

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	10/17	6:30 PM	SP	+Julie Toner
Tuesday	10/18	8:30 AM	SP	+John Jacques
Wednesday	10/19	NO MASS		
Thursday	10/20	8:30 AM	SC	+Jim & Julie Berg
Friday	10/21	NO MASS		
Saturday	10/22	5:00 PM	SP	For Our Parishioners & Guests
Sunday	10/23	8:30 AM	SC	+Brandon Bruzek
		10:30 AM	SP	Kathy McBroom

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR October 22 & 23, 2022

### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	10/22	Rita Ryan
	10/23	Kristi Schulte
Lector	10/22	Kerri Sticha
	10/23	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	10/22	Jack Sticha
	10/23	Cole, Ella & Ethan Flicek
Ushers	10/22	Mel Gregory
	10/23	Rob Sticha

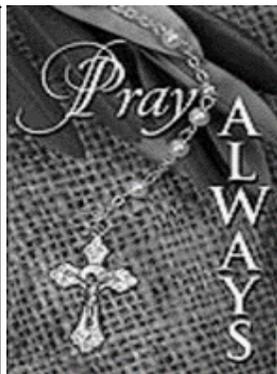
### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	10/23	Deanna Vochoska
Lector	10/23	Dave Nelson
Altar Servers	10/23	Volunteer
Ushers	10/23	Lloyd Friske, Joe Shelton
Greeters	10/23	Frank & Cathy Simons

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at 10:00am. (notices can be mailed, emailed or put in the black box on the side of the rectory). Save the money counters time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you!

### PRAY FOR A PRIEST:

10/16	Fr. James Perkel
10/17	Fr. Joseph Pete
10/18	Fr. James Peterson
10/19	Fr. William Peterson
10/20	Fr. Louis Pham
10/21	Fr. Donald Piche
10/22	Fr. Kenneth Pierre



**Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

## FROM THE PASTOR

### God is God and we are Not

I am not sure how I came up with the phrase “God is God and we are not,” but I have been using it for many years as a definition of humility. At first glance it seems laughably obvious, and it actually is; but when we look more carefully we find that the denial of that phrase is the root of all sin. Tradition places the words “Non serviam” (I will not serve) on the lips of Lucifer as he refused to acknowledge that truth. St. Michael rightly asks, “Who is like God?” meaning no one is His equal. Having lost his place in heaven Satan tricks Adam and Eve into believing that God is a liar and that by disobeying Him they “will be like gods who know what is good and what is bad” (Gen. 3:5). In both cases, as in every sin, there is a denial that God is God in that He is capable of error and that He is subject to our review and approval. That is pride from which grows all other sins.

Humility, in contrast, acknowledges the truth that God is the Creator of all things visible and invisible. That is simple reality: the creature is not the Creator. Humility is the recognition of that reality. This is how we follow the advice of Sirach, “My child, conduct your affairs with humility” (Sirach 3:17). It recognizes who God is, and who we, and others, are: created by God in His image, “In the Divine image He created him; male and female He created them” (Gen. 1:27). That is why the transgender agenda is such a terrible attack on the human person and a grave insult to the Creator. God wrote the book on creation. We, as His creatures, are to read that book, not rewrite it. With this and all moral questions, we must also humbly remember the reality that, “we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil” (2 Cor 5:10). This is a reality that everyone will face, whether they believe or not. For anyone who does not believe this or, if they do, but still embrace a moral action that the Church teaches is wrong, the question I would ask them is: “Are you sure?”

Humility is the soil (humus) in which all virtues grow because it accepts reality: that which exists outside of the mind and the imagination. It does not mean that we deny our talents or put ourselves down. If someone praises a talent or an ability that we have, it is not humble to deny it. We even use the word “pride” to describe this aspect of humility: we take pride in our work; we are proud of our children. It is an appreciation of goodness similar to the completion of creation: “God looked at everything He had made, and He found it very good” (Gen 1:31). Humility recognizes the truth that, “all good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change” (James 1:17).

The greatest gift of all is that the Second Person of the Trinity humbled Himself to unite our humanity in His Person and to “become obedient to death, even death on a cross” (Phil. 2:8). The virtue of humility enables us to appreciate this gift: “It is humility which makes it possible for a man to see that he cannot find happiness without the assistance of God’s grace and love. The humble man does not try the impossible – to save himself without God” (My Way of Life, Pocket Edition of St. Thomas, Walter Farrell, and Martin Healy, 1952, p. 425). That book is a simplified version of the Summa Theologica of St. Thomas



Aquinas (+1274), the greatest theologian in the history of the Church. I was blessed over 30 years ago to read that book and to study under great teachers at the College of St. Thomas, who studied him, who also opened their minds and hearts to pray, "Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine." That, I believe, is how I came to the realization that God is God, and we are not.

