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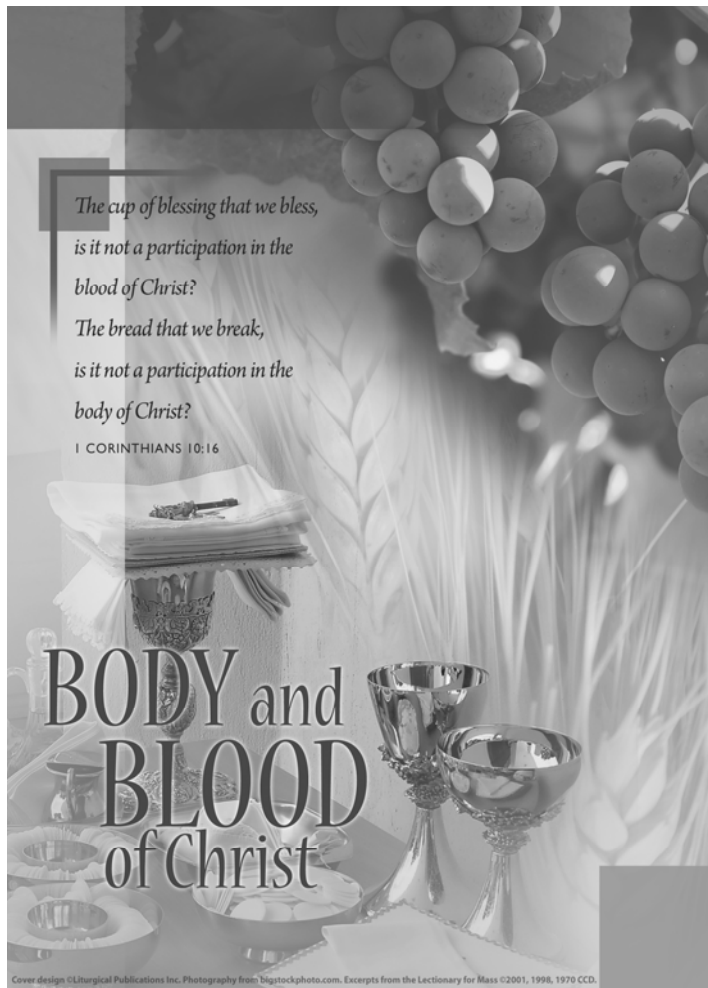
Bulletin Deadline

Monday by noon in writing or via

Email: saintpeterchurch@gmail.com

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

May 25, 2008

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 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, May 26

8:00 AM Communion Service

TUESDAY, May 27

5:15 PM † Stanislaus Molski and
Roman Molski

WEDNESDAY, May 28

8:00 AM † Margaret Zywicki

THURSDAY, May 29

8:00 AM † Chester Klesmith

FRIDAY, May 30

8:00 AM † Ester Daniloff

SATURDAY, May 31

8:00 AM † Michael Pongratz

4:00 PM † Kazimierz Serwas

SUNDAY, June 1

8:00 AM Parish Family Members

10:00 AM Special Intentions of Don
and Eleanor Grywacz 55th
Wedding Anniversary

Notes at a Glance

Weddings: Congratulations and



God's Blessing
upon Joseph and
Beverly (Swita

Niewiadomski) Niescior who
celebrated their wedding here at St.
Peter's on May 10, 2008.

Congratulations also to Michael and
Amy (Rohlinger) Boris who
celebrated their wedding here at St.
Peter's on May 17, 2008.

55th Wedding Anniversary:

Blessings for Leonard and Lorraine
Glodowski's 55th Wedding
Anniversary will be at 8 a.m. Mass
on Sunday, June 1. The 10 a.m. Mass
Intention for Sunday, June 1 will be a
55th Wedding Anniversary Blessing
for Don and Eleanor Grywacz.
Congratulations and may God grant
you many more years together!

Newly Baptized

Saint Peter Parish congratulates the
parents and Godparents of Camden
Eldon Hikade, who was baptized last
weekend on Sunday, May 18.
Camden's parents are Christopher
and Emily (Pfiffner) Hikade;
Godparents are Chris Fanta and Carol
Hardy-Fanta.

Note: The Parish office will be
closed Monday, May 26 for
Memorial Day.

Welcome to Saint Peter Catholic Church

Having passed from this world to the Father, Christ gives us in the Eucharist the pledge of glory with him. Participation in the Holy Sacrifice identifies us with his Heart, sustains our strength along the pilgrimage of this life, makes us long for eternal life, and unites us even now to the Church in heaven, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints.

