

Diocesan and Community News

Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025:

Visit: eucharisticrevival.org for more information.

Message for the week of May 14:

Eucharist means thanksgiving.

When we receive Jesus, we want to receive Him sincerely and thank Him for the total gift of Himself to us. When receiving Holy Communion, we receive the gift of Jesus Christ and then we give heartfelt thanks to God for this tremendous blessing. This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of Himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine, Christ gives us the gift of eternal life with Himself in Heaven. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to have a grateful heart, most especially to our Heavenly Father, to You, and to the Holy Spirit. This week read how St. Peter speaks words of thanksgiving for all that God our Father has done for us through Jesus Christ in 1 Peter 1:3-9

Caregiver Opportunities: The Villa St. Joseph is seeking applicants for part-time help on all shifts for LPN or RN & CNA's on all shifts. 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

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.

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. Hosea's Hearts is an organization that pursues the abused and at risk girls in Swaziland, offering them opportunities to seize freedom and a reason to hope.

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.

Kids Korner

Jesus Sends the Holy Spirit Through the Sacraments



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the disciples that He is going away, but the Father will send the Holy Spirit to help them.



We can't see Jesus on earth any more, because His body went into Heaven at the Ascension. We can't see the Holy Spirit either, because He doesn't have a body. The Holy Spirit really is in the world, though. He is working in the Church and in people who obey and love God.



The Holy Spirit comes to us mainly through the sacraments. We get grace, which is God's life in us, when we receive the sacraments. Jesus gave us the sacraments to help us on our way to Heaven. Do you know the seven sacraments? Here is a list to help you to remember:



- Baptism**
- Confession**
- Confirmation**
- Holy Communion**
- Marriage**
- Holy Orders**
- Sacrament of the Sick**

An Acts of the Apostles Word Find

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R H S A M A R I A E
E N A M E O C W H J
A L Y M S S O O A O
C H R I S T M R N I
H O P R A Y E D D C
E L T A G O D P S I
D Y H C E I J O H N
O W E L C O M I N G
W R R E C E I V E D
N I E S P I R I T T

Today's first reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. See if you can find all the words from the reading that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

CHRIST to them. The people united in WELCOMING the MESSAGE Philip PREACHED, either because they had heard of the MIRACLES he worked or because they saw them for themselves. THERE was great REJOICING in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that SAMARIA had accepted the WORD of GOD, they sent PETER and JOHN to them, and they went DOWN there, and PRAYED for the Samaritans to receive the HOLY SPIRIT, for as yet he had not COME down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the NAME of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid HANDS on them, and they RECEIVED the

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

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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

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

Debra Leis.....(608) 632-7830

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Leland Gregorich, Organist

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 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

5/17 Wed. 8:00 AM –

† **David Cummings (PTS)**

5/19 Fri. 8:00 AM –

† **Jim Smith (ANN)**

5/20 Sat. 8:00 PM –

† **St. Peter's Parish family**

5/21 Sun. 10:00 AM –

† **St. Peter's 2023 Confirmation & Graduation students**



Goal: \$85,000 Parish Share: \$55,250

Total Pledged: \$12,250 Goal Balance: \$72,750

Annual Appeal portion to be paid by 6/30/23: \$11,815

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target - \$1,700.00

Last Week's Total - \$1,517.00

-\$183.00

Year to Date Target - \$76,500.00

Year to Date Total - \$87,168.08

+\$10,668.08

Readings for May 21, 2023

First Reading: Acts 1:12-14

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16

Gospel Reading: John 17:1-11

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 May 20 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Matthew & Andrew Schaub

Ushers: Mike Schaub & Ron Hurtz

Lector: Kristen Schaub

Sunday May 21 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Lukas & Max Slattery

Ushers: Rob Slattery & Leo Leis

Lector: John Hundt

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday @ 7:30 until 8:30 PM

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

May 13 & 14 - Mother's Day Rose sale

Sun. May 21 - Graduation & Confirmation Mass @ 10

Fri. June 2 - Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Sun. June 4 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM



Congratulations to our students who received the Sacrament of **First Holy Communion:** (Back row L to R) Sawyer Tollefson, Conrad Weber, Henry Kadrmas & Abel Slattery. (Front row L to R) Adeline Nicolai, Hadlee Leis & Avin Stephenson. Thank you to teacher Carol Gronemus for preparing them!

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

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day!!! Mother's Day is typically about honoring and remembering our mothers. How fitting as we Catholic celebrate Mother's Day in the Month of May, the Month of Mary! On Mother's Day we honor all our earthly mothers, living and deceased who have given us birth and raised us. Truly our most precious and intimate moments of our life and existence are bound to our mothers. In our veins flow the blood that binds and knits us so closely to our mothers. But the day can bring up mixed emotions, anxieties, and a sense of isolation for those whose mother has died. For women who've had a child die, Mother's Day may hold painful associations.

Let us use this day to honor and remember all the relationships we have with the women in our lives who are important to us, both young and old, alive and dead. They may have come to us in the form of mothers/step-mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, wives/partners, girlfriends, friends, colleagues, mentors, coaches, daughters, nieces, and granddaughters. Can you identify at least three women who have played or currently play a significant role in your life? What three things do you most admire/respect/cherish? What are you grateful for? Can you thank God for the gift of those unique people in your lives?

We have begun Our Inspired by the Spirit campaign with \$12,250 already pledged which is 14.41%. This week you may have already received your brochure which explains the projects of the church envisioned by the finance council. Please take a few moments to read the case statement. Take a moment this week to prayerfully consider this invitation and what giving level would be appropriate for your family. I understand that each family has distinct financial obligations and circumstances. Please know that every pledge makes a difference and is truly appreciated! I ask that you kindly submit your pledge commitment by 18th of May 2023 or at the earliest chance.

By June the campaign offices will close for this year. Every pledge makes a difference and is truly appreciated! Many thanks for your prayers, participation, and support!

Happy Mother's Day!!! Have a blessed weekend.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Parish News

Help Needed: We are in need of more lectors for Saturday nights. If you are willing to serve the church in this capacity please contact Fr. Biju or the parish office by May 17th.

Mother's Day Rose sale: This weekend we are selling roses after mass. The proceeds will go to our local Wisconsin Right to Life chapter. The suggested price is \$2 per rose. Happy Mother's day!

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.

Prayers for Farming and Rural Life: As spring and planting season arrives, remember to support those who grow our food and fulfill God's command to "till the earth and keep it." As a farming community please pray for the following:

-For favorable weather during planting season: that the fruits of the earth may provide food enough for all people and provide for the livelihoods of farmers and growers. Let us pray to the Lord.

-For farmers and their families, and for those who work in agriculture: that they be good stewards of the goods of the earth and receive what they need for their spiritual and material well being. Let us pray to the Lord.

-For farmers who are struggling to make ends meet: that they may be encouraged by the support of their neighbors, their parish and all of God's people. Let us pray to the Lord.

-For a greater knowledge and love of rural life: that its values, traditions and faith be nurtured in our communities. Let us pray to the Lord.