

ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 19, 2023

Welcome to the
Catholic Parishes of
St. Peter & St. Casimir

Parish Office
715-344-6115 at
800 Fourth Ave.
Stevens Point

Website:

stpeter.us

Facebook:

Saint Peter Catholic Church

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 8:00am Tues-Fri

4:00pm Saturday @ St. Peter

7:30am Sunday @ St. Peter

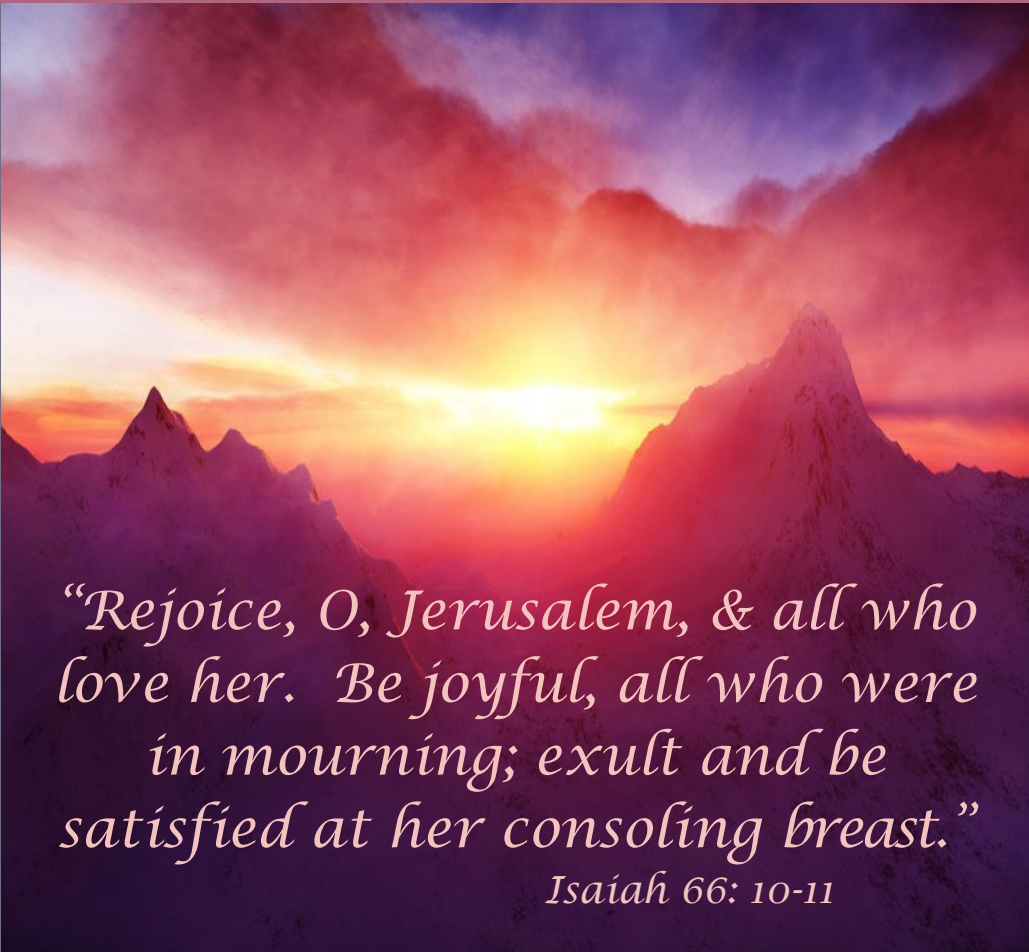
@ St. Casimir 9:00 am Sunday

10:30am Sunday @ St. Peter

MONDAY MASS ROTATION:

St. Joseph Parish at 8:00 am

January-March



*“Rejoice, O, Jerusalem, & all who
love her. Be joyful, all who were
in mourning; exult and be
satisfied at her consoling breast.”*

Isaiah 66: 10-11

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Reconciliation: Tuesday-Friday @ 7:15 - 7:45am
Saturday @ 3:00 - 3:45pm

Baptism: New parents are required to take part in a preparation program, if possible, before the child's birth. Please contact the Parish Office (715-344-6115) for more registration information.

Marriage: Couples requesting the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor at the time of Formal engagement or at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding. It is required that you participate in a two-fold marriage preparation program. Please call the Parish Office (715-344-6115) to schedule a meeting with the Pastor.

Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick, ill for an extended period of time or are about to undergo surgery may receive Anointing & Holy Communion. Call the Parish Office (715-344-6115) to make the necessary arrangements.

CURRENT OFFICE HOURS

MON-THURSDAY: 8:30am - 3:00pm

Friday 8:30 - 11:30am

LIVE-STREAMED MASS:

Saturday at 4:00 pm

Website: stpeter.us

Facebook:

‘Saint Peter Catholic Church’

24 HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays from 8:30am -8:00am on Thursday

1st FRIDAY of the month

Adoration from 8:30am until 5:00pm.

Date: March 25/26th	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
4:00pm	Cherye Rolnicki	Kay King Steve King	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Cherye Rolnicki Don Rolnicki Gerry Weber	Dawn Weber
7:30 am	Lee Petersen	Bob Bernas Bob Govett	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Pam Spaid Mike Spaid Mary Makuski	Carol Bernas
10:30am	Chelsea Peeters	Bernard Havlovick Dick Glinski	Mathias Gebeau Lucas McIntyre Aiden Peeters	Joe Demerath Matt Bablitch Cheryl Kehl	Wendy Demerath

St. Peter Parish WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

March 12, 2023:

Envelopes & Offertory: **\$ 6,710.00**

Year to Date: **\$ 296,794.23**

SCRIP Profit for month of February: **\$125.95**

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign
Status as of 3/14/2023 for St. Peter Parish

Amount Received: \$151,080.46

% of GOAL Received: 29.92%

Number of Donors: 111

CONTACT INFORMATION

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715-344-7647

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Mary Makuski 715-344-3359

Secular Franciscan Order / Bob Crane

715-204-9663

Holy Name Society

Ben Gebeau 715-340-1172

DAA Coordinator (Diocesan Annual Appeal) :

Matt Bablitch 715-401-0775

Family Life: Gladys Glodoski 715-344-2811

Do You Want to Become His Disciples Too?

The Gospel passage today is a very interesting story of a man blind from birth who is healed by Jesus, then receives all sorts of questioning from the Pharisees. I find this passage sad, in the fact that these learned men who should understand something truly amazing and miraculous occurred are more worried about who did this healing on the sabbath, rather than allow their eyes and minds to be opened to the presence of God.

Now we often look at those Pharisees in a bad light as they seem to be clinging to their authority and worry about this new preacher (Jesus) rather than being open to God's plan. There had been the anticipation of a messiah for a long time, yet when Jesus began His ministry there was all sorts of mistrust from the religious rulers of His day. I believe if we put ourselves in the shoes of the Pharisees we can understand some of their anxiety. These men had learned the Jewish scriptures and laws and worked hard to live what they had been taught. However, Jesus' teaching often seems to be counter to what had been the religious standards since the law was given to Moses. So it must have been very difficult for these holy men to acknowledge that God was in their midst and was trying to shake things up; to bring everyone to a better understanding of the Father and how He desires us to live.

And so, we see in this passage the rigidity of the Pharisees and the length they were willing to go to keep and uphold the law. God bless them for that, but they sure made Jesus' ministry difficult! So much so that it led to His crucifixion. But Jesus touched so many people and showed God's love to everyone, even to those who killed Him. He really practiced what He preached when He said "love your enemies!"

So, do you want to become His disciple too? I hope and pray that you are well on your way to discipleship, working hard to love your enemies, opening your mind to how much the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit love you, and asking Him to open our eyes. If you learn only one thing this Lent, I hope it is that. And may God bless you!

Deacon Ray



Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, March 20 : Mass at St. Joseph's @ 8am

TUESDAY, March 21

8:00 am † Kenneth James & Samara Marie Zelinski
† Ryan Sass

WEDNESDAY, March 22

8:00 am † Frank & Dorothy Kvatek
† Evelyn Rekowski

THURSDAY, March 23

8:00 am † Ted & Lucille Zurawski
† Robert & Dorothy Meyer

FRIDAY, March 24

8:00 am † Terri Hullin
† Madeline Landowski

SATURDAY, March 25

4:00 PM † Barney & Clara Schroder
For Living & Deceased Members of: Falkowski & Stankowski
Families

SUNDAY, March 26

7:30 am † Bernice Garski
For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes
10:30 am † Edwin Garski
† Paul & Elizabeth Garski



Eucharistic Adoration

St. Peter's is blessed to
have
24-hour Eucharistic
Adoration each
Wednesday
following 8 am Mass until
Thursday before the 8 am
Mass.
Chaplet of Divine Mercy is
prayed
at 3:00 pm on each
Wednesday.

Ours were the sufferings He bore; Ours the torments He endured.

Being in the Presence of Our Lord is the perfect way
to meditate on the sufferings he endured for our sins.
Visit with Him in Eucharistic Adoration.



**You are invited to join Pacelli
Catholic Middle School at the
LIVING STATIONS on
TUESDAY, APRIL 4th at
1:45pm St. Peter Church**



Be part of an Amazing Adventure in Faith—Join The Lay Formation Institute

Registration is now open for the next 2year Lay Formation cycle that begins in fall of 2023. Draw closer to Christ & deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! See Complete information & application form at: diolc.org/lay-formation.

Discuss with your Pastor & contact the Office for Ministries & Social Concerns at: ministries@diolc.org or call 608-791-0161.

New Leader of Prayer Class Begins in July 2023

Applications are now open for a new class of men & women who wish to serve as Leaders of Prayer for the Diocese of La Crosse. This is a three-part course of study by which lay persons are prepared and commissioned to serve their parishes by bringing Holy Communion to the sick; conducting a Liturgy of the Word on weekdays when a priest is unavailable (or on Sunday in care facilities or jails); and by leading parishioners in prayer at other times.

Applicants must have completed the Lay Formation Institute and be sponsored by their pastor. For more Information & to apply, visit diolc.org/leader-of-prayer.

A Minute with Jesus

As you take “steps forward,” your faith in Jesus’ true Presence in the Eucharist will grow. We cannot simply convince ourselves through reason that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. One of the best ways to grow in this faith is to spend some time in conversation with Jesus, truly present in a Catholic Church. Go there and share something with the Lord that is on your heart. You will notice that probably without saying or feeling anything special, you will leave with a quieted heart. **Let’s pray this right now & every day this week: Jesus, help me commit to spending some time in conversation with you in Church.**



This week, read how we can always find Jesus in His Father’s house in Luke 2: 41-51.

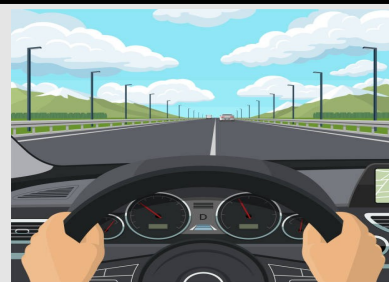


Call your Mother... PRAY the ROSARY!

April 2nd, 2023
ROSE 26
Mary Drefcinski

Rosary Society Meeting:
April 25th: Rose 1 Fay Schultz
Rose 2 Mary Makuski

Fr. Todd is in need of more long-distance drivers. This would involve one hour or further from Stevens Point. Could take the whole day.



If you can help, please call Fr. Todd at (715) 252-8157 or email at: tmsna@diolclergy.org. Thanks for your help!



CHURCH SPRING CLEANING DAY!!!

We are in need of volunteers to help with a deep clean of the church on **Saturday, April 1st**
8:30am Cleaning Starts with a lunch around 11:30.

Many hands working together will make light work :)

There will be cleaning supplies and some equipment available. Cleaning inside and outside....as weather allows.

If you are willing & able....please join us!

Employment Opportunity at St. Bronislava Parish PARISH OPERATIONS DIRECTOR: St. Bronislava Parish is seeking a faith-filled individual. The ideal candidate will have a business administration background, including familiarity with human resources. She/he will possess excellent verbal and written skills along with strong interpersonal skills in dealing with parishioners & staff. The position also requires some working IT & computer knowledge, with an emphasis on accounting, word-processing & spreadsheet software. Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest & resume to: businessoffice@stbrons.com.



Please join us the weekend of March 18/19th to hear Fr. Gary Norman speak at all the Masses about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin American and the Caribbean.

Fr. Norman will share personal witness about FOOD for the POOR's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Fr. Norman was ordained in 1994 for the Diocese of Yakima. He has also served in the Pacific NW & Alaska.

Fr. Gary is a retired priest and preaches full time for Food for the Poor.

With open hearts, let us welcome Fr. Gary!!

LENTEN Confession Times



At Franciscans Downtown:

With Fr. Placid Stroik OFM

Tuesday, March 14, 2023—2:00-3:00pm

Tuesday, March 21, 2023—2:00-3:00pm

At Holy Spirit Church: St. Peter Parish combines with Holy Spirit Parish for a Lenten Communal Penance Service held Thurs., March 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Individual confessions are heard by a number of priests from the area after a Lenten Reflection and Examination of Conscience.

St. Joseph Parish:

Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 PM

St. Mary's TORUN:

Thursday, March 30th at 6:00-7:00 PM

St. Bronislava Parish: Tues., March 28th @ 6:30 PM



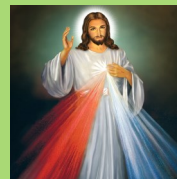
Have You Drifted Away from the Church??

Are you angry with the Church or God? Please give us a chance to listen to and address your concerns.

Join us for our informal weekly sessions beginning Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30 PM @ St. Joseph Parish Conference Rm. The 6 week series is sponsored by St. Joseph and St. Stephen's Parishes. The meetings are facilitated by former non-practicing Catholics who may share many of your feelings. In the meantime, if you have any questions, call;

Sally Mews: 715-254-0935 or email at: ssmews@msn.com

ST. ANTHONY spiritualitycenter



DISCOVERING A GOD RICH IN MERCY IN A WORLD THAT KNOWS NO MERCY: April 14-16, 2023

Friday Check-In: 3:00pm

Orientation: 5:45pm Supper: 6:00pm

Departure: Sunday after Noon meal

The Sunday after Easter is called "Divine Mercy Sunday." The prayer, "Lord have mercy" is often on our lips. But what is Mercy? Apart from times of prayer, when was the last time mercy was on your lips or, even more, in your actions? When our world constantly cries out for justice, Who cares about mercy? Where is mercy?

We'll explore all these areas during our retreat, opening up for ourselves this marvelous gift of God and what it means for us & demands of us in our tension-filled 21st century.

Investment: \$225

Presented by: Fr. Dan Crosby OFM Cap.

