

June  
dedicated to  
*The Sacred Heart  
of Jesus*

# *ST. JOSEPH PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH RIDGE*

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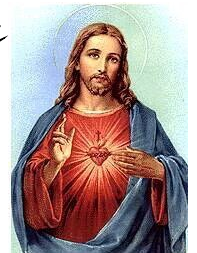
*June 9, 2024 ~ Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*The Answer*

*June 7th  
Eucharistic Rally*



*June 7th  
Solemnity of  
the Most  
Sacred Heart  
of Jesus*



*Jesus Christ  
is the same  
yesterday,  
today,  
and forever*



*Taste and see,  
Taste and see  
the goodness  
of the  
Lord*



~ PARISH INTENTIONS ~

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH**

~4:00 pm - † Caroline Martin (LM)  
 Lector: Teresa Brown  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH**

~ 8:30 am – Our Parish Family  
 Lector: Donna Clements  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**MONDAY, JUNE 10TH**

~ 6:00 pm -† George & Evelyn Miller (T&MP)

**TUESDAY, JUNE 11TH**

~ 5:00 pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 ~ 5:30 pm -† Madonna Bahr (Leis family)

**THURSDAY, JUNE 13TH**

~ 8:30 am-† Jim Hesselberg (J&SB)

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH**

~4:00 pm - † Don & Elaine Bina (MS)  
 Lector: Bill Weber  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH**

~ 8:30 am – † Donald Burns (J&SB)  
 Lector: Sally Miller  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

~ PARISH CALENDAR ~

- **June 8 & 9**—Franciscan Mission appeal
- **June 16**—Father’s Day
- **June 16**—Baptism of Jensen Briggs Matuska
- **June 20-21**—Priest Unity Days
- **June 22**—Ordination to the Priesthood
- **June 22**—Wedding of Caden Servais and Olivia Key

~ FAITH Enrichments ~

**\* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday evenings at 5:00 pm until 5:30 pm Mass

~ 8 Ways to Pray During Eucharistic Adoration ~

- Read Spiritual Books
  - Ask for Intercession
  - Meditate
  - Offer a Holy Hour
  - Write a Prayer Journal
  - Read the Scriptures
  - Pray Spontaneously
  - Ask the Saints for help
- Spending time with our Dear Lord!!!*

**\* Anointing of the Sick** - Father Biju will be available for anointing of the sick after the first Saturday mass of each month or contact Fr. Biju directly if you or a family member would like to receive the sacrament.

**\* Confession**

First Saturday of each month after 8:30 am Mass or 3:30—3:45 pm before 4:00 pm Mass or by appointment . Please contact Fr. Biju to set up a time.



**\* Mass Intentions**

Please contact the Parish office phone #788-1646 or email sjrp2601@gmail.com if you would like to schedule mass intentions. Or there are envelopes are in the back of church.

~ Contributions for the past week ~

Adult Envelopes(33) :	\$ 1,750.00
Plate collection:	\$ 192.00
Ascension Envelopes(2):	\$ 30.00
Votive candles:	\$ 58.50
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,030.50</b>

**Donations:** Here are some ways to contribute:

- Use the online giving portal set up by the Diocese: <https://diolc.org/st-joseph-parish-st-joseph-ridge/> (processing fees will be deducted from your contribution, which average 3% for debit and credit cards and \$.75 for EFT, ACH)
- **Drop off** a contribution in the church donation box
- **Mail in** your weekly/monthly offering to parish office (W2601 State Road 33, La Crosse, WI 54601)
- If you use online banking and would like make your contribution using **bill pay**, set up St. Joseph Ridge Parish as a payment and the bank will mail it directly to the parish.



5-year Goal:	\$140,000.00
Pledged:	\$148,305.00
Received:	\$64,832.50
<b>Remaining Amount:</b>	<b>\$75,167.50</b>

*Thanks for your Generosity!*

2023-24 Goal:	\$21,915.00
Pledged:	15,265.00
Received:	\$14,895.00
<b>Remaining Amount Due:</b>	<b>\$7,020.00</b>





FROM THE PASTOR



*Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time continues our journey through the Gospel of Mark, and it brings us to a very fascinating passage from that Gospel that gives us an account of the conflict that took place in Jesus' hometown over his exorcisms that he was performing. In the second part of the gospel deals with the concerns of His family and how Jesus defines his family. In Mark chapter three Jesus' family is either frustrated with him, or worried about him. They hear that Jesus is drawing crowds again, some people think he's possessed. And his family is either embarrassed, or worried of what might become of him. They know that Jesus' life has undergone significant changes. Imagine what Mary and Jesus' family have observed of him: For 30 years he lived a quiet family life, then suddenly he's baptized and goes on a 40 day fast in the desert. When he returned, he's now a public preacher. He's saying the kingdom is at hand and telling people to repent. Unlikely fishermen are following him, driving out spirits & healing. He's spending time with unsavory characters like tax collectors, prostitutes, beggars. Crowds follow him; he's not eating or sleeping. If you were his relative, wouldn't you worry and wonder?

