

PARISH INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, August 20

~4:00pm Mass ~ † Clarence Meyers

Lector: Bill Weber
Servers: Volunteers
Ushers: Volunteers



SUNDAY, August 21

~8:30am Mass ~ † Mary Lueck

Lector: Donna Clements
Servers: Volunteers
Ushers: Volunteers

MONDAY, August 22

~5:30 pm ~ † Rudy, Helen, & Robert Bahr

TUESDAY, August 23

~5:00 pm ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
~5:30 pm ~ † Jim Malin

THURSDAY, August 25

~8:30 am ~ † Arnold Meyers

SATURDAY, August 27

~4:00pm Mass ~ Our Parish Family

Lector: Kathy Leis
Servers: Volunteers
Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, August 28

~8:30am Mass ~ † George & Evelyn Miller

Lector: Donna Clements
Servers: Volunteers
Ushers: Volunteers

PARISH CALENDAR

- **August 30** ~ 7:00 Pastoral & Finance Council Joint Meeting
- **September 3** ~ Anointing of the Sick after 8:30 am mass
- **September 5** ~ Labor Day
- **September 9** ~ Aquinas Fest
- **September 12** ~ 6:30 pm PCCW Meeting
- **September 14** ~ Religious Education Classes begin
- **September 21** ~ Rural Life Day
- **October 12** ~ St. Peter's Sauerkraut Supper

Weekly Bulletins:

If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin by email, please send an email to sjrp2601@gmail.com with your request.

Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Every Tuesday evening at 5:00 until mass at 5:30 pm

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.

GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD

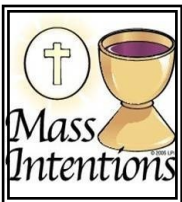
Last Week in Giving—182 envelope holders



Adult Envelopes(35):	\$1,810.00
Offertory:	\$ 253.00
Assumption:	\$ 95.00

Thank You!

Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions are full for the remainder of 2022. We are accepting contributions for next year—2023. Any questions contact the parish office 788-1646 or sjrp2601@gmail.com. Mass Intentions envelopes are in the back of church.

HAVE YOU PRAYED TODAY?



Confessions

First Saturday after Mass or by appointment

Please 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



21th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week's Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13. As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. He is teaching as he goes. At one point of the journey someone asked Jesus, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" Jesus replied, "Strive to enter through the narrow door." He continues in the passage: "I don't know where you come from." Where we come from can be understood as the source of our actions, our motivation, our intent. If we do not keep our whole life centered on and rooted in God, we can be led astray. Knowing Jesus and having a good relationship with Him is at the heart of our faith. This is more than information, which is knowing about Jesus and what he taught and did. The Gospels make it clear that our destiny depends on our encounter with Christ. He is the means by which we will be saved; that salvation depends on whether or not we know Jesus. Let us consider our relationship with Christ. Strengthen it through our daily prayers and works of charity.

Just a reminder that we are in need of a Fourth Grade teacher and a Seventh Grade teacher for our CCD program. Please prayerfully consider this need and call Stacy Burns.

The Parish Pastoral Council met on Tuesday to deliberate on fundraising program. We will have a joined meeting of parish pastoral council and Finance council on 30th of August. Last year the fundraising event was a great success. Hope that his year too will be a time of blessing and fellowship.

Welcome to Rev. Woodrow Pace, Vicar for Clergy. He is a true missionary priest at heart. He has visited different mission areas which include Africa. I hope it will enrich us to listen to him speak. We are all called to be missionaries and can support the greater effort of the church to evangelizes. Our task is to make Christ known and loved. Remember that the church exists to evangelize.

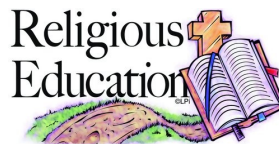
Happy birthday to Dolores Knobloch who will be celebrating her 90th Birthday.



Have a blessed week ~ Live Jesus!

Fr. Biju, MSFS

PARISH NEWS



Religious Education Classes:

The following schedule will start Wednesday, September 14th:
 Grades 1 –5 ~ 6:00—7:05 pm
 Grades 6—10 ~ 6:55—8:15 pm

We are in need of a Fourth Grade teacher and a Seventh Grade teacher.

Please prayerfully consider this need and call Stacy Burns at 608-769-8828 if interested or just want a little more information.

Needs: -Bookshelf (around 5 ft wide and 4 ft high),
 Bulletin boards of all sizes, especially a bigger one.

Reminder for Food Donations:

Please bring any food donation to the back of church. These food items will be taken to a local food pantry to assist families in need.

Cleaning of School Hall for the Upcoming Religious Ed Sessions

Please join us the evening of 8/31 at 6pm to ready the school for the start of the Religious Ed Classes. We need 8 volunteers to clean and vacuum the classrooms, chalkboards, windows and desks. Contact Paula Silha at 608/386-1183 or Stacy Burns at 608/769-8828 Many hands make light work. Thank you

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

Mary, Mother of the Church Chicken Q—September 8th

Serving from 11:00 - 6:00 p.m. for pick up and delivery only. The price is \$12 and includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, homemade beans and a dinner roll. For pre-sale tickets (guaranteed) and deliveries, call (608) 518-6145. No minimum order and no delivery charge. Enter at Weston Street driveway.

