

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)

Musically Inclined? St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Holmen is seeking a full or part-time music director. This entails excellent piano and vocal skills and ability to coordinate and lead a choir. Please send resume to Msgr. Steve Kachel at 1031 Main St., Onalaska, WI 54650, email: carol@seasholmen.org, or drop off at St. Elizabeth's parish office.

Cub & Boy Scout Religious Emblems: All Cub Scout & Boy Scout religious emblem applications need to be submitted by April 1st. Please send to the Boy Scout Catholic Committee chair at: W4894 N Kinney Coulee Rd., Onalaska, 54650, any questions please email to catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com.

Attention Farmers: Project Seed Sales 2022 coming in March and April, A Forage & Seed Corn sale supported by the Diocesan Rural Life Committee, offering high quality, low cost seed in the midst of a challenging economy. Seed corn is offered in both conventional and glyphosate tolerant varieties. There will be alfalfa and clover ready for sale and non-GMO seed can be ordered. Comparable yields make this seed an attractive alternative. Sale dates and locations: March 12 in Richland Center; March 19 in Stanley; March 26 in Colby; April 2 in Cassel; all Kendall area sales will be directed to Richland Center. Full details can be found at www.dioc.org/social-concerns/rural-life/project-seed/.

Diocese Of La Crosse Guidelines For Reporting Instances Of Child Abuse:

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@dioc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: dioc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@dioc.org.

Kids Korner

The Son who was Sorry



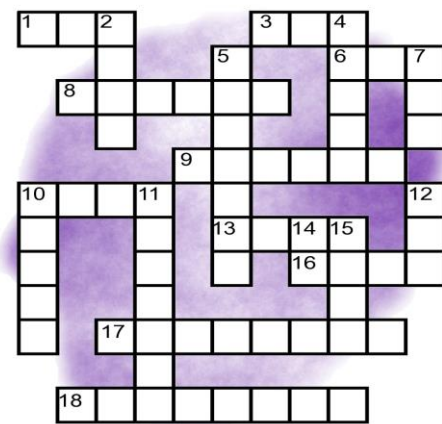
Today's Gospel reading tells us about God's forgiveness. We are like the son who ran away and wasted all his money whenever we don't use our gifts or talents to serve God or others.

God is like the father in this story. He lets the younger son do whatever he wants, but he loves him even when he chooses to be bad. All he wants is for his son to come home and be sorry. He is ready and waiting to forgive the prodigal son.

God is waiting to forgive us too, in the sacrament of Confession. He wants us to be sorry for our sins and tell Him we are sorry so He can take them away. Try to make sure you go to confession before Easter so your soul will be clean and ready for the great celebration!



Psalm 34 Cross-Word Puzzle



Use these words to fill in the blanks for the crossword puzzle:

- FROM TERRORS PRAISE
- SET GLORIFY LET HIS ANSWERED NAME ON SEE TASTE THAT HUMBLE ITS TIMES SOUL MAKE TOGETHER

10D and 12D 10A the Lord is good.
I will bless the Lord at all 4D
His 9A is always 14D my lips;
In the Lord my 2D shall 15D 6A boast.
The 8A shall hear and be glad.



5D the Lord with me.
17A 3A us praise
1A 16A
I sought the Lord and he 18A me,
13A all my 11D he 7D me fre

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,
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

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Middle Ridge, WI
W697 State Hwy 33
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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 27, 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

3/30 Wed. 8:00 AM – † Jim Smith
(ANN)

4/1 Fri. 8:00 AM – † Angie & Bob
Dickman (ML)

4/2 Sat. 8:00 PM – † Steven Hundt
(SAH)

4/3 Sun. 10:00 AM – St. Peter's Parish
Family

2021-22 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Goal: \$10,765.00
Total Pledged: \$7,330.00
Total Received: \$7,250.00
Under Goal: \$3,435.00
Participation: 68%

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances

Weekly Target - \$1,700.00
Last Week's Total - \$608.00
-\$1,092.00

Year to Date Target - \$64,600.00
Year to Date Total - \$60,419.30
-\$4,180.70

Readings for April 3, 2022

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21
Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14
Gospel Reading: John 8:1-11

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 April 2 -
Servers: Rebecca Schaub & Isabell Korn
Ushers: Tom Schaub & Tim Leis
Lector: Melissa Schaub

