

Diocesan and Community News

Message for the week of January 19:

A Minute with Jesus: Why Does Jesus Want to Stay with Us Always? You know that Jesus wants to stay with you always because He loves you unconditionally. The reason is because He wants to be with the person He loves. How do you know He loves you so much? Jesus gave His life for you by dying on the cross so that your sins can be forgiven. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Thank You Jesus that You want to be with me all the time. This week, read Psalm 139: 13-16 which speaks of how well God knows you and how close He is to you.

Vendors Market: The Cashton FFA is hosting their annual Vendors Market on January 25th, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It will be held in the Cashton High School gym and there will be baked goods, hygiene products, clothing, jewelry, flowers, decorations, etc. See the flier in the back of church for more information.

"Behold: Prayer of the Saints" Young Adult Retreat: This retreat is for young adults aged 18-25 and will be held on January 25, 2025, from 9 am-5 pm at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in La Crosse. Hear inspiring talks about the prayer of the Saints, foster a deeper Catholic community with other young adults, and participate in the life of God via Mass, Confession, and personal prayer. There are also optional evening socials on Friday, January 24 at 7 pm at 608 Brewing Co. and Saturday, January 25 at 6 pm at Pizzeria Dolorosa. The cost is \$25 per person and includes a warm meal. Register at tinyurl.com/beholdprayer.

Suffering from Chronic Pain? Gundersen Health System will be hosting a Healthy Living with Chronic Pain VIRTUAL workshop Wednesday mornings for 6 weeks starting Feb. 12. This workshop is designed to help adults with strategies for understanding and managing pain and more. For information, please call Vicky at 608-775-6870 or go to Gundersenhealth.org/events.

Making Saints: Campus Ministry Fundraiser Dinner: Our young Church is alive! Christ is moving on La Crosse college campuses, and we want to share these stories with you. You're invited to join us Saturday, February 1st at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall for an evening including dinner, student testimonies, a silent and dessert auction, and swing dance (with lessons from Fr. Billy Dodge of course). Registration details can be found by visiting www.roncallinewmancenter.com/making-saints-2025 Registration closes January 24th. If you have any questions or are interested in donating an item to our silent auction, please contact Adele at media@newmanlc.org. Hope to see you there!

January Pro-Life Initiatives, Prayers and Intentions:

Though the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision declaring a right to abortion was overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2022, many states' laws are hostile to preborn children. And so our pro-life prayers and efforts are just as important as ever. Learn more and find parish and personal resources from our U.S. Bishops at respectlife.org.

Kids Korner

Mary asks Jesus for a Miracle



In today's Gospel we hear the story of Jesus' first miracle. Wine was an important part of a wedding, and Our Lady felt bad for the people when they ran out.

When Mary hinted to Jesus to do something, Jesus said that the time wasn't ready yet. But do you know what? He did what His mother wanted anyway! He told the servants to fill six big jars with water, and when they did it turned into wine! And not just ordinary wine, but the very best.

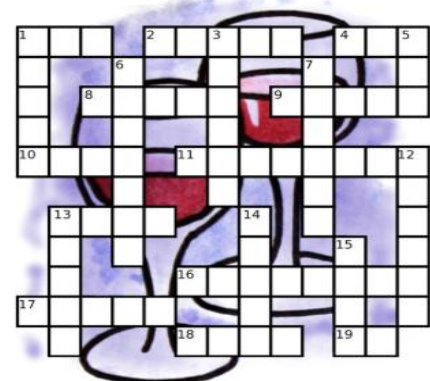
We can learn from this story that we should listen to our parents. Jesus is God and even He obeys His mother!



Here's another thing: if you need Jesus to help you with anything, pray to His Blessed Mother to ask Him for it. You know He will listen to His Mother!

Answer to front page: Do whatever He tells you. 11.servants 13.wine 16.everyone 17.Jesus 18.when 19.do Down: 1.signs 3.mother 5.was 6.wedding 7.became 12.serves 13.water 14.where 15.food

The Miracle at Cana Crossword



ACROSS:
 1. How many water jars were at the wedding at Cana?
 2. "_____, what has this to do with us?" (Jesus' words)
 4. What had been water was _____ wine.
 8. Mary and Jesus were invited to the wedding _____.
 9. "Do whatever He _____ you."
 (Mary's words)
 10. Jesus _____
 "Fill the jars with water."

11. Who filled the jars with water?
 13. They had run out of _____ at the wedding.
 16. "_____ else serves the good wine first, but you have saved it till now."
 17. _____ and His disciples were also at the wedding.
 18. Mary turned to Jesus _____ she saw there was no more wine.
 19. "_____ whatever He tells you."

DOWN:
 1. Jesus did this first of His _____ in Cana in Galilee.
 3. The _____ of Jesus was at a wedding in Cana.
 5. Jesus _____ also there.
 6. They were guests at the _____.
 7. The water _____ wine.
 12. "Everyone else _____ the good wine first, but you have saved it until now."
 13. They filled the jars with _____.
 14. Cana in Galilee was _____ Jesus did His first public miracle.
 15. "You have saved the _____ wine until now."

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@stpnr.diolcparish.org

PARISH WEBMASTER Christopher Pundzak

SACRISTANS Richard Korish & Austin Menn

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Miranda Flock

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,

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Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 19, 2025



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

1/22 Wednesday - No Mass

1/24 Friday 8:00 AM-

† Willy Jones (PTS)

1/25 Saturday 8:00 PM-

† Otto & Theresa Schaub (SF)

1/26 Sunday 10:00 AM-

† Madonna Hundt (AH)



“For we are co-workers;
you are God’s field,
God’s building.”

1 Corinthians 3:9

DIOLC.ORG/COWORKER

1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

GOAL

\$12,520.00



PLEGGED AND RECEIVED

\$12,335.00

OF DONORS

34

Pray Often & Daily!!!



Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week’s Total -	\$976.00
	\$894.00
Year to Date Target -	\$52,360.00
Year to Date Total -	\$50,200.13
	-\$2,159.87

Readings for January 26, 2025

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel Reading: John 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Ministry Servers

Saturday January 25 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen

Ushers: Tim Leis & Duane Leis

Lector: Julie Lundeen

Sunday January 26 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Madi & Allis Gronemus & Avin Stephenson

Ushers: Gary Gronemus & 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!!

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday @ 7:30 until 8:30 PM

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

8 Ways to Pray During Eucharistic Adoration ~

- Read Spiritual Books - Ask for Intercession - Meditate

- Offer a Holy Hour - Write a Prayer Journal -

Pray Spontaneously - Ask the Saints for help - Read the Scriptures

Parish Calendar of Events

Sun. Jan. 19 – Parish Potluck after mass

Wed. Jan. 22 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Sun. Jan. 26 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Wed. Jan. 29 - Grades 7-10 CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Sun. Feb. 2 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Sun. Feb. 2 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Fri. Feb. 7 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

Sat. Feb 8 – St. Peter’s Beer, Wine & Cheese Tasting Event and Fundraiser at Timmers 10-Mile Pub from 2-5 PM

Fri. Feb. 14 – St. Peter’s Couples Night



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

Transformation through Christ

The Gospel reading tells the story of the wedding at Cana. Jesus performs His first miracle by turning water into wine. This miracle shows Jesus’ power and care for others. Jesus’ action at Cana also symbolizes how He can transform our lives. Just as He changed water into wine, He can change our hearts and make us new. This story encourages us to trust in Jesus’ ability to help and guide us. We can reflect on this miracle by thinking about areas in our lives that need change. We should ask Jesus to help us grow and improve. By trusting in His power, we can experience positive changes and become better followers of Christ. Mary’s role in the wedding at Cana is highlighted in the Gospel reading for the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. She notices that the wine has run out and asks Jesus to help. Her faith and care for others are evident in her actions. Mary’s request to Jesus shows her trust in His ability to help. She serves as an example of faith and intercession. Just as she asked Jesus to help at the wedding, we can ask her to intercede for us with her Son. Reflecting on Mary’s role can inspire us to have faith and trust in Jesus. We should follow her example by bringing our needs to Jesus and believing in His power to help. Mary’s care and faith remind us to turn to Jesus in times of need. The readings guide us in understanding the gifts of the Holy Spirit, unity in diversity, transformation through Christ, and the role of Mary. By applying these teachings in our lives, we can grow in faith and build a stronger, more loving community.

Lord, thank You for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the unity they bring. Help us to use our gifts for the good of all. Transform our hearts and guide us to trust in You. May we follow Mary’s example of faith and intercession. Amen.

Parish News

Children’s Choir: We thank you for praising Jesus, the Newborn King, with your voices this Christmas season. We will be practicing at 3 PM on the last Saturday of each month for 45 minutes. This will help keep us united. Even if you can’t make the practices, please come up and sing on Sundays. Thank you again!

NEW FUNDRAISER! A Beer, Wine and Cheese Tasting evening is being planned at Timmers 10-Mile Pub on February 8, 2025 from 2-5pm. Call 608-796-2270 to reserve your tickets as seating is limited. Tickets are \$25 per person and include the choice of wine or beer tasting with cheese and chocolate pairings, and an artisan pizza buffet. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:** approximately 8 volunteers are needed for day-of help, and we are asking for items/cash donations to help put together raffle baskets. Please contact Rachel Persson at 608-386-9543 if you have items to donate or wish to help. Thank you in advance!

4th Annual St. Peter’s Couples Night: Valentine’s day is a time to celebrate your love. St. Peter’s Couples Night will be held **Friday February 14th** from 6:30 - 9 PM in the church basement. There will be an inspirational speech by Deacon Chris Cabott, intimate multi-course meal with your Sweetheart, romantic music and Christian fellowship. Make your reservations before **February 7th** by calling or emailing the parish office or speak to Tom or Melissa Schaub. This event is open to all married or engaged couples. This is spiritual food for your marriage!!

Knights of Columbus Breakfast: The Father McCaffrey Council 9438 will be holding a pancake, sausage and egg breakfast on Sunday February 23rd from 8:30 am to Noon in the basement of St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish in West Salem. This will be a free will offering for the breakfast. Proceeds from the Breakfast go to seminarians for their religious education.

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 February 2nd.** 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 February 7th.** Contact Father if there is a need before then.

DIocese of LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE: The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.