



St. Joseph Parish

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Mission: Together in faith, we celebrate Christ through prayer and service.



ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL 15-APRIL 22

- Sunday, April 15
Holy Name Sticky Bun Sale after Mass
(Breakfast cancelled)
- Monday, April 16
6:30 p.m.—Catholics Returning Home at
St. Stephen Religious Ed Office
7:00 p.m.—Shawl Ministry
- Tuesday, April 17
2:00 p.m.—Grief Ministry Committee
Meeting at St. Stephen
Rectory
4:30 p.m.—Communications Meeting
- Wednesday, April 18
6:00 p.m.—Confirmation
6:30 p.m.—CCD Closing Night
(both sessions)
6:30 p.m.—TYME
- Thursday, April 19
12:00 p.m.—**04/29/18 Bulletin Deadline**
6:00 p.m.—Pastoral Council Meeting
- Sunday, April 22
Parish Family Life Meeting after Mass
12:00 p.m.—Private Party

PARISH

Monday Morning Mass for April, May and June will be held at St. Peter Parish, 8:00 a.m.

Holy Name Breakfast scheduled for this weekend has been cancelled. Please support the sale of their soon to be famous sticky buns!

Senior Trip—Our first trip will be on Wednesday, June 27 to see the Brewers play the Royals. Game time is 1:10 p.m. The bus will leave St. Joseph at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 8:00 p.m. There are a limited number of tickets still available. If you are interested, call Steve and Jean Brazzale at 715-341-3256 to reserve a seat. Cost is \$60 and payment is due by May 15. Checks should be made payable to St. Joseph Parish and may be dropped in the collection basket in an envelope labeled Senior Trip or mailed to the Brazzales at 2924 Center Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

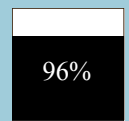


St. Anne's/PCCW—The ladies would like to thank all those who contributed to the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Collection. The money collected goes toward many events within our diocese that are not covered by the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Did you know that Catholic Charities assists in finding “forever homes” for children through their adoption services program? Catholic Charities receives their funding through the Annual Appeal! Won't you please help us meet our parish goal?

Your Appeal Team

Special Collection 04/08/15 Totals	
Milk Can Fund	\$14.00
Building Fund	\$160.00
Keeping Our Father's House	\$0.00
Envelopes/Basket Summary— 04/08/18	
Weekly Giving	\$7,684
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$287,483
Budgeted to Date	\$290,936
DAA 2017/2018 GOAL	
Weekly Pledges Received	\$20
Total Pledges Received	\$48,340
Total Payments Received	\$46,496
Food for Poor Housing Goal	\$3,600
Total Received	\$2,300
Chalice Refurbish Goal	\$2,000
Total Received	\$750



Mass Schedule and Intentions

MONDAY, April 16
8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Peter Parish*

TUESDAY, April 17
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

WEDNESDAY, April 18
8:00 a.m. †Terrie Sena

THURSDAY, April 19
8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

FRIDAY, April 20
8:00 a.m. †Paul Wiliam Laska

Fourth Sunday of Easter

SATURDAY, April 21, St. Anselm
4:00 p.m. Frank & Evelyn Bartlett
†Maxine Skalski

SUNDAY, April 22
10:30 a.m. †Terrie Sena
†Marilyn Kitowski

Liturgical Ministers for April 21-22

4:00 p.m. — Saturday

Mass Preparation: Phyllis Ziaya
Altar Servers: Jim Krueger
Hospitality Ministers:
Jean Probst Tom Erdmann Lucy Ksionk (w)
Mike Probst Dave Ksionk
Readers: Bethany Bablitch & Jean Bablitch
Eucharistic Ministers:
Mary Davidson Rich Mrozinski
Tammy Erdmann Phyllis Ziaya
Gift Card Sellers: Mary Ann Lepak

10:30 a.m. — Sunday

Mass Preparation: Kris Hansen
Altar Servers: Rose Brown Morgan Brown
Jayden Zelinski
Hospitality Ministers:
Bev Derezinski John Droske
Luke Wachowiak Jeff Zelinski
Readers: Paul Koehl & Gregg Hansel
Eucharistic Ministers:
Deb Peltier Ed Horgan Tari Wallner
Ally Horgan Myrna Horgan Sonia Zelinski
Gift Card Sellers: Michelle Kort

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St. Joseph Parish Prayer Corner —Please keep the health of Carl Schulfer in your prayers. If you would like your name placed on the weekly prayer list, please call Renée at 715-341-1617 x101, or send an email to rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org.

