

# St. Joseph & Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Parishes



APRIL 19, 2026

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!"  
- Lk 24:33-34

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### WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!

#### ST. JOSEPH

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**PASTOR**  
FR. MATTHEW RAPPL

**DEACON**  
EDWARD WINTER

**DEACON**  
MARK BORTLE

#### MISSION STATEMENT

**“Love God, Love Neighbor  
as Self, Go Make Disciples”**

#### BAPTISMS

Parents of candidates for Baptism are expected to be registered, participating, members of a parish. Contact either office three months in advance to schedule a date. **The paperwork must be submitted to the office 2 weeks in advance of the scheduled date.** Parents instruction class is required before baptism.

#### MARRIAGES

Candidates for Marriage are expected to be registered, participating, contributing members of the parish. Please make an appointment with the priest at least 6 months in advance.

**WEEKEND MASS  
SCHEDULE**

Saturday-4:00 pm  
Sunday- 10:00 am

**Reconciliation**

Tuesdays  
Saturday

5:00-5:50pm  
3:00-3:45pm

Alternative times for Reconciliation can be arranged by appointment. Contact the Parish Office.

**Church Ramp Doors  
Open/Parish Office**

Monday—Thursday  
8:00am—4:00pm

**Facebook**

Mass is broadcasted live on our page:  
[www.facebook.com/  
St.JosephCatholicSB](http://www.facebook.com/St.JosephCatholicSB)

**PARISH STAFF**

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Deacon Ed Winter  
Deacon Mark Bortle

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Keith Minten

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Grades 6-12  
Sarah Gavin  
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Laura Hoffman  
[lhoffman@stjosephsb.com](mailto:lhoffman@stjosephsb.com)

**Music Ministry**

Cheryl Simon

**Cleaning**

Faith Formation Ctr/Rectory  
Barb Enigl

**The April Tabernacle Candle**

is lit in loving memory of

**Fuzz and Terry Bubnik and Linda Brunsky**

Call the parish office to sponsor the tabernacle candle for a month. The cost is \$30.00

**Summary of Contributions Received:**

	Week Ended 4/10/2026
Adult Envelopes	\$6,599
Online Giving	368
Visitor Envelopes	871
Loose Collection	1,501
Unrestricted Contributions	500
Total Received for week	9,839
Total Budget for week	12,043
Total Surplus/(Deficit) for week	\$ (2,204)
	\$ 348,907
Year-to-date Received	314,477
Year-to-date Budget	\$ 34,430


**MASS INTENTIONS**
**Saturday, April 18**

4:00PM—Louise MacPhetridge †: Requested by family

**Sunday, April 19**

10:00AM— Pat LeCloux †: Requested by  
Monica Fedolfi

**Tuesday, April 21**

6:00PM - Thomas Bennin †

**Wednesday, April 22**

8:30AM— Kathy McCaulley †: Requested by  
John Mosgaller

**Thursday, April 23**

8:30AM Mass at SS. Peter and Paul

**Friday, April 24**

8:30AM—William “Bill” Hanson †

**Saturday, April 25**

4:00PM –Rosemary Weckler †: Requested by family

**Sunday, April 26**

10:00AM— Living and deceased of St. Joseph and  
SS. Peter and Paul Parishes

**Sanctuary Candles**

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Pete and  
Jelaine Horton

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Jim and  
Barb Tabaska

**Deceased members of the Nutini & Drew Families:**  
Requested by Carol Nutini

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Pete & Sandy Polster

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Mr. & Mrs Ray Gozdecki

**Our Family:** Requested by Brian & Judy Orthober

**Katherine M. Weber:** Requested by David and  
Holly Weber

**Jennifer, Robin & Kevin Fischer:** Requested by  
Wanda Bouche

**Archie & Leona Johnson:** Requested by Andy Johnson

**Bill & Shirley Moeller:** Requested by Andy Johnson

**Ken & Carol Peterson:** Requested by Andy Johnson

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Betty Bordeau

**Nancy Pollock:** Requested by Ken Pollock

**Parents—Henry Meruyn & Frances Watkins:** Requested  
by Stephen & Theresa Chayer

**Katherine McCaulley:** Requested by Tom McCaulley

**Marvin Teichtler:** Requested by John Teichtler

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Brittany &  
Paul Sasinowski

