

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

Ordinary Time

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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 25 AUG

- 9 AM - Faith Formation Gr. 1-6 Parent Mtg, Kostka Hall
- 1 PM - Family Life Committee Gathering, Meadows Home

MONDAY 26 AUG | 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Mt 23:13-22

- 8:15 AM - Mass, FSB (+John Klismet)
- 6:00 PM - SpiritFEST Team Meeting, Grazies

TUESDAY 27 AUG | 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-6/Mt 23:23-26

- 8:15 AM - Mass, FSB (+Laura Woytasik & Mary Schulfer)
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry
- 6:30 PM - Student Supper Team Meeting, Newman Ctr.

WEDNESDAY 28 AUG | 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-12/Mt 23:27-32

- 8:15 AM - Mass, FSB (Clifford Tomsicek)
- 1 PM - Arimathean Grief Support Team Mtg., Rectory
- 6:30 PM - Faith Formation Gr. 7-8 Parent Mtg, Kostka Hall

THURSDAY 29 AUG | 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5, 12-14, 17/Mk 6:17-29

- 8:15 AM - Mass, FSB (+Regina & Leonard Konkol)
- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration - 3 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 1 PM - Campus Ministry Endowment Board Mtg., Rectory
- 3 PM - Joint Endowment Board Mtg., Rectory
- 6:30 PM - Faith Formation Small Group Team Mtg., Rectory

FRIDAY 30 AUG | 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 10-12/Mt 25:1-13

- 8:15 AM - Mass, FSB (+Bill Richter)
- UW-SP Freshmen Move In - Campus
- 6:00 PM - Goodie Bag Prep, Kostka Hall

SATURDAY 31 AUG | Jos / Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-9/Mt 25:14-30

- 9 AM - Reconciliation

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / 31 AUG/ISEPT

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24/Lk 14:1, 7-14

- 5 PM Saturday, FSB (+Roger Patoka)
- 8 AM Sunday, FSB (+PCCW) - 7:30 - Rosary
- 10 AM Sunday, FSB (+Paul & Bernice Raschka)
- 6 PM Sunday, FSB (for the parish)

Mass Presider Key	FTM: Fr. Todd Mlsna	FPS: Fr. Placid Stroik
FSB: Fr. Steve Brice	FDL: Fr. Dennis Lynch	FDP: Fr. Don Przybylski

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CATHOLIC

**Anticipating New
& Returning
College Students**

GATHERING ITEMS FOR GIFT BAGS: Gift Bags of treats and information are being given to all new college students who attend the opening weekend masses. Items needed include: fun-size candy bars, small bags of peanuts, lunch size cheese/crackers, granola bars, gum, small boxed raisins, as well as cash donations. Items can be dropped at the Newman Center or the main church entrance anytime before Aug. 30th. In addition, we provide a brochure with our Mass schedule and other information introducing them to **PointCatholic**, our campus ministry program.

We'll need people to help assemble Gift Bags at **6pm Friday, August 30th** in Kostka Hall.

STUDENT SUPPERS: Teams of parishioners prepare and serve meals, throughout each semester. Being part of a team is a great way to meet and get to know other parishioners. An organizational meeting for teams will be held **Tuesday, August 27th at 6:30 pm** at the Newman Center.

If you have questions about Gift Bags or Student Suppers please contact Zach Laughlin, Director of Campus Ministry, at zach@holyspiritstevenspoint.org.

They're Back!

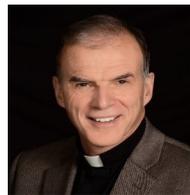
The UWSP and Mid-State school year begins next week. This means we will have **lots** of additional parishioners joining us for Mass each week. Please make the students feel *at home*! Here are some ideas to help you to help them feel welcome:

- Smile and say hello!
- Welcome them into your pew
- Help with directions to the Newman Center
- Be willing to share your Worship Aid
- Invite them to join you at Mass again



Dear People of Holy Spirit Parish:

“For behold, some are last who will be first
and some are first who will be last.”
(Luke 13:30)



Well, here we go! I had a wonderful week of vacation, despite the trip to the emergency room for five stitches and a broken thumb. I return much wiser. Stay away from dangerous weapons like...hammers...and fence post drivers! None-the-less, great progress was made on the woodworking shop. Perhaps by snowfall it will be all set up and ready for occupation.

I return, just in time for the launch of the new school year. This week SPASH and Pacelli teachers return to work and students move into their lockers. UWSP Freshmen move in on Thursday. For the next two weekends our student staff will be at the doors at all Masses greeting returning students and welcoming new students. Please extend a smile and hand of welcome to all young people next weekend. You just can't tell, by how someone looks, what is in their heart. The last person you might be inclined to greet could be the first person to sign up to help, if given the chance.

Even as students get oriented to the new year, I would like to orient our parish family to the year before us...So much has happened this past year. We have successfully navigated the transition of pastors. The long awaited construction of a new ministry center was begun and now rises from the earth before us with breath-taking speed and beauty. At the same time we began building the kind of faith community inside that will thrive for generations to come. With the help of training from the Green Bay Catholic Evangelization Studies program we began the journey from being Cultural Catholics to being Intentional Disciples. From being in church because our parents went, to being in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. A person on this journey goes through thresholds of conversion: trust, curiosity, openness, seeking, and commitment. To provide a safe place for people to explore their personal faith journeys, we began forming small faith sharing groups that have been very well received.

