

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



JULY 5, 2026

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



## 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”  
- Mt 11:28

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## WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!

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FR. MATTHEW RAPPL

**DEACON**  
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**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.

**Parish Office**

Tuesday—Thursday

8:00-4:00

**Closed Monday July 6th****Facebook**

Mass is broadcasted live on our page:

[www.facebook.com/  
St.JosephCatholicSB](http://www.facebook.com/St.JosephCatholicSB)

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**MASS INTENTIONS****Saturday, July 4**

4:00PM –Living and deceased of St. Joseph and SS. Peter and Paul Parishes

**Sunday, July 5**

10:00AM—Lloyd, Catherine, David, Mark & Barb Spude †: Requested by the Spude family

**Tuesday, July 7**

6:00PM - Sandy & Gene King †: Requested by family

**Wednesday, July 8**

8:30AM— Andrew Reid: Requested by family

**Thursday, July 9**

8:30AM Mass at SS. Peter and Paul

**Friday, July 10**

8:30AM— Carol Winter †: Requested by Deacon Ed

**Saturday, July 11**

4:00PM—Living and deceased of St. Joseph and SS. Peter and Paul Parishes

**Sunday, July 12**

10:00AM—June Kuehn DeMeuse †: Requested by Her son, Danny

**St. Joseph Parish office and church doors will be closed Monday, July 6th. Have a happy and safe Independence Day.**

**Summary of Contributions Received:**

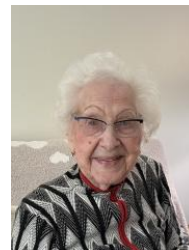
	<b>Week Ended 6 /26/2026</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$3,050
Online Giving	964
Visitor Envelopes	495
Loose Collection	1,278
Unrestricted Contributions	
Total Received for week	5,787
Total Budget for week	8,631
Total Surplus/(Deficit) for week	(\$ 2,844)
Year-to-date Received	\$ 433,258
Year-to-date Budget	403,794
Year-to-date Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 29,464

**The July Tabernacle Candle  
In memory of  
Grace and Gordon Weber**



***Holy Family Flowers*  
In memory of  
Barb Spude**

If you are interested in offering a donation for flowers in honor or in memory of someone or in thanksgiving for something, please call the parish office. Flowers will be placed by the Holy Family Statues at your request.



**Happy 107th birthday,  
Bernice Meunier!**  
May God's light shine  
brightly today and everyday of  
your life.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon- 8:00am-2:00pm  
Wed. 9:00am-1:00pm  
Thurs. 9:00am-1:00pm

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Mike Kostreva



**Sunday, July 5th**  
8:00 AM † Fred & Darrell DeMeuse  
1:00 PM Spanish Mass

**Thursday, July 9th**  
8:00 AM Rosary  
8:30 AM Fr. John Reuter

**Sunday, July 12th**  
8:00AM Roger Schopf  
1:00 PM Spanish Mass

**JULY**

**Office closed** July 6th—13th

**Sunday Social** July 19, 2026

**Father Matthew Vacation** July 16th—July 24th

**Mission Appeal** July 19th Mass with Fr. Edmundus De Class 2nd collection

**NO MASS** July 23rd



The **July** Tabernacle Candle is lit in loving memory of **Jim Anderson**  
Requested by: Nancy Anderson

**Choir Practice - 6:30 PM (Monday Nights)**  
July 13, 2026 August 24, 2026  
July 27, 2026 September 14, 2026  
August 10, 2026 September 28, 2026

**Summary of Contributions Received:**  
**(Treasures)**

Week Ending	6/28/2026	
Adult Envelopes	\$	2,570
Online Giving		1262
Visitor Envelopes		85
Loose Collection		647
Unrestricted Contributions		-0-
Total Received for week	\$	4,564
Total Budget for week		3,100
Total (Deficit)/Surplus for week	\$	1,464
Year-to-date Received	\$	181,582
Year-to-date Budget		155,000
Year-to-date (Deficit)/Surplus	\$	26,582



**Saints Peter & Paul Parish Picnic & Bake Sale**

**Mark your calendars!** Sunday August 2, 2026 immediately following the 9:30am bilingual mass on the school grounds. Great food, music, silent auction, raffles, and bake sale.

**We could use your help! Volunteers** are needed to help! Please sign-up on the volunteer board in the church entrance.

Donations of baked goods can be dropped off on Saturday, August 1st between 8 and 2pm. If you have a silent auction or raffle item to donate, please contact Jocelyn Barnes.

