

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Nov. 16	5:30 PM (SC)	+Fr. James Zappa
Tuesday	Nov. 17	8:30 AM (SP)	+Karen Liemandt
Wednesday	Nov. 18	6:00 PM (SP)	Gregory Family
Thursday	Nov. 19		NO MASS
Friday	Nov. 20		NO MASS
Saturday	Nov. 21	5:00 PM (SP)	+Walter, LaVerne, Richard, & Don Beuch
Sunday	Nov. 22	8:30 AM (SC)	For our parishioners, guests, & visitors
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Harold & Della Schmitt

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 21 & 22, 2015

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	11/21	Barb Lewis, Tony Jirik, Dave Roach
	11/22	Gerald Sandey, Jan St. Aubin, Tim Sonnek, Dan Cervenka
Lectors	11/21	Brianne Jirik
	11/22	John Cassady
Acolytes	11/21	Mitchell Rousseau, Sam Lambrecht, Ian DeGross
	11/22	Juliana Michels, Megan & Rachel Theis
Ushers	11/21	Steve Kreuser, Roman Stepka
	11/22	Rob Sticha, Pat Puncocar
Greeters	11/22	Dan & Deb Cervenka

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	11/22	Deloris Friske, Frank Simons, Rachel Friske, Vera Taylor
Lector	11/22	Linda Torgesen
Acolytes	11/22	Casey O'Hern, Abbie Kavouras, Jenna Kavouras
Ushers	11/22	Ken Ceola, Bill Dillingham
Greeters	11/22	Gary & Ann Korbel

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 22, 2015
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**



First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14
Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8
Gospel Reading: John 18:33b-37

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. 16: Fr. Patrick Casey, Nov. 17: Fr. James Cassidy, Nov. 18: Fr. John Clay, Nov. 19: Fr. Kevin Clinton, Nov. 20: Fr. Timothy Cloutier, Nov. 21: Fr. Ronald Clubb, Nov. 22: Fr. Vincent Colon. *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.*

GROUP I VOLUNTEER NEEDED: We need a volunteer to co-chair the Group I Fish Fry on Friday, February 5, 2016. Please call the parish office to volunteer.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, November 16th at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall.

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 November 8, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 3,142.50
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.

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.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 PM.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. CHRISTMAS PARTY: The party will be held at Margaret Sharkey's home this year on Thursday, December 3rd at 6:00 PM. We ask you bring an horsd'oeuvre to share. Come enjoy friendship with new and old members.

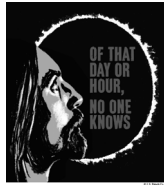
RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE COOKS FOR KIDS EVENT: The St. Catherine C.C.W. will be preparing and serving a meal on Friday, December 11 at the Ronald McDonald House in Minneapolis for families of children who are going through cancer treatments and transplants at the U of M Hospital. This is a fun and rewarding event, sharing time with families

who are dealing with the tremendous stress of seeing their children suffer and fight for life each day. Pop can tabs are recycled by the House, so please save and leave in the back of church. Prep will begin at church at 1:30, with the meal being served at Ronald McDonald at 5:30. If you would like to be involved, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Thank you for your help! Please direct your questions to Laura Saarela @ 952-440-3662.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
 Sunday Collection November 8, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 1,245.86
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,101.00



FROM THE PASTOR

IS THERE A HELL?

The Church especially calls to mind the Last Things during the month of November. These are Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell. When I was in 7th grade a classmate asked our associate pastor whether hell was real. I remember the answer well, and the immediate conclusion that I made. Seeing the choices made by many of my classmates as we grew up indicates that they came to the same conclusion. The priest answered, “Yes, there is a hell, but I don’t think anyone is in it. Maybe Judas is, and maybe Hitler.” I suspect that I was not the only one to come to the conclusion, “Well, I will never be as bad as Hitler or Judas, so I never have to worry about hell.” If you do not need to worry about hell, then you can do whatever you want to as long as you do not cause genocide, or do something extremely bad.

It is easy to see that this is a tremendously important question. Taking it so lightly can cause us to treat the whole of our faith in a very casual way. This easily can put us on a road that is very wide and leads to the very place we did not think we had to worry about. The question should have been answered this way, “Yes, there is a hell. Jesus told us that there is many times; and you do not have to be as bad as Hitler to go there. This is what He said about it: ‘Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road broad that leads to destruction, and those who enter through it are many’” (Mt 7:13; see also Lk 13:22-30). If that puts us on alert and makes us take our faith seriously, then good – it should. Jesus taught us to do so in no uncertain terms (Mt 13:36-43; chapters 24-25; Mk 9:42-48). Peter Kreeft says it very well, “There’s a popular fallacy that Jesus spoke only comforting words and that the fear of hell began with Saint Paul. The textual truth is the opposite” Jesus uttered many ‘hell fire and damnation’ sermons...we desperately need to hear this truth about hell again, simply out of honesty, because it is there. And also out of compassion” (Fundamentals of the Faith, pp.162, 164).

There are other questions about hell that are not easily answered or understood. We do not know exactly what it will be like except that it is the opposite of heaven. The many terrible images of hell express this reality. “The chief punishment of hell is eternal separation from God, in whom alone man can possess the life and happiness for which he was created and for which he longs” (Catechism, 1035). Whereas the Church canonizes saints, it has never declared that a particular person is in hell. We do not know the final workings of God’s mercy in the heart of a person. We do know that God “wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth” (1 Tim 2:4), and that He does not want “any to perish, but all to come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9). It is the Church’s mission to help people do this through her teaching and the sacraments. “The affirmations of Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Church on the subject of hell are a call to the responsibility incumbent upon man to make use of his freedom in view of his eternal destiny. They are at the same time an urgent call to conversion” (1036). God wants us to be with Him in heaven. Then we will understand hell, and be eternally grateful that we are not there.

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 Puncuchar & 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.

ENTRADA MASS: St. Patrick’s Saturday evening Mass on November 21st will be for our 33 confirmation students, their families, and sponsors.

THANK YOU: To all the people who brought food to dad’s lunch, We don’t have addresses for all of you, but please know that we very much appreciate each of your contributions to the meal. You all know how Ted loved to be at these get-togethers. People were important to him and he always worked hard to talk to every single person there! We feel so fortunate that so many of you honored dad with your presence—and your food.

Dad was a great man. He would be honored that so many of you contributed to an outstanding lunch. Best wishes,

The family of Ted Jirik

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Friday, February 5 S.P. Group I Fish Fry
 Friday, March 11 S.P. Group II Fish Fry

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Nov. 18 6:45-8:00 PM Religious Education Class, Grades 1-9. Confirmation Class at St. Michael.
 Sat. Nov. 21 5:00 PM Entrada Mass at S.P.
 Sun. Nov. 22 10:30 AM Sunday School.
 Wed. Nov. 25 NO Religious Education.
 Sun. Nov. 29 NO Sunday School.
 Wed. Dec. 2 6:45-8:00 PM Religious Education Class. Grades 1-9.
 Sun. Dec. 6 10:30 AM Sunday School.