



# St. Joseph Parish ~ St. Joseph Ridge

W2601 State Road 33 • La Crosse • WI 54601

July 2, 2023—13th Sunday in Ordinary



### 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  
sjrp2601@gmail.com

Office hours vary, call or email with questions

### CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

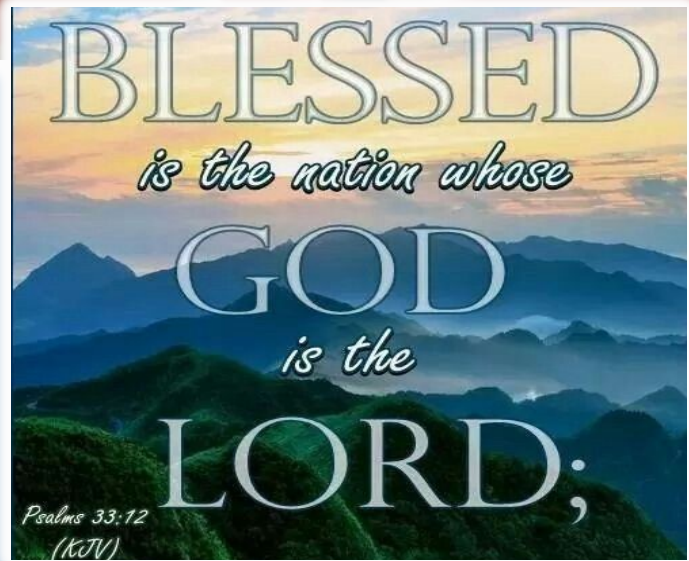
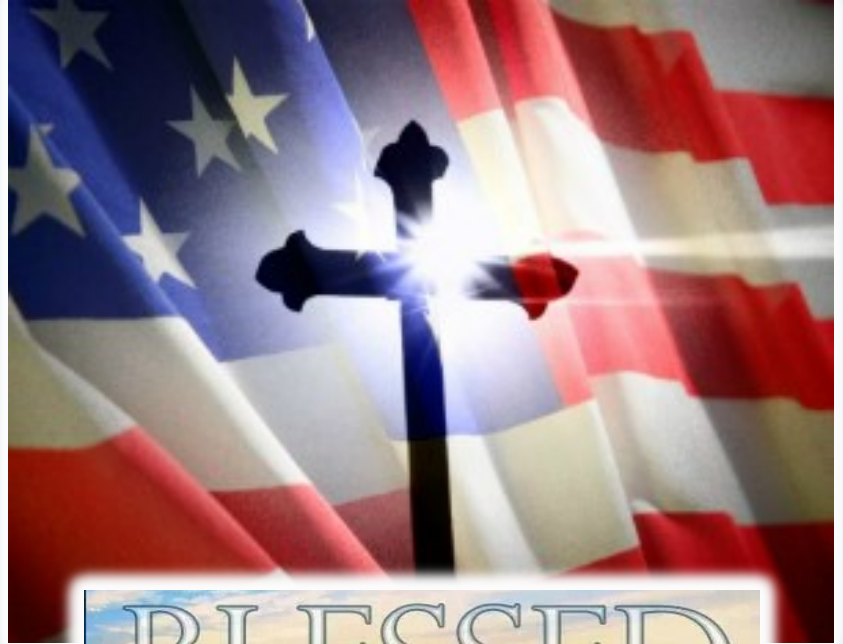
- Joining the Parish
- Weddings or Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick (also call Fr. Biju cell phone)
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited

### Fr Biju also serves

**St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge**  
(608) 452-4680

Adoration: Wednesday .....7:30-9:00 PM  
Weekend Mass: Saturday.....8:00 PM  
Sunday.....10:00 AM

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Friday .....8:00 AM



### 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

### 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**

**PARISH CALENDAR**

SATURDAY, July 1

~ 8:30 am Mass—† Bernard Domke (M&LM)  
 ~ 4:00 pm Mass - † Madonna Bahr (Leis family)  
 Lector: Kathy Leis  
 Servers: Volunteers      Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, July 2

~ 8:30 am Mass - Alfred & Evelyn VonArx,  
 David VonArx and Natalie Mertes (CM)  
 Lector: Jim Weber  
 Servers: Volunteers      Ushers: Volunteers

MONDAY, July 3

~ 5:30 pm—No Mass

TUESDAY, July 4—Independence Day

~ 5:00 pm—*No Adoration*  
 ~ 5:30 pm - No Mass

THURSDAY, July 6

~ 8:30 am—No Mass

SATURDAY, July 8

~ 4:00 pm Mass - † Ann Austin (L&MM)  
 Lector: Paula Silha  
 Servers: Volunteers      Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, July 9

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

- **July 1st & 2nd**—Mission Appeal 2023  
 Welcome Fr. Jose Edyadiyil
- **July 3-6**—Fr. Biju is out of town
- **July 8**—Baptism of Olivia Mae Silha  
 (daughter of Weston and Ashley Silha)
- **July 18**—after 5:30 pm Mass—Movie Night—  
 St. Joseph School Hall—"I Can Only Imagine"



