

ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 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

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.

AND I WILL PRAY *the* FATHER,
and HE WILL GIVE YOU

another **HELPER,**

THAT HE MAY
ABIDE WITH YOU

Forever -

THE SPIRIT *of* TRUTH,
WHOM *the* WORLD
CANNOT RECEIVE, BECAUSE
IT NEITHER SEES HIM
nor KNOWS HIM;
BUT YOU KNOW HIM,
for HE DWELLS

with YOU

and WILL BE IN YOU.
I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU
ORPHANS; I WILL
COME TO YOU.

JOHN 14 : SIXTEEN *through* EIGHTEEN

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Date: May 20/21st	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
4:00pm	Mary Sadler	Kay & Steve King	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Gary Glodoski Paul Koch Deacon Ray	Larry Proulx
7:30 am	Sheree Nagel	Bob Bernas Bob Govett	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Deacon Ray Pam Spaid Mike Spaid	Carol Bernas
10:30am	Johanna McIntyre	Bernard Havlovick Dick Glinski	Aiden Peeters Mathias & Gloria Gebeau	Cindy Heitzinger Deacon Ray Eve Krueger	Lori Dombrowski

St. Peter Parish WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

May 7, 2023:

Envelopes & Offertory: \$ **11,266.00**

Year to Date: \$ **365,456.72**

Buildings & Grounds/APRIL: \$ 1, 109.08



CONTACT INFORMATION

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715-347-3400

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.

From Fr. Arul Joseph Visuvasam

It is time for me to announce to you that I will be retiring in July. I am granted the status of senior priest, effective June 30, 2023. Very Rev. **John A. Potaczek**, Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Mauston and Dean of the Tomah Deanery, is appointed Pastor of St. Peter Parish in Stevens Point and St. Casimir Parish in the Township of Hull, with residence at St. Peter Parish rectory in Stevens Point, effective July 4, 2023.

For twelve years, as your pastor, I have been truly blessed to have served the parishes of both St. Peter and St. Casimir. Initially, I came to the United States in 2006, with the intention of taking one-year sabbatical, to refresh myself with a few pastoral courses. God had another plan for me. I ultimately ended up staying with the Diocese of La Crosse until I was appointed your pastor in June of 2011. My intention at that time, as your first international priest, was to serve as your pastor for only three years. Again, God had a different plan for me.

Now twelve years later and at the age of 72 (two years beyond when I could have taken retirement from the La Crosse Diocese), I have made the decision to retire. My last day of service as your pastor will be June 30, 2023. At this moment, I feel nothing but the deepest gratitude and appreciation for all of the love, affection and generosity conveyed to me over the years by all of you, parishioners. It has been those "gifts" which emboldened and enabled me to serve you with great pleasure for the past twelve years.

With that same pleasure, I extend my gratitude to Deacon Ray Heitzinger and to all of our Parish staff members who assisted me during my ministry at both St. Peter and St. Casimir parishes. I am also most grateful for the members of both Finance and Pastoral Councils, our parish committees and the countless volunteers, who enabled me to successfully fulfill my pastoral responsibilities.

In addition, my most sincere thanks to Ben Gebeau, who helped televising our weekend Saturday Mass for the home-bound as well as to solve many electronic and electrical issues, Jim Gies, who helped for electrical and carpentry works and Calvin Friedenfels for developing, maintaining and servicing our Parish website. Over the years, their combined donated services have provided a great financial savings to the Parish.

In closing, my future plan is to return to my home city in India where I hope to remain until the Good Lord calls me to His heavenly home. Since I do not have Social Security, I



Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, May 15

8:00 am † Evelyn Rekowski

Special Intention: For Successful Back Surgery for Gloria Smith

TUESDAY, May 16

8:00 am † Grace Pliska

† Myron Brillowski

WEDNESDAY, May 17

8:00 am † Terri Hullin

† Shirley Kalpinski

THURSDAY, May 18

8:00 am † Madeline Landowski

† Michael Meshak

FRIDAY, May 19

8:00 am † Paul Laszinski

† Julia & Felix Guzman

SATURDAY, May 20

4:00 PM † Jane & Eugene Zdroik

† Edwin & Grace Somers & Kathryn Lubinski

SUNDAY, May 21

7:30 am † Hazel Petersen

For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes

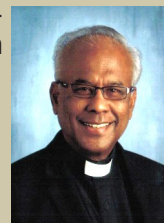
10:30 am † Stephen Piesik

Anniversary Blessings for: Doug & Patti Lane, and
Kait & Danny Firkus & Blessings for all Family

am not eligible for Medicare in which case it would be difficult for me to live in US without medical insurance – thus my decision to return to India. In India, I will have a home but will have to purchase furniture and kitchen appliances. My livelihood will have to be managed with a stipend that I will receive from the St. Joseph's Retirement Fund for Priests.

If God willing, as a US citizen, very likely I will be returning to Stevens Point for periodic visits; so I look forward to our paths crossing. Nevertheless, know that I will always keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. May God bless you for your past kindness and support. Please keep me in your prayers as I begin a new chapter in my life.

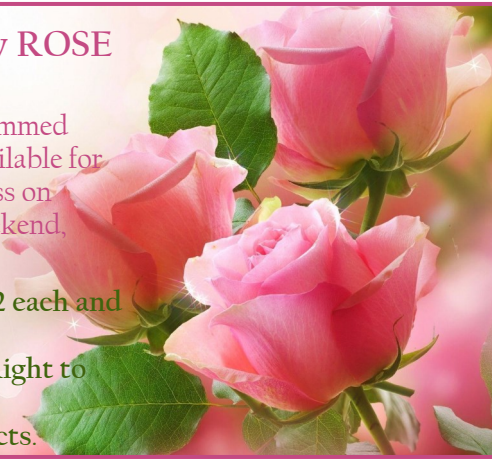
Fr. Arul Joseph V.



Mother's Day ROSE SALE

Beautiful, long-stemmed ROSES will be available for purchase after Mass on Mother's Day Weekend, May 13th/14th.

The ROSES are \$2 each and are provided by Portage County Right to Life to fund their educational projects.



In Honor of
FR. JOSEPH'S dedication in
serving as our Shepherd for 12 Years,
a **RETIREMENT/FAREWELL RECEPTION**
for the weekend of June 24th/25th is being
planned. This will be your chance to
convey Godspeed to Fr. before his departure.



PARENTS: PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN

The culture is bombarding your children & young people with lies about their identity.

The stark reality is that the "gender revolution" is being streamed into your children's daily lives, offering a seductive vision that is deeply disturbing & untrue. The work of *Person and Identity Project* is an excellent service to parents navigating urgent issues around "gender identity" & "gender transition."

The information on their website is objective & up-to-date. Go to:

personandidentity.com



A Minute With Jesus

Eucharist means thanksgiving.

When we receive Jesus, we want to receive Him sincerely & thank Him for the total gift of Himself to us. When receiving Holy Communion, we receive the gift of Jesus Christ & then we give heartfelt thanks to God for this tremendous blessing. This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of Himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread & wine, Christ gives us the gift of eternal life with Himself in Heaven.



Let's pray this right now & every day this week: **Jesus, help me to have a grateful heart, most especially to our Heavenly Father, to You, and to the Holy Spirit.** This week read how St. Peter speaks words of thanksgiving for all that God our Father has done for us through Jesus Christ in 1 Peter 1:3-9.

REMEMBER & HONOR



The Cemetery Association will sponsor a Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th @ 9AM. The location: at the altar in Guardian Angel Cemetery. The Rev. Ed Shuttleworth will be the celebrant. People are reminded to bring chairs to sit on.

In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated at St. Bronislava Parish, Plover at 9:00am. Parishioners interested in purchasing burial lots, please call 715-341-3236 to schedule an appt.

Teaching the Way of Love: twl4parents.com/

This website is FULL of Encouragement & Tips for Parents to continue to be the primary educators of their children. Check it out!



This year's BASKET RAFFLE will be held on SUNDAY, JUNE 11th

Lee Petersen is chairing this event at our Parish Picnic. She is looking for monetary donations OR... if you would like to put something together she is happy to receive finished baskets as well. Some ideas/themes for some enticing baskets: SUMMER, LOTTERY, HOLIDAY theme, BEACH, KIDS, BAKING, GIFT CARDS, CASH...just to name a few.

