

**Diocesan and Community News**

**Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025:**

Visit: [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org) for more information.

**Message for the week of October 22:**

As Catholics, we want to grow in our understanding that the Eucharist is Jesus. This is the focus of the three-year Eucharistic Revival. God gave you a soul that will live forever. God created you with a body and a soul. Your soul allows you to think and choose. Your soul gives you the power to choose what is right and good, most importantly to choose to love God and be faithful to Him. We choose to receive God's love when we receive Jesus in Holy Communion at Mass. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Heavenly Father, help me always to choose to love and be faithful to You.

**Registering Crafters for December 2<sup>nd</sup> Craft Sale:**

St. Mary's Annual Craft Show in Coon Valley is now accepting crafters. Save \$5 by registering before November 1<sup>st</sup>. Visit our website at: [www.stmaryscv.org/craft-show](http://www.stmaryscv.org/craft-show) for more information and download the registration form. Coordinator is Nancy Peters, call (608) 790-6034 or email: [Peters@mwt.net](mailto:Peters@mwt.net)

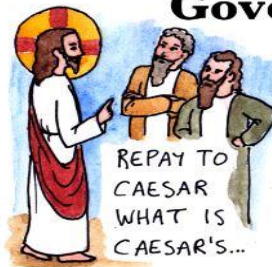
**Advent Christmas Fair:** Saturday, November 18 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Please use the parking lot or side streets. Please keep the Drop Off Area for those with special needs. Use the Losey Blvd. entrance. Visit or have a photo with St. Nick or our Living Advent Candles. There will be Raffle Baskets (drawing at 1:45, need not be present to win), Giving Tree, Children's Secret Store, Grandma's Pantry, Cache of Jewelry, Catholic Family Room, Attic Treasures, Book Nook (with kids corner while you shop). St. Lucy Cinnamon Rolls from 8:00 am - 10:00 am. Join us for lunch from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. Lunch is \$5 and includes: pulled pork / bun (add your own sauce), chips, cookie & beverage.

**Eucharistic Miracles Display:** St Joseph Ridge Parish is inviting all to an exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles. This exhibit will be in the St. Joseph school basement. The miracles are written on posters and it's recommended to just spend time walking around reading them. Please feel free to come to any of the following times. On Wednesday, Oct. 25th, the school basement will be open to all from 5:45 - 8:15 PM. At 7 PM there will be a short video about Blessed Carlo Acutis. On Saturday, Oct 28th, the school will be open after Mass for about an hour, so from about 4:45 - 6 PM On Sunday, Oct 29th, the school will be open after Mass until people are done and at 10 AM the short video about Blessed Carlo Acutis will again be shown. On Monday, Oct. 30th, the school will be open at 6 PM, at 6:30, Pat Brueggen from the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe will be giving a talk and he will also bring a first class relic of Blessed Carlo for us to see. Light refreshments will be provided on Sunday after Mass and on Monday evening.

In today's world the greatest disbelief among Catholics is Christ's true presence in the Holy Eucharist. Here are real and proven examples that God wants us to believe. Do not miss out on this incredible display. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Stacy Burns at 608-769-8828.

**Kids Korner**

**Should we Obey the Government?**



The Pharisees in today's Gospel reading were trying to trick Jesus and make Him say something wrong. They asked Him whether they should pay taxes to the pagan emperor. If He said no then He would be speaking against the emperor, but if He said yes then it would seem like He was saying that it was good for the Jews to be ruled by the pagan Romans.

But Jesus knew what the Pharisees were trying to do. He told them to show Him a coin, and asked them whose picture was on it. They said it was Caesar's (the Roman emperor's,) so Jesus told them, "Then repay to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." He was telling them that they should obey the rulers of the land, but also that they should obey God.

We have two kinds of laws: God's laws and the laws of our governments. Both are for our own good, but God's laws are more important. We should obey the government's laws as long as they agree with God's laws, but we must always obey God's laws. Can you think of some laws that the government makes that are for our good?



