# ST. PETER & ST. CASIMIR PARISHES SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 20, 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:
Tues-Fri 8 am@ St. Peter
Weekends:
Saturday 4 pm @ St. Peter
Sunday 7:30 am @ St. Peter
9:00 am @ St. Casimir
10:30 am @ St. Peter

#### **CURRENT OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### **LIVE-STREAMED MASS:**

Sunday @ 10:30 am

Website: stpeter.us
Facebook:

'Saint Peter Catholic Church'

## 24-HOUR EUCHARSTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays from 8:30am 8:00am on Thursday
1st FRIDAY of the month
Adoration from
8:30am until 5:00pm

Jesus said,

"Martha, Martha," the
Lord answered, "you are
worried and upset about
many things, but few
things are needed—or
indeed only one. Mary has
chosen what is better,

And it will not be
taken away from her.

#### MINISTRY:

PLEASE REMEMBER TO FORWARD YOUR SCHEDULING PREFERENCES/CONFLICTS TO THE OFFICE BY 7/27.
THANK YOU.

#### **REMINDER:**

This weekend
July 19/20th
the second collection is
for DAA

#### **Upcoming Mtgs:**

Jul 22—Rosary Society @ 6:30 pm Jul 24—Picnic Committee @ 6 pm

Date: July 26/27th	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	SCRIP Sellers
SAT 4:00 PM	Cherye Rolnicki     Nancy Koch	Paul Koch Mateo Koch	Mark Pakulski Dick Glinski	Deacon Ray Don Rolnicki	Dawn Weber
SUN 7:30 AM	Della     Schoenecker     Mary Makuski	Bob Govett Bob Bernas Noah Wilmink	Dominic & Sam Giese	Deacon Ray Rick Zupan	Kris Firminhac
SUN 10:30 AM	<ol> <li>Eve Krueger</li> <li>Chelsea Peeters</li> </ol>	Carl Knuese Matt Bablitch	Aiden Peeters Chase Baron	Deacon Ray Cindy Heitzinger	Lori Dombrowski

St. Peter Parish Weekly Finance Report Env/Offertory (July 12/13): \$ 7,655.30 Candles (July 12/13): \$ 144.00

YTD: \$ 17,728.39

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

\*\*\*\* ATTENTION: MINISTERS \*\*\*\*

Once again it is scheduling time. Please submit your requests for days off to the office by July 27th. The schedule will be for September — December. Your help makes scheduling so much easier. Thank you.

#### St. Peter's Pastor:

**Rev. John Potaczek** 715-344-6115 or jpotaczek@diolclergy.org

Deacon Ray Heitzinger: Lay Ministry Coordinator, Director of Religious Educ. (DRE) rheitzinger@outlook.com 715-630-1275

Senior Priest: Rev. Arul Joseph Visuvasam v\_aruljoseph@hotmail.com **Administrative Assistant: Doreen Check** 

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**Parish Secretary: Laura Anne Shonka Baynes** 

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**RCIA Coordinator:** 715-344-6115

Music Committee: Della Schoenecker

614-507-1345 / dellaschoenecker@yahoo.com

Maintenance: Jeff Patton 715-344-6115

#### 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

"In a cultural landscape where belief is often privatized or discarded, a new report offers

a window into the unexpected and deeply personal paths by which modern adults in the UK are discovering faith in Jesus. The journey often begins in quiet desperation—a silent search for meaning, a personal crisis, or the subtle gravity of kindness within a Christian community. The most common spark for exploring Christianity was not an argument won or a sermon heard, but a quiet admission: "I needed help with life." Thirty-seven percent of respondents chose that phrase to describe their starting point, while others pointed to a longing for meaning (34%) or the weight of personal pain (32%) as turning points. These are not people who arrived at church doors with theological curiosity. In fact, what drew many people in was not theology but presence—being seen, heard, and loved by a community of believers. This raises one of the central insights of the report: initial conversions often precede deep understanding. What followed was not a swift transformation but a gradual, often halting exploration—one that demanded intentional discipleship and patient accompaniment. What helped most in this journey? Attending church in person topped the list, followed by reading the Bible and participating in small groups or courses. Online resources played a supportive role—especially among younger seekers—but rarely initiated the journey. The road to faith, the report suggests, is still largely paved through relationships and physical spaces, not algorithms or social media posts. In this mosaic of testimonies, one clear message emerges: there is no single formula, no demographic key, no perfect evangelistic strategy. People come to Jesus from all walks of life—young and old, skeptical and spiritual, affluent and struggling. The invitation remains open to all, and the church's greatest witness may simply be to make space for the wounded and the wondering to ask their questions in peace. The report closes with a gentle challenge to believers: don't assume who might be searching, or what faith should look like when it begins. And often, it begins not with clarity, but with a question: is there something more than this?" This article comes from Zenit June 2025. It should

This article comes from Zenit June 2025. It should encourage us to pray for all who are searching, for us to open our ears and hearts to them on their journey.