If you have any questions, please give Lee a call: 715-345-1734. THANKS! ♥

Let's make this our
BEST YEAR!!!



As Spring and Planting Season arrives, remember to support those who grow our food & fulfill God's command to "till the earth & keep it." Pray for favorable weather during planting season.

PRAYER TO ST. ISADORE

Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread & Wine, are brought & offered to God by the Priest. Then, in the Consecration, Christ Himself, Body & Blood, Soul & Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread & wine. And in what was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value & beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can. Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, & offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The more often we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good St. Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may someday reap the reward of good works with you in Heaven. Amen.



EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT!
REGISTER BEFORE

MAY 15th, 2023

2023 –2024 Religious Education Program has begun its Registration process. Registration forms have been sent to all families currently participating in the program.

You can also download or fill out a form at:
www.PointCatholicFaith.org/rel-ed.

**Return your registration form by
May 15th to
receive the early bird discount!**



**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!



**St. Peter Parish Picnic will
include a Bake Sale in the
Faustina Room sponsored by
the Family Life Committee**

**Donations of baked goods
are needed.** Any baked
items will be appreciated!

Donations may be dropped off at the Faustina Rm. On Saturday, June 10th. The sale begins at 2pm. All proceeds will go to the Picnic Fund.

Saint Casimir Parish

152 years of Faith and Family Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14th, 2023

Secretary: Rebecca Jones

Email: secretary@stcstp.diocparish.org

Phone Number: 715-344-9582

Saint Casimir Parish Support 5/7/2023



Adult Envelopes: \$ 2013

Offertory: \$ 128

Happy Birthday

Lori Gollon (5/19)

Bernice Levandowski (5/20)



Meeting Notice

St Casimir's Parish Council will meet on Thursday May 25th at 6:30PM in the church basement.

The annual **Mother's Day Rose Sale** will be held today after the 9AM Mass. A rose for mom. A rose for grandma. A rose for a special lady in your life. Purchase a rose today for whomever holds a special place in your mind or heart. All funds collected will be donated to help support the Portage County Right to Life Organization. Thank you for your generosity in this worthy endeavor.



A prayer for all Mothers

On Mother's Day and all during the month of May let us remember to ask our Lord to;

Bless the mother's heart that gives,
Bless the mother's heart that makes time,
Bless the mother's heart that mends hurts,
Bless the mother's heart that loves.

May God always bless the caring and generous hearts of all mothers.

And

May God grant eternal rest to all the deceased mothers of our parish community.

Mass Intention for May 21st, 2023



† **Kurt Zelhofer**

† **Carl & Frances Zimbauer**

St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule
Sunday, May 21st, 2023

Commentator: Sally

Lector: Stephanie

Servers: Bernie & Olivia

Eucharistic Minister: Pat

Ushers: Kurt & Caden

May Crowning

Today we give thanks, praise and honor to the Blessed Virgin Mary who our Lord chose to bear a Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. May her crowning and flowers, along with our prayers help us to remember the sacrifices and sorrows she graciously and willingly accepted to fulfill the Lord's promises to save all of mankind who believe in Him.



With Deepest Sympathy

Lord, we entrust our loved one, Ramona Kizewski, sister to Cecelia Pionek and a relative to many of our parish families, the Grezenski families, the Wolfe and Wiza families and to all her relatives and friends who shared in her journey here on earth. In your compassion O'Lord, welcome Ramona into your loving embrace and bless her with everlasting life.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers, servers, ushers, lectors and commentators. The schedule for June, July and August will be completed soon. Let Bonnie know if you are unable to serve any summer dates by May 17th.



LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP!!

May 21st FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST !!

Amherst Fire Station
4585 Fairgrounds Rd.,
Amherst, WI

Featuring "UNCLE PANCAKE"
known for his famous skill of
"Flipping Pancakes to Your Plate"

Serving Pancakes & Sausage Links
From 8:00AM to 12:00Noon

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*Dearest mothers,
thank you!*

Thank you for
what you are in your family
and for *what you give*
to the Church and the world.
May the blessing of God
be with you always.

POPE FRANCIS

