



# *St. Joseph Parish ~ St. Joseph Ridge*

*W2601 State Road 33 • La Crosse • Wisconsin • 54601*

## *June 4, 2023*

### **PASTOR**

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS  
715-495-2338  
bchennala@diolclergy.org

### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

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

### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

First Saturday Mass.....8:30 am  
Monday .....5:30 pm  
Tuesday.....Adoration .....5:00 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  
  sjpg2601@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: Wednesday .....7:30-9:00 PM  
Weekend Mass: Saturday.....8:00 PM  
  Sunday.....10:00 AM  
  
Weekday Mass: Wednesday....8:00 AM  
  Friday .....8:00 AM



*Solemnity of the Most Holy Spirit*

### **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**

Coordinator:  
Stacy Burns

### **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

### **MUSIC**

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

### **Accompanist**

Leland Gregorich  
LuAnne Gregorich  
Mary Beth Smith

**Sacristan:**  
Sally Miller

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

**PARISH INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, June 3**

~ 8:30 am Mass— † Therese Hess (CB)  
 ~4:00pm Mass†Ralph & Evelyn Mikshowsky(M&CM)  
 Lector: Kathy Leis  
 Servers: Volunteers  
 Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, June 4**

~ 8:30 am Mass - † Caroline Martin (LM)  
 Lector: Paula Silha  
 Servers: Volunteers  
 Ushers: Volunteers

**MONDAY, June 5**

~ 5:30 pm Mass - † Herb & Joyce Clements (L&DC)

**TUESDAY, May 30**

~ 5:00 pm—*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 ~ 5:30 pm - † Madonna Bahr (Family)

**THURSDAY, June 8**

~ 8:30 am Mass - † Darlene Kammel (Family)

**SATURDAY, June 10**

~4:00 pm Mass - John & Stacy Burns  
 30th Wedding Anniversary  
 Lector: Donnie Weber  
 Servers: Volunteers  
 Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, June 11 ~ Corpus Christi ~ Polka Mass**

~ 8:30 am Mass - Our Parish Family  
 Lector: Donna Clements  
 Servers: Volunteers  
 Ushers: Volunteers

**PARISH CALENDAR**

- **June 11th**—Corpus Christi ~ Polka Mass
- **June 17th & 18th**—Knights of Columbus presentation
- **June 22-24** Priest Unity Days
- **June 24**—Priest Ordination
- **July 1st & 2nd**—Mission Cooperation Appeal 2023

**~ 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  
 - Pray Spontaneously - Ask the Saints for help Scriptures  
*Spending time with our Dear Lord!!!*

**\* 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

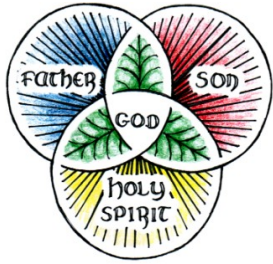
Adult Envelopes :	\$1,443.45
Plate collection:	\$ 162.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,605.45</b>

<b>T H A N K  Y O U</b>		<b>5 Year Goal</b>	<b>\$140,000.00</b>
		Pledged as of 5/30/2023— 58.2%:	\$81,400.00
	Remaining Balance—41.8%:		\$58,600.00
	Diocesan Annual Appeal 2023 Goal:		\$22,320.00
	Amount received applied to Diocesan-67%:		\$14,982.50
Remaining balance of 2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal-33%:		\$ 7,337.50	
<b>The <i>Inspired by the Spirit</i> campaign will include this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal.</b>			

**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



**Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the

Trinity—one God in three persons. The greatest mystery of Christian faith. God who creates, redeems and sanctifies.

This weekend we will hear from 2 nd Cor 13. In verse 13 St Paul writes “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.” The same prayer is often used at every eucharist to greet. It reminds us of the greatest mystery: Trinity. Again, every person is baptized in the name of trinity. In Mt 17:1-5 we find when departing from his disciples, Jesus sends them to baptize in the name of the three divine Persons, so that the whole world may come to share in the eternal life of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Mt 28:19). We profess our faith in the Trinity whenever we pray our creed. God who is love and unity invites every faithful to become aware of His nature, to believe in Him and imitate Him by living a life worthy of the Trinity.

Please see the bulletin about polka mass on Sunday, June 11th 8:30 am at St. Joseph Parish - St. Joseph Ridge. It’s also the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please spread the news and we are inviting one of the Norbertine priest to celebrate mass and speak about Eucharist on this special year of revival.

On June 17th and 18th we will have Knights of Columbus men to speak about membership. Thomas O’Heron from Father McCaffrey Council 9438 will enlighten us about the Knights of Columbus which is a global Catholic fraternal service order founded by Michael J. McGivney on March 29, 1882. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men. It would be a great opportunity to participate in the diverse mission of the church in our country.

Last week on Saturday we had an episode of a homeless person in the church who was not in right mind and we had to call the Cope to deal with the situation. Thanks to the intervention of David Brown and Teresa Brown and the ushers. There was no damage done.

*Inspired by the Spirit* campaign will come to an end with the last week of this month. This weekend is the Commitment weekend. I appreciate your generosity and participation of everyone.

I pray for God’s blessings on Vienna Grace Weber who will be baptized this weekend.

Thanks to all who sent me cards and prayed for me on my birthday.

*Have a blessed weekend!*

*Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS*



PARISH NEWS

**Polka Mass**

Celebrating Corpus Christi and the year of Eucharistic Revival

**Sunday, June 11th**

Enjoy *Polka* music starting at 8:20 am and during mass!!!



**Inspired by the Spirit Campaign**

Recently, you should have received a brochure, a letter and a pledge card in the mail. If you did not, this information is in back of church.

We hope you will take some time to review this information and pledge according to what you feel you are able to pledge/donate. Any amount -large or small- is appreciated.