– CCC 1419

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

From the Bishop of La Crosse: Please give special attention to today's bulletin insert consisting of the Wisconsin Bishops' Pastoral Letter addressing stem cell research, *Serving All and Sacrificing None*. This issue is literally a matter of life and death and every Catholic is called to be well informed. The Pastoral Letter and other resources can also be found at the diocesan website: www.dioceseoflacrosse.com

St. Peter Parish staff and members will have a farewell reception for **Father Derek Sakowski** and wish him the best in his move and studies on Sunday, June 8 after both the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses. Refreshments will be served in Kolbe Hall.

Rosary Society Sunday is June 1 with Rosary at 7:30 a.m., Mass at 8 a.m. Rose 2 is responsible for leading the Rosary and Offertory gifts.

Picnic Power: Just three weeks left until the picnic on June 14 & 15. Keep selling those raffle tickets! Remember, the picnic is the largest fundraiser for the church. Also, we need new items for the Silent Auction and Cherry Bowl as well as the craft sale. Please drop donations at church or in the rectory. Thank you! **See page 5 for more picnic news!**

Pacelli High School has openings for the 2008-09 school year for an Assistant Volleyball Coach. Please send a letter of interest, resume, and references to Pacelli High School, Attn: John Raflik, 1301 Maria Dr., Stevens Point, WI 54481 or jobs@spacs.k12.wi.us. All applications **due June 6**.



Mass: Stevens Point Area Catholic Cemetery Association will sponsor a Mass on Memorial Day, **Monday, May 26**, at 9 a.m. at Guardian Angel Cemetery. The Rev. Tom Lindner will be the celebrant. People are reminded to bring chairs to sit on. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated at the Convent Chapel, 1300 Maria Drive at 9:30 a.m.

Thank You to all the men and women serving in Armed Forces, and to all the veterans! May God Bless you and your families and may He continue to Bless our country.

Join a Club or Two or Three!



Beer Club



Pop Club



Chicken Club

Keep those club memberships coming in! ALL are welcome to join for one or all three of the clubs. Club "dues" are: **Beer Club \$50.00, Pop Club \$15.00, and Chicken Club \$5.00**. Remember your donations to any or all of the clubs helps defray the costs of the picnic and are tax deductible. You may put your cards and donations in an envelope and drop them into the collection box or basket. Questions? Call Paul or Marge Laszinski, 344-6316.



“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.”

— Jn 6:56-58

Week of May 25, 2008 readings:

- Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a
1 Cor 10:16-17
Jn 6:51-58
- Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9
Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16
Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25
Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12
Mk 10:46-52
- Friday: Dt 7:6-11
1 Jn 4:7-16
Mt 11:25-30
- Saturday: Zep 3:14-18a or
Rom 12:9-16
Lk 1:39-56
- Next Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32
Rom 3:21-25, 28
Mt 7:21-27

Sunday Offertory, Envelopes

Budget for Year: \$528,029.98
Need Weekly: \$9,963.00

May 17/18

Offertory envelopes and offertory received: \$8,950.71
Budget Year to Date: \$468,261.00
Actual Year to Date: \$448,875.10
Year to date shortfall (\$19,385.90)

Envelope count for May 3/4: 325

Parish financial

contributions: St. Peter Parish is now offering direct deposit. Parishioners may choose to have a certain dollar amount withdrawn from their checking account. Once set up, an automatic withdraw (ACH) from the checking account will occur on a designated date. ACH Debit Authorization forms are available at the parish office.

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Religious Education

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. **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

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 lawphil@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, June 1 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.”

Men of Christ: The next Men of Christ breakfast and prayer meeting is Tuesday, June 3. Meet at 6 a.m. in the Church for Morning Prayer & Teaching. 6:30 a.m. at Perkins for breakfast and fellowship. All men are welcome. Come for the whole time or whatever your schedule allows!

The St. Peter Keys After being off for 2 weeks, the Keys took the field this past Monday to face the Hudson’s Grill Hornets. The game started well with Ryan Drifka scorching a 1st inning pitch out of the park for a solo home run. However, the Hornets, sparked by error-free defense and solid hitting proved too much for the Keys, dispatching them by a final of 14-5. The other significant highlight was Jonah Glodowski legging out an Inside the Park Home run.



With Memorial Day Monday, the Keys next game is **Monday, June 2** at 7:30 p.m. against Grazie’s on Field 3. All Games are at Zenoff Park.

Faster Pastor! Friday, June 20 at Golden Sands Speedway. Watch pastors from area parishes drive the track for the coveted trophy and title of “Faster Pastor”. Phil Lawson will again be representing St. Peter’s — trying to improve on last year’s 2nd Place finish!

