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First Friday:  
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Monday-Friday: 8:30-11:30 a.m. and  
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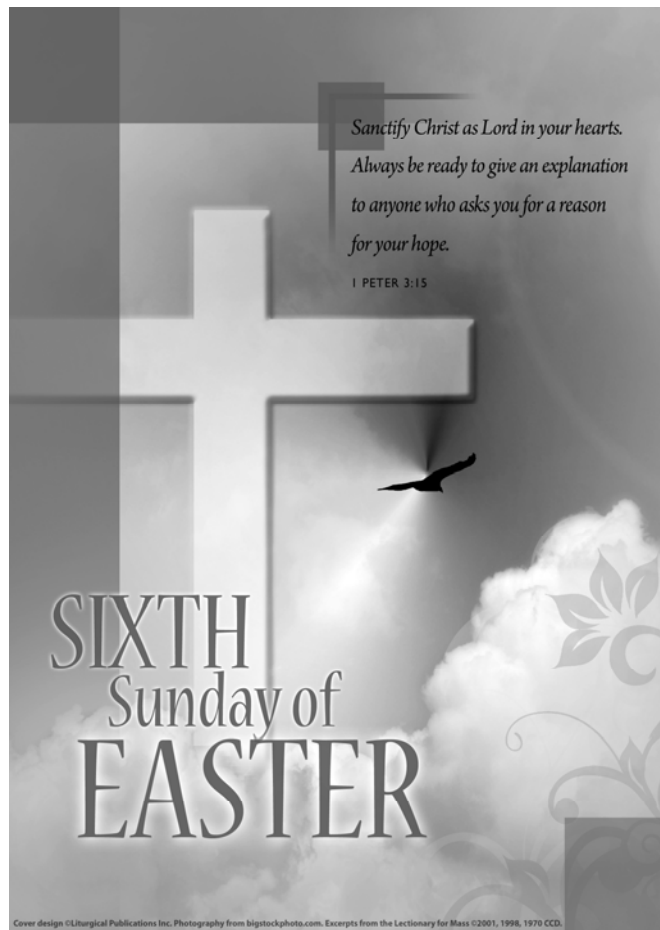
### Bulletin Deadline

Monday by noon in writing or via  
Email:

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### New Parishioners

We welcome you to our parish  
family. If you wish to join our parish  
you may register at the office during  
office hours. Please inform the office  
of any change of address.



# SAINT PETER

CATHOLIC  
CHURCH

800 Fourth Avenue  
Stevens Point, WI  
54481  
April 27, 2008

### Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

**Weekend:** Saturday: 4:00 PM      **Holy Days:** 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

**Weekdays:** Masses listed inside of bulletin      **First Friday:** 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM

### Sacrament of Penance

**Tuesday:** 4:30-5:00 PM      **Sunday:** 7:00 - 7:45 AM  
**Wednesday through Saturday:** 7:15 AM      **First Friday:** 7:15 AM and 4:30 PM  
**Saturday:** 3:00 - 3:45 PM

### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should request the Baptism of their infants at least two months prior to the anticipated date of Baptism. The Baptism of infants is normally celebrated on the fourth Sunday of the month either at 11:15 a.m. or during any of the regularly scheduled Masses of the Lord's Day. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent. New parents are required to take part in a four-session preparation program conducted in May or November. Participation in the program should be completed before the birth of the child. Next series of classes are May 14, 21, 28 and June 4.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Those who are seriously sick, have been ill for a long period of time, or are to undergo surgery should receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples who want to request the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the Pastor at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. Couples are required to participate in a two-fold marriage preparation program: the Stevens Point Deanery-based group course and our parish-based program. Also, when one of the parties is not a Catholic or is a non-practicing Catholic, the couple must arrange for a course of instruction in the Catholic faith. Weddings are not normally celebrated during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### MONDAY, April 28