Director of Youth Ministries for St. Joseph / St. Stephen/St. Peter Parishes, Stevens Point, WI
Seeking an individual to work full time with youth for a combined ministry position. The successful candidate will be responsible for planning, developing and implementing catechetical, sacramental preparation, relational and service programs for middle and high school teens. Applicants must be organized, self-motivated, and proficient in computer and communications skills. Work nights and weekends are balanced with regular agreed upon office hours. Certification or experience in Catholic youth ministry preferred. Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Religious Studies/Theology are a plus. For more information, contact Renee Schneeberg, St. Joseph Parish Office, 1709 Wyatt Ave, Stevens Point, WI 54481, 715-341-1617 x101. Submit résumé and cover letter to rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org by May 1.

To the Family of Alice Parish, who passed away on April 7. May the Lord hold you in his loving arms during this time of sorrow. Be assured the family of St. Joseph Parish will continue to pray for you.



Rice Bowl Lenten Collection Drop Off—Thank you to all those who contributed to the Lenten Rice Bowl sponsored by the Call to Justice Committee. You may drop off your donation in the boxes provided at the Church entrances or bring them to the parish office. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The Stevens Point Deanery Council of Catholic Women—will hold their Open Assembly on Thursday, April 19 at St. Bronislava Parish in Plover. Registration starts at 6:00 p.m. The guest speaker is Deacon Rick Letto from Holy Spirit Parish who will talk about the Haiti Mission. All ladies of the Deanery are invited to attend.

New Member—What better time than during this Easter Season to give a warm welcome to our newest parish member, Susan Kabat. We are so glad you have joined our parish family.



Bricks from the School Building are available in the Gathering Space after Masses for anyone who would like one. A Good Will offering would be appreciated. If someone has a special project they would like to use them for, please contact the parish office. There are plenty of bricks!

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Congratulations to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of April 16 to April 22.

John & Linda Kedrowski, 30 years
 Tim & Kelly Schulist, 13 years
 Ron & Anne Swenson, 36 years
 Troy & Wendy Steinhorst, 19 years
 Don & Marion Binder, 32 years
 Ken & Meg Erler, 33 years
 David & Kathy Pisarski, 22 years
 Scott & Amy Zorn, 27 years
 Kevin & Pat Hackbarth, 28 years

May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.



Celebration of Ministry—St. Joseph Parish members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth Maury and Rose Stoltz and Cindy Hawley who take care of the plants and gardens around the St. Joseph property. Your green thumbs help us to appreciate the beauty of our outdoor space.

How is the Holy Spirit calling you to use your gifts for our community?

Weekly Reflection—Catholic tradition has not encouraged the laity to explore the Scriptures on their own. Sunday readings and the accompanying homily were deemed sufficient. Since Vatican II, that attitude has changed. More people are reading and reflecting on the Scriptures in groups and alone. There are many resources available to help us. Consider making an effort to use these resources and taking time to reflect on the Scriptures. If you can, join with others who are interested in reflecting on the Scriptures. There is no particular order you must use but a good place to start might be Paul's letters to the Corinthians. Select what draws your attention and use a commentary too.

O Lord, Let the light of your countenance shine upon us!
Psalms 4:6

St. Joseph 2018 Picnic is scheduled for June 1, 2 and 3. See the flyer in today's bulletin with all of the details. The following articles will let you know how you can get involved now.

