

Diocesan and Community News

Message for the week of July 7: A Minute with Jesus: The Eucharist is called the Memorial of the Lord's Death and Resurrection - Jesus instructed the apostles at the last supper to "do this in memory of Me." The Eucharist is a memorial, but this means much more than recalling something to mind, or remembering an event from the past. "In Sacred Scripture, the *memorial* is not merely the recollection of past events." At Mass, specific events from the life of Christ become present and real so that our lives may be conformed to them. "When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, She commemorates Christ's Passover [Jesus passing over from death to life], and it is made present: the sacrifice of Christ offered once for all on the Cross remains ever present" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, paragraphs 1363, 1364). So, never forget the true meaning of the word "Memorial." Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, please help me prepare beforehand to enter into the Memorial—the making present—of Your death and resurrection at Mass. This week, read how St. Paul describes the Last Supper in 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.

50th Anniversary Celebrations: Each year there are three dates that are options for couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary to come together to have Mass with the Bishop, followed by a dinner celebration. Invitations were mailed to couples with wedding dates listed in our records. If you do not receive an invitation this week, please contact your parish office and/or email Laura Boden at lboden@diolc.org to let us know. We will be happy to be sure you are on the list and receive an invitation. The scheduled dates, times and locations are as follows:

- July 14, 2024 at 1:00pm at St. Bronislava Catholic Church in Plover
- August 11, 2024 at 1:00pm at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center in La Crosse
- August 25, 2024 at 1:00pm at St. Olaf Catholic Church in Eau Claire

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

Kids Korner

Priests Take the Place of Jesus



In today's Gospel reading Jesus was preaching in the synagogue. (A synagogue is kind of like your local church building.) The people there didn't believe in Him because they thought they knew Him. They didn't take Him seriously because they knew His family.

Do you know the priest at your church? He takes the place of Jesus at every Mass and when you go to Confession. God gave him a very special job.



However, even though priests have a very special job, they are still people like you. They need lots of help from God to do their job well. We should pray for our priests every day!

Here is a prayer you can say:

Dear Jesus, Please bless all priests. Make them be like you. Give them all the help they need to lead us to Heaven. Thank you for all the priests who have helped me, and please send more good priests to the Church. Amen.



Saint Paul Accepts Suffering from God

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

Find the words in CAPITALS, The leftover letters tell you why Saint Paul said he would boast of his weakness.



Saint PAUL tells of asking God to take away his suffering: "Three times I BEGGED the LORD about this, that it might LEAVE me, but he said to me, "My GRACE is sufficient for YOU, for power is MADE PERFECT in weakness." I will rather BOAST MOST GLADLY of my WEAKNESSES, in order that the POWER of Christ may DWELL in me. Therefore, I am CONTENT with weaknesses, INSULTS, hardships, PERSECUTION and constraints, for the SAKE OF CHRIST; for when I am weak then I am STRONG."

"That the _____ of _____"

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

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

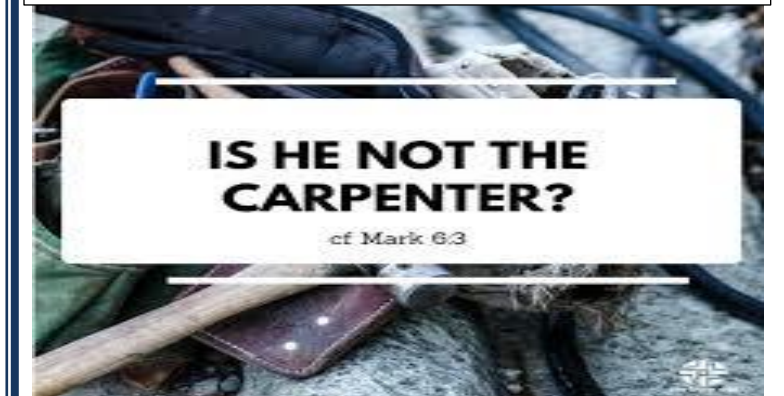
MUSIC

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

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Rockland, WI 54653



Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JULY 7, 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