#### -Fr. John A Potaczek

# Mass Intentions For the Week



MONDAY, July 21 5:30 pm @ St. Bronislava

TUESDAY, July 22 8:00 am †Helen Groshek

WEDNESDAY, July 23 8:00 am †Gene Gibbs

THURSDAY, July 24 8:00 am †James & Mary Drefcinski

FRIDAY, July 25 8:00 am †David Katzmark

**SATURDAY, July 26** 

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

SUNDAY, July 27

7:30 am †Joseph Piesik 10:30 am †James Jakusz



Marriage Banns - I
Dalton McHugh
and
Kaitlyn Knutson

# ROSARY SOCIETY AUGUST ROSE—26 Mary Drecinski JULY 22nd MEETING ROSE—11 Sophie Kubisiak ROSE—12 Arlene Gollon

#### **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.





CCD and Confirmation Prep Families, Grades 1-11 New to the area or have an incoming first grader? We'd love to have your family join our program.

Interested in being a Catechist or a Teacher's Aide? Help is needed in various grades! Just a love for Jesus and a desire to inspire others. Aides and substitutes are always needed.

Specifically we are looking for help in: Grade 1 Small Group Leader for Grade 8 Male Small Group Leaders in Confirmation Preparation.

#### POINT CATHOLIC FAITH



#### VACATION BIBLE DAY CAMP

July 23, 2025

Join us for a day to learn about the Life of Jesus! Mass will be offered at 8:15 a.m. at St. Stephen's Church. We will begin at 9:00 a.m.-Noon. All children going into K-Grade 5 are welcome.



Register here!

**Questions?** 

**Contact:** Christine Sommers (715) 341-1617 ext. 104 or dre@pointcatholicfaith.org

#### Middle & High School Pilgrimage

Where: Holy Hill & Little Amerricka Amusement Park Drop-Off/Pick-Up at St. Stephen's When: August 6, 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. All students are to bring a bagged lunch.







#### Vacation Bible Camp:

Registration now available! Catholic VBC 2025 God at Work: Say Yes!

Location: St. Bronislava Parish When: July 29 - August 1 (volunteer training July 28)

Time: 8:15 am - 11:45 am

Here is your sign! There is only one way to get to Heaven – directly through Jesus, who is the way, and the truth, and the life. We have been given the tools on how to get there. God is at work in each of us. We will experience Bible stories hearing about those who said YES! Will you say YES!?

Campers and Volunteers: Pay & Register online OR Print forms & pay by check or cash https:// stbrons.com/vbc-vacation-bible-camp.html



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# SPITEST

Holy Spirit Parish
SpiritFEST – Stevens Point
July 27 - 11:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Holy Spirit Church, 2151 Stanley Street.

Free kids' games, a book nook, sweepstakes, dessert spin, games of chance, bingo, and a huge basket raffle Come and enjoy a day of Music, food and fun at SpiritFEST

#### UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

Jul 22	—Concerts on the Grounds St Ladislaus Church 6—8pm
Jul 27	— <b>Spirit Fest</b> Holy Spirit Parish 11:30am-5:30pm
Jul 29	—Concerts on the Grounds St. Ladislaus Church 6—8pm
Jul 30	— <b>Day Trip—Brewers vs Cubs</b> St Joseph Parish 8am—8:30pn
Aug 3	—104th Church Picnic St Philip 11am-6pm *See Flyer
Aug 5	—Concerts on the Grounds St Ladislaus Church 6—8pm
Aug 9/10	—August Fest St. Therese *See flyer for Info

#### Pacelli Catholic Schools Tim Copps Early Childhood Center

PCS ECC is seeking childcare lead teachers and childcare teacher aides. Full and part-time opportunities. Please contact Kelly Nitz with

resume or questions (knitz@pacellicatholicschools.com or 715.341.2445).



