

St. Joseph Ridge Parish

W2601 State Rd 33 • La Crosse • Wisconsin • 54601

February 6, 2021



5th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets."

- Lk 5:5

PASTOR

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS...715-495-2338
bchennala@diolclergy.org

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

First Saturday Mass.....8:30am
Monday5:30pm
Tuesday.....Adoration5:00 pm
 Mass.....5:30pm
Thursday.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS

First Saturday after Mass or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

Amy Stafslien, Admin. Assist.....608-788-1646
Bulletin deadline:Wednesday
sjrp2601@gmail.com
Open most Tuesdays and Fridays

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinators: Stacy Burns and Paula Silha

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mary Jo Hess (Secretary), Terry Dickman, Dave Brown (B&G) and Cemetery Rep), Barb Braun and Dan Steiger

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dave Brown (Cemetery Rep), Teresa Brown, Lori Clements (PCCW Rep), Stan Clements, Ann Degenhardt, Terry Dickman (Finance Council Rep), Bob Kotek, and Bill Weber (Secretary), Stacy Burns and Paula Silha (CRE's)

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Lori Clements (President), Mary Jo Hess (Treasurer), Jill Murphy (Secretary), Polly Hilby (Funeral Prep)

CEMETERY SEXTON/BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

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MUSIC

Stacy Burns, Coordinator.....608-769-8828
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Leland Gregorich or LuAnne Gregorich, Accompanist

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

- 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

Fr Biju also serving St. Peter Parish, 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

PARISH INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, February 5th

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass -†Ralph and Evelyn Mikshowsky
Lector: Kathy Leis Ushers: Volunteers
Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, February 6th

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am Mass -†Joseph and Clara Bina
Lector: Paula Silha Ushers: Volunteers
Servers: Volunteers

MONDAY, February 7th

Weekday

-5:30pm NO MASS

TUESDAY, February 8th

St. Jerome Emiliani and St. Josephine Bakhita

-5:00pm Adoration

-5:30pm -†Ken Hess

THURSDAY, February 10th

St. Scholastica

-8:30am -†George and Evelyn Miller

SATURDAY, February 12th

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass -The Mashak Family
Lector: Teresa Brown Ushers: Volunteers
Servers: John Mashak and Volunteer

SUNDAY, February 13th

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am Mass - Our Parish Family
Lector: Paula Silha Ushers: Volunteers
Servers: Volunteers

PARISH CALENDAR

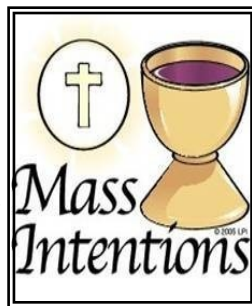
- **January 12 to February 7 ~ No weekday Mass**
Weekend Mass as scheduled
- **Now-March 6 ~ Birthright Baby Bottle Campaign**
- **February 2 ~ RE Class** (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
- **February 8 ~ Weekday Mass resumes,**
5:00 PM Adoration and 5:30 PM Mass
- **February 9 ~ RE Class** (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
- **February 15 ~ 8:30 AM Weekday Mass,** No Adoration at 5:00 PM and NO 5:30 PM Mass this day. Fr. Biju has a Deanery Meeting.
- **February 16 ~ RE Class** (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
- **February 25 ~ February Friday Fun Night,** in the School Hall from 6-10 PM
- **February 23 ~ RE Class** (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
- **March 2 ~ Ash Wednesday,** 6:00 PM here
~ No regular RE Class, Mass for All
~ St. Peter Parish, Mass 8:00 PM

Readings for the week of February 6, 2022

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Mass Intentions 2022

We have openings for **weekday** intentions: Jun 6, 13, & 20. Jul 4 & 25. We have open **First Saturdays**, 8:30 AM beginning June 5. The **ONLY** remaining **Weekend** Mass opening for 2022 is: Oct 22 or 23. For questions contact the parish office 788-1646 or sjrp2601@gmail.com. Mass Intentions envelopes are in the back of church.