The family of Jesus didn't fully understand that Jesus has a mission, and that his message had an urgency about the reign of God and discipleship that transcended natural family bonds. So, when Jesus says: "whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me." He opens up the tent and allows everyone who wants to enter the chance to enter. Be partners of his mission. The door to the family homestead is wide-open. Join the family. He needs us.

This weekend we will have a missionary priest. I like to welcome Father Fr. Percival Tayem, OFM (Franciscan Missionary). Please be generous with your support. Supporting the global mission of the church.

Have a great weekend! God Bless

*Live Jesus ~ Fr Bijou MSFS*



❖ Stewardship Reflection ❖

"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand." - Mark 3:24

Within your parish community, do your ministries collaborate with each other, or do they compete against each other? Do your parish ministries work for the greater glory of God, or do they work for the glory of the people running them? The primary goal of parish ministry is not to increase Mass attendance or the number of volunteers or increase offertory. The primary goal is to be one Body of Christ that helps people take one step closer to Jesus. If it's not doing that, it's not worth doing.

~ PARISH NEWS ~

**Mission Appeal—Franciscan Missions June 8th & 9th**



Fr. Percival Tayem, OFM from the Franciscan Missions will be at St. Joseph Parish and St. Peters this weekend in support of Franciscan Missions (GSFM). The generous donations received are used to prepare missionaries and support in solidarity with those in needs. While responding to the spiritual hunger of the people, corporal necessities are also met thru human development projects directed most specifically to the poor and marginalized as our Holy Father St. Francis of Assisi identified himself with them.

In particular, the beneficiaries are people of God in: South America (Bolivia, Mexico, Argentina, Paraguay, Perú); Asia and Oceania (Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia); Africa (Guinea Bissau, Libya, Mozambique, South Sudan, Tanzania).



**A second collection will be taken June 8th & 9th to support this Mission Appeal**

~ DIOCESAN NEWS ~

**A Minute with Jesus: Receiving the Eucharist- Spend time in Jesus' Presence and you will gradually come to know that Jesus is indeed there.**

The desire to strengthen your faith requires some action on your part. It helps to go to the Church and spend time, with the mindset that Jesus is there. Take your problems and speak with Jesus. Even if you leave without anything seemingly having happened, you will gradually come to know Jesus is indeed there. Let's pray:



*Lord, help me to spend a few minutes in Church and talk with You. This week, read how Jesus appears to Thomas who was not present when He first appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection. Thomas, when He does see Jesus, falls before Him and says "My Lord and My God". John 20:19-29*

**~March for Life Wisconsin- June 15 1:30-3:30 pm**

At the Wisconsin State Capitol State Street steps, Madison. Every life matters from conception to natural death. Join pro-lifers from around Wisconsin as we stand up for the culture of life and show our elected officials in Madison that life is worth defending! Register for the bus at [prolifewi.org/lacrossebus](http://prolifewi.org/lacrossebus)

**~Ordination | Jun 22 |St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral:**

Please join us in celebrating David Nowicki's Ordination to the Presbyterate.Reception following at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center.

**~Religious Freedom Week June 22-29**

Religious Freedom Week takes place from June 22, the Memorial of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, through June 29, the Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul. Join Catholics across the country to pray and act for the freedom to serve faithfully and with integrity. Learn more at [uscbb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://uscbb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek)

~ DIOCESAN/Community NEWS ~

~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~

**~New Pregnancy Resource Center in La Crosse!**

**Inaugural Fundraiser June 25**

Alliance Family Services serves women and families who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant and struggling. They walk alongside them throughout their pregnancy with prenatal care, material assistance, housing, and much more. This interfaith ministry has been serving the Kenosha and Racine communities and has now come to La Crosse! Their first La Crosse fundraiser, "Stories of Hope," will be held June 25 at First Free Church in Onalaska, with an optional charcuterie social hour from 6-7 p.m., and the program from 7-8 PM. Tickets are free—registration is requested. Support the ongoing mission of rescuing the unborn and proclaiming the gospel of life! Register at [alliancefamilyservices.org](http://alliancefamilyservices.org)