St. Joseph Parish

### **Day Trips**

1709 Wyatt Ave, Stevens Point

Wed - July 30th
Brewers vs. Cubs \$95
Includes Bus, Ticket and
Stop at the Pizza Ranch
8:00 am - @8:30pm

A day in Door County
Trolley and
winery tour \$118
Wed - Sept 17th

To register contact St. Joseph at 715-341-1617

All trips include a stop at a recognized pilgrimage site

#### JOB OPENING—

#### Dir. Of Buildings & Grounds



St. Stephen Parish, Stevens Point, is seeking a self-motivated, knowledgeable, and dedicated individual to fill the role of Director of Buildings & Grounds. This is a full-time position with paid time off and benefits. For more information, visit PointCatholicFaith.org/jobs or call 715-341-16174.

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The Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery association will be raising its Lot and opening prices on Aug 1, 2025.

If parishioners are interested in purchasing their lots or pre-paying the openings before the price increase, Please call and schedule an appointment at 715-341-3236.





July 22, July 29, Aug 5

\*\*\* please see bulletin board for band names.

# Saint Casimir Parish

# 154 Years of Faith and Family The 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time July 20, 2025

Bulletin: Caden Strojny Bookkeeper: Rebecca Jones

Email: secretary@stcstp.diolcparish.org

Phone: 715-344-9582

Saint Casimir Parish Support: 7/13/2025

Envelopes: \$ 1,304.00 Offertory: \$ 129.25 Donations: \$ 60.00



#### Happy Birthday:



Sue Macht (July 4)\*
Frank Jurgella (July 10)\*
Patrick Klismith (July 12)\*
Russell Losinski (July 14)\*
Henry Rozak (June 14)\*
John Schultz (June 20)
Delores Disher (July 21)
Mary Dombrowski (July 21)
Trina Pilsner (July 21)
Gloria Kolodziej (July 22)
Clara Sniadajewski (July 23)
Dennis Adamski (July 24)

#### Looking to Get Involved?

We are happy to share that the sacristan position has been filled. Thank you to those who expressed interest and to everyone who continues to support the liturgical life of our parish.

We are still looking for parishioners to join our Justice and Peace Committee and Family Life Committee. These groups help guide important aspects of parish life, and we welcome new voices and ideas.

If you are interested in either committee, please contact the parish office.

Mass Intention - Sunday, July 27, 2025

#### † Sophie Tokarski



## St. Casimir Parish Ministry Schedule July 27, 2025

Commentator: Bonnie Ziolkowski

Lector: Stefanie Folck

Servers: Bernie King and Olivia Folck

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Ray

Ushers: Tim Engle and Keith Gollon

#### Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne

Each year on July 26, the Church celebrates the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. Though they are not mentioned in the Scriptures, their lives are honored through long-standing tradition. As the ones who raised Mary in faith and prepared her to respond to God's call, Joachim and Anne hold a special place in the story of salvation.

This feast is also a time to give thanks for the gift of grandparents and the generations that came before us. Joachim and Anne remind us of the quiet, steady strength found in family life and the importance of handing on the faith through word, ex-

ample, and love. Their legacy continues in every family where faith is nurtured across generations.

Let us honor Saints Joachim and Anne by praying for all grandparents, living and deceased, and asking for their intercession in our own families.





We are excited to continue this sweepstakes to help support our Youth Ministry Program.

Through your generosity and kindness, we have been able to send children to Steubenville Conferences, vocation trips, Mission Trips, hold Confirmation Retreats, and more events are planned.

The suggested gift for tickets is \$5/each or \$60 for all \$16. If you are in need of additional tickets, please contact the office.

If you are interested in underwriting one of our prizes that range from \$100 to \$2500, or sponsoring postage and material costs, please contact the office at 715-341-1617 ext. 101.



#### Consecrated Virginity Lived in the World "Arise, my beloved, my dove, my beautiful one and come."

Do you hear these words in prayer? If so, join us as we ponder the Song of Songs through the mind and heart of St Gregory of Nyssa during our Information/Discernment/Formation Weekend, August 1-3, 2025 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center 2nd floor House of Formation



For more information visit the Diocesan Event page or contact Miss Barbara Swieciak, consecrated virgin, Diocese of La Crosse, 608-788-7700x ext 2271 or email bswieciak@diolc.org



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