

***July 31, 2022***



“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Luke 12:15

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, July 30**

~4:00pm Mass ~ †Brent & Carli Clements

Lector: Kathy Leis

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, July 31**

~8:30am Mass ~ †Angeline Dickman

Lector: Sally Miller

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

**MONDAY, August 1**

~8:30pm ~ †Anna Duda

**TUESDAY, August 2**

*NO Mass*

**THURSDAY, August 4**

~8:30am ~ †Jim Venner

**SATURDAY, August 6**

~8:30am Mass ~ †Marvin Trinkes

~4:00pm Mass ~ †Janice Cavadini

Lector: Donnie Weber

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, August 7**

~8:30am Mass ~ †William, Rosie, Frank, & Dennis LeJeune

Lector: Dan Steiger

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers



**PARISH CALENDAR**

- **August 1** ~ Mass is at 8:30 am (this Monday only)
- **August 2** ~ No Weekday Mass or Adoration
- **August 6** 8:30 am mass ~ Anointing of the Sick Sacrament available after mass, please contact Fr Biju to schedule
- **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 at Greenfield Town Hall from 11:00 to 4:00



**Confessions**

First Saturday after Mass  
or by appointment

Please contact Fr. Biju  
directly to set up a time.

**GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD**

Last Week in Giving—182 envelope holders

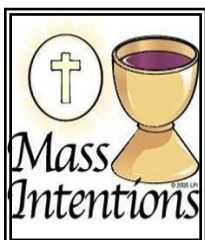
Adult Envelopes(24):\$2,810.00

Offertory: \$ 192.00

Votive candles \$ 58.00



*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.

**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.

*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven*



**FROM THE PASTOR**



***18th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

In Chapter 12 of Luke's Gospel a man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus offers the man no help. Instead, he uses the question to teach what, in light of the coming judgment, life really consist of. Material and earthly things become outdated and expire; but spiritual things are eternal, they last forever. In this context Jesus gives us the parable of the rich fool. He was rich man in the worldly sense, who got abundant harvest. He was rich in material wealth and poor in spiritual life and hence a rich fool.

The reason for bountiful harvest is not given. Probably the weather and soil were good. The rich man and his workers might be experienced and experts. However, he forgot that the good weather, the good soil, the health and availability of laborers were the blessings of God. God favored him with plentiful harvest not just for himself but for all people who labored for it and the people living around him. This selfish man thought of "I" and "my" only. He became such a slave of his wealth that he ignored God and his neighbors. The rich man in the story represents the coward in us trying to make his life secure, who is not at all bothered about the other but only oneself. He filled his barns and built new ones. But Jesus tells "Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions". The only possession which we can take along with us is having a heart for God and others. That's the real treasure in the words of Jesus love of God and neighbor.

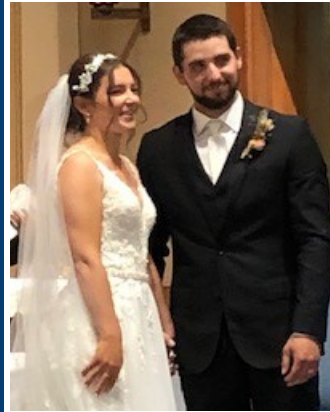
On August 4th we celebrate the feast of John Marie Vianney +1859. He is universally known as the "Curé of Ars"; compassionate spiritual counselor who spent usually no less than eleven hours every day in the confessional in the winter, sixteen in the summer; patron of priests and the parish clergy.

Have a great weekend  
Live Jesus

*Fr. Biju, MSFS*



**PARISH NEWS**



***Blessings to  
Joshua &  
Breanna Lucey***

**On receiving the  
Sacrament  
of  
Matrimony  
on  
July 23rd**



**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

Father Biju will be available for anointing of the sick after the first Saturday mass of each month. Please contact him directly if you or a family member would like to receive the sacrament. Father Biju will also be available at St Peter's Parish Middle Ridge after the first Friday mass of each month.



**DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Chris Stefanick to speak on Living Joy -  
Wednesday, August 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

Chris Stefanick, an internationally-known speaker and author, will speak for the Witnesses for Christ Virtual Conference, on Wednesday, August 24th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Join with other parishioners, or from the comfort of your own home, to listen to an important presentation about Joy. Every person is born looking for joy but joy isn't a luxury. It's a necessity and every heart is powered by it. Chris Stefanick will share the path to living joy, the joy that only Jesus Christ can give. Cost is \$10 per person and those who register will receive Chris's new book, "Living Joy" for free. To register and/or download a brochure visit [diolc.org/witness-joy](http://diolc.org/witness-joy).

**Harmony and Hope for your Marriage:**

For married couples facing a difficult time in their relationship, Retrouvaille offers a path to rediscover the spouse you fell in love with. We are able to live in harmony thanks to the skills we learned in the Retrouvaille program." Read more testimonies at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) For more information or to register for the next Central Wisconsin weekend, August 19-21, 2022. Visit website or call (Confidential) 1-877-922-4673.

**Grief Circle—Tuesdays Sept 6—Oct 4th 10:00—Noon  
Franciscan Spirituality Center**

This group provides a welcoming place to share thoughts, feelings and concerns about the loss of a loved one with others who are grieving. See poster in back of church.  
[www.FSCenter.org](http://www.FSCenter.org) (608) 791-5295

## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS cont'd

### Pedey Golf Scramble

The MMOC Men's Club cordially invites you to the "Pedey" Golf Scramble held on Friday, August 26. Registration begins at 11:00 am and the event starts at noon. The cost for a four person team is \$400 which includes 18 holes, a golf cart and boxed lunch. Please deliver checks no later than August 15 to 2006 Weston St. made payable to MMOC Men's Club. We hope you can join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

### A special opportunity for you and for our parish!!

James Cherf, owner of By James Galleries, would like to give you the opportunity to help your parish while putting artwork in your home. Between August 17th and September 17th, 75% of the sale of any piece of artwork will be donated to your parish by James as he sells off his entire inventory at 111 South 5th Street. Just let him know the name of your intended parish at the time of the purchase and he will send a check!! Store hours are Wednesday through Friday from noon to 5:00pm and Saturday from 10:00am to 2:00pm and by appointment.

### Organ Recital

The third in a series of three summer organ recitals will be performed here at the Cathedral on Sunday August 7 at 3:30 by Samuel Holmberg, principal organist at the Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis. An opportunity to hear great organ music performed on our magnificent Noack organ!

**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](mailto:ckirsch@fspa.org)

## KIDS CORNER

### The Rich Farmer Word-Find

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does NOT consist of POSSESSIONS." There was a rich man whose LANDS PRODUCED a BOUNTIFUL HARVEST. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have SPACE to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall TEAR down my BARNs and build LARGER ones. There I shall store all my GRAIN and other GOODS and I shall SAY to MYSELF, "Now as for you, you have so MANY good things STORED up for many years, REST, EAT, DRINK, be MERRY!" But GOD said to him, 'You FOOL, this NIGHT your LIFE will be DEMANDED of you; and the THINGS you have PREPARED, to whom will they belong?'

Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not RICH in what matters to God.

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Find the words from today's Gospel that are written in CAPITALS. Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



### 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](http://diolc.org/prayer). "The family that prays



### Family Prayer

*Almighty God, we ask for unity in our family. We rely on you for your peace, which surpasses human understanding. Bring us together that we may stand for each other for better and for worse. Let your Holy Spirit minister to us on the Christian ways of living that promote peace and harmony among us.*

*Amen*



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