8:00 AM Communion Service

### TUESDAY, April 29

5:15 PM † Leo Zivicki

### WEDNESDAY, April 30

8:00 AM † Catherine Merdan

### THURSDAY, May 1

8:00 AM † Frank Zupan

### FRIDAY, May 2

8:00 AM † Emil Drapes

5:15 PM † Anthony Stepaniak

### SATURDAY, May 3

8:00 AM † Al Okray

4:00 PM † Irene Sether

### SUNDAY, May 4

*Ascension of the Lord*

8:00 AM James and Virginia Golla,

50th Wedding Anniversary

10:00 AM Parish Families

### Mass Intentions: Saint Peter



Parish accepts Mass intentions up to one year in advance from the current date.

Mass intentions are

provided according to availability.

The Parish limits Masses to three

intentions per person per year in

order to accommodate the great

number of requests that come in.

One of the intentions may be on a

weekend Mass, which is 4 p.m.

Saturday, and 8 and 10 a.m. Sunday.

The Parish is accepting intentions for

the beginning of 2009, however

several dates remain this year.

Contact the Parish office, 344-6115.

## Congratulations!



Phil and Patty Lawson are excited to announce that God has blessed them with a beautiful daughter, Miriam Anne Lawson, who joins big brother, William, 2, at home. Miriam was born at 2:57 a.m. Saturday, April 19, at 7 lb 12 oz and 20 inches long. The Lawson family extends a thank you to all who offered prayers and kind words — they're greatly appreciated!

## Welcome to Saint Peter Catholic Church

...[P]articipation at Sunday Mass must be seen by a Catholic not as an imposition or a weight, but as a need and joy. To meet with brothers, to listen to the Word of God and to be nourished of Christ, immolated for us, is an experience that gives meaning to life, which infuses peace in the heart. Without Sunday, we Catholics cannot live. For this reason parents are called to make their children discover the value and importance of the response to Christ's invitation, who calls the whole Christian family to Sunday Mass. In this educational endeavor, a particularly significant stage is the First Communion, a real celebration for the parish community, which receives for the first time its smallest children at the Lord's Table.

— Pope Benedict (June 12, 2005 Angelus Address)

### Come join us for Weekly Adoration

Wednesday after 8 a.m. Mass to Thursday before 8 a.m. Mass

Questions? Call Darcy Bunn 343-9007 or go to [www.saintpetercatholic.com](http://www.saintpetercatholic.com)



**Wedding Anniversary Blessings:** A 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing will be for Herman and Mary Lassa at the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, May 3. The 8 a.m. Mass Intention for Sunday, May 4 will be a 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing for James and Virginia Golla. Congratulations to all of you, and may God grant you many more years together!

**Items needed for Church Picnic:** Please remember as you are doing your spring cleaning, the Church Picnic needs new items for the Silent Auction and Cherry Bowl as well as the craft sale. Please drop your donations off in the red buckets at church or in the rectory during office hours.

**Rosary Society Sunday** is May 4 with Rosary at 7:30 a.m., Mass at 8 a.m. Rose 1 is responsible for leading the Rosary and Offertory gifts.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** Parishioners who desire the Sacrament of Anointing are invited to attend a special Mass at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 15, in the church followed by a luncheon in Kolbe Hall. RSVP by May 13 at 344-6115.

**Last defibrillator demonstration:** There will be a demonstration of the proper way to use a defibrillator by the Deputy Fire Chief on **Tuesday, April 29** at 6:30 p.m. in Kolbe Hall. A defibrillator is used when a person has heart trouble, before an ambulance arrives. **This demonstration is for all Ushers and anyone else who is interested in attending** and is sponsored by the Holy Name Society. We will have a defibrillator at the church entrance. Call Clarence Olszewski with any questions.

