

# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

13 June 2021

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## THIS WEEK

All Meetings held via "Zoom" unless noted

**MONDAY 14 JUN** / 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1-4/Mt 5:38-42

- 8 AM - St. Peter Parish

**TUESDAY 15 JUN** / 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2-9/Mt 5:43-48

- 8:15 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS (+ Ed Lemancik) FSB
- 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting/Prayer, Conference Room
- 2:30 PM - Environmental Justice Committee Meeting
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry

**WEDNESDAY 16 JUN** / 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

- 8:15 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS (+ Carol Gile) FSB
- 4:30 PM - Finance Council Meeting
- 6 PM - Reconciliation, Ministry Center Library

**THURSDAY 17 JUN** / 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15

- 8:15 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS (+ Art & Stella Zagrzebski) FSB
- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration  
-3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 6:30 PM - Pastoral Council Meeting, Spirit Hall

**FRIDAY 18 JUN** / 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-7/Mt 6:19-23

- 8:15 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS (+ Michael Schnur) FSB

**SATURDAY 19 JUN** / 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-13/Mt 6:24-34

- 9-10 AM - Reconciliation, Ministry Center Library

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time / 19/20 JUN

Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-26, 28-31/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

- 5 PM - Public MASS (+ David Schnur) FSB
- 8 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS (+ Lloyd Iwanski) FSB
- 10:30 AM - Public MASS (+ Norbert Guzman) FSB



## NOT YOUR BASIC BEACH READS!

This summer, expand your consciousness, your Catholicity, your sense of community AND your spirit by joining in one, or both!, of these summer adult formation offerings:



### BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23 @ 6:30PM

(Further scheduling to be decided by the group)

#### ***Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis' Third Encyclical**

Deacon Bill and Mary Jo Holzhaeuser welcome deepening friendships and understanding through the reading and discussion of *Fratelli Tutti*. Pope Francis reflects with profound simplicity a topic of great importance: human solidarity and friendship. He calls us to live out our Christian duty to see the face of Jesus in our neighbors, recognizing everyone we meet as a brother or sister. Throughout the eight chapters, Pope Francis challenges and inspires the faithful to respond "with a new vision of fraternity and social friendship that will not remain at the level of words."

### TUESDAYS FROM 5:00 – 6:00 PM, JUNE 29 – AUGUST 31

#### ***Making All Things New: Catholicity, Cosmology, Consciousness* by Ilia Delio**

Join co-hosts Julie Meadows and Dona Warren in exploring this first book in the series "Catholicity in an Evolving Universe." *Making All Things New* unveils a new paradigm for being Catholic.

- Catholicity is a dynamic, spiritual quality of being Catholic that literally means "becoming whole."
- It is an inner principle which is most fully embodied in the person and way of Jesus Christ.

This way of being has the power to reconnect all the dimensions of life: spirituality, religion, the new sciences, culture, and society.

Sign up for these series on the parish website:  
<https://holyspiritstevenspoint.org>

Dear Holy Spirit Parish:

“...the seed sprouts and grows....he knows not how.”  
(Mark 4:27)

Oh, it is good to be home! The fresh paint and new furnishings makes it feel like we are in a brand new church! Along with a transformed building, we gather as a transformed people. After fifteen months of isolation, illness for some, worry and concern for all, we gather now with a fresh coat of gratitude and hearts furnished with new priorities. We have all worked hard. Yet looking back we can only wonder how we made it. “The seed has sprouted and grown.... I know not how.

Our ribbon cutting today acknowledges the “completion” of Phase II of our building campaign. I put “completion” in parentheses because we will never really be finished. The church will always need to change and grow. The new carpet for the sanctuary is coming soon. Next Saturday Luke Carpenter and his fellow scouts will be reupholstering the chairs. We are still thinking through how to renovate Kostka Hall. We have yet to select permanent furnishings for the Ministry Center. The list goes on and on.

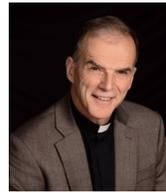
Still, our return home after this past year of isolation, construction and painting is the perfect time to celebrate all that has been accomplished. We now enjoy state of the art heating, cooling and air exchange systems. We have a beautiful new baptistery and a handicapped accessible sanctuary. The lighting has been upgraded to LED, energy efficient bulbs. We have new sound and video systems. The one hundred year old rafters of the church and the bell tower have been repaired and in some places rebuilt. The exterior brick was tuck-pointed. And now, we gather in the softly blended colors of heaven and earth. So much work has been accomplished! Well done Holy Spirit Parish! Yet looking back do we not have to say: “The seed has sprouted and grown.... we know not how.”

