## **Diocesan and Community News**

#### Message for the week of October 27:

A Minute with Jesus: Choose to receive the love of Christ in Holy Communion 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 and most importantly, to choose to love God and be faithful to Him. We choose to receive the unconditional love of Jesus when we receive Him in holy Communion at Mass. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to always choose to love You and be faithful to You. This week, read how we are to choose to follow Jesus through entering the narrow gate in Matthew 7:13-14.

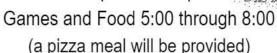
<u>Family Fun Night</u>: Join us at the St. Joseph Ridge School Hall hosted by the St. Joseph Parish on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 - 9:00 PM The evening will offer many games of chance, basket raffles, and walk-around raffles for various items. There will be a cover charge of \$10.00 for a meal (which includes a Pork Loin sandwich, cheesy potatoes,...) and beverages. Please come enjoy our community!

**58th ANNUAL HOLLY BERRY FAIR:** Join Saint James & Providence Academy *WHEN:* Saturday, November 9, 2024, 8am-2pm. *WHERE:* In the Providence Academy Gymnasium. 716 Windsor St. across the street from St. James Church. *WHAT:* Booths include Bakery (We have lefse!), \$5 Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items. Win a 55" LED Smart TV! Visit Santa from 9am-Noon. Homemade Beef Stew & refreshments available for dine in or take out.



# All Saints Day Costume Extravaganza

Friday November 1st 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m



Everyone is asked to dress in costume as their favorite saint.

(Prizes will be awarded for best costumes)
All youth are invited to attend.

We will be attending All Saints Day Mass at 8:00 p.m.

Hope you can come join us for the fun!! Please RSVP to Carol G (608)487-6170

# <u>Kids Korner</u>

# Jesus Cures Our Blindness



HELP ME! In today's Gospel reading, a blind man called Bartimaeus called out to Jesus to cure him.

Sometimes we can be blind

too. When we don't see the truth about God, or when we can't see our own faults then we have a kind of blindness.

When we find that we can't see ourselves or God clearly, we should be like Bartimaeus and call out to Jesus to help us. If we believe in Him then we will get our sight back too.

When Bartimaeus was cured of his blindness he started to follow Jesus right away. When we can see ourselves and God clearly then we will also want to follow Jesus.



Before you go to bed, ask God to help you remember your sins today and then tell Him you're sorry for them.

#### **Important Cemetery Information**

From the Cemetery Committee: It has come to the attention of the Cemetery Committee that several headstones in our cemetery are in need of repair/maintenance. Following is a list of the names on those headstones. It is the family's responsibility to take care of these headstones. If you are a family member or know of a family member, please consider taking care of the necessary repairs and/or contacting family members. If interested, the Committee does have the name of a person who does this kind of work. If you have questions, please contact one of the Committee members.

Row 2- Joseph Cavadini

Row 3 - Frank Mashek and Peter & Barb Antony

Row 4 – Karoline Dlask and John Schmit

Row 5 – Peter Bell and Allette Arenz

Row 10 – Josephina Cavadini

Row 11 – Franz Kamperschroer and Peter Ott

Row 12 – Edmund Ott

Row 13 - Vaclav & Marie Silha and Margerate

#### **PASTOR**

# Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS

Cell: (715) 495-2338

Email: bchennala@diolclergy.org

## **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

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



Parish website: <u>www.saintpetersparish.net</u>
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 27, 2024

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus

#### 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**

10/30 Wednesday 8:00 AM —

† Gloria Hundt (MLH)

11/1 Friday 8:00 PM —All Saints

† Otto & Theresa Schaub (TS)

11/2 Saturday 8:00 PM —

(†)Mary Weber & family (BJL)

11/3 Sunday 10:00 AM —

St. Peters Parish family



"For we are co-workers; you are God's field, God's building."

