

ALL SAINTS

NOVEMBER 1, 2015

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Nov. 2	5:30 PM (SC)	+Jeff Schroeder All Souls Day
Tuesday	Nov. 3	8:30 AM (SP)	+Erin Kreuser
Wednesday	Nov. 4	6:50 PM (SP)	+Cy Wolf
Thursday	Nov. 5		NO MASS
Friday	Nov. 6		NO MASS
Saturday	Nov. 7	5:00 PM (SP)	+RoseAnn & Randy Sticha
Sunday	Nov. 8	8:30 AM (SC)	For our parishioners, guests, & visitors 10:30 AM (SP) +Harold & Della Schmitt

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 7 & 8, 2015

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	11/7	Ron & Rosie Ryan, Megan Ryan
	11/8	Gerald Sandey, Aimee Henry, Jan St. Aubin, Kristi Schulte
Lectors	11/7	Shelley Shepherd
	11/8	Tim Sonnek
Acolytes	11/7	Mitchell Rousseau, Sam Lambrecht, Ian DeGross
	11/8	Elias DeGeest, Lily & Bella Schulte
Ushers	11/7	Steve Kreuser, Roman Stepka
	11/8	Leo Jacques, Don Pesta
Greeters	11/8	Henry & Dee Kober

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	11/8	Paul & Linda Torgesen, Ken & Kathy Ceola
Lector	11/8	Deanna Vochoska
Acolytes	11/8	Bryce Horejsi, Addey & Karley Vochoska
Ushers	11/8	Rick Sirek, Joel Vochoska
Greeters	11/8	Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald

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!

**READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2015
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



First Reading: Kings 17:10-16
Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel Reading: Mark 12:-38-44

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

NOVEMBER: *Michael & Megan Krausman, Mick & Cheryl Kotek, Mark & Connie Kreuser, Steve & Lin Kreuser, Michael & Deborah Kubes, Jim & Jodie Lambrecht, Kevin & Stacy Langeberg, Denise Ledwein. Altar Linens: Gail Cassady.

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Nov. 2: Fr. Michael Miller, Nov. 3: Fr. John Brandes, Nov. 4: Fr. William Brenna, Nov. 5: Fr. Andrew Brinkman, Nov. 6: Fr. William Bueche, Nov. 7: Fr. John Burns, Nov. 8: Fr. James Burns. *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.*

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. MEETING: Monday, November 9th at 7:00 PM in the social hall. All women of the parish are invited. Contact Vickie Cross with agenda items @ 952-461-3036.

ROSARY AT MALASTRANA: We are looking for two volunteers to lead the rosary at Malastrana on Wednesday, November 25th. Call Vickie to volunteer @ 952-461-3036.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection October 25, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 1,805.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,867.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

NOVEMBER: Bruce Brumm, David & Bonnie Buresh, Wayne & Joy Liebhard, Scott & Lynn Lombardi.

TURKEY BINGO IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER: It's Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 PM. All parish families are asked to donate a plate of bars or cookies to serve with the post-bingo lunch. Families with last names ending in A-L are asked to stay after church on November 1 to help set up. Families with last names ending M-Z are asked to help clean up after bingo. Contact Ann Korbel @ 952-447-1454 if you'd like to donate a door prize.

THANK YOU: A big thanks to JB Woodfitter who donated the \$750.00 they won at the Autumn Dinner back to St. Catherine. Also, a big thanks to Lloyd & Deloris Friske who donated back the \$50.00 they won.

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA FEAST DAY: On Sunday, November 22nd we will be celebrating the Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria. All are invited to a potluck breakfast following the 8:30 AM Mass. Please bring a dish to share. If you have any questions, contact Kathy @ 952-440-6740.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection October 25, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 1,966.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,101.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Sharon Mastain (sister of Carol Timmons) Rosie Pexa, Ann Pint, Laura Ryan, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, John Chruscinsky, Bill Ronayne, Robert Richardson, Dave Hover, Diane Hentges (Cathy Theis' sister), Jerry Cavanaugh (Jodie Puncochar & Jim Cavanaugh's dad), Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Mary Jane Keep, Paul Lambrecht, Braden Flicek, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Beatrice Mushitz, Mike Zender, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Shannon Quinn, Rosetta Shea, Gerry Jensen (cousin of Jan St. Aubin), Therese Ryan, Florian Bauman (Bryan Bittner's uncle), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Benoit Stepka, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

+Our parish community is saddened by the death of Ted Jirik.

