



St. Joseph Parish ~ St. Joseph Ridge

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April 23, 2023



PASTOR

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSIONS

First Saturday after Mass or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

Barb Mikshowskey.....608-788-1646
Bulletin deadline:Wednesday
 sjrp2601@gmail.com
Office hours vary, call or email with questions

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 serves

St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge

Adoration: Wednesday7:30-9:00 PM
Weekend Mass: Saturday.....8:00 PM
 Sunday.....10:00 AM

Weekday Mass: Wednesday....8:00 AM
 Friday8:00 AM

Third Sunday of Easter



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mary Jo Hess-Secretary
Terry Dickman
Dave Brown-(Bldg & Grnds)
 and Cemetery Rep
Barb Braun
Dan Steiger

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinators:
Stacy Burns and Paula Silha

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Lori Clements-President
Mary Jo Hess-Treasurer
Jill Murphy-Secretary
Polly Hilby-Funeral Prep

Cemetery Sexton Building & Grounds

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

'Thank you' for your time and talent to support our parish.

MUSIC

Stacy Burns, Coordinator
608-769-8828
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Accompanist

Leland Gregorich
LuAnne Gregorich
Mary Beth Smith

Sacristan:

Sally Miller

PARISH INTENTIONS

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY, April 22

~ 4:00 pm Mass † Earl Martin (RM)

Lector: Donnie Weber

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, April 23

~ 8:30 am Mass † Caroline Martin (LM)

Lector: Donna Clements

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

MONDAY, April 24

~ 5:30 pm Mass ~ † Eugene, Luella,
and John Leis (S&CC)

TUESDAY, April 25

~ 5:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

~ 5:30 pm Mass † Lois Davis (J&SD)

WEDNESDAY, April 26

~ 6:30 pm Mass—Madonna Bahr (R&BM)

THURSDAY, April 27

~ 8:30 am Mass ~ † Stanley Hundt (S&SM)

SATURDAY, April 29

~ 4:00 pm Mass Our Parish Family

Lector: Kathy Leis

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, April 30

~ 8:30 am Mass † Herb & Joyce Clements (S&CC)

Lector: Jim Weber

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Volunteers

- **April 24**—7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting
- **April 25** - 6:00 pm Eucharistic Bible Study
- **April 26**—6:30 pm Mass -Religious Education Classes.
All are welcome especially parents and grandparents
- **April 30**—8:30 am Mass—First Communion
- **April 30—7:00 pm Inspired by the Spirit reception**
(combined with St. Peters Parish)
at our School Hall—All are welcome to attend!
- **May 2**—Last Session of Eucharistic Bible Study
- **May 7**—Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 am mass to celebrate Confirmation, First Communion students and 2023 High School Graduates

It's time to order Cemetery Flowers

Forms to order flowers are located in the back of church. Prices are the same as last year.

\$100 to order the urn, if needed and flowers.

\$40 for just the flowers if you already have the urn.

Return order forms by Sunday, May 7th.



~ ENHANCE YOUR FAITH ~

*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday evenings at 5:00 pm until 5:30 pm Mass

~ 8 Ways to Pray During Eucharistic Adoration ~

- Read Spiritual Books
- Ask for Intercession
- Meditate
- Offer a Holy Hour
- Write a Prayer Journal
- Read the Scriptures
- Pray Spontaneously
- Ask the Saints for help

Spending time with our Dear Lord!!!

*** Eucharist Lectio series with Brant Pitre.**

Tuesday evenings after 5:30 pm Mass

A Bible study reflecting on the Scripture, history, and Church teaching to illuminate the wonder of the

MIRACLE OF THE EUCHARIST

Please call Stacy Burns 608-769-8828 with any questions

*** Anointing of the Sick**

Father Biju will be available for anointing of the sick after the first Saturday mass of each month or contact Fr. Biju directly if you or a family member would like to receive the sacrament.

*** Confession**

First Saturday after Morning Mass or 3:30—3:45 pm before 4:00 pm Mass or by appointment .

Please contact Fr. Biju to set up a time.

*** Mass Intentions**

Please contact the Parish office phone #788-1646 or email sjrp2601@gmail.com if you would like to schedule mass intentions. Or envelopes are in the back of church.

Contributions for the past week

180 envelope holders



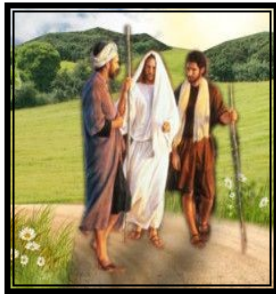
Adult Envelopes:	\$ 1,315.00
Plate collection:	\$ 166.00
Easter:	\$ 151.00
Total:	\$ 1,632.00



FROM THE PASTOR



‘Road to Emmaus’
“Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?”



The two disciples are on the way to Emmaus. We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today’s reading. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred. Jesus himself approaches the two men and asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of His crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture.

In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God. In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which St. Luke the Evangelist calls it “the breaking of bread”: a phrase Luke uses throughout his other book of the Bible—Acts of the Apostles—to refer to the Holy Eucharist the disciples’ eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus.

Like those disciples on the road to Emmaus, we encounter the presence of the risen Lord every time we gather to hear the Scriptures proclaimed and witness the bread of the Eucharist broken. Joy abounded in their hearts. Hope was restored in their recognition of Jesus. At our participation of the Eucharist does it bring us joy and hope as we receive Him into our hearts?

Next weekend three of our CCD students from St Joseph will receive Holy Communion. Congratulations to all of our 2nd graders who will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first-time next weekend.

Have a Blessed weekend

Live Jesus,
Fr Biju MSFS



Bible Study ~ Miracle of the Eucharist!