Raffle Tickets for Picnic 2018 can also be found in today's bulletin. Consider purchasing some or all of them. Unable to purchase all of them, consider selling them to your family, friends and coworkers. This is just one small way you can help!

Silent Auction is here again. We are accepting new items, as well as antiques, for "Grannies' Attic." A designated collection box is in the Family Center. Please include your name with the item for recognition of your generosity. You may also call for pick-up of your items. We would greatly appreciate donations from home business owners, such as Pampered Chef, Tastefully Simple, Wildtree, gift certificates for home business services, food items, landscaping, carpentry, specialty goods or artwork. If you have items for pick-up or questions, call the Silent Auction Team: Dale & Kathy Tetzloff, 715-344-7150 or Brian & Mary Guzman, 715-341-9297.

Picnic 2018 Country Store—Calling all crafters!. The Country Store is in dire need of your craft items for the 2018 Picnic. There will be a designated box for drop off in the Gathering Space and a sign-up sheet for baked goods in May. Your generosity and creativity continues to amaze us! For any questions, call Diane Dietsche at 715-344-1807 or Diane Karner at 715-457-4759. Thank you.

Cherry Tree Collection—It's spring! Time to grow St. Joe's Cherry Tree! Coordinators are beginning to collect and number prizes. Do you have items to donate? Perhaps you want to do some re-gifting or have been bargain shopping. We use a wide variety of prizes. Suggested categories include: tools and outdoor items, kitchen and housewares, stationary and school supplies, paper products, holiday decorations, personal items and jewelry, toys and games, and seasonal decorations, etc. Contact Tim & Nancy Kaczmarek at 715-341-6947 or John & Lynn Meyer at 715-341-7104 for more information.

Basket Raffle—Are you looking for a way to get more involved in your parish? Putting together a basket for our picnic basket raffle is as easy as choosing a theme, finding some interesting items that fit your theme, and placing them in a "basket." In last week's bulletin, we suggested items that could be used as "baskets." Gift cards to local restaurants and grocery stores have proved to be very popular "fillers." Why not help the Church in more ways than one? Purchase Scrip gift cards which are sold after most weekend masses and then include them in your gift basket donation. The gift baskets will be raffled off at our church picnic June 1-3. Your help would be appreciated. Contact Basket Raffle Chairs, Kris Hansen, 715-340-7751 or Karen Danczyk, 715-341-0391.

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Mass of Anointing will be celebrated on Friday, May 18 at 11:00 a.m. The Sacrament of Anointing is not just for physical healing but for mental and spiritual healing as well. If you or someone you know would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please plan to attend. All are welcome. A light luncheon will follow the celebration. If you have questions, call Kris Hansen, Religious Ed Office, 715-341-1617 x 112 or 715-340-7751.

Operation Bootstrap—During the month of April, the parish is looking to add baking supplies to our Operation Bootstrap grocery carts. Carts can be found in the Gathering Space and at the Wyatt Street entrance. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Parish Rummage Sale—Are your closets stuffed and full of unwanted items and overflowing storage containers? We have the solution for you! Save those items for the St. Joseph Parish 2018 annual rummage sale later this summer. Dates and times to be announced. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Effective April 1, 2018 all Parish staff and committees have transitioned to the new email addresses found on page 5 of the bulletin.

AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY

Let Nature Sing—A spring concert of music and readings led by organist William Weinmann, Saturday, April 21 at 12:00 p.m. at Franciscans Downtown, Stevens Point. The event is free and open to the public. Lunch provided by Troy of Graffiti's Sport Pub. For more information, contact Leo Jacoby at 715-341-2790 or wisdom@wctc.net, Fr. Placid Stroik, OFM at 201-663-1652 or placidstroik@yahoo.com.

St. Mary Torun will hold a breakfast on Sunday, April 22 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Menu includes pancakes, french toast, sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, applesauce, desserts and beverage. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3 for ages 5-10 and under 5 free. A bake sale will also be taking place.