GRIEVERS INVISIBLE: APRIL 21-22, 2023

Friday Check-In: 3:00pm Orientation: 5:45pm Supper 6pm

Departure: Saturday at 4:00pm

Have you ever felt lost & stuck in a sad place after suffering thru the loss of a beloved partner, family member or friend? After the whirlwind of planning for and having the funeral or memorial service, society seems to forget that you continue to struggle with your new situation. It doesn't "see" you anymore; you feel invisible. In this retreat, we will come together to create a community of support & encouragement and *be seen*. We will be adapting the 12 steps from the Recovery Program & discover how they can be a "plan" to help us who are mired in our grief move forward & be visible once again. Presenter: Robert Wiessinger

Investment: \$125

**To Register: www.sarcenter.com or call
715-443-2236**

Saint Casimir Parish

152 years of Faith and Family Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2023

Secretary: Rebecca Jones

Email: secretary@stcstp.diocparish.org

Phone Number: 715-344-9582

Saint Casimir Parish Support **03/12/2023**



Adult Envelopes: \$465

Offertory: \$75

Happy Birthday:

Connie Kaminski (Mar. 20)

Kenneth Firkus (Mar. 21)

Thomas Levandowski (Mar. 22)

Alice Obremski (Mar. 24)



Saint Casimir continues to search



for a custodian to do general maintenance/upkeep of the parish and grounds. Please contact Father Joseph Arul at 715-344-6115 if interested.

Upcoming Events

-St Bronislava Holy Name: All you can eat Pancake Breakfast, Sunday March 26th Serving 8:30-Noon

-St Joseph Parish: Community Seder Meal Monday April 3rd, 5:30pm—RVSP by March 31st to 715-341-2790, wisdom@wctc.net

-Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage—Tuesday April 4th—\$25/per person— Register @ www.PointCatholicFaith.org/pilgrimage

-St Joseph's Parish Eggstravaganza-April 8th 12:30 pm

For additional details on these events and more see the appropriate flyers posted on the bulletin board.



Mass Intention for March 26, 2023

† **Paul & Margaret Firkus**

† **Rose Barbers**

St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule

March 26, 2023

Commentator: Pat Gollon

Lector: Stefanie Folck

Servers: Elroy & Olivia

Eucharistic Minister: Marissa

Ushers: Paul & Frank Kubowski



Stations of the Cross

Stations will be said every Sunday during Lent starting at 8:30am. Please join us in this Lenten Tradition as we journey through this time of reflection and preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Prayerful thought for the week: "The Christian life consists in continuously scaling the mountain to meet God and then coming back down, bearing the love and strength drawn from him, so as to serve our brothers and sisters with God's own love."

— Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI

One of our most important duties as Christians is to teach people about Jesus, and His commandment to love God and to love others. Bring the love of God today to someone who thirsts for His word.



Upcoming EVENTS !

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OF CHILD ABUSE
www.dioceseoflacrosse.com



Tenebrae Prayer Service at Ss. Peter and Paul Parish, Wisconsin Rapids

Please join us for a sung, candlelight prayer service that will feature the choirs and musicians of Ss. Peter and Paul Church of Wisconsin Rapids and Sacred Heart Church of Polonia. This event, inspired by the traditional Holy Week offices of Tenebrae, will take place **on Holy Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 7:30 PM at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1150 2nd St. N, Wisconsin Rapids.**

The Wausau Lyric Choir will have its 50th anniversary concert at the Creske Auditorium at Mosinee High School on **Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, April 23, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.** Works to be performed include contemporary religious works, gospel music and other songs from the choir's 50 year repertoire. The concert is free, but free will donations will be accepted.

MARCH 26th: St. Michael Parish (Junction City) Grilled Pork Chop Dinner DRIVE THRU serving from 10:30am-1pm. Double Chop meal for \$12 includes: Baked potato, Green Bean Casserole, Garden Salad, Bread & Dessert. Welcome to come for Mass at 9am and then get in line. Cash Raffle Calendars will be available for purchase too!

March 24 & 31st: St. Adalbert's, Rosholt, hosts a FISH FRY 4:00-7:30PM. Take out orders, call 715-677-4518. Fish or Shrimp or Combo-\$14.00, Children's Fish or Shrimp-\$10. Includes choice of potato, coleslaw and bread. Coffee & Milk included in the Dining Room. Domestic & Craft Beers available. Large and weekly Raffle too!