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*October 25, 2020*

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(limited capacity 70 persons)

Saturday.....4:00pm  
Sunday.....8:30am

First Saturday Mass.....	8:30am
Monday .....	5:30pm
Tuesday.....Adoration .....	5:00 pm
Mass.....	5:30pm
Thursday.....	8:30am

By appointment only

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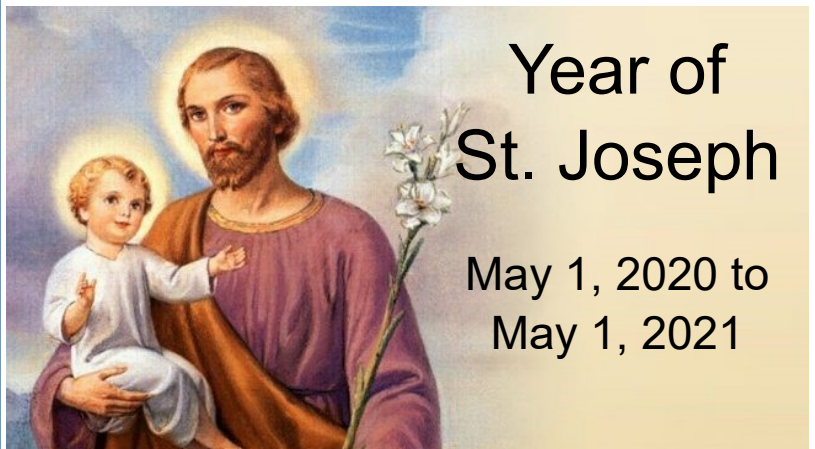
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- Joining the Parish
- Weddings or Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick (**also call Fr. Biju cell phone**)
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited

He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment." - Mt 22:37-38



*Thirtieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time*



**PARISH INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, October 24th**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-4: 00pm Mass -Our Parish Family

**SUNDAY, October 25th**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

-8:30am Mass -†Curtis Strittmater

**MONDAY, October 26th**

*Weekday*

-5:30pm Mass -†Pat Gerke

**TUESDAY, October 27th**

*Weekday*

-5:00 pm Adoration

-5:30pm Mass -†George Bahr

**THURSDAY, October 29th**

*Weekday*

-8:30am Mass -†Mary Leuck

**SATURDAY, October 31st**

*Halloween/All Saints Day*

-4: 00pm Mass -†Raymond Miller

**SUNDAY, November 1st**

*All Saints Day*

-8:30am Mass -†Keith and Carol Kammel

**PARISH CALENDAR**

- **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
- **November 1** ~ Confirmation Class after Mass
- **November 1** ~ All Saints' Day
- **November 2** ~ All Souls Day, Mass 5:30 PM
- **November 4** ~ Religious Education Class, Grades 1-5 & 8 (6-7:00pm), grades 6,7&9 (7:15-8:30)
- **November 11** ~ Religious Education Class, Grades 1-5 & 8 (6-7:00pm), grades 6,7&9 (7:15-8:30)
- **November 15** ~ Confirmation Class after Mass
- **November 18** ~ Religious Education Class, Grades 1-5 & 8 (6-7:00pm), grades 6,7&9 (7:15-8:30)
- **November 25** ~ NO Religious Education Class, Thanksgiving week.

**Confessions**

Available by appointment. Please call or message Father directly.



**READINGS ~ Week of October 25th**

Sunday: 1) Exodus 22:20-26 2) 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10  
3) Matthew 22:34-40  
Monday: 1) Ephesians 4:32-5:8 2) Luke 13:10-17  
Tuesday: 1) Ephesians 5:21-33 2) Luke 13:18-21  
Wednesday: 1) Ephesians 2:19-22 2) Luke 6:12-16  
Thursday: 1) Ephesians 6:10-20 2) Luke 13:31-35  
Friday: 1) Philippians 1:1-11 2) Luke 14:1-6  
Saturday: 1) Philippians 1:18b-26 2) Luke 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sunday: 1) Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 2) 1 John 3:1-3  
3) Matthew 5:1-12a

**GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD**

Week of Oct 18th-182 envelope holders



Adult Env.(26 Rec'd): \$1,250.00  
Offertory: \$84.00  
Mission Sunday: \$390.00  
Votive Lights: \$53.00  
RE Registration: \$75.00  
Book Donations: \$9.00

**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**



**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).

**FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN**



**Love of God, Love of Neighbor**

**Ex. 22:20-26; 1 THES 1:5C-10 Mt. 22:34-40**

I cannot believe that November is almost here! Soon we will be reflecting on all the holy men and women who have gone before us. Since All Saints Day falls on a Sunday this year, it supersedes the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time. The following day we will be commemorating all the faithful departed, All Souls Day. To remember those who have passed, especially from our parish community, as it is a Monday, we will have mass at St. Joseph Ridge. The beginning of November also brings with it what may become one of the most contentious days of the year, Election Day. Exercise the right to vote with well-formed conscience. Let us also remember that first we belong not to this world, our first duty is that of a faithful disciple.

