

ST. PATRICK



ST. CATHERINE

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MISSION STATEMENT

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF ST. PATRICK OF CEDAR LAKE TOWNSHIP AND ST. CATHERINE OF SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP ARE COMMUNITIES OF LOVING AND CARING PEOPLE CENTERED IN JESUS CHRIST.

Thus we:

- * Celebrate our faith through partaking in the Eucharist and the Sacraments;
- * Share in teaching the Word of God through preaching, education, and service;
- * Work together to provide spiritual care, direction and fellowship, and to promote charity and justice for all;
- * Share our time, talents, and treasures with our families, parish, and surrounding communities;

WE DO THIS BECAUSE CHRIST SAID "LOVE ONE ANOTHER...,"
 THROUGH LOVE, WE WILL GROW IN UNION WITH GOD AND PEOPLE.

VISION STATEMENT

Working together, results are forever.

St. Patrick Church

Melvin Gregory 952-492-6105
 Ronald McBroom 952-758-2408

Trustees

St. Catherine Church 952-447-2180

Joe Williamson 952-447-6404
 Steve Boeser 952-461-4763

Parish Pastoral Council

Robert Sticha 952-758-2287 Pat Schroeder 952-226-6293

MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM Sunday 8:30 AM

Weekdays – Please refer to mass schedule.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM or by appointment By appointment—contact the parish office

BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office for pre-baptism class and registration.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office at least six (6) months before the proposed wedding date.

SICK & HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish office for the sacraments and visits.

Prayer Line: For prayer requests please contact Mary Jirik @ 952-758-3791 or Laura Ryan @ 758-2413.

A Community Caring for Life: Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center @ 952-447-5683.

Welcome! We are glad you attended Mass here. How may we serve you?

- I am interested in parish membership
- Please note my change of address
- I would like a visit by the pastor
- I don't have envelopes and would like to receive them

Name: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

Please remove and send to parish office at address listed

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

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| Monday | Dec. 01 | 8:30 AM (SP) | +Marcos & Ignacia Gianan |
| Tuesday | Dec. 02 | 8:30 AM (SP) | Priest Personal Intention |
| Wednesday | Dec. 03 | | NO MASS |
| Thursday | Dec. 04 | 8:30 AM (SC) | +Ted. Smisek |
| Friday | Dec. 05 | 8:30 AM (SP) | Thoele Family |
| Saturday | Dec. 06 | 5:00 PM (SP) | +RoseAnn & Randy Sticha |
| Sunday | Dec. 07 | 8:30 AM (SC) | Friske Family |
| | | 10:30 AM (SP) | For our parishioners, guests, & visitors |

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 6 & 7, 2008

St. Patrick

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| Extraordinary Ministers | 12/06 | Kelley DeGross, Dave Roach, & Evelyn Scheffler |
| | 12/07 | Ron & Kathy McBroom, Mike Ryan, & Jerry Sandey |
| Lectors | 12/06 | Jim DeGross |
| | 12/07 | Shelley Shepherd |
| Acolytes | 12/06 | Rachel & Dan DeGross, Andy Roach |
| | 12/07 | Alex Shepherd, Allie Kubes, & Mitch Sandey |
| Ushers | 12/06 | Leonard Sticha, Matt Sirek |
| | 12/07 | Pat Punchocar, Dean Bisek |
| Greeters | 12/07 | Don & Elaine Pesta |

St. Catherine

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| Extraordinary Ministers | 12/07 | Kevin Mahowald, Rosemary Hatcher, Dan & Deb Norman |
| Lector | 12/07 | Tom Fredrickson |
| Acolytes | 12/07 | Casey O'Hern, Jason & Stacy Erickson |
| Ushers | 12/07 | Joe Williamson, Steve Boeser |
| Greeters | 12/07 | Margaret Sharkey, Vera Taylor |

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 DECEMBER 7, 2008
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
 Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14
 Gospel Reading: Mark 1:1-8



ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER: *Leo & Gloria Jacques, Michael & Jessica Hermann, Sylvia Hill, Thomas & Lisa Hill, Mike & Lynne Hoffman, Jeff & Toni Jeurissen, Rob & Renae Jirak, Brent Johnson, Steven & Susan Johnson, Jack & Karen Keenan

SAVE YOUR USED POSTAGE STAMPS: The C.C.W. is collecting used postage stamps. Proceeds will help to broadcast the word of God in South America. Stamps need to be trimmed leaving a 1/4 inch border of the envelope or they will not be able to peel them off properly. A box marked "Used Postage Stamps" will be left in the back of church or you may drop them off at the parish office during regular office hours.

ST. PATRICK CCW Annual Christmas Bake Sale — After Mass on Sat. Dec. 6 and Sun. Dec. 7. All parishioners are asked to donate a favorite holiday goody for this fundraising event. Donations may be dropped off at the church between 9 and 11 am Saturday or before either of the Masses.

ST. PATRICK CCW Annual Christmas Party — Tuesday Dec. 9 at 7 PM in the Social Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please bring a dish for the potluck supper and a \$5 gift to exchange. Expect good food and fun.

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER: Ken & Kathy Ceola, Steve & Jude Boeser, Rick & Linda Sirek

A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL: If you are a visitor you are invited to sign the welcome book in the entry way and come and worship with us again.

NEW MARKET FOOD SHELF NEEDS OUR HELP: The Church of St. Nicholas in New Market Food Shelf has an urgent need for our help. The C.C.W. has set a basket in the back of church to collect non-perishable foods and personal & baby care items. A suggested list of items is posted by the basket.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. will be having a meeting after mass on Sunday, December 7. All ladies of the parish are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. Rides home after the meeting are available.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. SPRING LUNCHEON: Saturday, April 4 at 11:00 AM with Sister Michelle Meyers and Sister Kay O'Neil speaking on "Be A Blessing".

