

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Nov. 5	7:30 PM (SC) For Election & Our Country
Tuesday	Nov. 6	8:30 AM (SP) +Paul Lambrecht
Wednesday	Nov. 7	6:00 PM (SP) Corrine Bahn
Thursday	Nov. 8	NO MASS
Friday	Nov. 9	NO MASS
Saturday	Nov. 10	5:00 PM (SP) +Erin Kreuser
Sunday	Nov. 11	8:30 AM (SC) For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP) Kathy McBroom

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 10 & 11, 2018

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	11/10	Dave Roach, Rita Ryan, Tony Jirik
	11/11	Jan St. Aubin, Kristi Schulte, Dan Cervenka
Lector	11/10	Lynne Hoffman
	11/11	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	11/10	Ben Simon, Hayden DeGross, Mason DeGross
	11/11	Cole Flicek, Ella Flicek, Ethan Flicek
Ushers	11/10	Mel Gregory, Steve Kreuser
	11/11	Leo Jacques, Pat Puncochar

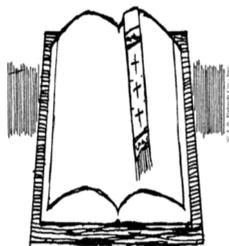
St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	11/11	Bill Dillingham, Joan Bruzek, Joel & Deanna Vochoska
Lector	11/11	Rachel Eicher
Altar Servers	11/11	Addey Vochoska
Ushers	11/11	Ken Ceola, Lloyd Friske
Greeters	11/11	Ann Timmerman, Bonnie Theis

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. 5: Fr. Charles Lachowitz, Nov. 6: Fr. Nathan LaLiberte, Nov. 7: Fr. John Lapensky, Nov. 8: Fr. Roy Lepak, Nov. 9: Fr. Paul Licktieg, Nov. 10: Fr. James Liekhus, Nov. 11: Fr. Matthew Linn.



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

Memento Mori

The Church begins the month of November, during which the Church year comes to an end, with All Saints Day and All Souls Day. It does so in order to make us more aware of the realities that face us all. These realities are inescapable for every human person, and therefore should be everyone's greatest concern. They are called realities because they exist outside of our minds and our imaginations. They are real whether we believe in them or not. These realities have traditionally been referred to as the four last things: death, judgment, heaven, and hell.

Death is the most indisputable of these four last things. No one can deny the reality of death, and no one can escape it. As St. Thomas More says in his trial in the Robert Bolt play, A Man for all Seasons, "Death...comes for us all, my lords. Yes, even for kings he comes." And as Benjamin Franklin famously wrote, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes." Though one may find a way escape taxes, no one can find a way to escape death. And yet, despite its universal presence, nothing causes more anguish to the human heart than death. The closer it comes to us the more anguish it causes. We hear of it everyday and may respond with a feeling of empathy, but when it is someone we love we respond with tears and sorrow of heart. We acknowledge that death is a part of nature, and yet, when it comes to ourselves and our loved ones, we experience an anxiety that points to a deeper reality – that something is wrong with it; something is not natural about it. We find the reason for this beautifully expressed in the book of Wisdom: "God did not make death, nor does He rejoice in the destruction of the living...for God formed man to be imperishable; the image of His own nature He made him. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world"(Wisdom 1:13; 2:23-24). This happened through the original sin of Adam and Eve. "The consequences explicitly foretold for this disobedience will come true: man will 'return to the ground' (Gen 3:19), for out of it he was taken. Death makes its entrance into human history" (Catechism, 400). Sin was the cause of death. Peter Kreeft, in Fundamentals of the Faith (pp. 153-155), identifies three erroneous responses to the problem of death. The first is to say that it is not a problem; that it is purely natural, and that there is no spiritual significance to its cause or its effect. The second is to look the other way and not deal with it at all, and the third is to jump to the solution without facing the problem. Only when we look at death in all of its aspects can we understand the meaning of our existence and the significance of the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. We see then that life is not simply about enjoyment, pleasure, and success – eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we die. But rather it is a gift that has been given by God, and is to be lived for Him and with Him for all eternity. This is made possible by Christ and our cooperation with His grace. Then "the sadness of death gives way to the bright promise of immortality" (Funeral preface 1). Life does not end with death, but continues with God, or without Him. His judgment of how we lived determines which it will be. So "Memento Mori" – remember death, and live well.

Fr. Michael J. Miller



ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

NOVEMBER: *Mike & Stephanie Rossi, Tim & Susan Rousseau, Donald & Patricia Ryan, James Ryan, John & Kathy Ryan, Mike & Rita Ryan, Philip & Elissa Ryan, Rollie & Maureen Ryan, Ron & Rose Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn.
Altar Linens: Gail Cassady.

