



A Mother's love is something
no one can explain.
It is made of deep devotion,
of sacrifice and pain.
It is endless and unselfish,
enduring come what may,
nothing can destroy it
or take that love away.

Together We Celebrate

Saturday, May 8

4:00 PM – David Swagel: Requested by Swagel Family

Sunday, May 9

8:00 AM @ SS Peter & Paul

10:00 AM – For the Living and Deceased Member of St. Joseph
& SS. Peter & Paul

1:00 PM Spanish Mass @ SS Peter & Paul

Wednesday, May 12

8:30 AM – Jerry & Mike Bauer: Requested by Family & Friends

Thursday, May 13

8:30 AM @ SS Peter & Paul

Friday, May 14

8:30 AM – Jennifer Williams: Requested by Pat Johns

Saturday, May 15

4:00 PM – For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph
& SS. Peter & Paul

Sunday, May 16

8:00 AM @ SS Peter & Paul

10:00 AM – Robert & David Delfosse: Requested by
Armene Delfosse

1:00 PM Spanish Mass @ SS Peter & Paul

Breaking Open the Word

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: **The Ascension of the Lord**

Acts 1:1-11 *Eph 1:17-23 *Mk 16:15-20

Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 *Jn 15:9-17

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28 *Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11 *Eph 1:17-23*1 Jn Mk 16:15-20

**Confession is available every Saturday 3:00 pm- 3:30 pm or
by appointment 743-2062.**

**Church doors are open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am
until 4:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am – 1:00 pm.**



There is Power in Prayer!!

It is never too late to join our Prayer Warrior email group. Call Barb Wagner in the parish office with your email address, if you would like to be a part of this group or if you have prayer requests of any kind.

Summary of Contributions Received:

	Year to Date Week Ended	Since
	5/7/2021	7/1/2020
Adult Envelopes	\$ 8,236	\$ 212,739
Online Giving	827	52,793
Visitor Envelopes	120	9,014
Loose Collection	322	11,791
Unrestricted Donations		<u>41,327</u>
Total Contributions Received	9,505	327,664
Budgeted Contributions	\$ <u>7,693</u>	\$ <u>322,462</u>
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 1,812	\$ 5,202



Online Giving – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Getting started is easy! Visit our website, www.stjosephsb.com and click our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. Thanks for donating! Call the parish office with any questions regarding setting up your Online Giving account at 743-2062.

Vigil Candles

This week we have a candle lit for each of the following intentions. They stand as silent but bright signs of the prayers offered by those who light them.

Special Intention: Requested by James Goodwin

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In Loving Memory of Jeffrey Scott Makie-now and forever-amen: Requested by his wife, Diane

Marion Malzahn: Requested by Peg & George

Edna Jensen: Requested by George & Peg

For quick delivery of vaccine to the elderly: Requested by a parishioner

The May tabernacle candle is lit in loving memory of the Heindel, Weyers & Warren Families.

To Mom

A ROSE, a gift of beauty
and a Symbol of Life and Love.
The thorns compare to pains of birth
but oh, what a treasure when this life is held.

The Mother's Day Rose Sale is sponsored by the Door County Right to Life Chapter. Your support helps save the lives of those with no voice—honor a mother or someone special to you. A suggested \$2.00 donation is very appreciated.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Shawn Madden

May God welcome him home and comfort his family in this time of sorrow. May the knowledge of our prayers and support give them peace.

Edge and Life Teen Middle High School Religious Education and Youth Ministry

Happy Mother's Day!

Thank you to everyone who supported and prayed for our youth ministry during the pandemic. It wasn't easy, but we all need Jesus and we found creative ways to build relationships and learn about the Church. We had a great in person end of year celebration last week for Edge and Life Teen! Thank you to our youth who kept us laughing and growing.

Does Life Teen and Edge really impact youth? Simply put, if the youth are open to it, yes. Just recently, our Youth Minister, Sarah received random a text from a sophomore in high school:

"I would argue that the community that was created at Life Teen and the experiences I was offered were probably what made Life Teen one of the most influential things in my entire life."

Don't be afraid to say yes to Jesus. He wants you to know how much He loves you.

Our faith doesn't quit in the summer. We will be offering gatherings and service opportunities. Stay tuned!

Watch Us!!

St. Joseph Parish Mass Live on Facebook



Mass will be broadcast live on Saturdays at 4:00 pm on Facebook. Join us live on our

Facebook page or you can view it at any time.

<https://www.facebook.com/St.JosephCatholicSb>

The Mass on Spectrum Cable TV Channel 989: Fridays at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm and Sundays at 1:0 pm & 6:00 pm.

Sponsor Spotlight!

Bulletin sponsorships are essential to our parish's communication efforts. We are so incredibly grateful for the generosity of all our bulletin sponsors. Please take the bulletin home and use the services provided by our sponsors. Tell them "Thank You" when visiting their business or when you see them in Church.