We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.

+Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elmer Pieper, father of Emily Sandey.

+Please pray for the repose of the soul of Leo Scheffler, brother of Joe Scheffler.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WINTER:

Monday 5:30 PM at S.C. (on the 4th Monday on the month, there will be exposition and confession until 7:00 PM.)

Tuesday 8:30 AM at S.P.

Wednesday 6:50 PM at S.P. (8:30 AM when there is no Religious Education Classes.)

Thursday NO MASS

Friday NO MASS

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sunday, November 1 S.C. Turkey Bingo

Friday, November 13 S.P. Men's Club Euchre Tournament

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CONFIRMATION PRAYER PARTNERS: Thank you parishioners from St. Patrick and St. Catherine for selecting Confirmation Prayer Partners.

Wed. Nov. 4 6:45-8:00 PM Religious Education Class, Grades 1-9. 2nd grade parent meeting.

Sun. Nov. 8 10:30 AM Sunday School.

Wed. Nov. 11 6:45-8:00 PM Religious Education Class. Grades 1-9. Reconciliation.

Wed. Nov. 18 6:45-8:00 PM Religious Education Class, Grades 1-9.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast, Sun. Nov. 1, 8:00 AM-noon at the K.C. Hall in New Prague. \$7.50/adult, \$3.00/child.

Intersection of Faith, Climate Change, & Weather, Sat. Nov. 7, 9:00 –11:30 AM at Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church (3611 North Berens Rd. N.W.) in Prior Lake. Christian faith leaders and experts in the field of climate science and weather explore how God calls us to respond in our changing world.

Bingo, Sun. Nov. 8, 1:00 PM at Most Holy Trinity in Veseli. Admission is \$5.00 which includes one card and lunch.

Intersection of R.I.P.

If we were to ask someone to draw a tombstone very likely it would contain the letters "R.I.P." If we were to ask what they stand for we would probably get the answer "Rest In Peace", which is very close. They actually stand for "Requiescat in Pace", which is Latin for "May he (she) rest in peace." It expresses a practice of our faith in which we pray for the dead. The funeral rite contains the words, "Eternal Rest grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May he/she rest in peace." It would not be unusual that this final prayer would be carved on the tombstone. We commemorate this practice in a special way every November 2nd, which is All Soul's Day: the day following All Saints Day. The Church throughout the world prays for those members of the Church who have died, but are not yet in heaven. We pray that their final purification would be hastened so that they could join the saints in heaven for all eternity. We call this intermediate state "Purgatory" which is "a state of final purification after death and before entrance into heaven for those who died in God's friendship, but were only imperfectly purified; a final cleansing of human imperfection before one is able to enter the joy of heaven" (glossary of the catechism).

"This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: 'therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin' (2 Macc 12:46). From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead: 'Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them.'" (St. John Chrysostom [347-407], Catechism, 1032).

Sometimes people mistakenly say that the Church no longer believes in Purgatory, but that is not, and never will be true. It is a dogma of our faith (a teaching of the highest order), that has not only been a part of the Church's belief and practice for ages, but has been solemnly defined by a Church Council: Florence (1439) and Trent (1563). These are based not only on Scripture, but also on a profound understanding of human nature, and God's mercy and Justice. Some think that belief in Purgatory belittles the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. It does not. His sacrifice is infinite and perfect, but it must be applied to each individual soul through that person's free cooperation. The call of Jesus to repent and follow the Gospel is addressed to each person. Saying yes to this invitation in our daily lives allows the grace of His sacrifice to transform us rather than simply covering over our sins. This affirms the respect God has for our freedom, which He gave us. If we have not been completely transformed by the grace of Christ here on earth, God, in His mercy, allows us to finish this after death. We can hasten this for those in purgatory by our prayers and sacrifices. As I think most of us will spend some time there let us keep these souls in our daily prayers.

