

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Nov. 21	8:30 AM (SP)	+William & Kathryn Toner
Tuesday	Nov. 22	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intentions
Wednesday	Nov. 23		NO MASS
Thursday	Nov. 24	8:30 AM (SC)	+Lawrence, Marion, & John Jacques
Friday	Nov. 25	8:30 AM (SP)	Special Intention
Saturday	Nov. 26	5:00 PM (SP)	The Thoele Family
Sunday	Nov. 27	8:30 AM (SC)	For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Richard Beuch

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Nov. 23		NO Religious Education
Sun. Nov. 27		NO Sunday School
Wed. Nov. 30	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10.
		Penance, grades 7-10, Parent Meeting/1st Reconciliation.
Sun. Dec. 4	10:30 AM	Sunday School, pre & K.

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

NOVEMBER: *Ron & Kathy McBroom, Gary & Barbara Lewis, Gary Macho, James & Geri Mages, Anton & Colleen Martinson, Vincent & DeeDee Meyer, Trisha Mikelonis, Everett & Joan Nelson, Joe & Monica O'Brien, Steven & Jennifer Olson. Altar Linens: Evelyn Scheffler.

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. OFFICER: The position of vice-president is still open. It is a 2-year term; the first year as vice-president, the second year as president. Give some thought to volunteering to fill this position. Contact Carol Timmons if you can help!

ST. PATRICK FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, November 21, 6:30 PM in the social hall.

ST. PATRICK ALL PARISH MEETING: Monday, November 21, 7:00 PM in the social hall. All parishioners are invited.

DONATIONS FOR SYMBOLS: We are looking for donations to help underwrite the cost of the bronze symbols for the sanctuary of the church. These four symbols will be made just for our church and not a warehouse item. Similar to the bell up in the bell tower which was made just for our church in 1873. You may not know but the bell has "St. Patrick" and the year "1873" cast into the side of it along with the name of the foundry who made it. I wouldn't doubt that back then they took up a special collection for that bell also. It's too bad no one can see it, unlike these symbols which will carry the same integrity but will be visible for all of us to see and be inspired by. Please consider helping with this request. You can call the office or talk to me, Dan Cervenka, @ 758-3428. We have received donations of \$3,500.00 Total cost of the symbols is \$7,795.00. Thank you!

C.C.W. HOLIDAY CRAFT & BAKE SALE: Sat, December 10 after the 5:00 PM mass and Sun, December 11 after the 10:30 AM mass in the entry of St. Patrick Church. All parishioners are asked to contribute holiday-theme baked goods and craft items for this fundraiser. Donations may be dropped off on Saturday morning between 10:00 AM and noon or prior to the masses on Saturday and Sunday. Anyone interested in helping with set-up on Saturday morning or with sales after mass on Saturday or Sunday may contact Carol Timmons @ 952-758-5960.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 26 & 27

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	11/26	Clarice Gergen, Tim Sonnek, Dick Chodek
	11/27	Joe & Nellie Carson, Rita Ryan
Lectors	11/26	Gerry Sandey
	11/27	Rena Bjerke
Acolytes	11/26	Tony Verhoeven, Emily Sticha, Travis Sticha
	11/27	Alex & Kayla Shepherd, Amanda Stebbins
Ushers	11/26	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	11/27	Matt Trecker, Gerry Sandey
Greeters	11/27	Silverius & Cecilia Becker

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	11/27	Julie Giles, Deloris Friske, Cindy Grolla, Pat Schroeder
Lector	11/27	Robert Grams
Acolytes	11/27	Matt Novak, Rachel Friske, Helen Korbel
Ushers	11/27	Francis Seurer, Ken Svoboda
Greeters	11/27	Bill & Mary Dillingham

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 ladies 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 27, 2005, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THANKSGIVING



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First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7
 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
 Gospel Reading: Mark 13:33-37

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection November 13, 2005



Received this week.....	\$ 1,246.00
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 1,758.00
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 150,500.00 goal
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 103,251.00 pledged to date
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 96,709.00 collected to date

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

NOVEMBER: *Darrell & Pat Winter, Tom & Mary Kay Fredrickson, Wayne & Joy Liebhard, Tony & Claire Robling.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: We are looking for someone to oversee Funeral Luncheons. Contact JoAnn Erickson if you are interested @ 461-7979.

