

## Diocesan and Community News

### Message for the week of June 8:

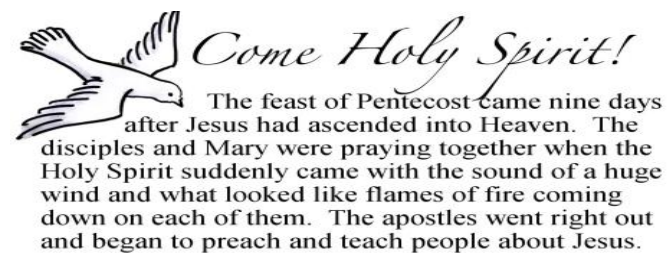
**A Minute with Jesus: The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist**  
Even after the Apostles had experienced the Risen Christ, they were afraid. They gathered with Mary on the day of Pentecost and prayed behind locked doors, waiting as instructed for the Gift of the Holy Spirit. After the Holy Spirit descended upon them on Pentecost, the Apostles were no longer afraid and were equipped to fulfill their role in bringing others to Jesus and His Church. It is the same for us today. When we receive the Eucharist, we also receive God the Holy Spirit, to abide in the depths of our hearts. If we allow Him, the Spirit of Truth will transform us and we will no longer be afraid, but be equipped with peace and strength for our role in God's plan. Let us then prepare for each Eucharistic encounter in the same way the Apostles prepared for Pentecost, "in prayer ... with Mary ..." (Acts 1:14).

**March for Life Wisconsin:** The 2025 March for Life Wisconsin will take place on Saturday, June 14 at 2 PM at the Wisconsin State Capitol, hosted by the Wisconsin Catholic Conference, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Wisconsin Right to Life, and Wisconsin Family Council. Buses to the March will travel from around the state, including from Chippewa Falls, Onalaska, and Sparta. Cost is \$15/person or \$45/family and you may register at [marchforlifewisconsin.org](http://marchforlifewisconsin.org), or scan the QR code to the right. There will be speakers at the March, and signs will be provided. Come bear witness to the sanctity of all human life!

**Vocations:** Do you know someone in your life that you think would make a good priest? Have you ever told them that? If not, you should! A significant, contributing factor to young men discerning the priesthood has been the invitation and encouragement they receive from others, particularly parents, teachers, mentors and role models. Don't be afraid to tell a young man that they would make a good priest, as that may be just what they have been waiting for. Once you encourage them, don't hesitate to put them in contact with me to continue that conversation. I can be reached at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

**Parish Picnic:** The 122nd St. Charles Homecoming Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 6th, at the church, 707 Eagle St., Genoa, WI. The annual event is held on the first Sunday in July. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Each meal includes Pogy's grilled chicken and sides, as well as a serving of homemade risotto, which is a cheesy rice delicacy passed down through generations of Italian immigrants who settled in the area. Raffle drawings will begin at 3 p.m. Most events will be held outdoors, with dining options available inside the adjacent school. Entry is free and open to the public. Meals cost \$15 each, smaller hot dog plates available for younger attendees for \$6. For more information, visit St. Charles School and Parish Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesSchoolGenoa>.

### Kids Korner



The Holy Spirit comes to us in Baptism and lives in us whenever our souls are in a state of grace (when we don't have any serious sins.) He comes into us more whenever we receive a Sacrament, especially Confirmation. He helps us do what is right and serve God using all the gifts He gives us. The Holy Spirit, who is the third Person of the Blessed Trinity, draws us closer to God the Father and Jesus.

Pray to the Holy Spirit every day to help you to do everything for God. Then see how your life changes!

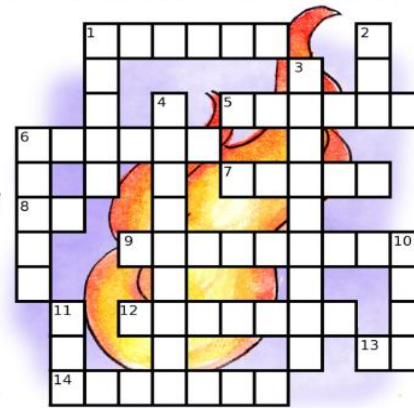


Answer to maze puzzle on front: Come Holy Spirit!  
Answers to Cross-Word: Across: 1. Spirit 5. amazed 6. Heaven 7. began 8. us 9. separated 12. tongues 13. as 14. sitting Down: 1. speak 2. one 3. languages 4. Pentecost 6. house 10. does 11. his

### Pentecost Cross-Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in today's first reading, and then write them where they belong in the puzzle.

