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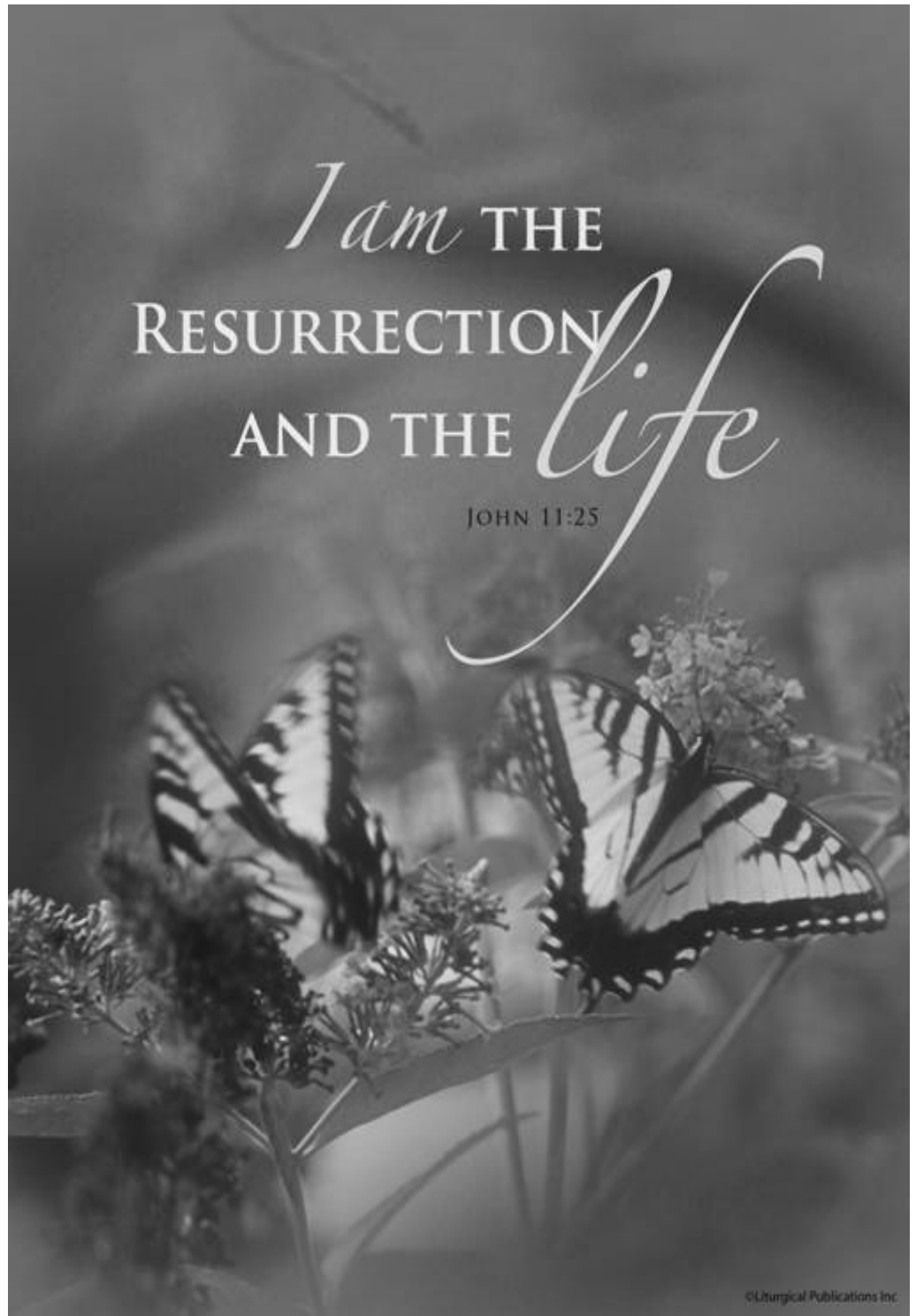
Monday by noon in writing or via

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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.