This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel of last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection, Matthew 22:22-33. The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments. Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Jesus combines the first sentence of the Jewish Shema prayer from Deuteronomy 6:5: ... Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength" with its complementary law from Leviticus 19:18: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself"

That's the greatest commandment. To love.

Live Jesus,  
Fr. Biju

**PARISH NEWS**

**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.

**Word Among Us Booklets—November Issue is Here!**

The Word Among Us is a booklet of meditations for Catholics based on the daily readings. It also contains a few inspirational articles. The November issue is here and the theme is "Forever I Will Give You Thanks, O Lord, Cultivating a Grateful Heart."

**Thank you for supporting World Mission Sunday**

THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$400.00 thus far. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org).



**Diocesan Annual Appeal:**

Our parish goal this year is \$20,615.00 to help support the Diocese and all its good works. If you did not receive the information in the mail, there are extra cards and envelopes available in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.

**HIS  
CHURCH**  
IS STILL HERE † IT STILL PROVIDES  
**IS YOU AND ME**

**Cemetery Flower Removal**

Over the next couple of weeks, please remove flowers from the cemetery. You have until the first week of November to remove them. Any flowers or urns left in the cemetery will be removed on or around November 7th. Urns will be marked by gravesite and stored for the winter in the basement of the church.

**DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Coats for Kids—Wrapping the Community in Warmth**

Donate new or gently used coats for infants through adults (larger ones in greater need-no trench coats), warm and waterproof mittens, gloves, stocking hats, boots and snow pants. Drop off at La Crosse, Onalaska, Holmen, West Salem, and Stoddard Kwik Trip stores from Oct. 5 through November 13th. Distribution to those in need by appointment only beginning the second week of November. Please call 608-782-0710 or online at [www.cclse.org](http://www.cclse.org).



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021		
10/11/2020	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Target Amount	\$20,615.00	\$20,615.00
<b>Under Target</b>	<b>(\$20,615.00)</b>	<b>(\$20,615.00)</b>
Number of families contributing: 0		
Percent goal pledged: 0%/Received: 0%		



## 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 Listekci 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](http://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. 25 – Bishop James Patrick Powers, Diocese of Superior. The link for this event is: [www.facebook.com/events/3090558687738830/](https://www.facebook.com/events/3090558687738830/)  
Nov. 1 – Archbishop Jerome Edward Listcki, Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The link for this event is: [www.facebook.com/events/334174457652808/](https://www.facebook.com/events/334174457652808/)

## Gold Gala

You are invited to the 2020 Gold Gala! The Aquinas 2020 Gold Gala will be on Saturday, November 14th at 6:30 CST. This gala helps support our five schools by raising funds for our STEM initiatives & helping to update our curricular support for inquiry-based learning. The event will be a live streaming VIRTUAL event! For more information, please visit <https://www.aquinaschools.org/gold-gala>.

## New Freedom Transportation Program Needs Drivers

Have some extra time? Volunteer drivers are needed to provide rides for people with disabilities and the elderly. You will receive 57.5 cents per mile. Please call for more information and to get an application: 1-800-228-3287 ask for Bobbi.

**Internal Auditor/Staff Accountant**

The Diocese of La Crosse is looking for a detailed, self-driven Internal Auditor/Staff Accountant to join our team! As our internal auditor, you will be assisting the financial operations of the parishes within the Diocese of La Crosse. Using agreed upon procedures, you will review operations, ensure the guidelines and procedures of the diocese are being followed within each parish, develop and recommend changes to standardized guidelines/procedures for parishes. In addition, you will assist the Diocesan Finance Officer with monthly and annual reporting, year-end audit, and cash receipts processing. For Further Information: <https://diolc.org/jobs>

## Night in Peru at Casa Hogar - Virtually

Friday, November 6, 2020, 6:30 p.m. <https://www.homeajpm.org/events>  
We hope you can join us for a night filled with music, Peruvian food, house tours and of course some international smiles during our Night in Peru! Follow along with the sights, smells and sounds of Casa Hogar. To make the evening even more interactive, register and check out the links on the webpage listed! Make your own Peruvian Dish with recipes from Casa Hogar. Test your knowledge with Peruvian Trivia for a chance to win and enjoy music from the children of Casa Hogar.

## KIDS CORNER

# Unscramble The Gospel

*Unscramble the words to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading, and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.*

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law, tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the ?" He said to him, "You

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law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.

*What is the most important thing  
for us to ever do?*


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Answers to Unscramble: greatest, Lord, heart, soul, mind, first, love, yourself, whole. TO LOVE GOD

**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](mailto:sjrp2601@gmail.com)

