## **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.

Challenge: The Saint Challenge is launching on All Saint's Day, November 1st. It is a year-long series of challenges based on the saint of the day. In 90 seconds you'll learn a little fact about the saint of the day, and be given a challenge inspired by that saint. It could be a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, or something to improve your interior life and your relationship with God and neighbor. The Saint Challenge is free, and you can find more information and find ways to sign up at www.thesaintchallenge.com. Let's be saints!

Politics, Voting and the Christian Faith: With the November elections approaching and so much political unrest in our country, visit www.diolc.org/faithful-citizenship for guidelines to assist the Christian faithful as they prepare to vote. There you can read a brief commentary on "Politics, Voting and the Christian Faith," find a comparison of the platforms of the two major political parties and access resources from the Wisconsin Catholic Conference and the USCCB.

St. James & Providence Academy 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Holly Berry Fair WHEN: Saturday, November 12, 2022, 9am-4pm

**WHERE:** In the Providence Academy Gymnasium 716 Windsor St. across the street from St. James.

<u>WHAT:</u> Booths include Bakery, Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Visit Santa's Winter Wonderland for face painting & pictures with Santa! Lunch & refreshments available for dine in or take out.

<u>Crafter Registration Open</u>: 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: <a href="www.stmarycv.org/craft-show">www.stmarycv.org/craft-show</a> or call the coordinator Nancy Peters at <a href="608-790-6034">608-790-6034</a> or the parish office at 608-452-3841.

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 out of love. He will never stop loving you. Our Heavenly Father speaks these words to us in the Bible: "My steadfast (unwavering, always ongoing) love shall not depart from you." (Isaiah 54:10) God proved His love for us in this way: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him may not die but may have eternal life."

## **Important Cemetery Information**

From the Cemetery Committee:

It has come to the attention of the Cemetery Committee that several headstones in our cemetery are in need of repair/maintenance. Following is a list of the names on those headstones. It is the family's responsibility to take care of these headstones. If you are a family member or know of a family member, please consider taking care of the necessary repairs and/or contacting family members. If interested, the Committee does have the name of a person who does this kind of work. If you have questions, please contact one of the Committee members.

Row 1 Johann & Catharina Brecht John Bell

Row 4 Anton Kerska

Row 5 John & Anna Burbach

Row 6 Ernest Muenzenberger

**Row 7** Anton & Margarete Lomis

Row 10 Anna Arentz

John & Katherina Burbach

Row 11 Nick Fischbach

Nick Antony

Row 12 Edmund Ott Row 13 Vaclav Silha

Row 15 Mathias & Anna Becker

Row 16 Walter & Mabel Cavadini

Row 17 John & Anna Weber

**Row 19** Peter & Margaret Hurtz

Row 22 Joseph & Mary Korn

Row 24 Mary Repky

Clarence & Mildred Muenzenberger

**Row 25** Joseph & Wilma Clements

Row 26 Gasper

#### **PASTOR**

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS

Cell: (715) 495-2338

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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

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Bulletin deadline: ......Wednesday

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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

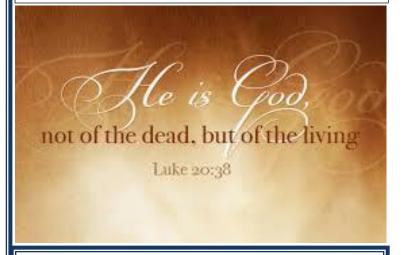
#### **MUSIC**

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>
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 6, 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**

11/9 Wed. 8:00 AM – Korish, Roth & Sandau families (RJK)
11/11 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Joyce

**DeFlorian (DF)** 

11/12 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Mr & Mrs Arthur Leis & deceased family (MJH)

<u>11/13 Sun. 10:00 AM</u> – † Stanley B Hundt (AH)



Congratulations to Everleigh Stoikes, daughter of Austin & Sierra (Scharping) Stoikes, who received the sacrament of Baptism last week!

## Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

 Weekly Target \$1,700.00

 Last Week's Total \$1,921.35

\$221.35

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Year to Date Target - \$30,600.00 Year to Date Total - \$25,684.75

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## Readings for November 13, 2022

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20
Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Gospel Reading: Luke 21:5-19

<u>Prayer for Spiritual Communion:</u> 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 12 – 8:00 PM

<u>Servers</u>: Andrew Schaub & volunteer Ushers: Tim Leis & Ron Hurtz

Lector: Kristen Schaub

## Sunday November 13 – 10:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>: Madi Gronemus & Arnie Nicolai Ushers: Leo Leis & Mark Gronemus

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**

<u>Sun. Nov. 6</u> – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Mon. Nov. 7 - PCCW meeting @ 7:30 PM

Wed. Nov. 9 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

Sun. Nov. 13 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Wed. Nov. 16 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

Sun. Nov. 20 & 27 - No Class for Grades 1-6 CCD

<u>Fri. Dec. 2</u> – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available after mass; contact Fr. Biju to schedule



\*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

Monday .......5:30pm

Tuesday......5:30pm

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)

Thursday......8:30am

# <u>From the Pastor's Pen</u>

#### **CHERISH THE MEMORY...**

Our Catholic Faith teaches us to cherish the memory of our dead. It urges us to commune in prayer, especially at Mass, with the souls of those we loved while they walked this Earth. We are continually reminded that "life is changed, not ended." In the month of November keep the memory of the faithful departed in a very special way. I encourage you to make some extra time this month to pray for all the dead. Also, I invite you to place the names of your deceased family members and friends in the Book of Remembrance.

Last weekend with great sadness and shock I received the news about the sudden death of Father Donald L. Meuret (67), at the St. Paul rectory in Mosinee. He passed away on Saturday, October 29, 2022. He was a good friend of mine while I was at Eau Claire. He was looking forward to the days of his retirement. May his soul rest in peace.

The liturgical year is drawing to a close. Winter lies ahead, but so does spring. The Church, through the selection of scripture readings, invites us to look beyond the winter of death to the springtime of new life in heaven. The Gospel shows us how Jesus escaped from a doctrinal trap set for him and explained the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead which was supported by the Pharisees but denied by the Sadducees. The question was asked to trap Jesus. The question was based on the Jewish law "If someone's brother dies leaving a wife but no child, his brother must take the wife and raise up descendants for his brother". It is in this context Jesus sums it up his teaching by saying "He is not God of the dead, but of the living". Jesus is our Lord who conquered death. Death had no power over him. In His resurrection, Christ conquered death! He has power over all things, including death.

Please pray for Pope Francis as he will embark on his 39th Apostolic Journey abroad to visit Bahrain, which is a home to some 80,000 Catholics.

Have a blessed week.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

## **Parish News**

<u>Friends & Fellowship</u>: Thank you to all who attended the gathering on Thursday evening. We had a GREAT turn out, good food and a wonderful inspiring speaker. Please watch the bulletin for more gatherings to come!

<u>St. Peter's Cemetery</u>: Please see the back page of this bulletin for important information. This list will be published each month.

<u>Remembering the Deceased</u>: 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: Peggy Arentz, Richard Reget, Donna Leis & Madonna Bahr.

**PCCW Meeting:** Please plan to attend Monday November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

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

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u>: 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Men of the Cross Conference: "Sons of the Father": Saturday November 12, 8:30am – 5:15pm at the La Crosse Center, 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI 54601. Men, ask yourself these questions: "Who am I to others?" "Who have I become?" "How often do I talk with my Heavenly Father?" You ARE the son of the Father! Your presence in this world is a vessel for our Heavenly Father to reach His children. Never has the call for men to understand and embrace this been more necessary than right now. Come and find out what it means to be the son of the Father. Connect with other Catholic men from around the diocese who will lift you up in this role, and be encouraged and challenged by men of deep faith, including: Bishop William Patrick Callahan, Jeff Cavins and Father Paul Check. Cost: \$45 per person. High School/College Age Men: FREE! Limited Free Spots Available. Register today at https://menofthecross.org/.