



**PARISH INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, October 10th**

*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
-4:00pm Mass -†Anna Meyers

**SUNDAY, October 11th**

*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
-8:30am Mass -Our Parish Family

**MONDAY, October 12th**

*Weekday*  
- 5:30pm Mass -NO MASS

**TUESDAY, October 13th**

*Weekday*  
-5:00 pm Adoration  
-5:30pm Mass -†Paul and Dorothy Hess

**THURSDAY, October 15th**

*St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*  
-8:30am Mass -†Nancy Kaiser

**SATURDAY, October 17th**

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
-4:00pm Mass -†George and Evelyn Miller  
Altar Servers: Emma Clements and Jack Clements  
Ushers: Larry Mikshowsky and Rick Mikshowsky  
Lector: Bill Weber  
Eucharistic Minister: Barb Mikshowsky

**SUNDAY, October 18th**

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
-8:30am Mass -†Earl Martin  
Altar Servers: Zachary Noronha and Jack Murphy  
Ushers: Steve Miller and Matt Servais  
Lector: Jim Weber  
Eucharistic Minister: Jolene DeMaiffe

**PARISH CALENDAR**

- **October 10/11** ~ Bishop’s Annual Appeal Kickoff (updated from last weeks bulletin)
- **October 12** ~ NO MASS at 5:30 PM
- **October 12** ~ PCCW Meeting, 6:30 PM in the School Hall. All women of parish are welcome.
- **October 13** ~ Finance Council Meeting 7:00 PM
- **October 14** ~ No Religious Education Class, St. Peter Parish Annual Sauerkraut Dinner
- **October 18** ~ World Mission Sunday during Mass
- **October 18** ~ Confirmation Class after Mass
- **October 21** ~ Religious Education Class, Grades 1-5 & 8 (6-7:00pm), grades 6,7&9 (7:15-8:30)
- **October 28** ~ Religious Education Class, Grades 1-5 & 8 (6-7:00pm), grades 6,7&9 (7:15-8:30)
- **November 1** ~ 2 AM—Daylight Savings Time Ends

**Confessions**

Available by appointment. Please call or message Father directly.



**READINGS ~ Week of October 11th**

- Sunday: 1) Isaiah 25:6-10a 2) Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20  
3) Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
- Monday: 1)Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1 2) Luke 11:29-32
- Tuesday: 1) Galatians 5:1-6 2) Luke 11:37-41
- Wednesday: 1) Galatians 5:18-25 2) Luke 11:42-46
- Thursday: 1) Ephesians 1:1-10 2) Luke 11:47-54
- Friday: 1) Ephesians 1:11-14 2) Luke 12:1-7
- Saturday: 1) Ephesians 1:15-23 2) Luke 12:8-12
- Next Sunday: 1) Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 2) 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b  
3) Matthew 22:15-21

**Mass Intentions**

We have openings for weekday intentions beginning Nov. 30, 2020, First Saturdays beginning Jan. 2, 2021 and weekends beginning Mar. 21, 2021. For questions contact the parish office 788-1646 or sjrp2601@gmail.com.



**Options to support the Parish:**

- Use the online giving portal set up by the Diocese: <https://diolc.org/st-joseph-parish-st-joseph-ridge/> (processing fees will be deducted from your contribution, which average 3% for debit and credit cards and \$.75 for EFT, ACH)
- **Drop off** a contribution at the church during private prayer time
- **Mail in** your weekly/monthly offering to parish office (W2601 State Rd 33, La Crosse, WI 54601)
- If you use online banking and would like make your contribution using **bill pay**, set up St. Joseph Ridge Parish as a payment and the bank will mail it directly to the parish (if possible, use your envelope number as the account number).

**GIFT’S RETURNED TO GOD**

Week of Oct 4th-182 envelope holders



Adult Env.(28 Rec’d):	\$1,777.00
Offertory:	\$178.51
Mission Coop:	\$15.00
RE Registration**:	\$400.00
**Correction RE Reg. for last week was \$75.00 not \$650.00 as reported	

**Thank You!**

**St. Peters, Middle Ridge**

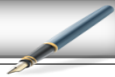
**Adoration: Wed. 7:30-9:00 PM**

**Weekend Mass: Sat. 8:00 PM and Sun. 10:00 AM**

**Weekday Mass: Wed. and Fri. 8:00 AM**



FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN



Psalm 23

I thank you for your prayers and presence on last Sunday. After my installation someone called me and asked me how do you feel after being installed Pastor. Rather than answering I asked another question. Do I sound different? The person said no. I said that's it. At the same time, I feel privileged and blessed to be your pastor. I do pray for all of you. For health and wellbeing, both physical and spiritual. The good Lord has been good to me. He is our Shepherd, we hear it clearly from the responsorial psalm of this weekend. Psalm 23<sup>rd</sup> is attributed to King David. In the course of the centuries this psalm has won for itself a supreme place in the religious literature of the world. All who read it, whatever their age, race or circumstances, find in the quiet beauty of its thoughts and a range and depth of spiritual insight that both satisfies and possesses their souls. It belongs to the class of psalms that breaths confidence and trust in the Lord. It takes us to the never-failing goodness of the Lord.