**Help Wanted:** Saint Peter Parish has an immediate opening for a part-time cleaning position at the Rectory/Office. For more information or to complete an application, please stop by the parish office Monday through Friday during office hours. **Deadline for application is May 11.**

**Let our gifts show:** On Saturday, May 17, Stevens Point will be celebrating its 150th birthday with "A Parade to Remember." The theme of the parade is, "The contributions



we have made," and it seems most fitting that Saint Peter's takes a part in this momentous event for the community. To make this happen **we need people willing to offer their time** to prepare for the event and to participate in the event. **Items that we need** in particular: folks skilled in float design, folks not skilled in float design, "experienced" parishioners willing to help in ensuring we have included all the contributions St. Peter's has made, people willing to represent our church in the parade, anyone with equipment that may be used for a float, someone willing to design a business card to hand out at the parade, people willing to donate funds for printing business cards for the church, buy candy for the parade, and buy float supplies, and certainly a myriad of other items as the day gets closer! Please call Angel Gebeau at (715) 334-1283 if you can help with any of these items. Pax Christi!



“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you.”

— Jn 14:15-17

### Week of April 27, 2008 readings:

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17  
1 Pt 3:15-18  
Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15  
Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34  
Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15,22-18:1  
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8  
Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18  
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8  
Jn 14:6-14

Next Sunday:  
*Ascension of the Lord:* Acts 1:1-11  
Eph 1:17-23  
Mt 28:16-20

### Sunday Offertory, Envelopes

Budget for Year \$528,029.98  
(need Weekly \$9,963.00)

### April 19/20

Offertory envelopes and offertory received: \$7,326.47  
Budget Year to Date: \$428,409.00  
Actual Year to Date: \$410,571.17  
Year to date shortfall (\$17,837.83)

Envelope count for April 12/13: 260

Envelope count for April 19/20: 262

### *With Much Thanks!*

We are most grateful for the generous donation received toward our parish debt reduction in memory of William Woitczak.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

### Religious Education

**REP** Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. Last night of REP is April 30.

**Vacation Bible School:** Mark your calendars: St. Peter's VBS will take place the week of July 28 through August 1 from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Interested in helping out? Contact Phil Lawson!

**First Holy Communion Rehearsal and Retreat** will be **Wednesday, April 30** at 6:30 p.m.

**Weekly Reflections for Adults: The Areopagus** — A weekly e-mail of reflections on the Church, current events from a faith perspective and interesting tidbits by Phil Lawson. To receive these, send an e-mail to Phil at [lawsphil@gmail.com](mailto:lawsphil@gmail.com)

**Young Adult/College Ministry: DTS** — Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. in the St. Faustina Room. It is open to all college students and young adults.

**Catholic Teens Online:** E-mail Phil at [lawsphil@gmail.com](mailto:lawsphil@gmail.com) This is a weekly reflection, prayer intentions and questions asked by your peers and answered!

**High School DTS** has kicked off! Next session is **TONIGHT, Sunday, April 27** at 7 p.m. Free Food. Join Catholic teens, grades 9-12, from throughout the area. “Through the Saints of Yesterday, the Dead Theologians Society inspires the Youth of Today to become the Saints of Tomorrow.”

### Church Smiles

Teacher Debbie Moon's first graders were discussing a picture of a family. One little boy in the picture had a different hair color than the other members. One of her students suggested that he was adopted. A little girl said, “I know all about adoption, I was adopted.” “What does it mean to be adopted?” asked another child. “It means,” said the girl, “that you grew in your mommy's heart instead of her tummy!”

**Wisconsin Master Chorale** presents “Our Heritage in Song,” with special guests Pacelli Chamber Singers and SPASH Chamber Singers at St. Peter's **Sunday, May 4**, at 3 p.m. Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door; students \$8, at UWSP Ticket Office, Copy Center and choir members.

**Raffle Winners Announced: St. Peter Holy Name Society:** Congratulations to our raffle winners from the annual dance: \$250 to Peter Zarecki; \$100 to Laura Konkol; children's bicycles to Donna Suchon and Ray Flaig; \$50 to Cynthia Calhoun; \$25 to Ginger Groshek; and \$25 to Darlene Raflik. Congratulations to our mini-affle winners: Book basket: Herman Lassa; Floral basket, Marie Kubowski; and Food basket: Karen Proulx.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Jerem #1031:** Raffle prize winners from the Salad Luncheon held on April 5 were: 1st prize, \$300, Gen Bernas; 2nd prize, Hand-Carved Loon, Becky Bogaczyk; 3rd prize, \$100, Linda Sprecher; 4th prize, \$50, Lorraine Omernik. Many other miscellaneous prizes also were given.

### Join the Clubs! A place where everyone belongs

Keep those CLUB MEMBERSHIPS coming in! Several of you have done so already, and there is still room for other members! ALL are welcome to join one or all of the clubs. All the club

dues (donations) are the same as last year: **Beer Club \$50, Pop Club \$15, Chicken Club \$5.** Let us aim to top last year's membership!

Remember your donations to the clubs helps defray the costs of the picnic. All club “dues” are a tax deductible item so help St. Peter's and yourself. You may put your cards and donations in an envelope and drop them into the collection box or basket. St. Peter's parish appreciates your generosity. Checks should be made out to St. Peter Parish. Questions? Call Paul or Marge Laszinski, 344-6316.

**Beer Club Pop Club Chicken Club**



## Looking Ahead

### Sunday, April 27

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

- Confessions, 7-7:45 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
- DTS, 6-9 p.m. Faustina Room

### Monday, April 28

*Peter Chanel or Louis Mary de Montfort*

- Communion Service

### Tuesday, April 29

*Catherine of Siena*

- Confessions, 4:30 p.m.
- Mass, 5:15 p.m.
- Defibrillator demonstration, 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 30

*Pius V.*

- Senior Gathering, 7 a.m., Kolbe Hall
- Confessions, 7:15 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m. followed by Exposition and 24-hour Adoration
- Children's Choir, 6 p.m.
- REP, 6:30 p.m. (last one)

### Thursday, May 1

*St. Joseph the Workman*

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m.; Mass, 8 a.m.
- DTS, 7-8 p.m., Kolbe Hall

### Friday, May 2

*Athanasius*

*First Friday*

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m.; Mass, 8 a.m. followed by Adoration
- Confessions, 4:30 p.m.; Benediction, 5 p.m.
- Mass, 5:15 p.m.

### Saturday, May 3

*Feast of Philip and James*

- Confession, 7:15 a.m.; Mass, 8 a.m.
- Confession, 3 p.m.; Mass, 4 p.m.

### Sunday, May 4

*Ascension of the Lord*

- Confessions, 7-7:45 a.m.; Mass 8 a.m.
- First Communion Mass, 10 a.m.

April 27, 2008

## Strengthen Your Brethren...

**Thank you to our Holy Name Society** for another enjoyable Sunday afternoon of music and dancing to the sounds of *Norm Dombrowski and the Happy Notes*. Norm made the mistake of inviting me to sing several Irish songs with them. After croaking out those tunes I told Norm that is what happens when you invite an amateur to the microphone! I certainly will not be giving up my day job or appearing on *American Idol*!

Several weeks ago the **Pastor of Saint Bronislava, Father Jim Trempe**, called me about the column he was about to write for his parish bulletin. One of his parishioners had showed to him my own column of early April where I noted that in a recent seven-day period I put in 99 hours of priestly service to you at Saint Peter. Father Trempe told me that he had recently tracked his own hours and he asked if he could reference my column. He told me that his hours were less than mine so I could not resist the temptation to harass him about being a "slacker!" Of course, I was kidding and we had a good laugh over it all. Pray for your priests that we never lose our sense of humor or our love of God and His people, and that we do not work ourselves into an early grave!

