

Diocesan and Community News

Eucharistic Revival: Visit: eucharisticrevival.org for more info.

Message for the week of March 31: A Minute with Jesus:
Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday
 Jesus is alive! We receive the living resurrected Christ in Holy Communion. Jesus holds nothing back in the Holy Eucharist. He gives Himself completely to us when we receive Him at Mass every Sunday. Receiving His Resurrected Body and Blood will raise us to Him to live forever. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me realize that You are alive and that You are alive in me every time I receive You. This week, as we celebrate Easter, make a practice that was common after the Resurrection with the early Christians to say to family members and friends, "Jesus Christ is risen; He is alive!"

Divine Mercy All Day Celebration April 7: The La Crosse Deanery has chosen the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. The day's festivities will be officiated by Cardinal Burke. His Eminence will offer a reflection on Divine Mercy, he will lead the congregation in a consecration to Divine Mercy before the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and then Cardinal Burke will preside over the benediction and reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Come to the Shrine on the Feast of Divine Mercy. It will be a day of approaching the Sacred Heart of Jesus with great faith, trust, and appreciation. Offer your prayers. And rejoice in Our Lord's unfathomable mercy!

Confession will be available in English and Spanish throughout the day from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm.

- 9:00 am – Traditional Latin Mass
- 11:00 am – Spanish Mass
- 12:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet in Spanish
- 1:00 pm – English Mass
- 2:30 pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 2:45 pm – Divine Mercy Reflection and Consecration led by **Cardinal Burke**
- 3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet led by **Cardinal Burke**
- 3:15 pm – Benediction & Reposition led by **Cardinal Burke**
- 3:30 pm – St. Faustina Relic Blessing and Veneration

St. Mary's Men's Club Spaghetti and Pasta Dinner: The Men's Club will be hosting a spaghetti and pasta dinner on April 13, 2024 from 4-7 PM at St. Mary's Church, 900 Central Ave, Coon Valley. \$12 adults, \$5 kids under 12, and children under 3 free. Get a plate of spaghetti or pasta with sauce and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, coffee, milk or water and ice cream for dessert. Wine and beer will be available for purchase.

"the ANSWER" Eucharistic Rally | June 7th at the La Crosse Center:
 "The Answer" Eucharistic Rally on Friday, June 7, 2024, is for catechetical leaders, catechists, interested adults, families, parents and their 7-12 grade students. Please encourage the people of the parish to join us for a Eucharistic Procession with Bishop Barron and Bishop Callahan, excellent speakers, music, vendors, and, of course, Mass, adoration and confession. See more information in the back of church.

Kids Korner

**Christ is Risen!
Alleluia!**



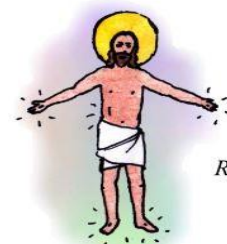
Easter is the time when we celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead.



Early in the morning the day after the Sabbath, the women went to the tomb and found it empty! They went and told the disciples, who went and saw it was true. Jesus' body was gone! He had risen from the dead!



Imagine the joy of Our Lady that her Son was alive again! Here is a special Easter prayer to Our Lady:



*Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia!
 For the Son Whom you were privileged to bear, Alleluia!
 Has risen as He said. Alleluia!*

*Pray to God for us, Alleluia!
 Rejoice and be glad, Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
 For the Lord has truly risen! Alleluia!*

Answer to the Word-Find: Jesus is risen!

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 3** Peter & Barb Antony
- Row 4** John Schmit
- Row 4** Peter Neuburg
- Row 5** Antonia Smola
- Row 6** Ernest Muenzenberger
- Row 11** Nick Fischbach
- Row 15** Joe & Marie Kaiser
- Row 17** Casper Sieger
- Row 24** Alois Flaig

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

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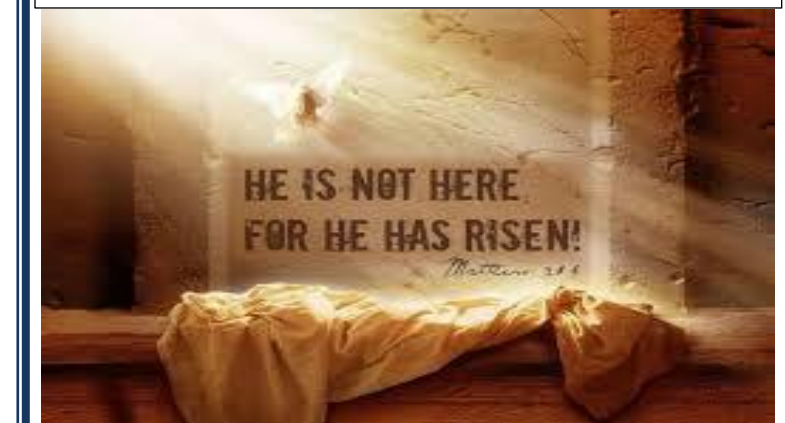
Terese Slattery, Coordinator.....(608) 452-4605
 Leland Gregorich, Organist

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



Parish website: www.saintpetersparish.net

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE
 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
 MARCH 31, 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

4/3 Wednesday 8:00 AM –

† **Wilfred & Alice Kotek (SMF)**

4/5 Friday 8:00 AM –

† **Don Althoff (AH)**

4/6 Saturday 8:00 PM – Living &

deceased members of the

Kenneth & Jean Wortman family

(RJK)

4/7 Sunday 10:00 AM –

St. Peter’s Parish Family

Ministry Servers

Saturday April 6 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Andrew & Matthew Schaub

Ushers: Don Halderson & Phil Gronemus

Lector: Dan Korn

Sunday April 7 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Madi & Allis Gronemus

Ushers: Mark Gronemus & Gary Gronemus

Lector: Ann 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.