**Special Intentions:** Requested by Greg & Stephanie Tlachac

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday– 8:00 am

Sunday Spanish

1:00pm

Thurs– Mass 8:30 am

Rosary 8:00 am

## PARISH OFFICE

## HOURS

Mon– 8:00am-2:00pm

Wed. 9:00am-1:00pm

Thurs. 9:00am-1:00pm

## Parish Council Chair

Heidi Teich

## Finance Council Chair

Mark Schartner

## Parish Trustees

Nancy Anderson

Jodie Schartner

## Secretary

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Renee Seifert

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## Cemetery

Mike Kostreva

## Maintenance &amp;

## Grounds

Mike Kostreva

## Hispanic Ministry

Sister Letty

Sister Justina

Sunday, April 19th

8:00 AM living &amp; deceased members of St. Joseph &amp; SS Peter &amp; Paul

1:00 PM Spanish Mass

Thursday, April 23rd

8:00 AM Rosary

8:30 AM † Christ Child Society

Sunday, April 26th

8:00AM † Roger Schopf

1:00 PM Spanish Mass

Week Ending	4/5/2026	
Adult Envelopes		
Online Giving	\$	2,645
Visitor Envelopes		1,462
Loose Collection		50
Unrestricted Contributions		634
Total Received for week		-0-
Total Budget for week	\$	4,791
Total (Deficit)/Surplus for week	\$	2,713
Year-to-date Received	\$	130,364
Year-to-date Budget		116,715
Year-to-date (Deficit)/Surplus	\$	13,649



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is lit in loving memory of  
**Martin & Elaine Polich**  
Requested by: Kerry & Monica Field

**SPRING CEMETERY CLEAN UP.**  
Winter decorations removal by the end of April.

### Summary of Contributions Received: (Treasures)

Week Ending	4/12/2026	
Adult Envelopes	\$	1,275
Online Giving		797
Visitor Envelopes		95
Loose Collection		146
Unrestricted Contributions		0
Total Received for week	\$	2,313
Total Budget for week		2,945
Total (Deficit)/Surplus for week	\$	(632)
Year-to-date Received	\$	132,677
Year-to-date Budget		119,660
Year-to-date (Deficit)/Surplus	\$	13,017

**SCRIP**

After careful review, the Scrip Committee of SsPP has decided to end our parish scrip program. In recent years, changing shopping habits-especially the shift to online purchasing and credit cards– have significantly reduced participation. The program never fully recovered after COVID, and the remaining activity no longer justifies the extensive volunteer time required each week to keep it running.

We are deeply grateful to the dedicated volunteers, especially **Jill Leonard** who sustained this ministry for so many years, and more recently **Sonya Jorns and Patty Weber**, and to all parishioners who supported it through their purchases. Your generosity helped fund important parish needs and strengthened our community.

Thank you for your understanding.  
The SsPP Scrip Committee

# ST. JOSEPH & STS. PETER AND PAUL

## Serving in Christ— St. Joseph Parish

### April 25th

<b>Lector</b>	Jean Austad
<b>Deacon</b>	Mark Bortle
<b>EM</b>	Jeff Hoffman Hilary Stauber
<b>Ushers</b>	John Teichtler Greg Tlachac Stephanie Tlachac Ray Gozdecki
<b>Sacristan</b>	Cathy Costelow
<b>Servers</b>	Chuck Heindel & Hannah Kiekhaefer
<b>Greeters</b>	Catherine Kilcoyne & Sarah Spude

### April 26th

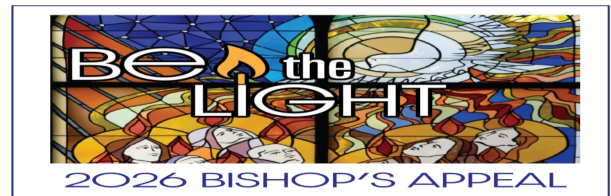
<b>Lector</b>	Theresa Fett
<b>Deacon</b>	Ed Winter
<b>EM</b>	Mary Penovich Anne Lee
<b>Ushers</b>	Chris Switzer John Coonan Joe McMahon Gary Bellin
<b>Sacristan</b>	Deacon Ed
<b>Servers</b>	Kellyn Jacquet & Emma Jacquet
<b>Greeters</b>	Max & Deanna Martin
<b>Sunday Social</b>	<b>Schink Family</b>

**Sunday Assisted Living Home :**  
Eucharistic Ministry **3rd Sunday Judy Weber  
& John Teichtler**

## Serving in Christ—Ss. Peter and Paul

### April 26th

<b>Lector</b>	Rita Daubner
<b>Deacon</b>	Ed Winter
<b>E M</b>	Rita Daubner
<b>Ushers</b>	Dick Smith & Gordy Haen
<b>Sacristan</b>	Cathy Gerdmann



