

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Dec. 9	5:00 PM (SP)	+Myron & Ann Eichens
Tuesday	Dec. 10		NO MASS
Wednesday	Dec. 11	6:00 PM (SP)	+Leonard Pexa
Thursday	Dec. 12	8:30 AM (SC)	Feldmeier Family
Friday	Dec. 13		NO MASS
Saturday	Dec. 14	5:00 PM (SP)	+Erin Kreuser
Sunday	Dec. 15	8:30 AM (SC)	+Brandon Bruzek
		10:30 AM (SP)	For our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 14 & 15, 2019

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	12/14	Dave Roach, Ron & Rosie Ryan
	12/15	Kristi Schulte, Dan Cervenka, Dan Cross
Lector	12/14	Shelley Shepherd
	12/15	Greg Michaelson
Altar Servers	12/14	Bryce, Mason, & Megan Deutsch
	12/15	Alyssa Volk, Hannah Langeberg, Annie Blaschko
Ushers	12/14	Mark Rezac
	12/15	Darryl Volk

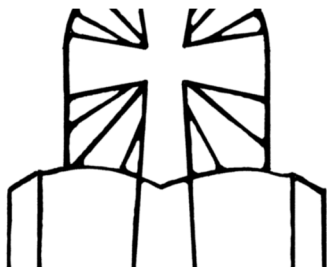
St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	12/15	Dave Nelson, Barbara Lerschen, Kathy Prochaska, Kevin Mahowald
Lector	12/15	Laura Saarela
Altar Servers	12/15	Monica Muelken
Ushers	12/15	Dennis Maciej, Dave Koller
Greeters	12/15	Paul & Linda Torgesen

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?

Dec. 9: Fr. Michael Izen, Dec. 10: Fr. Paul Jaroszeski, Dec. 11: Fr. Paul Jarvis, Dec. 12: Fr. Andrew Jaspers, Dec. 13: Fr. Bradley Jenniges, Dec. 14: Fr. Glen Jenson, Dec. 15: Fr. Joseph Johnson.



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

A Prayer for the Winter

“Dear Lord, the summer is over and gone, and the harvest is once more past. All the wealth and warmth of the summer sun is marvelously packaged now, in seed and fruit and vegetable, and stored away in bins and cribs and basements. Thank You, dear, generous God, for all Your goodness and for all Your gifts. All summer long You are working for us, storing heat and health and nourishment in the fields and woods. Now, when the air is cold, and there is no fruitfulness in the earth, we can live on what the summer and the harvest have stored up for us. Thank You for Your unnumbered kindnesses to us, dear God. Help us to make good use of the riches of the earth. Help us to be generous, even as You are, and always avoid selfishness and greed. Help us, too, to store up spiritual wealth in the summer of this life, while we can yet work. Otherwise, life’s autumn will come, death will call us, a spiritual winter will set in and we shall be found poor and unsheltered not for one season only, but for the winters of eternity. Lord, we trust in You, that, cooperating with Your many graces, we may make good use now of our rich opportunities. And may we then reap a rich spiritual harvest which we will enjoy with You and Your saints in the eternal spring and summer of heaven. Amen. (Rural Life Prayer Book, A prayer in winter, pp. 121-122)



ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER: *Adam & Emily Nesbitt, Matthew & Krysta Neisen, Joe & Monica O'Brien, Brandon & Gina O'Connell, Steve & Ester Olson, Steven & Jennifer Olson, Jake & Emily Palmstein, Robert & Donna Patton, Jeff Paul, Roger & Jackie Pomije. Altar Linens: Gail Cassady/Rosie Ryan.

GROUP I FISH FRY: We are looking for a co-chair for the Group I Fish Fry on Friday, February 21st. Contact Craig Barnd @ 952-492-3048 or the parish office @ 952-492-6276 to volunteer.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: No meetings in December.

CONGRATULATIONS! Brian & Andrea Feist on the baptism of their son, Colton Frank Feist, on December 1, 2019.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are seeking lectors and servers for the 5:00 PM Saturday evening Masses. Please call the parish office or Shelley Shepherd @ 952-492-3571 to volunteer.

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS: Sunday, December 22nd after the 10:30 AM Mass we will set up the Church for Christmas. All are welcome to help decorate. Confirmation students can help for their service hours. Confirmation students please bring your service hour sheet to be signed.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection December 1, 2019

Received this week.....\$ 1,569.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,223.00



Roman Stepka, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, Anne Weber (granddaughter of Sue Zender), Denise Despenas (sister of Bonnie Theis) JoAnn Kenne, Virginia Beuch, Karen Zweber, Richard Arens, Andrew Buckman, Fred Winker, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Gerry Sandey, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska) Annie Kelnhofer, Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.
+Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joe Horejsi, brother of Marge Sticha.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection this weekend, December 7 & 8, for Christmas Flowers.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DONATIONS NEEDED: The St. Patrick and St. Catherine's 8th grade Religion class needs your help! The students are collecting gently used or new fitted sheets, blankets, and comforters of all sizes. There is a non-profit that gives beds to people in need but often they don't have sheets or bedding to go with the bed. They are also collecting smaller fleece blankets to be donated to kids in foster care. When a child moves around in foster care, they often get one bag to take with them and this blanket could be in that bag. In addition, if you have fleece fabric you are not using, the 8th grade students would like to organize all of the religion classes to make fleece blankets for kids in foster care. Lastly, if you have extra coats, boots, hats, and mittens, please donate also. Check your closets and you can bring the items to the back of church, to religion class, or call Christi Ryburn at 612-501-1102 to arrange drop off. This collection is being arranged through St. John's Union Hill C.C.W. and all items will be distributed. Thank you!

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER: Ken & Kathy Ceola, Greg & Deb Horejsi, Albert & Kristi Schneider.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: No meeting in December.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE:

Make Christmas Easy—Purchase and freeze homemade Christmas goodies by the women of St. Catherine's today (Sunday, December 8) after Mass.

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Sunday Collection December 1, 2019

Received this week.....\$1,322.04
Weekly budget requirement.....\$1,040.00



Wed. Dec. 11	6:00 PM	Mass at St. Patrick
Wed. Dec. 11	6:45 PM	Religious Education Classes, 1-9
Sat. Dec. 14	11:00 AM	Confirmation Retreat at St. Wenceslaus, New Prague
Sun. Dec. 15	9:15 AM	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Ages 3-5
Wed. Dec. 18	6:45 PM	Christmas Program, Classes, 1-9
Sun. Dec. 22	9:15 AM	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Ages 3-5

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sun. Dec. 8	S.C.	C.C.W. Bake Sale
Fri. Feb. 21	S.P.	Group I Fish Fry
Fri. Mar. 27	S.P.	Group II Fish Fry
Sun. July 19	S.P.	Parish Festival

PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Richard Knutson, Sue Bode, Ryan Maciej, Richard Delaney, Brooklyn Prochaska, Amber Rosenwinkel (granddaughter of Kathy Prochaska), Brandon Witt (brother of Jenny Clancy), John Mullenmeister, Shelby Perry, Bonnie Theis,



The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand.