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Bulletin Deadline

Monday by noon in writing or via

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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.

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Weekend Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Holy Days 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM

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 AM 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.

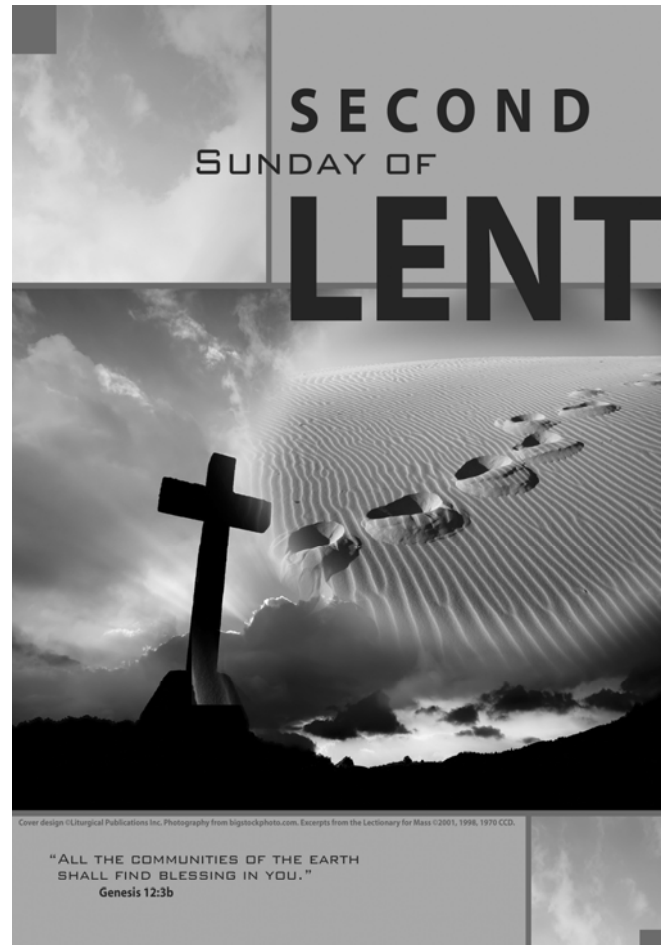
Sacrament of Matrimony

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 six session 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.

SAINT PETER

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*800 Fourth Avenue
Stevens Point, WI
54481
February 17, 2008*



Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, February 18

8:00 AM Liturgy of the Word with Communion

TUESDAY, February 19

5:15 PM † Fred & Stephanie Willner

WEDNESDAY, February 20

8:00 AM † Annette Nolan

THURSDAY, February 21

8:00 AM Special Intentions for Ken & Virginia Glazer

FRIDAY, February 22

Chair of St. Peter, apostle

8:00 AM † Steve Shuda

5:15 PM † Marion Mack

† Luella Frank

SATURDAY, February 23

8:00 AM † Ester Daniloff

4:00 PM Parish Family Members

SUNDAY, February 24

8:00 AM † Lorraine Ligman

10:00 AM † August & Katherine Stanislawski

Friday Soup Luncheons

following the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 12:10 PM.

The meal will include homemade soup, bread, dessert and beverage for \$3.

There will be a different soup offered each week. All proceeds are given to the parish. Please join us.



Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery Association

would like parishioners interested in purchasing cemetery lots to call the cemetery office at 341-3236 and leave a message to schedule an appointment.

Gift Cards are available in the parish office Tuesday –Fridays during office hours. They are also available before and after the weekend Masses. **The rebate we receive from your gift card purchases helps to reduce St Peter's SPACS cash assessment.** Please use these gift cards as often as you can.

Welcome to Saint Peter Catholic Church

Add a new activity to your Lenten observance

Eucharistic



Come join us for Weekly
24-Hour Adoration

Wednesday after 8AM Mass to Thursday before 8AM Mass
Toddler/Preschool Adoration every Wed. 11:30AM-Noon

Questions? Call Darcy Bunn 343-9007 or visit

www.saintpetercatholic.com

Committees Meeting Monday, February 18, 6:30 PM Kolbe Hall.

Senior Gathering will be Wednesday, February 20, in Kolbe Hall following the 8 AM Mass. A continental breakfast is served. Free blood pressure screening is provided. Solo Ensemble Band/Choir performances by Middle School students will take place at 10:30 AM. Card Bingo with prizes and door prizes will be awarded. Cost for lunch is \$3. Parish seniors always welcome.

St. John's Court #1807 COF will meet on Wednesday, February 20 at 7 PM in the St. Peter Middle School Clubroom for election of delegates to the state convention. Refreshments and lunch after the meeting.

Family Rosary It is so important to pray the Rosary to strengthen and protect our families and to help build a "Culture of Life." The "Pope's Prayer for Families" is recited at the end of the Rosary in place of the Pro-Life Prayer on the 4th Sunday of the month. Please join us in prayer on February 24 at 7:30 AM. Any family interested in leading the Rosary can contact Dave & Stephanie Malay 342-5822 or Dan & Molly Koback at 457-2339. Sponsored by the Youth/Family Apostolate of the SFO.

Thanks to Parishioners

St. Peter Parish,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$712.92. We appreciate your support very much!

In His Service,

Anne Hatton,

Executive Director,

First Choice Resource Center

Welcome! **A Warm Welcome to Our New Parish Members**
Denise Koch, Therese Hutkowski, Matthew Pionek and Stephanie Clisch, Germaine Levandoski

Remembering you in our prayers and wishing you a

Happy and Blessed Birthday

Father Kevin Louis!

May God Grant You Many Years!

Thank you to our Bulletin Sponsors The support of the businesses and individuals who advertise on the back of our bulletin make printing them possible. Please support them when shopping and thank them for advertising in the St. Peter's bulletin.

Our featured sponsor this week is: **Sue Glodowski of First Weber Group Realtors.** **Thank you for your support!!!**



Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

- Mt 17:4-5

Readings for the Week of February 17, 2008

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Sunday Envelopes & Offertory

Budget for Year \$528,029.98
 (need Weekly \$9963.00)

Offering Envelopes and Offertory received

February 9/10 \$9,418.39
 Budget Year to Date: \$328,779.00
 Actual Year to Date: \$314,995.60
 Year to date shortfall (\$13,783.40)

Dear St. Peter Parish,
 Thank you for your donation of food in 2007.
 — Operation Bootstrap

Second Sunday of Lent

REP Wednesday 6:30-7:45 PM. Stations of the Cross at 7 PM followed by Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the Church.

Reminder of Post-Confirmation Classes for those confirmed this year continues to meet the first two Wednesdays of each month. Next session is **Wednesday, March 5** at 6:30 PM.

First Holy Communion Parent Meeting Wednesday, March 12 in Kolbe Hall at 6:30 PM. Parents and students should attend.

Faith Formation & Evangelization Committee: First Meeting Monday, February 18 in Kolbe Hall at 5:30 PM.

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

Young Adult/College Ministry: DTS — Thursdays, 7:15 PM in the St. Faustina Room. Open to all college students and young adults.

Catholic Teens Online: E-mail Phil: lawsphil@gmail.com A weekly reflection, prayer intentions and questions asked by your peers and answered!

John Paul the Great College-Aged Retreat-St. Ignatius' Discernment of Spirits. February 29-March 2, 2008. Adoration, Fellowship, Confession, Mass, and Fun with young adults from throughout the state — all asking the same question: What is God calling me to? Fliers can be picked up in the St. Faustina Room pamphlet rack or by contacting Phil Lawson. **Cost is \$60.**

Men of Christ Conference 2008 - Saturday, February 23 in Milwaukee. There is still some room on the bus. Checks should be made out to St. Peter's Parish. Since the early deadline has passed, registration is now \$40 and can be dropped off at the parish office. More information on the event can be found at: <http://www.menofchrist.net> *A second bus has been reserved due to the overwhelming response!*

Faith Alive: The Small Group Faith Sharing Sessions are back this Lent! It's an opportunity to grow deeper, learn, discuss the faith, and get to know your fellow parishioners. There will be two groups meeting on Mondays, during Lent. **Group 1:** 8:45 AM to 10:15 AM in Kolbe Hall. **Group 2:** 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the St. Faustina Room. To sign-up contact the parish office.

Church Smiles-From the kids:

When my son, Kevin, was about 4 years old, he came to me one day and said, "Mommy, when I die, I'm just gonna hold your hand and bring you up to heaven, too."

Another son, Kyle, wears glasses. One day when he was about 6 years old, we were at the vision center and he said, "I'm not going to need glasses in heaven, so I'll just throw them down for someone else to use." -L.T., NC

Source: Family Foundations, September-October 2005

Strengthen Your Brethren...

