

# SAINT PETER

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



*He SPOKE to them another parable.  
 "The kingdom of heaven is like YEAST  
 that a woman took and MIXED  
 with three measures of wheat flour  
 until the WHOLE batch  
 was LEAVENED."*

800 Fourth Ave.  
 Stevens Point, WI  
 54481

July 20, 2008  
 Sixteenth Sunday  
 in Ordinary Time

MATTHEW 13:33

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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

**Weekdays:** Masses listed inside of bulletin

**Holy Days:** 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM

### Sacrament of Penance

**Tuesday:** 4:30-5:00 PM

**Wednesday through Saturday:** 7:15 AM

**Saturday:** 3:00 - 3:45 PM

**Sunday:** 7:00 - 7:45 AM

### 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 Nov. 5, 12, 19 and Dec. 3.

### 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, July 21

8:00 AM Communion Service

### TUESDAY, July 22

5:15 PM † Chester and Dorothy  
Golla

### WEDNESDAY, July 23

8:00 AM † Annette Nolan

### THURSDAY, July 24

8:00 AM † Frank and Pauline  
Suchowski

### FRIDAY, July 25

8:00 AM † Keith Butkowski

### SATURDAY, July 26

8:00 AM † Eve Butkus

4:00 PM † Theresa Suchon

### SUNDAY, July 27

8:00 AM † Anthony Butkus

10:00 AM Parish Family Members

## Notes at a Glance

### 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 first seven months of 2009; there is **one date that remains** this year. Contact the Parish office, 344-6115.

### Weddings

Congratulations and God's



Blessing upon David and Stephanie (Anderson) Hansen, who celebrated their

wedding here at St. Peter Catholic Church on June 28, 2008.

## Welcome to Saint Peter Catholic Church

In the Paschal Mystery, our deliverance from evil and death has taken place. In instituting the Eucharist, Jesus had spoken of the “new and eternal covenant” in the shedding of his blood (cf. *Mt* 26:28; *Mk* 14:24; *Lk* 22:20). This, the ultimate purpose of his mission, was clear from the very beginning of his public life. Indeed, when, on the banks of the Jordan, John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him, he cried out: “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world” (*Jn* 1:29). It is significant that these same words are repeated at every celebration of Holy Mass, when the priest invites us to approach the altar: “This is *the Lamb of God* who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.” Jesus is the *true* paschal lamb who freely gave himself in sacrifice for us, and thus brought about the new and eternal covenant. The Eucharist contains this radical newness, which is offered to us again at every celebration.

— Pope Benedict XVI, *Sacramentum Caritatis*, 9

### 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)



**Rosary Society Quarterly Meeting** will be Tuesday, July 22 at 7 p.m. in Kolbe Hall. There will be an ice cream social. All parish women are welcome.

**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 July 27 at 7:30 a.m. Any family interested in leading the Rosary can contact Dave & Stephanie Malay 342-5822 or Dan & Molly Koback at 457-2339.

**Tap into Something More:** Between the ages of 21 and 39 (married or single)? Interested in learning about and discussing issues concerning the Catholic faith today? If so, you are invited to join other young adults on Wednesday nights this summer for Theology on Tap — our 3rd Year! Our next one, the third of four weeks, is **July 23** at the Sky Club, 2202 Post Rd., Plover, at 7 p.m. Father Joe Hirsch will speak on “The Purpose-Filled Life.” For more information, contact Phil Lawson at 344-6115.



**Wanted:** St. Peter Parish is in need of a regular adorer to commit to weekly adoration from 11:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight on Wednesday evening. If you are able to spend one hour with Jesus, please contact Jason and Darcy Bunn at 343-9007 or email [jdbunn@charter.net](mailto:jdbunn@charter.net)

**Road project:** The city of Stevens Point will be doing water and sewer replacement on Fourth Avenue this month, starting at the intersection of Fourth Avenue and Second Street. The extent of construction will include some sidewalk removal. Please be cautious around the project and obey barricades. Access to the church and rectory will be set up; Please do not block the garage or west side entrance to the church. Thank you.