Church Smiles

“Another teacher, trying to convey the awesome importance of the Annunciation, asked her class, ‘How would you feel if the Angel Gabriel appeared to you and announced that you had been chosen to be the Mother of Jesus?’ A boy in the front row looked stricken and said, ‘I’d fee kinda funny because I’m a boy, and boys don’t usually have babies.’”

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

Pope Benedict’s message: “To come to know God — the true God — means to receive hope.” — *Pope Benedict XVI*

Pope Benedict brings his message to St. Peter Parish Vacation Bible School for children grades 1 through 5. Vacation Bible School runs Monday, July 28 through Friday, Aug. 1 at the parish from 8:45 a.m. to noon. Early registration is due by June 15, \$10. After that date, registration increases to \$15. For any questions or for a registration form, contact the parish office at 344-6115.

Looking Ahead

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day

- Communion Service, 8 a.m.

Tuesday, May 27

Augustine of Canterbury

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

Wednesday, May 28

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

Thursday, May 29

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

Friday, May 30

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

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

Saturday, May 31

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Sunday, June 1

Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Monday, June 2

Marcellinus and Peter

- Communion service, 8 a.m.

Tuesday, June 3

Charles Lwanga and companions

- Confessions, 4:30 p.m.; Mass, 5:15 p.m.
- Picnic meeting, 6-8 p.m., Kolbe Hall

Wednesday, June 4

Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

May 25, 2008

Strengthen Your Brethren...

Today's celebration of the *Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ* (also known by the Latin *Corpus Christi* or "the Body of Christ") is "intended to teach the faithful how to share in the Eucharistic sacrifice and to have it more profoundly influence their life, to revere the presence of Christ the Lord in this Sacrament, and to offer the thanks due for God's gifts" (*Caeremoniale Episcoporum*, 385). Besides centering your week in the *Mass on the Lord's Day*, making that extra effort to participate in the Mass during the weekdays is one way to live this feast of Corpus Christi throughout the year! Come to weekday Mass! Saint Peter has *Mass at 5:15 pm on Tuesdays* and at *8:00 am Wednesdays through Saturdays*. Another excellent practice is to offer time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament – stop in church to *make a visit when you are in the neighborhood* (the Saint Faustina Room doors remain unlocked until 3:00 pm) or take part in the Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on *First Fridays* (8:30 am to 5:00 pm). What is more, why not consider committing yourself to prayer once a week before the Blessed Sacrament during our time of *Solemn Exposition following the 8:00 am Mass Wednesdays through Benediction at 7:50 am Thursdays*? Please contact Jason and Darcy Bunn (343-9007) if you would like more information about our 24-hour weekly adoration or if you would like to commit as a regular adorer or substitute. *What graces the Eucharistic Lord desires to bestow on us, our families, our parish, our community, and the world if we but place ourselves in His presence!*

The Vatican's *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass* – approved by Servant of God Pope Paul VI in 1973 – encourages *Eucharistic processions*, especially on the Solemnity of *Corpus Christi*. Indeed, that ritual book states that "when the Eucharist is carried through the streets in a solemn procession with singing, the Christian people give *public witness of faith and devotion toward the Sacrament* . . . The annual procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi . . . has a *special importance and meaning for the pastoral life of the parish or city*. It is therefore *desirable to continue this procession*" (101-102). May our public witness of love of the Lord in the Eucharist enkindle in the hearts of those who have allowed the flame of faith to grow weak in their own hearts a newfound desire to encounter the merciful Savior!

This Friday, May 30, is the *Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us that "Jesus knew and loved us each and all during His life, His agony, and His Passion and gave Himself up for each one of us: 'The Son of God . . . loved me and gave Himself for me'" [Galatians 2:20]. He has loved us all with a human heart. For this reason, *the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pierced by our sins and for our salvation, 'is quite rightly considered the chief sign and symbol of that . . . love with which the divine Redeemer continually loves the eternal Father and all human beings' without exception*" (478). May this be our prayer throughout this month of June dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: "Father, we rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the Heart of Jesus your Son. Open our hearts to share His life and continue to bless us with His love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen" (Collect, Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus).