We are happy to **welcome to our parish staff Heather Clark as secretary**. Heather and her husband Michael reside in Stevens Point. Their two children, Peter and Charlotte, are students in the Stevens Point Area Catholic School System. Heather earned a B.A. in English from Carthage College and has worked as a reporter for several publications since 1992. As parish secretary, Heather's responsibilities include – among many other things! – the editing of the weekly bulletin and the scheduling of Mass intentions. Welcoming Heather means saying **goodbye to Michelle Schey** who is leaving in order to return to school full time. A special thanks to Michelle (and her family!) for "hanging in there" this past month until we

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Sunday, February 17

- Milk Money Collection
- Secular Order of Franciscans
Rosary 7:30, meeting to follow 8 AM Mass

Monday, February 18

- Liturgy of the Word With Communion 8AM
- Faith Alive Groups
- Committee Meetings 6:30PM in Kolbe Hall.
- RCIA 6:30-8 PM Kolbe Hall
- Adoration meeting 6:30 in St. Faustina Room

Tuesday, February 19

- Confessions 4:15 PM
- Mass 5:15 PM

Wednesday, February 20

- Confessions 7 AM
- Mass 8 AM followed by Exposition and 24-hour Adoration
- Senior Gathering in Kolbe Hall
- Stations of the Cross 7 PM
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy 7:25 PM
- St. John's Court # 1807 COF meets at 7 PM in the St. Peter Middle School Clubrooms

Thursday, February 21

- Confessions 7 AM
- Benediction 7:50 AM,
Mass 8 AM

Friday, February 22

- Confessions 7 AM, Mass 8 AM
- Stations of the Cross 12:10 PM
- Soup Luncheon 12:30 PM
- Confessions 4:15 PM, Mass 5:15 PM

Saturday, February 23

- Confessions 7 AM, Mass 8 AM
- Confessions 2:45 PM, Mass 4 PM

Sunday, February 24

- Evening Prayer with Homily at 4 PM

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could hire her replacement. We are grateful for her generosity in continuing to work at the rectory in recent weeks while at the same time already attending school full time. May the Lord bless you, Michelle, in your studies!

Beginning with this Second Sunday of Lent and continuing throughout the remainder of the Season, *we are more deeply connected to our Polish roots and history as a parish through the Kyrie* (the “Lord, have mercy”) *that is sung at Mass*. This Kyrie was composed in 1924 as a part of a *Mass for the Dead* by **Professor Eugene Walkiewicz, organist and choir instructor at Saint Peter (1923 to 1946)**. He was born in Radom, Poland, in 1881 and already as a child exhibited exceptional musical talent. Walkiewicz studied under some of the finest musicians in Poland and Germany, eventually coming to America in 1908. During his two decades at Saint Peter, this world-class organist and choirmaster was prolific in his musical output publishing more than 500 works with hundreds more remaining unpublished. Professor Walkiewicz composed mazurkas, songs for school children, marches, symphonies, and operas. However, his enduring fame as a composer rests chiefly with his prodigious composition of sacred songs and Masses. The *Saint Peter Parish Diamond Jubilee* book stated it well: “**Saint Peter Congregation, and especially the members of the choirs under Professor Walkiewicz, were fortunate indeed to have had so talented a musician in Stevens Point**” (p. 107).

Because our parish claims Saint Peter as its patron, we have *three celebrations in the Church's liturgical year* that we may observe with particular solemnity: the *Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter on February 22*; the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul on June 29; and the Dedication of the Churches of Saints Peter and Paul on November 18. **Pope Benedict XVI explains the significance of this Friday's Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter**: “Peter expressed in the first place, in the name of the Apostles, the profession of faith: ‘**You are the Christ, the Son of the living God**’ (Matthew 16:16). This is the task of all the successors of Peter: *to be the leader in the profession of faith in Christ, the Son of the living God. The chair of Rome is, first of all, the chair of the creed*. From the loftiness of this chair, the Bishop of Rome is obliged to repeat constantly: ‘*Dominus Iesus.*’ ‘Jesus is Lord,’ as Saint Paul wrote in his Letter to the Romans (10:9), and to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 12:3). To the Corinthians he said, with particular emphasis: ‘For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth . . . yet for us there is one God, the Father . . . and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist’ (1 Corinthians 8:5). The chair of Peter obliges its incumbents to say, as Peter did at a moment of crisis of the disciples, when many wished to go away: ‘**Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God**’ (John 6:68ff.). Whoever sits on the chair of Peter must remember the words that the Lord said to Simon Peter at the Last Supper: ‘**And when you have returned again, strengthen your brethren**’ (Luke 22:32). The holder of the Petrine ministry must be conscious of being a frail and weak man, as his own strength is frail and weak, constantly needing purification and conversion. But he can also be conscious that from the Lord he received strength to confirm his brethren in the faith and to keep them united in the confession of Christ, crucified and risen” (7 May 2005). **On our patronal feast this Friday two Masses are offered (8:00 am and 5:15 pm) in honor of Saint Peter and invoking his intercession**. Plan on taking part in one of those Masses or at least making a visit to our Eucharistic Lord on that day.