1 Corinthians 3:9

DIOLC.ORG/COWORKER

GOAL

\$12,520.00



PLEDGED AND RECEIVED

\$2,515.00

# OF DONORS

7

# Pray Often & Daily!!!

## Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target - \$1,870.00 Last Week's Total - \$814.00

\$1.056.00

Year to Date Target - \$29,920.00 Year to Date Total - \$20,661.01 -\$9.258.99

## Readings for November 3, 2024

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28 Gospel Reading: Mark 12:28-34

## **Ministry Servers**

## Friday November 1 – 8:00 PM

Volunteers needed for mass duties

## Saturday November 2 – 8:00 PM

<u>Servers</u>: Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen <u>Ushers</u>: Tim Leis & Phil Gronemus

Lector: Julie Lundeen

## Sunday November 3 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Arnie & Adeline Nicolai

<u>Ushers</u>: Mark Stephenson & Peter Benzing

Lector: Pam Benzing

\*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.

#### 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**

Wed. Oct. 30 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

<u>Fri. Nov. 1</u> – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Fri. Nov. 1 - Youth event to celebrate All Saints 5-8 PM

Fri. Nov. 1 - All Saints Dav mass @ 8:00 PM

Sun. Nov. 3 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Sun. Nov. 3 - Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Wed. Nov. 6 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 - 8:15 PM

Sun. Nov. 10 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 - 9:45 AM



\*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

### From the Pastor's Pen

#### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jesus' departure from Jericho (the first city conquered by the Israelites when they entered Palestine) signals the beginning of His final journey to Jerusalem, and the Passion that awaits Him there. It's in the context of the journey he meets Bartimaeus, son of Timaeus. Healing blindness became a mark of the Messiah. As Jesus was passing by Bartimaeus cried out "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." People tried to keep him quiet. But he is relentless in his determination of encountering the divine. His prayer was "Master, I want to see." Jesus brings light and joy to the life of Bartimaeus. He is an example of what our faith and trust in Jesus can do.

On October 24, 2024, Pope Francis published his fourth encyclical, "Dilexit nos" (Latin for "He loved us"). This encyclical focuses on the theme of human and divine love as embodied in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Pope Francis calls for a renewed understanding of devotion to the Sacred Heart in the modern era. The release of Dilexit nos coincides with the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first apparition of the Sacred Heart to St Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1673. Our Lord revealed to the French nun His heart, surrounded by flames and encircled by thorns, symbolizing His love for humanity despite the wounds inflicted by sin. The apparitions took place at the convent of Paray-le-Monial in Burgundy, France.

Writing the encyclical he said "I believe it will do us great good to meditate on various aspects of the Lord's love, which can illuminate the path of ecclesial renewal, and say something meaningful to a world that seems to have lost its heart." October 24<sup>th</sup> is also the foundation day of Missionaries of St Francis De Sales. Its glad to see that Pope Francis has referred St Francis De Sales many times in his encyclical and released it on the same day.

On Friday, November 1st, the Masses will be at 6 p.m. at St Joseph and 8 p.m. at St Peter in observance of All Saints Day—it's a Holy Day of Obligation.

Have a blessed week.

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

## **Parish News**

#### **CCD News:**

-There will be a Youth event Friday November  $1^{st}$  from 5:00-9:00 PM to celebrate All Saints day. There will be games, activities and fun. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite Saint. Mass will follow at 8:00 PM.

#### **Cemetery News:**

- -All flowers should be removed from the cemetery by November 1<sup>st</sup>. This is the responsibility of the families.
- -There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection taken up on November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> to benefit the cemetery fund. This money will be used to help with headstone straightening and to start a columbarium fund.

<u>Diocesan Annual Appeal</u>: Our goal this year is \$12,520. The funds collected go towards the running of the Diocese and other smaller collections. Keep in mind that any donations over our goal come back to our parish for our own projects.

<u>Heavenly Voices</u>: The Children's Choir will sing the second Sunday of November, the 10<sup>th</sup>. Practice will follow mass on the same Sunday because Terese will be gone on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Your voices are a gift to the parish. Thank you!!

<u>Calling all couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025 or 2026</u>: Every year we are honored to do something special for couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Each couple receives a packet and certificate, as well as an invitation to attend one of three celebrations that include Mass with the Bishop followed by a dinner. We are preparing for the anniversaries happening in 2025 and would like to get a head start on the 2026 anniversaries as well. Please contact the parish office to ensure your wedding date is listed in the parish's records.

<u>DRE Needed:</u> 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 if interested.

<u>First Sunday Rosary</u>: We pray the rosary on the first Sunday of each month in church at 7:30 PM. **The next one will be**November 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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 next on November 1st. Contact Father if there is a need before then.