7/10 Wednesday 8:00 AM –
† **John & Peg Grelle (MLH)**
7/12 Friday 8:00 AM –
† **Donna Urbanek & family (RJK)**
7/13 Saturday 8:00 PM –
† **Herbert Meyer (MJM)**
7/14 Sunday 10:00 AM –
† **Ruth Ann Rowell (MLH)**

Ministry Servers

Saturday July 13 – 8:00 PM
Servers: Andrew & Matthew Schaub
Ushers: Tom Schaub & Mike Schaub
Lector: Melissa Schaub
Sunday July 14 – 10:00 AM
Servers: Lukas, Max & Abel Slattery
Ushers: Rob Slattery & Peter Benzing
Lector: Pam Benzing

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

Sun. July 7 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM
Tues. July 9 – Sauerkraut Supper committee mtg @ 7 pm
Sat. July 13 – Usher meeting after 8:00 PM mass
Sun. July 14 – Usher meeting after 10:00 AM mass
Sun. July 14 – Parish Potluck Picnic @ ballpark after mass
Sat. July 20 – Usher meeting after 8:00 PM mass
Sun. July 21 – Usher meeting after 10:00 AM mass
Fri. Aug. 2 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available;
contact Fr. Biju to schedule



***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

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness. — 2 Corinthians 12: 9

The authors of Scripture were not embarrassed by human woundedness. In fact, it is often a prelude to people coming to faith. Saint Paul, in our second reading this weekend addressed the community at Corinth. He offers all of us great reason to find comfort and hope in the Lord. He says -Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”

The "grace" of Christ is mercy and love which goes beyond everything to accept the errant. It shelters, preserves and protect us from the evil. One can confidently take refuge in his mercy and love. We all struggle with faults, hardships and weaknesses. In those moments we are most in need of the Lord. If we are strong enough to admit our weakness and struggles, Christ will empower us with his divine grace. Take a deep breath this week and allow the Lord to come to you in your time of need.

Congratulations to Mya Lynn Hall, daughter of Zachary & Ashley (Hurtz) Hall, who will be baptized this weekend. May God bless you always.

Have a blessed week.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

A Prayer for our Country following Independence Day:

God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people.

Parish News

Sauerkraut Supper: There will be a planning meeting on **July 9th at 7:00 PM**. We need committee members to help plan this event. Everyone is encouraged to help as this is our largest parish fundraiser. Please plan to attend with your ideas.

Summertime Fun & Fellowship: We will have our Parish Potluck Picnic at the ballfield on **Sunday July 14th** after the morning mass. Bring a dish to pass. Brats & Hotdogs will be provided. Lemonade & water will be available along with canned beverages for a donation. **We will have a park clean up on Saturday July 13th at 9 AM. Please come to help!!**

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 these 15-20 minute meetings. Thank you!

Condolences: We send our sympathies out to the family of Daniel Wuensch who was laid to rest recently in St. Peter's Cemetery. Dan grew up in Middle Ridge in a large family but settled in Ohio after getting married. May he rest in peace.

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. Another event is being planned in August.

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: The mass Stipend fee has changed to \$20 (formerly \$10) as of July 1, 2024.

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.

Parishioners: Please remember that we have a group of ladies willing to help with meals or visit for you or a family member if needed. Please call or text LaVonne at 608-317-9541 for more information.

DRE is STILL Needed: Position open for parish director of religious education. The DRE is responsible for implementing the parish religious education program that occurs on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings during the school year. Duties include managing student registrations, the religious education schedule, the program content, staff and budget. The DRE also serves as the parish safe environment coordinator. Salary is paid bi-annually. Please contact Fr. Biju or the parish office if interested.



Sunday, July 14th after 10:00 AM Mass

Bring a Dish to Pass. Brats & Hotdogs will be provided. Lemonade & water will be available along with canned beverages for a donation.

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week's Total -	\$2,031.00
	\$161.00
Year to Date Target -	\$97,240.00
Year to Date Total -	\$103,721.89
	+\$6,481.89 (EOFY)

Readings for July 14, 2024

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel Reading: Mark 6:7-13