During the Third Week of Lent, Saint Peter presents several special opportunities for your spiritual growth. Next **Sunday, February 24, at 4:00 pm**, special musical selections will be offered during the **solemn sung celebration of Evening Prayer (Vespers)** in church. I will preside at this liturgy and give a homily “Saint Peter: the Rock Upon Which Christ Builds His Church.” Then, on **Tuesday, February 26, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in Kolbe Hall** I will be giving the **first of three presentations on “The Purpose-filled Life.”** Some questions to be explored include: Where am I going with my life? How do I find purpose and meaning in my life? What should comprise a spiritual plan for my life? Besides prayer, what are other elements that are essential to growth in my relationship with Christ? Practically speaking, what can I be doing to live more deeply my Catholic Faith – at home, in the workplace, as an individual, as a family? Two more Tuesday sessions – March 4 and 11 – follow this initial one.

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

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!

“God’s love does not differentiate between the newly conceived human infant still in his or her mother’s womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness in each one.”

— Pope Benedict XVI, 2-27-06

For greater openness and willingness to provide support for those facing an unplanned pregnancy, we pray.

St. Mary Court 998 of the National Society of Foresters of St. Philip Church, Rudolph, will sponsor a potato pancake breakfast Sunday, March 2 from 8 AM to 12:30 PM in the church basement. Cost is \$6.50 adults, \$3 children 6-12, and free for 5 and under.

Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest

Winter Carnival at St. Stanislaus Sunday, February 17, 11:30 AM - 5:30 PM. The festivities include games for all ages, raffles, silent auction, homemade chicken soup, sandwich plates and desserts.

Friday Fish & Shrimp Fry The Home & School Association of Pacelli High School is sponsoring their traditional Lenten fish and shrimp fry on Fridays, February 22, 29, and March 7 and March 14 in the school cafeteria from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. Fish, shrimp and a combo plate will be available with a choice of potato, coleslaw, roll, beverage and dessert. A grilled cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwich is offered for children. Cost for adults is \$7.00 for fish, \$8.00 for shrimp, and \$7.50 for a combo plate; senior citizens are 50 cents off the adult price, children ages 4 - 12 are \$4.00, and ages 3 and under receive a free meal. Drive-up service is available by calling Pacelli at 341-2442 after 4:15 PM to place your order. A great meal at a great deal for a great purpose.

St. Olaf Handbell Choir in concert at Trinity Lutheran Church, Sunday, February 24 at 2:30 PM. A freewill offering will be taken.

St. Bronislava KC's present Vocations Night Saturday, March 1, Mass at 4 PM with roast beef dinner from 5-6:15 Pm and presentation to follow. This is open to junior & high school students and their parents. This is an open discussion to help teens learn first-hand about vocations, the process of discernment and opportunities in the diocese to take it to the next step. Call St. Bronislava for dinner prices.

End of an Era — Pacelli High School will end its bingo program by the end of February 2008 or when the current progressive bingo jackpot of nearly \$2,000 is won by a lucky participant. Please consider attending for fun and fellowship (and a chance to win cash prizes) during these final weeks celebrating the end of an era!

World Day of Prayer 2007 will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on March 7 at 1 PM. Refreshments will follow. The World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of women of many faith traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday of March. The 2008 WDP will honor women of Guyana.

In the Footsteps of Pope John Paul II Join Chaplain Fr. Patrick Fletcher on this pilgrimage to Poland, May 5-16, 2008. Visit the places where John Paul II lived and prayed. For information contact Fr. Fletcher at 707-759-4442 or www.catholicheritagetours.com/afp

Pilgrimage to Austria, Czech, Slovakia & Hungary with Fr. Janusz Kowalski September 16-30, 2008. Call St. Theresa's in Schofield, 715-359-2421, for more information. Registration deadline is February 29.

Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery Association is accepting applications for a grounds crew position. The ability to perform heavy manual labor is required. Experience with lawn maintenance equipment is preferred but not required. The ideal candidate will have knowledge of machines and small engine maintenance. This is a full-time seasonal position. For an application and complete job description call the cemetery office at 341-3236.

Pacelli Arts, Athletics and Home & School Associations

Casino Night

Saturday, February 23, 2008

Doors open at 5:30 PM

Stevens Point Moose Family Center

\$40 per person

Many fabulous prizes to be given away

Tickets available at: Pacelli or SPACS

For more information call or email: John Raflik 342-2018

jraflik@spacs.k12.wi.us Order form available online at: www.spacs.org