VATICAN SPLENDORS EXHIBIT: St. Catherine C.C.W. is inviting members (all ladies of parish are members) up to 24 to join in viewing the Vatican Splendors Exhibit on Sunday, December 7 at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul. We will begin with a potluck lunch at noon and carpool to the History Center at 1:00 PM for the 2:00 PM viewing. Contact Rosie Nelson @ 952-492-3402 to reserve a ticket or for more information. Volunteer drivers are needed.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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| Wed. Dec. 3 | 6:45-8:00 PM | Religious Education, grades 1-9 1st Reconciliation Practice grade 2 |
| Sun. Dec. 7 | 10:30 AM (S.P.) | Sunday School Classes. |
| Wed. Dec. 10 | 6:45-8:00 PM | Religious Education grades 1-9 |
| Sun. Dec. 14 | 10:30 AM (S.P.) | Sunday School Classes |

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

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| Monday, Dec. 1 | Ronald McDonald House |
| Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 6 & 7 | S.P. C.C.W. Bake Sale |
| Friday, Feb. 20 | S.P. Group I Fish Fry |
| Saturday, Mar. 21 | S.P. Spring Bake Sale & Boutique |
| Friday, Mar. 27 | S.P. Group II Fish Fry |
| Saturday, Apr. 4 | S.C. Spring Luncheon |
| Friday, Apr. 17 | S.P. Euchre Tournament |
| Sunday, July 19 | S.P. Festival |

PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Benoit Stepka, Debbie Pfannes, Dick Chodek, Joe Scheffler, Darlene Delaney (aunt of Dan Cross), Lisa Baker (cousin of Dan Cross), Robert Lonergan (father of Vickie Cross), Christine Gregori (sister of Vickie Cross) Jennifer Lonergan (sister of Vickie Cross), Dan Gable (brother-in law of Dan Cross), Gloria Wagner, Rita Stepka, Walter Beuch, Larry Stepka, Dorothy Snyder.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Esther Giesen and Kenneth Mudra, father of Ann Korbel.

SERVER PRACTICE: Saturday, December 6th at 11:00 AM at St. Patrick. This is for both St. Patrick & St. Catherine servers. This time has been changed because of the First Reconciliation at 10:00 A.M.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE: We will be serving again at the Ronald McDonald House, across from the U. of M. in Minneapolis on Monday, December 1. We serve about 100 people, children who are receiving cancer treatments or transplants, and family members of these children from all over the country. Cooking start is 9:00 AM at St. Catherine, depart at 4:15 PM from St. Catherine.

If you would like to join in grocery shopping, preparing, and/or serving this meal, please call Margaret Sharkey @ 461-2214. The C.C.W. at St. Catherine sponsors this meal, but we always appreciate any donations to assist. We also request any assistance from "couples" or men with strong arms as the roasters become heavy when filled with our delicious, homemade soup. We'd love any help. It's truly a way for us to share compassion to these children and their families during this thanksgiving and giving time of year.

SAVE YOUR POP CAN TABS for Ronald McDonald House of Minneapolis, a project since 1987. Please place your tabs in plastic bags, label Ronald McDonald and place on the table at the entrance to the church.

TAXES & GIVING AT CHRISTMAS AND YEAR'S END

Did you know that "charitable giving" is one of only a few tax provisions that was not greatly impacted by recent federal tax legislation. Many people enjoy using Christmas and year's end as a special time to give to their favorite Catholic institutions and also positively impact their federal and state income taxes. Christmas and year end giving provides many advantages to you, the donor.

* All gifts made on or before December 31 are tax deductible for the tax year in which your gift is made.

*The knowledge that your gift is assisting a favorite Catholic institution and advancing the mission of the Catholic Church here on earth.

*Celebrating the joy of Christmas by **giving** in the true spirit of the season.

*A last reminder to make that special gift or increased gift that you've wanted to make during the year.

*If you are an itemizer, your gift will lessen your tax liability for the tax year in which your gift is made.

*If you are **not** an itemizer, your Christmas gift may be just the right decision to allow you to itemize and lower your tax bill (check with your tax advisor).

*"Carry Over Deduction," depending on your age, income and the size of your gift, you may be able to "carry over" your charitable gift tax deduction to subsequent years.

*Most importantly, make a return to God of your blessings at Christmas and assist our Catholic institution attain its spiritual and programmatic goals: serving God's people and His Church here on earth.

COMMUNITY

Churches of St. Mary & St. Henry in LeCenter are having their annual Christmas Fair and Brunch Dec. 7th from 8:30am to 12:00 noon. Includes gift shop, kid's games, huge bake shoppe, cookie patch, handmade quilts, raffle and silent auction. Brunch will serve ham, scrambled eggs, Irish potatoes, fruit, cinnamon./caramel roll, beverages. Adults \$7.00 Kids 5 & under \$3.00 Roll & beverage \$1.75.

A Concert to Benefit Peace Center Food and Clothing Distribution Center in New Prague will be held on Sunday, December 7, at 4 p.m. at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church in New Prague. The Woodbury Chorus & Orchestra, a 50 member group from Woodbury and Renville, will perform "O Holy Night," which will include selections from Handel's Messiah and a variety of traditional and contemporary Christmas music. A complimentary wine and cheese reception will precede the event at 3 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. A free-will offering for Peace Center will be taken during the concert. All are invited to attend.



St. John's Jordan Council of Catholic Women will host their annual Holiday Breakfast, Boutique, Bake Sale event on Sunday, Dec. 7th from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon in St. John's Parish Hall in Jordan. Tickets are \$6.50 for adults, and \$3.50 for children. Crafts, holiday candy & baked goods plus raffle items and a silent auction.