**Bulletin Sponsors:** The support of the businesses and individuals who advertise on the back of our bulletin make printing possible. Please support and thank them for advertising in the St. Peter’s bulletin. Our featured sponsor this week is **Wisconsin Single Catholics**.

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

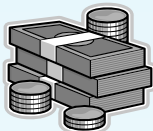
Whoever has ears ought to hear.”  
— Mt 13:41-43

### Week of July 20, 2008 readings:

Sunday:	Wis 12:13, 16-19 Rom 8:26-27/ Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
Monday:	Mt 6:1-4, 6-8 Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mt 7:14-15, 18-20 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday:	Jer 1:1, 4-10 Mt 13:1-9
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 20:20-28
Saturday:	Jer 7:1-11 Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

### Sunday Offertory, Envelopes

July 1 began a new fiscal year for St. Peter's Parish so budget information for offertory and envelopes this month will be delayed a bit, however they will be forthcoming. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



### Religious Education

**Vacation Bible School:** “*Christ Our Hope*” 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. Registration forms are now available in the St. Faustina room. Interested in helping out? Contact Phil Lawson.

**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 [lawphil@gmail.com](mailto:lawphil@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.

**Men of Christ:** The next Men of Christ breakfast and prayer meeting is **Tuesday, July 29**. Meet at 6:00 a.m. in the church for morning prayer and teaching followed by breakfast at Perkins at 6:30 a.m. All men are welcome.

**Women of Christ:** Continuing our focus on the Year of St. Paul, we'll have a night for the women of the parish Tuesday, August 19. This will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Church and include: Evening Prayer, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, and an extended presentation on St. Paul. Following this will be ice cream at Emy J's.

**An Evening for Marriages:** Mark your calendar for Saturday evening August 2. St. Peter's will host a night for our married couples featuring a presentation “Languages of Love” by Jeff and Alice Heinzen. Expanding from our very popular Engaged Couples Evening, this night will be for those newlyweds to those celebrating 50+ years. So save the date, after all isn't your marriage worth it?



**The St. Peter Keys:** Due to an early bulletin deadline, the results from this past week's game will be included next weekend. The Keys next game is **Monday, July 21** at 7:30 p.m. vs. Grazie's on Field No. 1. Games are played at Zenoff Park.

**Church Smiles:** “A thoughtful six-year-old was quite concerned when he overheard his parents and their friends trading stories about their ailments. One visitor finally summed up the dismal outlook by saying, ‘Everything just seems to be going to pieces.’ That night the boy added this line to his prayer: ‘God bless Daddy and Momma, and all those other people who are falling apart.’”

— *Faith, Hope and Hilarity: The Child's Eye View of Religion*,  
by Dick Van Dyke

**New Parish Directory:** A new parish directory is being worked on since our last directory was five years ago and a lot of changes have taken place, from our pastor to new family additions. A table will be set up in the St. Faustina Room after all Masses this weekend and next weekend for families and individual members to sign up for a time and day for a photograph to be taken. Dates for sign up are the weekend of July 26/27 and Aug. 2/3 and 9/10. Please take a minute, stop by and set up a time. For more information, call Mary Skrzeczkoski, 342-0645 or Lee Petersen, 345-1734.



**SPACS Employment:** Stevens Point Area Catholic Schools has teaching openings for the 2008-09 school year. They are for:

- a full-time Elementary Spanish Teacher
- a full-time Elementary and Middle School Art Teacher.

Resume, letters of reference, and application material can be emailed to: [jobs@spacs.k12.wi.us](mailto:jobs@spacs.k12.wi.us) or mailed to: 1004 First St., Stevens Point, WI 54481

**Recruitment for Deacon Formation** information and application process for a new class of aspirants to the diaconate is underway. If you know of anyone who may be a good candidate, call the LaCrosse Diocese, (608) 791-2667 or email [cruiff@diocesesoflacrosse.com](mailto:cruiff@diocesesoflacrosse.com)

## Looking Ahead

### Monday, July 21

*Lawrence of Brindisi*

- Communion service, 8 a.m.

