Diocesan and Community News

Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025:

Visit: eucharisticrevival.org for more information.

Message for the week of May 28:

The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist Even after the Apostles had experienced the Risen Christ, they were afraid. They gathered with Mary on the day of Pentecost and prayed behind locked doors, waiting as instructed for the Gift of the Holy Spirit. After the Holy Spirit descended upon them on Pentecost, the Apostles were no longer afraid and were equipped to fulfill their mission. It is the same for us today. When we receive the Eucharist, we also receive God the Holy Spirit, to abide in the depths of our hearts. If we allow Him, the Spirit of Truth will transform us and we will no longer be afraid, but be equipped with peace and strength for our mission. Let us then prepare for each Eucharistic encounter in the same way the Apostles prepared for Pentecost, "in prayer ... with Mary ..." (Acts 1:14).

Caregiver Opportunities: The Villa St. Joseph is seeking applicants for part-time help on all shifts for LPN's or RN's. Includes every other weekend. Training provided. Apply at fspa.org/careers and look under Villa tab.

Parents - Protect Your Children: The culture is bombarding your children and young people with lies about their identity. The stark reality is that the "gender revolution" is being streamed into your children's daily lives, offering a seductive vision that is deeply disturbing and untrue. The work of Person and Identity Project is an excellent service to parents navigating urgent issues around 'gender identity' and 'gender transition.' The information on their website is objective and up to date. personandidentity.com

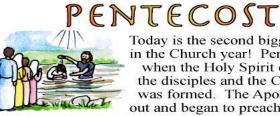
Plant Sale: The Blessed Sacrament Women's Club and Roncalli Newman Parish have partnered together to bring you a plant sale on Saturday, June 3, from 7:00 am - 1:00 pm. 100% of the proceeds from this sale will go towards tuition and room and board for a young woman through Hosea's Hearts.

This is my Body: On Saturday, June 10, the people of the southern Minnesota Diocese of Winona-Rochester will gather for a day-long celebration of Christ made present to us in the Eucharist. Join us for this once-in-a-lifetime event.

Join the March for Life Wisconsin at the State Capitol June 24:

Participate in the largest gathering of pro-lifers in our state! The Third Annual March for Life Wisconsin is this Dobbs Day - June 24, 2023, commemorating the historic Dobbs v. Jackson Womens' Health Organization ruling which overturned Roe v. Wade. Rally for life as we press onward to cherish and protect every preborn child! For complete information and to register (by Monday, June 12) visit prolifewi.org/marchforlife, or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the left. Buses will be available for pickup from Wausau, Stevens Point, Eau Claire, Tomah and La Crosse.

Kids Korner



Today is the second biggest feast in the Church year! Pentecost is when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and the Church was formed. The Apostles went out and began to preach the

Gospel and baptize thousands of people, receiving them into the new Church.

The Holy Spirit is God. He is the third Person of the Holy Trinity, after the Father and the Son. Before Jesus came to earth, the Holy Spirit inspired the men who wrote the Old Testament part of

the Bible. It was the Holy Spirit who brought baby Jesus to the world through Mary. Jesus told His followers the He would send the Holy Spirit to them after He went up into Heaven.



We all need the Holy Spirit. We can't do anything by ourselves. The Holy Spirit gives us the strength we need to do good. Did you know that we wouldn't



even pray if the Holy Spirit didn't inspire us to? Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever! Amen.

Unscramble:

The Pentecost Story

Unscramble the words to finish the story and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

When the time for Pentee	cost was fulfilled, they
were all in one	[LCPAE]
together. And	8
[ENYLUSDD] there can	ne from the sky a noise
like a strong driving	, [DWNI] and
it filled the entire	
which they were. Then t	here appeared to them
tongues as of ⁸	, [ERFI] which parted
and came to rest on each	of them. And they
were all 2	[ILFLDE] with the
Holy Spirit and	[GNEAB] to
speak in different tongue	s, as the
^⁴ [IPST	RI] enabled them to

proclaim. Pentecost is the

of the Church!

