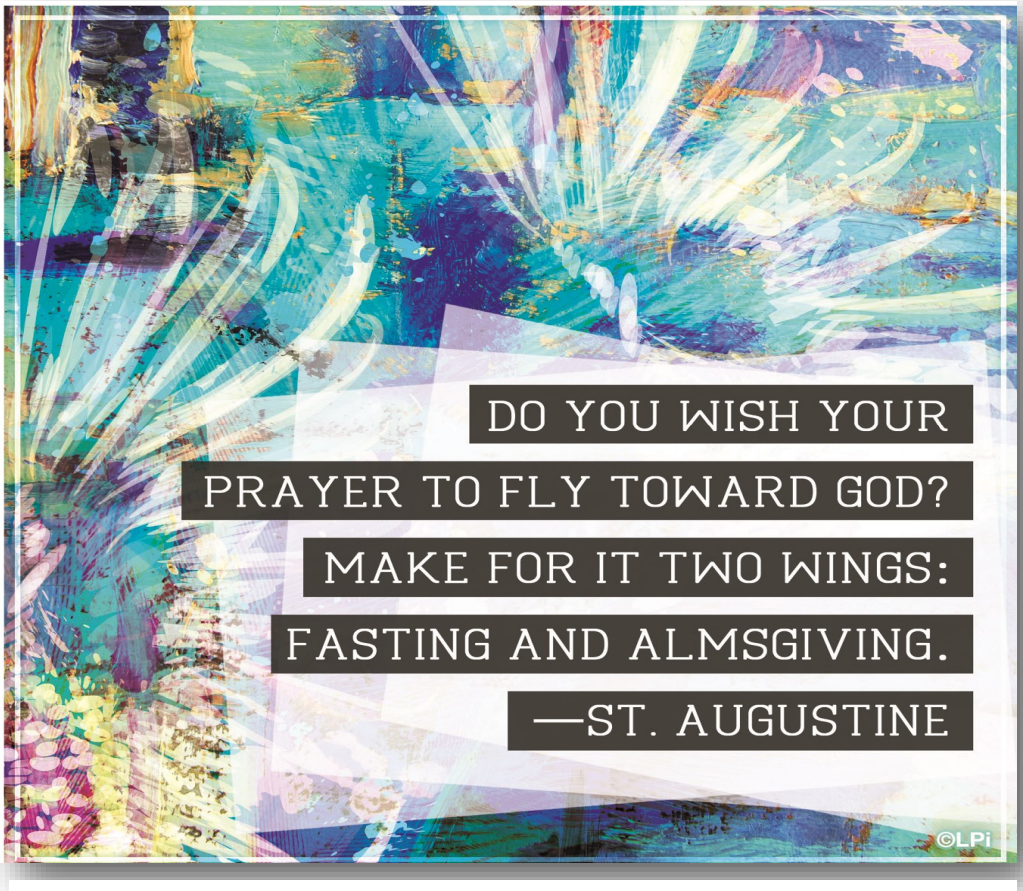
SAINTS JOSEPH, PETER, BONIFACE & ASSUMPTION *of the* BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

PARISH CLUSTER

ONE. HOLY. APOSTOLIC. UNIVERSAL CHURCH. WE ARE CATHOLIC. WE ARE FAMILY. WELCOME HOME!

