

Diocesan and Community News

Message for the week of October 6:

A Minute with Jesus: Jesus waits for us After Mass, holy Communion is reserved in the tabernacle. The red sanctuary candle in the front of the church is constantly burning to remind us that Jesus is present in the tabernacle in the sacred host. He waits for us to come and spend some time with Him, just as we would spend time with any friend. We can speak with Him about anything, and simply be quiet in order to listen to Him. It is helpful to bring a book like The "Divine Encounter" by Mark Hart to have something to help stay focused when distractions arise. This time with the Lord will help bring solace and peace as worries take on a proper perspective and we will gradually know that when we receive holy Communion, we are truly receiving Jesus. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me to set aside some time to spend with You in church so that You can strengthen my faith that You are truly present in holy Communion. This week, read how Jesus asked Peter and the apostles to spend time with Him in prayer in Matthew 26:40.

Annual Pancake Breakfast: St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley will hold their annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 13, 2024 from 7:30 AM – Noon. Meal includes: delicious stack of pancakes (from our own local Great American Pancake Co.) with local real maple syrup, eggs, sausage, cheese curds, applesauce, milk, orange juice and coffee! Also purchase a tasty treat to take home from the bake sale! \$10 for adults, \$5 children ages 6-12, 5 and under free. New this year – Pancake topping bar! Your choice of maple syrup, blueberries, strawberries, chocolate syrup, sprinkles, whip cream and peanut butter (while supplies last).

Holy Trinity Chicken-Que and Bake Sale: Thursday, October 10, 11:00-5:30, 13th and Park Streets, La Crosse. 1/2 Chicken, Beans, Coleslaw and Roll \$11.00. Carryout, Drive Through, Delivery. Presales preferred—Call the Chicken Line at 608-782-2028 Ext. 2.

Marian Parish Mission: Fr. Tim Oudenhoven is providing a parish mission for the Marian Messengers at St James in La Crosse on October 6-8 to promote Marian Devotion and Evangelization through Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please see the fliers in the back of church for more information.

ORGAN RECITAL: The second in a series of three autumn organ recitals will be performed at Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman (530 Main Street, La Crosse) on Sunday October 20 at 2:00 by Bruce Bengtson. After over 40 years as Director of Music at Luther Memorial Church in Madison WI, Bruce retired in 2018. He won state and national competitions during his college years and has been featured in concerts in the U.S., Mexico, Canada, and Europe. The recital will be about one hour in duration. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be accepted. Ample parking available. Come hear this distinguished organist perform a wonderful program!

Kids Korner

What is Marriage all About?

Mark 10:2-12



In today's Gospel reading Jesus was telling the people about God's idea of marriage.

You know that marriage is what happens when a man and woman get married. But did you know that it is a sacrament? God gives special graces to people who get married so they can love each other well and raise good children.

Do you know what marriage is for? God made husbands and wives so that they could help each other to get to Heaven. But that's not all. When people get married, they are also starting a new family. Together with the father and mother, God brings new children into the world. He gives the parents all the help they need to raise their children.



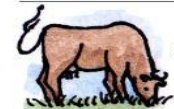
Answer to front page: Let the children come to me!
Answers to inside pages: names, bird, animal, partner, sleep, god, bone, woman

Fill In The Missing Words!

Use the words at the bottom to fill in the blanks



The man gave _____ to all the cattle, all the _____ of the air, and all wild _____; but none of them proved to be the suitable _____ for the man.



So the Lord God cast a deep _____ on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The Lord _____ then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "This one, at last, is _____ of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called '_____', for out of 'her man' this one has been taken."



PARTNER
BONE
WOMAN
ANIMALS

NAMES
GOD
BIRDS
SLEEP



Genesis 2:18-24



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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

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Leland Gregorich, Organist

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 6, 2024



"Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

Mark 10: 9

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

10/9 Wednesday 8:00 AM –

† Peter Krump (PTS)

10/11 Friday 8:00 AM – Richard & Janice Korish in honor of their 55th wedding anniversary (RK)

10/12 Saturday 8:00 PM –

† Herbert & Elreda Meyer (MJM)

10/13 Sunday 10:00 AM –

† Leo & Shirley Servais (SF)

Ministry Servers

Saturday October 12 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen

Ushers: Phil Gronemus & Don Halderson

Lector: Julie Lundeen

Sunday October 13 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Lukas, Max & Abel Slattery

Ushers: Rob Slattery & Mark Stephenson

Lector: John Hundt

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!!

Parish Calendar of Events

Sun. Oct. 6 – Knights of Columbus meeting after mass

Sun. Oct. 6 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Wed. Oct. 9 – Grades 7-10 No Class – Come to help at Sauerkraut Supper!!!!!!

