

Diocesan and Community News

Message for the week of June 30: A Minute with Jesus: The Eucharist is called the Breaking of Bread

At the last supper, Jesus gave thanks, then blessed and broke the bread and gave it to the apostles. Jesus repeated this action on the day of His resurrection as He shared a meal with the disciples in Emmaus. The disciples had left Jerusalem, believing that Jesus was dead. As Jesus walked with the disciples to Emmaus, they did not recognize Him. It was in the "breaking of the bread" that He opened their eyes to recognize Him as the risen Lord. This consecrated bread and wine – the Eucharist – was the gift of Himself to them, and now to us. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, please grant me the grace to recognize You in the holy Eucharist – please reveal this reality to my heart! This week, read the passage of the disciples recognizing Jesus in "the breaking of the bread" in Luke 24:13-35.

Chicken-Q: The 121st annual St. Charles Homecoming Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 7th at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 707 Eagle St., Genoa, Wis. Most events will be held outdoors, with dining inside the adjacent school. Entry to the event is free and open to the public. Food will feature Pogy's Chicken-que with the addition of locally-made risotto, raffles, bingo and a number of games for kids. Chicken-Que meals are \$15, hot dog meals are available for younger attendees for \$6. Meals will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call (608) 689-2642.

Dare to Follow: Young men are called to be Holy Men of God. This event on July 9 – 11 at Mater Redemotoris in La Crosse is for young men in grades 6-10 that are interested in hearing where God is calling them. Join us for activities, discernment, and time with Bishop Battersby and priests from our area. Cost is \$30 and includes meals & a room. Contact Renee at rorth@diolc.org. Please register by June 20th. See flier in the back of church with QR code.

Coaches Needed: Aquinas Catholic Schools is searching for coaches for the following sports:

- Aquinas High School Varsity Girls Tennis Coach
- Aquinas High School Volleyball Coach JV3 Level
- Aquinas High School Boys Soccer Assistant Coach

If you are interested please email Pam Donarski at: pam.donarski@aquinasschools.org

Interested in working at ACS? We are seeking individuals for these positions:

- Director of Educational Services: Aquinas Catholic Schools
- Art Teacher: Cathedral Elementary School
- P.E. Teacher: Cathedral Elementary School
- Paraprofessional: St. Patrick Elementary School
- Aftercare Director: St. Patrick Elementary School
- Part-Time Foodservice: Blessed Sacrament Elementary School
- To learn about more available positions, visit: www.aquinascatholicschools.org/employment

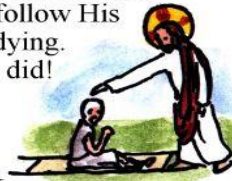
Save the Date: Aquinas Golf Outing: Wednesday, July 10

Kids Korner

When People are Sick...

In today's Gospel reading we hear about Jesus curing the sick. Jesus wants us to follow His example and care for the sick and dying. But we can't do miracles like Jesus did!

What can we do?
Here are some ideas:



1. If someone in your family is sick, maybe you can help them out! Ask if you could read them a story, or help them by bringing them anything they need. A 'Get Well' card would be nice too!



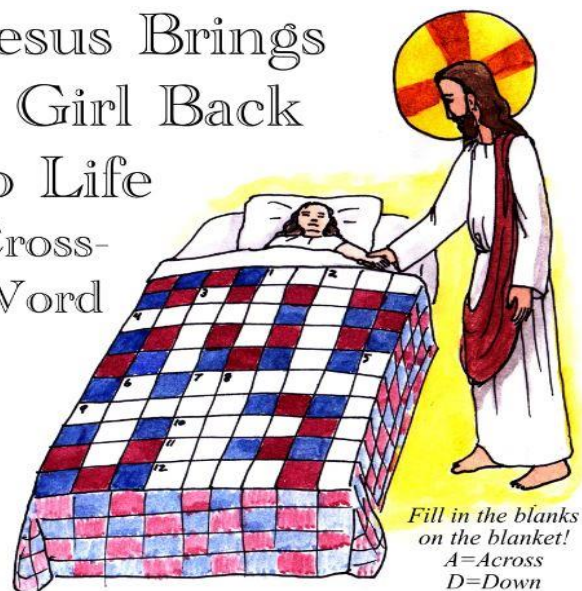
2. Always pray for people who are sick. Your prayers can help them get better, or they might

help your sick friend to understand why God is letting them suffer.