We also give thanks today that all the contractors have been paid in full. Our only outstanding financial commitment is repaying the loan from the Diocese. And even in this regard we rejoice because parish members have been extraordinarily faithful to their pledges made four years ago. I say it in joy once again. The Diocese warned us during our planning that the industry norm is that 8% of pledges never get fulfilled. We are still running about 1%. Though we understand that with the illness families have experienced and with the aging and even death of our members, we will very likely have people who simply cannot fulfill their sincerely made pledges. I know I speak for our whole parish family in expressing heartfelt gratitude to all who have done their very best. We move forward knowing from experience that when we do our best “The seed sprouts and grows.... we know not how.”

My gratitude is multiplied when I think that in addition to fidelity to our building program, Holy Spirit Parish has also faithfully supported the ministries of the parish throughout this most difficult year. As John Clifford reported last week, if June is as good as April and May have been, we will finish this year without having had to draw upon our limited savings. That is a miracle! I am also so grateful to our Pastoral and Finance Councils for personally putting up the \$5,000 matching gift offer for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. As you read this we will have one week left to make contributions to this year’s Appeal. And your contribution will be doubled! Make my joy complete by helping to fulfill our commitment to extend Christ’s love and mercy throughout the diocese and world

We know first hand that we have been placed in a miraculously fertile garden to cultivate it. Let us give fully, love deeply, then watch what “sprouts and grows... we know not how.”

*Fr. Steven J. Brice*



## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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sent to serve.*

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### FINANCE COUNCIL

Chairs: John Clifford, Vern Schroth

**Joining Our Parish:** Fr. Steve would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at [frsteve@holyspiritstevenspoint.org](mailto: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.

## What is a Mass Intention?

“But for those who believe in your love death is not the end, nor does it destroy the bonds that you forge in our lives.” Because we are still in relationship with those who have died our thoughts and prayers continue to affect them. From the earliest times Christians formed the practice of offering a Mass for one particular person who had died to comfort and strengthen them on their journey home to God. The person so chosen is called the Intention for that Mass, or the Mass Intention. You can have a Mass offered for a loved one by contacting the parish office. *To insure that all have a chance to schedule their desired intentions we’re adopting a new procedure at this time. You may ask for a specific date though Masses can be scheduled no more than one year in advance. Additionally, there can only be up to 8 Masses said for the same intention in a year with 2 being on a weekend/holy day. The stipend for the Mass is \$10.*

## Recognize God in Ordinary Moments

### St. Anthony Can Find Anything — Even You

“Tony, Tony, come around! Something is lost and it must be found.”

Did you learn this one when you were a kid? In my experience there are even a lot of lapsed Catholics — or people who were never Catholic at all — who know that when you lose something, St. Anthony becomes your best friend. Missing keys? Pray to St. Anthony. Can’t find your favorite sweater? St. Anthony. Forget where you parked your car in the mall lot? St. Anth— okay, you get the idea. Whatever it is, large or small, important or trivial, Tony has a reputation for finding the lost things.

It’s a devotion that can seem a little like superstition — witchcraft, even? — if you don’t really understand it. Mumble an incantation to a dead guy and you’re guaranteed to find your sunglasses. But as with most traditions that are old, beloved and effective, looking a little closer reveals the truth of the matter.

When we lose something really important, what do we do? We make the whole household stop what they’re doing to join the search. Having St. Anthony as a friend means you ask him to stop what he’s doing to help, too. And how he helps is by taking the matter exactly where all matters need to go — straight to the feet of Christ.

Here’s the real genius of St Anthony: he takes the most mundane, commonplace occurrence — misplacing socks — into an encounter with the divine and truly all things great and small are gifts from God. He grabs our hand and points to the cross. “That’s what you’re looking for,” he tells us.

In the end, Tony doesn’t really find the lost things. He finds the lost people. *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

## BEING GOOD STEWARDS

Of time, talent and treasure

### HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Week Ending June 4, 2021

Auto drafts & Debit/Credit Cards.....	\$7,701
Envelopes.....	\$4,746
Offertory.....	\$105
Total.....	\$12,551

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

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## Homebound Eucharistic Ministry

Do you, or anyone you know, desire to receive Communion and have a homebound ministry pray with you? We would welcome the chance to visit with you! Please call Paulette at 715-341-8555.

## Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered every Thursday from the conclusion of the 8:15am Mass until Benediction at 3:30pm. Think of this as an opportunity to be with the Lord—for a few minutes, for a half hour, an hour, maybe longer. Come to pray, to read, to be still.



## Elsewhere

### KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES - OUR COMMON

**HOME:** The next installment of this series takes place at 6:30PM on June 24th at St. Anthony Spirituality Center. Fr. Dennis Lynch will talk about Our Common Home—Pop Francis’ encyclical *Laudato Si* challenges the followers of Jesus to an “ecological conversion.” Consider how the Pope’s vision will remind Christians that the love of God and neighbor is expressed in our love and care for our “earthly” neighbors. For more information, or to register visit [www.sarcenter.com](http://www.sarcenter.com) or call 715-443-2236.

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