Clergy Appreciation Nite at the Knights of Columbus Clubhouse—This annual event, with Clergy (Priests, Deacons and Nuns) as the guests of honor, will be held Tuesday, April 24 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Help us honor the Clergy by attending this great event. Menu features combo plate of steak and chicken cordon bleu, including potato, salad bar, vegetable and dessert for only \$15. Public is welcome.

The Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery Association will be doing the spring cleanup of the cemeteries on April 16, 2018. Please remove all decorations that you would like to save by April 16. The Association is not responsible for decorations that are not removed or discarded. Parishioners interested in purchasing burial spaces in the Stevens Point Catholic Cemeteries may contact the office at 715-341-3236 and schedule an appointment.

Franciscans Downtown movie on April 18 at 1:00 p.m. is *The Giver*.

Full-Time Teacher—St. Adalbert Catholic School in Rosholt is now accepting applications for a full-time classroom teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. A qualified applicant will be a practicing Catholic who holds at least a bachelor's degree and a valid Wisconsin teaching license or a willingness to obtain a license. You would be teaching in a combined 1-2 grade classroom. St. Adalbert's student-to-teacher ratio is currently 7.6 to 1. For more information, visit our website at www.rosholtcatholic.org/employ or call 715-677-4517.

The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive the weekend of April 21-22 after all Masses. Thank you for your support of the Knights.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel in Custer will hold a retreat "The Virtue of Confidence" in God, in the Scriptures and in the writings of the Saints, on Sunday, April 22. Drawing on Sacred Scripture and the lives of the saints, the masterful pen of Fr. Thomas de Saint-Laurent carries us to the serene realm of confidence. The case Fr. Saint-Laurent makes for Confidence is wonderful, consoling, peace-giving and bullet-proof against all possible guilt, loneliness, suffering, illness, grieving or fear. Conferences include "Our Lord Exhorts us to have Confidence" and "The Nature and Characteristics of Confidence." The day begins with Mass at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude around 4:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. For information, call Debbie at 715-345-1257, Fr. Genovesi at 715-592-4954, or visit www.OLBSHermitage.com. Registration deadline is Thursday, April 19.

DIocese/WIDER CHURCH**Pope's Prayer Intention for April**

Universal: For Those Who Have Responsibility for Economic Matters. That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



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Mission: Together in Faith,
we Celebrate Christ
through Prayer
and Service.



Welcome to St. Joseph Parish to those who are new to our church or just visiting. We are grateful to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not currently a member of a local church, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Visit our Parish Office to sign up, ask questions or receive more information about our parish. We're glad you're here and hope you become involved in our parish family. Our website is www.togetherinfaith.org.

Remember St. Joseph Parish in your Legacy. St. Joseph Parish has seen a decline in giving over the past year, while at the same time expenses have gone up. The Parish would like to continue with expansion of many worthwhile programs and projects successfully. Please, ask Fr. Jerzy how you can help by giving to St. Joseph Parish General Fund..

Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for detailed information on infant Baptism, as parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation program. The Baptism will be scheduled after completion of the class.

Marriage: Marriage is celebrated for couples who are active and registered members in the Parish. Please contact the Parish Office at least eight (8) months prior to the requested wedding date.