### **BISHOPS APPEAL**

**Saints Peter & Paul 's required funds are  
\$19, 030.00**

**Received to date: \$17,675.00**

**St. Joseph's required funds are: \$37,043.00**

**Received to date: \$33,195.00**

### ***Mother & Daughter Breakfast***

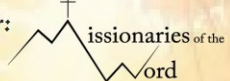
**WHEN:** Saturday, May 16, 2026


**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Corpus Christi Social Hall  
811 W. Juniper St., Sturgeon Bay

✦ Gathering Prayer ✦ Meal ✦ Free Will Offering

✦ Sharing by Missionaries of the Word

Guest Speaker:  Missionaries of the  
Word

Corpus  
Christi  
Church 

Meal Cooked and Served by:  
Knights of Columbus  
Council #2478



All women are welcome,  
Grandmothers, Aunts,  
Special Mentors as we are all  
daughters of our Spiritual  
Mother Mary!

RSVP to [ccparish.net](http://ccparish.net)  
or call 920-743-4716  
by May 7th.

### St. Vincent de Paul St. Joseph Conference

Last Sunday's gospel told the familiar tale of the Apostle Thomas and the disbelief that he expressed when his fellow apostles told of their encounter with Jesus in the upper room. Throughout history Thomas has been vilified for his comments, but I think we need to cut him a little slack. At first glimpse the New Covenant seems simple, especially after living under the Mosaic Law for 1000 years. It took Moses multiple books of the bible to explain it to the people. Add in the various interpretations of his successors and the religious leaders of the Jews and the idea that salvation is as easy as believing that Christ came down to earth, died for our sins, rose on the third day and ascended into heaven seems like a good deal.

But think about it for a moment. Thomas had just seen Jesus humiliated in the most demeaning way. At the very least you can expect that he was suffering from what today we would call PTSD. Beyond that, believing is not as easy as just saying the words, I believe. If you truly believe in the way God expects, your faith should be transformative. Your actions should emulate those of Christ. You must now love your enemies, care for the sick, and the weak, take in prisoners and aliens. Thomas took those beliefs, travelled to India and spent the rest of his life spreading the Good News. Believing is hard work!

### St. John Bosco

Registration for 2026-2027 School Year Registration will open on March 9. Tuition and fee information is now available! Contact Mrs. Cuccaro in the main office at (920) 743-4144 x101 or email [abby.cuccaro@johnboscoschool.org](mailto:abby.cuccaro@johnboscoschool.org) if you have any questions.

### Parish Rummage Sale

Cleaning House? Donate your gently used items to the 2026 Sts. Peter & Paul Rummage Sale. Donations can be delivered to the Church basement Friday, June 12. Saturday, June 13. Thursday, June 18th & Friday, June 19.

Please **NO** clothes, electronics, appliances or large items. **NO** broken or items with missing pieces. **NO** baby items. Thank you for your donation!

### Mass Minutes By Deacon Ed Winter

Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Using the plural and "midst" clearly implies a community. The Holy Trinity is a community of persons. Vatican II introduced the sign of peace into the Mass in the 1960's. The first time I experienced it, I turned to the woman standing next to me and wished her peace, realizing at that instant that she was a stranger to me and that I had been worshiping as though I were alone in this church building full of people; as if the Mass were just between God and me. This was a self-centered concept of God's love.

God's love does not reach only certain individuals; it is for all creatures. That is how all were created, out of love. It is important to keep in mind that we are all called to come before our God and worship as his children, not as an only child.

A bishop cannot be everywhere so parishes are established; under a pastor who is under the authority of the bishop. "Efforts must also be made to encourage a sense of community within the parish, above all in the common celebration of the Sunday Mass. (Vatican II, Vol. 1, Austin Flannery, O.P.) The parish celebrates the Mass not only in union with all the parishes of the diocese but in union with all the parishes in the world because we are members of the Universal church, the Body of Christ on earth.

"The Church, the Body of Christ, is the assembly of people into her by Baptism and their participation in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, which opens their minds and hearts to the Trinity, a loving communion of Divine Persons." (U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults.)