Inserted into the bulletin this week is the recently-issued Pastoral Letter of the Bishops of Wisconsin entitled *Serving All and Sacrificing None: Ethical Stem Cell Research*. Please take a moment to read this important document that aims to clear up many misconceptions about stem cell research itself as well as what types of stem cell research are morally acceptable. Our bishops remind us that as Catholics "we are called to respect and love all human life. But we have a special duty towards the most vulnerable persons in our midst – the embryo and the unborn child, the chronically ill and the poor, the prisoner and the refugee. In so doing, we reveal the essence of our humanity and of our Christian faith." For more information and to view a very well-done 14-minute video on ethical stem cell research go to www.wisconsinatholic.org

Preparations for our annual *parish picnic of June 14 and 15* are in full swing! By the hard work and dedication of every one of our parishioners we can make this another successful event. Do your part to publicize the picnic and sell those raffle tickets!

Saint Peter, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

Father Kevin C. Louis

Committees

Pastoral Council

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Jeff Zdroik	345-9993

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Jean Stroik	341-1470

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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!

“On January 17, 2008, the biotech company Stemgen announced the first cloning of human embryos by fusing donated egg cells with DNA from skin cells of an adult man. When scientists clone human beings for research purposes, they fail to recognize that “the artificial creation of a human life for the purpose of her exploitation an destruction will always be gravely unethical” since it “sanctions the direct and explicit exploitation of one human being by another, in this case, the exploitation of the weak by the powerful.”

— Family Research Council,
*Stem Cell Research,
Cloning & Human Embryos*

May this nation realize that the commandment, “Thou shalt not kill,” includes the unborn child, we pray...

Upcoming Area Events & Items of Interest

Employment: St. Adalbert’s Catholic School is seeking teachers for 4K/5K combined classroom and the junior high combined classroom. Practicing Catholics preferred. Send resume to St. Adalbert’s, 3314 St. Adalbert’s Road, Rosholt, WI 54473, attention Patrick Burkhardt. Questions call (715) 677-4517.

“We Must Understand What We Believe” is a 16-lesson Basic Catholic Catechist Home Study Course that covers the essentials of Catholic faith. It will be offered at St. Peter’s beginning Tuesday, June 24 in the Faustina Room. It is a bi-monthly meeting for about 90 minutes. Written by the late Father John A. Hardon, the challenging course is open to ALL, including catechists, parents, teachers and any Catholic adult to help us grow to a deeper knowledge and love of Christ and His church. The course tuition is \$50 and includes all materials. To register, contact Diane Sommers at 341-6093. **Registration deadline is May 25.**

St. Peter's Parish Picnic

Everyone welcome, come and enjoy with your family and friends.

800 Fourth Avenue

JUNE 14 & 15, 2008

Raffle Tickets may be purchased on the grounds

Saturday, June 14, 2008

2 P.M. Grounds Open

4 P.M. Mass with Polka music by the Choraliers (w/Duane & Tom)

4-7P.M. Pork Plate with all the trimmings, \$6, or sandwich only \$4, Children \$3

6-7 P.M. Paddle Cake Walk

6-10 P.M. Old Time Brass Music and dancing

Fun Games for Young and Old, Ice Cream Cones or Sundaes, Cherry Bowl, Craft Booth, Mini-Raffle, Bakery, Silent Auction, Greenery

HUNGRY: Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Cheese Curds, Fries, Onion Rings, Brats, Cotton Candy, Funnel Cakes and more.

Sunday, June 15, 2008

11 A.M. Grounds Open

11-2 P.M. Chicken Dinner with Homemade soup and Pies

2 P.M. Paddle Cake Walk

3 P.M. Bingo: two \$1,000 sessions with special sheets

12 Noon- 3:30 P.M. Norm Dombrowski and The Happy Notes

3.30 P.M.-7 P.M. Smokey Express

RAFFLE DRAWING 6.30 P.M. \$5,350 in CASH PRIZES

Chicken Dinner Menu: Bakes Chicken, Potatoes, Chicken Gravy, Homemade soup with Noodles, Vegetables, Chicken dressing, Homemade pies



Special Thank-Yous to Our Parishioners!

Milk for the Needy: Thank you for your contributions to Milk for the Needy this month, \$262 was collected and will go to Operation Bootstrap. God Bless!

Dear St. Peter's,

Thank you so much for allowing us to use your church to perform our recent concert. It was an honor and a privilege to be able to sing in such a wonderful building. The reception from the audience was remarkable and that is due in part to the church.

Best Regards to All,

Dave Paulsen,

Wisconsin Master Chorale

A big Thank You to Fr. Kevin Louis, Jen Dunnett, the Rosary Society, the Family Life Committee, Ben and Angel Gebeau, and all of the generous members of St. Peter’s Parish for their help and charity with last weekend’s bake sale. May God Bless you for all your prayers, actions and gifts to promote respect for all innocent human life.

From The Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe