

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Oct. 23	6:30 PM (SC)	Kayleen Kleven
Tuesday	Oct. 24	8:30 AM (SP)	St. Patrick C.C.W.
Wednesday	Oct. 25	6:00 PM (SP)	+Brandon Bruzek
Thursday	Oct. 26		NO MASS
Friday	Oct. 27		NO MASS
Saturday	Oct. 28	5:00 PM (SP)	+Ermin & Esther Giesen
Sunday	Oct. 29	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Brandon Bruzek For Our People

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR OCTOBER 28 & 29, 2017

### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	10/28	Barb Lewis, Kelley DeGross, Dave Roach
	10/29	Ron & Kathy McBroom, Dan Cervenka, Don Pesta
Lectors	10/28	Jim DeGross
	10/29	Tim Sonnek
Acolytes	10/28	Mason DeGross, Ian DeGross, Sam Lambrecht
	10/29	Bella & Lily Schulte, Hannah Langeberg
Ushers	10/28	Steve Kreuser, Matt Sirek
	10/29	Leo Jacques, Don Pesta

### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	10/29	Frank Simons, Linda Torgesen, Bonnie Theis, Deanna Vochoska
Lector	10/29	Laura Saarela
Acolytes	10/29	Addey Vochoska, Karley Vochoska
Ushers	10/29	Joel Vochoska, Bill Dillingham
Greeters	10/29	Lee Hess, Kathy Prochaska

*Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, faxed to 952-492-6290, or put in the black box on the side of the rectory) Save the counting people time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you! Going out of town? Won't be at mass next weekend? Call the parish office in advance and ask for a parish bulletin to be mailed to you. Keep up on parish events!*

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Oct. 23: Fr. John Parkos, Oct. 24: Fr. William Paron,  
Oct. 25: Fr. Biju Pattasseril, Oct. 26: Fr. John Paul,  
Oct. 27: Fr. Marc Paveglio, Oct. 28: Fr. Mark Pavlak,  
Oct. 29: Fr. Mark Pavlik.



**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

### A Council to be Rediscovered II – What Happened?



In a private audience with Pope Paul VI a few years after the close of the Second Vatican Council, he told Archbishop Fulton Sheen, “every night about midnight I open my mail of the day. Almost every letter has a thorn in it. When I put my head on my pillow at night, I really lay it on a crown of thorns” (*Treasure in Clay*, p. 236). Was Paul VI fulfilling the vision of Jacinta who saw Mary at Fatima in 1917? “I can’t say how, but I saw the Holy Father in a very large house, kneeling before a table with his face in his hands. He was crying. Many people were in front of the house; some were throwing stones, while others were cursing him and using foul language” (Ralph McInerny, *What went wrong with Vatican II*, pp. 17-18). There were such high hopes in 1965 when the Council closed, yet only 3 years later dissent, in the name of the Council, was the flavor of the day. In 1972 Paul VI publicly stated, “Doubt has entered our consciences and it entered through windows which should have been open to Light. It was believed that after the Second Vatican Council there would be a day of sunshine in the history of the Church. There came instead a day of clouds, storm and darkness, of search and uncertainty. This came about through an adverse power; his name is the Devil” (June 29, General Audience).

In 1968 the encyclical *Humanae Vitae* was greeted with widespread rejection of the authority of the Pope and the Magisterium. Priests and religious were leaving in droves. In the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis 127 priests, including an auxiliary bishop left the priesthood in the 15 years following the Council – the second highest number in the country. As one priest put it, “that’s not a hemorrhage; that’s an aneurysm.” Beautiful churches were gutted in the name of reform. Altars were burned in church parking lots; statues and art were destroyed with a reckless abandon and fury that would have made the Huns envious. The Mass, the source and summit of our faith, as the Council put it, became a playground of experimentation, leaving people unsure of what to expect the following week. As the way of praying drifted further from the Church’s intentions and direction so did the faith itself. “We don’t believe this or that anymore... Vatican II changed that...” became the only creed that could be professed with any certainty. Catechism classes became arts and crafts; knowledge of the faith and how to live it was replaced with a bright yellow smiley face uttering the vague assurance that God loves you.

These things occurred in varying degrees around the country and the world depending on how well informed

were the priests and the laity. Each had the same guiding light – the Council documents themselves. Whoever actually read them could plainly see that these negative phenomena were not intended by the Council and certainly not mandated by it. “I am convinced that the damage that we have incurred in these twenty years is due, not to the ‘true’ Council, but to the unleashing within the Church of latent polemical and centrifugal forces; and outside the Church it is due to the confrontation with a cultural revolution in the West” (The Ratzinger Report, p. 30). What were these forces and how did they gain such power? The words of Paul VI bring greater clarity to the question.

