

Diocesan and Community News

Thank You! Kurt and Kathy Flock have donated a beautiful new Hymn board to St. Peter. It was custom made by a local artist. Thank you for your generosity! God bless you!



FEATURED SPEAKERS: Card. Raymond L. Burke, Michael J. Knowles, Joe Lombardi, Cecilia Jean, Fr. Ambrose Christe, and others to be announced



**GET YOUR
TICKETS TODAY**

Kids Korner

PENTECOST



Today is the second biggest feast in the Church year! Pentecost is when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and the Church was formed. The Apostles went out and began to preach the Gospel and baptize thousands of people, receiving them into the new Church.

The Holy Spirit is God. He is the third Person of the Holy Trinity, after the Father and the Son. Before Jesus came to earth, the Holy Spirit inspired the men who wrote the Old Testament part of the Bible. It was the Holy Spirit who brought baby Jesus to the world through Mary. Jesus told His followers He would send the Holy Spirit to them after He went up into Heaven.



We all need the Holy Spirit. We can't do anything by ourselves. The Holy Spirit gives us the strength we need to do good. Did you know that we wouldn't even pray if the Holy Spirit didn't inspire us to?



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever! Amen.

Answers to Unscramble: Puzzle: place, suddenly, wind, house, fire, filled, began, Spirit, BIRTHDAY.

Unscramble: The Pentecost Story

Unscramble the words to finish the story and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one 7 [LCPAE] together. And 8 [ENYLUSDD] there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving 6 [DWN] and it filled the entire 5 [USHOE] in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of 3 [ERFI] which parted and came to rest on each of them. And they were all 2 [ILFLDE] with the Holy Spirit and 1 [GNEAB] to speak in different tongues, as the 4 [IPSTRI] enabled them to proclaim.

**Pentecost is the _____
of the Church!**



PARISH PRIEST

Rev. Sengole Vethanayagam
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WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday and Friday..... 8:00 AM

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday..... 8:00 PM

Sunday..... 10:00 AM

ADORATION

Wednesday.... Eucharistic Exposition and
Rosary @ 7:00 PM

Quiet Prayer/Confession
Benediction @ 7:55 PM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday during Adoration
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
Office Phone: (608) 452-4680

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday
Email: parishoffice@stpmr.diocparish.org

PARISH WEBMASTER

Christopher Pundzak

SACRISTANS

Richard Korish & Austin Menn

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Miranda Flock & Carol Gronemus (assistant)

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mark Nicolai (Chairman), Brandon Flock,
Louisa Peterson, James Hundt & Nick Gronemus
(Committee liaisons: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mark Stephenson (Chairman), Rob Slattery, Tom
Schaub, Peter Benzing, Kathy Flock, Sarah
Gronemus (Secretary)

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

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PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 24, 2026



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

5/27 Wednesday 8:00 AM –
St. Peter Parish Family

5/29 Friday 8:00 AM –
† Marian (Andy) Andruszkiewicz (MLH)

5/30 Saturday 8:00 PM –
**Deceased members Justine & Vernon
Koresh family (THW)**

5/31 Sunday 10:00 AM –
St. Peter Parish Family

Ministry Servers

Saturday May 30 – 8:00 PM

Servers: Brielle & Brooklyn Lundeen

Ushers: Tom Schaub & Duane Leis

Lector: Melissa Schaub

Sunday May 31 – 10:00 AM

Servers: Avin Stephenson & Brynn Stephenson

Ushers: Peter Benzing & Leo Leis

Lector: Pam Benzing

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays: Eucharistic Exposition and Rosary @ 7:00 PM

Quiet Prayer/Confession - Benediction @ 7:55 PM

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

Parish Calendar of Events

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

Tues. June 16 – Parish Finance council meeting @ 6:30 PM

Tues. June 16 – Parish Pastoral council meeting @ 7:00 PM

Congratulations! In the busyness of May & all the happenings, it was forgotten to recognize our students who received their First Holy Communion. Please keep in your prayers Bellamy Mlsna & Lennox Stephenson. Not pictured is Blaise Menn who received the sacrament at Sacred Heart with his school class. May God Bless You!



St. Joseph's Ridge Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday 5:30 p.m.

(Adoration before Mass beginning at 5:00 p.m.)

Thursday.....8:00 a.m.

First Saturday Mass.....8:00 a.m.

Stewardship Reflection

Pentecost Sunday

Throughout our readings today for Pentecost Sunday, we see the powerful truth that the Holy Spirit bestows gifts and guidance in a deeply personal way, inspiring us to live out our faith.

In our first reading from Acts, we hear about the dramatic outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles. A strong wind filled the house, and tongues of fire settled on each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, inspiring awe and confidence in the Spirit's power.

Notice how personal this moment is. The Spirit came upon each individual, equipping them uniquely to share the Gospel and reminding us that embracing stewardship means allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us as we use our gifts for our shared mission.

In our Gospel, Jesus sends His disciples forth: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” This is our mission as well. Yet we are not sent alone. Jesus gives us His peace — “Peace be with you.”

