

## Diocesan and Community News

**Eucharistic Revival:** Visit: [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org) for more info.

### Message for the week of April 7: A Minute with Jesus:

**The Eucharist is the Great Miracle of Mercy** - In His great love for us, Jesus gave us a great miracle of mercy: The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. God did not only become man in the Incarnation to give His life for us on the cross and to rise again in glory for our salvation. The Incarnation also looked forward to Jesus remaining physically with us in the Eucharist as we journey through this life. The Divine Mercy Image of Jesus with the white and red rays represents our Eucharistic Lord, whose Heart has been pierced and now pours forth the water of Baptism and the Precious Blood of the Eucharist as a fountain of mercy for us. This week, as we continue the Easter Season and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let's pray right now 3 times the words that Jesus gave St. Faustina: "Jesus, I trust in *You!*" This week, read how Jesus appears to Thomas who was not present when He first appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection. Thomas, when He does see Jesus, falls before Him and says "My Lord and My God". John 20:19-29

**St. Mary's Men's Club Spaghetti and Pasta Dinner:** The Men's Club will be hosting a spaghetti and pasta dinner on April 13, 2024 from 4-7 PM at St. Mary's Church, 900 Central Ave, Coon Valley. \$12 adults, \$5 kids under 12, and children under 3 free. Get a plate of spaghetti or pasta with sauce and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, coffee, milk or water and ice cream for dessert. Wine and beer will be available for purchase.

### Trivia Night at St. Charles School, Genoa – Friday April 26<sup>th</sup>

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!! Another St. Charles School Trivia Night will be held on FRIDAY, April 26! There will be no buzzers or putting you on the spot. Teams will come up with their answers together and turn in one answer sheet. Teams can be as small as 2 players or as big as 10. The cost to play is \$10/player. Cash or check only. A simple supper, snacks and drinks can be purchased throughout the evening starting at 5:30. Trivia begins at 6:30. New this time: lifelines can be purchased for \$5 or \$10. Come prepared! Call Mariette Donovan at 608-381-0220 with your team's name, number of players on your team, and contact person's name and phone number. See you there!

**LDCCW Biennial Convention:** The convention will take place April 13<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson Hotel in La Crosse. Our guest speaker is Abby Johnson, author of Unplanned, which was made into a movie of the same name. Ms. Johnson was a Planned Parenthood Director for many years. After witnessing an abortion on ultrasound Abby changed her position on abortion. Horrified by what she witnessed she became an outspoken pro-life advocate against Planned Parenthood and abortion. Her testimony is powerful and her message must be heard; abortion is the killing of innocent life and not simply a women's reproductive health issue. The event will be from 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM. The cost is \$65 and includes lunch.

**"the ANSWER" Eucharistic Rally | June 7<sup>th</sup> at the La Crosse Center:** "The Answer" Eucharistic Rally on Friday, June 7, 2024, is for catechetical leaders, catechists, interested adults, families, parents and their 7-12 grade students. Please encourage the people of the parish to join us for a Eucharistic Procession with Bishop Barron and Bishop Callahan, excellent speakers, music, vendors, and, of course, Mass, adoration and confession.

## Kids Korner

### Divine Mercy Sunday

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. On this day we thank God for His forgiveness and love. It is the mercy of God that lets all of us come back to Him after we have sinned.

We know how much Jesus loves us because He suffered and died for us. When we have sinned, He wants us to be sorry and come back to Him. No matter how big of a sin you do, if you are sorry for it then God will forgive you. He wants to forgive you because He loves you!

Today we should thank God for His mercy and forgiveness and ask Him to look on us and our friends and the whole world with love and forgiveness! Here is a prayer we can say:

*Eternal Father,  
I offer You  
the Body and Blood,  
Soul and Divinity  
of Your  
dearly beloved Son,  
Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in atonement for our sins  
and those of the  
whole world.*



**Divine Mercy All Day Celebration April 7:** The La Crosse Deanery has chosen the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. The day's festivities will be officiated by Cardinal Burke. His Eminence will offer a reflection on Divine Mercy, he will lead the congregation in a consecration to Divine Mercy before the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and then Cardinal Burke will preside over the benediction and reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Come to the Shrine on the Feast of Divine Mercy. It will be a day of approaching the Sacred Heart of Jesus with great faith, trust, and appreciation. Offer your prayers. And rejoice in Our Lord's unfathomable mercy!

*Confession will be available in English and Spanish throughout the day from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm.*

9:00 am – Traditional Latin Mass  
11:00 am – Spanish Mass  
12:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet in Spanish  
1:00 pm – English Mass  
2:30 pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
2:45 pm – Divine Mercy Reflection and Consecration led by **Cardinal Burke**  
3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet led by **Cardinal Burke**  
3:15 pm – Benediction & Reposition led by **Cardinal Burke**  
3:30 pm – St. Faustina Relic Blessing and Veneration

## PASTOR

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS

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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) 452-4680

Home Phone: (608) 486-4012

Bulletin deadline: .....Wednesday

Email: [parishoffice@stpmr.diolcparish.org](mailto:parishoffice@stpmr.diolcparish.org)

**PARISH WEBMASTER** Christopher Pundzak

**SACRISTANS** Richard Korish & Austin Menn

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mark Nicolai (Chairman), Rachel Persson,  
Brandon Flock & Louisa Peterson  
(Committee liaisons: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis)

