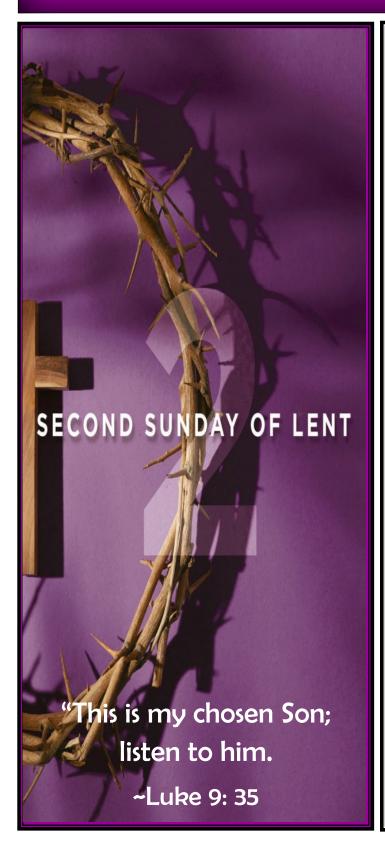
# St. Joseph Ridge Parish

*W2601 State Rd 33* • *La Crosse* • *Wisconsin* • *54601 March 13, 2022* 



#### **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
Monday	5:30pm
TuesdayAdoration	
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

Dave Brown ......608-792-1006 dbrown039@centurytel.net

#### MUSIC

Stacy Burns, Coordinator......608-769-8828 jsburns0093@gmail.com 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, March 12th

Second Sunday of Lent

-4:00pm Mass -†Earl Martin

Lector: Donna Clements Ushers: Volunteers Servers: Noah Biondo and Emma Biondo

#### SUNDAY, March 13th

Second Sunday of Lent

-8:30am Mass -†Michael Brown

Lector: Paula Silha **Ushers: Volunteers** Servers: Atticus Roman, Zachary Noronha and

Zarina Noranha

#### MONDAY, March 14th

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~5:30pm ~†Sharon Freit

# TUESDAY, March 15

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-8:30 am -†Ken Hess

-5:00pm - NO Adoration

~5:30 pm ~ NO MASS

## THURSDAY, March 17th

St. Patrick

~<u>8:30am</u> ~†Jeff Hundt

## SATURDAY, March 19th

Third Sunday of Lent

-4:00pm Mass -†John, Bernice, Steve and Sam Mashak Lector: Bill Weber Ushers: Volunteers

# Servers: Volunteers SUNDAY, March 20th

Third Sunday of Lent

~8:30am Mass ~† Joe Murphy

Lector: Paula Silha Ushers: Volunteers

Servers: Volunteers

# PARISH CALENDAR

- March 15 ~ Mass at 8:30 AM, Fr. Biju has a Deanery Meeting - NO Adoration, NO 5:30 PM Mass
- March 16 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
  - ~ Stations of the Cross-7 PM here, 7:30 PM St. Peter's
- March 17 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 7 PM
- March 23 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
  - ~ Stations of the Cross-7 PM here, 7:30 PM St. Peter's
- March 30 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
  - ~ Stations of the Cross-7 PM here, 7:30 PM St. Peter's
- **April 6** ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)
  - ~ Stations of the Cross-7 PM here, 7:30 PM St. Peter's
- April 11 ~ Confessions here 6 PM until done
- April 12 ~ Chrism Mass at the Cathedral 10:30 AM
- April 13 ~ No RE Holy Week
  - ~ Stations of the Cross-7 PM here, 7:30 PM St. Peter's
  - ~ Confessions 6 PM until done at St. Peter Parish
- April 14 ~ Holy Thursday
- April 15 ~ Good Friday
- April 16 ~ Holy Saturday
- April 17 ~ Easter Sunday, 8:30 AM

#### Confessions

First Sat. after Mass or by appointment (contact Fr. Biju directly to set up a time).

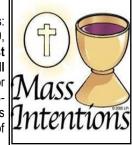


Lenten Reconciliation Options:

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6 PM until done at St. Joseph Ridge Parish Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 6 PM until done at St. Peter Parish

#### Mass Intentions 2022

We have openings for weekday intentions: Aug 1, 22, 25, 29 & 30. Sept 6, 12, 15, 19, 22, 27, & 29. We have open First Saturdays, 8:30 AM beginning July 2. All weekend Masses are full for 2022. For questions contact the parish office 788-1646 or sjrp2601@gmail.com. Mass Intentions envelopes are in the back of church.



