

PARISH INTENTIONS



SATURDAY, July 16

~4:00pm Mass ~ Herbert Jungen
 Lector: Bill Weber
 Servers: Volunteers
 Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, July 17

~8:30am Mass ~ †Jim Malin
 Lector: Paula Silha
 Servers: Volunteers
 Ushers: Volunteers

MONDAY, July 18

~5:30pm ~ †Ralph & Evelyn Mikshowsky

TUESDAY, July 19

~5:00pm - Adoration
 ~5:30 pm ~ †Kenneth Hess

THURSDAY, July 21

~8:30am ~ †Rudy & Louise Servais

SATURDAY, July 23

~4:00pm Mass ~ Stanley Hundt
 Lector: Jim Weber
 Servers: Volunteers
 Ushers: Volunteers



SUNDAY, July 24

~8:30am Mass ~ Our Parish Family
 Lector: Dan Steiger
 Servers: Volunteers
 Ushers: Volunteers

PARISH CALENDAR

- July 19 ~ 7:00 Finance Committee Meeting
- July 23 ~ Mikshowsky/Lucey Wedding
- August 2 ~ No Weekday Mass
- August 8-12 ~ Fr. Biju on Retreat
- August 16 ~ 7:00 Pastoral Council Meeting
- August 20-21 ~ Fr. Woody Pace will be the Priest for masses for the Mission Appeal.
- August 20 ~ Dolores Knobloch 90th Birthday Party

Adoration
 of the
 Blessed Sacrament
 Every Tuesday from
 5:00 pm until Mass at 5:30 pm



Hospitality
 to God
 Inviting the Lord into
 our Hearts

GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD

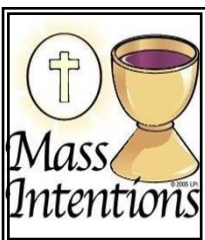
Last Week in Giving—182 envelope holders



Adult Envelopes(25):	\$ 1,230.00
Offertory:	\$ 335.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 107.55

Thank
 You!

Mass Intentions 2022



We have openings for **weekday** intentions: Dec 5th & 19th . All **First Saturdays** are full for 2022. **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.

Confessions

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



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.

FROM THE PASTOR



16th Sunday
in
Ordinary Time

When Life Gets Too Busy
"Mary has chosen the better part
and it will not be taken from her."



This weekend we have the story of Jesus in the home of Martha and Mary. These two sisters—as often is the case with siblings—are very different in how they receive Jesus. Martha is physically in the same house as Jesus. But when He speaks, instead of listening to Jesus, Martha is doing her own thing. Martha is in the presence of Jesus, but she is not present to Him. Does it happen to us? In normal circumstances Mary would be expected, like Martha, to prepare hospitality for a guest. We find her at the feet of Jesus. Mary is in the presence of Jesus, and is also present to Jesus. Mary listened to Jesus' words: this is what Jesus calls "the better part". Martha is anxious and worried: not because she's doing something bad. Martha is anxious and worried because she did not take time to listen to Jesus.

To profit from the word of God, we must let ourselves be moved by it in the depths of our heart. It is difficult to listen to the Word of God with our hearts when our hearts are filled with anxiety. The story of Martha and Mary shows the danger of losing sight of Christ in the midst of too much activity also giving time for Christ allows that better portion to propel you to action that will make a lasting difference in your lives and the lives of the people around you.

May the lord help us to choose "the better part".

Have a great weekend
Live Jesus

Fr. Biju, MSFS



PARISH NEWS


Josh Lucey and
Breanna Mikshowskey
Will receive the
Sacrament of Matrimony
On July 23rd

Sacrament of Matrimony

- This is a Sacrament of faithful love and service of a man and a woman together within the church.
- Man is joined with woman to share a family together.
- The priest does not administer this sacrament, he simply witnesses it.

This sacrament is given the bride to her husband and the husband to his wife.

The rings worn by husband and wife is a symbol of undying love.



DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

Pedey Golf Scramble

Mary Mother of the Church invites you to share a day of fun, fellowship and golf on August 26th. Email Andy at afoley@mmoclacrosse.org with golfer names or if you have any questions. Thank You

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 2022
FOREST HILLS GOLF COURSE

SHOTGUN START @ NOON
REGISTRATION @ 11:00 AM
COST: 4 PERSON TEAM \$400
INCLUDES 18 HOLES, CART, BOX LUNCH & PRIZES
DEADLINE: MONDAY, AUGUST 15
EMAIL GOLFER NAMES TO
AFOLEY@MMOCLACROSSE.ORG
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Help Catholic Charities love our neighbor in need

Catholic Charities reaches out to our neighbor in need in so many ways, from providing shelter to the homeless in our midst, to giving hope and support to moms before and after birth, to working with married couples looking to adopt, to assisting the poor and people with disabilities. Find out more, and how you can help, at www.cclse.org.



DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS cont'd

KIDS CORNER

Pregnancy Resource Center(s)

In this post-Roe world, many women facing unexpected or unwanted pregnancies will need assistance. Please help raise awareness of the Pregnancy Resource Center(s), or PRC's, near you. Consult the list of PRC's and the interactive map at diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.

Cardinal Jean-Claude Hollerich of Luxembourg will make an historic pastoral visit to La Crosse celebrating Mass at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in La Crosse on August 9, 2022 at 5:00 pm. All are welcome. The Luxembourg/American Descendants of the La Crosse Region will host a reception following the Mass at Viterbo Fine Arts Center. Advanced reservations for the reception are \$30.00 per person. For more information contact S. Carrie Kirsch at ckirsch@fspa.org

Mission Volunteers Needed

Casa Hogar Optical Mission is looking for volunteers for its January 2023 optical mission to Lurin, Peru. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Sjolander at casahogaropticalmission@outlook.com with any questions and the application form.

Learn about the Priest Hood

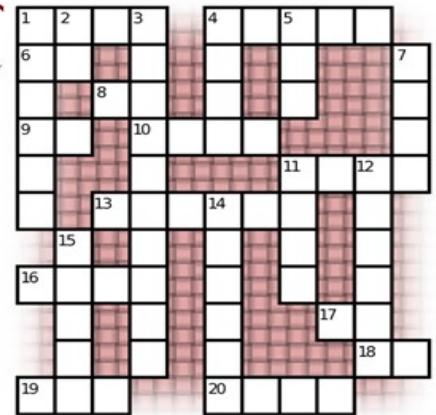
On July 22 Dare to Follow Day will be held from 9:30-4 PM for young men age 12-16 who are interested in learning about the vocation of the priesthood. For men age 17 and above there will be an Evening of Discernment from 5-8 PM. There is no charge and all meals will be provided. These event will be held Mater Redemptoris, 3730 East Ave. For more information or to register email rorth@diolc.org or call Renee 608-791-2667.

Domestic Church Retreat - July 30-31, 2022

This Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat begins on Saturday, July 30 at 8 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. the following day. Facebook link to this event. <https://fb.me/e/22IKvqTOd>.

*Martha
and
Mary*

cross
word
puzzle



Across:

1. The _____ came to Martha's house
4. Mary _____ the better part
6. Jesus was _____ Martha's house
8. "One thing _____ needed."
9. Jesus said _____ her, "Martha, Martha."
10. "Do you not care? _____ tell her to help me!"
11. Martha was concerned about _____ things.
13. Which sister was working in the kitchen?
16. Mary sat at Jesus' _____.
17. "Mary has chosen the better part, which shall not _____ taken..."
18. "_____ you not care?"
19. "...away from _____."
20. Jesus _____ to her, "Martha, Martha."

Down:

1. Mary just wanted to _____ to Jesus speak.
2. She sat _____ the ground near Him.
3. Martha was _____ with much serving.
4. "Lord, do you not _____ that my sister has left me to serve?"
5. "_____ thing is needed..."
7. The better part would not be taken _____ from Mary.
11. Which sister was not in the kitchen?
12. "...one thing is _____..."
14. Martha was anxious about many _____.
15. "My sister has left me to _____ alone."



Praying Together as a Family

An important component of summer is taking the time for your family to pray together each day. Check out the downloadable prayer card for each grade level. This simple process helps prayer to become more personal. Visit diolc.org/prayer. "The family that prays together stays together."

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.
- Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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



How does God speak to me?

Have you ever wondered how God may be speaking to you? Perhaps you are waiting to hear a loud, booming voice come from the heavens to tell you what to do or which way to go. While this isn't completely out of the question, often God takes a much subtler approach. In 1 Kings, we have the account of the Prophet Elijah standing at the entrance of a cave, waiting for the Lord to appear. As he waits, he encounters a strong, violent wind, a powerful earthquake, and a consuming fire, yet God was not revealing Himself in any of those powerful examples. Finally, as Elijah waited, he heard a soft, quiet whisper. At that, he knelt to the ground and prayed. God often speaks to us, not in grand and impressive ways, but in the silence. When we can still our hearts, that's when we begin to hear His voice, calling us into relationship and to follow Him.