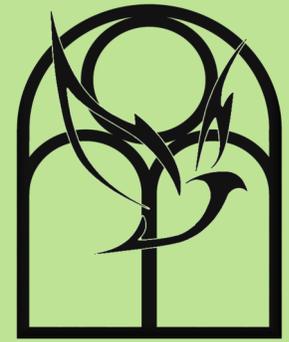


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29 JANUARY 2023

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THIS WEEK

MONDAY • 30 JANUARY

Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20

- 8 AM - Mass at St Joseph's Parish
- 6:30 PM - Apostles Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY • 31 JANUARY

Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 & 30-32/Mk 5:21-43

- **8:15 AM - Live Stream MASS** (+Deacon Rick Letto)
- 9 AM - Eucharistic Adoration
- 9:15 AM - Staff Meeting/Prayer, Conference Rm
- 6 PM - ALPHA, Spirit Hall

WEDNESDAY • 1 FEBRUARY

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6

- **8:15 AM - Live Stream MASS** (+Florence Kostuch)
- 9 AM Eucharistic Adoration
- 12 PM - Pacelli Commission Mtg, Spirit Hall
- 6 PM - Reconciliation, Church Confessional
- 6:30 PM - Edge, Kostka Hall
- 8 PM - Point Catholic Late Night Mass

THURSDAY • 2 FEBRUARY

Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7-10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

- **8:15 AM -- Live Stream MASS** (+Carl & Ann Zurawski)
- 9 AM - 3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration
- 9:30 AM - Soul of the Aging, Spirit Hall
- 5 PM - Place of Peace Meal, Kostka Hall
- 6:30 PM - Parish Committee Mtgs, Spirit Hall

FRIDAY • 3 FEBRUARY

Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

- **8:15 AM - Live Stream MASS** (+Velma Garvert)
- 9:15 AM - The Chosen Season 3, Spirit Hall
- 11 AM - Eucharistic Adoration

SATURDAY • 4 FEBRUARY

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-6/Mk 6:30-34

- 9 AM - 11AM Reconciliation, Church Confessional

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - FEB 4/5

Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9 (4a)/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

- **5 PM** - (+Betty Kluck)
- 7:30 AM - Rosary
- **8 AM - MASS & Live Stream** (+PCCW)
- 9:15 AM - K-5 First Sunday, Spirit Hall
- **10:30 AM - MASS** (+Tony Korger)
- **6 PM - MASS** (+Holy Spirit Parish)



Eucharistic Revival - *This Weeks A Minute with Jesus:*

Why does Jesus want to live in your heart?

God has created each person absolutely unique - there is only one of you. Jesus knows you and loves you, and wants to be with you always.

Jesus has a love in His Heart that only you can receive. If you don't receive Jesus' love for you, it will be "wasted." And likewise, you have a love in your heart that only you can give to Jesus. If you don't give that love, there will be an empty place in Jesus' Heart.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week. Jesus, I want to receive all the love You have for me and I want to give You all of my love.

This week read about how much God loves you in John 3:16. To make this personal, replace the "the world" with your own name



The holidays are over, the Packers look to next year, and winter marches on. Our church year lets us know it's Ordinary Time. As we work to understand that Ordinary Time is far from "ordinary". So is it, in our lives.



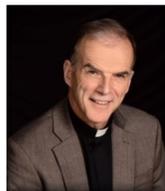
Will we ever reach "ordinary" again?! If the pandemic has taught us anything, it's that the usual, the routine, may just look & be different for us from now on. As your "new normal" settles in, it may be refreshing, even exciting! But, if this "new normal" is unfolding in an overwhelming way for you, you feel the need to talk it out, pray it out, figure it out, a Stephen Minister is here for you.

Stephen Ministry is about listening, supporting, & journeying with you during a challenging time in your life. Let us know if you could use some support.

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Dear Holy Spirit Parish:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
Theirs is the Kingdom...” (Matt. 5:3)



Jesus was all about the Kingdom. From his opening sermon last Sunday –Repent, the Kingdom is at hand—to his own prayer—Our Father... Thy Kingdom come—to his sending out the seventy two disciples with the mission: “Go proclaim the Kingdom of God.” Our first reading today explains who these “poor in spirit” are, that live in the Kingdom: “all you... who have observed his law and seek justice.” (Zephaniah, 2:3)

If concern for the Kingdom and the justice that brings it is the heart of Jesus’ teaching, then our parish is abiding in the heart of Jesus. After receiving the hopes and dreams and suggested Mission Statements submitted for the Town Hall meeting, the Parish Council focused on the Mission Statements at their January 19th meeting. The hopes and dreams will be picked up again when we work on our Vision Statement.

After a wonderful hour and a half open-hearted discussion with many points of view being expressed, the council engaged in a series of votes that narrowed the possibilities to three. We all agreed on the values we believe God calls us to uphold: faith in Jesus Christ, inclusiveness, service, and justice. But we could not all agree on what mission statement served best to communicate them.

The first option is to keep our current Mission Statement. The second was to specifically name each of the four values in the Mission Statement. But many felt that was just too long and complicated and that the word “United” embraces “Inclusivity” and “Justice” includes “Peace.” So the second option was trimmed down to make the third. Here are the three options the Parish Council invites us to reflect on.

Disciples Called to Worship and Sent to Serve. (Current Mission Statement)

Disciples Welcoming to All, United in Worship, Committed to Service,
Working for Justice and Peace.

Disciples United in Worship, Committed to Service, Working for Justice.

Please let these be a part of your reflections and conversations over the next few weeks. Then, when I get back from retreat, we will have a full parish vote and see if there is consensus around one of these possibilities.

Although we are still working on finding the right words to express our Mission, there is clearly broad support for the direction we are heading. Last weekend, just over two hundred people made a commitment to serve God through Holy Spirit parish this year. Many of you marked four and five ways you would like to engage your gifts and talents. What a hopeful sign for the future of our Church! Thank You! Your offerings will be entered into a data base and lists of volunteers will be given to each ministry head. Then a member of that ministry will contact you to get you started. We are aiming to get that all done before the start of Lent!

While staff, volunteers and ministry heads are working on setting all your gifts and talents into motion, I will be heading off on retreat for ten days to Snowmass, Colorado. There is a Cistercian Monastery and Retreat Center there, about 20 minutes west of Aspen where Fr. Thomas Keating lived and taught until he died in 2018. Fr. Keating is one of the founders of the Centering Prayer movement that brought Catholic meditation out of the monastery to the whole church.

So next Sunday we will honor six Scouts with the Religious Awards they have earned at 8:00am and then celebrate the gift of Catholic Schools at 10:30am. Monday I’ll do laundry then jump on the plane Tuesday. I will be back for Masses the 18th and 19th and ready for the start of Lent Wednesday the 22nd. Don’t worry there are no saws or hammers at the Monastery!

Fr. Steven J. Brice

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*Disciples called to worship,
sent to serve.*

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Matthew 25 Collection

Parishioners are invited to donate items needed for area charitable organizations at the beginning of each month. Our February Matthew 25 recipient is *The Cupboard*. They would be grateful to receive:



- Granola Bars
- Granola and Cereal
- Poptarts
- Jam/Jelly
- Pasta
- Rice
- Snack Foods (crackers, peanuts, trail mix, etc.)
- Canned Fruit or Dried Fruit
- Bread or Tortillas
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Beans

The Cupboard is a food pantry open to any current UWSP student who needs emergency or supplemental food. Thousands of students receive need-based financial aid and hundreds are enrolled in food assistance and WIC programs. Many more students encounter short-term financial emergencies and find themselves choosing between buying food and paying other bills. The Cupboard was created to help students meet their basic needs so that they can focus on succeeding in school.

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PARTICIPATION AT MASS

January 21/22 2023

5pm - 170 8am - 167

10:30am - 171 6pm - 65 Online - 163

Total: 736

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Week Ending January 1/20

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Auto drafts & Debit/Credit Cards..... | \$8,110 |
| Envelopes..... | \$5,329 |
| Offertory..... | \$654 |
| Total..... | \$14,093 |

Haiti Chili Supper

Saturday February 11, 2023

5:30pm-7:00pm in Spirit Hall



Mark your calendars for the **Annual Haiti Chili Supper!** This is a great opportunity to enjoy several different types of Chili (With Noodles, Without Noodles, and Chicken Chili). New this Year will be a **chicken noodle soup**. This year will also be our **Annual Haiti Teacher Salaries Fund Drive**. Please plan on your contribution to this annual fund raiser. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal, fellowship, and support our Parish Haiti Mission. We hope to see you there!

Catholic Schools Week

Closing Mass

at Holy Spirit Parish is

Sunday, Feb. 5 at 10:30am

All Pacelli Catholic school students are invited to participate!