**Pledge cards should be mailed to the Diocese.**

Any questions, call

Gary Hess (608-788-1768)

David Brown(608-792-1006)

Father Biju (715-495-2338)

**Due by June 5th**



*Our Parish welcomes Vienna Grace Weber who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, June 4th*

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

**~Eucharistic Congress 2023—This is My Body**

**June 10th 10:00-5:00—Mankato, MN with Bishop Robert Barron.**

Open to All: The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is hosting a Eucharistic Congress in Mankato, MN, on Saturday, June 10th. This day-long celebration of Christ made present in the Eucharist will be an inspiring event to prepare for the Feast of Corpus Christi. For a schedule, list of speakers and to register, click <https://eucharist.dowr.org/>. Bring a carload of family and friends with you for this profound celebration of the Gift of the Holy Eucharist. Spanish Track is also available At Mankato Civic Center Grand Hall, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN

Join thousands of Catholics as we rejoice in the Lord through a Eucharistic Procession, Mass, speakers, music and more.

Contact: <https://eucharist.dowr.org/> Cost \$35.00

**~Mass and Healing Service—Monday, June 12th**

Sacred Heart Church, 1205 Front St. Cashton

Do you have a need for healing - spiritual, physical, psychological, emotional?

4:30 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:30 PM - Holy Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available throughout the evening starting at 5:30 pm.

After Mass - Adoration continues with Prayers of Healing and Deliverance. Our clergy and prayer teams will pray over those who desire it. Exorcised and blessed Oil, Salt, and Water are used.

**DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS (cont.)**

**~March for Life.** The 3rd annual March for Life Wisconsin is fast approaching! This year, pro-lifers all across the state will be gathering on Saturday, June 24th in Madison WI, to peacefully and prayerfully march for an end to abortion in our world. Can you please promote this historic event to your parishioners? You can find more details on our website at: <https://www.prolifewi.org/marchforlife>.

**~Rescue or Recycle Religious Items**

The St. Mary Recycle Mission Group will be in the area to rescue and recycle the Religious items. Such items could be crucifixes, statues, rosaries, Holy medals, Holy cards, or prayer books (No DVDs, VHS tapes please) There will be a box in back of church to gather these items.

**~Eucharistic Revival for Parish and School Formation:**

A Minute with Jesus: June 4 – Most Holy Trinity  
The Eucharist and the Most Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
Jesus gave His life for us so that our sins can be forgiven and we can be united in a relationship of love with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We refer to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit as the most Holy Trinity – three Persons in one God. When we receive the Eucharist, in reality, we are not only receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus, but all three Persons of the Blessed Trinity. Let's pray this right now and every day this week:



*"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you"*  
(Paul's Letter to the Corinthians 13:13)

Jesus is a Divine Person with a Divine nature and human nature and so in Sacred Art, He is depicted in His human nature – as a man. Our Heavenly Father and the Holy Spirit are Persons. They are pure spirits and do not have bodies, and so in Sacred Art, our Heavenly Father is represented by a grandfather and the Holy Spirit is represented by the Biblical image of a dove.

**HOLY TRINITY PRAYER**

O! Holy Trinity, You are love, I believe that you are really present in my life. I give you thanks for your love, O **Father!**

I give you thanks for the gift of salvation, **Lord Jesus Christ!**

I give you thanks **Holy Spirit** for guiding me and giving me strength in my journey of life.

I pray that I may be ever more loving and aware of your presence in my life and find ways to open my heart to be joyfully filled with the love of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

**Amen**

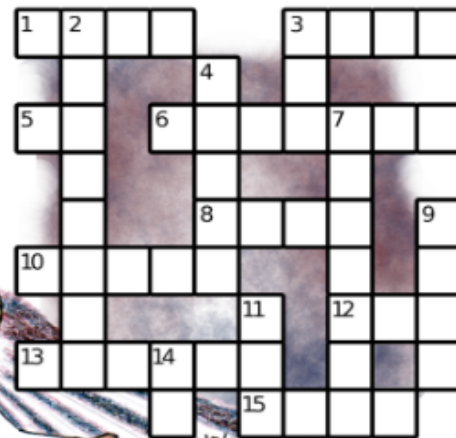


**~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~**

**God So Loved The World Cross-Word**

\_\_\_ (3d) so \_\_\_ (10a) the world that he \_\_\_ (3a) his \_\_\_ (15a) Son, so that \_\_\_ (2d) \_\_\_ (11d) believes \_\_\_ (14d) him might not \_\_\_ (13a) but might have \_\_\_ (7d) \_\_\_ (8a) For God did \_\_\_ (12a) \_\_\_ (1a) his Son \_\_\_ (9d) the \_\_\_ (4d) to \_\_\_ (6a) the world, but that the world might \_\_\_ (5a) saved through him.

Use the words in the list to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading. Then fit them into the cross-word



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EVERYONE

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

- For Gerald Kneifl as he is now receiving Hospice care at Brookdale and strength for his family during this difficult time.
- For all who are suffering from illness, especially members of our parish, may Christ bring them peace and healing
- For married couples, may the Lord continue to nurture and grow their faith in order to strengthen their relationship.
- All political leaders, may their decisions be made for the good of all citizens, born and unborn.
- For this community of worship, may the love and peace of the Lord reign in our homes and families.
- For children suffering with life threatening conditions and illnesses.
- For the elderly who are homebound or unvisited, may the Lord fill them with his presence and comfort them with friendship
- For the pope, bishops, and priests, may the Holy Spirit deepen their knowledge, understanding, and love of Christ.
- The intentions listed in our parish book of prayer.



To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email [sjrp2601@gmail.com](mailto:sjrp2601@gmail.com)