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10 APRIL 2022

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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THIS WEEK

Weekday Masses Live Streamed on Parish YouTube Channel

MONDAY 11 APR / *Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1-14/Jn 12:1-11*

- 8:00 AM - MASS St. Peter's Parish
- 10:30 AM - Small Faith Sharing Group, Spirit Hall
- 1 PM - Grief Support Ministry, Conference Room
- 4:45 PM - Stephen Minister Meeting, Conference Room
- 7 PM - Point Catholic Community Bible Study

TUESDAY 12 APR / *Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-17/Jn 13:21-38*

- 8:15 AM - MASS & Live-Stream (+Conrad Domaszek) FSB
- 9:15 AM - Staff Meeting/Prayer, Conference Room
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry

WEDNESDAY 13 APR / *Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-34/Mt 26:14-25*

- 8:15 AM - MASS & Live-Stream (+Joseph Misiewicz) FTM
- 9 AM - Reconciliation
- 1 PM - Building & Grounds Committee Meeting, Conf Rm
- 6 PM - Reconciliation

HOLY THURSDAY 14 APR / *Ex 12:1-14/Ps 116:12-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15*

- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration
- 10 AM - Budget Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 11 AM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 7 PM - MASS & Live-Stream (+Irene Skibba) FSB

GOOD FRIDAY 15 APR / *Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2-25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42*

- Parish Offices Closed
- 12 PM - Good Friday Mass & Live Stream (+Dunigan & Ziehr Families) FSB
- 6 PM - Good Friday Mass (+Kenneth Wojtalewicz) FSB

HOLY SATURDAY 16 APR / *Gn 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-35/Ex 15:1-18*

- 8 AM- Art & Environment Easter Decorating

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Easter Sunday/ April 16/17

Acts 10:34-43/Ps 118:1-23/Col 3:1-4/Lk 24:13-35

- 8:30 PM - Easter Vigil MASS (+Myron Kluck) FSB
- 7:30 AM - Rosary
- 8 AM -MASS (+Carson Makuski) FDL
- 10:30 AM - MASS & Live-Stream- (+Ken Wojtalewicz) FSB
- 6 PM - MASS (+the people of Holy Spirit Parish) FSB



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 14 - 7PM Mass

Good Friday, April 15 - 12PM & 6PM Mass

Holy Saturday, April 16 - 8:30PM **Easter Vigil**

Easter Sunday, April 17- 8AM, 10:30AM & 6PM

Catholic Relief Services **RICE BOWLS** are collected at Masses during Triduum/Eastertime. You can bring your Rice Bowl to church, drop it at the Ministry Center or send a check with "CRS" in the memo line.



Good Friday Collection to Support Haiti Food Program

Your generous donations during our Good Friday Liturgies will help feed these children at our Twinning Parish Schools in Lomas, Haiti. Somedays the only meal these children will receive is at school.



Many children take food home to share with their families. A meal would consist of rice, beans, and a tomato sauce with onions and makeral for protein. On occasion they would have chicken and very rarely beef. If you are unable to attend one of the Good Friday Liturgies, please

consider dropping off or mailing a check to the Holy Spirit Ministry Center with Haiti Food Program in the memo line. Your continued support in bringing Hope to these children in Lomas, Haiti is greatly appreciated! Thank You!



IT'S the FINAL INSIDE STORY of the PROGRAM YEAR!

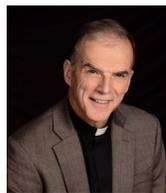
SUNDAY, APRIL 10th @ 9:15 AM. And, what a heartening story this will be as we listen to the many and varied voices of some of our young adults describe how the One True Voice drew them together to serve, over Spring Break, as One Body in Christ! Participants in the Point Catholic Spring Break Service Trip will share a little about themselves, their decision to spend Spring Break on a mission trip to Kentucky, and how they've grown as disciples "called to worship, sent to serve". Come and support the good efforts of these University students and be inspired by their inside story of faith!