Please see the parish website to sign up.



Let's end the week with a wonderful celebration of the Mass!

Support the Collection for the CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Annual Collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)

This weekend we are taking up a special collection to support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). More than thirty-seven million people in the United States live in poverty today. CCHD supports those living in poverty by funding programs that empower local communities to address their challenges. It identifies and addresses the unique obstacles people face as they work to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

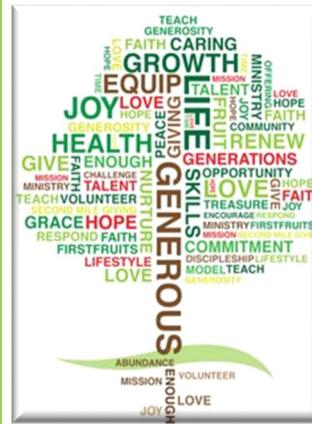
PCCW

Holy Spirit PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women) Spirituality is hoping to form a prayer shawl group that would continue to provide knitted and crocheted items to those in need of comfort and encouragement.

At this time, a parish-wide and not limited to PCCW invitation is being extended to all those interested. Members possessing these skills and who have continually fashioned these shawls, would also like to share their expertise. It is proposed that sessions be scheduled at the parish center in either Spirit Hall or in the gathering space.

At this time, there is an abundance of yarn that has been donated. Further donations of yarn that may not be personally utilized would be welcome.

Those interested should contact Carolyn Laude, PCCW Vice President. Email carolyn.laude@gmail.com



2022 Giving Statements

Available for pick up in the Ministry Center to help defray mailing costs.

If you are unable to pick it up, call us at 715-344-9117 and request we mail it to you.

Thank you for your generous financial stewardship!

Fruits of Point Catholic

The Point Catholic community and Campus Ministry programming at Holy Spirit Parish has impacted countless lives over the years! Most recently, the graces & fruits of the ministry have been evident in my life & Emily's as we've both found ourselves in campus ministry after graduation.

Jessica Enstad

Emily & I were two of the nine students who attended the SEEK Conference in 2019. And a few weeks ago, we attended the conference once again, this time as Campus Ministers leading our own groups of students and what an amazing revelation that was. That just four years after attending as students, we were blessed to be able to lead our own students to encounter Christ in a deeper way at this conference surrounded by thousands of other students. God has certainly done great things in our lives and grants us the grace to be His hands and feet serving college students every day and we wouldn't be here without Holy Spirit Parish or the Point Catholic community! Here's a note from Emily on the impact on Point Catholic and how it led her to pursue campus ministry.

A word from Emily: "As a freshman in college, I jumped right into Point Catholic and from the start it was my community. Before my Junior year, with some nudging from Fr. Steve, I accepted the position as the Student Social Justice Coordinator and in addition to my community, it was now my workplace. Through that position and other endeavors I pursued, it also became a place where I was a leader. By the time I graduated, I was involved in a lot of different ways from being a part of the parish Social Justice Committee, making meals for Salvation Army and playing a role in the creation of a student Leadership Team, and coordinating the two Point Catholic Rummage Sales. I was able to grow in so many ways; I was a friend, coworker, member of a parish, student leader, and person growing in my relationship with Christ.

The variety of roles and the ability to adapt to the unexpected is what helped me feel prepared to follow in the footsteps of my friend and campus minister, Jessica Enstad. Point Catholic was where I formed lasting friendships that I still turn to, gained confidence in my abilities and skills, and came to understand how I was called to serve others in my professional career.

I now serve as the campus minister at Illinois State University in Bloomington-Normal, IL and I am proud to be an alum of UWSP and the Point Catholic Community."



Emily & Jessica
at SEEK 2023



Josh, Jessica, Emily & Maycie
(Former Student Staff Team)



Emily & Jessica
at SEEK 2019

Upcoming Lenten Offerings for Adults

During lent Adult Faith Formation will be offering a six-week series "Henri Matisse and the Colors of Lent," a two-week series "The Power of the Eucharist to Transform Your Life," and a Homeless presentation with an affiliate book study. Please see next weeks bulletin for sign up and additional information on these events.