What about when you are sick? When you are sick or hurt, think about Jesus suffering on the cross. Offer your pain to Him and tell Him that you want to suffer with Him so that people will be saved from their sins. Be thankful for people who help you when you are sick. Remember, they take Jesus' place!



Jesus Brings a Girl Back to Life
Cross-Word



Fill in the blanks on the blanket!
A=Across
D=Down

A man called _____ 7A came and begged _____ 7D to heal his daughter who was very _____ 10A. So Jesus went, but on the way some people came from Jairus' house and said that the girl was _____ 6D. But Jesus went anyway, and said that the _____ 3D wasn't dead, but only _____ 5D. He only took three of His apostles when he went in to see the girl: _____ 9A, _____ 1A, and _____ 1D. He _____ 12A everyone else out of the room, except the girl's father and _____ 2D. Then Jesus took the girl's hand and said, " _____ 8D." She got up and started walking around! God let this happen to show _____ 11A what He can do when we have _____ 4A in Him.

PASTOR

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS

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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

Fr. Biju

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mark Nicolai (Chairman), Rachel Persson,
Brandon Flock & 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,
Pat Lucey, Don Halderson, David Scharping

CEMETERY SEXTON

Tom Schaub...(608) 486-4012

FUNERAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

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

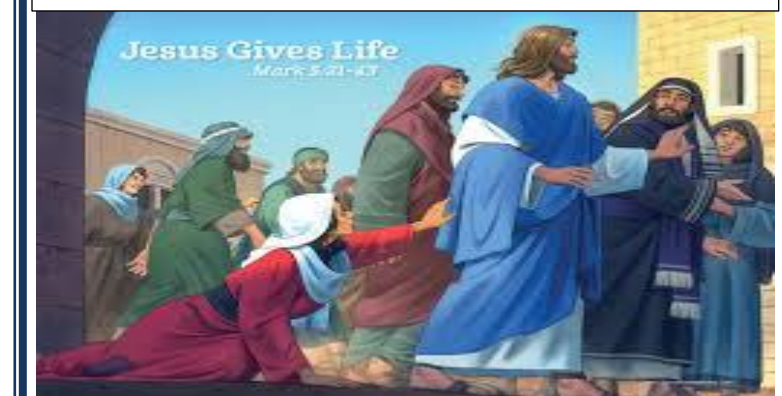
MUSIC

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

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Middle Ridge, WI
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Rockland, WI 54653



Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 30, 2024



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

7/3 Wednesday 8:00 AM – †Harold & Susan Muenzenberger (RBM)

7/5 Friday 8:00 AM –

† Stanley Hundt (AH)

7/6 Saturday 8:00 PM –

† Wilfred & Alice Kotek (SMF)

7/7 Sunday 10:00 AM –

St. Peter's Parish Family

Ministry Servers

Saturday July 6 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Isabell Korn & Volunteer

Ushers: Tim Leis & Bill Korn

Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday July 7 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Madi & Allis Gronemus & Avin Stephenson

Ushers: Mark Stephenson & Gary Gronemus

Lector: Kathy Flock

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday @ 7:30 until 8:30 PM

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

Confessions available.

8 Ways to Pray During Eucharistic Adoration ~

- Read Spiritual Books - Ask for Intercession - Meditate
- Offer a Holy Hour - Write a Prayer Journal - Read the
- Pray Spontaneously - Ask the Saints for help Scriptures

Parish Calendar of Events

Fri. July 5 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Sun. July 7 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Sun. July 14 – Parish Potluck Picnic @ ballpark after mass

Baptisms: Congratulations to Isa June Flock, daughter of Brandon & Kelsey Flock AND Ada Rue Sullivan, daughter of Benjamin & Jenna Sullivan who were baptized last weekend. We pray that they will always receive God's protection and love.



***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.

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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last Sunday we heard about Jesus calming the storm in the Sea of Galilee from the fifth chapter of Mark. This week we hear from the same chapter about the third and fourth miracles, skipping the second miracle, the healing of a man from Gerasene who was possessed by a demon. This passage confronts us with the mysteries of sickness and death, health and life, in the context of Faith in Christ Jesus.

