ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 15, 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

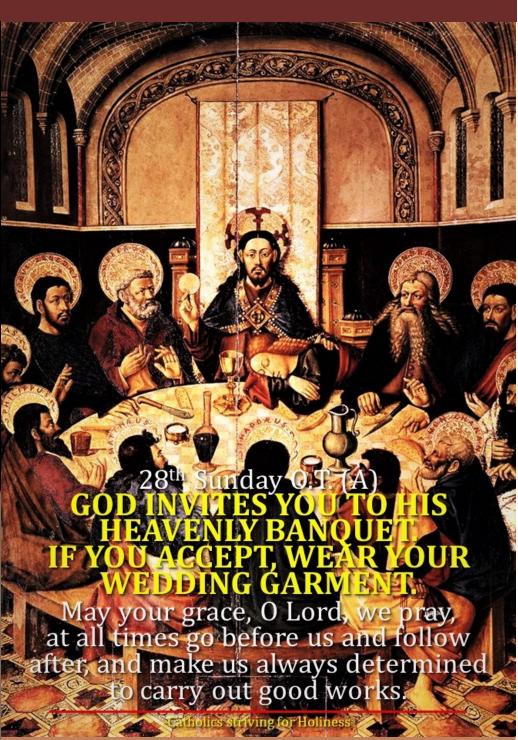
LIVE-STREAMED MASS: Sunday at 10:30am

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'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.



Some Reminders for the Upcoming Week:

Tuesday: No Mass/ COMMUNION SERVICE at 8:00am

Date: Oct. 21/22	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
4:00pm	Mary Sadler	Kay King Steve King	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Paul Koch Mateo Koch Cherye Rolnicki	L & K Proulx
7:30 am	Lee Petersen	Mike Katzmark Fred Vieth	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Mary Makuski Mike Spaid Pam Spaid	Mike Spaid
10:30am	Chelsea Peeters	Carl Knuese Joe Demerath Jack Demerath	Mathias Gebeau Gloria Gebeau	Matt Bablitch Eve Krueger Cheryl Kehl	Matt Bablitch

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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.

Inspiration from Deacon Ray

The Kingdom of Heaven

The readings from Isaiah and the Gospel passage today give us an idea of what Heaven will be like. Isaiah uses the idea of a fine meal, choice wines and rich food, to begin describing what it will be like in Heaven. This appeals to our human hunger for taking care of our daily needs, but the author moves on to what is most important: removing the veil that prevents

most important; removing the veil that prevents us from seeing God. We know that no one can look upon God and live here on earth, but in Heaven we will be able to see and know God in a perfect manner. There will be no more tears, everything will be perfect. This may be difficult for us to imagine as we look at the world and struggle to make sense of things at

times. But Heaven will be a whole different

realm, the realm of the supernatural!

The Gospel passage brings us the parable of the king who is putting on a wedding banquet for his son. The original invited guests declined the invitation. The king sent his servants to invite them once again, but they rudely turned away, some even going so far as to kill the servants the king sent. This is meant to portray the people of Israel who refused to accept God's message, sent through the prophets and eventually Jesus. The servants, (the prophets) were often treated poorly or even killed. And we know how Our Lord was treated by the leaders of the Jewish religion. So the king opens the invitation to anyone the servants can find, and yet one person enters the feast without the proper "wedding garment." This may be understood to be baptism, where we put on a white garment to show that we have been cleansed and claimed by Christ. It could also be seen as the lack of repentance or change of heart and mind needed to enter into God's realm

Let's reflect on the Kingdom of Heaven this week. Ask yourself if you would be welcomed into the Kingdom if you were called, and take the steps needed. If not. God is sending the invitation, don't refuse this feast!

~Deacon Ray Heitzinger



Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, October 16

La Crosse Fall Ministry Days Oct. 16-17th

TUESDAY, October 17

8:00 am COMMUNION SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, October 18

8:00 am † Roxane Kizewski † Henry Korger

THURSDAY, October 19

8:00 am †Alex & Clara Landowski † Kenneth James Zelinski

FRIDAY, October 20

8:00 am † Henrietta Gilmeister † Alice Mancheski

SATURDAY, October 21

4:00 pm † Robert Przybylski † Phyllis Kostuchowski

SUNDAY, October 22

7:30 am For Living & Deceased Members of the Pawelski/Rekowski Families
For the Families of St. Peter & St. Casimir Parishes

10:30 am † Frank & Mildred Szymanski † Stanley & Helen King





EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

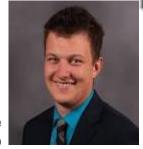
Every Wednesday beginning After the 8am Mass until Before Thursday morning Mass. Chaplet of Divine Mercy is Prayed at 3:00pm.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
~lohn 14: 25

Please keep our Seminarians in your Prayers. Alex Radtke

(Discipleship Stage: College IV)

Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary Alex's home parish: St. Agnes, Weston, WI.



Lord, we pray for all Seminarians. For those whom You are calling to

the priesthood, may they never doubt your will as they boldly follow You.