Sunday April 3 -
Servers: Kate & Lily Gronemus
Ushers: Mark Gronemus & Gary Gronemus
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 – 9:00 pm
Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

Mon. March 28 – Lenten Mission with Fr. Tim Welles on Our Lady of Fatima @ 7:00PM
Tues. March 29 – Cemetery Comm. mtg @ 7:30 PM
Wed. March 30 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM
Wed. March 30 – Stations of the Cross @ 7:30 PM
Sun. April 3 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 –9:45 AM
Sun. April 3 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM
Tues. April 5 – Finance Council meeting @ 6:45 PM
Wed. April 6 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM
Wed. April 6 – Stations of the Cross @ 7:30 PM
Sun. April 10 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45– 9:45 AM
Wed. April 13 – Confessions at 6 PM until done
(Two priests available)



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

Laetare Sunday

This weekend we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Lent. The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare Sunday. Laetare in Latin means rejoice. Holy Week and the Easter season are quickly approaching. We are half-way through the season of Lent. Like Gaudete Sunday, Laetare Sunday provides a similar break about midway through a season which is otherwise of a penitential character.

Though we have many reasons to be concerned about our present realities this "Rejoice Sunday" reminds us to rejoice in the saving grace of God available to each of us in our daily life. The Good News that today's Gospel reminds us of is that God loves us and will run to embrace us with a loving hug; if we make the first steps, if we start on the path back to him. Recall the father did not send his older son out to look for the younger. He did not send his servants out to bring the young son back. He did not send an army to drag him back to the estate. But he patiently waited ready to run to his son as soon as he saw him on the horizon. The father is the centerpiece of the story of the prodigal son. Not the son who walks away from home but the father, whose love and mercy overshadowing the actions of his two sons. What it reminds us of is that God does not measure our life with our last mistake.

Lent is a special time to discover the mercy of God. I invite all to make this Lent fruitful by celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation. In the La Crosse deanery parishes, opportunities are there for confession along with the Guadalupe Shrine too. We have in both our churches confession coming up. Please check the bulletin for more information. Please make use of it to prepare ourselves to celebrate Easter well.

As we head into the fourth quarter of our fiscal year, please be attentive to our parishes' targets for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. If every household did its part, we would easily reach our targets. Please consider a gift to the Diocesan Annual Appeal today. Everything received beyond our targets comes back to each parish 100%.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju

Parish News

Lenten Mission: With all that is happening in the world today we need to remind ourselves of the messages sent to us from our Mother Mary. Please join us on Monday March 28th at 7:00 pm to hear from Fr. Tim Welles as he reminds us of the message from Our Lady of Fatima. All are welcome!!

First Sunday Rosary: We will be praying the rosary on the first Sunday of each month in church at **7:30 PM** (please note time change). The next one will be **April 3rd**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

Diocesan Annual Appeal: There is still time to get your pledge in. We are currently \$3,435 short of our goal. If you need a new form please contact the parish office.

SPIRITUS Missionary Opportunity! Do you know a young adult who lives out their faith and is eager to share it with others? SPIRITUS is looking for Catholic young adults, between 20-29, to join the SPIRITUS missionary team this August. SPIRITUS ignites the faith in thousands of young Catholics through retreats and parish youth ministry each year! Missionaries live in community and travel to parishes and schools throughout Wisconsin; receiving training, formation, spiritual direction, lodging, food, a monthly allowance, health insurance and a \$3,000 stipend upon completion of the 9-month program. It is a unique opportunity to live out the mission of our Catholic faith, serve our Lord and help the next generation of Catholics grow in faith.

From Fr. Joe Walijewski Legacy Guild/Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II: Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II orphanage in Lurin, Peru, a mission of the Diocese of La Crosse, is looking for volunteers 20 years and older for 3 to 12 month periods. Volunteers take on a variety of tasks which vary according to the duration of stay and the volunteer's interests and capabilities. Needs range from education or tutoring, nursing assistance, administrative tasks or manual labor (painting, gardening, cleaning, etc.). Duties vary, but all volunteers will work directly with the children and families. Due to volunteer restrictions regarding the number of volunteers we can accept at one time, all long-term volunteers are chosen following an application process. Additional information is available at homeajpm.org/volunteer or email Noel Furger at nfurger@frjoesguild.org