## St. Joseph Parish ~ St. Joseph Ridge W2601 State Road 33 • La Crosse • WI 54601 July 9, 2023—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2025 14th Sunday in C

#### 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	y Mass	8:30 am
Monday		5:30 pm
Tuesday	Adoration	5:00 pm
-	Mass	5:30 pm
Thursday		8:30 <sup>°</sup> am

#### CONFESSIONS

First Saturday after Mass or by appointment

#### PARISH OFFICE

Barb Mikshowsky......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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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

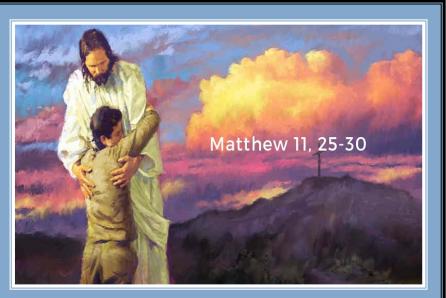
Dave Brown-Cemetery Rep Teresa Brown, Lori Clements -PCCW Rep Stan Clements Ann Degenhardt Terry Dickman-Finance Council Rep Bob Kotek Bill Weber-Secretary Stacy Burns-CRE

### 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



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest"

Matthew 11:28

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#### 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, July 8

 $\sim$  4:00 pm - † Ann Austin (L&MM) Lector: Paula Silha Servers: Volunteers **Ushers:** Volunteers

## SUNDAY, July 9

 $\sim 8:30$  am - Our Parish Family Lector: Donna Clements Servers: Volunteers **Ushers:** Volunteers

MONDAY, July 10 ~ 5:30 pm - † Ralph & Evelyn Mikshowsky (M&CM)

## TUESDAY, July 11

~ 5:00 pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  $\sim$  5:30 pm -  $\dagger$  Steve Hundt (S&SM)

THURSDAY, July 13 ~ 8:30 am—† Jennifer Clements (MB)

## SATURDAY, July 15

 $\sim$  4:00 pm -  $\dagger$  George & Evelyn Miller (T&MP)) Lector: Jim Weber Servers: Volunteers **Ushers: Volunteers** 

## SUNDAY, July 16

~ 8:30 am - † Peggy Arentz (S&SM) Lector: Sally Miller Servers: Volunteers **Ushers: Volunteers** 

	for the past week
Adult Envelopes(35) :	\$ 916.00
Plate collection:	\$ 272.00

Total:	\$1,736.50
Mission Co-op: (Vincentian Mission)	\$ 482.00
Votive candles:	\$ 66.50



## **Going on Vacation?**

Enjoy your time away while keeping the Sabbath Holy

> Find a Mass time by visiting: www.masstimes.org

## PARISH CALENDAR

- 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 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 - Ask the Saints for help - Pray Spontaneously 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.



This past week, you may have received a letter from Inspired by the Spirit Campaign requesting you to pledge. This letter was supposed to go ONLY to parishioners that had not pledged or donated.

We apologize to the parishioners who have donated or pledged and still received this letter.

We sincerely thank you for your generosity.

## Rectory/Office: 608-788-1646

## Email: sjrp2601@gmail.com

## FROM THE PASTOR

## The Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

The theme of humility is central to our readings today. God Himself is a humble God, so if we wish to follow Him as Christian stewards, we must be humble. Humility is crucial to the stewardship way of life and to a peaceful and fulfilling life.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus Himself speaks to the Father about the privileged role that humble souls play in God's plan of salvation. "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones."

What does it mean to be a "little one"? It means that we acknowledge we don't have it all figured out but are very much in need of a savior. It means we recognize that all we are and have is a gift from God. It means we embrace the stewardship way of life.

It is not easy, but deep peace and consolation come with this way of life. Jesus offers these warm and encouraging words to entice us to embrace them. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Let us resolve to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, embracing the humble path of stewardship. The way leads to peace here and now and ultimately leads us to heaven.

Live Jesus ~ Have a good week!



This past week, Father Biju and his companions went to Detroit. They visited Solanus Casey Center where Blessed Solanus Casey is buried.

Father Solanus Casey was born in November 25, 1870 on a farm in Prescott, Wisconsin. He entered St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee. He was invested in the Capuchin Order at Detroit in 1897 and then was ordained in 1904. Fr. Solanus was always ready and willing to listen to anyone any time of the day or

night. Fr. Solanus is known as the Servant of the sick and poor.

During his final illness, he remarked: "I'm offering my suffering that all might be one. If only I could see the conversion of the whole world." His last conscious act was to sit up in bed and exclaim: "I give my soul to Jesus Christ." He was Declared Blessed by Pope Francis in 2017 and is presently being considered for Canonization.

## PARISH NEWS



Our Parish welcomes Olívía Mae Sílha who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, July 8th

#### "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.



"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.

## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

~<u>Eucharistic Revival</u> A Minute with Jesus: The Eucharist is called the Breaking of Bread. At the Last Supper, Jesus gave thanks, then blessed and broke the bread and gave it to the Apostles. Jesus repeated this action on the day of His Resurrection as He shared a meal with the disciples in Emmaus. The disciples had left Jerusalem, believing that Jesus was dead. As Jesus walked with the disciples to Emmaus, they did not recognize Him. It was in the "breaking of the bread" that He opened their eyes to recognize Him as the risen Lord. This transfigured Bread

and Wine – the Eucharist – is the Gift of Himself to them, and now to us. Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

Jesus, please grant me the grace to recognize You in the Holy Eucharist – please reveal this reality to my heart!



This week, read the passage of the disciples recognizing Jesus in "the breaking of the bread" in Luke 24:13-35.

## ~Walking with Women ~ Praying with Scripture—

All Women are Welcome. First gathering will be on Thursday, September 7, 2023 6:00 pm. Cost is \$15.00 per person. St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral(Undercroft). Experience the blessing of sharing our faith and journeying toward a deeper love of Christ! RSVP by Tuesday, August 22, 2023 Mrs. Mari Erickson and Mrs. Amy Mulhern. Email: walking9praying8@gmail.com Text or Call: 608-518-7655

<u>~Fireworks and more at the St. Joseph Park—July 8th sponsored</u> by the St. Joseph Ridge Lions.

## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS (cont.)

## ~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 "The family that prays together stays together."

~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 for more information.

~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 pislattery9@protonmail.com or call (608) 452-4605 See website https://benedictinesofmary.org/ for information on Mary Queen of the Apostles convent.

~Join the Lay Formation Institute (LFI) - Watch testimonials of recent graduates! Watch short videos of what the most recent graduates are saying about their Lay Formation experience, how it has deepened their relationship with Christ and their Faith! Registration is now open for the

next two-year cycle that begins in the fall of 2023. For the video clips and more information. visit diolc.org/lavformation, or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right. Discuss enrollment with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call 608.791.0161.



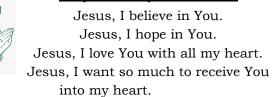
### ~Retrouvaille

Healing Your Marriage -- Retrouvaille (French for "Rediscovery") is a 3phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. The next program in Central Wisconsin begins with a weekend stay, Aug. 25-27, 2023 in the Wausau area. For more information or to register, call 1.877.922.HOPE (4673) or visit website: www.HelpOurMarriage.org . Fully Confidential and affordable. Space is limited. Register early.

~Teaching the Way of Love:Please visit twl4parents.com/ or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right. This website is full of encouragement and tips for parents to continue to be the primary educators of their children.



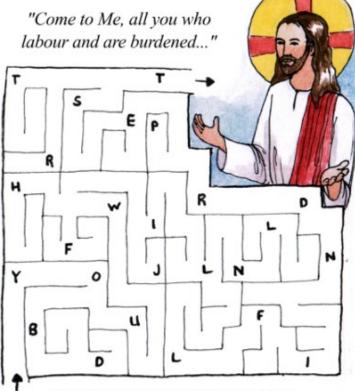
## **Prayer to Prepare for Mass**



I long for You. Jesus, I am sorry for all my sins. I am not worthy for You to come to me. But I know You want me to come to You that You will strengthen me to be good. Jesus, give me Your grace that I may always want to please You. Holy Mary, my dearest Mother, pray for me and make my heart ready for Jesus. Amen. (Adapted from Fr. Lawrence Lovasik, S.V.D.)

## ~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~

## 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9th, 2023



What does Jesus say will happen if you go to Him when you're tired and worn out? First find your way through the maze and then use the words from that path to fill in the blanks.

#### \*\*\*\* $\bigstar$ Dear Lord Jesus, we pray $\bigstar$

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- ☆ 🚬 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.
- $\bigstar$ · For married couples, may the Lord continue to nurture and grow  $\bigstar$ their faith in order to strengthen their relationship.
- $\bigstar$ For this community of worship, may the love and peace of the ☆ Lord reign in our homes and families.
- $\bigstar$ · For children suffering with life threatening conditions and  $\bigstar$ illnesses.  $\bigstar$
- For the elderly who are homebound or unvisited, may the Lord  $\frac{1}{2}$ fill them with his presence and comfort them with friendship.  $\bigstar$
- For Pope Francis and all leaders of the Church, may God grant ☆•  $\bigstar$ them vision and great faith to do the work he has entrusted to  $\bigstar$  $\frac{1}{2}$ them.  $\frac{1}{2}$
- ☆ The intentions listed in our parish book of prayer.
- ☆ To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email Sirp2601@gmail.com  $\Delta$  $\bigstar$