Kids' carnival games will be back again! \$1.00/play. Win a prize every time! (Thank you to all who have donated kid's prizes!)

Serving in Christ— St. Joseph ParishJuly 11th

<b>Lector</b>	Margaret Lowrey
<b>Deacon</b>	Mark Bortle (Preach)
<b>EM</b>	Randy Morrow Mary Morrow
<b>Ushers</b>	John Teichtler Dave Holzinger Ray Gozdecki Jeff Hoffman
<b>Sacristan</b>	Tom McCaulley
<b>Servers</b>	Mia Olson, & Chuck Heindel
<b>Greeters</b>	Sarah Spude & Colleen Gozdecki

July 12th

<b>Lector</b>	Theresa Fett
<b>Deacon</b>	Mark Bortle (Preach)
<b>EM</b>	Mary Penovich Deb Hogan
<b>Ushers</b>	Bruce Shewchuk Tim Shewchuk Pete Polster Stewart Fett
<b>Sacristan</b>	Lawrence Tanck
<b>Servers</b>	Kellyn & Sam Jacquet
<b>Greeters</b>	The Rankin Family

**Sunday Assisted Living Home :**  
EM 2nd Sunday Chris Conlon

**Sunday Social:**

Serving in Christ—Ss. Peter and PaulJuly 12th

<b>Lector</b>	Dick Johnson
<b>Deacon</b>	Mark Bortle (Preach)
<b>E M</b>	Dick Johnson
<b>Ushers</b>	Pete Polish & Gordy Haen
<b>Sacristan</b>	Cathy Gerdmann

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Monday:** Hos 2:16,17c-18,21-22/ Mt 9:18-26  
**Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7,11-13 / Mt 9:32-38  
**Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12 / Mt 10:1-7  
**Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4,8e-9 / Mt 10:7-15  
**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10 / Mt 10:16-23  
**Saturday:** Is 6:1-8 / Mt 10:24-33  
**Sunday:** Is 55:10-11 Rom 8:18-23 / Mt 13:1-23

**JULY INTENTIONS**

**Pope Leo XIV:** Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God, We pray to the Lord

**Bishop Ricken:** In thanksgiving for the blessings of our history and those who forged it and for the challenge that lies ahead of what we have yet to achieve with the Lord's help, we may truly live as one nation under God, We pray to the Lord

**ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or a recurring donation. Getting started is easy!

Visit our website, [www.sspeterpaulsb.org](http://www.sspeterpaulsb.org) or [www.stjosephsb.com](http://www.stjosephsb.com) and click on our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. Thank you for donating!

Call the parish office with any questions:  
 Saints Peter & Paul 920-743-4842 or  
 St. Joseph at 920-743-2062.

### ST. VINCENT de PAUL ST. JOSEPH CONFERENCE

Recently, we have adopted the practice of purposely integrating a positive interaction that we experienced in the previous week into our assistance discussions at our meetings. Even though we try very hard to help our “Friends in Need” get to a better place in life, we are not always as successful as we would like. People often dig themselves a very deep hole before starting the effort to climb out. Sometimes I think the psychological efforts are harder on me than they are on my “Friends.” I wake up at night wrestling with solutions of how to handle situations.

It’s amazing how much a positive story can replenish your energy. It helps you remember that you’re not alone in your efforts. God is out there looking over us. If you are persistent in your prayers to Him, He will answer. We call it “the Good Story of the Week.” Maybe it’s something that you should incorporate into your life. Everyone needs a pick me up, once in a while.

### MASS MINUTE BY DEACON EDWARD WINTER

How often do we hear it asked, “Where is God in our society?” We hear, see, and read about wars, violence, bigotry, and hatred and we wonder, “Where is God?” We know God is in a church, physically present in the tabernacle and we know he is present on the altar at Mass. In fact, he is present at Mass all over the world. Jesus has told us that whenever two or three are gathered in his name, he is present with them. Remembering that God is not limited by space or time, we know that he is not “there but not here or here but not there.” It is only our consciousness of him that is limited so why do we not make ourselves more aware of him by mentioning him more frequently? When we gather for a meal; we ask God’s blessing; can we not do this more often? For example, “God bless your day,” or “Thank God for the rain,” or “...for the sunshine,” or even, “thank God for you.” We should never be embarrassed to mention our creator and savior.  
Next: Is the word “Mass” used in sacred scripture?

