passage for Mass on Easter Sunday, we are told: "On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark." Can you imagine what was darting through the mind of this brave follower of Jesus on that somber, loveless morning? Her mind must have been filled with conflicting memories. There were cherished images of Jesus bringing life and hope to so many people whom he encountered, including her. But these memories were crisscrossed by the nightmarish images of Calvary: the deafening shouts of the crowds and the horrific sounds of hammers driving nails into wood. The dramatic events of Calvary had taken from her the one she had come to love and to follow. The darkness of that early morning hour reflected the darkness that enveloped her heart.

She and the other disciples discover, however, that Jesus is no longer a prisoner of the tomb. At first, she does not fully understand the wondrous event that has taken place. So, she goes to share her news with Peter and the Beloved Disciple. The gospel tells us that the Beloved Disciple came, saw the empty tomb, and believed. Easter assures us that God's signature activity is to bring life out of death. Death in its varied forms.

Wishing you Happy Easter!

Easter Flowers: Anyone who would like to donate towards our Easter flowers can do so by placing their donation in a marked envelope and dropping it in the collection basket.

First Sunday Rosary: We will be praying the rosary on the first Sunday of each month in church at 7:30 PM (please note time change). The next one will be **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

First Holy Communion on May 1<sup>st</sup> & Confirmation on May 4<sup>th</sup>: Please pray for these students who will be receiving Sacraments: 1<sup>st</sup> Communion - Abigail Gilbertson, Allis Gronemus, Evelyn Klinkner, Brielle Lundeen, Brooklyn Lundeen, Edison MIsna, Max Slattery & Rylee Senzing (St. Joe's). Confirmation – Connor Butzler, Kate Gronemus, Anna Hundt, Natalie Kadrmas, Ethan Klinkner, Jake Wall & Brandon Gilbertson. May God guide them in their journey!

**Divine Mercy Sunday - April 24:** The Deanery of the La Crosse Diocese has chosen the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. You are invited to make a pilgrimage for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 24. The schedule for the day is as follows: 9:30 AM Latin Mass, 11:00 AM Spanish Mass, 1:00 PM English Mass, 2:30 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2:45 PM Divine Mercy Reflection by Cardinal Burke followed by a Family Consecration to the Divine Mercy, 3:00 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy led by Cardinal Burke, 3:15 PM Benediction, 3:30 PM Blessing with first-class relic of St. Faustina. Confessions will be heard in English and Spanish from 9:15 AM - 3:30 PM. Cart shuttles will be available for pilgrims from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. For more information, please call the Shrine at (877) 799-4059. "On that day (Divine Mercy Sunday), the very depths of My tender mercy are open. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." - Diary of St. Faustina #699

Padre Jose Polish Party - Celebrating Father Joseph Walijewski: Join us on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Memories Ballroom, 142475 County Road NN, Marathon City. Come and enjoy a family-friendly dinner and dance celebrating Father Joseph Walijewski, his Polish heritage, and the legacy he left for us through the good works he did as a priest in South America and the Diocese of La Crosse. Enjoy the authentic polish dinner followed by live polka music presented by Rhythm Playboys Trio. There will be many raffle baskets which are sure to have something for everyone. \$30 adult; \$10 6-12 year olds; Free 5 and under, \$10 dance only begins at 6:00 pm. Purchase advance tickets at: homeajpm.org/events . For questions or to register by phone, please call Noel Furger at 715-297-5139.

# **Happy Easter**

God bless, Fr Biju

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