Wed. Oct. 9 – Sauerkraut Supper serving 4 – 7:30 PM

Sun. Oct. 13 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Mon. Oct. 14 – Parish Finance meeting @ 6:30 PM

Wed. Oct. 16 – Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Sun. Oct. 20 – Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Sun. Oct. 20 – World Mission Sunday collection

Tues. Oct. 22 – Cemetery Committee meeting @ 7:30 PM

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

DRE 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.



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

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are living in a world dominated by a throwaway culture. We look after things as long as they are of some use to us. Unfortunately, this kind of attitude has even crept into human relationships, be it among family members, friends, or even between married couples. As a result, the relationships are no longer defined on the basis of love, care, commitment, and faithfulness but on the basis of usefulness, needs, and fulfillments. This could be one of the main reasons for the increasing number of marriage failures and divorces.

This weekend's readings emphasize the permanent, complimentary, and reciprocal nature of the relationship that must prevail between married couples. The Gospel reading mentions that, "They are no longer two, but one flesh." This also implies that married couples should be of one mind (thinking) and heart (decision making) in living out their marriage commitments. This would enable married couples to accept the vocation to perpetual commitment and responsibility. Marriage is a union based on committed sharing, forgiving, and sacrificial *agape* love. It requires many mutual adjustments, much generosity, and great good will to forgive and ask for forgiveness. Marriage requires sincere cooperation in training children, and raising them as practicing Catholic Christians; and it requires daily strength from God, obtained through personal and family prayers, and punctual participation in the parish liturgy. As a parish we need to reach out with Christian sympathy to the divorced and to troubled families. The parish community needs to accept them with respect, compassion, sensitivity, love and support—sharing the depth of their pain from a failed, or failing, marriage. Today we will pray that the good Lord will bless and guide all married couples to respect each other and to each live their married life in love and in fidelity.

Monday, October 7th: Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

This memorial was instituted following the Christian victory over the Turks at the battle of Lepanto, on October 7, 1571, which occurred while the Confraternity of the Rosary was celebrating a solemn procession in the streets of Rome. Pope Pius V attributed the victory to the intercession of the Virgin, "Mary, succor of Christians," for which reason the memorial was celebrated for many years with the name "Our Lady of Victory."

57th Annual Sauerkraut Supper at St. Peters Catholic Church is on October 9th 4:00—7:30 pm. **November 8th is the Family Fun Night at St Joseph** from 6 pm to 9 pm. We need volunteers and participants for the success of both events. Less participation is always a concern. Please sign up for various help needed. I like to thank all those who have already signed up.

Please pray for Timmy (TJ) Leis & Hannah Schmitz who were joined in Holy Matrimony. May God bless their union!!

Have a blessed weekend.

Live Jesus, Fr. Biju MSFS

Parish News

CCD News:

-There will be no class for grades 7 – 10 on Wednesday October 9th due to the Sauerkraut Supper. Students are required to come help lend a hand. The earlier you can arrive, the better.

-There will be a CCD Brat & Hotdog sale fund raiser on Sunday October 27th. Please watch for pre-order information.

-There is a Youth event being planned for Friday November 1st to celebrate All Saints day. There will be games, activities and fun. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite Saint. Watch for more information.

Sauerkraut Supper: We need more parishioner HELP!!! Up until now most of the preparations have been done by a handful of people. If we want to carry on this tradition we need **ALL HANDS ON DECK!** See insert for more information.

Knights of Columbus: The KC's will sponsor donuts and coffee after mass on October 6th in the basement and will hold their meeting afterwards. If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus please plan to attend the meeting.

October, the month of Mary: All parishioners are invited to join in a Public Square Rosary Rally at 12:00 noon, October 12th, at our outdoor statue of Mary. This event, sponsored by America Needs Fatima, will be one of over 22,500 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States.

America is at a historic crossroads. God is more grieved than ever as people ignore Our Lady's request to stop offending Him by our sins. As a result, America is suffering a societal collapse. We must urgently heed Our Lady's request and stop sinning if we hope to enjoy God's blessings and to avert His wrath. He will hear us, if we pray through the intercession of His Blessed Mother. That's why we're doing the Public Square Rosary Crusade.

Remembering the Lost: October is infant and miscarriage awareness month. We would like to add the names of children to the intentions at the last mass of October for families in our parish who have lost babies. If you would like to submit names of babies who passed before or shortly after birth so that we can pray for them please send a note or email to the parish office.

Annual Sauerkraut Supper

Eat-In or Carry-out

St. Peter's Church

Middle Ridge, Wisconsin
(W697 Highway 33, Rockland, WI)

Wednesday October 9, 2024

Serving 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Church-made Kraut & Pork, Polish Sausage, Glazed carrots, Mashed potatoes and Gravy, Home-made pie

Cost of Dinner **\$15.00**
Raw Kraut (2.5 lb)
available for **\$5.00**

Beverage Tent
Bake Sale
Raffles

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target - \$1,870.00

Last Week's Total - \$1,915.00

\$45.00

Year to Date Target - \$24,310.00

Year to Date Total - \$16,504.86

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Readings for October 13, 2024

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-30