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
Beside restful waters he leads me;  
He refreshes my soul.....*

Like a shepherd, God knows his people. He provides food, drink, safety, light in darkness, grace, comfort, and strength in "dark valley moments." This Psalm proclaims the enduring, steadfast, loyal, unconquerable love of God, the good shepherd, who will never let us slip out of his hands! Think of how blessed we are.

This weekend we will begin our **2020-2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal**. You will receive envelopes in the mail at the end of this week. Last year all of you had been so generous. Thank you so much. I request your continuous support towards this year's Appeal, too.

On 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. This year Pope Francis chose the theme of "Here am I, send me" (Isaiah 6:8). Here is an extract from Pope Francis's Message for World Mission Day 2020: *May each of us acknowledge God's call to us to bring the Gospel to others and may we respond to God as Isaiah did centuries ago, "Here I am, send me!" In this year marked by the suffering and challenges created by the Covid-19 pandemic...in the current world crisis. "Like the disciples in the Gospel we were caught off guard by an unexpected, turbulent storm. We have realized that we are on the same boat, all of us fragile and disoriented, but at the same time important and needed, all of us called to row together, each of us in need of comforting the other..... In this context, the call to mission, the invitation to step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor presents itself as an opportunity for sharing, service and intercessory prayer. The mission that God entrusts to each one of us leads us from fear and introspection to a renewed realization that we find ourselves precisely when we give ourselves to others.*

Have a good weekend.  
Live Jesus, Fr. Biju

PARISH NEWS

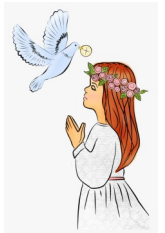
Congratulations and welcome to the table of the Lord

Jaycie Hendrickson

First Communion-October 10, 2020

She is the daughter of Milton and Amy Hendrickson.

*"May Jesus bless you and keep you, may He be your Friend and Guide, and may you always be happy knowing He's walking by your side." Jeremiah 17:7*



Dear St. Joseph Parish members,



Thank you so much for treating our staff at the Villa St. Joseph to your delicious chicken and fixin's from the Chicken Q on Sunday, Sept. 27th. We really loved the food, but even better was the feeling of generosity, gratitude, and appreciation we felt.

Gracias! Patricia Roth, RN at the Villa

Word Among Us Booklets

The Word Among Us is a booklet of meditations for Catholics based on the daily readings. It also contains a few inspirational articles. The October issue is here and the theme is "The Greatest of These is Love."

Liturgical Ministries

Anyone who would be willing to be Mass usher or reader please contact Teresa Brown at email: [dbrown039@centurytel.net](mailto:dbrown039@centurytel.net), 608-787-0883, or if you are in the current rotation of helpers and wish to make changes to your status please let Teresa know. New schedules for Oct. 2020 is posted online and in back of church.

**World Mission Sunday** has been set to be celebrated the weekend of **October 17th and 18th**. The theme Pope Francis has given to this year's prayers and collection comes from the call of Isaiah, "**Here am I, Lord. Send me.**" This is an opportunity for churches around the world to reflect on the call to global missions through social action and evangelism. Envelopes for your donation will be available in the back of church.



DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

Announcing!

OASIS Respite Program for Coulee Region Individuals with Mild to Moderate Symptoms of Alzheimer's, Dementia or Brain Related Impairments.

Now registering Volunteers and Participants

**OPENS October 15<sup>th</sup>** Call or Apply Online



[oasisrespite.org](http://oasisrespite.org)  
(608) 780 - 0471

An outreach mission of Causeway Caregivers a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS (cont'd)

Pro-Life Rosaries with the Bishops of Wisconsin...

Beginning October 4th with Bishop William Patrick Callahan, join each of our five Wisconsin Bishops for a live-streamed Pro-Life Rosary from 7:30pm - 8:00pm on five consecutive Sundays. October is both Respect Life Month and the Month of the Holy Rosary, making it a providential time to pray with our Bishops to our Blessed Mother, Patroness of the Unborn, for an end to abortion and other offenses against human life and dignity. The closing Rosary will be led by Archbishop Jerome Listecky on November 1st, The Feast of All Saints, concluding with their invocation through the Litany of the Saints. For more details on this statewide pro-life prayer initiative, visit diolc.org/live. May God's grace be poured out upon our state, our nation, and our world.

Schedule of Pro-Life Rosaries Sundays, 7:30-8:00 PM

- Oct. 11 - Bishop Donald Joseph Hying, Diocese of Madison. The link for this event is: www.facebook.com/events/650889292488885/
Oct. 18 - Bishop David Laurin Ricken, Diocese of Green Bay. The link for this event is: www.facebook.com/events/456493581893298/
Oct. 25 - Bishop James Patrick Powers, Diocese of Superior. The link for this event is: www.facebook.com/events/3090558687738830/
Nov. 1 - Archbishop Jerome Edward Listecky, Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The link for this event is: www.facebook.com/events/334174457652808/

Live Stream Schedule at diolc.org/live

Sunday Mass with Bishop Callahan - 9:30 am
Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday) from the Cathedral - 8:00am

TV Mass Broadcasts within the Diocese of La Crosse:

- La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.
Mary, Mother of the Church - La Crosse - TV Mass Broadcast
KQEG-TV at 4:00 Saturdays, 10:00 Sundays. Set your television to 23.1 (if you use an antenna), Charter channel 5, CenturyLink 4, or AcenTek 12

Diocese of Winona-Rochester Broadcasts:

- Channel 25/48 WLAX/WEUX Sunday at 7:30am

Aquinas Catholic Schools Enrollment still available!