Dear Holy Spirit Parish:

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”

(Luke 19:38)



We have been following Jesus all Lent. Jesus who is moved by the Spirit of Love. We too have committed ourselves to serving the Father and have received the gentle Spirit of Peace that brings. With that gentle Spirit we dispel the tempter who tells us we are inadequate. We have gone up the mountain in search of a transfiguring vision that will awaken all the gifts waiting in our souls. That vision will have Jesus' work of redemption at heart. Like Jesus with the woman at the well, we will be restoring the dignity belonging to the Children of God to those who have lost it. These Encounters as Pope Francis calls them, will require our truly Listening. A kind of listening that requires stepping out from behind our certainties into vulnerability no less than Jesus' healing on the Sabbath and incurring the wrath of the Pharisees. Lastly, the work of redemption is beyond our human abilities. We must roll away the stone and let Christ work through us.

Jesus is also leading us through our Synod Listening Sessions. Six groups met after three liturgies last week. During the Easter Season we will report back to you what we have heard during all the sessions held this Lenten season. Thank you to all who have taken the risk to share your experience and dreams. Holy Spirit parish is already changed because of you. It is not too late to participate. Anyone may simply write their thoughts out and send them into the parish office. Our Synod Committee members are also willing to meet with people one on one if they prefer. Please contact me or Julie Meadows if you would like to do so.

As we Discern what God is calling Holy Spirit Parish to be, we know now not to base it on an assessment of our human abilities and resources. Rather our vision should be as expansive as our faith in Jesus Christ. We are discerning what he desires to do through us. Holy Week comes at a perfect time then. Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday Christ reveals unmistakably what he desires to do through us in this world.

Holy Thursday please remember to bring in your Lenten Mite Boxes. The liturgy begins with the reception of the oils that will be blessed by Bishop Callahan during the Chrism Mass this Tuesday. As was the pre-Covid custom at Holy Spirit, all will be invited to take part in the foot washing. Each person first has their feet washed and then washes the feet of the next person. After the Lord's Supper all will be invited to join the procession through the church and out to Spirit Hall. Our vigil will last until 10:00pm.

The past three years we have used the chalice to enter into the Good Friday passion. This year we will use a sword. As we start, we will recall the prophecy of Simeon in the temple: "This child is a sword sent to lay bare the hearts of many." The collection on Good Friday goes to providing food to the school children at St. Francis Parish in Lomas Haiti.

The Easter Vigil will begin out on the lawn on Freemont Street with the lighting of the Easter fire. It is going to be a glorious celebration! The exodus will be sung again. Two will be baptized that night. They and another six will be confirmed. We have one high school confirmand joining us who missed her class celebration in November. What joy, that we will be able to have a reception for the newly initiated after the liturgy again.

Easter Sunday at the 10:30am we celebrate the baptism of two sisters. Oh blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Fr. Steven J. Buis

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sent to serve.*

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END of YEAR NEWS AND NOTES for our K-6 FAMILIES

It's hard to believe that the 2021-2022 program year is winding down. However, there is still a lot to look forward to in these ever longer, warmer days! Mark your calendars now to share in these uplifting and meaningful events:

TRIDUUM - The Great Three Days
Holy Thursday, April 14 @ 7 PM
Good Friday, April 15 @ Noon or 6 PM
Holy Saturday and the Easter Vigil, April 16 @ 8:30 PM (Reception to follow)

APRIL COMMUNITY EVENT -
Wednesday the 20th @ 6:30 PM
Through story and song, crafts and games, we'll learn about Holy Orders and Matrimony: Sacraments at the Service of Communion. And, we'll celebrate with a wedding feast!

APRIL and the LAST 'FIRST SUNDAY' GATHERING - Sunday the 24th @ 9:15 AM We'll sing and sign *The Summons* one, last time and enjoy special guest, St. Gianna Molla.

MAY 1ST - THE CROWNING OF MARY AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS At the 10:30 AM Mass, we'll stand with 14 young people who've demonstrated readiness to receive the Precious Body and Blood of Christ and be fortified by grace! Also, we'll celebrate the Crowning of Mary with procession, song, and a PIE SOCIAL with craft stations for children!!

MAY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY FAMILY PHOTOS and FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

From Monday, May 9th - Saturday, May 21st, a photographer will be in the house to take your family's photo and create an updated parish pictorial directory. What better time to complete Faith Formation Registration for the 2022-2023 program year!

SPIRIT FEST is BACK!! - Sunday, July 24th from 11:30 - 5:00 PM The Holy Spirit Parish Picnic is second to none! Be there and be square (dancing, that is)!