This week we spotlight

Brad Tanck Plumbing, LLC

Thank you, Brad, for supporting our Parish.



This Week's Thought for Reflection

"God loved us so much he sent his Son as expiation for our sins." How do we show our love for Him? By loving one another.



Welcoming-Hospitality

"Hello and welcome to St. Joe's"

Doesn't that sound warm and inviting. It is wonderful to see our parishioners and visitors returning to our beautiful church and as more of us are being vaccinated against Covid19, we are feeling positive about resuming our Welcoming Ministry. We would like greeters at our ramp entrance at the 4pm Saturday Mass and the 10am Sunday Mass,

If you, or you and your spouse, or you and your family feel that God is calling you to this ministry, please call Barb or Monica at the Parish office, 743-2062 You would only be scheduled maybe once every six weeks, (Or more if you would like).

We look forward to hearing from you!



A Delicious Way to Support St. Joseph Parish

Until May 21, 2021, The Lodge at Leatham Smith will donate \$1 to St. Joseph Parish for each party's Dine-in or Take-out order. Please tell them when you place your order that you would like St. Joseph Parish to receive the donation.



Scrip Supports Our Parish

What is Scrip? Scrip fundraising is a program that enables our families to help raise money for St. Joseph Parish. Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks and credit cards. **Purchase Scrip by calling the parish office 743-2062.**

We Rise Again! 2021 Bishop's Appeal

Bishops Appeal 2021 Goal - \$33,169.00

Collected as of 4/30/21 - \$33,331.00

WAY TO GO! WE HAVE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL!!

Thank You – Thank you

for your continued support and generosity!!

Please Note!

The Diocese of Green Bay will continue to require the use of face coverings in parishes. Diocesan guidelines are intended to help parishes provide an opportunity for the faithful to encounter Christ in the Liturgy of the Church, while at the same time remaining safe.



Memorare Prayer of St. Joseph

"Remember, O most pure spouse of Mary, and my dearly beloved guardian, St. Joseph, that never was it known that anyone who invoked your care and requested your help was left without consolation. Inspired with this confidence, I come to you, and with all the ardor of my spirit I commend myself to you. Do not reject my prayer, O Foster Father of the Savior, but graciously receive and answer it. Amen



Welcome in Baptism
Grayson Schaefer
son of Makayla Schaefer

Spirituality for the Long Haul - Monica Hilbert

Birth Is A Gift. Death Is A Gift.



Last week the focus of *Spirituality For The Long Haul* was where we came from – beautiful souls escorted to earth by angels, all for a specific purpose, but ultimately to learn and grow. This physical life is not easy and being a spiritual being in a physical body is hard work. If we think about it, 80, 90, 100 years seems to be a long time to be alive with all the ups and downs, ins and outs, joys and sorrows that propel us through this journey. But this is the nature of life, it is supposed to be this way. God is not a puppet master. We are blessed with a free will that can be our greatest blessing or the source of confusion and even trouble. Even with these detours, our purpose is to discover our best path for learning and growing, which we do this in a myriad of ways. Some people seem to be more successful than others. However, success means different things to different people, and perhaps it is those people who acknowledge, nurture and are respectful of themselves as spiritual beings that truly find success. It is when we set aside that piece of Divinity in us that we have a tendency to get off track.

So, here we are, perhaps nearing the end of our physical life. What happens next? The most important thing to keep in mind as we ponder the end of our physical lives is that it is not the end at all. I believe our piece of Divinity is just transitioning from one realm to another and we continue living on. We call this Heaven. We sometimes hear jokes about being escorted to the “pearly gates” after we die, where someone sits in judgement to determine whether or not we can enter. This image evokes a bit of fear or trepidation in people because all of a sudden, they think they are unworthy or haven’t fulfilled their purpose, or in some cases, never knew their purpose. And here they are now – being judged, or worse condemned to some unholy place as punishment or purification. Let’s stop, rewind, and look at another possibility. Death is not to be feared. Instead of someone sitting in judgement at the pearly gates, imagine this - your beautiful piece of Divinity ascends to Heaven with angels at your side and you are welcomed by loving, compassionate and beautiful beings that comprise Heaven. You are celebrated, loved, welcomed, and revered as having accomplished one of the most difficult things a soul can do.

I believe there is no judgement in Heaven. My vision of Heaven is full of compassion, love, guidance, teaching, learning, and evolving – always, always, evolving. Yes, we will all have the opportunity to review our life on Earth for the purpose of learning, but not in a judgmental way. It will be a review for the purpose of deciding how to continue our evolution. I would wager to think that we will be quite busy in heaven.

I think it is crucial to remember that God never created anything or anyone that is unworthy. So, when we are greeted in Heaven it will be with open, loving arms, and a big “Welcome home!”