BARRON, CAMERON, CHETEK & STRICKLAND, WI



Mass Schedule

SATURDAY
4PM—ABVM, STRICKLAND
6PM—ST. PETER, CAMERON

SUNDAY
8AM—ST. PETER, CAMERON
9:30AM—ST. JOSEPH, BARRON
11AM—ST. BONIFACE, CHETEK

TUESDAY
5PM—ST. PETER, CAMERON

WEDNESDAY
7:15AM—ST. JOSEPH, BARRON

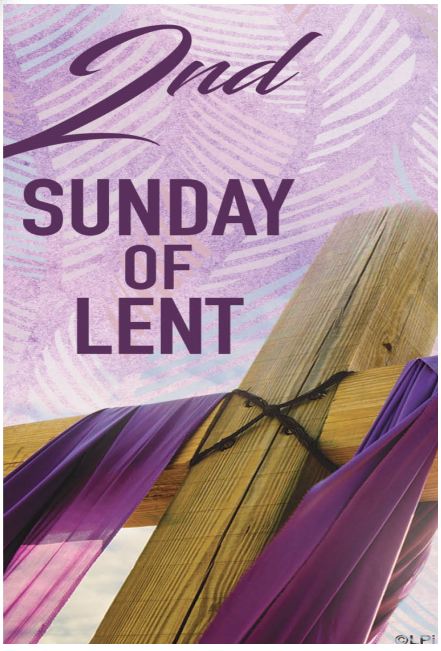
THURSDAY
8:30AM—ST. BONIFACE, CHETEK

FRIDAY
8AM—ST. PETER, CAMERON

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

How is your Lent going so far? In changing the circumstances and order of our lives a bit, perhaps we can hear God's voice more clearly and drink more deeply of graced moments we experience. Having God as a friend always involves several things. First, there is God's call. We become attuned to the echo of God's voice in the depth of our souls calling and beckoning us to listen. Second, there is a request. We begin to see that God asks us to do certain things, to order our lives a particular way, and become more intentional in the choices we make. Third, there is trust. Do we trust this call and request? Trust commits us to the relationship and makes a claim on who we are. Finally, we are asked to act. We find ourselves acting, not in the way we used to, but in a transformed, more enlightened way. Things seem clearer and all that is around us shines with the brilliance of God's presence. God's call came through a cloud, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him," This is the call and the request. Can we give God our trust and do as God asks?



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Sacraments

Reconciliation: Father Bala will be present in the Confessional, for Reconciliation at all parishes, 30 minutes prior to all Masses, Tuesday-Saturday; and prior to Sunday Mass at St. Peter; and 9-10am on the1st Saturday of the month at St. Joseph. Reconciliation may also be received following most Masses or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: By appointment, please call parish office first. If an emergency, please call Father Bala Policetty directly.

Baptism: Please call the parish office to schedule. First time parents, please plan to attend a baptismal preparation session prior to your child's baptism.

Marriage: Please make arrangements for marriage prep classes beginning six months before the wedding.

Thank you! FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

Today for Tomorrow - *helping your local parish maintain a stable offertory during the COVID-19 crisis.*

Your contributions are vital to your parishes. PLEASE continue to mail in your offertory envelopes/ contributions to the parish office at:
827 E LaSalle Ave. Barron, WI 54812

VIRTUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

One of the first things we learn with Vanuatu women is that "Land to a Ni-Vanuatu is what a mother is to a baby."

The relationship with land is at the foundation of the Ni-Vanuatu identity and spiritual strength. The worship service invites us to focus on the Bible story in Matthew 7:24-27. Jesus tells a story about the kingdom of heaven using the image of a house and the land on which the house is built. Choosing the land on which to build the house is an important decision for people in Vanuatu. The combination of considering the terrain and the climate is crucial in a tropical archipelago located in the South Pacific Ocean. In Jesus' story, the wisdom of the builder of the house comes from hearing and acting on the word of God, which is a word of love. This is the foundation on which our sisters call us to build our homes, our nations and the world. A call of faith to be earnestly considered when responding to the prayer of commitment: "What is the house that you would build?" We share their hope and creatively engage our communities in "Informed Prayer & Prayerful Action."

Attitude *of* Gratitude

Every week, parishioners and employees of our parishes go over and beyond to make our Catholic Parish Cluster something special! Please contact the parish office if you would like to add someone to this recognition list!

thank you A debt of gratitude to the Town of Strickland for continuing to oversee the snow removal at ABVM and a special thank you to Marvin Kraczek who for so many years performed that necessary and often challenging task. Your hard work and dedication were much appreciated.

Collections for the Weekend of February 20/21

	ST BONIFACE	ST PETER	ST JOSEPH	ABVM
February 21st Offerings	1423	4931	1815	427
Needed Weekly	1540	1945	1500	480
Vigil Lights	79	48	12	
Building Maintenance	135	120	185	
Holy days/Herald	375	403	261	74
TOTAL	2012	5502	2273	501

Morning Star Prayer Group's next meeting is on March 8. Our special prayer intention is for world leaders at our next meeting. We invite all to join us in praying for that intention this week and to join us at the Prayer Meeting. We meet at St. Joseph in Barron in the overflow part of the church.

GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, "You are absolutely beaming!" The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn't mean their heart and soul come with them.

Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily trip to McDonald's and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new "digs," received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that day.

How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you're really "into it" this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it's only the stuff on the outside that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God's call. Then, there is God's request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen.