**~ ENHANCE YOUR FAITH ~**

**\* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**No Adoration—Tuesday, July 4th**  
 ~ 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!!!*

**\* 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(35) :	\$1,478.45
Plate collection:	\$ 177.00
Votive candles:	\$ 77.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,732.45</b>

	<b>5 Year Goal</b>	<b>\$140,000.00</b>
	Pledged as of 6/30/2023— 100%	\$142,725.00
<b>ACHIEVED!!!</b>		
Diocese Mission Appeal 2023 Goal:		\$22,320.00
Amount received -> Diocesan:-		\$36,155.00



**Going on Vacation?**

Enjoy your time away while keeping the Sabbath Holy

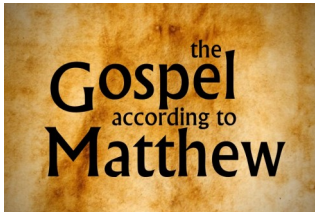
Find a Mass time by visiting:

[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)



**55 families as of today have donated or pledged to this campaign to meet our pledge goal! A BIG THANK YOU to our Parish community!**

FROM THE PASTOR



**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The passage from the gospel of Mathew for our reflection is taken from the missionary discourse of Jesus (Mt. 10:1-11:1). Jesus instructs his disciples about discipleship in Mt.10:37-42. He summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. But one of his teachings that he offers to the apostles is, He says "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me". This statement of Jesus anticipates that some people will in fact reject the apostles and the message of the Gospel. But Jesus also highlights the value of accepting the good news. Open reception of Jesus's followers will enable people to receive Christ and through him the father in heaven.

With June 30th 2023 we have come to the end of the first year of *Inspired by the Spirit* campaign and am happy to report that we have achieved our pledge goal! I like to take this opportunity to thank all who have contributed towards *Inspired by the Spirit* campaign. Your sacrifice represents hours of toil and time effort, offering of yourself in a way to God. Above all the goodwill in support of the mission of church. We will be harvesting the fruits of your generosity by implementing projects according to the availability of fund and priority. Thank you again to all who were generous towards the campaign.

**Thanks** to Clements family for being generous towards the parish to have some new vestments for mass in memory of Joyce Marie Clements. Its heart warming to see how generous people are. Some even anonymous.

This weekend Fr Jose Edyadyil VC will be with us. He is here as part of the mission coop program. He will be celebrating mass and sharing about the mission of Vincentian congregation in India. Please welcome the guest priest and prayerfully consider contributing financially towards their mission in India.

The Collect or the opening prayer of July 4th is a beautiful prayer. It says "Father of all nations and ages, we recall the day when our country claimed its place among the family of nations; for what has been achieved we give you thanks, for the work that still remains we ask your help, and as you have called us from many peoples to be one nation, grant that, under your providence, our country may share your blessings with all the peoples of the earth". Let's be thankful for our nation. Be grateful for the blessings, opportunities and freedoms we have in the United States of America.

*Happy Fourth of July!*

*Live Jesus*

*Fr Biju MSFS*



PARISH NEWS

Mass for Christian Burial for Elaine Bina.

Visitation: August 11th 4:00-7:00 pm

Funeral: Saturday, August 12th 11:00 with visitation 9:45 pm until 10:45 pm

Please keep Elaine's family in your thoughts and prayers.



**"I Can Only Imagine"**

Please join us! **Movie night at St. Joseph Parish. On Tuesday, July 18th following adoration at 5 PM and Mass at 5:30 we will be showing the movie, "I can only imagine". This PG rated movie inspired the song "I can only imagine" and tells the true story of a son's complicated relationship with his abusive father who becomes terminally ill and finds redemption by embracing his faith and rediscovering his love for his son. Pizza, popcorn, lemonade and water will be provided. RSVP to Stacy at 608-769-8828. ALL are welcome to attend. Thank you, Christopher P. and Stacy B.**



*Thank you*

*to the family of Joyce Clements*

*for the purchase of chasubles*

*for our liturgical use*



**Missionary Cooperation Program:** We welcome Fr. Jose Edyadyil V.C., who is making an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions in all parts of India, Sri Lanka and Nepal. There will be a special mission collection this weekend. We urge you to be generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help.

If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering this weekend, you may make your offering through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope. Please keep Fr. Jose and all the Vincentian Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support.

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

**~Eucharistic Revival~** A Minute with Jesus: The Eucharist is called the Lord's Supper. On the night before He was crucified, Jesus had a meal with His Apostles in the Upper Room. It was at this "Last Supper" before He died that He instituted the Holy Eucharist. This was Jesus' way of remaining with us throughout all time. During supper, Jesus changed the bread and wine into His Body and Blood, saying "This is My Body which is given for you" as He will be crucified the next day. "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My Blood" (Luke 22:19b-20). Jesus offered His Body and His Blood on the cross so that we could be adopted into the family of God and live united with Him on earth and forever in Heaven. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, thank you for always remaining with us in the Holy Eucharist.* This week, read how Jesus celebrated the Last Supper in Luke 22:7-20.

