ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 23, 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. Peter Parish at 8:00 am April thru June



He is risen and he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

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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: April 29/30th	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
4:00pm	Cherye Rolnicki	Paul Koch Mateo Koch	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Cherye Rolnicki Don Rolnicki Gerry Weber	Dawn Weber
7:30 am	Jennifer Peplinski	Fred Vieth Mike Katzmark	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Scott Peplinski Donna Bemowski Mary Makuski	Diane Haffenbredl
10:30am	Angel Gebeau	Bernard Havlovick Dick Glinski	Mathias Gebeau Lucas McIntyre Aiden Peeters	Eve Krueger Joe Demerath Matt Bablitch	Matt Bablitch

St. Peter Parish WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

April 16, 2023:

Envelopes & Offertory: \$ 7,306.87 Year to Date: \$ 341,280.59

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign As of April 18, 2023

Goal: **\$505,000.00**

Total Pledged & Received: \$340,230.00 % of goal received: **30.78%** Donors: **112**

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH COMMITTEES

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	715-344-4321			Mary Makuski	715-344-3359			
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Mystery of evil and suffering

One of the most frequent questions, when we face difficulties and consequent suffering is, "Why does God allow evil and suffering? When things happen, that are not reasonable according to our judgement or when we face tragic situations and when we feel helpless, the question that naturally arises in our mind is "How can God permit this to me, when I believe in him so much? Why should good and all-powerful God allow such evils to happen? Why should people, who are already burdened with life's problems be forced to face an unexpected tragedy or natural disaster?" These questions lead people even to lose their faith. We question God, because we believe that he is the creator and the Lord of everything that happens (see Pope John Paul II, Apostolic Letter, *On the Christian Meaning of Suffering*, no.9). Let us try to understand the meaning of suffering in the light of faith.

God created a world open to many possibilities. He created the humankind to inhabit it and to bring it to fulfilment through their abilities. Hence, God has given us intelligence, free will and talents to develop the world. Jesus explains this in the parable of the Talents (see Matthew 25:14-30). Each of us is given talents to use them and thus bear fruit by developing the world. Unfortunately, we abuse our freedom and choose to do what is wrong, often something evil and we are guilty.

Everything evil in the world comes from abuse of our freedom, destroying the work of God in ourselves, in others and in the world. In this way, we make our life and that of others miserable.

In his Apostolic Letter "On the Christian Meaning of Human Suffering", Pope St. John Paul II explains the dignity and saving power of suffering. He deciphers three goods with the evils and suffering: First, suffering happens to us individually, but leads us to communion and solidarity; secondly, suffering is a temporal experience, meant to lead us to eternal life and thirdly, suffering is linked to hope and to love. He substantiates his view quoting the Apostle Paul: "Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh, I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, which is the Church..." (Colossians 1:24).

Pope St. John Paul II also pointed out that Christ does not explain the mystery of suffering but simply calls his disciples to take up their cross and to follow him. By following Christ, let us begin to understand the redemptive value of suffering.

God bless you Fr. Arul Joseph V.





Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, April 24

8:00 am † Mary Ann Peskie

Special Intention: For Suffering Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, April 25

8:00 am † Thersa & Frank Guzman † For Deceased Members of the Groshek Family

WEDNESDAY, April 26

8:00 am † Gaylord Lepper † Maryann Kostuch

THURSDAY, April 27

8:00 am † Philip Gollon † Gene La Rose

FRIDAY, April 28

8:00 am † Alice Mancheski † Richard & Dottie Blenker

SATURDAY, April 29

4:00 PM † Ronald & Stephen Nissen & Michelle Firkus † Leonard Stanislawski

SUNDAY, April 30

7:30 am † Frank Zupan For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes

10:30 am † Ben & Leona Schultz & Dennis Special Intention: In thanksgiving of 64 yrs of Marriage for Ken & Alice Zdroik



Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

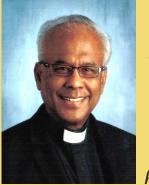
May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to YOU for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire ALL of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen .



Happy Anniversary of your Priesthood, Fr. Joseph!



Your dedicated service over the past 45 years has been a source of comfort, inspiration and strength for the people of God.

May the Lord shower you with abundant blessings and best of health as you carry on in faithfully

ministering to the spiritual needs of the people.

Thank you for all you do in the service of God! Love, St. Peter Parish

A Minute with Jesus

The Eucharist is the Risen Christ.

On Easter Sunday, two disciples were leaving Jerusalem without hope as they believed that the Savior was dead. Jesus joined them as they walked, but the disciples did not recognize Him as He now had a glorified body. When Jesus sat down with the disciples at Emmaus, they recognized Him in the "breaking of bread," which was the Eucharist.

Let's pray this right now & every day this week: Lord, make my heart burn with a desire to read Your Word in Sacred Scripture.

This week, read how Jesus explained how He fulfilled the Old Testament in His Passion, Death & Resurrection, and allowed the disciples to recognize Him in the breaking of the bread in Luke 24:13-35.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



ST. PETER PARISH PICNIC SIGN-UP BOARD

Located in the vestibule near the choir loft stairwell.

Please volunteer to Set Up, Take Down, help out With the Chicken Dinner, Work in the Snack Stand or at the Monte Carlo Games

Etc.

Check out the lists and see how you can help out on June 10th or 11th or both days!

"HELP YOUR PARISH....and HAVE FUN TOO!"



PLEASE HELP US BRING BACK THE CHILDREN'S GAMES for the PICNIC!

We urgently need an adult to be a lead for 5-6 volunteers who would help run the kids' games. Contact Kay King: 715-498-3728 if you have a big heart and can help us out!