Feed My People Food Bank is available to assist with families. who, due to Covid 19, have financial struggles that impact their ability to have enough food. We can help. Please call Maureen Wilson, a FoodShare Outreach Specialist, at 715-496-3121 or mwilson@2harvest.org.

TUES		WED		THURS	
4:30pm	Stations of the Cross, STP	**7:15am**	**Mass, STJ**	8am	Stations of the Cross, STB
5pm	**Mass, STP**	8am	Eucharistic Adoration, STJ	**8:30am**	**Mass, STB**
		2:45pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet, STJ	9am	Eucharistic Adoration, STB
		6pm	Families of Faith, STP		

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday		
4:00pm	† Geri Kendzior by Marge Mujwid	ABVM
6:00 pm	All the People of our Parish Cluster	SP
Sunday		
8:00 am	† Mary Ellen Sailor by Family	SP
9:30 am	† Francis Richter by Larry & Dorothy Lundgren	SJ
11:00 am	† John & Estella Plaza by John & Lucy	SB
Tuesday		
5:00 pm	† Judy Graf by Family	SP
Wednesday		
7:15 am	† David Cusick by Richard & Donna Reinhold	SJ
Thursday		
8:30 am	† Fr. Bala's Dad by Mary & Ron	SB
Friday		
8:00 am	† Francis Richter by Robert Ebner	SP
Saturday		
4:00pm	† Grace Rodzenak by Friends	ABVM
6:00 pm	† Larry Schmidt by Family	SP
Sunday		
8:00 am	All the People of our Parish Cluster	SP
9:30 am	† Beverly Lundgren by Larry & Dorothy	SJ
11:00 am	† Joe Benusa by Linus & Judy Earney	SB

SB-St. Boniface • SJ-St. Joseph • SP-St. Peter
ABVM-Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayer Ministry Training
Learning how to pray for one another
Open to all Youth and Adults
March 20, 2021 from 9:30 - 2:30pm
Our Lady of Sorrows Gym - Ladysmith, WI
Brochure at this web site: https://www.catholicdos.org/charismatic-renewal
or email Mary Joan Sutton
maryjoansutton@gmail.com

INDULGENCES PERFECT FOR LENT

The granting of an indulgence by the church is "the expression of the church's full confidence of being heard by the Father when, in view of Christ's merits and, by his gift, those of Our Lady and the saints, she asks him to mitigate or cancel the painful aspect of punishment by fostering its medicinal aspect through other channels of grace," the late pope St. John Paul II said.

"An indulgence, then, is the result of the abundance of God's mercy, which he offers to humanity through Jesus Christ and through the church", he said. A Plenary Indulgence is granted the faithful, who make the pious exercises during the Holy Season of Lent. Please consider practicing the following pious exercise as part of our spiritual journey during this Lent.

1) Stations of the Cross - This is a centuries old way to remember and meditate on our Lord's passion and death.

2) Recite the Rosary - Devoutly recite the Marian Rosary in church with family or in the family.

3) Eucharistic Adoration - Visit the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration for one hour.

4) Sacred Scripture - Read Sacred Scripture as a spiritual reading with reverence due the Divine Word for at least one-half hour per day.

These Lenten sacrifices are tiny compared to the inestimable spiritual benefits we may gain for ourselves and for souls in purgatory.

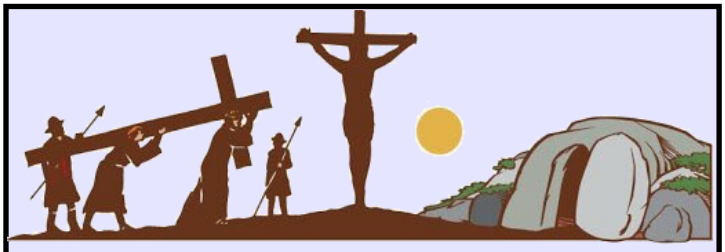
Please Pray For: *All of our cluster parishioners in hospitals, at home and in the nursing homes & for those in the Armed Forces and their families. Especially for: Laura Johanson, Jackie Brohman, Judy Lentz, Joan Krug, Joyce Trotter, Darlene Townsend, Barb Dennis, Diane DeMars, Nancy Kukla, Jo Ann Lundequam, Sandy Garr, Pam Luethi, Jim Haas, Doug Rutledge, Joan Fostvedt, Norma Licht, Joel Rivera, Allen Klingelhoets, Bob Anderson, Barb Greene, Mike Haselhuhn, Betty Livingston, Kristina Chappell, Mary Weber, Jimmy Rippy, Beckie Lipp, Ceil Nelson, John & Loretta Shimon, Elizabeth Vanlyll, Charlene Henk, George & Betty Scott, Rex Krueger, Frankie Moullet, Gerri Kohler, Robert Newman, Anita Moullet, Donald Olson, Dan & Diane Novak, Mark Farmer, Gary Wigen, Annette Quarn, Fr. Ron Levra, Eugene & Bea Klawiter & Carye Marach.* *To be added or removed, please contact the parish office.*

