

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Dec. 8	8:30 AM (SC) 7:00 PM (SP)	+St. Catherine C.C.W. +Erin Kreuser
Tuesday	Dec. 9	8:30 AM (SP)	+Antonio Bailon & +Socorro Bailon
Wednesday	Dec. 10		NO MASS
Thursday	Dec. 11	8:30 AM (SP)	+George Buresh
Friday	Dec. 12	8:30 AM (SP)	+Michael Stevens
Saturday	Dec. 13	5:00 PM (SP)	+Lawrence, Gladys, & Bernard Simek
Sunday	Dec. 14	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Edward Halloran For our parishioners, guests, & visitors

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 13 & 14, 2014

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	12/13	Bill Weiers, Barb Lewis, Rita Ryan
	12/14	Don Pesta, Jan St. Aubin, Tim Sonnek, Dan Cervenka
Lectors	12/13	Anne Marie Weiers
	12/14	Diana Schoenbauer
Acolytes	12/13	Joe Weiers, Hayden & Mason DeGross
	12/14	Hannah & Samantha Schoenbauer, Alycia Klegstad
Ushers	12/13	Dave Roach, Melvin Gregory
	12/14	Rob Sticha, Pat Puncochar
Greeters	12/14	Henry & Dee Kober

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	12/14	Ken & Kathy Ceola, Bonnie Theis, Paul Torgesen
Lector	12/14	Linda Torgesen
Acolytes	12/14	Bryce Horejsi, Molly O'Hern, Jenna Kavouras
Ushers	12/14	Dave Buresh, Steve Boeser
Greeters	12/14	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 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 14, 2014
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel Reading: John 1:6-8, 19-28

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER: *Steve & Debra Simon, Paul & Diana Schoenbauer, Samuel & Kerri Schoenbauer, Terrie Schoenbauer, Michael & Kristi Schulte, Chris & Shelley Shepherd, Anthony & Mary Simek, Jim Simek, Mark Simek, Cyril & Natalie Simon, Patrick & Vonnie Simon. Altar Linens: Rosie Ryan.

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY? Dec. 8: Fr. Lawrence Johnson, Dec. 9: Fr. Joseph Johnson, Dec. 10: Fr. Michael Johnson, Dec. 11: Fr. Jan Michael Joncas, Dec. 12: Fr. Mark Joppa, Dec. 13: Fr. Joseph Saw, Dec. 14: Fr. Thomas Joseph.

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.

COPIES OF TODAY'S SERMON for those of us that are hearing impaired, distracted, can't or don't hear the sermon. Father has provided that copies of the sermon are available to us as we leave at the rear of the church so we can all share the message.

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE: Get your bake on for our annual Christmas Bake Sale. We are looking for your finest Christmas goodies. The Bake Sale will be December 13th & 14th after the Masses. Proceeds to go towards the purchase of altar linens and acolyte robes.

ST. PATRICK CHRISTMAS MUSIC REHEARSAL: Everyone interested in helping with music for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses are asked to attend the following rehearsals: Thursday, December 18 and Monday, December 22, both at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Church. Singers and instrumentals welcome!

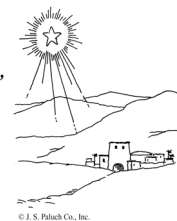
DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS: Sunday, December 21 after the 10:30 AM Mass. All are welcome! Confirmation students are welcome to help for service hours.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS: There will be no meetings in December.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection November 30, 2014

Received this week.....\$ 2,838.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,867.00
Parking Lot Paving (to date).....\$ 2,320.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER: Steve & Jude Boeser, Ken & Kathy Ceola, Steve & Theresa Kavouras.

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.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE: The St. Catherine C.C.W. will again be preparing and serving a meal (tortellini soup, lasagna, salad, macaroni & cheese casserole, homemade rolls, desserts) at the Minneapolis Ronald McDonald House on Friday, December 12 at 5:30 PM. Help is needed to prepare the meal at 11:00 AM in the church basement and then to serve the meal at Ronald McDonald House at 5:30 PM; each food item needs a server. We also try to provide SPECIAL table centerpieces (20) for the kids to enjoy. Pop can tabs are re-cycled by the House to provide materials for the school and other supplies, so we will again be bringing along saved & donated pop can tabs; these can be left in the back of church in a container with your label of Ronald McDonald House. Christmas cookies/bars are welcomed too. Men are needed to assist with carrying our roaster of tortellini soup. The Ronald McDonald House assists families who have children going through cancer treatments and transplants at the University of Minnesota Hospital. Call Margaret Sharkey @ 461-2214 or Sue Kempf @ 447-5426 if you can help in any way.