ST. ANTHONY Spirituality Center

Divorce Recovery Retreat—Continuing on the Healing Journey

Friday Check In: 3pm, Orientation: 5:45pm, Supper: 6pm, Departure: Sunday after Noon Meal

If you are experiencing a divorce now or have been divorced for years and still hold onto old hurt and pain, this series is for you! Trust the process. It works!

Presenter: Tanya Hielke-a 14 year veteran facilitator of divorce recovery workshops, retreats, and support groups. Tanya has an education in business and theology and has worked in both corporate positions as well as ministry. She is a certified facilitator as well as a spiritual director, and brings her own life experiences with divorce to the healing ministry that has been her passion these past 14 years.

Join us for the 13th Annual Pacelli Catholic Schools

SHREDDING PARTY

Community Service & Fundraising Event hosted by SCHULFER & ASSOCIATES, LLC WEALTH MANAGEMENT



THURSDAY, May 11, 3-6pm 1417 Main Street, Stevens Pt.

See: www.pacellicatholicschools.com for more info. Call 715-341-2445.

Bring your secure documents to shred. RSVP to 715-343-9600 or email schulferandassociates@lpl.com to receive a FREE "What to Shred/What to Keep" Guide.

Suggested Donation: \$10 bag/ \$20 per box
Our goal is to raise \$5,000 towards a larger campaign
to replace aging playground equipment at the
Elementary schools & early childhood center.

Thanks for supporting Pacelli Catholic Schools!



SILENT AUCTION is SEEKING CRAFTERS!

Are you an avid crafter who would like to donate your masterpieces for a great cause???

Please contact Sandy Kuklinski at: 715-341-1069



Are you out buzzing around...running errands?

Perhaps consider a shopping errand to include something which you could donate to our

St. Peter's SILENT AUCTION!

We welcome any NEW or NEARLY NEW items for the Silent Auction. So many people ENJOY walking through and bidding for special items which have caught their eye!

Everything for bidding on will be displayed and held in the school gymnasium of June 10th 11th—Picnic Weekend! We are excited to begin and perhaps have an even better array than last year's!

Items which you would like to donate may be dropped off at the Parish Office or...contact Sandy Kuklinski

for assistance: **715-341-1069**. Let's have 2023 "BEE" our best auction yet!



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING: Tuesday, April 25th 6:30 Kolbe Hall Are you game for FUN??? Join us for Game Night. Anyone interested in joining the Ladies' Rosary Society, please know that you are welcome to join at anytime. See you on the 25th!

May 7th : ROSE 1
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Saint Casimir Parish

152 years of Faith and Family Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023



Email: secretary@stcstp.diolcparish.org

Phone Number: 715-344-9582

Saint Casimir Parish Support 4/16/2023



Adult Envelopes: \$ 1200

Offertory: \$ 109

April 16th Second Collection

Thank you to all who so generously supported the LDCCW in last Sunday's second collection. Total amount collected was \$371.

A meeting for the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held on Monday April 24th, 2023 beginning at 6:30PM in the church basement. This is a perfect opportunity for all ladies of the parish to share, to lead, and to be involved in the well being of our parish, and the needs of the La Crosse Diocese. Please plan to attend. Your contributions are invaluable in maintaining the very existence of this organization and the benefits and causes it supports.

Rosary Intention: This Sunday we pray for an end to the continued death and destruction due to gun violence and also for the unborn who's precious lives are lost to us forever. But, through our prayers and God's mercy and love these souls will share in eternal glory with our Lord and all the angels and saints above.

Pacelli Catholic Schools is sponsoring the 13th annual shredding party to be held on May 11th, 2023 from 3-6PM at 1417 Main St. in Stevens Point. Copies of specific details, costs, etc. are provided in the flyers located on the table by the side exit and on the railings as you enter the church. Please take a copy home and help support this worthy cause. Thank you!



Mass Intention for April, 30 2023

† Rose Barbers

† Casimir Nowicki

St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule

Easter Sunday, April 30, 2023

Commentator: Sally

Lector: Bonnie

Servers: Joey & Jacob

Eucharistic Minister: Jerry

Ushers: Paul, Frank Kubowski

This week's guiding thought:

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

His love endures forever.

Psalm 107:1

The shelf life of modern technology is short. But one thing that does last is Jesus's love for us. His love is put to the test ... over and over again.

We mess up...He loves us!
We doubt Him... He loves us!
We pull away from Him in anger and hurt when life doesn't go our way... He loves us!
We get bogged down in discouragement and despair... His love keeps going!

His love endures forever. This is what He promises. His long-suffering, strong, faithful, trustworthy love surrounds us on all sides for all of our days.

Spend some time thinking of all the ways that Jesus has shown you his love throughout your life. Thank him for His enduring love.



LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP!!

St. Bronislava Holy Name Society's "All You Can Eat Breakfast" will be held Sunday, May 7th, 2023 8:30 til Noon at St. Bronislava Church in Plover. Proceeds from the breakfast go towards the Parish, School & Youth needs.

St. Maximilian Kolbe hosts a **FREE WILL RUMMAGE SALE** on Friday May 5th and Saturday May 6th, 8am-4pm. 8611 State Highway 54, Almond, WI.

A gentle reminder....

If a delivery of packages meant for the



Rectory, arrives when the Office Is CLOSED, please <u>DO NOT accept</u> packages on behalf of Parish staff.
THANK YOU!

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Safe Environment
GUIDELINES
FOR REPORTING INSTANCES
OF CHILD ABUSE



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The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/ reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.