FRI		SAT		SUN	
7:30am	Stations of the Cross, STP	3pm	Stations of the Cross, ABVM	**8am**	**Mass, STP**
8am	**Mass, STP**	**4pm**	**Mass, ABVM**	**9:30am**	**Mass, STJ**
Noon	Stations of the Cross, STJ	**6pm**	**Mass, STP**	**11am**	**Mass, STB**
5:30pm	Spanish Stations of the Cross/Mass, STJ			10:30am	Ladies Guild, STJ
				6pm	Interactive Family Stations of the Cross, STP

CLUSTER NEWS

SPECIAL, INTERACTIVE, FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS
THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 6PM
& NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 7TH 6PM
AT ST. PETER

OPTIONAL: PIZZA TO GO & TAKE HOME FAMILY ACTIVITY PLACE YOUR ORDERS AT 715-637-3255 OR ONLINE AT WWW.SSPBANDJ.ORG/family-stations-of-the-cross



STATIONS of the CROSS

TUESDAYS - 4:30PM @ STP
THURSDAYS - 8:00AM @ STB
FRIDAYS - 7:30AM @ STP
- NOON @ STJ
SATURDAYS - 3PM @ ABVM

FRIDAYS - 5:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN SPANISH
6:00PM SPANISH MASS AT ST. JOSEPH, BARRON

Ladies Guild

Dear Ladies of St. Joseph: Please join us for our Ladies Guild Meeting on Sunday, March 7th, 10:30am (after Mass). We will practice all covid-19 safety guidelines. Looking forward to seeing all of you!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES: YOUTH MINISTER, MUSICIANS, REL. ED COORDINATOR – We are seeking to fill any or all of these positions. Feel called to assist in the future generations of our Catholic church? Help out part time in the ministry or coordination of our religious education programs. Do you have a talent playing a musical instrument or perhaps beautiful vocals? Maybe this is your calling to share that gift with our cluster family! **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY (SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITY FOR HS YOUTH):** Rummage items and "closet" organizers. As we have shut down due to COVID-19, we have rummage sale items that we would like to have organized, labeled, and boxed to prepare for sales. We also have many closets and storage areas in all the parishes that could use a good cleaning. These tasks can be done at very flexible times and could be done alone or with family to ensure very good safety measures. **JOBS WE TYPICALLY HIRE OUT (offering first to PARISHIONERS):** These would be paid or volunteered hours per discussion with parish director. Jobs include small construction projects (good projects for a retired contractor or exceptionally good handyman); interior wall painting; shrub, bush, tree trimming; kneeler reupholstering; flower gardening; snow shoveling/plowing. **PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS.**

Annual Spring Turkey Dinner

WE WOULD LIKE TO PLAN A TAKE-OUT ONLY DINNER AT ST. PETER FOR APRIL 11

Could and would you like to help? Before getting the food ordered for this event, it would be great to know we have several "Helping Hands" that would be willing to work at this dinner. Social distancing practices will be in place. This is a great fund-raiser for the church and a great community opportunity. Please email or call Jean Malsom if you are willing to assist!

Jean Malsom—St. Peter Church, Dinner Chairperson
Cell 715-651-1331 djmalsom@citizens-tel.net

KNIGHTS CORNER

Next council meeting to be held at 7:00pm, March 9th at St. Peter Church in Cameron

Our Knights of Columbus invite you to join them, every day at 12:00 Noon, in praying one Our Father and one Hail Mary for the intention of combating the Covid -19 virus. Thank you for the opportunity to pray together!
We are asking for all Catholic men to prayerfully consider becoming a Knight. If you are interested in becoming a member or would just like to know more, or if you are a member and need a ride to meetings or events please contact us.
Wayne 715-563-1746, Ray 715-642-0317, Dave 715-554-3273.