

## 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)

**40 Days for Life, La Crosse:** This year we will stand in prayerful witness outside Planned Parenthood, 1201 Caledonia Street in La Crosse, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Sept. 28-Nov. 3. Sign up for vigil hours at [40daysforlife.com/en/lacrosse](http://40daysforlife.com/en/lacrosse). For questions call 608.784.5189.

**Rummage Sale:** Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, will be holding a Fall Rummage Sale on Friday, October 7, 11 AM - 3 PM, \$6 a bag; and on Saturday, October 8, 8 - 11 AM, \$3 a bag. Some items priced individually.

**Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser and Bake Sale:** Sunday, October 9, 2022, at St. Mary's Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, WI Serving from 7:30 a.m. to noon! Adults \$10, Children 6-12 only \$5, and 5 and under Free! Break your fast with us for all you can eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, applesauce, and a beverage; then purchase some goodies from the bake sale to take home. Dine in or carry out!

**Billings Ovulation Method NFP Class:** Starts 2:30 PM at Cathedral, Sunday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> and will meet biweekly on Sundays and is taught by MD Candidate Ruby Gravrok \$140 but get \$25 off when you mention this bulletin. Included is: all instruction sessions needed to learn the method, 3 follow-up sessions, all materials needed to chart and a certificate of completion for engaged couples. This class satisfies the Diocesan requirement for learning NFP after 3 follow ups. Register by emailing Ruby at [rubygravrok@gmail.com](mailto:rubygravrok@gmail.com) before Oct 2, 2022. Registration closes Oct 2, 2022.

**Boy Scouts:** Catholic Scout Religious Emblems, All Scouts ages 6-21 now is the time to start! All applications will need to be turned in by Jan 15th as all Awards will be handed out in February at the Scout Sunday / Scout Recognition Mass for each council. For further information please contact Cindy at [catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com](mailto:catholicreligiousemblems@gmail.com) or evenings at 608-792-4911.

**The Sisters of the Franciscan Congregation of Divine Mercy** is a Private Association of the Christian Faithful with statutes approved by Bishop William Patrick Callahan. The charism of this new community is to reconcile relationships with self, others, and God and to live mercy in one's daily life. The sisters seek to live their charism through a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to God's people, which includes catechesis, spiritual formation, work with therapy animals, and other related apostolates. For more information, please visit [fcfdivinemeracy.org](http://fcfdivinemeracy.org).

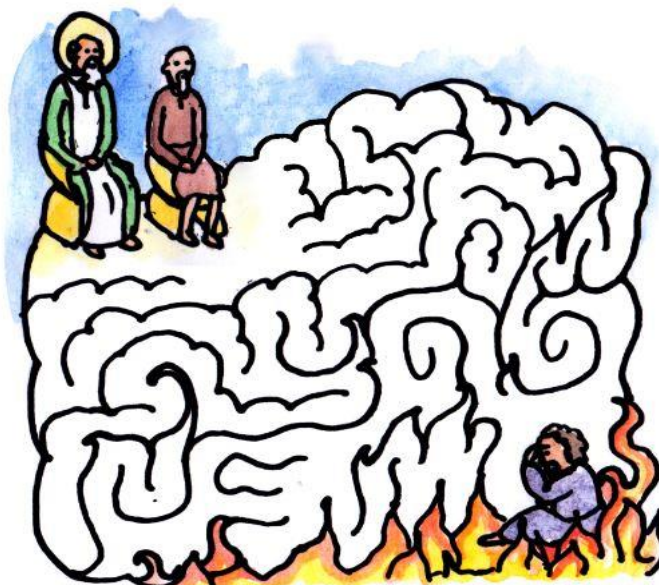
## Kids Korner

### Lazarus and the Rich Man

In today's Gospel Jesus tells a parable about a rich man and a poor man. While they were alive, the rich man had everything he wanted. He feasted every day and was never hungry. Meanwhile Lazarus, the poor man, lay in the rich man's gate, always hungry and sick. Even the dogs came to lick the sores on his body.

Once the men died everything changed. The rich man went to Hell. He got what he deserved for thinking only of himself while he was alive. Lazarus, on the other hand, went to be with Abraham in Heaven. He had suffered so much while he was alive, but now he was perfectly happy.

The rich man wanted a drop of water to cool his tongue but Lazarus couldn't help him. He found out what happens if you only think about getting the best for yourself. What does this story make you want to do for the poor and suffering people around you?



