



Crucifixion Church and School La Crescent

St. Peter's Church and School Hokah



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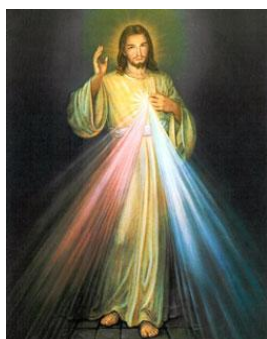


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Sunday, April 27, 2025 Divine Mercy Sunday

Scripture Readings May 4: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41, Rv 5:11-14, Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 (48)

Pastor's Message The Catholic Church observes the eight-day period known as the Easter Octave, beginning on Easter and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus revealed to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open."

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy was given to St. Faustina with this promise: "Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you." "Whoever recites it will receive great mercy at the hour of

death."

The Image of Divine Mercy with the red and white rays that emanate from his heart, symbolizes the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification.

The focus of this devotion is that God is merciful, he forgives all sins, for he died for each one of us.

The Use of Incense #2 – We have purchased a variety of incense for those with allergies. The first instance of incense appears over a thousand years before Jesus. It was the major event on Mount Sinai in Exodus 24. The use of incense for the Israelites and the universal Church reminds the faithful of **God's glory**. Also, Psalm 141 states, "**Let my prayer arise before you like incense.**" Incense is used throughout the Christmas and Easter seasons and special feasts, such as Corpus Christi. *(to be continued)*

Please pray for (1) for our Confirmation students as they receive this Sacrament from Bishop Barron at the Cathedral on April 30 and (2) our children receiving their First Communion on May 4.

Thank you to all our volunteers, musicians, ushers, liturgical ministers, altar servers, all who gathered for the liturgies during the Triduum, and those who participated in the Rice Bowl Collection! I appreciated how the people of St. Peter's and Crucifixion came together to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Evans

MASS SCHEDULE

Tues April 29 4:30-5:20 pm Adoration
5:30 pm Crucifixion
+Larry Michalke

Wed April 30 No Mass
7:00 pm Confirmation at Cathedral
of the Sacred Heart, Winona

Thur May 1 8:25 am St. Peters May Crowning
+ Mary Ann Heimer

Fri May 2 8:05 am Crucifixion May Crowning
+James Bennett

Sat May 3 5:00 pm Crucifixion
+Deceased members of Dao family

Sun May 4 8:00 am St. Peters
+For the Intentions of the Parishioners
10:00 am Crucifixion First Communion
+Deceased & living members of William & Emma
Von Arx Family

CONFESSIONS Tues: 5:00 – 5:20 pm Crucifixion
Sat: 4:00-4:40 pm Crucifixion
Sun: 7:30-7:50 am St. Peter's

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.

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. The day begins at 10:00am with Mass. The regional meetings will give shape to the diocesan synod in Mankato, August 21-22.

Widows Gathering: Wed, April 30, 11:45 AM at Swing Bridge in La Crescent for lunch. RSVP to Pat Morrison 507-895-3714, 507-459-6113.

Faith Formation Calendar

Wed. April 30 - CONFIRMATION - 7pm - Cathedral of the Sacred Heart - Winona
Sun. May 4 - FIRST COMMUNION - 10am
Wed. May 7 - Faith Formation Prayer and Pizza Night (Note Date Change!!!)

Bishop Barron's Statement on the Death of Pope Francis



Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17, 1936, has reached the end of his earthly pilgrimage. Pope Francis was a great pastor who spoke from the heart and with tender affection. I had the pleasure of meeting with Pope Francis several times during his papacy. On the occasions when he and I spoke, his comments would burn their way into my heart and mind. During a meeting with my fellow bishops, he reminded us that "the first task of a bishop is to pray." Pope Francis' papacy was marked by two master themes: mercy and evangelization. In an interview, he famously remarked that the Church is a field hospital to those wounded by our postmodern, relativistic society. It must, first and foremost, heal the wounds. Pope Francis had a keen awareness of the destructiveness of sin, and he encouraged the Church to show the world the merciful face of Christ. He also emphasized the importance of our personal witness to the light of faith, drawing others to the life-giving joy of the Gospel. As we celebrate Pope Francis' life and legacy, please join me in praying for the repose of his soul.

- Bishop Robert Barron

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 27: 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, 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 info, call (877) 799- 4059.

