

Diocesan and Community News

Eucharistic Revival - 2022 through 2025:

Visit: eucharisticrevival.org for more information.

Message for the week of July 9:

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 transfigured Bread and Wine – the Eucharist – is *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.

Caregiver Opportunities: The Villa St. Joseph is seeking applicants for part-time help on all shifts for LPN's or RN's. Includes every other weekend. Training provided. Apply at fspa.org/careers and look under Villa tab .

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available: Make a confidential call to Catholic Charities at 844.644.7223 (844.64.GRACE) or text 715.600.6391. To learn more visit cclse.org/i-think-im-pregnant. For additional pregnancy support resources and locations, visit diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.

Aquinas Schools News: Aquinas High School and Aquinas Middle School welcome you to enroll for the 2023-2024 school year. Aquinas is committed to providing a safe and structured learning environment for its students. There is much to be excited about with the launch of the Viterbo Education Program, NEW STEM lab, and over fifty extracurriculars to get involved with. Call (608) 784-0287 to schedule a tour! Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered family devoted to nurturing students of all faiths through educational excellence in its vibrant Catholic tradition. Contact info@aquinasschools.org with any questions or visit www.aquinascatholicsschools.org/enrollment to get started.

Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI): Watch short videos of what the most recent graduates are saying about their Lay Formation experience, how it has deepened their relationship with Christ and their Faith! Registration is now open for the next two-year cycle that begins in the fall of 2023. For the video clips and more information, visit diolc.org/lay-formation. Discuss enrollment with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call 608.791.0161.

Kids Korner

"I Will Give You Rest"

Today Jesus tells us, "Come to Me, all you who labour and are burdened and I will give you rest." God understands that we get tired and worn out. He wants us to come to Him when we need to rest. He refreshes our souls and gives us the energy and strength to carry on.



JESUS, I'M SO TIRED! PLEASE HELP ME!

Do you ever feel like quitting when a job gets hard? Maybe you get tired of school or helping your Mom or Dad. When you feel like giving up it's time to start praying! Your work might seem easier when you pray, but even if it still seems hard you will be happier knowing that you are doing it for God.



Jesus tells us to take His yoke on our shoulders. A yoke is a sort of bar that is used to help carry heavy things. Jesus is saying that we should do His work. For some people that means preaching like He did, or healing the sick, or being a priest, but for most people it means just doing everything we have to do out of love for God.



Psalm 145 Word-Find

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

Find the words from today's Psalm that are in CAPITALS. Use the letters that are left over to fill in the blanks:

What is one of the things this Psalm tells us about God?

I will EXTOL you, O my GOD and King, and I will bless your NAME forever and ever. Every day will I bless YOU, and I will PRAISE your name FOREVER and ever.

The Lord is GRACIOUS and MERCIFUL, SLOW to ANGER and of great KINDNESS. The Lord is GOOD to all and compassionate toward all his works.

Let all your works give you THANKS, O Lord, and let your faithful ones BLESS you. Let them discourse of the GLORY of your KINGDOM and SPEAK of your MIGHT.

The Lord is FAITHFUL in all his WORDS and holy in all his WORKS. The LORD lifts up all who are FALLING and RAISES up the bowed down.

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

Mary Hundt, Coordinator.....(608) 780-6172

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Gary Flock, Michael Hundt, Rachel Persson, Brandon Flock, Mark Nicolai & Louisa Peterson (Committee liaisons: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tom Schaub, Mark Stephenson, Rob Slattery, Peter Benzing, Kathy Flock

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Pam Benzing, Mary Bach-Filla, LaVonne Hundt

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Leo Leis (Chairman), Mark Gronemus, Jared 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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14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JULY 9, 2023



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

7/12 Wed. 8:00 AM –

† **Peggy Arentz (SSM)**

7/14 Fri. 8:00 AM –

† **David Cummings (PTS)**

7/15 Sat. 8:00 PM –

† **Richard Reget (MLH)**

7/16 Sun. 10:00 AM –

St. Peter's Parish Family



Total Pledged/Paid: \$93,275/\$30,555

Thank you!

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,700.00
Last Week's Total -	\$1,377.60
	-\$322.40
Year to Date Target -	\$1,700.00
Year to Date Total -	\$1,377.60
	-\$322.40

Readings for July 16, 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-9

Prayer for Spiritual Communion: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You with all my heart. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already in my heart and unite myself to You completely. Please do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen.

Ministry Servers

Saturday July 15 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Matthew & Andrew Schaub

Ushers: Mike Schaub & Tim Leis

Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday July 16 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Madi & Allis Gronemus

Ushers: Rob Slattery & Mark Gronemus

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. Confessions available.

Parish Calendar of Events

Tues. July 11 – Parish Advisory Council meeting @ 7:00 PM

Sun. July 16 – Parish Potluck Picnic at Ballfield after mass – Bring a dish to pass – Brats are provided

Fri. July 21 – No Mass

Fri. Aug. 4 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

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



***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. Thank you.

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

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The theme of humility is central to our readings today. God Himself is a humble God, so if we wish to follow Him as Christian stewards, we must be humble. Humility is crucial to the stewardship way of life and to a peaceful and fulfilling life.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus Himself speaks to the Father about the privileged role that humble souls play in God's plan of salvation. "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones."

What does it mean to be a "little one"? It means that we acknowledge we don't have it all figured out but are very much in need of a savior. It means we recognize that all we are and have is a gift from God. It means we embrace the stewardship way of life.

It is not easy, but deep peace and consolation come with this way of life. Jesus offers these warm and encouraging words to entice us to embrace them. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Let us resolve to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, embracing the humble path of stewardship. The way leads to peace here and now and ultimately leads us to heaven.

Parish News

Inspired by the Spirit: This past week, you may have received a letter from the Inspired by the Spirit Campaign requesting you to pledge. This letter was supposed to go ONLY to parishioners that had not pledged or donated. We apologize to the parishioners who have donated or pledged—and still received this letter. We sincerely thank you for your generosity. Please send your pledges directly to the Diocese of La Crosse P.O. Box 4004 La Crosse, WI 54602. These payments do not need to go through the St. Peter's parish office.

Cemetery Flowers: Flowers are a beautiful & prayerful sign of remembrance for our beloved dead. A volunteer checks on the flowers in St. Peter's Cemetery from time to time, but please be responsible for the regular maintenance of yours. Thanks!

Parish Potluck Picnic: There will be a Parish Potluck Picnic on Sunday July 16th after mass at the ballfield. There will be games and entertainment for all ages. Please bring a dish to pass & come spend time with your parish family! Brats will be provided by the PCCW.

Mission Coop Appeal: There is still time to donate to the Vincentian mission. Please place your donation in an envelope marked accordingly in the offertory.

Pilgrimage for Sr. Wilhelmina: A motor coach pilgrimage is planned July 31 - Aug. 1 to the Benedictines of Mary, Queen of the Apostles Convent in Gower, MO to pray at the tomb of Sister Wilhelmina, who is incorrupt. Father Joe Redfern will serve as chaplain. Overnight accommodations will be in Kansas City. For more information email pjslattery9@protonmail.com or call (608) 452-4605. An itinerary can be found in the back of church.

Hearing Assistance: For anyone finding it difficult to hear during mass we now have head-sets available in the sacristy that can be used to help. They are linked into our sound system directly. Thank you to Chris Pundzak for this donation.

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 Friday August 4th.**

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 **August 6th**. Please plan to attend to pray as our Holy Mother has called us to do.