Housing for Busy Student Retreat

Jessica Enstad

Another Busy Student Retreat for Point Catholic is now just a month away! I am anticipating an increase in students participating in the retreat this year and that has led me to recruit twice as many spiritual directors to assist than in years past! In years past, directors have been housed at the convent and rectory, and with those no longer being options, I am in need of a few people who would be able to host a director for the duration of the retreat. The retreat begins Sunday February 26th and ends Thursday March 2nd. They spend the majority of their day at the Ministry Center meeting with students and all of their meals are provided at church as well. They simply need a place to sleep each night that week! If you or someone you know has the accommodations for this, please reach out via email at jessica@holyspiritstevenspoint.org or by calling the parish office. Thank you in advance for helping make this retreat possible!

Parish Book Club Forming

It's a wonderful day when the Director of Adult Faith Formation receives a call from a parishioner who wants to *Respond to the Spirit* by creating a new, on-going adult formation offering; in this instance, a Book Club!

The new Parish Book Club, co-ordinated by Laurie Pascutti, will share an inaugural Lenten offering, *Seven Last Words: An Invitation to a Deeper Friendship with Jesus*, by Fr. James Martin. **Beginning Thursday, February 23rd, the group will gather at 9:15 AM, in the Conference Room** of the Ministry Center, and meet weekly for seven weeks. At the end of this time, the group will decide on their next book together and consider a schedule appropriate to their needs.

This first book, *Seven Last Words*, contains a series of meditations on the seven sayings of Jesus from the cross, which reveal not only Jesus's love and forgiveness, but also why we can confidently turn to him with our worries, fears, and doubts. Through his seven last words we are invited to come to know Jesus as a friend and accompany him in his human suffering as he accompanies us in ours. This Lent, **ALL ARE WELCOME** to come into a deeper friendship with Jesus!

For more information or to join the Parish Book Club, please email Laurie Pascutti: lauriepascutti@gmail.com or simply register your interest on the SignUp found under *Adult Formation* on the parish website.

Finance Report

Jason Moroder

With the calendar year ending, we mark the halfway point of our fiscal year. Normally during this update, I focus exclusively on the Parish's day-to-day operating results. We will get to those later. I want to start with the major Finance initiative of 2022 - the Inspired by the Spirit capital campaign. My message is simple, THANK YOU! By getting to and exceeding our goal, we have set the table for future capital projects over the coming years. From a financial perspective, the fact that those capital projects will be funded without the use of our day-to-day operating funds is extremely important. Special thanks to Sandy, Dave, and Fr. Steve for leading us through the campaign!

Now onto our operating results. Revenues have exceeded budget, but are slightly short of last year's figures. The vast majority of our operating revenues are from "collections" (this includes collections, envelope giving, and recurring ACH giving). Unfortunately, collection giving is slightly below budgeted levels, but has been made up for by other one-time/once-a-year revenues. These "one time/once-a-year" revenues include the picnic, bequests & memorials, and restricted contributions.

Expenses have exceeded budget and prior year figures. Maintenance & Capital Expense obviously stand out as the main driver. Expenses in this category include Newman House repairs, parking lot resurfacing, HVAC repairs, and a project to fix the drainage issue on the North side of Church. Personnel Costs are running less than expected as we experienced turnover in various positions earlier in the fiscal year. While the favorable expense variance in this category is good from an accounting perspective, we would much rather have these positions filled at all times to help continue executing our purpose/mission.

The bottom line results (excess revenue) is slightly short of our budgeted amount. I think this is a good result so far for the fiscal year - to have total expenses exceed budget by \$38k and only be short \$5k on the bottom line is indicative once again of the financial generosity of parishioners. I wish everyone a blessed 2023 and once again, THANK YOU for your continued financial support of the Parish and its mission.

| Operating Results | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| For the Six Months Ended 12/31/2022 | | | |
| | Budget | Current Year | Prior Year |
| Revenue | \$ 516,529 | 549,374 | 554,996 |
| Expense | 487,263 | 524,764 | 483,076 |
| Excess Revenue (Expense) | \$ 29,266 | 24,610 | 71,920 |



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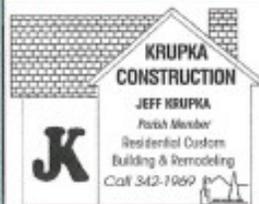
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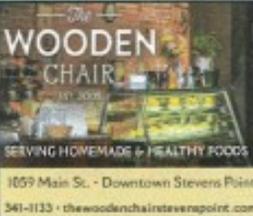
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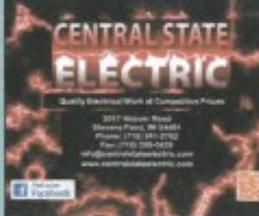
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