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tom Schaub, Mark Stephenson, Rob Slattery,  
Peter Benzing, Kathy Flock, Sarah Gronemus

## PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Pam Benzing, Mary Bach-Filla

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Leo Leis (Chairman), Mark Gronemus,  
Pat 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: [www.saintpetersparish.net](http://www.saintpetersparish.net)

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**APRIL 7, 2024**



CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

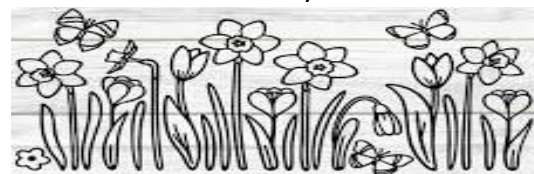
- Joining the Parish • Weddings • Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick (Please call Father Biju's cell phone)
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited

Parish Intentions

4/10 Wednesday 8:00 AM –  
† **Wilfred & Alice Kotek (SMF)**  
4/12 Friday 8:00 AM –  
† **Darlene Kammel (AH)**  
4/13 Saturday 8:00 PM –  
† **Leo Bouska (AB)**  
4/14 Sunday 10:00 AM –  
† **Otto Schaub (TS)**

**Thank you to all who have donated towards our beautiful Easter flowers:**

- In memory of the Lee family (ML)
- In memory of Stan & Steven Hundt (AH)
- In memory of Jacob Gronemus and living & deceased family (PCG)
- From Gary & Deb Flock
- In memory of the Halderson family (JH)
- In memory of Eugene Flock, Kylie VonRuden & Chad Mlsna (LF)
- In memory of Alfred & Arlene Bahr (DW)
- From Pat & Darla Lucey



**Pray Often & Daily!!!**

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$4,329.31</u>
	+\$2,459.31
Year to Date Target -	\$72,930.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$82,114.50</u>
	+\$9,184.50

Readings for April 14, 2024

**First Reading:** Acts 3:13-19  
**Second Reading:** 1 John 2:1-5  
**Gospel Reading:** John 24:35-48

Ministry Servers

**Saturday April 13 – 8:00 PM**  
Servers: Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen  
Ushers: Tim Leis & Duane Leis  
Lector: Julie Lundeen  
**Sunday April 14 – 10:00 AM**  
Servers: Lukas, Abel & Max Slattery  
Ushers: Rob Slattery & Mark Stephenson  
Lector: John 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 until 8:30 PM  
Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.  
Confessions available.

- 8 Ways to Pray During Eucharistic Adoration ~
- Read Spiritual Books - Ask for Intercession - Meditate
  - Offer a Holy Hour - Write a Prayer Journal - Read the
  - Pray Spontaneously - Ask the Saints for help Scriptures

Parish Calendar of Events

Sun. April 7 – Divine Mercy gathering @ 3:00 PM  
Sun. April 7 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM  
Wed. April 10 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM  
Sun. April 14 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM  
Wed. April 17 – Grades 7- 10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM  
Sun. April 21 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM  
Fri. May 3 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule  
Sun. May 5 – First Communion & May Crowning  
Sun. May 19 – Graduation/Confirmation recognition mass



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

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

Alleluia! He is Risen! Alleluia! Yes, we are still celebrating Easter Sunday! Today is Divine Mercy Sunday and it is the final day of the Octave of Easter. After this day, we will move into the Season of Easter and continue the celebration of Easter until the end of the day on Pentecost Sunday.

Divine Mercy Sunday, is a day of unfathomable and ineffable graces! Here is a brief summary of the message of Divine Mercy: The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves all of us. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust and receive His mercy. On this day **Ask for His Mercy**. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. **Be merciful**. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us. **Completely trust in Jesus**.

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Today's gospel is about doubting the resurrection of Jesus by one of his own disciples! Presenting the famous profession of Faith from Thomas, "My Lord and my God," the Gospel illustrates how Jesus showed his mercy to this doubting apostle and emphasizes the importance of faith and surrender.

Congratulations to all our CCD students who received the sacrament of confirmation on April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024. Thanks to their teachers and CCD coordinators for preparing them. Please continue to pray for Drew Butzler, Violet Hundt, Parker Mlsna, Matthew Schaub, Kate Wall & Audrey Weber as they continue their walk with Christ Jesus.

Live Jesus, Fr. Biju, MSFS



Parish News

**Parishioners:** Please remember that we have a group of ladies willing to help with meals or visit for you or a family member if needed. Please call or text LaVonne at 608-317-9541 for more information.

**DRE Needed:** Position open for parish director of religious education. The DRE is responsible for implementing the parish religious education program that occurs on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings during the school year. Duties include managing student registrations, the religious education schedule, the program content, staff and budget. The DRE also serves as the parish safe environment coordinator. Salary is paid bi-annually. Please contact Fr. Biju or the parish office if interested.

**LDCCW Collection:** The annual collection for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held on the Sunday after Easter: April 6-7. These funds are used for camp grants, scholarship grants, and supporting diocesan functions. Thank you for your generosity.

**Divine Mercy:** There will be a gathering here on Sunday April 7th to recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet and venerate the image of the sacred heart of Jesus at 3:00 pm. Please plan to arrive early so the chaplet can begin on time.

**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 April 7<sup>th</sup>.** Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.