ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD AUGUST 6, 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: Holy Spirit Parish at 8:15 am July –September

CURRENT OFFICE HOURS

MON-THURSDAY: 8:30am - 3:00pm Friday: by appt. only

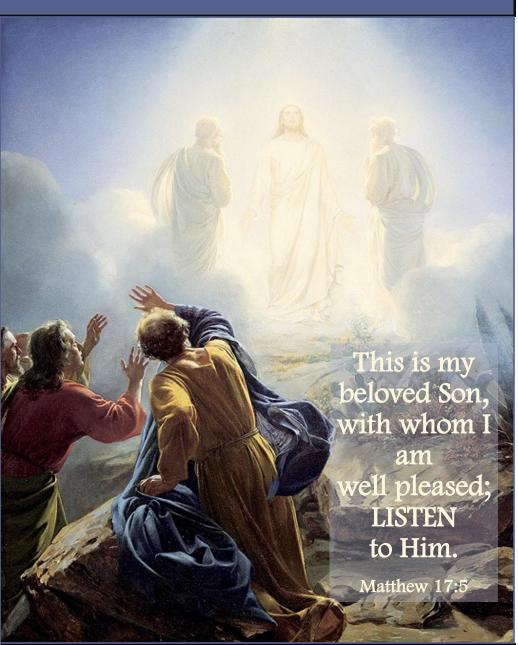
LIVE-STREAMED MASS:

Sunday at 10:30am

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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.



"This is Next wedget 12/15th whom Milk Money Collection/Operation Bootstrap

Look for the milk jugs at contribution boxes. Thank you for your continued generosity.

August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption.

This Holy Day of Obligation celebrates the Assumption of our Blessed Mother.

Vigil Mass at St. Casimir's on Aug 14 at 5:15pm

Mass on the Feast Day (Aug. 15th) at St. Peter's: 8:00 am, 5:15pm

Date: August 12/13th	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
4:00pm	Cherye Rolnicki	Paul Koch Mateo Koch	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Cherye Rolnicki Don Rolnicki Paul Koch	Bob Jakusz
7:30 am	Lee Petersen	Bob Govett Bob Bernas	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Mary Makuski Mike Spaid Pam Spaid	Diane Haffenbredl
10:30am	Eve Krueger	Bernard Havlovick Dick Glinski	Lucas McIntyre Aiden Peeters Chase Baron	Deacon Ray Cindy Heitzinger Eve Krueger	Lori Dombrowski

St. Peter Parish WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT
July 30, 2023

Envelopes & Offertory: \$ 6,502.00 Year to Date: \$ 35,098.02



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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.

Fr. John's Weekly Message...

As we look to the first half of August there are some great saints that we can learn from. This Sunday is the Transfiguration. One of my favorite Gospel stories and places in the Holy Land. God's divinity breaks through and the voice of the Father is heard. So much going on and this moment solidifies for us that Jesus in the flesh is the infinite God who comes to us. But the three apostles have to come away (go up the mountain) for this moment to happen.

The saints we can look to are all different in the way that they lived and proclaimed Jesus. Aug 8th is St. Dominic, and the order he founded began in the universities to go out to the world and correctly reveal Jesus. Aug 10th is St. Lawrence, a deacon and servant of the Gospel suffering great torture and death for our Lord. Aug 11th is St. Clare and her work with St. Francis brought new life to the church. Aug 14th is the feast of St. Maximillian Kolbe, a modern-day communicator and martyr for whom our church hall was named.

August 15th is the Holy Day of the Assumption of Mary into heaven. We have the vigil Mass at St. Casimir at 5:15 pm on Monday. Tuesday, the feast day itself, Mass is at 8 am and 5:15 pm.

I have been so encouraged by the number of people who take part in our Eucharistic Adoration, whether on Wednesdays each week or for First Friday. I encourage you to encounter Christ in this quiet time and let Him speak to you.

Also, looking ahead, I will have my classmate from Kansas up visiting this week and we will spend a few days together at my brother's cabin.

As mentioned in last week's bulletin, we will be looking more deeply at the Mass with the help of Denis McNamara's article "In the Form of a Sacrificial Meal" (Catechetical Review April 2023).

