

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)

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: As we approach the midterm elections, it is appropriate to share once again some resources for forming a Catholic conscience for faithful citizenship. These can be found at diolc.org/faithful-citizenship.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser and Bake Sale: Sunday, October 9, 2022, at St. Mary's Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI Serving from 7:30 a.m. to noon! Adults \$10, Children 6-12 only \$5, and 5 and under Free! Break your fast with us for all you can eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, applesauce, and a beverage; then purchase some goodies from the bake sale to take home. Dine in or carry out!

Boy Scouts: Catholic Scout Religious Emblems, All Scouts ages 6-21 now is the time to start! All applications will need to be turned in by Jan 15th as all Awards will be handed out in February at the Scout Sunday / Scout Recognition Mass for each council. Boy Scouts interested in earning their Religious Emblems: Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII if your unit does not offer classes and you want information on classes please contact Cindy at catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com. or call 608-783-4911.

Holy day of Prayer & Meditation: The La Crosse Diocesan Women invite you for a holy day of prayer and meditation at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday October 29th from 9 am- 5 pm. This event includes lunch and is free to the first 200 women who RSVP. Please contact Candace McGrath at candymcgrath@yahoo.com for more information or see the flier in the back of church on the announcement board.

Help Needed: Are you looking for a way to live your faith through service? Then become a volunteer or employee with Catholic Charities of the La Crosse Diocese! We are currently looking for volunteers to help in our La Crosse Warming Center this season. Take a look at the Volunteer website at: <https://cclse.org/volunteer-opportunities/> for information on how to get signed up! We also have excellent career opportunities! Check out the employment page at: <https://cclse.org/employment-opportunities/>.

Gospel of Life White Mass and Banquet with Bishop Callahan: Join us Tuesday evening, Oct. 18, at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. The keynote presenter, Father Paul Check, Executive Director of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, will speak on: "Witnessing to Life, Truth and Love in a Hostile World." Schedule: 6 p.m. – White Mass with Bishop Callahan, honoring Catholic healthcare professionals; 7 p.m. – Banquet; 7:45 p.m. – Presentation. \$20/person, \$10/students, teachers & school administrators. For more information and to register, visit diolc.org/gospel-of-life.

Kids Korner

thankfulness

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus cured ten lepers. Leprosy is a horrible disease that eats away at a person's body until they die. It was pretty amazing for those people when Jesus just told them to go and show themselves to the priests and they realized that they were cured!



But then something interesting happened. Only one of the ten who had been cured came back to say 'Thank you' to Jesus. Do you think that the other nine were not happy that they were better? Why do you think they didn't come back to thank Jesus?

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME RECEIVE YOU! Now think about your life. You've probably never had a disease like leprosy, but God has still done amazing things for you. He made you and gave you everything you need to live. He gave you your friends and family, and most especially He gives Himself to us in the Mass and at Holy Communion. Do you remember to say 'Thank you' to God?



Answers to True or False: 1.true 2.false 3.true 4.false 5.false 6.true 7.true

**True or False?
Jesus Cures the Ten Lepers**

How well do you know the story of Jesus and the Lepers?

1. When Jesus was walking to Jerusalem, he met ten lepers. True or false?
2. The lepers came right up to Jesus and touched Him. True or false?
3. Jesus didn't touch them; all He said was, "Go show yourselves to the priests." True or false?
4. Half of the lepers were healed and half weren't. True or false?
5. All of them came back to thank Jesus. True or false?
6. Only one man came back to thank Jesus, and he was a foreigner. True or false?
7. Jesus said, "Your faith has saved you." 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

Melissa Schaub.....Secretary/Bookkeeper

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Bulletin deadline:Wednesday

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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,
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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 9, 2022

The Faithful Leper
Luke 17:11-19



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

10/12 Wed. 8:00 AM – Living & deceased members of the Leonard Nellen family (MLH)

10/14 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Stan Hundt (MLH)

10/15 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Joyce DeFlorian (PPB)

10/16 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. Peters Parish Family

Sauerkraut Supper

Wednesday October 12, 2022

Serving 3:30 – 7:30 PM

Help needed both Tuesday & Wednesday all day!