### Tuesday, July 22

*Mary Magdalene*

- Confession, 4:30 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.
- Rosary Society Quarterly Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Kolbe Hall

### Wednesday, July 23

*Bridget of Sweden*

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m. followed by Exposition and 24-hour Adoration

### Thursday, July 24

*Sharbel Makhluf*

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m., Benediction, Mass, 8 a.m.
- DTS, 7 p.m., Faustina room

### Friday, July 25

*Feast of James*

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m., Mass, 8 a.m.

### Saturday, July 26

*Joachim and Anne*

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

### Sunday, July 27

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- Confessions, 7-7:45 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m., 10 a.m.
- Pastoral and Finance Councils picnic, 1 p.m. Kolbe Hall

### Monday, July 28

- Vacation Bible School begins
- Communion service, 8 a.m.

### Tuesday, July 29

*Martha*

- Confession, 4:30 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.

July 20, 2008

## Strengthen Your Brethren...

Please *prayerfully remember* our former parishioner, *Sister Mary Veronica of the Divine Indwelling* (in the world Katie Buss), who on July 16 completed one year of the *novitiate of the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Hanceville, Alabama*. The community was officially established in 1962 by Mother Angelica who, of course, also founded the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN). The community's charism – or particular supernatural character, goal and spirit – bestowed by the Holy Spirit and confirmed by the Church is offering prayers and sacrifices for the salvation of the whole world. As their name indicates, the life of prayer of the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration is specially centered on adoration of our Lord present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. God's blessings on Sister Mary Veronica and all the members of her community!

*Have you ever thought of visiting the Holy Land* – to see and pray at the places made holy by Jesus Himself and that are spoken of in the Bible? *Father Robert Schaller – former Pastor of Saint Peter now serving at Saint Elizabeth in Holmen – and I are leading such a pilgrimage February 8-18, 2009*. We are the spiritual guides for the pilgrimage celebrating the Holy Mass each day. A growing number of parishioners from Saint Elizabeth and our own Saint Peter have already committed themselves to this spiritual tour. The number of pilgrims is strictly limited so that we can all travel together on one bus thereby creating a more intimate atmosphere conducive to a prayerful absorption of all that we will see and experience. Some of the highlights include visits to Caesarea Philippi (now known as Baniyas) where Jesus declared to Simon, “You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church”, Cana in Galilee where couples may renew their marriage vows, Bethlehem and the Church of the Nativity, as well as Jerusalem where we will walk the Way of the Cross (*Via Dolorosa*) and visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Of course, this only scratches the surface of the magnificent and moving sights to be seen and places to offer prayers! The cost of \$2,799 includes airfare, expert native Christian tour guides, many meals, and lodging in first class hotels. *For a complete itinerary and more information please consult the brochures available in church or at the rectory or contact Father Louis*.

*In the next five years our parish anticipates having to address a number of issues with regard to our physical plant* including the increasingly dangerous buckling of the carpet in the church proper and the sanctuary (which is very obvious now in the humidity of our Wisconsin summer), the hazardous deteriorating bricks and concrete between the garage and the church, the incredibly wasteful heating system in the rectory, and the security of our magnificent church (which has been vandalized three times in recent weeks!) – to name just a few. *We will only be able to solve these problems if each and every parishioner generously participates in the We Belong To Christ Campaign now being conducted in our parish*. Complete and return your pledge card immediately. *If we do not hear from you we will be contacting you personally*.

Each year June 30 ends one fiscal year and July 1 begins the next. We ended the *2005-2006 fiscal year in financially catastrophic fashion being \$112,848.76 in debt*. You will recall that thanks to a most generous grant from Bishop ListECKI (through the Diocesan Annual Appeal) and absolution of the remaining debt by the Dean of the Stevens Point Deanery, we broke even. We ended the *2006-2007 fiscal year with a \$39,090.00 surplus*, although that was very misleading insofar as we again received a substantial grant from Bishop ListECKI (through the Diocesan Annual Appeal) as well as the proceeds from an incredibly large estate. *As of June 30, 2008, we have ended our 2007-2008 fiscal year \$26,600.00 in debt*. In all likelihood, we will be required in short order to take out a loan in order to pay off this debt. We were fortunate again this year to receive a grant from Bishop ListECKI (through the Diocesan Annual Appeal), but significantly less parishioners remembered Saint Peter in their wills and in memorials of loved ones compared to recent years. As soon as humanly possible, we will be publishing the financial report for this year's picnic as well as the parish fiscal year report.

Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

Father Kevin C. Louis

## Committees

### Pastoral Council

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Bernice Sevenich	344-7515
Mary Skrzeczkoski	342-0645
Jeff Zdroik	345-9993

### Finance Council

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Jean Stroik	341-1470

### Rosary Society

Lorraine Glodowski	344-1860
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### Order of St. Francis

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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!*

Jean Vanier, founder of the L'Arche communities for people with mental disabilities, calls out attention to what the mentally challenged have to offer "normal" people: "They have an incredible gift to bring to our world: they are a source of hope, peace and perhaps salvation for our wounded world. If we are open to them, if we welcome them, they give us life and lead us to Jesus and the Good News."

— *Voices for the Unborn*, 3/97

*For those who have been involved in abortion, that they may seek the forgiveness of a merciful God, we pray ...*

## Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest

**Portage County Relay For Life**, the American Cancer Society's signature event, will be July 25-26, beginning at 6 p.m. on **July 25** at the Amherst High School track in Amherst. The event raises awareness and funds to research and help those touched by cancer. For more information, visit [www.events.cancer.org/rflamherstwi](http://www.events.cancer.org/rflamherstwi) or contact the event chairman, Jerry Riederer at (715) 498-0475.

**Summer Recovering Alcoholics and Al-Anon Retreat**: St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon, will offer a retreat, "Recovery: A Journey, not a Destination," the weekend of **July 25-27** at the center. There will be two anonymous retreats, one for recovering alcoholics and one for Al-Anon. There will be communal meals, prayer celebrations and common healing service. Offering is \$140. Contact St. Anthony's at (715) 443-2236 to register or for more information.

**Young Adult Retreat**: St. Anthony retreat Center, Marathon, will offer a retreat, "Quarter-Life Question, the weekend of Aug 8-10 at the center. Young adults are asking very important questions about the purpose of life, of their work and the relationships in their lives. All are welcome between the ages of 20 and 33, married and single. Offering is \$125. Contact St. Anthony's at (715) 443-2236 to register or for more information.

**Fall Pilgrimage** to Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, Ill., will be October 26-29. It will be four days of peace and quiet to spend with God. Cost is \$250, which includes the bus, rooms and meals. Reservations must be made **by July 31**; Call Evelyn Staszak at (715) 359-2951.

**Come and See** the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis during a weekend for women ages 18 to 40 who are curious about what a life of a religious is all about. The visit is August 1-3. **Space is limited.** Registration is required. Call Sister Debra at 341-8457 or email [vocation@ssj-tosf.org](mailto:vocation@ssj-tosf.org)

**AFS Students** from countries around the world will arrive in August. Would you share your home and host one of these students the school year or a semester? For information, contact Mary Kusiak at (715) 693-6693 or [mkusiakafs@yahoo.com](mailto:mkusiakafs@yahoo.com)



## Area picnics & festivals

**St. Mary's — Torun:** St. Mary's—Torun church picnic is **THIS WEEKEND**, Saturday and Sunday, **July 19 and 20**. It includes dancing, raffles, family games, softball tournaments.



**St. Adalbert's Church** in Rosholt holds its church picnic on Sunday, Aug. 3 beginning with a polka Mass. There will be a horse shoe tournament, bingo, raffle, children's games and more.

**St. Philip Parish** in Rudolph holds its 88th annual picnic and chicken dinner event Sunday, Aug. 3. Dinner is \$8 adults, \$5 children 6-12 and \$2 for children under 6. Music, games, raffle also are among the entertainment.

**St. Therese** in Schofield/Rothschild will hold its August Fest Friday, Aug. 8, through Sunday, Aug. 10. Included in the festivities are a flea market, music, children's games, bingo, and a raffle.