### Deacon’s Corner By Mark Bortle

This past weekend on June 17th, I was blessed to be able to attend a Permanent Deacon ordination for a candidate from my former parish in Ames, Iowa at St. Raphael’s Cathedral in Dubuque, Iowa. He was ordained along with six other men from the Dubuque Archdiocese. Other than an ordination for a Priest, this is one of the most beautiful masses one can attend.

Attending the ordination got me thinking about what really happens when a man is ordained a Permanent Deacon or a Priest. He is changed forever. Ordination is not a job promotion, but it is a sacrament transformation. When a man is ordained, something permanent happens in his soul. The Church teaches that Holy Orders leaves what is called an identity mark that cannot be erased, undone, or repeated. It is a seal placed by God. God changes that man’s spiritual identity in a lasting way. Just as a baptized person cannot be ‘unbaptized,’ an ordained man can never be ‘unordained’. Even if he is laicized for a good reason, the sacrament mark still remains in him.

Spiritually, this mark teaches responsibility. Ordination is a lifelong configuration to Christ, the High Priest. The Church does not ordain lightly because what happens cannot be reversed. Ordination is a lifelong seal. It is divine consecration. It is a transformation. This sacrament configuration is permanent, since Christ’s priesthood is permanent. The Church cannot erase what God has marked. Because when God consecrates a soul for His service, He does not take it back.

We all need to pray for more vocations to the Permanent Diaconate and Priestly orders, as these men give their lives to the Church and to God. If we don’t have Priests (and Deacons assisting them) we don’t have mass. If we don’t have mass, we don’t have the Church. Pray for more vocations.



### Welcome to St. Joseph and Ss. Peter and Paul Parishes

We are grateful you are here.  
May God bless you as we  
gather in faith and prayer.

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

Facebook page:

GENESIS/Tri Parish Elementary Religious Education Program

**Religious Education Office Closed June 1st through August 31st**

### 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.

### **A MESSAGE FROM FR. MATTHEW**

For the past seventeen years, Ms. Sarah Gavin has served as the Coordinator of Youth Ministry for St. Joseph, Ss. Peter and Paul, Corpus Christi, and Holy Name of Mary parishes. In the world of youth ministry, this length of service is nearly a record. Her leadership has made youth ministry one of the most effective and fruitful ministries offered to our local Catholic community, and I hope that has not gone unnoticed.

For personal reasons, Sarah has decided to step aside from this role effective August 15, 2026. In the coming months, please take the opportunity to thank her and to let her know that her efforts will continue to bear fruit for years to come.

This also means we have big shoes to fill. We will be posting the position in the very near future, and more details will follow. In the meantime, if you know a dynamic Catholic who is zealous about bringing young people to Christ, please share the word that we are looking.

On behalf of both St. Joseph and Ss. Peter and Paul parishes, I wish to express my deep gratitude for all that Sarah has done, and I extend to her my warmest blessings.

Fr. Matthew

### EDGE & LIFE TEEN

### Middle & High School Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Heavenly Father,

We thank You for the blessings of our nation and the freedoms we enjoy. Guide our leaders with wisdom, protect those who serve our country, and help us to use our freedom to love and serve others.

May we always seek Your will and remember that true freedom is found in Jesus Christ. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

What a BUSY summer it has already been! The high school mission trip and Totus Tuus! Please stay tuned for the date/time of our Mission Trip Tell All meeting for EVERYONE!

Parents/grandparents, stay tuned to your email for upcoming summer happenings!

### **TOTUS TUUS**

On behalf of everyone involved in Totus Tuus, thank you to our parish family for your incredible support throughout the week. We are deeply grateful to all who donated food, supplies, time, and resources, as well as those who kept our missionaries, volunteers, and students in your prayers. Your generosity and faith made it possible for our children and youth to grow closer to Jesus through Mary his Mother. Thank you!

### — **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



Diocese of  
Green Bay

# SAVE THE DATE!

## Jubilarian Wedding Anniversary Mass

**Saturday, September 12, 2026 | 11 a.m.**

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay

*Most Reverend David L. Ricken, DD, JCL*

**Registration Deadline: Aug. 30, 2026**

The Diocesan Office of Marriage & Family Life is pleased to welcome couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, 70th & 75th+ wedding anniversary in 2026.

*The Mass is open to relatives of jubilarian couples, with a limit of up to four guests per couple.*



ALS interpretation available upon request by emailing:  
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