Please join us this coming Tuesday for Session 9, The Mass: Emmaus and the Mystery of the Eucharist. It's ok to come even if you have not attended other sessions. Please call Stacy at 608-769-8828 for more information.

Thank you to everyone for attending and reflecting on our Faith.

And Thank You to Lisa and Stacy!

PARISH NEWS

Heartfelt Sympathy and prayers to the family of

Darlene Kammel

Darlene passed away this past Monday with funeral—Saturday, April 22. She has been a blessing to our parish and will truly be missed.



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

Religious Education News

- **Wednesday, April 26th—6:30 pm Mass** will culminate the Religious Education classes for the 2022-2023 year. There will be cookies and milk in the School Hall following mass
- **Sunday, April 30th—8:30 am Mass** will be the celebration for 3 of our 2nd Grade students who will be receiving their First Communion.
- **Sunday, May 7**—Breakfast celebration after 8:30 am mass for the First Communicants, Confirmands and High School Graduates.

2022-2023 Catechists and CRE’s

Thank you for your time and talent to enrich our student’s religious education

Stacy Burns Co-CRE
Paula Silha Co-CRE

Kathy Leis—2nd Grade
Bill Weber—4th Grade
Amy Hendrickson—5th Grade
Mary Reeck —6th Grade



Stacy Wieman—7th Grade
Stacy Burns—8th Grade
Terry Dickman—9th Grade
Jim Weber—10th Grade

PCCW News

High School Students Scholarship Opportunity

The PCCW is offering graduating high school seniors that will be attending college in the fall an opportunity to apply for a scholarship. To apply please submit a short essay describing your involvement in the parish and plans for future schooling, a transcript of their grades and photo if available. Please mail to parish office - W2601 St Rd 33 La Crosse, WI 54601 or put in the collection box at church.

Applications are due by May 6th.

Kitchen & School Hall Cleaning: On Saturday April 29 at 8:30 am we will be cleaning at the school hall : kitchen, dining room and upstairs. Please come and help with this project- bring a pail and some cleaning rags with you. Many hands will make the project go faster.

Parish Breakfast: Sunday May 7th after the 8:30 mass the PCCW will be hosting a breakfast for parish members to celebrate our youth that have recently made their First Communion and Confirmation along with our 2023 High School Graduates. Please join us for egg bakes, pancakes, fruit and beverages.

Next PCCW meeting is Monday May 8th 6:30 pm

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~

~Eucharistic Revival—A Minute with Jesus-

The Eucharist is the Risen Christ. On Easter Sunday, two disciples were leaving Jerusalem without hope as they believed that the Savior was dead. Jesus joined them as they walked but the disciples did not recognize Him as He now had a glorified body. When Jesus sat down with the disciples at Emmaus, they recognized Him in the “breaking of bread,” which was the Eucharist. Let’s pray:

Lord, make my heart burn with a desire to read Your Word in Sacred Scripture.



This week, read how Jesus explained how He fulfilled the Old Testament in His Passion, Death and Resurrection, and allowed the disciples to recognize Him in the breaking of the bread in Luke 24:13-35.

~Spring Luncheon—Saturday, April 29th, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

St. Mary’s Parish, 900 Central Ave., Coon Valley, Only \$7 per person. Open to the general public. Invite your family and friends and join us for lunch and door prizes. Lisa Olson, a children’s book author, will present her latest book starting at 11:30 AM. Call 608-452-3841 for info.

~St. Joseph Ridge Blood Drive - Monday, May 1 from 1:00 - 6:00 pm

at the Greenfield Town Hall. Walk ins are welcome but appointments are preferred, please call 877-232-4376 or go online versiti.org/wi.

~COR ♥ JESU—May 5th 5:00—7:00 pm at the Cathedral.

Everyone is invited to get closer to Jesus
Adoration ~ Confession ~ Praise & Worship ~ Food & Fellowship
Come spend time with Jesus—Leave with a sense of fellowship.

~What are Parents Searching For? Why is this Important in Helping Parents Come to Mass?

Webinar – May 2nd or May 5th
You won’t want to miss Dr. Bill Keimig, a sought after presenter on Franciscan at Home online learning. Bill will address this critically important topic in an interactive webinar on Tuesday, May 2nd from 6-7:30 p.m. or Friday, May 5th from 1-2:30 p.m. Email Beth Johnson at bjohnson@diolc.org to register for this free webinar.

~CALIX – For Help with Addiction from a Catholic Perspective

Do you or a family member or friend need help with an addiction concern? Or, do you just need someone to talk with? You can reach out to a member of CALIX. CALIX (calixsociety.org) is an association of Catholics in addiction and family members and friends affected by addiction, who are maintaining their sobriety through participation in their Catholic faith and a 12 Step program. You can make a confidential call to 612.383.8232 (Jim R.) or 651.587.4668 (Jim B.), for information on meetings and recovery support. You need not disclose your name.

~5 Day Youth Choir Camp June 19-23

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe is hosting a five day Youth Choir Camp (Ages 7 -18). The camp will include studying elements of music and practicing tuning, rounds, Gregorian chant, hymns, and the chanting of Psalms. Register your children for a week of singing and fun! Register online at GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-music or contact Scott Turkington sturkington@guadalupeshrine.org

**Third Sunday of Easter
April 23rd, 2023**



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*The disciples on the road to Emmaus didn't recognize Jesus at first. How did they recognize Him eventually?
Use the code to find out!*

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PRAYER
*should be the KEY
to our day
and the LOCK
of the night.*
George Herbert

- 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 sjr2601@gmail.com

Please plan to attend the *Inspired by the Spirit* reception

to learn about the Diocesan campaign and the benefits to our parish.

Sunday, April 30th 7:00 pm—St Joseph’s School Hall

This reception is combined with St. Peters Parish(Middle Ridge)