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

*800 Fourth Avenue
Stevens Point, WI 54481
March 23, 2008
Easter Sunday*

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, March 24

8:00 AM Liturgy of the Word with Communion

TUESDAY, March 25

5:15 PM † Agnes Somers

WEDNESDAY, March 26

8:00 AM † Rose Waisbrot

THURSDAY, March 27

8:00 AM Special Intentions of Leonard & Pearl Szymanski

FRIDAY, March 28

8:00 AM † James H. Sullivan

SATURDAY, March 29

8:00 AM † Darlene Niemczyk

4:00 PM Parish Family Members

SUNDAY, March 30

8:00 AM † Joseph DeMares

10:00 AM Parish Family Members

[Our sympathy](#) and assurance of our remembrance in prayers are extended to the family members of Eve Butkus, and Rita A. Bogdanik, whose funerals and services were during the month of February.

[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 three intentions may be on a weekend Mass, which is 4 p.m. Saturday, and 8 and 10 a.m. Sunday. The Parish currently is accepting intentions for the first three months of 2009, however several dates remain this year, in 2008. If you are interested in scheduling a Mass intention, contact the Parish office, 344-6115, during office hours.

[Bulletin deadline](#) resumes to its original time, noon on Mondays. Anyone interested in placing something in an upcoming bulletin can mail us or contact us via e-mail saintpeterchurch@gmail.com

[Milk for the Needy:](#) We collected \$350 last weekend for Operation Bootstrap. Thank you and God Bless!

— Justice and Peace Committee

Welcome to Saint Peter Catholic Church

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 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.

[Bingo:](#) Come play Pacelli Bingo before it is all over! Our next – and maybe last – bingo is on March 30 at 6:00 p.m. The progressive Jackpot is growing – already over \$2,000! Call 344-1985 for more information.

[A Blood Drive](#) will be held Monday, March 31, at St. Bronislava Parish, Plover. The drive runs from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-888-310-7555 for an appointment.

[Spring Salad Luncheon](#) hosted by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Jerem will be on Saturday, April 5, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Stevens Point Elks Lodge. The public is welcome. Tickets are \$6 — **advanced sales only by April 1!** Call 344-3943 or 344-4161. Raffle tickets will be available also.

[Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner a success.](#) We sound a loud and grateful thank



you for the people that attended and supported our Delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner. It was a huge success for St. Peter's Parish. We are so very grateful to our special cooking staff of volunteers and all the hours of hard work; the many wonderful volunteers for selling tickets, set up, decorating, serving waitress, clean up persons, our scrumptious coconut crème pie bakers, cutters, and servers. Our dish washers and wipers, we salute you! Our special hostesses, all the youthful young ladies, we thank you for helping with so many smiles.

We also want to thank the very generous persons for their donations of bakery and the 25 plants for our free door prizes. This brought a hint of Spring to all present. And we thank you for your generous donations to our beautiful mini raffle. God Bless You and see you at our next Dinner!

Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord



Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you."

— Mt 28:5-7

Readings for the Week of March 23, 2008

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33 Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41 Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10 Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26 Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12 Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21 Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

The 2008 Gospel Fest will be Saturday, March 29, in the UW-SP Dreyfus University Center Theater. The doors will open for the audience at 6:30 p.m. with the event beginning promptly at 7 p.m. Performers for the evening will include Lane Tech from Chicago. Tickets are limited and cost \$2 for students with ID and children 12 and under, and \$3 for adults. Tickets are available at the University Box Office. The event is sponsored by the UW-SP Black Student Union.

Religious Education

REP is on Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

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.

Men of Christ! Our next gathering is Thursday, March 27. We'll meet at 5:30 a.m. at St. Peter's Church for Adoration, Morning Prayer, and some study. This will be followed by breakfast at Perkins. Any men are welcome to join us!

Eighth Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m. in Kolbe Hall. Required Meeting for any eighth-grade parents who have children seeking Confirmation in ninth-grade.

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 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 This is a weekly reflection, prayer intentions and questions asked by your peers and answered!

