

# St. Joseph Parish of St. Joseph Ridge

W2601 State Road 33, La Crosse WI 54601

July 21, 2024

## 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  
Monday..... 5:30 pm  
Tuesday  
Adoration ..... 5:00 pm  
Mass ..... 5:30 pm  
Thursday ..... 8:30 am

## CONFESSIONS

- First Saturday after 8:30 am Mass
- 3:30—3:45 pm (before Saturday 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

Fr Biju also serves  
St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge  
(608) 452-4680

## Adoration:

Wednesday..... 7:30-9:00 pm

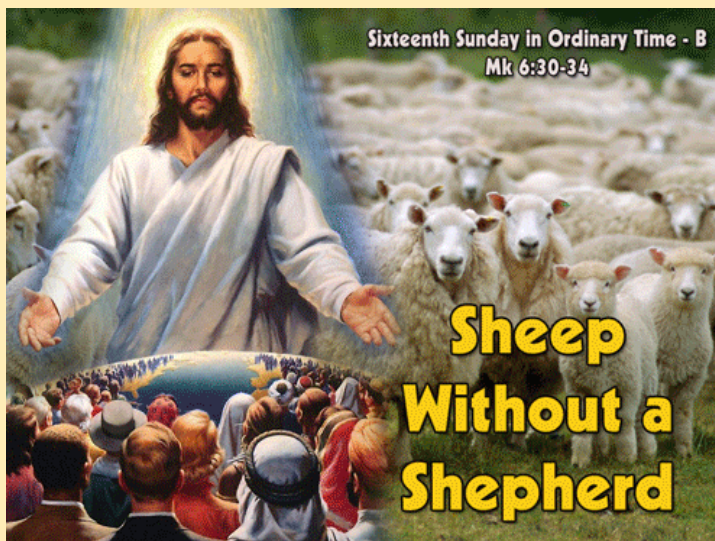
## Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday..... 8:00 pm  
Sunday..... 10:00 am

## Weekday Mass Schedule:

Wednesday..... 8:00 am  
Friday..... 8:00 am

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Readings:

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

## 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 and would like to be visited

## ~ PARISH INTENTIONS ~

**SATURDAY, JULY 20TH**

~4:00 pm - † Madonna Bahr (Leis family)

Lector: Bill Weber

Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, JULY 21ST**

~8:30 am † Arnold Meyers (L&amp;DC)

Lector: Lorie Liss (Liebl)

Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**MONDAY, JULY 22ND**

~5:30 pm -† Herbert Jungen (MB)

**TUESDAY, JULY 23RD**~5:00 pm *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

~5:30 pm -† Jim Hesselberg (MK)

**THURSDAY, JULY 25TH**

~8:30 am-† George &amp; Evelyn Miller (T&amp;MP)

**SATURDAY, JULY 27TH**

~4:00 pm - † Don &amp; Elaine Bina (SR)

Lector: Lorie Liss (Liebl)

Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, JULY 28TH**

~8:30 am Our Parish Family

Lector: Dan Steiger

Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

## ~ Contributions for the past week ~

Adult Envelopes(30) :	\$ 2,610.00
Plate collection:	\$ 243.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,853.00</b>

## ~ PARISH CALENDAR ~

**August 7**—6:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting

## ~ FAITH Enrichments ~

**\* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday evenings 5:00 pm - 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!!!*

**\* 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 of each month

after 8:30 am 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](mailto:sjrp2601@gmail.com) if you would like to schedule mass intentions.

Or there are envelopes in the back of church.

**MASS STIPEND FEE CHANGE**

In accordance with a decision of the Bishops of Wisconsin, starting on July 1st, Mass stipend fees will increase from \$10 to \$20

**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



### **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”

Indeed, a man needs not only to sleep, eat, work and repeat, but also needs to rest. Moving away from physical or intellectual engagement, towards the spiritual realm, is what God commanded us regarding the Sabbath. Jesus knew it was important for people to get away from time to time. Jesus and His apostles had been out preaching and teaching and healing and ministering to the public. So, Jesus suggested that they get away from the crowds for a while to a deserted place and rest.

A deserted place is a place where – without unnecessary obstacles – God reveals himself to us. A desert is a space of spiritual reunion with God, as well as getting closer to oneself. Getting closer to God and yourself is extremely useful in building relationships with others. Unfortunately, there are those who never spend time in a spiritual desert.

A person “addicted to action” will eventually burn out, leaving only a rubble inside, manifesting itself by insomnia, irritation, and emotional chaos. This weekend Jesus teaches us to rest in God, withdraw for a moment from everything we are engaged in and entrust all worries to Him. It’s in fact is the recipe for happiness - resting in God.

Have a blessed week!

*Live Jesus ~ Fr Bijw MSFS*

*Give  
yourself  
time to  
rest and  
reflect.*

## ~ PARISH NEWS ~



Children's Religious Education

Our faith matters. The more we help our children see the beauty of Catholicism, the greater are their chances of remaining faithful.

Integrating the suggestions below into the daily lives of our children will help build the necessary foundation to strengthen family's faith and to help them grow in love for the Lord.

Read stories about saints, Pray as a family,  
Perform the Spiritual Works of Mercy together,  
Make Learning Fun!

†Religious Education information will be coming soon. †

## ~ DIOCESAN NEWS ~

### **A Minute with Jesus:**

#### **Our Response is Thanksgiving**

When we receive Jesus, we want to thank Him for the total gift of Himself to us. This Gift of the Eucharist empowers us to live our lives with thankful hearts as we follow Him with trust and commitment.



Let's read and pray this right now and every day this week: We have a Heavenly Father who loves each one of us, in an absolutely unique way as expressed in Scripture:

*“Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no variation or shadow caused by change” (James 1:17).*

In thanksgiving, let us pray the Our Father prayer, remembering both our Heavenly Father and our earthly father.

#### **~2nd Annual Picnic - St. Mary Parish, Coon Valley**

Saturday, July 27th from 11 AM – 4 pm, The event is free to everyone (good will donations accepted) Join us for a hog roast by Simply Smoked, live music by Leather and Lace, bounce house, dunk tank, snow cones, bingo, kids games and more. Bring your lawn chair and join us for a great afternoon.

*See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.  
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,  
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good*