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 8:30 PM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays during Adoration & By Appointment

PARISH OFFICE (located in the church Sacristy)

Hours: Wednesday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Friday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Melissa Schaub......Secretary/Bookkeeper Office Phone: (608) 486-2180 Home Phone: (608) 486-4012 Bulletin deadline:Wednesday Email: parishoffice@stpmr.diolcparish.org Fax: (608) 486-2181

PARISH WEBMASTER Christopher Pundzak

SACRISTANS Richard Korish & Austin Menn

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mary Hundt, Coordinator......(608) 780-6172

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Gary Flock, Michael Hundt, Rachel Persson, Brandon Flock, Mark Nicolai & Louisa Peterson (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

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: www.saintpetersparish.net PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 28, 2023



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

<u>5/31 Wed. 8:00 AM</u> – **+** Alois & Maude Mashak 6/2 Fri. 8:00 AM – + Donna Leis (TMN) 6/3 Sat. 8:00 PM -**+** Rick Schermerhorn (DKS) <u>6/4 Sun. 10:00 AM</u> – **St. Peter's Parish Family**



Goal: \$85,000 Parish Share: \$55,250 Total Pledged: \$42,750 Goal Balance: \$42,250 Annual Appeal portion to by paid by 6/30/23: \$11,815

Pray Often & Daily!!!

<u> Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)</u>		
Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00	
Last Week's Total -	\$1,200.00	
	-\$500.00	
Year to Date Target -	\$79,900.00	
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$91,388.21</u>	
	+\$11,488.21	

Readings for June 4, 2023 First Reading: Exodus 34:4-9

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel Reading: John 3:16-18

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 June 3 – 8:00 PM Servers: Matthew & Andrew Schaub Ushers: Ron Hurtz & Duane Leis Lector: Lynda Hurtz

Sunday June 4 – 10:00 AM Servers: Arnie Nicolai & Joe Peterson Ushers: Mark Gronemus & Mark Stephenson 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 until 8:30 PM Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

Thurs. June 1 – Fr. Biju's Birthday Fri. June 2 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available: contact Fr. Biju to schedule Sun. June 4 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM Mon. June 5 - PCCW Meeting @ 7:00 PM Thurs. June 8 – Sauerkraut Supper meeting @ 7:00 PM Tues. June 13 – Parish Finance Council meeting @ 6:30 PM Sun. July 16 - Parish Potluck Picnic at Ballfield after mass



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	

From the Pastor's Pen

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and kindle in them the fire of Thy love...

The Acts of the Apostles recounts the story of the original Pentecost when the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary, gathered in the Upper Room, were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues (Acts 2). "Suddenly there came from the sky, a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim". (Acts 2:2-4)

The Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary were anointed by the Holy Spirit and were totally changed. They became new people with a new life. On that day Peter's speech brought about three thousand people to the way of Jesus. (Acts 2:41). And the Church began to grow. The real miracle of Pentecost is that the Spirit of God overcomes the barriers of language and perception, opening not only people's minds but their hearts to hear the Gospel of the Risen Christ. That is what leads the church to renewal and God's experience.

We are all blessed with the power of His spirit. Saint Paul tells us; do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? (I Corinthians 3:16). Also St. Paul in his letter to the Galatians (5:22-23), speaks about the "Fruits of the Holy Spirit": love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. So, whenever you experience one of those nine fruits, the Holy Spirit is involved!

Thanks to everyone who has participated in the Inspired by the Spirit campaign. Thank you for your generous contribution. You can see the numbers in the bulletin. Participation of everyone counts and it is important. We have only a few more weeks left for the closure of the campaign, which is the last week in June. So, please send your pledges at the earliest to the diocese.

God bless everyone with good health and with His gift of the Holy spirit.

Upcoming meetings: The PCCW will meet on Monday June 5th at 7:00 PM. The Sauerkraut Supper committee will meet on Thursday June 8th at 7:00 PM. Changes to our annual fundraiser will be discussed. Please plan to attend.

Hearing Assistance: For anyone finding it difficult to hear during mass we now have head sets available in the sacristy that can be used to help. They are linked into our sound system directly.

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 June 2nd.

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 June 4th. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

Seeking Babysitters: If you are willing to babysit, please send your name and phone number to Rachel Persson at 608-386-9543. She is compiling a list of babysitter-aged women from our parish. The information will be posted in the back of the church so that families in need of babysitting may contact you directly. Note: rate of pay, number of children, etc, is all to be determined by the babysitter individually. The church is merely providing a list of potential babysitters, nothing more.

Recycle Your Religious items from home: A Religious Recycle Group will be stopping by to collect Religious items that need a new home. Items they take are anything Catholic such as Statues, Rosaries (Broken rosaries OK), Crucifixes, Holy Medals, Holy Cards, Framed Pictures, Prayer Books and Bibles as well as used instruments. Items they do not take are Religious Books, Pamphlets, Wax Candles, Angel Figurines (Saint Angels are fine). Please bring your items in to the parish office no later than Sunday June 11th.

GO Outreach Host Families Inquiry: Global Outreach is looking for families to host an exchange student. Aquinas has had a Global Outreach student each of the last two years and would like to continue working with this program again next year. Please consider taking part in this experience! Go to <u>https://globaloutreachprogram.com/</u> for more information.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

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