High School DTS has kicked off! Next session is Sunday, March 30 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."

The St. Peter's Keys are back for a third Season of Softball! We play in the Stevens Point Rec League on Monday nights (probably). Games begin April 20...snow permitting! This is a co-ed team. Cost is \$35 and includes a t-shirt. Interested? Contact Phil Lawson at the parish or by email. **Registration deadline is March 29.**

Church Smiles — From the Kids:

A little girl was sitting on her grandfather's lap as he read her a bedtime story. From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up to touch his wrinkled cheek. She was alternately stroking her own cheek, then his again. Finally she spoke up, "Grandpa, did God make you?"

"Yes, sweetheart," he answered, "God made me a long time ago."

"Oh," she paused, "Grandpa, did God make me too?"

"Yes, indeed, honey," he said, "God made you just a little while ago."

Feeling their respective faces again, she observed, "God's getting better at it, isn't he?"

Congratulations & Welcome to those received at the Easter Vigil!

To the newly Baptized

Jonathan Ryan Lepinski

To the newly Baptized & Confirmed & First Communion

Echo Marie Lucy Terry

Michaela Jo Elizabeth Terry

To the newly received into the Catholic Church, Confirmed & First Communion

Kara Ann Hagman

Andrea Gianna Molla Hagen

Derek John Treichel

To the newly Confirmed & First Communion

Patience Amelia Monica Riley

To the newly Confirmed

Amanda Maragaret Austreng

Matthew Vitus Laszinski

Sunday, March 23

Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord

- Mass, 8 a.m.
- Mass, 10 a.m.

Monday, March 24

- Liturgy of the Word with Communion, 8 a.m.
- No RICA Class

Tuesday, March 25

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

Wednesday, March 26

- 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.

Thursday, March 27

- Confessions, 7:15 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m.
- Young Adult/College Ministry DTS, 7:15 p.m. Kolbe Hall

Friday, March 28

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

Saturday, March 29

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

Sunday, March 30

Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

- Confessions, 7 a.m.
- Mass, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
- Mass, 10 a.m. (Catholic Order of Foresters)
- High School DTS, 7 p.m.

Monday, March 31

Annunciation of the Lord

- Mass, 8 a.m.
- Pastoral Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Strengthen Your Brethren...

“Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on His head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed” (John 20:3-8). A happy and blessed Easter to you and your loved ones! May the Crucified and Risen Lord abundantly bless all of you!

Congratulations and welcome to those who were baptized at Saint Peter at the Easter Vigil this year – Echo Marie, Michaela Jo, and Jonathan! Congratulations, too, to those received into the full communion of the Catholic faith – Andrea and Derek – as well as to those who completed their initiation into the Catholic faith by the reception of Holy Communion and Confirmation: Amanda, Kara, Matthew, and Amy. Please keep all of them in your prayers during this Easter Season!

Thank you to everyone who made our Holy Week celebrations so prayerful and beautiful at Saint Peter – those who cleaned the church, members of the Sacred Worship Committee, decorators including those who work with candles and flowers and altar coverings, custodians, sacristan Mary Stanczyk, Patrick Burkhart and musicians, cantors, children's choir, schola cantorum adult choir, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, ushers, Darick Bloom, Father Sakowski, and each of you through your participation! May the special graces of these liturgies bring continued spiritual renewal to our parish family.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity to me personally during this Easter season. I am most grateful for the numerous cards, notes, and gifts that have been delivered to the rectory. I appreciate, too, your words of encouragement written in so many cards and the assurances of your prayers. Know that you and your loved ones are daily in my prayer.