DOES  
AMAZED  
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PENTECOST



When \_\_\_\_\_ (4D) day came round, they had all met in \_\_\_\_\_ (2D) room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from \_\_\_\_\_, (6A) the noise of which filled the entire \_\_\_\_\_ (6D) in which they were \_\_\_\_\_; (14A) and something appeared to them that seemed like \_\_\_\_\_ (12A) of fire; these \_\_\_\_\_ (9A) and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy \_\_\_\_\_ (1A) and \_\_\_\_\_ (7A) to \_\_\_\_\_ (1D) foreign \_\_\_\_\_ (3D) \_\_\_\_\_ (13A) the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were \_\_\_\_\_ (5A) and astonished. "Surely," they said, "all these men speaking are Galileans? How \_\_\_\_\_ (10D) it happen that each of \_\_\_\_\_ (8A) hears them in \_\_\_\_\_ (11D) own native language?" (A=Across D=Down)

PARISH DIRECTOR Deacon David J. Allen  
PRIEST MODERATOR Msgr. Robert P. Hundt  
PARISH PRIEST

Rev. Sengole Vethanayagam (Fr. Sen)  
(Arriving August 1, 2025)

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....8:00 PM  
Sunday.....10:00 AM

### COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday .....7:00 PM

### ADORATION

Wednesday.....7:30 PM to 8:30 PM

### CONFESSIONS

Before Saturday mass & 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

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Bulletin deadline: .....Wednesday

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PARISH WEBMASTER Christopher Pundzak

SACRISTANS Richard Korish & Austin Menn

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Miranda Flock & Carol Gronemus (assistant)

### 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

### FUNERAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Deborah Leis

### MUSIC

Terese Slattery, Coordinator  
Leland Gregorich, Organist

# St. Peters Catholic Church

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Parish website: [www.saintpetersparish.net](http://www.saintpetersparish.net)



## PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8, 2025



CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

- Joining the Parish • Weddings • Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited



Parish Intentions

6/11 Wednesday 7:30 PM –  
Communion Service & Eucharistic Adoration  
6/14 Saturday 8:00 PM –  
† Theresa & Otto Schaub (SF)  
6/15 Sunday 10:00 AM –  
St. Peters Parish Family

Ministry Servers

Saturday June 14 – 8:00 PM  
Servers: Matthew Schaub & Mason Leis  
Ushers: Mike Schaub & Tom Schaub  
Lector: Melissa Schaub  
Sunday June 15 – 10:00 AM  
Servers: Marlayna O’Heron, Arnie & Adeline Nicolai  
Ushers: Leo Leis & Mark Gronemus  
Lector: Kathy Flock  
\*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!!

Communion Service & Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday @ 7:00 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

Tues. June 10 – Parish Finance Council meeting @ 6:30 PM  
Wed. June 11 thru Thurs. June 12 – St. Peters Youth Event  
Sat. June 14 & Sun. June 15 – Popcorn for Pop sale  
Sun. July 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.

St. Joseph’s Ridge Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.  
Tuesday (Communion Service) ..... 5:30 p.m.  
(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 p.m.)  
Thursday (Communion Service) .....8:30 a.m.

Encouragement

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Let us ask the Lord to give us hearts that are docile to the work of the Spirit in us. The Holy Spirit transformed the disciples into courageous witnesses of the Resurrection of our Lord. It is this same Spirit that we have received at baptism and whose fullness is given to us at confirmation so that, like those first disciples, we might build up the Church. But submitting to the power of the Holy Spirit can be challenging and we can be tempted to resist. Let us ask the Lord to give us hearts that are docile to the work of the Spirit in us.  
In the first reading, the Holy Spirit descends upon the disciples with a powerful sound and upon each one in tongues as of fire. Filled with this Spirit, they begin to speak about God’s works in different languages so that visitors to Jerusalem are able to understand them. Paul writes about the way the Holy Spirit animates and unites the members of the Body of Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus appears to his disciples, blesses them with his peace, and empowers them with the Holy Spirit to forgive and retain sins.

