Diocesan and Community News

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.

Crafter Registration Open: St. Mary's Parish is now registering Crafters for their Annual Craft Show held on December 3, 2022 at the Coon Valley Village Hall. Visit our website for registration information at: www.stmarycv.org/craft-show or call the coordinator Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 or the parish office at 608-452-3841.

Cookie Walk & Bake Sale: Mary, Mother of the Church Parish will be holding their Cookie Walk & Craft Sale on Saturday, December 10, 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.

Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025: Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from, or lack understanding of, the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: His Real Presence in the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year movement in the United States, sponsored by the U.S. Bishops, to restore and deepen understanding and devotion to this great mystery. You are encouraged to participate in this important Eucharistic Revival. Visit: eucharisticrevival.org.

God created you to be His beloved son or daughter so that you may spend eternity with Him. God is our Creator, and He only wants what is best for us. We must remember! It is our choice: we want to knowingly be open and receive God's love; or we can refuse it. God gives us this freedom to choose Him. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: God, help me not to prefer anything more than You, nor to substitute anything for You. Thank You for the grace that will always strengthen me to choose You above everything.

Young women, is He calling you? Beginning on the Feast of Our Lady's Presentation in the Temple, Nov. 21, "Stay with Us" is a 5 to 12 day opportunity offered to single women who wish help in discerning a vocation to religious life. "Stay with Us" is offered Monday, Nov. 21 to Friday, Nov. 25, 2022 or Monday, Nov. 21 to Friday, Dec. 2 on the Merciful Heart of Jesus Farm, Marshfield. For more information, contact Mother Mary Veronica at 715-451-2395 or at franciscancongofdivinemercy@gmail.com.

Bambino Jesù ("Baby Jesus") Christmas Collection for Ukraine: As we approach the Advent and Christmas season, Valentyna Pavsyukova is organizing a diocese-wide charitable collection for the suffering children, women, and men of Ukraine. To learn what is needed, how you can give, and to find a parish or school collection site near you, visit diolc.org/Chalice-of-Mercy. To make a much-needed financial donation, visit chaliceofmercy.org/donate

Kids Korner

God is With Us to the End



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Jesus tells the people in today's Gospel reading some of the things that will happen before the end of the world. He says that some people will be arrested and have to speak about Him in front of the leaders and rulers of the people, but He will protect them.

Jesus doesn't want us to worry about what is going to happen at the end of the world, but He wants us to be ready for it when it comes. He also wants us to be ready for the end of our lives, because we don't know when that's going to happen either. GOD WILL Look



Do you find it kind of scary thinking about the

end of the world or dving? JESUS, I KNOW 3 Well, you don't need to be ARE WITH 2 afraid about it! Jesus will ME. I give us all the strength we need for whatever happens. All we have to do is trust in Him!



In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the people some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world. You'll find them as you go through the maze!

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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 Office Phone: (608) 486-2180 Home Phone: (608) 486-4012 Bulletin deadline:Wednesday Email: stpetersrectory@centurytel.net Fax: (608) 486-2181

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

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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 13, 2022

> For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and. "The time is at hand! Do not go after them.

oke 21:8

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

11/16 Wed. 8:00 AM – † Kathy Doyle (ANN) <u>11/18 Fri. 8:00 AM</u> – † Orvin Lee (ML) <u>11/19 Sat. 8:00 PM</u> – † Bobby & **Arlene Arentz (DKS)** 11/20 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. **Peter's Parish Family**



Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)		
Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00	
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$1,899.15</u>	
	\$199.15	
Year to Date Target -	\$32,300.00	
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$27,583.90</u>	
	-\$4,716.10	

Readings for November 20, 2022

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel Reading: Luke 23:35-43

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 19 – 8:00 PM Servers: Isabell Korn & volunteer Ushers: Bill Korn & Tom Schaub Lector: Melissa Schaub

Sunday November 20 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Kate & Allis Gronemus Ushers: Peter Benzing & Gary Gronemus 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

Wed. Nov. 16 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM Sun. Nov. 20 & 27 - No Class for Grades 1-6 CCD Wed. Nov. 23 - No Class for Grades 7-10 CCD Fri. Dec. 2 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available after mass; contact Fr. Biju to schedule <u>Sun. Dec. 4</u> - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM Sun. Dec. <u>4</u> – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM Tues. Dec. 6 – Parish Advisory Council mtg @ 7 PM Sat. Dec. 10/Sun. Dec. 11 – Holiday Bake Sale



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

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the readings invite us to reflect on the end time, death, and final judgment. Today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. Luke narrates the eschatological discourse. Tells us about the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple.

For Jews, the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple was equivalent to the end of the world. And Jerusalem was the Lord's city. Jesus said the temple would be torn down, "All that you see here the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." It became a reality in the year 70 AD. There is a section of the Temple still standing 'the Wailing Wall' to which the Jews still go to mourn the fate of the Jewish people.

Then the disciples asked the big question, the question that so many people want to know: When? "Teacher, when will this happen?" Jesus absolutely refuses to say a definite time but speaks of signs followed by persecutions. At the end he tells us "Not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Jesus' point is that his true followers should not be concerned about when the end is rather perseverance in faith matters. It points us to a higher spiritual truth and reality of his kingdom which does not perish or fade away but endures for all eternity. The reading wants us to reflect on being prepared in life. Let's ask ourselves, "How prepared will be for that moment when it comes?"

Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, which is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. The end brings new beginning. I wish you a wonderful weekend

St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207-1231) Feast Day: November 17 St. Elizabeth was the daughter of the King of Hungary. At the age of 14 Elizabeth was married to Louis of Thuringia and she had three children. She led a life of prayer, sacrifice and service to the poor and sick. Daily she would take bread to hundreds of the poorest in the land, who came to her gate. After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades. His family looked upon her as squandering the royal purse and threw her out of the palace. The return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne. In 1228, Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order, spending the remaining few years of her life caring for the poor in a hospital which she founded in honor of St. Francis. Elizabeth died before her 24th birthday and she was canonized just four years later.

Holiday Bake Sale: The PCCW will have a holiday bake sale after Masses December 10/11. All proceeds will go to Casa Hogar. The PCCW is requesting contributions of your favorite holiday treat of cookies, baked goods, or candies. Please bring a dozen or more of your favorite treat or treats to church Friday Dec. 9 or if possible, by Saturday 10 am. Treats may be left in the church basement or garage and will be repackaged. Door prizes will be available.

Remembering the Deceased: November is when we honor those who have gone to the Lord before us. We will once again display the Book of the Names of the Dead in the back of church. Please pray for the people whose names are written on these pages and feel free to add any that you do not see there. Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them. Please pray especially for those whom we have lost this year: Stanley Hundt, David Antony, Peggy Arentz, Richard Reget, Donna Leis & Madonna Bahr.

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 **December 4th.** 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 December 2nd.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Know your Saints

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