

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	2/15	6:30 PM	SP	+George & Rosie Pexa
Tuesday	2/16	8:30 AM	SP	Kevin Roach
Wednesday	2/17	8:30 AM	SC	+Tom Cottrell
		7:00 PM	SP	+Clair Pete
Thursday	2/18	NO MASS		
Friday	2/19	6:30 PM	SP	+Richard Eischens
		7:00 PM	SP	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	2/20	5:00 PM	SP	+Walter, LaVerne, Richard & Don Beuch
Sunday	2/21	8:30 AM	SC	For Our Parishioners
	2/21	10:30 AM	SP	+Kremer-Ryan Families

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR February 20 & 21, 2021

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	2/20	Kelley DeGross,
	2/21	Leo Jacques (choir)
Lector	2/20	Jim DeGross
	2/21	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	2/20	Weston Feist
	2/21	Cole, Ella and Ethan Flicek
Ushers	2/20	Volunteer
	2/21	Volunteer

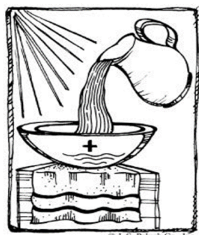
St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	2/21	Lloyd Friske
Lector	2/21	Rachel Eicher
Altar Servers	2/21	Monica Muelken
Ushers	2/21	Rick Sirek, Dave Koller
Greeters	2/21	Kathy Conway, Janet Ryan

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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Feb. 14: Fr. David Haschka, Feb. 15: Fr. Nathan Hastings, Feb. 16: Fr. Daniel Haugan, Feb. 17: Fr. Paul Haverstock, Feb. 18: Fr. Terrence Hayes, Feb. 19: Fr. Robert Hazel, Feb. 20: Most Rev. Benard Hebda.



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

Funeral Homily for Father Alphonse M. Kubat (August 3, 1916 – January 2, 2006)
St. Wenceslaus Church, New Prague, Minnesota. January 7, 2006
(Part 4)



He loved to pray. He knew he was speaking to God, and through it coming to know and love Him more deeply. God was real and he knew Him as a Person. He knew each Person of the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He loved each of them, and he knew that he was loved by them. How fitting it was that the longest pastorate of his life was at Most Holy Trinity. Mary was intrinsic to his prayer. He knew that she led him in prayer and taught him how to know and love God. The last piece of spiritual advice that he gave me was to see how Mary loved the Most Holy Trinity, and how they loved her and you. He said to say the Angelus, and dedicate the first Hail Mary to the Father, the second to the Son, and the third to the Holy Spirit. To another person he said, "Everyday say three times, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us." I remember him doing this at the end of Mass right after saying, "Mary, refuge of sinners, Pray for us. Comforter of the afflicted, Pray for us. Help of Christians, Pray for us." The rosary and his devotion to the divine office were outstanding. When he thought he was going to die he prayed the office for the next day just in case. His friends took up the duty for him in his last couple of days.

Like everyone else I will miss Fr. Kubat. But that sadness is overshadowed by my joy for him. Imagine the reward of this faithful servant of God. He died shortly after the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God. It was on the memorial of St. Basil and St. Gregory, two men from the East renown for their wisdom and holiness – very much as he was to us. My last visit with him was on Christmas day. It was much the same as the others though there were three differences. Somehow I knew it would be the last time we would speak (a week later he could not), he told me the details of his life, which I wrote down. And after dinner we did something that we never did before. He said, "We will have beer." He had a bottle of Staropramen, brewed in Prague. He poured into two glasses and after toasting we drank it. "It is better warm," he said. "You can taste the flavors better." I wonder if he could taste the flavor of his homeland. If it recalled the good memories that not even the Nazis or the Communists could erase. Whatever the case, I know that his heart was always set on our true homeland that is not of this earth. The words of the "O Salutaris" sum up his life so well: "O Saving Victim opening wide, the gate of Heav'n to us below! Our foes press on from ev'ry side: Your aid supply, your strength bestow. To your great name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, One in Three; O grant us endless length of days, when our true native land we see."

In the Gospel we heard Jesus say: "Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world" (John 17: 24). In his breviary Fr. Kubat had this prayer which so beautiful corresponds to the

prayer of Jesus. I am sure that on January 2, 2006, both prayers were answered. "I am nearing a hundred, my day draws to a close; it is more than evening, it is almost night. But, in front of me, rises in the east the dawn of a more beautiful day, Welcome, welcome! It is the white light of your face, O Christ, which in my sad heart awakens a great hope. Come down, heavenly ray. Appear, my Brother, Jesus. It is time for us to see each other."

-Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR FEBRUARY: *Dave & Tracy Luchsinger, John & Andrea Lehman, Patrick & Lisa Luskey, Kevin & Meghann Malecha, Chris & Lynn Meyer, Gregory & Heidi Michaelson, Tony & Kathee Michels, Jody & Roseann Morrell, Matthew & Krysta Neisen

Altar Linens: Rosie Ryan

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much needed donation consistency for our congregation.

Authorization forms are available in the back of church.

Authorization is also accessible through our website, www.stpandc.mn.org

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, February 15 at 7 PM in the Social Hall.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,338.00
2/7/21 Collection	\$ 2,024.06



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR FEBRUARY: Dennis Maciej, Pat Schroeder, Ken & Connie Svoboda, Allen & Cathy Svoboda

PRAY THE ROSARY: The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 7:55 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

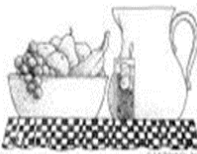
ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETINGS: There will not be meetings held in February and March.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,040.00
2/7/21 Collection:	\$ 960.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Doug Cross, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Jane Lorsung, Ryan Maciej, Brooklyn Prochaska, Brandon Witt (brother of Jenny Clancy), John Mullenmeister, Shelby Perry, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, Anne Weber (granddaughter of Sue Zender), JoAnn Kenne, Virginia Beuch, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: A Lenten study of St. Joseph. It will start on Sunday, February 21 at 6:00 PM at St. Catherine. To sign up or for more information contact Dave Nelson at dmanng2@gmail.com or 952-492-3402.

CONGRATULATIONS: Fr. Roger Hessian will be celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his ordination on February 19. If you would like to congratulate him here is his address:

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Feb. 17th	Ash Wednesday Mass at 7 PM	
Sun. Feb. 21st	9:15-10:15 AM	CGS ages 3-5
Wed. Feb. 24th	6:30-8:00 PM	Classes 1-9
Sun. Feb. 28th	9:15-10:15 AM	CGS ages 3-5

COMMUNITY EVENTS

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Feeling disconnected? Every married couple deserves the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next virtual weekend in this area will be held February 18-28, 2021. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit the website at: twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent & Tracy at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-756-8720.

Are You Hurting?: If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the compassionate mercy of Jesus Christ on our confidential weekend retreat. Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion - women, men, grandparents, siblings, and health care professionals. The next retreat is April 16-18, 2021 in Buffalo, MN. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