LECTORS NEEDED: The Church of St. Catherine is in need of additional lectors for Sunday masses. If you are interested in becoming a lector, please call Mary Kay Mahowald @ 447-3970.

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE: Thursday, December 8 (8:00 PM-midnight). Please join us at the Church of St. Catherine as we unite with Catholics across America for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for the sanctity of human life. We will be giving special honor to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and turning to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and Patroness of the unborn, seeking her intercession for the most vulnerable in our society—the unborn babies. Everyone is welcome to participate in this National Night of Prayer for Life. The hour of national unity when all churches from east to west will pray in unison will be from 11:00 to midnight in Minnesota. Please come for one hour or for the entire prayer vigil!

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Received this week.....\$ 558.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Linn Blocker, Peter Nytes, Jeff Paul, Jim Trantina (father of Theresa Sticha), MaryAnn Radnich (cousin of Vickie Cross), Lori Doerr (daughter of Florian Kraft), Richard Greger (father of Diane Williamson), Benoite Stepka, Jack Keenan.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lorraine Shepherd, mother-in-law of Shelley Shepherd.

SECOND COLLECTION: Poverty in America is on the rise—nearly 36 million Americans live below the poverty line. But one by one people are joining local community groups to break the cycle of poverty, and Catholics across our country are part of that change. Join in solidarity with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development to end poverty one community at a time. The CCHD collection will be this weekend, November 19 & 20.

MEMORY ANGELS: During the Advent season *A Community Caring for Life* will be selling Memory Angels to affirm the lives of cherished loved ones and those whose lives have not yet begun. These loved ones will be remembered in the Prayers of the Faithful at our masses throughout the Advent and Christmas season. Beginning on the weekend of Nov. 27, memorials may be purchased for \$5 each to be attached to Memory Angels. This would be a meaningful way to remember our deceased relatives and friends and also our spiritually adopted unborn babies. Proceeds will be given to the Archdiocese Life Fund to help women in crisis pregnancies.

SCRIPTURE STUDY ALERT! Coming this winter to St. Patrick Social Hall, *The Great Adventure Bible Timeline* with Jeff Cavin on video. Runs Thursdays, January 19 to April 6 from 7:00-9:00 PM. Cost is \$35.00. Rare opportunity! Don't miss it.

POSITION OPENING: We are taking applications for the position of Religious Education Director. If you are interested, please contact the parish office @ 952-492-6276.

THANKSGIVING DAY AND THE POOR

In the midst of our bounty, we should remember "the least of these, my brethren." In the judgment scene in Matthew 25:31-46, the Son of Man sitting on his throne judges the nations by dividing them between his right and left hand: the blessed and the condemned. Those blessed have done little things, secretly, to the Lord in his many disguises:

"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

What a marvelous theme to have at Thanksgiving. From this Scripture, our various programs for Thanksgiving charities become clearer. Our feasting is feasting still, and even more a feast when we share in God's name. Some would spoil our feast and increase our guilt by making us remember only the poor before our turkey dinner.

But Thanksgiving should be recognition of the Ultimate Giver of all turkeys, food, clothing, drink, etc. Our bounty needs to be shared with the poor because it isn't totally ours—we received from the most bountiful giver and maker. Our distribution is poor, if we look at people's needs. Justice demands that we improve that. Mercy demands of us all that Jesus speaks of in the Gospel scene of blessing and judgment. Thanksgiving Day reminds us, rich and poor alike, that we all receive and share from God's Earth.

From Children's Mouths—

After listening restlessly to a long and tedious sermon, a six-year-old boy asked his father what the preacher did the rest of the week. "Oh, he's a very busy man, the father replied. "He takes care of church business, visits the sick, ministers to the poor...and then he has to have time to rest up. Talking in public isn't an easy job you know." The boy thought about that, and then said, "Well, listening ain't easy, either."



STEWARDSHIP—Stewardship of Property—

We bring nothing into this world...and we take nothing out of it. Everything that we have while we are here comes as a gift from God. In appreciation, we choose to share a portion of these gifts. The stewardship of our property is an ongoing process. We give regularly and systematically in proportion to the gifts that we are given... the talents which earn us our possessions. Because we love God, we gladly dedicate these gifts to God's service, and give a worthy portion for the care of people in need.