As this Easter season draws to a close, let us be at peace and resolve to rely more fully on the Holy Spirit as our guide in the stewardship way of life.

Parish News

Condolences:

- The parish family extends sympathies to Phyllis Cavadini & family on the passing of Larry. May he rest in peace.

- We also extend sympathy to the family of Maryjean “Jeannie” Halderson. May God comfort those who were close to her.

Cemetery Information: At the time that people are renewing decorations on the graves of their loved ones we would like to remind you of our Decoration Regulations. The full list can be seen on our website under “Cemetery Plot Fees & Regulations”:

1. All decorations and flowers must be on a stand attached to the footer or stone. If there is no hole for these, they must be inserted into the ground aside of the footer, in line with the marker (i.e. not in front or behind the marker). Keep in mind that plastic decorations do not stand up to the weed trimmer very well.

2. No planting of flowers, trees, or other vegetation is allowed. If this is attempted these will be removed.

3. The cemetery committee and its agents are not liable for markers, stands, flowers, decorations, flags, baskets, urns, etc. If there are live flowers in the urn pots, please be sure to water them regularly.

Help Needed: Our housekeeper/cleaner/decorator/master of all things, Margie Lee, has expressed wanting to retire soon. If you are interested in doing all or even part of what she does please contact Margie, the parish office or Fr. Sen for more information.

Summertime Adoration: There will be a slight change to the times of our Wednesday night adoration. Please see the block to the left and front page for more information. Please take the opportunity on a quiet summer evening to spend some time with Jesus in prayer.

Attention Sunday Mass Servers: Please note that there are only 2 “teams” to serve on Saturday nights and there is always something going on during the summer where they are not available. Please let us know if you are willing to serve on Saturday’s. In August we will lose our eldest server. If any family is available to commit to 1 or 2 Saturdays per month, it would be greatly appreciated.

St. Peters Youth Gathering/Vacation Bible School: We are planning a Western theme for our first event this year on **Wednesday, June 10th**. Enjoy food, friends, games and a horse & wagon ride while praying the rosary. Watch for more details coming next week!

Veterans Mass: A Mass for the Dead will be celebrated at the altar in the Veterans’ Section at the Catholic Cemetery in La Crosse on Memorial Day, May 25, 2026 beginning at 11:15 a.m. Msgr. Robert Hundt will be the principal celebrant. All are welcome to participate. Let us remember those who gave their lives for our freedom.

Please Help! Our CCD program is seeking catechist teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. Classes begin mid-September. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the parish office or reach out to Miranda Flock with questions. Parents, since you are bringing your children to class anyways, why not take this opportunity to help shape our students lives.

Rachel Ministries: Hope and Healing after the Loss of a Child: Anyone suffering the loss of a child as a result of miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, or abortion knows that the tremendous pain of losing a child, no matter the circumstance, holds a sacred place in a parent’s heart. Grief can be stifled by the busyness of our lives, the immensity of the pain, the difficulty of the circumstances, or the feeling of being alone. Volunteers at Rachel Ministries of the Diocese of La Crosse desire to walk alongside those suffering in this way on a journey of healing, offering spiritual accompaniment and connections with needed resources within the Catholic Church. To learn more about Rachel Ministries’ pathways to healing, including special Masses and a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat, go to <https://diolc.org/rachelministries>.

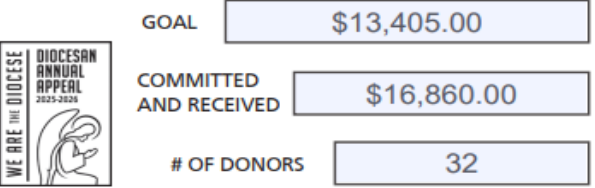
Italy Tour: The St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral is putting together a pilgrimage to Italy to include many Catholic tourism locations. If interested, please see the flier in the back of church or contact the parish office to have information forwarded to you.

250th Anniversary: Consecrating Our Country to the Sacred Heart of Jesus - In a historic moment, the bishops of the United States will consecrate our country to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the birth of our nation. The consecration will take place on June 11th, 2026. Catholics are invited to join in this consecration. Go here for more information (very top of page): <https://diolc.org/catechesis/bulletin-inserts>.



**AS THE FATHER HAS
SENT ME, SO I SEND YOU.
- JOHN 20:21**

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Congratulations! We have surpassed our goal and are now receiving our rebates back to the parish to use on projects of our choice. If you would still like to donate toward this appeal, the deadline is 6/30/2026.

Pray Often & Daily!!!

Parish Finances (Fiscal Year Budget)

Weekly Target -	\$1,900.00
Last Week's Total -	<u>\$1,020.25</u>
	- \$879.75
Year to Date Target -	\$87,400.00
Year to Date Total -	<u>\$84,988.97</u>
	-\$2,411.03

Looking Ahead: Readings for May 31, 2026

First Reading: Exodus 34:4-9

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel Reading: John 3:16-18