Aquinas Fest—Friday, September 9th 3:00pm-8:00pm

Aquinas High School (Cameron Street & AHS Parking Lot)
 The Aquinas Catholic Schools Foundation is proud to present the 45th Annual Aquinas Fest! Aquinas Fest is the ACS Foundation's annual fundraiser for unrestricted operating income. This annual festival serves as a community builder, bringing together current students, current and past parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends to celebrate Aquinas Catholic Schools. You are invited to join Bugolds from near and far to support and celebrate!

MISSION CO-OP APPEAL ~ August 20-21, 2022

St. Ambrose Nursing School—Uganda

Fr. Woodrow Pace from our diocesan Mission Office will be offering the Masses and giving a Mission Coop appeal the week-end of August 20-21 on behalf of Fr. Joseph Birungi for the St. Ambrose Nursing School in Hoima Diocese, Uganda. Fr. Birungi had unexpected spinal surgery and thus was unable to travel to the U.S. as planned.

In Uganda, Fr. Joseph has a parish of 26,500 parishioners. Due to an acute need for the training of nurses and midwives, he started and is responsible for a nursing school in addition to his parish ministry. With a nurse to patient ratio of 1:11,000, nurses in Uganda

are very scarce, over-worked, and many people die because there are no nurses to attend to them. St. Ambrose Nursing School currently has 613 students (both men and women) studying to become nurses and midwives. The number of students keeps increasing and more space is needed to accommodate them. Consequently Fr. Joseph has started constructing another hostel which is at the roofing level. Donations are desperately needed to complete the roof and remaining construction. Every sacrifice no matter how big or small will make a big difference. Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Parish with "Uganda Mission Coop" in the memo. Let us join hands with Fr. Joseph to train more nurses in Uganda and save as many lives as possible. Thank you very much for your generosity. May God bless you all.



DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS cont'd

13th Annual Hispanic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Guadalupe
Saturday, September 10, 2022

Beacon of Light and Hope Celebration – September 11th

After much patience, hard work and commitment from so many, Bishop Callahan is am happy to announce that the restoration of the Cathedral, dedicated to St. Joseph the Workman, is complete. Giving thanks to God, Bishop Callahan will be celebrating Mass on Sunday, September 11 at 10:30 a.m. Food, fun, music, games, tours, trivia and other events to follow!

First Responder Recognition Mass—September 11th

Law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical service personnel, and dispatchers are invited to attend the 4th Annual Blue Mass on Sunday, September 11, at the 10:30 am Mass at St Patrick Parish in Onalaska. The Blue Mass celebrates the men and women who serve our communities and their families. It includes prayers and a blessing for those who work to keep us safe. Participants are invited to attend in their full-dress uniforms, if applicable. Participants should arrive between 9:50 and 10:10 am. The Blue Mass is open to all. Please contact Steve Nott, Liturgical Planner, for more information: liturgyplanner@stpatsonalaska.com, (608)783-5535 ext 8.

Join us for Rural Life Day – September 21

The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 41st annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday, September 21, hosted by Jack and Pat Herricks at 12130 Hwy. 33, Cashton, WI. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by their good stewardship of the land. The day begins with 10 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop William Patrick Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery, and a catered lunch. For a flyer or brochure, visit diolc.org/rural-life. For more information, contact Deacon Bob Zietlow, Rural Life Committee Liaison, rzietlow@diolc.org.

PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonders of our being, for mind, body, and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff.

Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their spirits.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

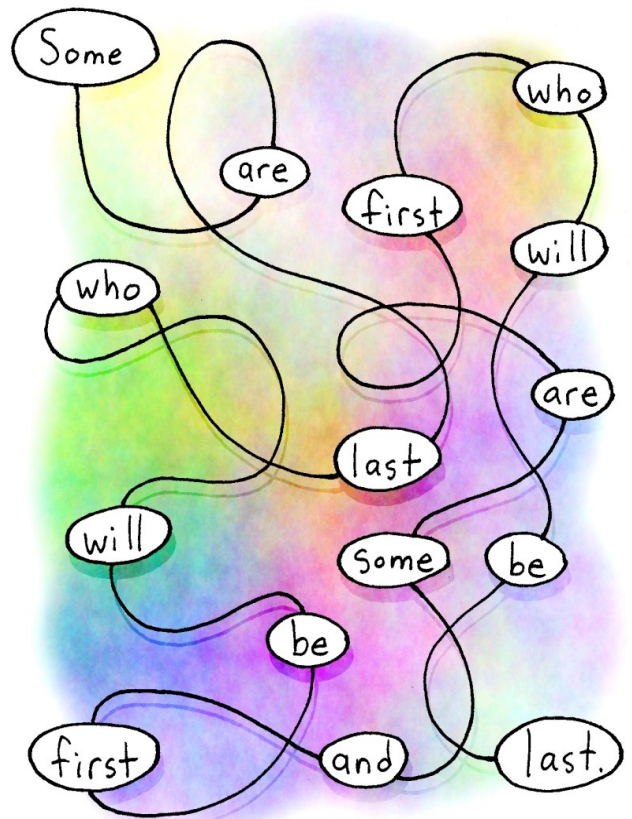
- from Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers

dosp.org

ACTIVITY CORNER

What was one of the things Jesus said in today's Gospel reading about the people in the Kingdom of Heaven?

Follow the squiggly line to sort out the words. Start with "Some" in the top left corner.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- 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