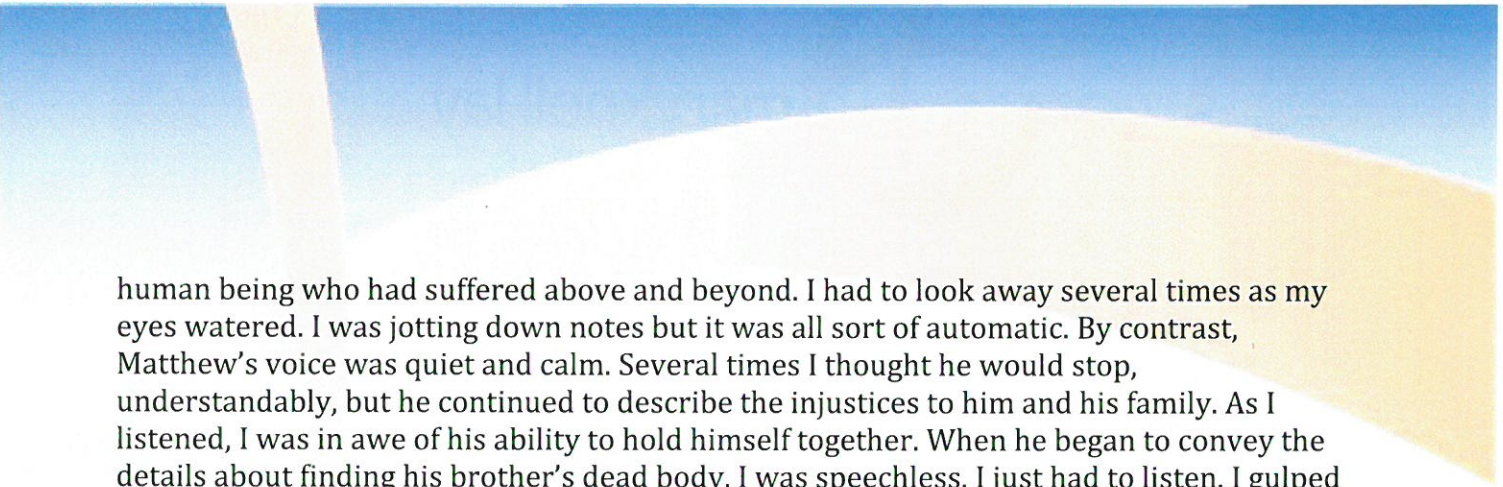
Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:30 p.m., before the evening Mass, or you may call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Funeral: Please contact the funeral home director who will assist in making arrangements. The funeral director will then contact the Parish Office.

Services

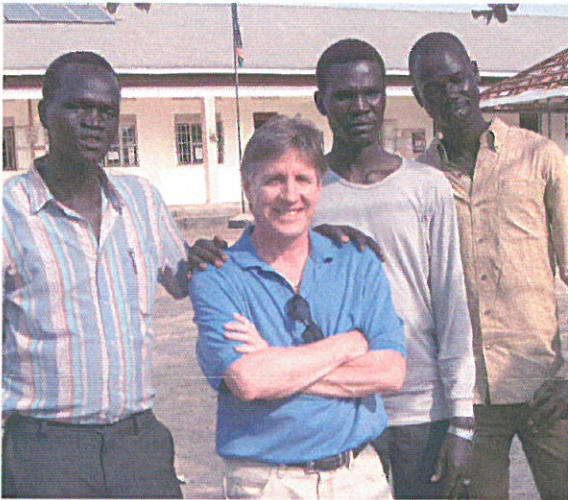
Visitation of the Sick: If you become homebound because of illness and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: Articles are due Thursday by 12:00 p.m. Drop off the articles at the Parish Office, or send by email to bulletin@togetherinfaith.org, with a copy to rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.



human being who had suffered above and beyond. I had to look away several times as my eyes watered. I was jotting down notes but it was all sort of automatic. By contrast, Matthew's voice was quiet and calm. Several times I thought he would stop, understandably, but he continued to describe the injustices to him and his family. As I listened, I was in awe of his ability to hold himself together. When he began to convey the details about finding his brother's dead body, I was speechless. I just had to listen. I gulped down something in my throat. It was a feeling that I was going to hear bad news and I knew it would be painful.

Matthew spoke with some difficulty, but I sensed he had a need to say these things. I didn't encourage or discourage him; I just asked if he was okay. He nodded and continued. After we were done, I thanked him for sharing. We said a little prayer. He said he felt strangely better. He had never told anyone these things before. It was then I thought of the appeal of the Holy Spirit. *Is this why you have guided me here, to share in this national suffering? To walk with a people who have endured so much injustice for so long?* If that is the reason, then I am humbled. God's will be done.



Yours in Mission,
Gabe