

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

1st Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020

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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 1 MAR

- RCIA Rite of Election, St. Joseph Cathedral, La Crosse
- 4 PM - Confirmation Year 2, Kostka Hall

MONDAY 2 MAR / *Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8-10, 15/Mt 25:31-46*

- 6:30 AM - Small Discipleship Group, Spirit Hall
- **8 AM - Mass**, St. Joseph Parish
- 6:30 PM - SpiritFEST Committee Mtg., Spirit Hall
- 7:30 PM - Point Catholic Women's Bible Study, Library

TUESDAY 3 MAR / *Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7, 16-19/Mt 6:7-15*

- **8:15 AM - Mass**, FTM (+Susan & Clarence Smith)
- 10 AM - Small Discipleship Group, Spirit Hall
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry
- 6 PM - Evening Prayer, Church
- 6:30 PM - Rite of Christian Initiation, Spirit Hall
- 6:30 PM - Celebration Choir Rehearsal, Church

WEDNESDAY 4 MAR / *Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32*

- **8:15 AM - Mass**, FTM (+Ted & Veronica Firkus)
- 4 PM - Dedication Committee Mtg., Conference Room
- 5:30 PM - Technology Committee Mtg., Spirit Hall
- 5:30 PM - Campus Ministry Committee Mtg., Conference Rm
- 6:30 PM - "Inside Story", Spirit Hall
- 6:30 PM - Faith Formation Gr. 1-6, School, Gr 7-8 Kostka Hall
- **9 PM - Late Night Mass**, FSB Ministry Center

THURSDAY 5 MAR / *Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-3, 7-8/Mt 7:7-12*

- **8:15 AM - Mass**, FSB (+Sharon Krutza)
- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration/Stations of the Cross
- 3 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Noon - Small Discipleship Group, Conference Room
- 6 PM - Evening Prayer, Church
- 6:30 PM - Small Discipleship Group, Conference Room
- 6:30 PM - Parish Committee Mtgs., Spirit Hall
(Faith Formation, Family Life, Sacred Worship, Social Justice)
- 7:30 PM - Point Catholic Men's Bible Study, Library

FRIDAY 6 MAR / *Is 58:1-9/Ps 51:3-6, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15*

- **8:15 AM - Mass**, FSB (+Tom Kedrowski)
- Noon - Rosary, Church

SATURDAY 7 MAR / *Is 58:9-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32*

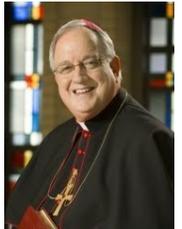
- 9 AM - Reconciliation

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

Ministry Center Dedication

Next Sunday, March 8th, Bishop Callahan and Fr. Tom Lindner will be concelebrating the 10 a.m. Mass prior to the dedication of the new Ministry Center.

After Mass, we will recognize some of the key people who made this dream come true. Then, we will move into the new ministry center where Bishop Callahan will bless the building and its rooms. Keys to the building will be presented to the Parish Pastoral Council. We will place our time capsule, for future generations, in the new cornerstone. Afterward, all are invited to tour the new center and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. There will be an open house for the whole community until 3 p.m. that afternoon.



New Mailing Address

Please note that, effective immediately, the parish mailing address has changed to 2151 Stanley Street. The parish phone number will remain, 344-9117. Calls made to the Newman Center's phone number will also be answered at the Ministry Center.

"Inside Story"

On the Wednesday evenings of Lent some of our amazing parish members will share their own experience with one of the Twelve Steps out of the tomb. We will gather in Spirit Hall at 6:30 p.m.



March 4: Al Engebretson

Al will share the story of how he and God have come to the point where, today, he feels he is a very blessed man. It all began when he admitted he was powerless.

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

2nd Sunday in Lent / 7/8 MAR

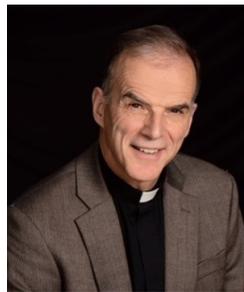
Gn 12:1-4/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/2 Tm 1:8-10/Mt 17:1-9

- **5 PM Saturday**, FSB (Charlotte White)
- **8 AM Sunday**, FSB (+Stan & Lottie Wysocki family) - 7:30 - Rosary
- **10 AM Sunday**, FSB (Greg & Ruth Kulas)
- **6 PM Sunday**, FSB (for the parish)

Dear People of Holy Spirit Parish:

“The tempter approached and said, ...
turn these stones into bread.” (Matt: 4.3)

Lazarus, Come Out! In the Gospel of the last Sunday of Lent Jesus frees a man who had been bound, buried and left for dead. This image stirred deep feelings in the hearts of our Lenten Planning Team. We, too, feel bound when we are unable to stop harmful things from happening to loved ones and to a loved world. We, too, feel buried beneath overwhelming expectations and responsibilities. We, too, feel left for dead when no one notices the stress and anxiety we are in. Our spiritual guide for this season, Fr. Richard Rohr, in his book Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the Twelve Steps, sees in the twelve steps of AA a path for all of us to find release from our tombs. The first step is admitting we are not in control. It is refusing, like Christ, the temptation to take things into our own hands, to turn stones bread.