**Sing 2 the Lord...  
a math puzzle**

Figure out the answers to the math questions and use the answers to find the right words to fill in the blanks in today's Psalm.

Sing to the \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_;  
 $4+4=$  \_\_\_\_\_  $1+4=$  \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, all you \_\_\_\_\_.  
 $4+2=$  \_\_\_\_\_  $6+3=$  \_\_\_\_\_

Tell his \_\_\_\_\_ among the \_\_\_\_\_;  
 $3+4=$  \_\_\_\_\_  $1+1=$  \_\_\_\_\_

among all \_\_\_\_\_,  
 $2+1=$  \_\_\_\_\_

his wondrous \_\_\_\_\_.  
 $2+2=$  \_\_\_\_\_

2 nations	6 sing
3 peoples	7 glory
4 deeds	8 Lord
5 song	9 lands

**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

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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, 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, Kathy Flock, Sarah Gronemus

**PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women**

Pam Benzing, Mary Bach-Filla

**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

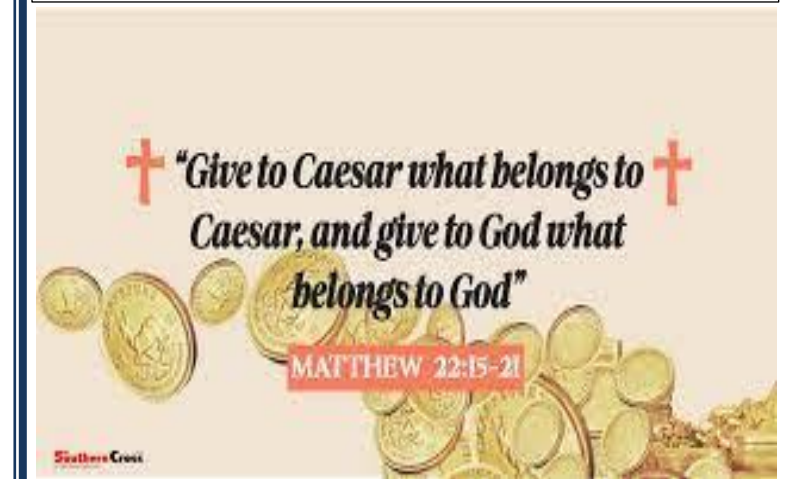
**St. Peters Catholic Church**  
**Middle Ridge, WI**  
**W697 State Hwy 33**  
**Rockland, WI 54653**



Parish website: [www.saintpetersparish.net](http://www.saintpetersparish.net)

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 22, 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

**10/25 Wed. 8:00 AM – No Mass**

**10/27 Fri. 8:00 AM – No Mass**

**10/28 Sat. 8:00 PM –**

**† Joyce Clements (MLH)**

**10/29 Sun. 10:00 AM –**

**† Leona Pittman (AH)**

**11/1 Wed. 8:00 PM - All Saints**

**Day - † Orvin Lee (ML)**

Ministry Servers

**Saturday October 28 – 8:00 PM**

Servers: Isabell Korn,

Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen

Ushers: Ron Hurtz & Bill Korn

Lector: Lynda Hurtz

**Sunday October 29 – 10:00 AM**

Servers: Jake & Josh Peterson

Ushers: Mark Stephenson & Mark Gronemus

Lector: Joe Peterson

Eucharistic Adoration

**Wednesday @ 7:30 until 8:30 PM**

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

**Sun. Oct. 22** - Bishops Annual Appeal Kick-off

**Sun. Oct. 22** - World Mission Sunday

**Oct. 25 thru Nov. 3** - No Weekday Masses

**Wed. Oct. 25** - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

**Sun. Oct. 29** - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

**Wed. Nov. 1** - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - Mass time  
CCD students will cover all areas of service at mass

**Wed. Nov. 1** - All Saints day Mass @ 8:00 PM

(This is a Holy day of Obligation)

**Sun. Nov. 5** - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

**Sun. Nov. 5** - Knights of Columbus mtg after mass

**Sun. Nov. 5** - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

**Fri. Dec.1** - Anointing of the Sick Sacrament  
available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule



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

Today's readings encourage us Christian stewards to always be mindful of who we are and Who we are in every aspect of our lives.

