

# ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES

## SECOND SUNDAY IN OF LENT

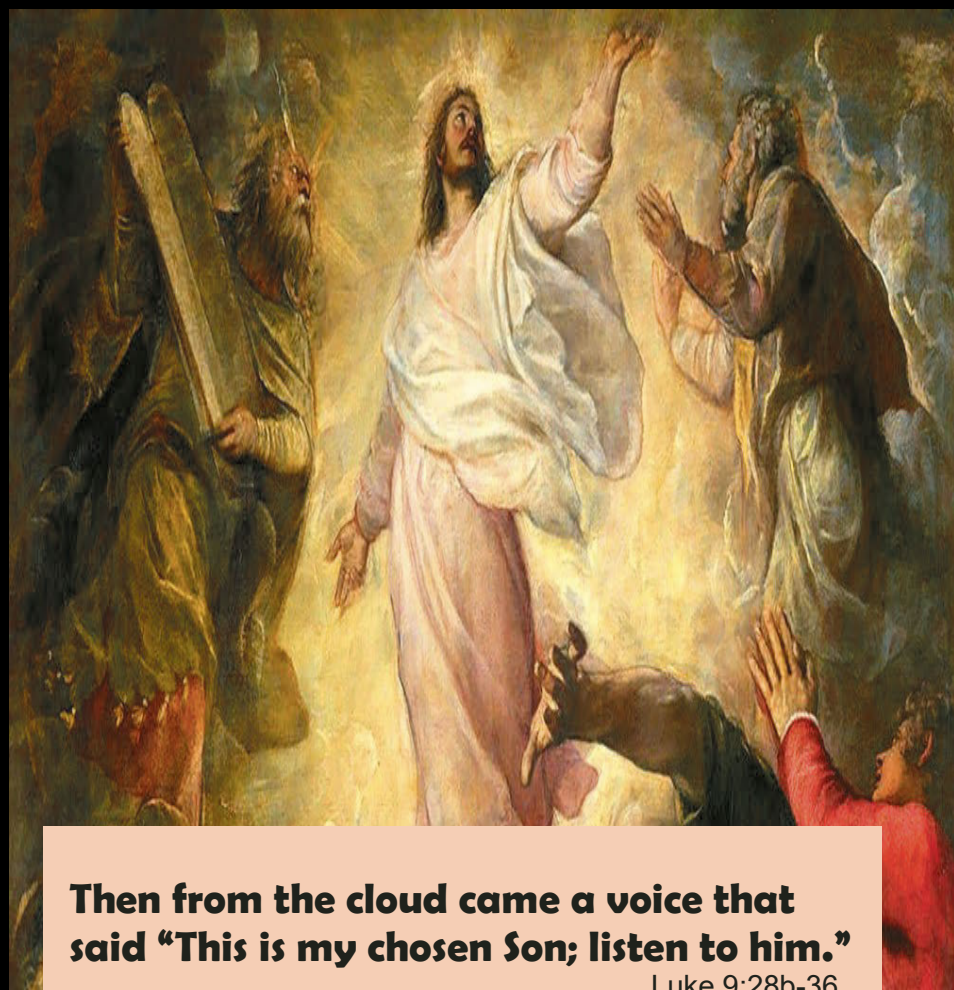
March 16, 2025

Welcome to the  
Catholic Parishes of  
**St. Peter & St. Casimir**  
Parish Office  
715-344-6115 at  
800 Fourth Ave.  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

### 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 at 8:00am



**Then from the cloud came a voice that  
said "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."**

Luke 9:28b-36

### CURRENT OFFICE HOURS

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

### LIVE-STREAMED MASS:

Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Website: [stpeter.us](http://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

### UPCOMING MEETING REMINDERS:

Mon, Mar 17—6:30 pm  
Tue, Mar 18—6:30 pm  
Thu, Mar 20—6:00 pm

Pastoral Council Mtg.  
150th Anniversary Mtg.  
Picnic Committee Mtg.

### Communion to the Homebound



Are you, or is someone you know a  
parishioner who desires to receive Holy  
Communion at home?

St. Peter's has parishioners willing to bring  
the Eucharist to you.

Please call the parish office at 715-344-6115  
to make this request.