WEDDING BANNS III: Joseph Ludden & Katie Hanafin.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection November 30, 2014

Received this week.....\$ 2,486.21
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,113.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Jerry Cavanaugh (Jodie Punicochar & Jim Cavanaugh’s dad), Ted Simon, Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Nancy Gregor (Diane Williamson’s sister-in-law), London Erlandson, Brie Theis, Mary Jane Keep, Paul Lambrecht, Gary Hastings, Lorraine Robeson, Dale Bukovsky (Diane Williamson’s brother-in-law), Bev Grossman, Braden Flicek, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Beatrice Mushitz, Pam Zender, Mike Zender, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Shannon Quinn, Lorraine Gable, 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 Scheffler, Benoite Stepka, Lisa Baker, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend, December 6 & 7, we will have a collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. **Support religious communities.** “Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry,” writes a religious sister. Your gift to today’s collection provides vital support for the retirement needs of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure that younger members can continue the good works of their elders!

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend, December 13 & 14, we will have a collection for Christmas Flowers. Please use the envelope in your box for this collection. Thank you.

RECONCILIATION:

Monday, December 15	10:30-11:30 AM	St. Catherine
Monday, December 15	6:30-7:30 PM	St. Patrick
Tuesday, December 16	10:30-11:30 AM	St. Patrick
Tuesday, December 16	6:30-7:30 PM	St. Catherine

MASS CHANGE: The Thursday 8:30 AM Mass will be at St. Patrick instead of St. Catherine continuing through March 26th.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Friday, Feb. 13, 2015	S.P.	Group I Fish Fry
Friday, March 20, 2015	S.P.	Group II Fish Fry
Sunday, July 19, 2015	S.P.	Parish Festival



Wed. Dec. 10	6:45 PM	Class for grades 1-9. Christmas Program Practice. Confirmation Class at St. Michael’s, Prior Lake.
Sun. Dec. 14	10:30 AM	Sunday School. Christmas Program after Mass.
Wed. Dec. 17	7:00 PM	Christmas Program at S.P. Church.
Sun. Dec. 21	10:30 AM	Sunday School.
Wed. Dec. 24	6:45 PM	NO Class.
Sun. Dec. 28	10:30 AM	NO Class.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bingo, every Tue. night Oct.—April at the K.C. Hall in New Prague. Games start at 7:00 PM. 16 regular games. 758-3924.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends, For more information, call 612-756-7820 or check out the website www.wvme.org. The next weekends are: Jan. 9-11 in Bismarck, Feb. 6-8 in Buffalo, & Feb. 13-15 in Windom. Early registration is highly recommended.

Christmas Sweet Shoppe & Holiday Breakfast, Sun. Dec. 7, 8:00 AM-noon at St. John’s Parish Hall in Jordan.

National Night of Pray for Life, Monday December 8th.

Men’s Retreat, Dec. 12-14 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake, 952-447-2182 or www.franciscanretreats.net

Breakfast with Santa, Sun. Dec. 14, 7:30 AM-noon at the K.C. Hall in New Prague. Ham & Egg Breakfast.

Life Line Screening, Tue. Jan 20 at St. Patrick Social Hall. This is a community-based preventive health screening. Five screenings will be offered for potential health problems. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-64411 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners

Nov. 25, 2014 Message from Our Lady of Medjugorje:
 “Dear children! In a special way, today I am calling you to prayer. Pray, little children, so that you may comprehend who you are and where you need to go. Be carriers of the good news and be people of hope. Be love for all those who are without love. Little children, you will be everything and will achieve everything only if you pray and are open to God’s will – to God who desires to lead you towards eternal life. I am with you and intercede for you from day to day before my Son Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call.”