(To be continued...) *Fr. Michael J. Miller*

## ST. PATRICK

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER:

\*Tim & Barbara Sonnek, Doug & Jan St. Aubin, Jeff & Kerri Sticha, Ken & Marge Sticha, Mike & Jan Sticha, Norm & Denie Sticha, Rob Sticha, Travis & Amanda Sticha, Brian & Beck Szyszka, Brian & Shannon Theis. Altar Linens: Gail Cassady.

**POP CAN TABS:** All three New Prague Elementary Schools are collecting pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please collect your tabs and bring them to St. Patrick Church. Lisa Luskey will get them to the schools. Thank you.

**BOXTOPS:** Please save boxtops for Catholic Education. Each one you clip is worth money that goes back to education. There is a box in the back of church for you to place them in.

**MASS HELPERS:** We are in need of more volunteers for Mass Helpers. Contact the parish office if you are interested. If you want your Mass Helper Schedule via e-mail, please contact Shelley Shepherd.

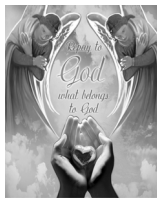
**THANK YOU:** a big **thank you** to all who donated food, silent auction items, or worked at the Steak/Chicken Cookout on October 6th. Thanks to all of our wonderful supporters. We were able to see a profit of approx. \$4018.00, which includes a generous donation of \$600.00 from FCSLA.

### Stewardship of Treasure

*“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”*

Sunday Collection October 15, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 1,457.00  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,006.00



## ST. CATHERINE

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER:

Greg & Deb Horejsi, Joel & JoAnn Erickson, Jason & Gabriella Erickson.

### ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**MEETING:** Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 PM.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Sunday, November 5th— St. Catherine C.C.W. Turkey Bingo.

**THANK YOU** to the C.C.W. for purchasing the wall heater located in the entry foyer at St. Catherine. Also, thank you to Chuck Bruzek for installing it.

### ST. CATHERINE AUTUMN DINNER WINNERS:

Meat Raffle	Ken Jilk
Split the Pot	Barb Duban
\$250.00	Kay Carolan
\$250.00	Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald
\$500.00	Gary Ruhland

### Stewardship of Treasure

*“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”*

Sunday Collection October 15, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 696.12  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 944.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

**PARISHES:** Jonathan Perry (grandson of Barb Perry), Amelia Cross, Andrew Buckman, Fred Winker, Marsha Simon, Mary Lee Androli, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Fr. Francis Roach, Gerry Sandey, Amanda (Polson) Tinebra, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska) Danny Theis, Anne Kelnhofer, Albert Braith, Patty Whalen, Sandi Suilmann, Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Sharon Mastain (Carol Timmons’ sister) Rosie Pexa, Ann Pint, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Dave Hover, Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Paul Lambrecht, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin’s cousin), Florian Bauman (Bryan Bittner’s uncle), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

**R.C.I.A. PROGRAM:** The R.C.I.A. Program will start in November and continue until Easter. Sessions will be held weekly on Mondays, starting at 6:30 PM at St. Patrick Church. The Program is designed for anyone who is not baptized or wants to become Catholic. Parishioners interested in attending to learn more about the Faith are welcome to join.

**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH:** There will be a baby bassinet in back of St. Patrick & St. Catherine Churches. Items needed: infant clothes, blankets, and diapers. Cash donations or check donations made to: ICU Mobile (Image Clear Ultrasound) formerly Alpha Women’s Center in Prior Lake.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend, Oct. 21 & 22, we will have a second collection for World Mission Sunday.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** If you would like to review our financial reports for the last fiscal year, you are welcome to stop by the parish office and review them.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We are in need of two parents (or two sets of parents that are willing to switch off) to be hall monitors during religious education classes. Volunteers will need to attend a training session and create an online account for future training sessions.

Wed. Oct.25	6:45-8:00 PM	Class grades 1-9
Wed. Nov. 1	6:45-8:00 PM	All Saints Day Mass
Sun. Nov. 5	10:30 AM	Sunday School
Wed. Nov. 8	6:45-8:00 PM	Class grades 1-9

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sun. Nov. 5	S.C.	C.C.W. Turkey Bingo
Fri. Nov. 10	S.P.	Men’s Club Euchre Tournament
Sun. Nov. 19	S.C.	S.C. Feast Day & Welcome Sunday
Tue. Dec. 5	S.C.	C.C.W. Christmas Party