"The English word sacrifice comes from two Latin roots, sacra, meaning "holy " or "sacred ", and facere, meaning to "to make" or "to do". So, the goal of any sacrifice is to do the sacred action with the intent of making things holy. The Mass is indeed a sacrifice:it re-presents and makes real the sacrifice of Christ in order to make creation holy again after the Fall. By immolating a victim, literally "grinding" it up (from Latin molere, "to grind"), two ends were hoped for: reconciliation, which means being friendly again after a division, and propitiation, gaining or regaining the favor of another. In Christ's case, his perfect self-offering did both: it healed the relationship between God and man perfectly, then made it possible to receive God's sanctifying grace. In Eden, logically, humans had no need to offer sacrifice since the relationship between God and man had not yet been wounded by the Fall. And so... "man quite naturally made that gift to God which is the obligatory response of the creature to the Creator, an absolutely pure gift, entirely spiritual: the gift of the heart'. After the Fall, however, humans no longer had the capacity for per-



Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAYS July -September

Monday Mass rotation at Holy Spirit @ 8:15am

TUESDAY, August 8

8:00 am † George Kvatek † Gena Numsen

WEDNESDAY, August 9

8:00 am † Mary Ann & Rand Rusin † Kenneth James & Samara Marie Zelinski

THURSDAY, August 10

8:00 am †Virg Golla † Mary Wasieleski

FRIDAY, August 11

8:00 am † Theresa Brezinski †Aggie & Ed Stanchik

SATURDAY, August 12

4:00 pm † Stephen Piesik † Bob Lassa

SUNDAY, August 13

7:30 am †Dolores Landowski-Pepowski For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes

10:30 am † Dr. Mike Klasinski † Henrietta Gilmeister



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Wednesday beginning After the 8am Mass until Before Thursday morning Mass. Chaplet of Divine Mercy is Prayed at 3:00pm.

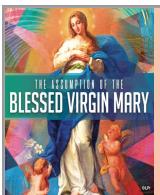
Cast all your worries upon Him because He cares for you.

1Peter 5:7

perfect spiritual giving."

Perhaps some of the article seems a little 'heady', yet it explains why we need to focus and concentrate when we are at Mass. After the Fall, it is not so easy. It is a great reason why we need to bring our young children to Mass, and we, as adults, need to be there each Sunday so we can truly be "practicing" Catholics, working on joyfully giving to God from the heart.

Fr. John Potaczek



Tuesday, August 15th, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass at St. Peter Church:
8:00 am and 5:15 pm
Lay Ministers: If you are able to help serve, please sign up in the Sacristy.



In response to the interest from Parishioners and the recognition of the growing trend toward cremation, the Stevens Point Catholic Cemetery is building an additional Cremation Garden in Guardian Angel Cemetery.

The Association is offering a 10% Pre Construction Discount. The Niche must be paid for "in full" at time of sale to receive the discount.

For individuals who would like additional information, or to schedule an appointment, please call: 715-341-3236.

The Cemetery Association is soliciting applications for a grounds crew position. The ability to perform heavy manual labor is required. Experience with Lawn maintenance equipment is preferred but not Required. The ideal candidate will have knowledge of machines and small engine maintenance.

This is a full-time seasonal position.

For an application & job description, please call
The Cemetery Office @ 715-341-3236.

A Minute with Jesus during this Eucharistic Revival

The Eucharist is called the Holy Sacrifice.

A sacrifice is an offering of love for someone. Jesus rescued us and set us free from the bondage of sin by offering Himself through His painful sacrifice on the Cross. At each Mass, Jesus offers Himself to the Father for love of us. Jesus is not being "resacrificed" but the sacrifice of Calvary is being made present at each mass. To express our gratitude and to open our hearts more deeply to Him, we can show our love by offering small sacrifices to Him: our Willingness to forgive after being hurt by someone, cutting our time short with TV to take time for prayer, visiting someone who is sick etc.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Thank You, Jesus, for loving me so much that You were willing to die in order to save me and set me free from the bondage of sin.

This week, read how we are to imitate Jesus by walking in the way of love in **Ephesians** 5:2.

"Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved me and gave Himself up for me as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God"





Our condolences to the Family & Loved ones of :

Ernest Simkowski
whose Funeral Mass was recently
Celebrated at St. Peter Parish.
May Ernest's soul, & the soul of all
the faithful departed, through the
Mercy of God, rest in peace. †



The Father Dennis Mullen Adoption Initiative is hosting its 1st BICYCLE RIDE FUNDRAISER this September to raise Awareness about the need for adoption and to help families with adoption expenses.

Local cross-country bicyclist & philanthropist, Mark Scotch, Has teamed up with the Fr. Dennis Mullen Adoption Initiative and the Knights of Columbus Council 2137 for this Weeklong event that starts

Friday, Sept. 8th, and goes through Friday, Sept. 15th for a total of a 9 overnight stops along the route.

The ride will begin in Rice Lake, travel to Ladysmith, Medford/Abbotsford/Colby, Stevens Point,

Tomah, Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Durand, Menomonie & finish back in Rice Lake.

All money raised for the Fr. Dennis Mullen Adoption Initiative is tax-deductible & will

go toward supporting adoption including legal fees, transportation, home safety upgrades

and personal support/encouragement for those considering adoption.

The ride will be stopping at St. Peter Catholic Church on Sunday, Sept. 10th for a Special prayer and fellowship event at Kolbe Hall. All are welcome to attend. To find out more information and how you can donate: adoptioninitiativefdm.org.



`There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, That we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." ~Sister Lucia of Fatima

St. Peter Parish hosts the world-famous Fatima Statue visiting us on August 23.

