

*"The best vocation leaders should be the priests themselves. We may not mount pulpits to urge parents to bear children, unless we priests bear spiritual children. On the last day, God will ask us priests: 'Where are your children? How many vocations have you fostered?' Though it is not given to any of us to implant the vocation, it is nonetheless within our power to widen the capacity for receptivity. We fertilize the soil by good example and encouragement."*

— Archbishop  
Fulton J. Sheen

*"Without the priest, the passion and death of our Lord would be of no avail. It is the priest who continues the work of redemption here on earth.... What use would be a house filled with gold, were there no one to open its door? The priest holds the key to the treasures of heaven: it is he who opens the door: he is the steward of the good Lord; the administrator of His goods.... Leave a parish for 20 years without a priest and they will end by worshiping the beasts there.... The priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you."*

— St. John Vianney



The parishioners of St. Peter Church would like to thank the **Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception** for their priestly support over the past 84 years.

A special thank you to our current Pastor Fr. Bill Hayward, M.I.C. and Associate Pastor Fr. Ireneusz Chodakowski, M.I.C.

May God bless you and the Congregation of Marian Fathers for your commitment to the priesthood and to the Catholic Church throughout the world, especially in Kenosha.

**Thank you**  
to all the priests of the  
Archdiocese of Milwaukee

And in particular,  
Express our gratitude  
to our pastor  
**Rev. Edwin Kornath**

For his dedicated service  
and pastoral care given  
to our communities.

St. Michael and Holy Trinity, Kewaskum

The parishioners of  
**Our Risen Savior** and  
**Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

would like to say thank you  
to all of the priests who have been  
assigned to our parish.

We appreciate their support, prayers  
and dedication of their ministry to the Church.

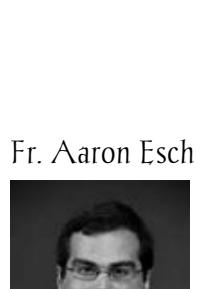
**We appreciate your call to love  
and serve God. Your God-given talents  
have enriched our faith lives**



As we say farewell to Father Peter and welcome Father Aaron, we thank God for the wonderful priests who have served Lumen Christi, especially our dedicated Pastor, Father John Hemsing.



Fr. Peter Berger



Fr. Aaron Esch



Fr. John Hemsing

# Thank You, Brother Steve

Pastor of the Holyland Cluster Parishes

*"Brother Steve has strengthened my faith with his thoughtful homilies. He has been blessed with the ability to combine Scripture and Catholic values, and present it in a way that I can apply to everyday life."*

(Young family)

*"Brother Steve is nice, friendly and very tall."* (8-year-old)

*"Brother Steve has a really good sense of humor."* (9-year-old)

*"Brother Steve stepped in after we were without a permanent pastor for a year and immediately embraced his first time position as pastor of a parish.*

*He has shown exemplary qualities of leadership both spiritually and in the day to day running of the parishes and has done so with grace, kindness and always a sense of humor. As we merge our parishes and look to the future we are blessed to have Brother Steve as our pastor."*

(Council member)

*"God has gifted our Holyland Cluster Parishes with a wonderful pastor, Rev. Steve Kropp. He is a marvelous spiritual leader who listens and empowers parishioners to share their gifts and talents. We are grateful for his life-giving presence."*

(Staff)

*"By taking the time to visit us in the hospital and at home, Brother Steven helped alleviate our despair. He brought us comfort and a sense of peace by reassuring us of God's love and presence in our time of need."*

(Person diagnosed with cancer)

*"We really enjoyed working with Brother Steve for our marriage preparation.*

*He made us feel welcome in his home, and most of all - in the church. We look forward to raising our family in the community of St. Isadore."*

(Recently married couple)

Mount Calvary

St. Cloud

St. Joseph