

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

Parish Pastoral Council

James Trecker 952-758-2334

St. Catherine Church 952-447-2180

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

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.

A Community Caring for Life: Diane Williamson @ 952-447-6404 or Mary Kay Mahowald @ 952-447-3970.

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2007

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Dec. 10	8:30 AM (SP)	+Harold & Ed Schmitt
Tuesday	Dec. 11	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intention
Wednesday	Dec. 12		NO MASS
Thursday	Dec. 13	8:30 AM (SC)	+George & Clara Kavan
Friday	Dec. 14	8:30 AM (SP)	+Johnny Sticha
Saturday	Dec. 16	5:00 PM (SP)	+Lill Chodek
Sunday	Dec. 17	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	Parishioners, Guests, Visitors +Harold & Ed Schmitt

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 15 & 16

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	12/15	Dave Roach, Ron & Rosie Ryan
	12/16	Gerald Sandey, Jeff Sticha, Michael Sticha Jr., Terrie Schoenbauer
Lectors	12/15	Annette Frawley
	12/16	Judie Cervenka
Acolytes	12/15	Joe & Tom Frawley, Andy Roach
	12/16	Lily Schulte, Kiersten & Zac Schoenbauer
Ushers	12/15	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	12/16	Dean Bisek, Don Pesta
Greeters	12/16	Silverius & Cecilia Becker

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	12/16	Margaret Sharkey, Deanna Vochoska, Steve & Jude Boeser
Lector	12/16	Claire Robling
Acolytes	12/16	Jason Erickson
Cross Bearer	12/16	Jason Erickson
Ushers	12/16	Bruce Brumm, Joe Williamson
Greeters	12/16	Dave & Bonnie Buresh

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!

November 25, 2007 Message from Our Lady of Medjugorje: "Dear Children! Today, when you celebrate Christ, the King of all that is created, I desire for Him to be the King of your lives. Only through giving, little children, can you comprehend the gift of Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross for each of you. Little children, give time to God that He may transform you and fill you with His grace, so that you may be a grace for others. For you, little children, I am a gift of grace and love, which comes from God for this peaceless world. Thank you for having responded to my call."

READINGS FOR DECEMBER 16, 2007 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Second Reading: James 5:7-10
Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:2-11

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- Wed. Dec. 12 6:45 PM Religious Education, grades 1-10.
Christmas Program Practice.
Wed. Dec. 19 6:45 PM Religious Education, grades 1-10.
Christmas Program & Social.
Wed. Dec. 26 NO Religious Education.

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER: *Mark & Connie Kreuser, Guy & Andrea Kelnhofer, Steve & Lin Kreuser, Michael & Deborah Kubes, Jim & Jodie Lambrecht, Rick & Vickie Lawrence, Gary & Barbara Lewis, Ron & Kathy McBroom.
Altar Linens: Evelyn Scheffler.

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.

FOOD SHELF DRIVE: We will be collecting food for the Peace Center Food Shelf in New Prague. We will be collecting non-perishable good such as: Cans: fruits, vegetables, tuna, soups, stews, etc. Boxes: jello, potatoes, pancake mix, crackers, meal in a box, cookies. Soaps: hand, dish, laundry, toilet tissue, Kleenex, etc. Items may be put in the box in back of church. Monetary donations can be put in an envelope marked Food Shelf and put in the collection basket.

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE this weekend after the Saturday and Sunday masses in the back of church. Stop by and pick up some holiday goodies. Thanks to all who have contributed to this fundraiser.

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. CHRISTMAS MEETING/PARTY: Monday, Dec. 10 at 7:00 PM in the social hall. Bring a dish to share for the potluck and a \$5.00 gift for the gift exchange. Opportunities to make cash donations for the New Prague Peace Center and to participate in our Giving Tree will be available.

ST. PATRICK MEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS MEETING/PARTY: Thursday, December 20 at 6:30 PM in the social hall. Food and refreshments will be provided. Questions, call Mike Sticha @ 758-2022.

THANK YOU: Many thanks to Jack Puncochar & Zach Pumper for putting up the Christmas lights on the church.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection December 2, 2007

Received this week.....\$ 1,825.00
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,598.00
 Retirement Fund for the Religious.....\$ 597.25



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.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE: Join us in a wonderful expression of love and caring—the CHRISTmas in Christmas. The St. Catherine’s C.C.W. will be again preparing and serving dinner for the children and parents/families of Ronald McDonald House, located across from the U. of M. hospital on December 28th at 5:30 PM. We will meet at 4:00 PM at the St. Catherine’s parking lot to pool driving. Meal preparation will begin at 10:00 AM in the church basement. Call Margaret Sharkey @ 461-2214 or Sue Kempf for details. Ronald McDonald assists in housing/meals for children being treated for cancer, transplants, and other illnesses from across the world.

