

Diocesan and Community News

Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025:

Visit: eucharisticrevival.org for more information.

Message for the week of June 25:

The word Eucharist actually means thanksgiving
The Sacrament of the Eucharist is an action of thanksgiving to God. We want to thank our Heavenly Father for His works: creating the whole world and each one of us; sending His Son to redeem us through His Death and Resurrection; healing and purifying us through the grace of the Sacraments; and giving us the gift of Eternal Life with Him. At Mass, when we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, it is the most important time to give thanks. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18). This week, read how Jesus gave thanks to God in Luke 22:14-20.

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 .

Religious Freedom Week June 22-29: Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Ss. Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom. For more information visit usccb.org/freedom.

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available: Make a confidential call to Catholic Charities at 844.644.7223 (844.64.GRACE) or text 715.600.6391. To learn more visit cclse.org/i-think-im-pregnant. For additional pregnancy support resources and locations, visit diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.

Aquinas Schools News:

-Registration for the Aquinas Golf Scramble is now open! The event will take place on July 5, 2023, at Cedar Creek Golf Club. For more information visit:

www.aquinasatholicschools.org/golf-scramble

-Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with. Call (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour! Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition. Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinasatholicschools.org/enrollment to get started.

Kids Korner

**Don't Worry!
God Cares About You!**

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us not to fear those who can kill us. He tells us that God pays attention to the sparrows, which are just little birds. How much more He cares about us, His people!



I feel all alone...
But God is still with me!



What Jesus says reminds us that we should always remember that God loves and cares for us. We don't need to live in fear, because God always wants what is best for us.

Sometimes bad things happen to us - we can become poor, we can lose friends, we can get hurt or sick. But God is still caring for us through those times. These things can help remind us of how much we need God. Just food and possessions and other people and even our health are not enough

Every time you see a picture of Jesus remember that God is caring about you right now! Thank Him for His love and try to share His love and care with those around you!



Answers to Fill-in-the-Blanks: LIGHT, PROCLAIM, FATHER'S, OF, NOT, MORE, BODY, CANNOT, FEAR, SPARROWS, PENNY, BEFORE, BUT, God cares for you!

Fill-in-the-Blanks

Fill in the blank spaces with the words from the list. Use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end!

What I tell you in the dark, SPARROWS
utter in the ___□___; EVERYONE
and what you hear whispered, PROCLAIM
___□___ upon the FATHER'S
housetops. And do not fear those CANNOT
who kill the ___□___ BEFORE
but ___□___ kill the soul; PENNY
rather ___□___ him who can kill LIGHT
both body and soul in Hell. MORE
Are not two ___□___ BODY
sold for a ___□___? FEAR
And not one of them will fall to the ground NOT
without your ___□___ will. BUT
But even the hairs ___□___ your head OF
are numbered.
Fear ___□___, therefore;
you are of ___□___ value than many sparrows.
So ___□___
who acknowledges me before men,
I also will acknowledge
___□___ my Father who is in heaven;
___□___ whoever denies me before men, I also
will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

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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) 452-4680

Home Phone: (608) 486-4012

Bulletin deadline:Wednesday

Email: parishoffice@stpmr.diolcparish.org

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

MUSIC

Terese Slattery, Coordinator.....(608) 452-4605
Leland Gregorich, Organist

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12TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 25, 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

6/28 Wed. 8:00 AM –

† **Joyce DeFlorian (BDF)**

6/30 Fri. 8:00 AM –

† **Paul Hauser (TMN)**

7/1 Sat. 8:00 PM –

† **Dave & Marcie Hundt (HF)**

7/2 Sun. 10:00 AM –

St. Peters Parish Family



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

Total Pledged/Paid: \$56,900/\$22,300

Goal Balance: \$28,100

Our Annual Appeal goal has been met! Thank you!

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target - \$1,700.00

Last Week's Total - \$1,274.00

-\$426.00

Year to Date Target - \$86,700.00

Year to Date Total - \$96,390.21

+\$9,690.21

Readings for July 2, 2023

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-16

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-11

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:37-42

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 July 1 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Matthew & Andrew Schaub

Ushers: Ron Hurtz & Duane Leis

Lector: Lynda Hurtz

Sunday July 2 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Kate Gronemus & Joe Peterson

Ushers: Gary Gronemus & Leo Leis

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

July 1 & 2 - Mission Priest will celebrate masses

Sun. July 2 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Fri. July 7 - Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Tues. July 11 - Parish Advisory Council mtg @ 7:00 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

Monday5:30pm

Tuesday..... 5:30pm

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 pm)

Thursday.....8:30am

From the Pastor's Pen

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today's readings call us to tackle the challenging issues of fear and trust which must be confronted and dealt with by all of us.

The Lord knows that facing our fears and trusting Him in all areas of our lives is an ongoing challenge. Therefore, he is generous with reassurances to us throughout the Scriptures. Today's Gospel passage from Matthew is a case in point. In the span of eight verses, Jesus addresses the topic of fear four times.

- "Fear no one."
- "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul."
- "Rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body."
- "So do not be afraid."

With that, let us all breathe a massive sigh of relief. All is well. Our Father knows us through and through, sent His Son to save us, and will always take care of us. Let's stop wasting any more time with fear. Instead, let's put all our energy, time, talents, and treasure into trusting this great and loving God, using all that we are and all He has given us to bring Him glory.

I would like to welcome Fr. Jose Edyadiyil V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest, who will be in our parish next weekend (July 1 & 2) to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will preach at all the Masses next weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Congregation (V.C.), a missionary sending Religious Congregation, was founded in Kerala, India, modeled after the Congregation of the Mission founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Members of this flourishing Religious Congregation, are engaged in Mission Work in all parts of India, Sri Lanka and Nepal. The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions.

Proceeds from the Mission Appeals in our Parish will be used (1) to provide excellent training and formation for the Vincentian Seminarians, (2) to provide Christ-centered education to thousands of children in the De Paul Schools and job training for the youth in their Technical Colleges, (3) to bring the Gospel to the Non-Christians, (4) to support the New Evangelization Ministry through popular Mission retreats, Bible Conventions and Residential Retreats, etc. bringing a good dose of joy and enthusiasm for the Faith, (5) and to provide a lifeline to the poorest and most vulnerable sectors of the population in the Missions.

There will be a second mission collection next weekend to help the Missionary Works of the Vincentian Fathers. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter Parish. Please keep Fr. Jose and all the Vincentian Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers.

Have a blessed weekend!

Parish News

Cemetery Flowers: Flowers are a beautiful & prayerful sign of remembrance for our beloved dead. A volunteer checks on the flowers in St. Peter's Cemetery from time to time, but please be responsible for the regular maintenance of yours. Thanks!

Mark Your Calendars: There will be a Parish Potluck Picnic on Sunday July 16th after mass at the ballfield. There will be games and entertainment for all ages. Please bring a dish to pass & come spend time with your parish family!

Mission Coop Appeal: On July 1st and 2nd we welcome Fr. Jose Edwayadiyil from the Vincentian mission founded in Kerala, India. Please be generous in your attention to his message and in your mission offering.

Pilgrimage for Sr. Wilhelmina: A motor coach pilgrimage is planned July 31 - Aug. 1 to the Benedictines of Mary, Queen of the Apostles Convent in Gower, MO to pray at the tomb of Sister Wilhelmina, who is thought to be incorrupt. Father Joe Redfern will serve as chaplain. Overnight accommodations will be in Kansas City. For more information email pjslattery9@protonmail.com or call (608) 452-4605.

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. Thank you to Chris Pundzak for this donation.

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 July 7th.**

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 **July 2nd**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.