

# St. Joseph Parish of St. Joseph Ridge

W2601 State Road 33, La Crosse WI 54601

October 27, 2024—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## PASTOR

Fr. Biju C Kunjukutty, MSFS  
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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday..... 4:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 8:30 am

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

First Saturday Mass... 8:30 am  
Monday ..... 5:30 pm  
Tuesday  
Adoration..... 5:00 pm  
Mass ..... 5:30 pm  
Thursday ..... 8:30 am

## CONFESSIONS

- First Saturday after 8:30 am Mass
- 3:30—3:45 pm (before Saturday Mass) or by appointment

## PARISH OFFICE

Barb Mikshowsky 608-788-1646  
Bulletin deadline: Wednesday  
sjrp2601@gmail.com

Office hours vary, call or email with questions

Fr Biju also serves  
St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge  
(608) 452-4680

## Adoration:

Wednesday ..... 7:30-9:00 pm

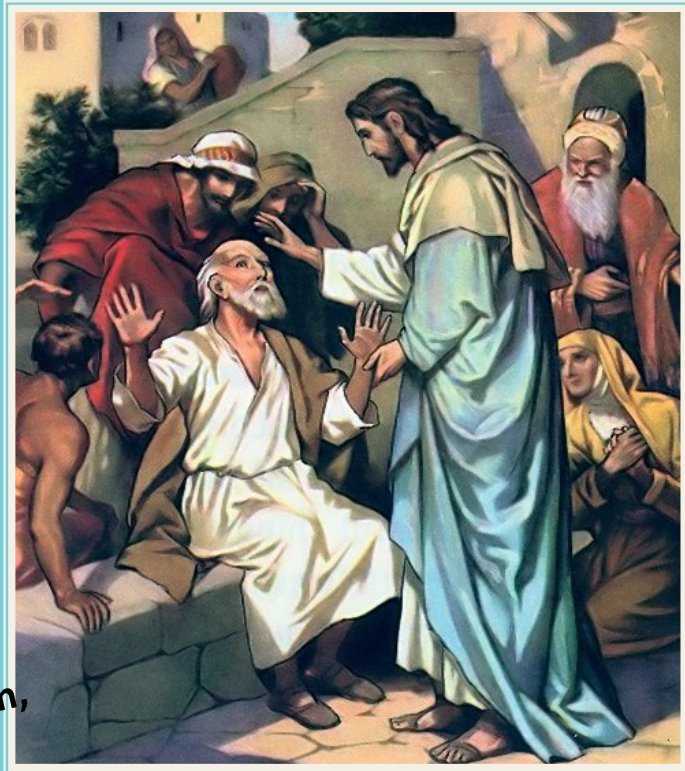
## Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday..... 8:00 pm  
Sunday..... 10:00 am

## Weekday Mass Schedule:

Wednesday..... 8:00 am  
Friday ..... 8:00 am

## “Master, I want to see”



Jesus  
told him,

## “Go your way, your faith has saved you”

## CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

- ◆ Joining the Parish
- ◆ Weddings or Baptisms
- ◆ Anointing of the sick (also call Fr. Biju cell phone)
- ◆ If you are home-bound and would like to be visited

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dave Brown-Cemetery Rep  
Teresa Brown,  
Lori Clements -PCCW Rep  
Stan Clements  
Ann Degenhardt  
Terry Dickman-Finance  
Council Rep  
Bob Kotek  
Bill Weber-Secretary  
Stacy Burns-CRE

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mary Jo Hess-Secretary  
Terry Dickman  
Dave Brown-(Bldg & Grnds)  
and Cemetery Rep  
Barb Braun  
Dan Steiger

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator:  
Stacy Burns

*‘Thank you’  
for your  
time and  
talent to  
support our  
parish.*

## PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Lori Clements-President  
Mary Jo Hess-Treasurer  
Jill Murphy-Secretary  
Polly Hilby-Funeral Prep