**~Dare to Follow: July 9-11, Mater Redemptoris in La Crosse:**

This year, we will host a three-day discernment event for young men in grades 6-10 that are interested in hearing where God is calling them. If you know of any young men who may have considered or should consider discerning the vocation of the priesthood, please personally invite them to attend this event. Registration information can be found at [www.brand.page/daretofollow](http://www.brand.page/daretofollow) or contact Renee rorth@diolc.org. May God bless you!

**~A Nature Walk With Francis and Clare:**

**Aug 16th 7-9 pm & Aug 17th 9am-4pm**

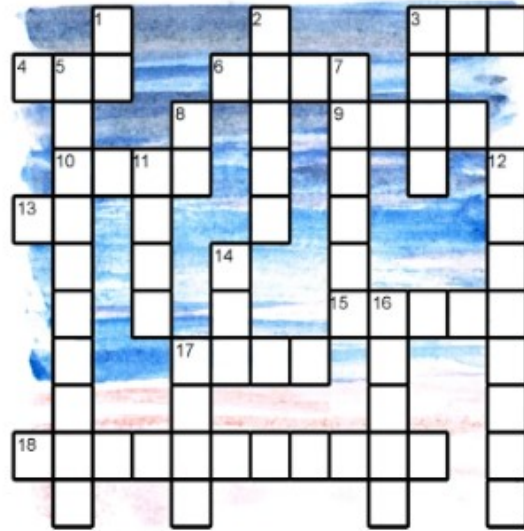
Presenter: Raymond List,

Franciscan Spirituality Center, Using the theme of St. Francis' Canticle of Creation, you are invited to a walk of gratitude within nature. Following St. Clare's teaching, you will have an opportunity to develop a closer relationship with your natural surroundings through gazing upon a natural element, considering the expression of beauty through nature, contemplating how that beauty is mirrored within and imitating, or living out, that beauty in your daily life. You will be invited to reflect on the experience of Francis in nature as expressed in the Canticle and then make your own addition to the Canticle as a way of bringing the Franciscan heritage into modern life.

OVERNIGHT: \$175, includes private bedroom, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. COMMUTER: \$105, includes lunch on Saturday



*Psalm 130 Cross-Word*



See if you can find the missing words from today's Psalm and put them in the puzzle!  
A = across  
D = down

Out of the \_\_\_\_\_ (7D) I \_\_\_\_\_ (4A) to you, O LORD;  
\_\_\_\_\_ (6A), hear my voice!  
Let your \_\_\_\_\_ (9A) be attentive  
to my \_\_\_\_\_ (2D) in supplication.  
If you, O LORD, \_\_\_\_\_ (3D) iniquities,  
LORD, \_\_\_\_\_ (14D) can \_\_\_\_\_ (15A)?  
But with you is \_\_\_\_\_ (18A),  
that you \_\_\_\_\_ (3A) be revered.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ (16D) in the LORD;  
\_\_\_\_\_ (1D) soul trusts \_\_\_\_\_ (8D) his \_\_\_\_\_ (17A).  
More than sentinels wait for the \_\_\_\_\_ (10A),  
let Israel \_\_\_\_\_ (17D) for the LORD.  
For \_\_\_\_\_ (11D) the LORD is \_\_\_\_\_ (12D)  
and with him is plenteous \_\_\_\_\_ (5D)  
and \_\_\_\_\_ (13A) will redeem Israel  
from all their iniquities.

**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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:tbrown@diolc.org).

*With trust in God's goodness,  
let us offer our prayers*



- For those who are sick or suffering in any way, may the healing and strength of our Lord Jesus Christ come upon them and give them comfort and peace.
- That, as God's chosen people, we may accept and follow God's plan to generously share our time, talent, and treasure with others.
- For all struggling with depression or anxiety, may the Lord pour his grace upon them and grant them healing and comfort.
- For all the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- For our families and loved ones in this community, may the Holy Spirit be our guide in every thought, word, and deed.
- For the elderly who are homebound or unvisited, may the Lord fill them with his presence and comfort them with friendship.
- For the intentions listed in our parish book of prayer.

To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email [sjrp2601@gmail.com](mailto:sjrp2601@gmail.com)