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

Mon. April 1 – PCCW meeting at 7:30 PM

Wed. April 3 – Confirmation at the Cathedral – La Crosse

Wed. April 3 - Grades 7- CCD Class 7 – 8:15 PM

Fri. April 5 – Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available; contact Fr. Biju to schedule

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

Sun. April 7 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Sun. April 7 – Rosary in church @ 7:30 PM

Sun. April 14 - Grades 1-6 CCD Class 8:45 – 9:45 AM

Sun. May 5 – First Communion & May Crowning

Sun. May 19 – Graduation/Confirmation recognition mass



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

“He has been raised; he is not here.” (Mark 16:6b)

Happy Easter! After forty days of prayer and sacrifice we have arrived at the great feast of Easter. I wish you all a happy Easter. This has been, is, and will always be the essence of Christian faith. The empty tomb is the message that nothing inflicted on life is final in this life, not even death. The empty tomb is the message that God’s love is stronger than any human power, violence or cruelty. The empty tomb broadcasts that love is victorious and conquers all. That message of Easter reverberates across churches throughout the world on Easter Sunday. Despite the diversity of location, background and personal circumstances, they will wait to hear that message of Easter once again, and find hope and meaning for their struggles and lives.

The glorious news of the Resurrection does not wipe away the challenges of life. But more importantly, our faith in the Risen Lord changes the way we deal with and face our problems both within ourselves and in our world. The presence of the Risen Christ enables us all to move from darkness to light, from discord to harmony, from pain and stumbling to new patterns of life where our illnesses, sufferings, anxieties, difficulties and problems do not overwhelm us because we know that the Risen One holds us by the hand, filling us with comfort and strength. Nothing can change that reality which is so much greater than whatever our circumstances might be.

Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ is the celebration of our hope, the celebration of the truth that nothing and no one will ever be able to separate us from His love. May the joy and gladness of the Risen Christ flood our hearts with hope and strength and may we continue in confidence on our journey towards the glory and joy of abiding in God’s enduring love forever.

The Easter Season begins the Easter Octave and continues for fifty days, ending with the Solemnity of Pentecost. I like to thank all those people involved in making Lent and Easter a beautiful enriching experience of the soul. Thanks to the choir, lectors, ushers, communion ministers and all those who took time to decorate the church fitting for the occasion.

I wish all of you and your family a blessed and holy Easter season. Thanks to your prayers and support. Let us continue to pray for one another as we rejoice in the blessings of this Easter Season! Special thanks to Msgr. Robert Hundt for celebrating the Easter Triduum here at St. Peter’s.

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen, He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS

Parish News

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.

PCCW Meeting: There will be a meeting on April 1st at 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend for updates with this society.

LDCCW Collection: The annual collection for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held on the Sunday after Easter: April 6-7. These funds are used for camp grants, scholarship grants, and supporting diocesan functions. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

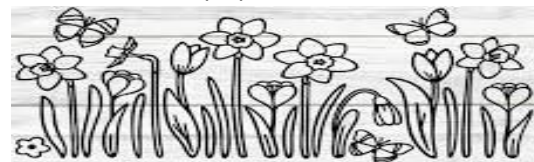
LDCCW Biennial Convention: The convention will take place April 13th at the Radisson Hotel in La Crosse. Our guest speaker is Abby Johnson, author of Unplanned, which was made into a movie of the same name. Ms. Johnson was a Planned Parenthood Director for many years. After witnessing an abortion on ultrasound Abby changed her position on abortion. Horrified by what she witnessed she became an outspoken pro-life advocate against Planned Parenthood and abortion. Her testimony is powerful and her message must be heard; abortion is the killing of innocent life and not simply a women’s reproductive health issue. The event will be from 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM. The cost is \$65 and includes lunch. **Look for information & registration forms for this in the back of church.**

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 April 7th.** 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 April 5th.**

Thank you to all who have donated towards our beautiful Easter flowers:

- In memory of the Lee family (ML)
- In memory of Stan & Steven Hundt (AH)
- In memory of Jacob Gronemus and living & deceased family (PCG)
- From Gary & Deb Flock
- In memory of the Halderson family (JH)
- In memory of Eugene Flock, Kylie VonRuden & Chad Mlsna (LF)



Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week’s Total -	<u>\$1,370.00</u>
	-\$500.00
Year to Date Target -	\$71,060.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$77,785.19</u>
	+\$6,725.19

Readings for April 7, 2024

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31