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)

Spring Luncheon: Please join us for lunch on April 30th 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.

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.

Padre Jose Polish Party - Celebrating Father Joseph Walijewski: Join us on Saturday, May 14th – 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.

Kids Korner



Divine Mercy

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession- now a priest could take God's place to hear our sins and tell us that we are forgiven.

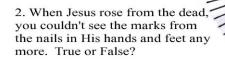
Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you when you are sorry- remember, Jesus died on the cross so that you would be able to go to Heaven!

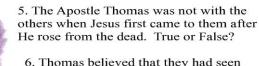


True or False: When Jesus Came to the Apostles

1. When Jesus first came to the Apostles after His resurrection, He said "Peace be with you" twice. True or False?



- 3. The Apostles panicked and ran away when they saw Jesus because they thought he was a ghost. True or False?
- 4. Jesus breathed on the Apostles and told them that they now had the power to forgive people's sins. True or False?



- 6. Thomas believed that they had seen Jesus, so he wasn't surprised when Jesus came again a week later. True or False?
- 7. Jesus told Thomas to put his fingers in the nail-holes in His hands and put his hand in Jesus' side where the spear had gone in. True or False?

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

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Leo Leis (Chairman), Mark Gronemus, Jared Lucey, Don Halderson, David Scharping

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

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

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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>
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 24, 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

4/27 Wed. 8:00 AM - † Levina Hauser (TMN)

4/29 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Vince Sweeney (SAH)

4/30 Sat. 8:00 PM - † Dave Cummings (AMM)

5/1 Sun. 10:00 AM – St Peters Parish Family, the 1st Communicants and **Confirmands**

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 -\$3,769.00

\$2,069.00

Year to Date Target -\$71,400.00 Year to Date Total -\$69,786.75

-\$1,613.25

Readings for May 1, 2022

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14 Gospel Reading: John 21:1-19

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 30 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Andrew & Matthew Schaub Ushers: Mike Schaub & volunteer

Lector: Kristen Schaub

Sunday May 1 – 10:00 AM

Servers: James Hundt & Arnie Nicolai Ushers: Mark Stephenson & Leo Leis

Lector: Ann Hundt

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

Wed. April 27 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

April 27 & 29 - Parish Office Closed

Sun. May 1 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45- 9:45 AM

Sun. May 1 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Sun. May 1 - First Holy Communion @ 10 AM mass

Wed. May 4 - Confirmation at the Cathedral

Tues. May 17 - Finance Council meeting @ 6:45 PM

Thank you to the wonderful people who took time out of their lives to teach our children as CCD instructors: Duane & Abigail (Schaub) Leis, Erin & Michael Klinkner. Carol Gronemus. Kristen & Rebecca Schaub, Laura & Mark Nicolai, LaVonne & Michael Hundt & Sarah (Hundt) Gronemus. Special thanks to Mary Hundt, our DRE.



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 Tuesday...... 5:30pm (Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm) Thursday......8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

Divine Mercy Sunday

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. It was instituted by Pope St. John Paul II "a great apostle of Divine Mercy." St. John Paul II died on the vigil of the Divine Mercy Sunday in 2005, was beatified on the Divine Mercy Sunday in 2011 by Pope Benedict XVI and was canonized on the Divine Mercy Sunday in 2014. St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy be observed. One of the instances is mentioned here: My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. ... Let no soul fear to draw near to Me. ... It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter.

On this feast day the Lord reminds us that we are also called to be merciful if we expect to receive His mercy. Therefore, He told Faustina, "I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor: the first by deed, the second by word, and the third by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. By this means a soul glorifies and pays reverence to My mercy." (Diary 742). I wish you all happy feast of Divine Mercy. The Deanery of the La Crosse Diocese has chosen the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday.

As I conclude, I would like to thank all those people who helped during the liturgical celebration on Palm Sunday and Easter Triduum. I thank the people who decorated the church, the choir, sacristans, lectors, ushers and extraordinary ministers of communion for their efforts to make the celebration of Easter beautiful.

Happy Easter

Live Jesus, Fr. Biju, MSFS

Parish News

Easter Flowers: Thank you to those who have donated towards our beautiful flowers.

The Halderson family

From Ann Hundt

From Lavina Flock

In memory of Bobby & Arlene Arentz

- The Lucey family

- In memory of Jacob Gronemus

- From Marge Lee

- In memory of Jacob Gronemus & deceased family

In memory of our grandparents, children, grandchildren, brothers & sister who have gone before us

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 1st. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

First Holy Communion on May 1st & Confirmation on May 4th: Please pray for these students who will be receiving Sacraments: 1st Communion - Abigail Gilbertson, Allis Gronemus, Evelyn Klinkner, Brielle Lundeen, Brooklyn Lundeen, Edison Mlsna, 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.

NOTE: When sending money for flowers, mass intentions, church support or special collections PLEASE make out separate checks or cash as these things go into different accounts and it is easier for bookkeeping purposes. Thank you.