To help us on this journey five great souled people in our parish are going to share their “Inside Story,” one each Wednesday of Lent. This coming Wednesday, Al Engbretson will tell the story of how an accident that left him paralyzed from the neck down for the rest of his life became the event that compelled him to let God be in control. After he shares his story we will gather in small groups to share our reactions and to explore our own “inside stories.” We meet in our new Spirit Hall at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

By now, many of you have been through our new Ministry Center. I hope you are as pleased and proud as I am with this new addition to our family home. It far exceeds my expectations!! Well done Holy Spirit Parish! We have many people to thank for their extraordinary service. That will all take place on March 8th when Bishop Callahan comes to dedicate the Center.

As excited as I am about developments in our physical plant I am equally excited about developments with the growth of the temple of living stones. For the past 8 months we have been operating without a Director of Faith Formation. An amazing team of parents and grandparents came together and formed a “Transition Team” to carry on these critical ministries until a new Director emerged. Well, a new Director has emerged! Months ago, Julie Meadows and I spoke about the possibility of her stepping into the position. After interacting with members of the Transition Team, leading Small Discipleship Groups and more, Julie said recently she felt ready to take the position on. Faith Formation is where Julie began in ministry and it remains her first love. She is well equipped with Masters Degrees in Theology and Education and past experience serving young people and families as Director of Faith Formation in a large, urban Church in Minneapolis and, also, as Chaplain in the St. Paul Children’s Hospital. Equally helpful, she is a known and trusted team member already.

Our plan is not to go back to the way things were before. It is the hope of Julie and the Transition Team that these amazing parents and grandparents will continue in the roles they enjoy while Julie picks up administrative tasks. So, we will have a Director of Faith Formation (Julie) supporting Coordinators of Baptism Prep (Krista), 1-6 Faith Formation (Rene), Middle School FF (Nicole), Confirmation, Youth Ministry, (Sarah W), FF (Sarah Z), Small Groups (Natasha) and other ministries that develop.

Meanwhile, we will form a Family Life Transition Team to nurture those essential ministries until new leadership emerges there. We are imagining Julie’s official start date as Director of Faith Formation to be the June 1st. Nine months ago, Colleen O’Dowd warned me not to try and “take control” of this transition. “Let God lead” she said. She might as well have said: Don’t be turning stones into bread.

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

Eternal Life: We acknowledge the passing of **Charles Post** and **Lynn Jackson**. May they rest in peace.

Ministry Center Time Capsule

Cards and pens are available at all of the entrances to the church. Have special hopes and dreams for our parish moving into the future? Write them down. Put your pen to paper and then drop your filled out cards in the baskets near the doors.

Calling All Bakers

Calling all bakers! If you love to bake (or even just don't mind doing it), we're looking for cookies and non-goopy bars for the Ministry Center Dedication on March 8th. Please let us know you can help by going to the Sign-Up Genius, Sweet Refreshment!, on the parish website, or calling the parish office at 344-9117.

Pacelli Fish Fry

Gather Friday nights at Pacelli for a great Lenten meal. The menu offers a choice of homemade beer-batter fish or baked fish, deep fried shrimp or a combo plate and PB&J for children. Additional menu items available.

Carryout available - please call 341-2442 after 4:15 pm.

BEING GOOD STEWARDS

Of time, talent and treasure

PARTICIPATION AT MASS

Feb 22/23

5 p.m. — 216 8 a.m. — 242
10 a.m. — 254 6 p.m. — 177

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Feb 22/23.....\$14,146.37

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target.....\$118,185
Pledged/Contributed.....\$61,912
Under Target.....\$56,273
Number of Contributors — 264 (28%)

Elsewhere

FRANCISCANS DOWNTOWN: The movie *Patch Adams* will be shown on Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Multi-Parish, 2020

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

3-Night Event

St. Peter Parish - 6:30 pm

800 Fourth Avenue, Stevens Point, WI

March 8, 9, and 10th

1-Hour Presentation, followed by Social Gathering, afterward

Go, and Make Disciples of All
Living Out the New Evangelization

Mission Presenter: **Fr. Sam Martin**, Pastor, Holy Family Parish, Wausau



Father Sam is the second of 5 children, raised on a farm in southwest Wisconsin. He graduated with degrees in Philosophy and Theology from the Univ. of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN, in 1995. After completing degrees at the Gregorian University in Rome and at the John Paul II Institute (also in Rome), he was ordained a priest in 1999. He served as Chaplain at WI Rapids Assumption and then at Aquinas High School, until 2011, when he became Pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish in Marshfield and Christ the King Parish in Spencer. This spring Father Martin began his new assignment as Pastor of Holy Name Parish, in Wausau.

“A very positive and upbeat speaker”