## Cemetery Sexton Building & Grounds

Dave Brown 608-792-1006  
dbrown039@centurytel.net  
Rick Meyer

## MUSIC

Stacy Burns, Coordinator  
608-769-8828  
jsburns0093@gmail.com

## Accompanist

Leland Gregorich  
LuAnne Gregorich  
Mary Beth Smith

## Sacristan:

Sally Miller

*“Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.” John 12:26*

~ PARISH INTENTIONS ~

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH**

~4:00 pm - † Earl Martin (RM)  
 Lector: Kathy Leis  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH**

~8:30 am - † Curtis Strittmater (CS)  
 Lector: Jim Weber  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH**

~5:30 pm - † George Bahr (MB)

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH**

~5:00 pm—*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 ~5:30 pm - † Reiny and Darlene Kammel (family)

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31ST**

~8:30 am - † Kay Roesler (S&CC)

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST—ALL SAINTS DAY**

~6:00 pm - † Stanley Hundt (S&SM)


**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND**

~8:30 am - † Deceased members of the  
 Guanella and Strittmater families (CS)  
 ~4:00 pm - † Schermerhorn Family (J&PS)  
 Lector: Donnie Weber  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD**

~8:30 am - † Leo & Shirley Servais (D&BS)  
 Lector: Sally Miller  
 Servers: Volunteers Ushers: Volunteers

~ PARISH CALENDAR ~

- **October 30** ~ 6:00 pm Pumpkin carving for Religious Education Classes 
- **November 1** ~ All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
- **November 2** ~ All Souls Day
- **November 3** ~ Daylight Savings time ends (change clocks back an hour)
- **November 8** ~ 6-9:00 pm Family Fun Night!!!
- **November 19** ~ 7:00 pm Finance Council meeting

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:7-9

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5:1-6

**Gospel Reading:** Mark 10:46-52

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus, *What do you want me to do for you?* Bartimaeus wanted his sight, and the Lord granted it. Bartimaeus then *followed him on the way.*

As we encounter the Lord in the Eucharist, let us ask him for the courage to not only ask him for what we need but to *follow him on the way* when he answers.

~ EMBRACE YOUR FAITH ~

\* **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday evenings 5:00 pm - 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**

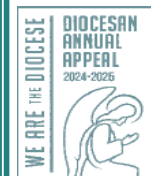
If you would like to schedule mass intentions, please contact the Parish office phone #788-1646 or there are envelopes in the back of church or email [sjrp2601@gmail.com](mailto:sjrp2601@gmail.com).

**Mass Intentions Fee change**

In accordance with a decision of the Bishops of Wisconsin, starting on July 1st, Mass stipend fees are \$20

~ Contributions for the past week ~

Adult Envelopes(33) :	\$ 1,960.00
Plate collection:	\$ 257.00
Raffle tickets sold:	\$ 270.00
World Mission collection:	\$ 642.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 3,129.00</b>



**Our Goal is**  
**\$23,335.00**



~ FROM THE PASTOR ~

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jesus' departure from Jericho (the first city conquered by the Israelites when they entered Palestine) signals the beginning of His final journey to Jerusalem, and the Passion that awaits Him there. It's in the context of the journey he meets Bartimaeus, son of Timaeus. Healing blindness became a mark of the Messiah. As Jesus was passing by Bartimaeus cried out "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." People tried to keep him quiet. But he is relentless in his determination of encountering the divine. His prayer was "Master, I want to see." Jesus brings light and joy to the life of Bartimaeus. He is an example of what our faith and trust in Jesus can do.

On 24 October 2024, Pope Francis published his fourth encyclical, "Dilexit nos" (Latin for "He loved us"). This encyclical focuses on the theme of human and divine love as embodied in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Pope Francis calls for a renewed understanding of devotion to the Sacred Heart in the modern era. The release of Dilexit nos coincides with the 350th anniversary of the first apparition of the Sacred Heart to St Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1673. Our Lord revealed to the French nun His heart, surrounded by flames and encircled by thorns, symbolizing His love for humanity despite the wounds inflicted by sin. The apparitions took place at the convent of Paray-le-Monial in Burgundy, France.