We have tackled some big projects at Saint Peter since my arrival nearly three years ago – installing the new sound system, replacing of the entire church roof, and upgrading the church electrical service and wiring. For each of these projects we have been forced to scramble for money and then organize them in rather short order. Obviously, this sort of "knee-jerk" response is a less-than-ideal manner of proceeding. ***The We Belong To Christ Campaign now being conducted in our parish looks ahead to the next five years identifying our parish spiritual needs and physical plant projects so that we can systematically address these in a timely manner.*** Eighty cents of every dollar given as a part of the *We Belong to Christ Campaign* stay right here at Saint Peter, while the remaining twenty cents go to meet needs of our Diocese including the education of seminarians and retirement for our priests and lay employees (to name only a few). ***Saint Peter Parish is off to an incredibly fast start as you have already pledged nearly \$150,000.00 towards our goal!*** Indeed, in the whole Diocese the *We Belong to Christ Campaign* has been an overwhelming success as it is at an amazing 92 percent of the goal! And that is with 34 parishes (including us!) still in the middle of the campaign! Virtually every single parish of the Diocese has met and exceeded its goal or, at the very least, come very close. ***Please prayerfully consider the generous role you will play in our parish over the next five years.*** Indeed, the participation of every single family of our parish is crucial if we are to remain vital as a parish! Please complete and return your ***pledge card*** at your earliest convenience. For those of you who have not yet picked up your pledge card ***we will be contacting you personally.*** Now is the time for us to imitate the profound faith and burning charity, the generous service and heroic sacrifices of our immigrant ancestors who founded Saint Peter. May the Lord richly bless you for the ways that you so generously serve Him and our beloved Saint Peter Parish!

Please remember me specially in your prayers this week. On Wednesday ***I will be having surgery*** at the Marshfield Clinic Ambulatory Surgery Center to remove two lesions on my left foot. While not a serious operation, it will knock me out of commission for several days and may require wearing special footwear for a brief period. So do not be surprised at my Walter Brennan imitation in coming days!

Saint Peter, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!  
Father Kevin C. Louis



Saint Peter Parish congratulates the parents and Godparents of Brody Lawrence Kluck, who was baptized by Father Kevin C. Louis last weekend, on Sunday, April 20, and pray that he will grow in knowledge of

Christ's Love. Brody is the son of Jacob and Kendra (Andrich) Kluck; His Godparents are Andrew Andrich and Kimberly Andrich.

Saint Peter Parish also congratulates the parents and Godparents of Sandor Philip Cibaric, who was baptized by Father Derek Sakowski this weekend, on Saturday, April 26, and pray that he, too, will grow in knowledge of Christ's Love. Sandor is the son of Paul and Kathleen (Bodden) Cibaric; His Godparents are Eli Zdroik and Lee Amundson.

## Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest

### Committees

#### Pastoral Council

Cynthia Calhoun (Secretary)	344-4064
Robert Giese (Assistant to the President)	342-9817
Tom McCann	344-8570
James Miller	344-3132
Lee Petersen	345-1734
Mary Sadler	344-6448
Bernice Sevenich	344-7515
Mary Skrzeczkoski	342-0645
Jeff Zdroik	345-9993

#### Finance Council

Bill Grimstad	342-4249
Jean Stroik	341-1470

#### Rosary Society

Lorraine Glodowski	344-1860
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#### Holy Name Society

Gene Kemmeter	344-2598
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#### Order of St. Francis

Nancy Tillman	341-0852
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#### Family Life Committee

Jean Stroik	341-1470
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#### Picnic Committee

Larry Proulx	341-0634
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#### Senior Citizens &

#### Interfaith Caregivers

Lorraine Studinski	344-3158
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#### Ministers of Hospitality

TBA

#### Buildings and Grounds

TBA

#### Justice & Peace

Lorraine Glodowski	344-1860
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### *Respect Life!*

Abortion is a procedure important to the process of *in vitro* fertilization, since “fetal reduction” is routinely used. Moreover, embryos are often destroyed in order to choose the most viable embryo for implantation into the woman’s womb. Further, “leftover” embryos are often looked upon as resources for scientific research, rather than as human beings at the beginning of their life who should never be objects of research done not for their benefit but for someone else’s. Richard Doerflinger, associate director of the U.S. Catholic Bishops’ Pro-Life Secretariat, commented that “one would have to call the IVF procedure a fairly effective method of abortion, with a 95-96 percent success rate.”