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	2/4/2022	Total Pledged	Total Payments
DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2021-2022	Pledged/Received	\$18,925.00	\$18,350.00
	Target Amount	\$21,850.00	\$21,850.00
	Under Target	(\$2,925.00)	(\$3,500.00)
	Number of families contributing: 48		
	Percent goal pledged: 86.61%/Received: 83.98%		

Donations: Here are some ways to contribute:

- 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 in the church donation box
- **Mail in** your weekly/monthly offering to parish office (W2601 State Road 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.

GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD

Last Week in Giving—182 envelope holders

Adult Envelopes(39):	\$1292.00
Offertory:	\$173.75
ACH (Jan):	\$680.00
Initial Offering(1):	\$5.00
Memorial:	\$10.00
Gun Raffle Sales:	\$340.00
Cash Raffle Ticket Sales:	\$273.00
CCHD(2):	\$30.00



Thank You!

FROM THE PASTOR



Journey with Saint Francis de Sales

Patron of Missionaries of St Francis De Sales
(1567-1622) - Part IV

Practicing little virtues as a way of growing in spiritual life:

The little virtues like patience, gentleness and humility are very often neglected by people as just the ordinary. They are definitely not "little" – on the contrary, they are great virtues, they make a difference in our day-to-day life. St. Francis de Sales saw great power in them. They can shape our lives and relationships. They also help us form and build communities.

A kind word spoken, a warm greeting, a little help, a cheerful approach, a patient listening, or a gentle look can work miracle in our daily life. The truth is that we get a lot of opportunities to practice these virtues, while the chances for practicing other so-called great virtues are very rare. One who waits for them, neglecting these little virtues, will meet with disappointment.

For Francis de Sales little virtues are those that can be practiced by anyone at any situation. For him the great virtues appear to be mere wishful thinking without the practice of the little virtues. Among all the little virtues he speaks of like: patience, good-naturedness, mortifications of the heart, humility, obedience, chastity, poverty, tenderness towards our neighbor, bearing their imperfections, diligence and holy fervor. Francis de Sales preference is for three little virtues: gentleness of heart, poverty of spirit (humility) and simplicity of life.

PARISH NEWS

Our Deepest Sympathy to the Family of:

Francis J. Schmidt

who passed away on
February 1, 2022



"If I rise on the wings of the dawn, If I settle on the far side of the sea, Even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast." Psalm 139:9-10

FUNnight

February Friday Fun Night

February 25, 2022

6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

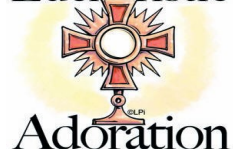
The Fun Night is just around the corner and WE NEED YOU!

- Get the **flyers** out in the community and spread the word!
- **Sign up to work a shift**—several options listed in the back of church.
- **Sell and return money and stubs** for the cash and gun raffles.
- **Invite** all your friends and family to attend!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

is held each Tuesday from 5:00pm until Mass at 5:30pm.

Eucharistic



Adoration

Birthright Baby Bottle Campaign

Take a baby bottle, fill it with change and return by dropping in the collection on or before March 6th! Thank you and know your pro-life support will be appreciated by moms, dads, and babies to be.



<https://birthright.org/lacrosse>

2022 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

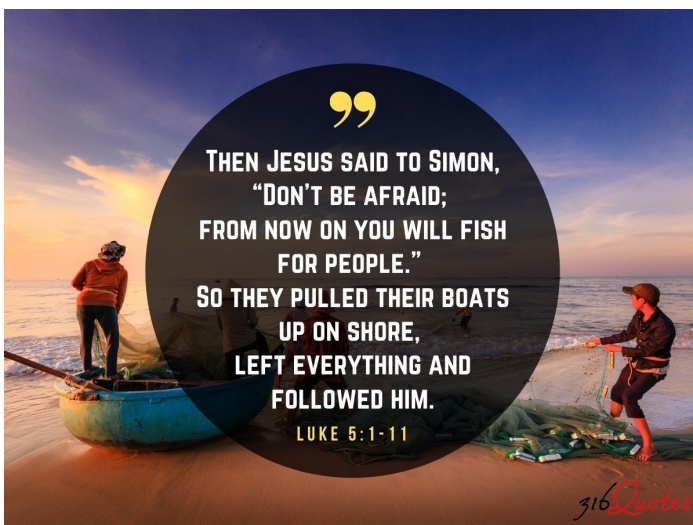
Please continue to be generous in support of CCHD. Prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working in the margins. More information about CCHD can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd. **Please use the special CCHD envelope from your box or one from the back of church.** Thank you for your support.

