



*Crucifixion
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*St. Peter's
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Hokah*



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Sunday, April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday,

Scripture Readings April 20: Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Col 3:1-4 or Cor 5:6b-8, Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Lk 24:1-12 (41)



Pastor's Message

Palm Sunday: The triumphal tone of Jesus' entrance as the

"King of Glory" takes a rapid and downward spiral with the Gospel proclamation of His passion/suffering. At Mass, today and on Good Friday, the Gospel is divided into many "parts" separating the different stories and observations from various perspectives. The music between these accounts provides time to reflect upon the scriptures.

Holy Thursday: Is the beginning of the Triduum/the Three Great Days of the Church year. In essence, there is no end to this Mass, for it flows into Good Friday, and culminates with the Easter Vigil. We will have the "Mandatum" / the "command to serve others" as we commemorate this by washing feet. You are invited to participate by having your feet washed on this night. The final moment of this liturgy is the procession with the Eucharist around the church to the altar of repose, reflecting on all that occurred the night in the garden of Gethsemane.

Good Friday: We gather and leave in silence, pondering the sacrificial death of the Lord. In Ezekiel it is written, "Our crimes and our sins weigh us down; we are rotting away because of them." The proclamation of the Gospel according to John is the key focus of our contemplation followed with a procession to venerate the cross/the crucified Christ.

Easter Vigil: This is the holiest night of the Church's year. Allow the mystery to wrap you in awe and wonder. We gather outside in darkness and the Easter fire is lit, symbolizing His resurrection. Christ bursts forth from the darkness of the tomb, and as a congregation, we enter the church with candles. In the second part of the liturgy, the Scriptures recap various stories of how God has constantly saved his people. We remember, as well, in our own individual lives the defining moments when God has come to our rescue. Moving into the third part of the liturgy, is the reception of **Kevin Rosendahl** and **Brian Swedberg** into full communion of the Church and the renewal of our Baptismal promises. Climaxing with the fourth part is the celebration of the Eucharist.

HappyEaster!

Fr. Evans

MASS SCHEDULE



HOLY WEEK

*Incense

- Mon April 14** 8:05 am Crucifixion
The Radecki Family
- Tues April 15** 4:30-5:20 pm Adoration
5:30 pm Crucifixion
+ Beth Wittbrodt
- Wed April 16** 8:05 am Crucifixion
+Greg Schild
7:00 pm LIVE STATIONS Crucifixion
- Thur April 17** 7:00 pm Holy Thursday Crucifixion *
+Deceased members of Nelson & Inglett families
- Fri April 18** Good Friday
1:00 pm Stations at St. Peter's
With unveiling of the Crucifix
3:00 pm Passion of the Lord with
Holy Communion – Crucifixion*
- Sat April 19** NO 5:00 PM MASS
7:00 pm Easter Vigil Crucifixion*
+Norby Miller
- Sun April 20** Easter Sunday
8:00 am St. Peter's *
+John and Lucille Petersen
10:00 am Crucifixion*
+For the Intentions of the Parishioners

CONFESSIONS Sat: 4:00-4:40 pm Crucifixion
Sun: 7:30-7:50 am St. Peter's

ALL DAY CONFESSIONS at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse, **Monday, April 14 from 9 am - 6 pm.** There will be five priests available to hear confessions at any given time.

One person shared, "I felt like an old, clogged sink being released. It was if I could breathe freer, once again."

Sunday Scripture Preview: Join other Crucifixion and St. Peter's parishioners to preview the upcoming scripture readings. Tuesdays from 9am – 10 am in the Crucifixion Parish Office.

SOUP SUPPER AND LIVE STATIONS

Wednesday April 16

Enjoy Homemade soup at 5:30, then stay to attend the Live Stations at 7:00 pm.

LIVE STATIONS

Presented by the Middle School EDGE Students

7:00 pm

Crucifixion Church

See our students bring to life Jesus' journey to the cross through their powerful, prayerful interpretation.



Answering God's Call



Crucifixion Parish Goal is \$38,467.00, and we have already received **\$26,710.00,** from 94 donors, which is **68.40%** of our goal!

St. Peter's Parish Goal is \$8,258.00. We have received **\$870.00,** from 5 donors, which is **10.54%** of our goal!

Any amount received over our goal is returned to the parish. Thank you for your support!

Easter Flowers: Memorials towards church environments (flowers) for the Easter season, must be returned **no later than Mon April 14** for publishing in the Easter bulletin.

Lenten Regulations:

Those who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wed, all Fridays in Lent and Good Friday.

Those between 18 and 59 are to fast on Ash Wed and Good Friday. Those bound by this may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Crucifixion

*"A Welcoming Community of Spirit-filled disciples,
serving others through God's love.*

Liturgical Schedule

Thur April 17: 7:00 pm

Euch Ministers: Bill Petersen, James Wally
Lisa Inglett, Ruth Berns

Lectors: Judy Farnen, Nancy Piggush

Servers: Samuel, Wyatt, Toby and Cyrus

Fri April 18: 3:00 pm

Euch Ministers: James Wally, Ruth Berns,
Tom Dyrhaug

Lectors: Cindy Henry, Judy Farnen

Servers: Samuel, Vivian, Need 3

Sat April 19: 7:00 pm

Euch Ministers: Bill Petersen, Lisa Inglett
Ruth Berns, Tom Dyrhaug

Lectors: Pat Morrison, Jerry Berns

Servers: Samuel, Ethan, Charlie, Oliver, Alayna, Bobby
and Thomas

Sun April 20: 10:00 am

Euch Ministers: Tom Dyrhaug, Mary Ann Ekern
Jim Frie, Therese Pryztarski

Lectors: Cindy Henry, Need 1

Servers: Owen M, Owen B, Ryland, Benson

Parish Support April 6: \$6,852.80

Feasibility Study: Please keep this process in your prayers. Anyone wishing to view the full report may stop in at the Parish office to do so.