Earth Day, April 22, 2022

Climate Change in Wisconsin: hope through action

The Environmental Stewardship Subcommittee invites fellow parish members to celebrate Earth Day, April 22 with a presentation at 6:30 pm on Zoom on "Climate Change in Wisconsin: hope through action." Our presenter, Nancy Turycck, will give us an update on the many ways climate change is affecting us here at home.

Nancy is an Emerita Water Resource Scientist at UWSP. Throughout her career, she has assisted communities with science-based solutions to water issues. She now directs her focus to climate change by contributing her expertise to local, state, and federal work groups, most recently with the National Park Service and UW Madison Extension. Nancy is the Chair of Wisconsin's Green Fire Climate Change Work Group.

After Nancy's presentation we will open to questions and dialogue from those in attendance about how our faith is calling us to action to lessen the effects of climate change.

Last fall Pope Francis told delegates to COP-26, the world climate conference in Glasgow, Scotland, that climate change is "one of the great moral issues of our time."

The Pope went on to implore us: "And it is worth repeating that each of us, whoever and wherever we may be, can play our own part in changing our collective response to the unprecedented threat of climate change and the degradation of our common home."

Sign up can be found on the parish website, holyspiritstevenspoint.org.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Earth Day 2022 on Zoom as we open our hearts together to the care of our common home.



- Have you documented your home's contents for insurance purposes?
- Do you work for an insurance company and know the importance of documenting property to settle an insurance claim?
- Are you curious about all the little nooks and crannies of Holy Spirit Parish?
- Are you looking for a parent/teen project that demonstrates stewardship, in the form of sharing talent, with the church? ... and they can use their phone while doing it!

Our church's insurance company recommends we have pictures or videos of our buildings and their contents. We are looking for a few volunteers to help do that. We'll help you get started by doing a walk-thru of what to record. Then, at your convenience, you share a couple hours of your time complete the project.

Contact Becky Jirous at 715-344-9117, extension 6 to share your talent with Holy Spirit Parish!

Pictorial Directory - Sign Up Now!

It's time for our new pictorial church directory. Dates for the photography will be: May 9 – 21 (excludes Sundays). Sign up on the church website: holyspiritstevenspoint.org and go to "Pictorial Church Directory", click on the words "Photo Directory Sign-Up". The Church code is: *wi139* and the church password is *photos*, or sign up in church. Paper sign up forms can be found on the table in the Gathering Space during weekend Mass.

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PARTICIPATION AT MASS

March 26/27

5pm– 93 8am– 130

10:30am– 170 6pm– 63

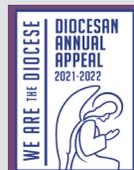
Live Stream views - 361

Total: 817

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Week Ending 4/01/2022

Auto drafts & Debit/Credit Cards.....	\$8,210
Envelopes.....	\$16,691
Offertory.....	\$646
Total.....	\$25,547



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Target.....	\$127,675
Pledged/Received.....	\$86,074
% Achieved.....	67%
# of Donors.....	281

Mark your calendars for the Point Catholic Rummage Sale April 29, 30 and May 1!

Students are raising funds to attend the SEEK Conference, a Catholic young adult conference over winter break next year in St Louis, MO and we are hoping to finally be able to gather in person for the event!



Please bring your gently used clothing, books, toys and other household items to the **Ministry Center** between **April 4, until April 22** and place them on the carts in the gathering space.

Please no large furniture (mattresses, sofas, recliners, entertainment centers, etc.) or electronics (TVs, computers, etc.), fitness equipment, car seats, strollers, appliances or any items that are broken or too large to handle.

Cemetery Cleanout

The Stevens Point Catholic Cemetery (Guardian Angel Cemetery) will be doing the Spring Cemetery Cleanout on April 18. The Association will be removing all decorations from the previous decorating period. If decorations want to be saved, please remove them before April 18. The Association is not responsible for decorations removed and discarded.

Mark your calendars

The Apostles will be leading the music at Holy Spirit at the 5:00 pm mass April 23rd. All Junior high and older parish members are welcome to join The Apostles, singers and instrumentalists including guitarist, percussionist and all instruments are needed. Rehearsals will be on Tuesday evening at 6:30 in church April 12 and 19. Please contact Sharon Maes through Mary Pionkowski parish email if you are interested or have any questions- mary@holyspiritstevenspoint.org. Thank you.



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