Another aspect of building the church of the future has been correcting an over centralization of power. This may contribute to the misuse of power in tragic ways, like clerical abuse. Here, we have restored the council and committee structure and are investing them with real policy forming power. They have articulated our new Vision Statement and made a first pass at forming a parish budget. Clear vision, parish wide engagement and transparency are healing medicines to the Body of Christ.

Looking forward, we are so blessed to have Steve Angrisano coming to lead Spirit Events Sept. 21st through 25th. A composer and singer of contemporary Christian music and a national speaker whose voice reaches people of all ages, Steve will take us further on the path to Intentional Discipleship. Check out his website to get a sense of the impact he has on an assembly at www.steveangrisano.com. In September, we will also publish an Annual Parish Report which will describe the accomplishments and plans of all our parish ministries. We will ask you to take that report to prayer, listening to what God is calling you to in this new year. Then the following weekend, Sept. 28 & 29, we will invite everyone to become intentional about their discipleship here at Holy Spirit by making or renewing their commitments of Time, Talent and Treasure. Some may want to change involvements. For some who have been leaders for decades it may be time to step down. For some who have never been involved it would be the time to get engaged. We know this, that some who are last need to experience being first, and some who are first need to experience being last! Here we go!

Fr. Steven J. Brice

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*Disciples called to worship,
sent to serve.*

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Joining Our Parish: Fr. Steve would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at frsteve@holyspiritstevenspoint.org or call him at 344-9117 to make an appointment.

Celebrating Baptism: Baptism is celebrated at Lord's Day Mass at various times of the liturgical year. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please call Fr. Steve for more information. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation seminar.

Caring for the Sick: If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound or anticipating surgery, please call Fr. Steve to schedule a visit and/or the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Campus Ministry: Point Catholic is the name of Holy Spirit's outreach to college students attending UW-Stevens Point and Mid-State Technical College.

You can learn more about campus ministry at our web site.

Facebook: Like us at *Holy Spirit Parish and Point Catholic*. Joining Facebook is easy. Go to www.facebook.com.

Transitions of Grace

Wedding Anniversaries: These couples of the parish are celebrating significant, 10, 25 and 50, years of marriage in September:

- John & Kathy Krupka, 50 years, September 13
- Richard & Carol Scipior, 50 years, September 20

Eternal Life: We acknowledge the passing of **Robert Hintz, Madeline Lepinski** and **John Brzezinski**. May they rest in peace.

Matthew 25 Collection at Masses Next Weekend



At the beginning of each month, parishioners are invited to donate items needed for area charitable organizations. Next weekend, please consider bringing all or some of these items to Mass to help fill the shelves of the UWSP Cupboard - a pantry located on campus that helps college students in need: non-perishable breakfast items, peanut butter, canned meats, pasta and sauces, granola bars, rice, other non-perishable food items and personal care products. Please leave your donation in the entrance as you arrive for Mass.

Elsewhere

FRANCISCANS DOWNTOWN: The movie *The Ultimate Guide to the Presidents (disc 2)*, will be shown on Wednesday at 1 p.m.

EXTRA PRODUCE?: Plant a Row for the Hungry, a local initiative to provide fresh produce for hungry people in Portage County, invites you to plant an extra row or donate excess produce to local food pantries. Share your extra produce with Interfaith Food Pantry, Lincoln Center, Operation Bootstrap, Salvation Army and St. Vinney's. Go to www.hppp-pc.org for more information.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME: St Joseph's & St Stephen's has a special program to help non-practicing Catholics return to the Church called **Catholics Returning Home**. The next series begins Monday, September 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the St Joseph Conference Room. Please share information with anyone who might be interested. To learn more, call Sally Mews, 715-254-0935 or email ssmews@msn.com.

DOMESTIC CHURCH RETREAT: During this evangelization retreat, designed to enhance marriage and family life, couples will begin a spiritual journey together. The goal of the retreat is to strengthen the couple's spousal union and lead them to experience harmony and joy in their marriage through formation and dialogue. This retreat will be held September 12-15 at St. Anthony Spirituality Center. For more information go to www.domesticchurchfamilies.com or call the Diocese at 608-791-2673.

BEING GOOD STEWARDS

Of time, talent and treasure

PARTICIPATION AT MASS

August 17/18

5 p.m. — 223 8 a.m. — 222
10 a.m. — 264 6 p.m. — 198

Solemnity of Blessed Virgin Mary

Aug. 14 6:30 p.m. 130

Aug. 15 8:15 1.m. 115

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

August 17/18.....\$14,191.24

Construction Zone Weekly

Work has resumed on the new elevator which will be located in our Gathering Space area. This elevator will enable parishioners access to the church from the Gathering Space and creates a much easier way to bring caskets into church for funerals.

Steel roof decking is nearing completion and soon the EPDM roofing membrane will be installed. The new addition will soon be under a water-tight roof!

By week's end the excavators will have placed a compacted granular base in the new addition over the existing sand. A heavy 10 mil poly vapor barrier material will be placed over the base and a 4 inch thick concrete fiber reinforced floor will be poured through out the new Ministry Center.

After the concrete floor is poured the Ellis workmen will began installing steel studs that will form the walls for the offices and other rooms.



We've certainly come a long way since the May 19th groundbreaking!