Thank you to Maria & Ryan Henry for the addition of children's books with Bible stories in the Family Room.



Crucifixion Gala

April 26, 2024,

The Cargill Room at the
Waterfront

All RSVPs should now be in. Live & Silent Auction items are needed! Please check out the Gala Giving Tree in the back of church for ideas! For info: Arlene Holland @ 507-895-8837.

St. Peter's

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday April 20, 2025

Greeter: Hinze Family

Lector: Theresa Von Arx

Servers: Wyatt, Toby, Luke V. Robie, Jared

Gift Bearers: Tim & Theresa Von Arx Family

Euch Min/Choir: Marlene Schultz,
Kelly Beckman – c

Sandee Feuerhelm & Dorothy Hoskins - b

Ushers: Mike Ross and Tony Miller

Rosary: Barb Miller

Parish Support April 6: \$2,725.00

SP Finance Council: Nate Culver, Aaron Franta,
Jonah Ross, Gary Van Domelen, Dan Von Arx.

Volunteers Needed!! St. Peter's is looking for additional Liturgical Ministry positions, mainly Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Greeters. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Theresa Von Arx at tvonarx@stpetershokah.org. You can choose how often it works for you to volunteer!

Additional Eucharistic Ministers are needed, particularly for the Precious Blood, especially at Crucifixion. We would like to provide this option more frequently at weekend Masses. If you are interested, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

The Use of Incense – During the Easter season we are using newly purchased incense for those with allergies. Psalm 141 states, "Let my prayer arise before you like incense." In addition to a sign of our prayers rising to God and his glory filling the Temple, it is a sign of God's protection. In the Book of Numbers, during a plague, Moses told Aaron to offer some incense to cover the people. Those on the side of Aaron surrounded by incense were saved, those who were not engulfed in the incense, died. (To be continued.)



KC Corner- The KC Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for people with Intellectual Disabilities is coming up Friday, 4/25 and Saturday, 4/26. Please consider helping again with this

worthwhile event as we raised over \$4,500 each of the last 2 years that was split between Able and Hiawatha Valley Mental Health. Knights: Please respond to the KC email on this topic you received this past Tuesday, 4/8 or contact Ron Petersen at 608-406-0380 to help fill the remaining time slots. Parishioners: Please visit your local businesses during this event to support the Knights in this effort. Thanks in advance for your support of this important fundraiser!

The April General Membership Meeting will be moved to 4/24 at 6PM, due to Holy Thursday obligations.

Join us for a 2-Day Pilgrimage with Fr. Evans to the Shrines of NE Wisconsin on June 17 and 18!

For more information, or to register, contact the parish offices.

Registration OPEN: Registrations are being accepted for the 2025-26 school year for St. Peter's and Crucifixion School. Forms can be picked up at the school offices and you can also print them from our websites. 'A Catholic education is the best gift you can give your child' is a quote from my dad. Thank you for all your support for both schools.

Crucifixion Rummage Sale: May 30 and 31. Final collection date: Saturday, May 3, 9 – 11 am. Larger items will be accepted the week of the sale, or email rummagesale@crucifixionschool.org for more info.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend "Love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34 - Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience the love of your spouse like you never have before. The next available Weekends are Apr 25-27, 2025 in CROOKSTON, MN and May 16-18, 2025 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.



Ringling of the Bells during Mass – There

are three times that bells are rung during the Eucharistic prayer. The first time, when they are rung just once and the priest is holding his hands over the bread and wine, as the priest prays that God will send down His Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of His Son ("Epiclesis").

The second and third times that the bells are rung (3 times each), are at the Words of Institution, often called the Words of Consecration. This is when the priest prays the words of Jesus himself found in the Gospel, as the elements become the actual Body and Blood of our Lord.



Divine Mercy Sunday - April 27: You

are invited to make a pilgrimage for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 27 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The schedule for the day: 9:00 AM Latin Mass, 11:00 AM Spanish Mass, 12:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet in Spanish, 1:00 PM English Mass, 2:30 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2:45 PM Divine Mercy Reflection & Consecration by Cardinal Burke, 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet led by Cardinal Burke, 3:15 PM Benediction & Reposition, 3:30 PM St. Faustina Relic Blessing & Veneration. Confessions will be available 30 minutes before the 9 & 11 AM Masses until all are heard and then at 12 Noon - 4 PM. Cart shuttles will be available for pilgrims from 8AM-5PM. For more information, please call the Shrine at (877) 799- 4059. "On that day (Divine Mercy Sunday), the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." – Diary of St. Faustina #699

DIOCESAN SYNOD REGIONAL GATHERING -

Crucifixion will be a host site, 10:00am – 3:00pm Saturday, May 3. Everyone is invited as we explore Evangelization and Vocations. The electronic survey results are being tabulated which will direct the discussion questions for our regional May meeting that begins at 10:00am with Mass. The regional meetings will give shape to the diocesan synod in Mankato, August 21-22.