World Day for Consecrated Life



Celebrated in parishes on the weekend of February 5- 6. Please pray for all those who have answered the call to consecrated life, aspiring towards joy-filled holiness in the service of the Church and world. Please pray

also for many more laborers to enter the vineyard so that Jesus Christ may be better known, experienced, and loved!



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THEN JESUS SAID TO SIMON,
“DON’T BE AFRAID;
FROM NOW ON YOU WILL FISH
FOR PEOPLE.”
SO THEY PULLED THEIR BOATS
UP ON SHORE,
LEFT EVERYTHING AND
FOLLOWED HIM.

LUKE 5:1-11

316 Quotes

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

Feast of Blessed Brother James Miller – February 13

A native of Stevens Point and a De La Salle Christian Brother and missionary, Brother James Miller was gunned down while repairing a wall at the school where he worked in Huehuetenango, Guatemala on Feb. 13, 1982. He was declared a martyr and beatified by Pope Francis on Dec. 7, 2019. He stands as an example of fidelity to the Gospel and humble and fearless service on behalf of the poor and the vulnerable. Visit <https://diolc.org/social-concerns/blessed-brother-james-miller/>

2022 Coulee Region Mardi Gras

Reigning Rex & Queen of Mardi Gras, Tom & Lisa Kratt invite you to Cavort and Support Aquinas Catholic Schools.

30th Annual Mardi Gras Costume Ball

Saturday, February 19, 2022, 4:30pm-12:00am, Radisson Ballroom

There will be dinner, dancing, Student Art Auction, Decadent Dessert Auction, drawings and much more!

Fat Tuesday Celebration

Tues., Mar. 1, 2022, 6:00pm-9:00pm, Legends downtown La Crosse

Before Lent begins enjoy a sumptuous Cajun buffet. Rub shoulders with Royalty on the dance floor, music courtesy of Kelly Wilde. Bid on festive silent auction items and CAVORT with the 2022 Royalty!

Visit www.lacrossemaidigras.com to learn more and RSVP!

Parish Life Missioner for St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral Parish

St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral Parish, a growing vibrant Catholic parish located downtown La Crosse, WI, seeks a full-time energetic, highly organized, and collaborative Parish Life Missioner to assist leadership in deepening and sustaining integrated and involved parish life. This person fosters parishioners' growth in knowledge and practice of the Faith and facilitates active relational commitment to the parish family. Principal duties include developing avenues in which increased knowledge of and love for the faith leads to a deepened relationship with Christ; promotes devotional life; organizes parish events; and supports sacramental prep. Required qualifications: practicing Catholic; relevant working experience; bachelor's degree (or working toward it); good communication, organizational and team-building skills; proficient in social media; and excellent writing/communication skills. Please send resume with three references to Monsignor Richard W. Gilles at rgilles@diolclergy.org by May 1, 2022.

Relationship Ready: The Single Catholic's Roadmap to Marriage

Why wait until you're engaged? Learn about communication, male/female complementarity, conflict resolution, healing, forgiveness, and much more now! **Relationship Ready** is an 8-week interactive, online course that offers the tools necessary to have fruitful dating relationships and lasting marriages - the only program of its kind! Sessions include presentations, Q&A and small group discussions with other single Catholics from all over the world. Recordings will be available, so no worries if you can't make every session. Sign up now! The first 50 registrants will receive a free coaching or spiritual direction session! Visit <https://nationalcatholicsingles.com/relationship-ready/> for more information and to register. Early registration closes February 10th and the program begins February 15th.

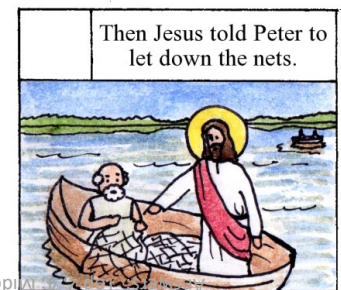
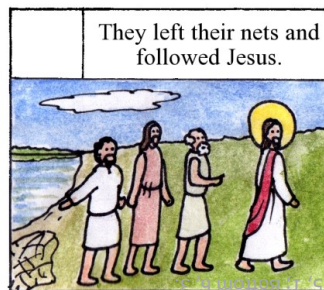
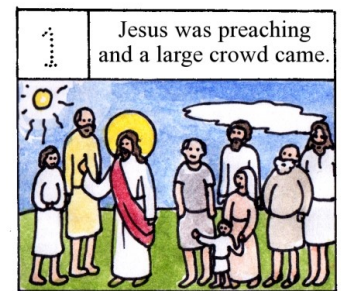
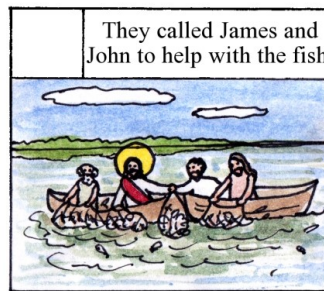
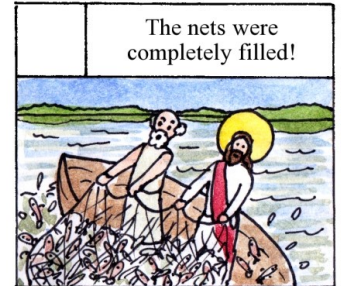
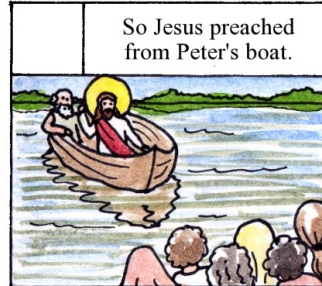
Crosswoods Family Camp in Wisconsin – June 10th – 12th

You are invited to attend Catholic "Family Camp" June 10-12, 2022 at CrossWoods Adventure Camp, LLC, which is owned and operated by a Catholic family in the diocese. Alice Heinzen is coming to speak again this year. See the flyer in back of the church or visit <http://www.crosswoods.camp/>

KIDS CORNER

Picture Puzzle: An Amazing Catch!

*The pictures for this story are all mixed up!
Sort them out by putting the right numbers in the corners.*



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- 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.
- For those fighting cancer, especially members of our parish.
- For 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

Four Chaplains Sunday 2022



On Feb. 3, 1943, the United States Army Transport *Dorchester* – a converted luxury liner – was crossing the North Atlantic, transporting more than 900 troops to an American base in Greenland. Aboard the ship were four chaplains of different faiths: Reverend George Fox (Methodist), Jewish Rabbi Alexander Goode, Reverend Clark Poling (Dutch Reformed) and Father John Washington (Roman Catholic).

Around 12:55 a.m., a German U-boat fired a torpedo that struck *Dorchester*'s starboard side, below the water line and near the engine room. The explosion instantly killed 100 men and knocked out power and radio communication with *Dorchester*'s three escort ships. Within 20 minutes, the transport sank and more than 670 men died.

As soldiers rushed to lifeboats, the four chaplains spread out, comforting the wounded and directing others to safety. Survivors later stated that they could hear men crying, pleading, praying. They could also hear the chaplains' preaching courage. The Chaplains distributed life jackets, and when they ran out, they removed theirs and gave them to four young men. "Their voices were the only thing that kept me going. It was the finest thing I have seen, or hope to see, this side of heaven," a survivor recalled.

As *Dorchester* sank, the chaplains were seen linked arm in arm, singing hymns and praying to the one Lord they all served.

Fox, Goode, Poling and Washington were posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart, and in 1948, Congress declared Feb. 3 to be Four Chaplains Day.

Because of the Medal of Honor's strict requirements of heroism under fire, Congress authorized a one-time Chaplain's Medal for Heroism on July 14, 1960. The award was presented to the chaplains' next of kin Jan. 18, 1961. The American Legion continues to lobby Congress to award the Chaplains the Medal of Honor.