*That the Holy Spirit may guide government and religious leaders in their decisions affecting protection of all human life, we pray...*

### Mother’s Day Events:

**Ad:** Once again, Wisconsin Right to Life of Portage County will collect names for a Mother’s Day advertisement showing support for pro-life issues. The ad will appear in the Portage County Gazette on May 9. Parishioners may sign up this weekend, April 26 and 27, after Mass. Donation suggestion is \$1 per signature; The money is used to pay for the ad. If you don’t have money, you can still sign, and if you know a parishioner who is not here to sign, call Jessica Giese at 342-9817 **by Tuesday, April 29**, to add your signature to the list.

**Rose Sale...** beautiful, live, long stemmed red roses will be available for your purchase after all Masses on Mother’s Day weekend, Saturday and Sunday, May 10 and 11. The roses are \$2 each and are provided by Portage County Right to Life through a local greenhouse. Proceeds will go to Portage County Right to Life.



**Rafting:** Join Fr. Joseph O’Hara and the Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe on a white water rafting trip to celebrate life and motherhood Mother’s Day weekend, May 9 through May 10 on the Pestigo River. Cost is \$45; Ladies 18 and older can raft for free. Camping at the Kosirs campsite is \$8 per night per person. Weekend agenda includes prayer, Mass, breakfast and more. For more information, go to [www.kosirs.com](http://www.kosirs.com) or call Will at (608) 698-7443. Rafting experience is not necessary. Deadline for registration is May 5.

**Stevens Point Deanery Council** of Catholic Women will hold a Spring Open Meeting on **Thursday, May 1** at St. Stanislaus Church, 838 Fremont. Registration is at 6 p.m. with prayer service at 6:30 p.m. followed by Women of Light Awards, entertainment, installation of new officers, refreshments and door prizes.

**How To Share Your Faith** (without being obnoxious): What do you say (or not say) to family members, friends or co-workers you know who are no longer practicing their faith? Capuchin Father Martin Pable will help you develop skill and confidence in sharing your faith at a one-day training course on **Saturday, May 3** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. James Parish in Amherst. Father Marty is a popular retreat speaker at St. Anthony’s, and has written books on Catholic Evangelization. All deanery parishes are invited to learn his simple approach. Bring your own lunch, and questions or insights to share. Call Bob Rogers, 344-1494 for more information and register in advance.

**Discernment Retreat:** Veni Si Amas Discernment Retreat will be May 19-22 for single Catholic women ages 17-30 who are discerning a call to religious life. It will be at St. Francis Convent in Alton, Ill. Register at [www.altonfranciscans.org](http://www.altonfranciscans.org) by May 7. For more information, call (618) 463-2757.

**SPACS Openings:** SPACS has a vacancy for the 2008-09 school year for a **Head Volleyball Coach**. Interested applicants may submit a resume to John Raflik, Athletic Director, Pacelli High School, 1301 Maria Dr., Stevens Point, or email [jralik@spacs.k12.wi.us](mailto:jralik@spacs.k12.wi.us). **Substitute bus drivers** are needed for end of the year field trips and athletic events. Contact Raflik at 341-2442 for more information.



### *Your generosity is most appreciated!*

**St. Peter’s Holy Name Society** would like to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets or attended our annual spring dance on Sunday, April 20. We hope you enjoyed yourself as much as we did. Thanks to all members and their wives who sold tickets and worked to make the event successful.

Thank you to Dave’s Body Shop and Pisarski-Dzikoski Funeral Home for paying for the cost of the raffle tickets and to Dave’s Body Shop for the donation of two children’s bicycles.

**Thank you parishioners** for contributing \$303 to the Milk for the Needy for Operation Bootstrap last weekend. The next collection will be May 17 and 18. Your donations are much appreciated.