Jairus' daughter was at the point of death. He was a synagogue official, a man of considerable standing in the Jewish community. Troubled over his daughter's poor health, he approaches Jesus and asks him to heal her. As Jesus leaves with Jairus, Mark describes a second person who seeks healing from Jesus, a woman with a hemorrhage. She had spent every penny trying to find a cure for a long illness. This woman secretly touches Jesus from behind and is immediately cured. Knowing that power has gone out of him, Jesus asks who touched him. The woman could have remained anonymous, yet at Jesus' question she steps forward and acknowledges what she has done. Jesus responds by acknowledging her as a model of faith and sends her away in peace.

When they arrive at Jairus's home, they find family and friends mourning the girl's death. Jesus enters the room of the dead girl, takes her by the hand, and instructs her to arise. Jairus's faith in Jesus has not been in vain; his daughter is restored to life. We find how God worked wonders in the lives of these two people from two backgrounds. These are stories of compassion and restoration. Instances of the faith God's working. These instances also tell us how God continues to love us.

The 2023-2024 Diocesan Annual Appeal comes to an end this weekend. Thanks to all generous donors who supported this appeal. May the good Lord continue to bless you all. Have a great weekend.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

June 29th: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles—Solemnity

This weekend, on Saturday, St. Peter Parish is celebrating our patronal feast day. Simon was born in Bethsaida, near the Sea of Galilee. He and his brother Andrew were fishermen, accepting Jesus' invitation to become His first disciples and "fishers of men". Simon's profession of faith in Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God," merited for him not only a name changes to Peter—a play on the word petra, meaning "rock"- —but also the "keys to the Kingdom of heaven" and the power of binding and loosing. He was from the beginning recognized as the chief among the apostles. Since Peter was martyred in Rome, the bishop of that city came to be known as his successor and the chief among the bishops. For a decade in Jerusalem, he preached, performed miracles, and converted many. He then traveled to Rome, established the Church there, and became its first bishop. Around AD 64, he was martyred during Emperor Nero's persecutions. Tradition says that Peter asked to be crucified upside down because he did not deem himself worthy to die the same way that Jesus died. His tomb lies under the main altar of Saint Peter's Basilica.

We also celebrate the legacy of Saint Paul, converted from persecutor to apostle, Apostle to the Gentles. Saul was a Roman citizen born in Tarsus, modern-day Turkey. As a young man, he studied at the rabbi Gamaliel's school in Jerusalem. After Jesus' ascension, Saul fiercely persecuted the early Church. While traveling to Damascus to persecute Christians, Paul was knocked to the ground and struck blind. He heard Jesus say, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" (Acts 9:4). Jesus directed Saul to a disciple named Ananias who baptized him. Paul spent ten years as a missionary throughout the Mediterranean. Eventually he came to Rome. According to tradition, Paul was beheaded just outside the city.

Saints Peter and Paul are the Church's foundational pillars. Peter represents the Church's stability and the office of the Vicar of Christ. Paul represents the Church's mission of evangelization and is the Church's first theologian for his epistles that expound on the Gospels. One tradition holds that both died on June 29, making them twin martyrs.

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Attention Ushers: There will be a short meeting after each mass on the weekends of July 13 & 14 and July 20 & 21 to talk about security awareness and other issues. Please plan to attend one of the 15-20 minute meetings. Thank you!

CCD Camp: A HUGE thank you goes out to Carol Gronemus & her helpers for organizing a spectacular gathering for our students. Thank you to all of the parents who helped out. See the insert for pictures & more.

Fundraising Help Needed: If you would like to help brainstorm and execute a new fundraiser for the parish, please contact Rachel Persson: 608-386-9543. We are looking for alternative ways to help financially support our parish due to today's financial climate.

Mass Intention Fee Change: Recently there was a letter from the diocese letting us know that there is going to be a change for the mass Stipend to \$20 (formerly \$10). It will go into effect on July 1, 2024.

Mark your Calendars: We will have a Parish Potluck Picnic at the ballfield on Sunday July 14th after the morning mass.

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 7th** . Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.

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 July 5th** .

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target - \$1,870.00

Last Week's Total - \$1,554.00

-\$316.00

Year to Date Target - \$95,370.00

Year to Date Total - \$101,690.89

+\$6,320.89

Readings for July 7, 2024

First Reading: Ezekial 2:2-5

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:1-6