NEW MARKET FOOD SHELF NEEDS OUR HELP: The Church of St. Nicholas has started a food shelf for the people in this area. Parishioners realized that many of their neighbors are going through hard times and need just a little help to make it through these times. C.C.W. has set a box in the back of church to collect non-perishable foods and personal and baby care items. A suggested list of items is posted by the box.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection December 2, 2007

Received this week.....\$ 694.00
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,070.00
 Retirement Fund for the Religious.....\$ 318.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Peter Nytes, Benoit Stepka, Fr. Leo Huber, Debbie Pfannes (daughter of Joe & Nellie Carson), Dick Chodek, Sister Zaccheus Ryan, Joe Scheffler, Jim Lerschen, Lynn Lombardi, Fred Cross (father of Dan Cross), Darlene Delaney (aunt of Dan Cross), Lisa Baker (cousin of Dan Cross), Robert Lonergan (father of Vickie Cross), Tom Hatcher, Gloria Wagner, Joe Carson, Jerry & Audrey Dickie, David St. Aubin (brother of Doug St. Aubin), Stanley Moravec.

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRY STATUE: A display of this statue can be seen in the back of church, the cost is \$35.00 each. Please sign the sheet if you would like to order one.

FLOWER COLLECTION: This weekend, December 8 & 9, we will have a second collection for Christmas Flowers.

FUND FOR THE NEEDY: Next weekend, December 15 & 16, we will have a second collection for the Fund for the Needy.

MEMORY ANGELS: During the Advent season *A Community Caring for Life* will be selling Memory Angels to affirm the lives of cherished loved ones who have died and those whose lives have not yet begun. Memorials may be purchased for \$5.00 each to be attached to Memory Angels.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY: The **Book of Revelation** featuring **Jeff Cavin** on video. **Dates:** Thursdays Jan. 10 through Mar. 13, 2008. **Time:** 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. **Place:** St. Patrick’s Social Hall. **Cost:** \$25.00 per person or couple sharing materials. (Anyone that wants to attend from St. Patrick, the church will pay the fee.) **Registration slips in church foyers.** **Registration deadline: Sunday, Dec. 23, 2007.** Questions? Call Rosemary Hatcher @ 952-440-4524.

A DAY OF REST

Already at the dawn of creation, the plan of God implied Christ’s “cosmic mission.” This Christocentric perspective, embracing the whole arc of time, filled God’s well-pleased gaze when, ceasing from all his work, he “blessed the seventh day and made it holy.”

WORDS TO LIVE BY

In the Book of Genesis, when the story of creation is told, we learn that God fashioned a day of rest. “And on the seventh day,” it says in the Bible, “God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.” (Gen 2:2-3)

In order to fully grasp the meaning of Sunday and to appreciate how the call to spend it well is so profound, we must re-read the great story of creation and deepen our understanding of the theology of the Sabbath. God created everything from nothing, and found all that was created to be good. He called the world, us humans, and Sunday itself good. From that beginning until now, we are summoned by God himself to keep holy this day.

FOR REFLECTION

What does it mean to you personally that we are created with the built-in need for a day of rest? What are some of the ways that you rest from your work?

YOUR COMMITMENT

On your calendar—the one hanging on your fridge or tucked in your purse, backpack, or briefcase—mark each Sunday for the next month as a holy day and plan at least one particular way to observe it as such.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2007

Confessions:

Thur. Dec. 20	10:30-11:30 AM	St. Patrick
	6:30-7:30 PM	St. Catherine
Fri. Dec. 21	10:30-11:30 AM	St. Catherine
	6:30-7:30 PM	St. Patrick
Sat. Dec. 22	4:00-4:45 PM	St. Patrick
Masses: *Caroling one-half hour before masses on Christmas Eve.		
Mon. Dec. 24	5:00 PM	St. Catherine
	7:00 PM	St. Patrick
Tue. Dec. 25	8:30 AM	St. Catherine
	10:30 AM	St. Patrick
Mon. Dec. 31	5:00 PM	St. Patrick
Tue. Jan. 1	8:30 AM	St. Catherine
	10:30 AM	St. Patrick