ST. PATRICK MEN'S CLUB EUCHRE TOURNAMENT:

Friday, November 9 at St. Patrick Social Hall. 6:30 PM Registration, 7:00 PM Start. Cash prizes awarded to top 4 teams. Food & beverages available. Cost: \$ 20.00 per team.

PARISH LED LIGHTING PROJECT:

Have you noticed? The interior lighting in the church was converted over to new LED lamps in July prior to the festival. The new LED package was installed to provide uniformity of light in both color (Kelvin) and brightness (Lumens). LED lighting is not only very efficient, but it also has very long burn times and will save on long term maintenance costs. The total cost of the interior Lighting conversion was \$2700. We received a lighting rebate from MVEC in the amount of \$740.

Steeple Lighting (Phase II)

We will also be replacing the interior light inside of the steeple and wiring the fixture with separate permanent switching. We will also be installing LED lighting to accent the exterior of the steeple and light the Cross. We anticipate a very nice lighted presence on top of the hill for St. Patrick's Church. The budget for the Phase II Steeple work is \$4500.

Parking Lot / Campus Lighting (Phase III)

With the expansion of the handicapped and senior parking area, we recognize the need for better lighting at the lot to the North of the church. Simultaneously, night lighting on the Parish Office building and the Social Hall will be upgraded to LED lamps and fixtures as needed. This may include the addition of parking lot poles and LED fixtures. Budget range \$3500 - \$8500.

We have received some generous donations toward the LED project. If you would like to donate towards the LED project, please place donations in the collection basket and note LED Project on the envelope or check. You can also contact the parish office to arrange payment. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

THANK YOU! To the anonymous donor that donated \$4,500.00 for the Steeple Lighting!

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection October 28, 2018

Received this week.....\$ 2,166.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,006.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

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

TURKEY BINGO: St. Catherine Turkey Bingo is approaching on Sunday, November 4 at 2:00 PM in the church basement. Some ham sandwiches will be provided by the C.C.W. this year. Families with last names ending in N-Z are asked to bring bars

or cookies and stay after Mass to set-up and families with last names A-M are asked to bring 1 dozen sandwiches and to clean-up after bingo. Contact Rachel Eicher @ 952-738-2948, if you have a door prize to donate or have any questions.

COOKS FOR KIDS: The Ronald McDonald *Cooks for Kids* event is hosted by the St. Catherine C.C.W. and this year the date is Saturday, December 1st from 4:00-8:00 PM. We invite all parishioners to be involved in this wonderful opportunity to help prepare a meal for families whose children are being treated at the U. of M. hospital. If you would like to join us, please sign up in the back of church. If you have any questions, contact Laura Saarela.

CONGRATULATIONS! Leroy Seurer & Alice Pietrek who were married at St. Catherine Church on October 26, 2018.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection October 28, 2018

Received this week.....\$1,054.32
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 944.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

TURKEY BINGO: The leaves are falling; it's time for St. Catherine's annual Turkey Bingo. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 4 at 2:00 PM for bingo, fellowship, and food. For \$10 you can play all 20 games to win a turkey. A light lunch will be served.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY: On Monday evening, November 5th, the night before the Mid-Term Elections, the Patriotic Rosary will be prayed at St. Catherine Church along with a live podcast beginning at 8:00 PM. Everyone is invited to join in these powerful prayers for our nation and for God's Will in our elections. There will be a 7:30 PM Mass at St. Catherine on Mon.

E-MAIL SCAM AFFECTING PARISHES: The Archdiocese has been notified that several local parishes have been affected recently by an e-mail scam. The target appears to be staff members or volunteers who have e-mail addresses listed on the parish's website. Using the pastor's name, the scammer will contact these staff members/volunteers via e-mail and ask for a favor; once the staff member/volunteer responds, the scammer will request assistance with obtaining an iTunes gift card. The fraudulent e-mails are more difficult to detect on a mobile device, as it is not immediately evident in a mobile view that the "pastor's" e-mail address is not correct. If you receive such a fraudulent e-mail—**do not respond to the e-mail.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Nov. 7	6:00 PM	Mass at St. Patrick.
Wed. Nov. 7	6:45-8:00 PM	Class for grades 1-9.
Wed. Nov. 14	6:45-8:00 PM	Class for grades 1-9.
Wed. Nov. 21	NO CLASS	Thanksgiving Break.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sun. Nov. 4	S.C.	C.C.W. Turkey Bingo
Fri. Nov. 9	S.P.	Men's Club Euchre Tournament
Fri. Mar. 1	S.P.	Group I Fish Fry
Fri. Apr. 5	S.P.	Group II Fish Fry