Parish News

**St. Peter’s Youth Gathering:** The first gathering for the summer is planned for Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:00 pm with the option to camp overnight in the ballfield. Please see the flier in the back of church and on the back page of this bulletin for more information. An RSVP is preferable so we can plan better. Donations are welcomed!!  
**Popcorn for Pop:** Next weekend bring a few dollars to support pro-life efforts on Father’s Day! We are remembering and celebrating all fathers at our church by partnering with Pro-Life Wisconsin to offer popcorn to dads this Father’s Day! There will be individual size bags of popcorn available for a freewill offering. This is a great way to tell him, “Thanks for being the best dad ever!” with a delicious treat. Donations will support individuals and families in our state through Pro-Life Wisconsin’s emergency pregnancy help efforts and pro-life educational efforts. Happy Father’s day to all the dads!  
**Dare To Follow:** Attention young men!! We are called to be Holy Men of God. Dare to Follow is for young men in grades 6-10 who are interested in hearing where God is calling them. Join us for activities, discernment, and time with Bishop Battersby and priests from our area. July 8-10 at Holy Cross Diocesan Center 3710 East Ave S | La Crosse, WI. Pre-registration is required and ends July 2<sup>nd</sup>. The fee is \$30. Register at: <https://diolc.org/priesthood/2025-dare-to-follow/>.  
**Building Update:** The council has accepted a bid from Krause Konstruktion to tuck point the entire building. The cost for this will be \$48,680. It was also decided to move ahead with our basement renovation that is part of our Inspired by the Spirit Campaign. This project will cost \$25,740 to replace the floor with Legacy Concrete Coatings. We also plan to paint the walls. It is looking like this will happen mid-July. **Help will be needed to move EVERYTHING from the basement before this project starts. We will need help from all parishioners for this!!!** If anybody is willing to donate towards these projects, we would greatly appreciate it so that we don’t deplete a large portion of our maintenance budget. Please place donations in a marked envelope & place in the offertory.  
**The Renewal Project: Simple, Achievable, Life-Changing:** The Renewal Project is not a checklist or a program—it’s a personal invitation for you to engage with your faith on your time and on your terms. Rooted in prayer and community, this diocesan-wide effort encourages each of us to take a simple step deeper in our relationship with Jesus Christ. You will find a variety of invitations to help you reflect, grow, and respond to the Lord in your daily life—whether as parents, couples, singles, or students. It's about opening your heart to His presence and letting Him renew you from the inside out. To learn more and begin your journey, visit [diolc.org/renewal](http://diolc.org/renewal). Come and see what the Lord desires for you.  
**Join Lay Formation—Catch the Fire of the Spirit, Go Deeper in Faith!** Registration is now open for the next two-year Lay Formation Institute cycle that begins in the fall of 2025. Deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a community of learners, catch the fire of the Holy Spirit and let Him make you a contagious witness to Christ! See the complete information and application form at [diolc.org/lay-formation](http://diolc.org/lay-formation) or scan the QR code to the right. Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [ministries@diolc.org](mailto:ministries@diolc.org) or call 608.791.0161.  
**“Still the Answer” Eucharistic Rally 2025:** You are invited to join faithful from across the diocese on Saturday, August 9, 2025 at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire for a new opportunity to pause, reflect and renew our love of the gift of the Eucharist, as Jesus continues to give us His body and blood, strengthening us through life’s joy, sorrows and challenges. The day’s events will include a river walk procession, Mass, engaging speakers, live music and Eucharistic adoration. Take this time to remember how much you need Jesus - and that He is Still the Answer for you, for your family, for your parish and for the world. Visit [diolc.org/still-the-answer](http://diolc.org/still-the-answer) to learn more about the event and to register or see the poster in the back of church.

Come Join  
St. Peter’s Youth

The Jewel on the Hill  
For Games, Movie, and  
Sleepover Night at the  
Middle Ridge Ballfield

Wednesday June 11, 2025  
4:00 PM

Thursday June 12, 2025

- \*Spaghetti, Hot dogs, Brats with the trimmings and drinks
- \* Games/Crafts/Fun
  - Scavenger Hunt
  - Kickball/Dodgeball
  - Other activities still being planned
- \* Candle light Rosary/ Campfire Songs/Movie
- \*Movie-- Popcorn, treats and drinks Wednesday evening
- A light pancake breakfast will be served Thursday morning
- \* All ages are welcome to attend. (Adults too)
- \* Come join for as much as you would like, staying the night is optional.
- \* Bring your own tents, sleeping bags / blankets & pillows
- Please RSVP by calling or texting Carol 608-487-6170 for planning purposes.

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,870.00
Last Week’s Total -	\$898.50
	-\$971.50
Year to Date Target -	\$89,760.00
Year to Date Total -	\$85,092.13
	-\$4,667.87

Readings for June 15, 2025

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31  
Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5  
Gospel Reading: John 16:12-15