

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Nov. 13		NO MASS
Tuesday	Nov. 14	8:30 AM (SP)	+Bob Maciej
Wednesday	Nov. 15	6:00 PM (SP)	St. Patrick C.C.W.
Thursday	Nov. 16	8:30 AM (SC)	+Leo Maciej
Friday	Nov. 17		NO MASS
Saturday	Nov. 18	5:00 PM (SP)	+Walter, LaVerne, Richard, & Don Beuch
Sunday	Nov. 19	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Brandon Bruzek For Our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 18 & 19, 2017

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	11/18	Bill Weiers, Barb Lewis, Rita Ryan
	11/19	Don Pesta, Kristi Schulte, Agnes DeGross, Heidi Michaelson
Lectors	11/18	Anne Marie Weiers
	11/19	Greg Michaelson
Acolytes	11/18	Hayden & Mason DeGross Joe Weiers
	11/19	Claire & William Michaelson
Ushers	11/18	Dave Roach, Mark Rezac
	11/19	Norm Sticha, Pat Puncochar

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	11/19	Pat Schroeder, Bonnie Theis, Frank Simons, Linda Torgesen
Lector	11/19	Tim Saarela
Acolytes	11/19	Kendra Korbelt
Ushers	11/19	Rick Sirek, Bruce Brumm
Greeters	11/19	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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Nov. 13: Fr. Robert Pish, Nov. 14: Fr. Eugene Pouliot,
Nov. 15: Fr. Francis Pouliot, Nov. 16: Fr. Michael Powell,
Nov. 17: Fr. John Powers, Nov. 18: Fr. Troy Przybilla,
Nov. 19: Fr. James Radde.



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 V: The Battle Within (part II)

On October 11, 1962 Pope John XXIII officially opened the Ecumenical Council that he had convoked only 3 months into his pontificate. Optimism and confidence were the prevailing sentiments of the 2400 bishops gathered at St. Peter's, many of whom believed the Council would be over very quickly. No one believed that the teachings of the Church were in question, especially John XXIII: "He stressed that there should be a 'renewed, serene and tranquil adherence to all the teachings of the Church in their entirety and preciseness, as they still shine forth in the acts of the Council of Trent and the First Vatican Council'" (Ralph Wiltgen, The Rhine flows into the Tiber (A History of Vatican II), p.14). Yet a year and a half later the future Pope Benedict XVI observed, "Now and then, on returning from Rome, I found the mood in the Church and among theologians to be quite agitated. The impression grew steadily that nothing was now stable in the Church, that everything was open to revision" (Milestones, p. 132). "The new Pentecost imagined by John XXIII was being described as, and in some senses had devolved into, a scramble for power. Theologians, tasting power and liking the taste, were imagining themselves as a parallel teaching authority in the Church, a kind of magisterium of experts" (George Weigel, God's Choice, p. 170).

Here we have the source of the crisis of faith that followed Vatican II and which we are still in to this day: the idea that the Church was starting over. The actual Council, "already during its sessions and then increasingly in the subsequent period, was opposed by a self-styled 'spirit of the Council', which in reality is a true 'anti-spirit' of the Council. According to this pernicious anti-spirit everything that is 'new' is always and in every case better than what has been or that is. It is the anti-spirit according to which the history of the Church would first begin with Vatican II, viewed as a kind of point zero. This schematism of a before and after in the history of the Church, wholly unjustified by the documents of Vatican II, which do nothing but reaffirm the continuity of Catholicism, must be decidedly opposed. There is no 'pre-' or 'post-' conciliar Church: there is but one, unique Church that walks the path toward the Lord, ever deepening and ever better understanding the treasure of faith that He Himself has entrusted to her. There are no leaps in this history, there are no fractures, and there is no break in continuity" (The Ratzinger Report, pp. 34-35). This long quotation, which Benedict XVI also spoke about in his end of the year 2005 address, is the most important key for understanding "what happened" after the Council. Always invoked as the "spirit of the Council",



this “anti-spirit” spread like a virus through universities, seminaries, and the printed word, infecting bishops, priests, and especially religious orders, causing many to leave and still more to spread the “virus” in parishes throughout the world. Phrases such as “that’s pre-Vatican II”, or “the Church doesn’t believe that anymore” were, and still are, telltale symptoms of the “virus.” Within 10 years the devastating consequences of this “anti-spirit” were so widespread that Pope Paul VI publicly attributed their ultimate cause to Satan himself. It would be another decade before the pieces were in place for the tide to turn.
(To be continued...) Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER:

*Dan & Cathy Theis, Carol Timmons, James & Anette Trecker, Paul Tuma & Susan Jacobs, Tim & Lisa Velishek, Anthony Verhoeven, John Verhoeven, Michael Verhoeven, Tim & LuVerne Verhoeven, Darryl & Juli Volk. 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.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, November 20th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

THANK YOU: Many thanks to Jeff Sticha for setting up our new office computer! Also, thanks to Jeff & Kerri for donating the new Publisher Program for the computer.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection November 5, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 1,925.00
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,006.00
 All Saints Day.....\$ 220.00
 All Souls Day.....\$ 182.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER:

Derek & Stacy Clarkin, Wayne & Joy Liebhard, Joseph & Katie Ludden.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:

Monday, November 27th at 7:00 PM.

ST. CATHERINE FEAST DAY: Next Sunday, November 19, we will be celebrating our patron saint, St. Catherine of Alexandria, feast day. We will also be introducing our new parishioners with coffee and donuts after Mass. The C.C.W. will be selling kitchen items.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection November 5, 2017

Received this week.....\$1,297.00
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 944.00
 All Saints Day.....\$ 166.00
 All Souls Day.....\$ 35.00



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 starts November 6th and continues 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.

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. Nov. 15	6:45-8:00 PM	Class grades 1-9
Sun. Nov. 19	10:30 AM	Sunday School
Wed. Nov. 22		NO CLASS-Thanksgiving Break
Sun. Nov. 26		NO Sunday School

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sun. Nov. 19	S.C.	S.C. Feast Day & Welcome Sunday
Tue. Dec. 5	S.C.	C.C.W. Christmas Party
Mon. Dec. 11	S.P.	C.C.W. Meeting
Fri. Dec. 29	S.C.	Make & serve @ Ronald McDonald House
Fri. Feb. 9	S.P.	Group I Fish Fry
Fri. Mar. 16	S.P.	Group II Fish Fry

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bingo, Sun. Nov. 12, 1:00 PM at Church of the Most Holy Trinity in Veseli. Admission is \$5.00 which includes one card and lunch.

Franciscan Retreats, Nov. 3-4 Women’s Weekend, Dec. 1-3 Serenity/Recovery Retreat, Dec. 8-10 Men’s Weekend. Call 952-447-2182 for more information.