<b>Date:</b> <b>Mar</b> <b>22/23rd</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Servers</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>SCRIP Sellers</b>
<b>SAT</b> <b>4:00 PM</b>	1) Mary Sadler 2) Nancy Koch	Kay King Michael King	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Paul Koch Deacon Ray	Larry & Karen Proulx
<b>SUN</b> <b>7:30 AM</b>	1) Brenda Suplicki 2) Mary Makuski	Bob Govett Bob Bernas	Andrew & Matthew Schoenecker	Rick Zupan Deacon Ray	Carol Bernas
<b>SUN</b> <b>10:30 AM</b>	1) Chelsea Peeters 2) Matt Bablitch	Dick Glinski Joe Demerath	Mathias, CJ & Gloria Gebeau	Cindy Heitzinger Deacon Ray	Wendy Demerath

**ATTENTION**—Ushers, Servers, Euch Ministers and Readers  
**Its that time again.** We will be working on the upcoming Ministry Schedule (May-Aug '25) Please email the office **by Apr 14** of any dates you are NOT AVAILABLE to be scheduled.

**St. Peter Parish Wkly Finance Report**  
Env/Offertory (Mar 8/9th): \$ 10,468.75  
YTD: \$ 283,523.88    SCRIP: \$ 204.29 (Feb)

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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 Column**



2025 is a Jubilee year.

There are many amazing things about a Jubilee Year. How to keep track or learn more? There are things going on only in our diocese, so go to the diocesan website and click on the Jubilee banner. That will let you know more and check it every so often since events and details are being added. For the big picture go to the Vatican web page and learn its history and opportunities to gain graces in this special year. This past Monday evening the priests of the area gathered in prayer with Bishop Battersby. We began in adoration, the Gospel proclaimed and the Bishop highlighted the need for priestly renewal so as to be rooted in our identity as a father and guardian to our people. Change will happen so as to spiritually be ready for it and to build that priestly fraternity so we can support each other as we work in the Lord's vineyard.

In this Lenten season I encourage you to join with others to pray the Stations of the Cross. (Noon at St. Peter). Although it is Friday and we are called to fast, stop by the table with the soups for sale and treat yourself or family. This week is Spring Break for many of the schools. Hopefully it is truly Spring for them. I ask that you keep all of the students and families that are traveling during this time in your prayers for their safe travels and that their time away was one that built up relationships and allowed time for growth. As I referenced in my homily last week, "God dwells in Me" by Joel Stepanek, Lent is a great time to get back to the basics and baptism is the beginning for all of us in the faith. I encourage you to pick up a copy if you have not and allow time to reflect on this powerful sacrament that is easy to take for granted since most of us were baptized as infants. May your Lent be a fruitful one that deepens your relationship with God.

—Fr John Potaczek

**Mass Intentions  
For the Week**



**MONDAY, March 17**

8:00 am Monday Mass rotation @St. Joseph

**TUESDAY, March 18**

8:00 am †Philip Gollon

**WEDNESDAY, March 19**

8:00 am †Barb Klasinski

**THURSDAY, March 20**

8:00 am †Eleanor Grywacz

**FRIDAY, March 21**

8:00 am †Chuck Zdroik

**SATURDAY, March 22**

4:00 pm For the Families of St. Peter and  
St. Casimir Parishes

**SUNDAY, March 23**

7:30 am †Joseph Piesik

10:30 am †John & Agnes Janiszewski

**Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Peter's is blessed to have 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.**

All are welcome.



*With Heartfelt Sympathy*

We offer condolences to the Families and Friends of the following Parishioners

**Morris Piotrowski**  
Mar 13, 1935 - Mar 1, 2025

May his soul and the souls of all faithful departed Rest in Peace and May God grace you with comfort during this time.



**Religious Education**  
Notes from Miss Sommers

Email: [dre@pointcatholicfaith.org](mailto:dre@pointcatholicfaith.org)  
Phone: 715-341-1617 ext. 104

**Grades 1-8, CCD**

- Spring Break on **March 19.**
- Family Prayer Night on **March 26.** Please join us to pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**Confirmation Prep 1 & 2**

- Spring Break on **March 16.**
- Lenten Mission on **March 30** at St. Stephen's. The Mission begins in at 6:30. Please check in with me at the back of church.

**Grade 2, Catholic Schools and CCD Families:**

- First Communion Retreat is on **March 29** from 9:00 a.m.—noon at St. Stephen's church.

**High School Ladies:**

Few spots left for our first annual Nun Run! Join us as we visit various religious orders and see the vibrancy of religious life. We will also visit the Gateway Arch. Orders include, but not limited to: The Cistercians, Poor Clares, Carmelites, Missionaries of Charity, Franciscans, and School Sisters of Notre Dame.



**Nun Run FREE!**  
*June 11-13*

Ladies in Grades 9 - 12 are welcome to join us on a Nun Run to St. Louis, Missouri.