Crucifixion

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

Liturgical Schedule

Sat May 3: 5:00 pm

EuchMinisters: Cheryl Olson, Charlet Sperbeck
Cup: Nick Nicklaus, Anita Harris
Lectors: Pat Morrison, Anita Harris
Servers: Charlotte, Oliver, Alayna

Sun May 4: 10:00 am

EuchMinisters: Jim Frie, James Wally
Cup – Jane Michalke, Need 1
Lectors: Tammy Stremcha, Need 1
Servers: Hunter, Eli W, Stanley, Benson, Need 1

Parish Support April 20: Holy Thursday: \$471.00
Good Friday (Holy Land): \$1,150.05
Easter Weekend: \$11,374.96

Memorial Easter flowers, in memory of Bob Lien,
from Janet Lien.

We welcome, through the waters of baptism, **Ted Loethen Johnson**, son of Conor and Jill Johnson.

Communion Under Both Forms is being offered when we have enough volunteer Eucharistic Ministers. Please consider become a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion.

Historical Treasures

- Deacon's Chair, St. Peter's presider's chair is from St. Mary's Church in Houston.
- The Sacred Heart Statue, Crucifixion Lobby, 1945 was in our old wood church.
- Altar Cloth and Pulpit Frontal, Crucifixion, from our old wood church.

St. Peter's

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday May 4, 2025

Greeter: First Communicants
Lector: Georgia Von Arx
Servers: Wyatt, Toby, Cyrus, Evan, Robie
Gift Bearers: First Communicants
Euch Min/Choir: Marlene Schultz
Kelly Beckman – c
Ushers: Dave Feuerhelm and Mike Ross
Rosary: Dave Feuerhelm

Parish Support April 20: \$ 4,172.00

We welcome, through the waters of baptism, **Dane Craig Guillian**, son of Jeremy and Natasha Guillian.

We are in need of someone to clean the church for the month of May. Please sign up in the church entrance.

Congratulations to all the members of St. Peter's receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. The Altar Society has purchased a gift for you. You may pick them up in the Narthex after Mass on May 4th. After May 4th, we will have them in the School Office.

Coffee and rolls

Please join us following Mass on May 11th at St. Peters to celebrate with Father Evans his 45th Anniversary as a priest. Congratulations, Father- we are so blessed!

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 or on our websites.

Stay up to date on parish happenings and receive the weekly bulletin in your email. Contact the parish offices or email cruxch@acegroup.cc to be added to our list.



The Knights of Columbus would like to welcome Brian Swedberg and Kevin Rosendahl officially into our parish, as they were received into full communion with the Catholic Church last weekend. Let us continually pray for each other during this Easter season.

"Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask you into my life and heart to be my Lord and Savior. I want to serve you always."

The Knights of Columbus are an excellent example of the contribution which the laity can make by working together. The manner of good works that you perform yourselves are further multiplied by those which you inspire in others. In this way you are being faithful to a serious command ... "Your light must shine before men so that they may see goodness in your acts and give praise to your heavenly Father" (Mt 5:16). Pope John Paul II message 1987

Thanks to everyone's help during the fish fries this past Lenten season and may God Bless you during this Easter season. GK Bill Petersen



Answering God's Call

Crucifixion Parish Goal is **\$38,467.00**, and we have already received **\$28,230.00**, from 111 donors, which is **72.35%** of our goal!

St. Peters Parish Goal is **\$8,258.00**. We have received **\$920.00**, from 6 donors, which is **11.14%** of our goal! Any amount received over our goal is returned to the parish. Thank you for your support!

"Fractured Fairytales"

Sun April 27: 2pm St. Peter's Gym

Presented by the St. Peter's Drama Club.

Concessions available, with proceeds going to PTO. Tickets are \$5 for adults and students (kindergarten and under are free). Tickets at the door.



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

Pilgrimage to the Shrines of NE Wisconsin

Join Father Evans as he leads a group on a 2 day pilgrimage to the Shrines of NE Wisconsin on June 17 and 18! We will visit a nationally recognized Marian Site. This is the only site where Mary actually appeared in our country. It is located in Champion, WI. Travelling to this shrine by motor coach, we will visit St. Mary's in Menasha which has been recently renovated, then pray at the Shrine of St. Joseph in DePere, WI, and finally pay a visit to the Shrine of St. Philomena in Briggsville, WI. The price is \$100/person. You can register at the parish office. Contact Mary Kay Sheehan with any questions, 952-457-4803. Lodging for the Pilgrimage - AmericInn in Green Bay located at 2628 Manitowoc Rd. Everyone is responsible for making their own reservations. **Call 920-964-0177** Rate \$98 plus taxes. Ask for reservations in the block of rooms for Church of Crucifixion. **Please sign up by May 15.**