A true privilege & blessing for our parish!



Have you asked someone recently? Do you know someone in your life who you think would make a good priest? Have you ever told them that? If not, you should!

A significant, contributing factor to young men discerning the priesthood has been the invitation and encouragement they receive from others, particularly parents, teachers, mentors and role models.

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Don't be afraid to tell a young man that they would make a good priest, as that may be just what they have been waiting for. Once you encourage them, don't hesitate to put them in contact with me to continue that conversation.

I can be reached at:

Fr. Nate Kuhn Director of Vocational Recruitment Diocese of La Crosse

Diocese of La Crosse

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or **608-791-2667**

Remember to register for 2023/24
Religious Ed Classes NOW!
Student Enrollment info and forms
are available at our
Parish website: stpeter.us

LET'S BEAUTIFY OUR PARISH GROUNDS!!

St. Peter Parish is in need of help with the upkeep of our Parish Grounds. We are asking families and/or individuals who are interested in keeping our parish grounds looking as beautiful as the inside of our Church.

If this concerns you, <u>and</u> if you are able & willing to help, please call the Rectory and leave your name and phone number so that we can reach

out to you with pertinent information.

Your "help" will entail weeding, light trimming and general cleanup of a small area you would be in charge of.

Can YOU pitch in? 715-344-6115





As Summer begins to point closer to Fall we need to update our Liturgical Ministry Schedule.

All READERS, USHERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS.....

Please email the Parish Secretary, Nancy Koch at: bulletin-secretary@pacellicatholicschools.com with any dates which we need to avoid for you in setting up the new schedule by August 15th.

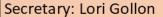
We could always use additional volunteers! If you would like to join in and begin serving....this is wonderful and we would greatly appreciate it. Simply notify the office or Deacon Ray and we can steer you to familiarizing yourself thru brief training and begin to slowly bring you on to the next schedule.

Examine your calendar and get back to Nancy with the necessary info. Thanks!

Saint Casimir Parish

152 years of Faith and Family

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Transfiguration of the Lord



Bookkeeper: Rebecca Jones Bulletin Editor: Caden Strojny

Email: secretary@stcstp.diolcparish.org

Saint Casimir Parish Support 07/30/2022

Adult Envelopes: \$1,445

Offertory: \$143



Happy Birthday:



Linda Wise (Aug. 7)
Donald Gornicke (Aug. 12)
Ruth Schmidt (Aug. 12)
Nick Wierzba (Aug. 12)

Rosary Intentions for August 13

- For the sick of our parish.
- For an end to all conflicts against mankind in deed and word.
- For any special intentions you may hold in your minds and heart.

Condolences

Saint Casimir Parish extends its deepest sympathies to the family of Ed Pozniak who passed away July 27, 2023. Ed was an active member of our parish who served on the Financial Council for many years. May Ed and all who have died be welcomed into God's loving embrace.



Remember that we are collecting school supplies for Project Fresh Start. Donations must be in by next Sunday.



Mass Intention for August 13, 2023

† Ray, Jim and Arnie Skupniewicz

† Rose Barbers

Mass Intention for August 14, 2023

† Deceased Members of the Strojny and Zelhofer Families



St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule

August 13, 2023

Commentator: Debbie Wolfe

Lector: Kenn Firkus

Servers: Bernie King

Eucharistic Minister: Pat Gollon

Ushers: Paul and Frank Kubowski

Volunteers are needed for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass

Meet and Greet

The members of Saint Casimir Parish are invited to attend a meet and greet with Father John Potaczek after the 9:00am mass on Sunday **August 27**. Coffee and donuts will be served. Good will donations are welcome.



Reminder:

Please remember that Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held at Saint Casimir's on Monday, August 14 at 5:15pm.

LOOKING FOR FUN? Check out these events for helping support area-wide parishes!

to School RUMMAGE SALE, August 18, 19 & 20th.

8am to 4pm each day. Located in the school, Directly behind the Church. Infant, toddler, youth, and adult clothing with house decorations and much more!

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church PICNIC on Saturday, August 19th , 11am -7pm / MASS: 7:00PM

Food, Beverages, Raffles, Bingo, Country Store, Classic Cars on Display, Music by The Drovers 1-4pm) Kids Games, Cherry Tree etc.



St. Wenceslaus Parish, Milladore, hosts a "Back Sacred Heart Parish PICNIC, Polonia, Sunday, August 20th - 10:00am Mass w/Polish Hymns led by the Sacred Heart Choir, 10:30-1:30 Chicken & Ham Dinner in air conditioned Dining Room, carry outs available. Raffles, Bingo, Cherry Tree & more. Music from 12 to 7PM/ alternating EZ Tones & Cynor Classics.

> Evening Under the Stars @ St. Stephen Parish, Sat. Aug. 26th at 7PM: Free Family Fun! Enjoy a homemade Spaghetti Dinner & movie