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15 / Jn 6:22-29  
**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51 8:1a / Jn 6:30-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8 / Jn 6:35-40  
**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40 / Jn 6:44-51  
**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20 / Jn 6:52-59  
**Saturday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14 / Mt 16:15-20  
**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a,36-41 1 Pt 2:20b-25 / Jn 10:1-10

**What's Happening in Children's Ministry!**

Facebook page: [GENESIS/Tri Parish Elementary Religious Education Program](#)

Last day of Genesis is Wednesday, April 29th

**First Communion Genesis Practice**

Saturday, April 25th at 9:00am at St. Joseph Parish

**First Communion**

Sunday, April 26th at 10:00am Mass

**First Communion St. John Bosco Practice**

Saturday, May 2nd at 9:00am at Corpus Christi Parish

**First Communion at St. John Bosco**

Sunday, May 3rd at 10:30am

**Liturgy of the Word for Children!**

All children ages 4 through 3rd grade are invited to participate in the Liturgy of the Word for Children. This will be held at St. Joseph parish at the 10:00am Mass the second Sunday of every month.

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

Thank you for supporting our 2026 Mission Trip to Virginia! We were at Corpus Christi and Holy Name of Mary last weekend and are at St. Joseph and Ss. Peter & Paul this weekend.

If you want to donate via credit card/Apple/ Google Pay/ Venmo, use this QR Code! We still do need you to fill out a donation slip if you want tax credit and parish credit for your donation.

**Schedule this week (April 22nd)**

Edge at HNM: 6-7:30 pm

Edge at St. Joseph: 5:30-6:45pm

Life Teen: 6:30-7:45pm

Next week, April 29th is our last night of Edge and Life Teen at St. Joseph for the 2025-26 school year. Parents/guardians, please check your emails to see what you can bring for our end of year celebration!

Edge at Holy Name of Mary ends on May 6th.

***Felt Art Workshops –***

***two separate workshops come to one or come to both! Each workshop will be making a different piece of artwork!***

“The Lord is my Shepherd” – Psalm 23

**Date:** Tuesday, May 5

Tuesday, May 19

**Time:** 6pm – 8pm

**Location:** St. Joseph's Faith Formation Center

**Facilitated by:** Nicole Herbst

\$20.00 for each workshop to reserve your seat! Includes all supplies and frame. Please, register by April 15<sup>th</sup>

Call Laura Hoffman at 920-743-2062 or email [lhoffman@stjosephsb.com](mailto:lhoffman@stjosephsb.com)

Limited seats!

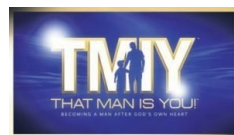
**— Adult Faith Formation —**

**Facebook Page:** [St. Joseph Catholic Parish-Faith Formation Center](#)

**JAVA With JESUS**

“Taste and See the goodness of the Lord!” You are invited to join a circle of seekers who break open His Word and discern how to weave His truths into everyday life.

Only requirement: come as you are with an open heart and mind and desire for Jesus! Tuesdays at 10:00 am . Faith Formation Center

**That Man is You**

Sundays at 6:00pm .

St. Joseph Parish Social Hall.

**APRIL INTENTIONS**

**Pope Leo XIV:** Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

**Bishop Ricken:** May we have a spirit of courage and love to call forth and encourage the young men and women of our diocese to discern a life of priesthood or religious life and nurture their YES to God's call through our prayer and support.

**Deacons Corner**  
**By Mark Bortle**

**Why do we sign ourselves three times before proclaiming the Gospel?**

Did you know that the forehead, lips and heart you sign before the Gospel is proclaimed has its meaning? Just before the Gospel is proclaimed, something small but deeply meaningful happens. The Priest, Deacon and the faithful trace three small crosses, on the forehead, the lips and the heart.

\*By signing the FOREHEAD, we ask that the Word of God may shape our thoughts and understanding. We are saying: Lord help me think according to Your truth, not my own opinions.

\*By signing the LIPS, we ask that the Gospel may govern our speech. It is a quiet promise that what we say after hearing God's Word will reflect what we have received, with honesty, charity, and courage.

\*By signing the HEART, we ask that the Word may sink deep into our inner life. Not just to be heard, but to be loved, believed, and lived.

This triple sign comes from an ancient Christian instinct; the Gospel must affect the whole person, mind, mouth, and heart. God's Word is not information. It is transformation.

There is also a deeper echo of baptism here. The sign of the Cross marked us as belonging to Christ. In this moment, we renew that mark, declaring that we submit every part of ourselves to the Word we are about to hear. So before a single word of the Gospel is spoken, the Church teaches us how to receive it properly: Understand it. Proclaim it. Live it.

The small crosses may be brief, but the commitment they express is lifelong.