#### **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.



	Diocesan Annual Appeal 2021-2022		
)	3/11/2022	Total Pledged	Total Payments
	Pledged/Received	\$19,100.00	\$18,585.00
	Target Amount	\$21,850.00	\$21,850.00
	Under Target	(\$2,750.00)	(\$3,265.00)
	Number of familie	s contributing	10

Number of families contributing: 49

Percent goal pledged: 87.41%/Received: 85.06%

# GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD

Last Week in Giving-182 envelope holders

Adult Envelopes(31): \$1670.00 Offertory: \$327.00 Ash Wed. Env.(21): \$510.00 Ash Wed. Offertory: \$315.40 Easter Flowers(4): \$150.00 Bequest: \$28,170.90



Thank You!

# FROM THE PASTOR



# Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-36

On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James, and John. When it took place Peter, John, and James were weighed down with sleep. The three disciples struggled between sleep and wakefulness. While Jesus was praying "the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white." Moses and Elijah were also there talking with Jesus. "Since they had stayed awake," despite their sleepiness, they saw Jesus' glory.

The spiritual journey is always a battle between falling asleep and staying awake, between absence and presence, between darkness and light. Sleepiness is not simply a physical matter; it is a spiritual issue and condition, too. Spiritual sleep is a form of blindness. It blinds us to the beauty and holiness of God's presence and the goodness. Peter, John, and James experienced the transfiguration of Christ because they stayed awake despite the weight of sleep. They saw the light of divinity fully manifest in a human being. Therefore, Stay Awake!

As we continue our Lenten journey and Jesus continues his own journey towards Jerusalem. Remember that the Fridays of Lent are days of penance, characterized by abstinence from eating meat at least by those who are 14 and older. Also, on Wednesdays I encourage families to come to the Stations of the Cross at 7 at St. Joseph or 7:30 at St Peter. Through it we relive the Via Dolorosa (Sorrowful Street) with Christ. Guided by passages from the scriptures and prayers from the liturgy, we are able to meditate upon our Lord's suffering for the sake of our redemption. This is one of the ways by which we can participate in Lent focused on Jesus. Last week we offered it for peace in the Ukraine.

Live Jesus, Fr. Biju



Wednesdays during Lent 7:00 PM - St. Joseph Parish 7:30 PM - St. Peter Parish

#### **PARISH NEWS**



We are grateful to announce a very generous bequest to the parish from the estate of Geraldine Hess, who passed away in August, 2021. We wish to acknowledge the caring support from Geraldine's family in facilitating this bequest.

#### **Building a Parish Library**

There are now books available in the back of the church for you to borrow. "Take one, use it, and bring it back is all we ask." If you have books that you would like to share, please feel free to bring them as well. If you will eventually want them back,



please put your name on them, otherwise they will become and be labeled property of the church.



1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.

2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

#### Lent for Life—CRS Rice Bowl



This Lent, commit to our global human family through daily prayer, weekly fasting and almsgiving through the Rice Bowl. Rice Bowls are available in the back or church. For info or to give online visit: crsricebowl.org

## Student Mite Boxes—Missionary Childhood Association

Students are asked to help other children less fortunate than themselves this Lent by filling the MCA mite box. These funds go directly in support of impoverished children around the world.



# DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

#### The Search Lenten Program

We all have questions about our faith. This Lent come on a journey with us as we ask questions about ourselves, God, Jesus, and the Catholic Church. We have two local opportunities for you to join us. Both sessions will include a 30 minute video followed by a question and answer period led by a priest. **No registration required, open to everyone.** Attend one or attend all.

TUESDAYS Now - April 5

**St. Patrick's Parish, 1031** Main Street, Onalaska 6:30 - 8:00 pm, Parish Hall. Sessions led by Fr. Aaron Becker

FRIDAYS Now - April 8

St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral, 530 Main St. La Crosse 9:00 - 10:30 am, Undercroft (downstairs). Sessions led by Msgr. Gilles

# DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS cont'd

#### Lenten Friday Fish Fry

\$15 for 3-piece Fish Dinner, \$12 for 2-piece Fish Dinner, \$9 for 1-piece fish or grilled cheese dinner. FREE Grilled Cheese dinner for children age 5 and under. Dine-in meals include: Baked or batter-fried Cod, Baked potato or fries, Salad bar, Dinner roll, Coffee or milk. (Beer, wine, soda, desserts available for an additional cost.) Carryout Available: Priced as above - coleslaw instead of salad bar. **Location:** St. Patrick's Education Center Gym, Corner of 11th and Main St., Onalaska, WI

#### St. Lawrence Seminary High School

54650. Served 5-7:30 pm. March 11,18, 25, April 1, 8

100% Catholic, 100% Boys, 100% Boarding: St. Lawrence Seminary High School is an affordable, all-boys, Catholic residential high school focused on college prep and spiritual depth. Located in Mt Calvary, WI since 1860, SLS students live, learn, work and pray together. Come explore this vibrant high school experience where 150 students from around the globe prepare for life after high school! Visit March 18-19, April 1-2, or April 8-9. Call (920) 753-7570 or visit www.stlawrence.edu

#### Sign Up for FREE Daily Lenten Reflections

- Chris Stefanick Real Life Catholic: reallifecatholic.com
- Bishop Robert Barron Word on Fire: <u>wordonfire.clickfunnels.com/</u> <u>lent-english</u>
- Matthew Kelly Dynamic Catholic: <u>dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html</u>
- Fr. Mike Schmitz a 7-minute podcast each day: <u>media.ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-presents/fr-mike-schmitz</u>
- For other Lenten Resources, visit <u>diolc.org/catechesis/catechist-training-resources-for-teaching/lent-resources</u>

#### **Aquinas Booster Club Auction April 2nd**

Support the Blugolds by either attending the in-person event at Aquinas beginning at 5:30 PM OR participating in the online silent auction. We will be selling 150 Golden Tickets again at \$100 each. One winner will be selected on April 2nd & will pick his or her top choice of 15 designated live auction items. Contact <a href="mailto:aquinas.bc@gmail.com">aquinas.bc@gmail.com</a> to buy a ticket. There are only a few left! Beer, wine, soda, and water provided. Light appetizers by Pickerman's, Fiesta Mexicana, and more.

#### Bus trips to the Fireside Dinner Theatre in Fort Atkinson

April 30 - A Mighty Fortress is Our Basement, June 18 - What Happens in Vegas, featuring an all-new live band show featuring Stave Watts and the Fireside Band. Cost is only \$100 per person. New feature - choice of one of three lunch entrees. Contact Arlene Young at 608-788-3440 for more information and to sign up.

#### 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 <a href="http://www.crosswoods.camp/">http://www.crosswoods.camp/</a>

#### Adventure Camp: June 26-Juy 1, 2022

We are excited that Adventure Camp is happening this year! This is for all students in grades 6-12. <a href="https://diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/">https://diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/</a> adventure-camp/

# KIDS CORNER

# St. Joseph Puzzle March 19

The Gospel tells us that Saint Joseph was a just man. What did he do? Match the things that he did (on the right) with the circumstances on the left.

- 1. Before they were married and he found out that Mary was expecting a baby
- 2. When the angel came in a dream and told him to take Mary as his wife
- 3. When the government said that everyone had to register in their home town
- 4. When an angel came in a dream and told him that the soldiers were coming to kill baby Jesus
- 5. When Jesus stayed in the Temple instead of coming home with him
- 6. While Jesus was growing up \_\_\_

- A. St. Joseph taught Jesus to be a carpenter.
- B. St. Joseph looked for Jesus for three days until he found Him.
- C. St. Joseph took Mary and baby Jesus to Egypt right away.
- D. St. Joseph went to Bethlehem with Mary.
- E. St. Joseph planned to break off his engagement quietly so that Mary wouldn't be ashamed.
- F. St. Joseph married Mary.



Answers: 1. E, 2. F, 3. D, 4. C, 5. B, 6. A

#### 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.



# Please pray for the innocents of Ukraine



Especially the Chalice of Mercy Mission founded by Valentyna Pavsyukova in 2007 in Chippewa Falls. Chalice of Mercy has a mission to preschool age children and their families at Maria Goretti house there. Valentyna is asking for prayers, esp. the Rosary. Please pray, and encourage others to do the same. For more info on the Mission visit their website, and if so moved, you may also donate to the mission at:

https://chaliceofmercy.org/missions/st-maria-goretti-daycare/

To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email sirp2601@gmail.com