~Fr. Michael J. Miller

## ST. PATRICK

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR OCTOBER:** Patrick & Vonnice Simon, Warren & Beth Simon, Mathias & Diane Sirek, Luke & Paula Siskoff, \*Tim & Barb Sonnek, Jeff & Kerri Sticha, Mike & Jan Sticha, Norm & Denie Sticha, Rob & Denise Sticha, Travis & Amanda Sticha, Dave & Erin Streefland, Eric & Jeni Newman

Altar Linens: Linda Kreuser

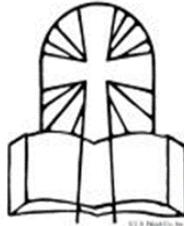
**PRAY THE ROSARY:** Join us to pray the Rosary every Saturday evening at 4:40 PM before the 5:00 PM Mass or Sunday morning at 10:10 AM before the 10:30 AM Mass.

**ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Monday, October 17th at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall.

**ST. PATRICK MEN'S CLUB EUCHRE TOURNAMENT:** Friday, November 4th at the St. Patrick Social Hall; 6:30 PM-registration and 7:00 PM Start Time. Cash prizes awarded to the top 4 teams. Cost is \$20 per team.

**Stewardship of Treasure– Week of 10/9/22**  
 "Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,644.00
Weekly Basket Collections:	\$ 2,195.00
Weekly Electronic Contributions:	\$ 824.26
Fuel Collection:	\$ 100.00



## ST. CATHERINE

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR OCTOBER:** Joe & Diane Williamson, Jeff Lorsung, Wayne & Joy Liebhard

**PRAY THE ROSARY:** The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 7:55 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

**ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Monday, October 24th at 7:00 PM.

**TURKEY BINGO:** Join in the fun for adults and children at the St. Catherine Turkey Bingo on Sunday, November 6, at 2:00 pm in the St. Patrick Social Hall Basement. The CCW is looking for volunteers to work the event, so please sign-up on the sheet in the back of Church. Parishioners with last names (N-Z) bring 24 bars and/or cookies and last names (A-M) bring one dozen sandwiches cut in half. Light supper with beverages included. Questions contact Rachel at 952-738-2948 or email: kandreicher@gmail.com.

**Stewardship of Treasure– Week of 10/9/22**  
 "Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,234.00
Weekly Basket Collection:	\$ 1,142.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES:

Rose Cross, Kathy McBroom, Ethel Pieper (Emily Sandey's mom), Baby Rosemary, Brandon Witt, Shelby Perry, Janice Lane, Tom O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, JoAnn Kenne, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

~Pray for the repose of the soul of **Arnold Smisek.**

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN IS HERE:** We will be participating in the baby bottles campaign. Bottles are available in the back of church for pickup. This campaign gives donations to the Alpha Women's Center's mobile medical clinic. Alpha Women's Center is a pro-life organization that provides free medical services and shows the love and compassion of Christ to women with pregnancy needs. Thank you for your support.

**2023 INTENTION CALENDAR:** The 2023 intention calendar is now available. Please call the office to set up Masses.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** There will be second collection next weekend for the World Mission Sunday.

**ST. CATHERINE CCW TURKEY BINGO:** It's time for St. Catherine's Annual Turkey Bingo. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 6 at 2:00 PM for fun and fellowship at St. Patrick Social Hall. For \$10, you can play all 20 games to win a turkey, plus two \$50 coveralls for \$1 per card. Light supper with beverages included. Questions, please contact Rachel at 952-738-2948 or email: kandreicher@gmail.com

### ST. ANNE LESUEUR CCW FALL HARVEST

**LUNCHEON:** Thursday, October 27 from 11AM-1:30PM at St. Anne School Cafeteria. Serving turkey hotdish, salads, pumpkin crunch dessert. \$12.00

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Message to the World-September 25, 2022:

"Dear children! Pray that the Holy Spirit may enlighten you that you be joyful seekers of God and witnesses of love without bounds. I am with you, little children, and, anew, I am calling all of you: take courage and bear witness to the good works that God is doing in and through you. Be joyful in God. Do good to your neighbor so that it will be good for you on earth and pray for peace, which is threatened because Satan wants war and peacelessness. Thank you for having responded to my call."

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday	10/19/22	NO CLASS
Sunday	10/23/22	NO CLASS