Luke 16:19-31

*In today's Gospel reading the rich man asks  
Abraham to send Lazarus to him  
with a drop of cool water.  
But can Lazarus cross between  
Heaven and Hell?  
See if the maze will let him cross.*

## 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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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: [www.saintpetersparish.net](http://www.saintpetersparish.net)

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 25, 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

9/28 Wed. 8:00 AM –  
**† Stanley B Hundt (AH)**  
9/30 Fri. 8:00 AM –  
**† Chloe Kaiser (MLH)**  
10/1 Sat. 8:00 PM –† Mr &  
**Mrs Julius Halderson &**  
**family (MJH)**  
10/2 Sun. 10:00 AM –  
**St. Peters Parish Family**

**Sauerkraut Supper Drive-Thru**  
**Wednesday October 12, 2022**

**Serving 3:30 – 7:30 PM**

Help needed both Tuesday & Wednesday all day!

**Pray Often & Daily!!!**

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$1,249.00
	-\$451.00
Year to Date Target -	\$20,400.00
Year to Date Total -	\$16,789.40
	-\$3,610.60

Readings for October 2, 2022

**First Reading:** Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4  
**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14  
**Gospel Reading:** Luke 17:5-10

**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 October 1 – 8:00 PM**  
Servers: Andrew Schaub & Joseph Peterson  
Ushers: Don Halderson & Ron Hurtz  
Lector: Kristen Schaub

**Sunday October 2 – 10:00 AM**  
Servers: Madi Gronemus & Arnie Nicolai  
Ushers: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis  
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

Wed. Sept. 28 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM  
Wed. Sept. 28 - Parent meeting for those students preparing for Sacraments @ 7:00 PM  
Sun. Oct. 2 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM  
Sun. Oct. 2 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM  
Wed. Oct. 5 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM  
Sun. Oct. 9 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM  
Friday Oct. 7 - Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available after mass; contact Fr. Biju to schedule  
Tues. Oct. 11 - Supper preparations: Help Needed!!  
Wed. Oct. 12 - Sauerkraut Supper 3:30 - 7:30 PM: Help Needed ALL DAY!!!



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

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jesus shared the well-known Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). It is a story of contrasts, the rich and the poor; heaven and hell. In the parable, the rich man does not treat Lazarus badly. He is not acting with evil intent. He does not persecute Lazarus; he does not actively harm him; rather he treats him with indifference! He ignores him, turns a blind eye to his need and even to his presence. When both men died, the angels carried Lazarus to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man, in turn, died, was buried and was in Hades, where he cried out to Abraham in torment across the great chasm for even a drop of water. Abraham replied: "My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented." The rich man realized the error of his ways, but too late. So, while reflecting about the parable the question we need to ask ourselves is: do I treat others with indifference? How do I make use of my time, talents, and treasures?

Next Saturday is the first of October, a month dedicated to our Lady and particularly to the rosary. This beautiful, meditative prayer takes us through the life of Christ, with Mary as our guide. As we enter into this month, I encourage you to pick up your rosary, get one if you do not have one, and pray it often. Take up this sword against Satan and all his evil that is tearing through our Church, our society and our world, beginning in your own families and neighborhoods. Together with Jesus through Mary, we will crush the serpent's head as we journey from the Annunciation of His birth to her crowning in heavenly glory.

Happy wedding anniversary to Kurt and Kathy Flock as they celebrate 40 years of being united in holy matrimony on 25<sup>th</sup> of September 2022. Prayers and blessings on behalf of the parish family.

Congratulations to Celeste Lucille daughter of Nick and Sarah Dickman who will receive the sacrament of baptism on the 25<sup>th</sup> after mass.

Have a blessed week.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Parish News

**Condolences:** Last week Madonna Bahr, former parishioner, passed away. We pass along condolences to her family. The flower arrangements near the altar this week are in remembrance of Madonna.

**Congratulations:** The parish family extends congratulations to Kurt & Kathy Flock who are celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this weekend. May God bless you with many more years of wedded bliss!

**Sauerkraut Supper:** The time is upon us for our annual fund raiser. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. **There is much help needed!** Students, this is a great way to get community service time!

**Catholic Women's Book Club:** Starting Oct 6th from 6-8pm at the Persson Home. We will meet and all choose our first book to read and discuss together. Please call or text Rachel Persson at 608-386-9543 to RSVP and get the address.

**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 **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Father 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 October 7th.**

**CCD:** Classes have started. The CCD program has a wish list if anyone would like to donate new or used items: staplers, paper hole punchers (1/4"), adult size scissors, scotch tape, square post-it notes, black Expo dry erase markers, dry erasers, colored pencils (no markers or crayons). Thank you!!

**Remembering the Lost:** October is infant and miscarriage awareness month. We would like to add the names of children to the intentions at the last mass of October for families in our parish who have lost babies. If you would like to submit names of babies who passed before or shortly after birth so that we can pray for them please send a note or email to the parish office.

**Holy day of Prayer & Meditation:** The La Crosse Diocesan Women invite you for a holy day of prayer and meditation at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 am- 5 pm. This event includes lunch and is free to the first 200 women who RSVP. Please contact Candace McGrath at [candymcgrath@yahoo.com](mailto:candymcgrath@yahoo.com) for more information or see the flier in the back of church on the announcement board.