We still have spots for enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year! We offer in person face to face learning or virtual learning. To learn more or to start your enrollment process visit us at www.aquinascatholicsschools.org or contact us at (608) 784-8585.

Warming Center News

On Sunday, November 1 the La Crosse Warming Center will open for the 2020-21 Season. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, numbers at the Warming Center will be reduced to 15. If you feel safe to volunteer to serve a vulnerable population the Warming Center is in need of volunteers. For information or to register for a training session, please email the new Warming Center Coordinator, Toni Van Kirk, tvankirk@cclse.org. Warming Center Orientation - October 20 - 6:30-7:30 pm Boundaries & Ethics Training - October 22 - 6:30-7:30 pm

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Abuse is not God's will. Help is available 24/7 at the National Domestic Violence Hotline:1-800-799-SAFE (7233), 1-800-787-324 (TTY) or atwww.ndvh.org. To learn more about the Catholic response, visit the U.S. Bishop's website for their Pastoral Letter, "When I Call for Help." https://www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/when-i-call-help-pastoral-response-domestic-violence

KIDS CORNER

True or False: Who is Invited to the Wedding?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compares the kingdom of Heaven to a king giving a wedding feast for his son. What happened in the story? See if you know which of these are true statements and which are false:

- 1. The first time the servants went out to call those who were invited, all the guests came. True or false?
2. When the king sent out the second group of servants, some people didn't come, but went off to their farms and businesses. True or false?
3. Some people mistreated and even killed the servants. True or false?
4. The king decided that nobody else was worthy to come to his son's wedding. True or false?
5. The king decided to send his servants out into the streets to call everyone to come to the wedding. True or false?
6. When the servants called the people in the streets, they all came and filled the banquet hall. True or false?
7. When the king came in to look at his guests and found one that wasn't dressed for the wedding, he had him thrown out of the place. True or false?

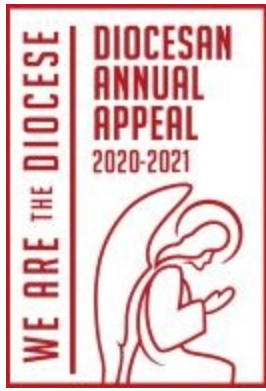


Answers: 1.F 2.T 3.T 3.T 4.F 5.T 6.T 7.T

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- For Paula Skoy-Evenson who is battling cancer.
All those who are suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are working tirelessly to help the ill recover.
All the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
All political leaders, may their decisions be made for the good of all citizens, born and unborn.
Anyone fighting cancer, especially Rhonda McGowan diagnosed with multiple myeloma cancer.
For Mora Mikshowsky and all children suffering with life threatening conditions and illnesses.
For all Religious in our Diocese, especially Matt Kotek.
The intentions listed in our parish book of prayer.

To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email sjrp2601@gmail.com



Life has changed. It is important to realize, however, that Christ's love for us has not changed and our love of Christ has not changed. One of the great missions of the Church is to provide hope and help, and that, too, has not changed.

The work and the spirit of the Catholic Church must carry on! We must not lose hope. We must not lose sight of what Christ calls us to do. The Catholic Church is still important!

The Catholic Church is still relevant! ***His Church Is Still Here, His Church Still Provides, and His Church Is You and Me*** the great work of uplifting and inspiring those around us and leading each other to the Kingdom of Heaven.

When challenged about the relevance of our faith and its effectiveness in our lives, we must remain resolute about the person of Jesus Christ. Every day we witness how hope impacts the lives of so many of God's people here in our beloved diocese. Through our many ministries supported by the Diocesan Annual Appeal, we continue to 'Love Thy, Neighbor.'

I ask for your generosity to our Diocesan Annual Appeal. Our 38 ministries, funded and supported by the Diocesan Annual Appeal, serve many of our neighbors, our brothers, and sisters. They need our prayers and assistance. These ministries also enable us to share the joy of the Gospel.

Thank you for your generosity to our Diocesan Annual Appeal. Thank you for keeping the faith.

Thank you for remaining hopeful.

— Most Rev. William Patrick Callahan,  
Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse

**Target for  
St. Joseph Ridge  
Parish:  
\$20,615.00**

Please prayerfully consider how you may fiscally support the Appeal. Once the target is reached, all funds beyond the target are returned to the parish untaxed by the Diocese (meaning, all returned funds are not counted toward quotas, future appeals, school subsidy amount, etc.)

## Diocesan Annual Appeal Disbursements