For all those living in a cave for the past two weeks and not having heard the news, the quarterback of the Green Bay Packers, Brett Favre, announced his retirement after 16 years leading our beloved Green and Gold. Brett and his wife Deanna are practicing Catholics and I was impressed with how Brett began the March 6 hour-long press conference in Green Bay: “Seems like just yesterday we were here. Well, I think we all know why I’m here. First of all, sorry I’m late. But I am officially retiring from the N.F.L. and the Green Bay Packers, and as much as I’ve thought about what I would say, and how . . . I promised I wouldn’t get emotional . . . It’s never easy . . . You know, it’s funny, I’ve watched hundreds of players retire, and you wonder what that would be like . . . You think you’re prepared . . . but I was telling Deanna on the way over here, God has blessed me with so many great things. Ability, wonderful family. And as I was flying up here today I thought about so many different things and how I wanted to say some of the things that I felt like I need to say, but He gave me an opportunity to use my abilities, and I seized that opportunity . . . I thank Him for that.” Brett’s opening comments reflect the priorities that the legendary Packer coach, Vince Lombardi, instilled in his players: God, family, and the Green Bay Packers – in that order! Brett has come a long way as a man over the years – battling addictions to drugs and alcohol, facing the sudden deaths of his own father and his brother-in-law, and supporting his wife in her battle with breast cancer. During this time his Catholic faith has matured and been a source of strength and consolation. May the Lord richly bless Brett and his family in retirement!

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

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Respect Life!

The delicate buds of spring, bursting with new life, will soon appear on trees and flowers. Easter brings another, even more precious form of new life. As we value and protect these types of new life, let us act with the same reverence and awe toward the miracle in the gift of each new human life.



For all of those who feel burdened by an unexpected pregnancy, that they may be willing to make the sacrifice to nurture the new life of their unborn child, we pray...

Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest



Please Lend a Hand: Goodwill inventory has run low and the organization is asking for donations. Gently used clothing and household items you no longer need can be boxed or bagged and brought to the Goodwill donation drive-thru. Attendants there will help you unload the items and give you a tax-deduction receipt. Donations help fund job training and other programs to help people with disabilities and other barriers to independence become more fully integrated into society.

The Collingsworth Family returns to Central Wisconsin on Sunday, April 13 for a concert at 3 p.m. at St. Bronislava Church, Plover. The family brings excitement, family emphasis and musical excellence to us to experience during the afternoon of "Family Worship and Praise with the Collingsworth Family." There is open seating and a free-will offering will be taken. The family consists of parents, Phil and Kim, teen daughters Brooklyn and Courtney, son Phillip Jr., and youngest daughter Olivia. All are vocalists, Phil plays trumpet, Kim is the pianist and Brooklyn and Courtney also play violin.

University of Wisconsin-Russian Folk Orchestra will hold a free event on Sunday, March 30, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Dreyfus University Center Melvin Laird Room. It is sponsored by the US-SP Multicultural Affairs. Contact Linda Pluke at 346-3829 for more information.

Tea Hostesses are wanted for A Most Unique Tea Party on Sunday, April 27. Tea will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. at St. Therese School in Schofield. The event is sponsored by the St. There Little Flower Council. Hostesses must reserve and purchase tables by April 1. Call Marie, 359-8074 for more information.

Informed Parents are Responsible Parents: Speakers Jane Frantz and JoAnne Holden are coming to Stevens Point on April 1 to discuss topics including information on sexually transmitted diseases, the Human papillomavirus vaccine, and post-abortion syndrome. This FREE event will be starting at 7 p.m. in the Dreyfus University Center at UWSP with a Q&A session to follow. Refreshments will be available. For questions, contact Jackie Krzykowski, 347-0274

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

Help Wanted: Saint Peter Parish is looking for Altar Servers. Any boys who would like to be an Altar Server, please contact the Parish Office during office hours. Boys must have received their First Communion to serve. Training will be scheduled in the near future.



Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers: The summer Mass schedules are being put together. Please call Saint Peter Parish office, 344-6115, by Friday, April 18, with any dates you are unable to serve in the summer months. Thank you.

SPACS Office will be closed during spring break, Saturday, March 15 through Monday, March 24, reopening for business on Monday, March 25. SPACS gift cards will not be available during the weekends of March 15/16 and March 22/23. Have a Happy Easter!

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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: **Second Time Around.** Thank you for your support!!