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$1,819.77</u>
	\$119.77
Year to Date Target -	\$23,800.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$20,883.34</u>
	-\$2,916.66

Readings for October 16, 2022

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Gospel Reading: Luke 18:1-8

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 October 15 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Joshua Peterson & Matthew Schaub

Ushers: Tom Schaub & Mike Schaub

Lector: Melissa Schaub

Sunday October 16 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Lukas & Max Slattery

Ushers: Mark Stephenson & Rob Slattery

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

Tues. Oct. 11 - Supper preparations: Help Needed!!

Wed. Oct. 12 - Grades 7-10 NO CCD Class - Help at Sauerkraut Supper!!

Wed. Oct. 12 - Sauerkraut Supper 3:30 - 7:30 PM: Help Needed ALL DAY!!!

Sun. Oct. 16 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Wed. Oct. 19 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

Sun. Oct. 23 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Tues. Oct. 25 - Parish Finance council mtg @7:30 PM

Fri. Nov. 4 - Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available after mass; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Sun. Nov. 6 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM



***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.

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

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

'As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him'. Luke 17:12. One of the worst feelings a person can have is feeling like an outsider, an outcast, rejected. Whether one is left out of playground games, barred from employment, shunned by certain social circles, or simply rejected by strangers, the feeling is terrible. In the time of Jesus, the status of outsider was imposed on lepers. Leprosy has terrified humanity since ancient times. For many centuries, leprosy was considered a curse of God, often associated with sin. It lingered for years, causing the tissues to degenerate and deforming the body. With no known cure, separation of leprosy patients was the only available way to arrest the spread of the disease. Fortunately, today leprosy is curable.

In two readings of this Sunday, people are cured of their leprosy. Naaman by the prophet Elisha and 10 persons, including a Samaritan, by Jesus. These are restored to physical and communal life- renewed in health and re-established in a society that had kept them at a distance for fear of contagion. In both cases, faith had saved them. Important to note that in each reading there is also response to the healing. Naaman expresses gratitude to Elisha (2 Kings 5:15), and the Samaritan expresses gratitude to Jesus (Lk 17:16).

Life inevitably brings both challenges and opportunities; and joy and disappointment are part of our experiences. No matter what each season brings, we can be grateful. What's our normal response to life's varied moments of life? Is it gratitude? Do we really teach our children how to respond to the ups and downs of life? Naaman and the leper who returned to Jesus saw God's hand in their healing. They were grateful. For what are you grateful? Pause for a moment to reflect on all of the blessings in your life and be grateful. Because God is the source of these many blessings—life, love, gifts, and so much more.

Prayers and blessings to Millie Rose Eirschele, daughter of Cody & Mysterie, as she receives the sacrament of baptism this weekend.

Have a great weekend.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Parish News

Sauerkraut Supper: Our annual fund raiser is THIS WEEK!!!! **There is much help needed!** We need volunteers all day Tuesday and Wednesday, come for as long or as little as you can. Students, this is a great way to do community service!

Catholic Women's Book Club: There is still time to get involved. Please call or text Rachel Persson at 608-386-9543 for more information.

October is the month of the Rosary: The victory of the Battle of Lepanto is the reason that Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on Oct. 7 and the whole month is dedicated to the Rosary. After the Turks of the Ottoman Empire had conquered the Middle East, killing millions and forcing Islamic conversions, Pope Pius V called on religious communities and the laity of Europe to join him in praying the Rosary for protection through the intercession of the Blessed Mother. The Catholic League headed into battle against the Turks to save Italy, even though they were vastly outnumbered. Miraculously, the Catholic League were victorious after a daylong battle known as the Battle of Lepanto. In thanksgiving for answered prayers and even miracles through praying the Rosary, let us turn to Our Blessed Mother with our intentions and pray at least a decade of the Rosary each day in October.

First Sunday Rosary: We pray the rosary on the first Sunday of each month in church at **7:30 PM**. The next one will be **November 6th**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

Anointing of the Sick: Fr. Biju will be available to perform this Sacrament on the first Friday of the month after daily mass. Please contact him directly if you or a family member would like to receive. **This is available Friday November 4th**.

Remembering the Lost: October is infant and miscarriage awareness month. We would like to add the names of children to the intentions at the last mass of October for families in our parish who have lost babies. If you would like to submit names of babies who passed before or shortly after birth so that we can pray for them please send a note or email to the parish office.