Questions? Contact Miss Sommers at [dre@pointcatholicfaith.org](mailto:dre@pointcatholicfaith.org) or 715-341-1617 ext. 104

Register Here

**This week's thoughts...**

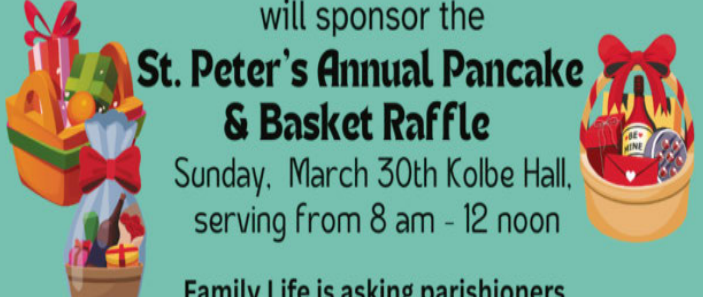
Lent is now in full swing! I pray that your Lent is going well. There is still plenty of time to increase our faith by praying, fasting, and almsgiving, however. I like to remember that Lent is a time to slow down and refocus our lives on Christ. Just as He spent 40 days in the desert, so too are we to spend 40 days in a "desert" fasting, praying, and almsgiving.

If you're looking for Lenten ideas or resources, please check out [PointCatholicFaith.org/lenthelp](http://PointCatholicFaith.org/lenthelp) for more ideas.

Family Life and Bldg/Grounds committees will sponsor the

**St. Peter's Annual Pancake & Basket Raffle**

Sunday, March 30th Kolbe Hall, serving from 8 am - 12 noon



Family Life is asking parishioners for donations of baskets for the raffle. Whole baskets would be appreciated or even a donation to help fill a basket.

If there are any questions regarding the basket raffle, please contact Sandy Kuklinski at 715-991-0441.

Please plan to come and enjoy a delicious breakfast.

**ST. PETER'S ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BASKET RAFFLE**

**Sunday, March 30th**  
800 4TH AVE, STEVENS POINT



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8 AM - NOON  
KOLBE HALL

10 AND UP - \$10  
9 AND UNDER - FREE

Sun April 6th 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

**Family Life Invites you TO A BOWLING PARTY**

Please consider joining us whether you bowl or not. You can participate cheering everyone on while enjoying pizza and refreshments. See you there !!!



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# LENT

A Season of Renewal



Stations of the Cross Devotion at St. Peter's is at 12 Noon on Fridays Mar 7th—Apr 11th



## Lenten Soup Sales



Available Fridays  
(Mar 7th - Apr 11th)  
Following Stations of the Cross

\$10 per quart -

This Friday's flavor is  
Tomato Bisque

by St. Peter Parish Rosary Society  
800 4th Ave, Stevens Point

## UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

- Mar 15 —Soup Sale—Drive thru Only \*See flyer  
St. Wenceslaus, Milladore 2pm-4pm
- Mar 16 —St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner \*see flyer  
St. Max Kolbe, Almond 10am—1pm
- Mar 30 —St. Peter Pancake Breakfast / Basket Raffle  
St. Peter, 8am-Noon Kolbe Hall
- Mar 30 —Drive-Thru Grilled Pork Chop Dinner  
St. Michael's-Junction City 10:30-1pm
- Apr 5 —Strings for Kids—St. Adalbert Fundraiser  
\*\*\*\* Adult 21+ Only Fundraiser Event  
Located at Rosholt Fairgrounds 7pm \*see flyer
- Apr 6 —St. Peter's Family Life Bowling Party  
Located at 5 Star Bowling Lanes, Stevens Pt  
2:30pm - 4:30pm \*Free of Charge/All Welcome
- Apr 19 —Lamb of God (Musical Event)  
Grand Theatre, Wausau 3pm \*see flyer

\*Please note all events are posted on the bulletin board including specifics like pricing etc.

## NOTE: 2026 Pilgrimage to Italy

Sun, Mar 23rd following 10:30 am mass there will be a second presentation for the parish . If you were unable to make the last one or have further questions, please plan to attend.

## Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

March 9, 2025

St. Joseph Cathedral, Lacrosse, WI



From Left to right - Tayman Ott, Bishop Battersby and Deacon Ray Heitzinger



### Knights of Columbus

#### Pancake Breakfast:

Sunday, Mar 23rd from 8:15am to 11am.  
Scrambled Eggs, Fried Red Potatoes, Ham,  
Sausage, Dessert and all you care to eat

Pancakes for only \$10 adult, \$6 for ages 6-12 and \$4 for under 6.

Price includes coffee and sales tax.

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Stevens Point Open to the public.



The Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery Assoc. is **looking to hire for a landscaper/maintenance position.** This position will **begin approximately April 1.**



If interested please contact the cemetery office at 715-341-3236.

Parishioners interest in purchasing burial lots should contact the Cemetery Assoc office at 715-341-3236 to schedule an appointment.



# Saint Casimir Parish

154 Years of Faith and Family  
The Second Sunday of Lent  
March 16, 2025

Bulletin: Caden Strojny  
Bookkeeper: Rebecca Jones  
Email: secretary@stcstp.diolcparish.org  
Phone: 715-344-9582

**St Casimir Parish Support: 3/5 & 3/9 2025**

Offertory: \$ 330.00

**St Casimir Parish Support 3/9**

Envelopes: \$ 803.00



**Happy Birthday:**



Garry Losinski (March 16)  
Bonnie Ziolkowski (March 17)  
Kenn Firkus (March 21)

## The Second Sunday of Lent

As we continue our Lenten journey, the Gospel for this Second Sunday of Lent presents the Transfiguration of Jesus (Luke 9:28-36). Peter, James, and John witness Christ in His divine glory, standing with Moses and Elijah. This powerful moment reassures the disciples—and us—that Jesus is truly the Son of God, the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.

The Transfiguration is a moment of revelation and transformation. Jesus gives His disciples a glimpse of His divine nature, strengthening them for the trials ahead. Like them, we may not always understand God's plan, but we are called to trust in His presence.

As we journey through Lent, we are invited to open our hearts to God's grace, allowing Him to transform us through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity.

Let us listen to God's voice, just as the disciples did, and follow His beloved Son with renewed hearts.

May this season of Lent be a time of renewal, strengthening our faith and drawing us closer to Christ's light.



**Mass Intention— Sunday, March 23, 2025**

† **Chloe Barlow**



**St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule**

**March 23, 2025**

Commentator: Bonnie Ziolkowski

Lector: Tanner Arnold

Servers: Elroy Ziolkowski

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Ray

Ushers: Tim Engle and Keith Gollon

## Reminders

- Monthly Monday Mass will be held April 14.
- Stations of the Cross will be said before every mass, starting at 8:30am. Please join us in this Lenten tradition.

## Confession Times in our Area

Saint Peter:

- Tuesday-Friday: 7:15 am - 7:45 am

Saint Mary—Torun:

- Tuesday: 4:30pm
- Sunday 8:00am

Holy Spirit

- Saturday: 9:00am
- Wednesdays 6:00pm

Saint Bronislava

- Thursday: 4:30pm—5:30pm

## Lenten Reflection:

Lent is a time of renewal and spiritual growth. Just as Jesus was transfigured before His disciples, we are called to open our hearts to God's transforming grace. Through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity, we can grow closer to Christ and strengthen our faith.

**How is God calling you to be transformed this Lent?**





## Mass of Reparation

**March 27 - 10am**  
St. Joseph Cathedral, LaCrosse

The Bishop plans to precede the Mass with prayers seeking reparation for any and all grave harm perpetrated in our diocese during our 157 year history, including harm caused by our priests and bishops. None of us can undo that harm, but we can call on Jesus to remove the barriers to his love that we have imposed, with confidence that he is eager to unleash the fire of his love throughout our diocese. With humility and repentance, we give him full permission to do what only he can do.

If you are aware of particular evils that need to be named in those prayers, please feel free to pass them along to me. Likewise, please feel free to ask people you know and trust to help name and acknowledge what needs repentance and reparation.

Finally, if you want an excellent explanation of reparation, I invite you to read paragraphs 181-204 of Pope Francis' newest encyclical, *Dilexit Nos*. Francis explains how, when we engage in reparation, "we offer the heart of Christ a new possibility of spreading in this world the flames of his ardent and gracious love."

Bishop Battersby is hoping that all our clergy and many of our lay faithful will attend.

Note written by Mother Mary Agnes of Jesus:



Dear friends,  
I have been blessed to get to know many of you over the past years. I would like to share with you some great news: With the blessing of Bishop Gerard Battersby, we have begun the "Seraphic Sodality of the Child Jesus" so that we may be united in spirit in adoring our Little Eucharistic King. For all of you who are concerned about the state of our country and our world, or those who would simply desire to grow closer to our beloved Lord, we invite you to join us in prayerful adoration. We desire to raise an army of adorers to pray for our world, our families, our priests and to console His Sacred Heart! Please join us in this beautiful work of LOVE! If you would like more information, please go to our website at:

<https://seraphicadorers.com/spiritual/sodality>.

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