Writing the encyclical he said "I believe it will do us great good to meditate on various aspects of the Lord's love, which can illuminate the path of ecclesial renewal, and say something meaningful to a world that seems to have lost its heart." October 24th is also the foundation day of Missionaries of St Francis De Sales. Its glad to see that Pope Francis has referred St Francis De Sales many times in his encyclical and released it on the same day.

On Friday, November 1st, the Masses will be at 6 p.m. at St Joseph and 8 p.m. at St Peter in observance of **All Saints Day— a Holy Day of Obligation.**

Have a blessed week

*Live Jesus, Fr Biju MSFS*



~ PARISH NEWS ~

**Cemetery Cleanup:**

If you have flowers or other decorations in the cemetery, please remove by November 1st. There is a wagon parked in the parking lot for any flower disposal. Thank you

**PCCW Dues - It's that time of year again to collect the annual dues of \$13.00 for PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women)**

You can put your payment (checks payable to PCCW) in the collection or you can mail it to the Parish office at W2601 State Rd 33, La Crosse, WI 54601

~ DIOCESAN NEWS ~

**A Minute with Jesus: Choose to receive the love of Christ in Holy Communion**

God created you with a body and a soul. Your soul allows you to think and choose. Your soul gives you the power to choose what is right and good and most importantly, to choose to love God and be faithful to Him. We choose to receive the unconditional love of Jesus when we receive Him in holy Communion at Mass. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, help me to always choose to love You and be faithful to You.*

This week, read how we are to choose to follow Jesus through entering the narrow gate in Matthew 7:13-14.

**~World Mission Sunday~**

Thank you for your generous response to the World Mission which was last weekend. Prayers and financial support are greatly appreciated! If you still would like to contribute, there are envelopes in back of church which you can put in the collection basket or mail to the church's office at W2601 State Rd. 33, La Crosse, WI 54601. Thank you again for your generosity.

**~St. Mary's Catholic Church—Caledonia—** will be hosting their **58th Annual Bazaar/Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, October 27th** starting at 11:00 am. their 58th Annual Bazaar

**~Aquinas Gold Gala - That 70's Party: Saturday, November 9**  
Registration is now open for the Gold Gala (That 70's Party). Find more information on our website, or buy tickets online at: <https://events.readysetauction.com/aquinaschoolsfoundation/gala24>

**Family Fun Night!!!**

**Friday, November 8th**

**6:00 - 9:00 PM**

Mark your  
Calendars

The evening will offer many games of chance such as 50/50 tickets, vegas cards, walk-around raffles for various baskets, gun, fishing pole, shooting chairs,...

There will be a cover charge of \$10.00 for the meal and beverages to be sold that night.

Meal will consist of pork loin sandwich, cheesy potatoes, coleslaw, and cookies.



~ DIOCESAN/Community NEWS ~

~Aquinas HS Musical • CARNIVAL!

• November 8 at 7:30 pm, • November 9 & 10 at 2:00 pm  
 • Performances held in the Aquinas High School Theatre  
 • \$10 / Ticket, • General Seating  
 Tickets can be purchased in the AHS office or at the door 30 minutes prior to each performance, • Cash or check ONLY

~Help Catholic Charities Love our Neighbors in Need:

Catholic Charities reaches out to our neighbors in need in so many ways, from providing shelter to the homeless in our midst (especially as colder weather is upon us) to giving hope and support to moms before and after birth to working with married couples looking to adopt, to assisting the poor and people with disabilities. Find out more and how you can help at [ccse.org](http://ccse.org), or by scanning the QR code to the right.

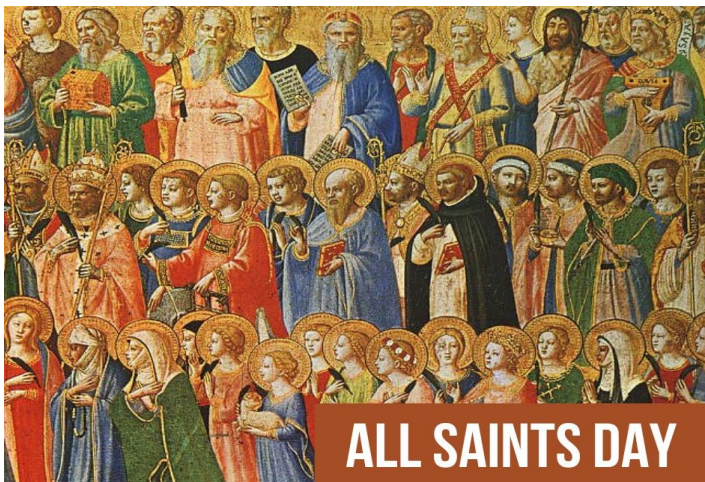


~Granny Basketball Fundraiser:

Join us for the Granny Basketball exhibition game between the La Crosse Doe's (Granny's) and the Holy Cross Padres (Diocese of La Crosse Priests). Game is October 28, 2024, game starts at 7:00 pm at Aquinas High School in La Crosse.  
 Free Will Donation at the door. Proceeds benefit Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II orphanage, a Diocese of La Crosse mission in Lurin, Peru.  
 Who do you think will win? The Granny's or the Priests? Join us and see. Arrive early, doors open at 6:00 pm.

~Saint James & Providence Academy 58th ANNUAL HOLLY

**BERRY FAIR.** WHEN: Saturday, November 9th, 8am-2pm  
 WHERE: Providence Academy Gymnasium(across the street from St. James Church) WHAT: Booths include Bakery (We have lefse!), \$5 Fill-a-Bag Rummage & Antiques, Crafts, Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction, Jewelry, Mystery Gifts, Religious Items.  
 Win a 55" LED Smart TV! Visit Santa from 9am-Noon.



**ALL SAINTS DAY**

**Holy Day of Obligation—on Friday, November 1st**

On All Saints Day, we celebrate the holy men and women who have gone before and enjoy the eternal beatitude with God. The saints remind us that holiness is possible for all of us—right where we are! Join us in prayer as we ask for the intercession of the saints who help us in our own journey toward sainthood.

Who is your patron saint?

Join us for Mass on Friday, November 1st 6:00 pm

~ ACTIVITY CORNER ~

**Psalm 126 Word Puzzle**

Fill in the missing letters. Then use the letters to fill in the blanks at the very end. The number at the end of each line tells you where the letter goes.

- When the \_ \_ ord brought back (8)
- the captives of Z \_ on, (7)
- we were like men \_ reaming. (11)
- Then our mouth was \_ illed with laughter, (9)
- and our t \_ ngue with rejoicing. (17)
- Then they said among the n \_ tions, (3)
- "The Lord \_ as done (15)
- g \_ eat things for them!" (4)
- The Lord has done great \_ hings for us; (14)
- we are g \_ ad indeed. (9)
- Restore our fortun \_ s, O Lord, (5)
- l \_ ke the torrents in the southern desert. (13)
- Those that so \_ in tears (12)
- shall reap re \_ oicing. (16)
- Although they go forth \_ eeping, (1)
- carrying the s \_ ed to be sown, (2)
- They shall com \_ back rejoicing, (10)
- carr \_ ing their sheaves. (18)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

**ALWAYS**  
pray  
and  
**NEVER**  
give up!

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

- \* For all who are sick, may Christ who knew pain and suffering in his own life, fill them with healing and hope.
- \* For Luke Sawaya as he begins his journey to priesthood and Brother Matthew Kotek as he continues his religious path.
- \* For all struggling with depression or anxiety, may the Lord pour his grace upon them and grant them healing & comfort.
- \* That those who feel a call to and desire single blessedness, marriage, priesthood and religious life may find the courage to say yes to what God asks of them.
- \* For all the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- \* That we generously use our God-given gifts to do the work God has placed us here on earth to do.
- \* 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)