May this new academic year provide fruitful growth in understanding & wisdom of all truth.

If you wish to send Alex encouraging words: Immaculate Heart of Mary

Seminary 750 Terrace Heights Winona, MN 55987







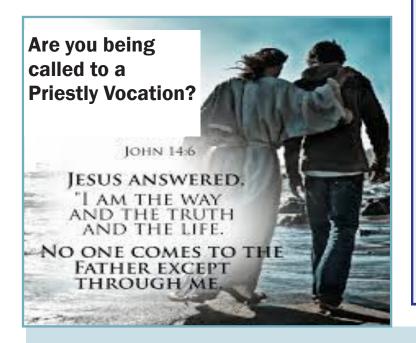
How easy it is, especially in these times, to be consumed by the cares and distractions of the "here and now," forgetting about what matters most—Living for the Kingdom of Heaven. The stewardship way of life, emphasizing the virtuous use of our Time, Talent, and Treasure, allows us to embrace daily life and all its demands—with eternity in mind.

How do we keep focused on the Kingdom of Heaven? St. Paul shares his secret for an eternity-driven life. In our Second Reading from his Letter to the Philippians, Paul says, "I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things, I have learned the secret of being well fed and going hungry, of living in abundance and of Being in need." In other words, Paul has learned to live the stewardship way of life.

What is the secret? It is this: "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me." How? Through this: "My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with His glorious riches in Christ Jesus." It is simple! But it is not easy. It takes both courage and humility to live this way. God will supply these to us if we ask.









Are YOU being PHISHED???

At first, everything looks safe. As the FTC explains, "Phishing emails...may look like they're from a company you know or trust."

You're more likely to follow instructions when it looks safe/similar.

If the email is a surprise, beware! There's a reason you weren't anticipating an email from your boss while he's on vacation.

TIP: Double-check the sender's email address. Remember that this can be misspelled to mimic a legitimate address and that the "from" field can be spoofed.

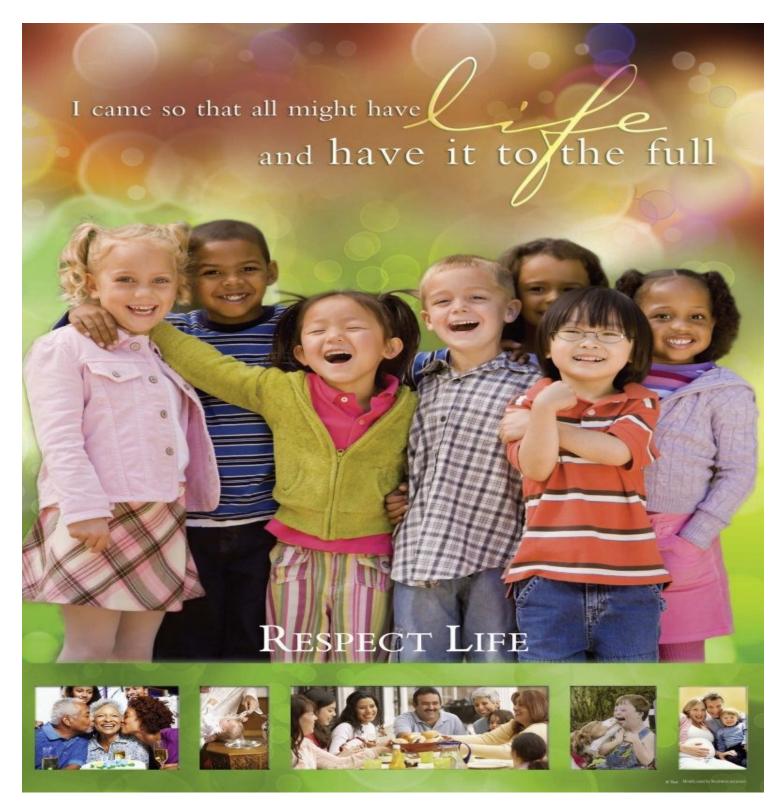
You read the email. There's a negative situation. Many times, scammers create negative situations to trick you. Your CEO needs your help, but is in a meeting and can't talk. Or a vendor claims your company owes a payment.

TIP: A phishing email can lure you in with a faked refund or security alert. No matter the bait, the goal is to steal your log-in credentials.

Beware.... and do not fall for these phishing lures!

The first question that Jesus asks in John's Gospel is, "What are you looking for?" He is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus' response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest.

If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!



O Most Holy Lord, Creator of Heaven and Earth, from Your gentle hand flows the GIFT of LIFE. To Your sons and daughters, You have given the role of stewards to care for all of Your creation from womb to tomb. **Hear us as we pray for a greater respect for all of life throughout the world**:

-that the unborn may be born, -that the child may be safe, -that the teen may be prepared, -that the young adult may be other-centered, -that the adult may be selfless, -that the aged may be revered, -that the dying may have dignity, -that the deceased may rest in peace, -that the resources of creation may be used well, -that all Your creation may be blessed.

Having served You loyally on earth, may we obtain the rewards of everlasting life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

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.