Jesus reminds us of this truth in our Gospel passage today as He cleverly puts the Pharisees in their place while attempting to entrap Him verbally. They ask Him whether it is lawful to pay the tax to Caesar. But the Pharisees were thinking small. Christ, on the other hand, thinks big.

We all know how the story goes. Christ asks to see the coin that pays the tax and has them state whose image is on it. They, of course, reply, "Caesar." In response, Christ tells them to "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

He reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher Authority, God, Who is the Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people were created by God. In Baptism, we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God, and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to Him.

Let us joyfully thank this wonderful God by the way we live our daily lives. We belong to Him, and there is no other! That we realize we aren't "owners" of anything but merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us.

This Sunday is World Mission Sunday. A second collection will be taken up at this weekend's Masses. Please be generous in support of the Church's missionary effort throughout the world.

Parish News

**Condolences:** We wish to extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Shirley Servais. Her funeral visitation will be here on Monday October 23 from 1:30 PM to the time of the funeral at 3:00 PM. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

**Bishops Annual Appeal:** This weekend we will kick off our annual appeal for the Diocese. Our goal this year is \$11,760. Keep in mind that any money collected above this goal comes back to the parish for our own use.

**World Mission Sunday:** This collection will take place on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Envelopes were in last weeks bulletin. Extra envelopes can be found in the back of church on the book shelves. Embrace the Pope's Mission with "Hearts on fire, feet on the move". Today, Pope Francis echoes the universal call of our baptism—to be Christ's witnesses to the world. As we gather with global Catholics on this World Mission Sunday, our prayers and contributions to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith bolster the Pope's missions, enabling:

- Over 844,000 catechists to share the faith
- 258,540 Religious Sisters to tend to families and children
- 38,140 seminarians to journey towards the priesthood
- Education for 26 million children
- Medical assistance in 12,000 clinics
- Comfort in 8,750 homes for the orphaned and elderly

By supporting this cause, we truly live out the call to be the spark that transforms lives. May your prayers and gifts create ripples of love and transformation. Thank you for your missionary zeal!

**Attention Ushers:** We will be taking the mass count during the month of October. Please be sure to count and record the numbers on the sheets in the back of church.

**Rosary in the Home:** In October we celebrate our Holy Mother, Mary. As in the past, we would like to meet in the homes of parishioners for fellowship and reciting the rosary on Sunday's. If you would like to host a rosary in your home please contact Jan Korish or Terese Slattery.

**Visiting Priest:** Next weekend we welcome Fr. John Parr to celebrate mass as Fr. Biju will be gone to Poland.

**Holy Day of Obligation:** All Saints day is a Holy day of Obligation. We will have mass here on November 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00 PM.

**Help Needed:** Caregiver Companion needed for elderly female parishioner. Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 1:00 OR 2:00 to 6:00. Call Karen at 972-464-6807.

**Knights of Columbus:** The KC's will be here on Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup> to provide coffee & donuts after the 10 AM mass. There will be a short meeting following. Anyone wishing to join or have questions please feel free to join in.

**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 December 1<sup>st</sup>** as Fr. Biju will be gone the first Friday of November.

**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 November 5<sup>th</sup>.** Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.



Today we kick off our Diocesan Annual Appeal collection. Our goal this year is \$11,760. Please watch your mailbox for a letter this week. Any money collected over our goal comes back to St. Peter's for projects of our choosing. Thank you for your generosity!

**Pray Often & Daily!!!**

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week's Total -	\$1,770.00
	-\$100.00
Year to Date Target -	\$28,050.00
Year to Date Total -	\$21,131.35
	-\$6,918.65

Readings for October 29, 2023

**First Reading:** Exodus 22:20-26

**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 22:34-40