### ~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~

#### ~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 dioloc.org/prayer "The family that prays together stays together."

~120th Annual St. Charles Homecoming Celebration will be held after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, July 2**, at the church. Food will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Raffles, a bake sale, beverages and kid games will also be available.

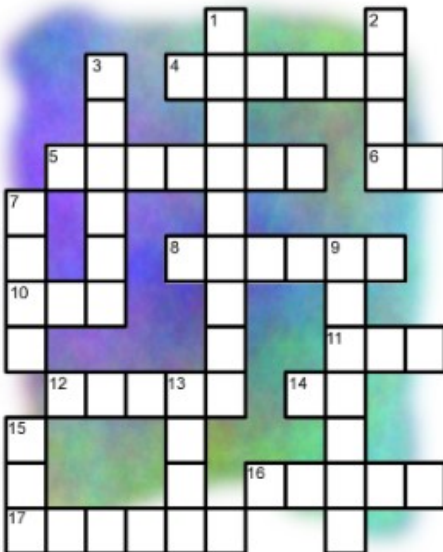
~Registration for the Aquinas Golf Scramble is now open! The event will take place on July 5, 2023, at Cedar Creek Golf Club. For more information visit: [www.aquinasatholicschools.org/golf-scramble](http://www.aquinasatholicschools.org/golf-scramble)

~Organ Recital: The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, WI, is hosting an Organ Recital July, 9 at 3:00pm performed by the Director of Sacred Music, Scott Turkington. All are welcome! Visit online at [GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-](http://GuadalupeShrine.org/sacred-)

~Pilgrimage Opportunity-Benedictines of Mary Queen of the Apostles A motor coach pilgrimage is planned July 31 - Aug. 1 to the Benedictines of Mary Queen of the Apostles convent in Gower, Mo to pray at the tomb of Sister Wilhelmina, who is thought to be incorrupt. Father Joe Redfern will serve as chaplain. Overnight accommodations will be in Kansas City. For more information email [pjslattery9@protonmail.com](mailto:pjslattery9@protonmail.com) or call (608) 452-4605 See website <https://benedictinesofmary.org/> for information on Mary Queen of the Apostles convent.

~St Joseph Ridge Lions Club will be sponsoring Fireworks on Saturday, July 8 at the St. Joseph Ridge Park. Food, refreshments, raffles, yard games, music by Daddy's Girls, Pedal Pulls. beverages and so much more. Event will start at 5:00 pm

### A Gospel Crossword



Fill in the missing words in today's Gospel reading to find the answers to this crossword!

A=Across  
D=Down

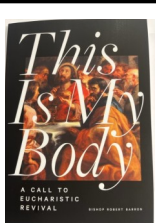
He who loves father or \_\_\_\_\_ (17A)  
more than me is not worthy of me; and he who \_\_\_\_\_ (16A)  
son or daughter

more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his \_\_\_\_\_ (12A) and follow me is not \_\_\_\_\_ (3D) of me. He who finds his life will \_\_\_\_\_ (7D) it, and he who loses his life for my \_\_\_\_\_ (13D) will find it. "He who receives you receives \_\_\_\_\_ (14A), and he who receives me receives \_\_\_\_\_ (15D) who \_\_\_\_\_ (2D) me. He who receives a prophet because he is a \_\_\_\_\_ (5A) shall \_\_\_\_\_ (9D) a prophet's reward, and he who receives a \_\_\_\_\_ (1D) man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's \_\_\_\_\_ (8A). And whoever gives \_\_\_\_\_ (6A) one of these \_\_\_\_\_ (4A) ones even a \_\_\_\_\_ (11A) of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I \_\_\_\_\_ (10A) to you, he shall not lose his reward."



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- ★ *Dear Lord Jesus, we pray*
- ★ • For favorable weather!
- ★ • For the sick, especially for members of our parish,
- ★ may the healing love of Jesus pour out upon them and bring
- ★ them comfort and peace.
- ★ • For married couples, may the Lord continue to nurture and grow
- ★ their faith in order to strengthen their relationship.
- ★ • For the freedom of all to hear the Gospel and obtain the
- ★ salvation Christ won for us,
- ★ • 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 Pope Francis and all leaders of the Church, may God grant
- ★ them vision and great faith to do the work he has entrusted to
- ★ them.
- ★ • 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)
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"This is My Body" is designed to accompany the Eucharistic Revival. Bishop Robert Barron writes to help you understand the sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood more thoroughly, precisely so that you might fall in love with the Lord more completely. Copies are available in back of church.



## Prayer for America

Dear God, we thank you for the bountiful blessings you have bestowed on us. Guide us in being good stewards of these gifts. Let us care for all of your beautiful creation, from the redwood forests to the gulfstream waters. Make us instruments of your peace in order to put an end to rockets' red glare and bombs bursting in air. Help us to love and care for all of our neighbors - locally and globally - so that we might be truly crowned with brotherhood from sea to shining sea. Amen.



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