

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Feb. 17	6:30 PM (SP)	+Braden Flicek
Tuesday	Feb. 18		NO MASS
Wednesday	Feb. 19		NO MASS
Thursday	Feb. 20	8:30 AM (SC)	+William Arla Ronayne
Friday	Feb. 21	4:30 PM (SP)	+Joe, John & Adeline Horejsi
Saturday	Feb. 22	5:00 PM (SP)	Thoele Family
Sunday	Feb. 23	8:30 AM (SC)	For our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Deceased members– Kremer & Ryan Families

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 22 & 23, 2020

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	2/22	Rita Ryan, Bill Weiers, Tony Jirik
	2/23	Kathy McBroom, Ron McBroom, Joan Nelson
Lector	2/22	Brianne Jirik
	2/23	Phil Scheiber
Altar Servers	2/22	Ian DeGross, Sam Lambrecht
	2/23	Cole, Ella & Ethan Flicek
Ushers	2/22	Steve Kreuser, Mark Rezac
	2/23	Norm Sticha, Rob Sticha

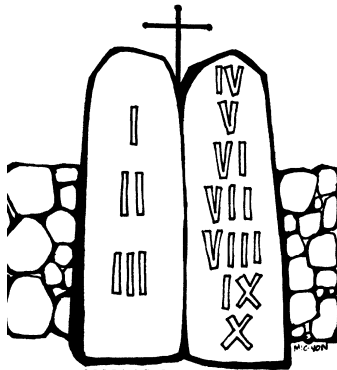
St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	2/23	Joan Bruzek, Barb Lerschen, Kathy Ceola, Ken Ceola
Lector	2/23	Rachel Eicher
Altar Servers	2/23	Kathy Vochoska
Ushers	2/23	Shawn O'Hern, Dave Koller
Greeters	2/23	Joe Williamson, Diane Williamson

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?

Feb. 17: Fr. Kevin Magner, Feb. 18: Fr. Sean Magnuson, Feb. 19: Fr. Richard Mahoney, Feb. 20: Fr. Matthew Malek, Feb. 21: Fr. John Malone Feb. 22: Fr. Kevin Manthey, Feb. 23: Fr. Thomas Margevicius.



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 DEACON HAYES

This past January, my classmates and I had the great privilege to spend an entire month in Rome. Every year, the deacon class at the St. Paul Seminary gets this wonderful experience. In Rome, we got to experience the Catholic Church in a new and deeper way.



One thing that struck me was how universal the Church is. The city of Rome, for one, is a cosmopolitan city. Tourists from all over the world come to soak in Rome's beauty. Large tourists groups clogged Rome's small, narrow streets. Waiters and policemen speak multiple languages to accommodate the diverse visitors. I heard many languages besides Italian: French, German, Russian, Polish, Japanese, Chinese, and many more. Most of the Masses said within Rome are in Italian, which was difficult for us English-speaking deacons. However, on the feast of the Epiphany, we were able to attend Mass at St. Peter's Basilica with Pope Francis. As you might imagine, people from all over the world were there, and most of us did not know Italian. The Pope must have known and understood this, for each reading and each of the intercessions was in a different language. This, you might say, acknowledged the universality of the Church's members. Yet in the diversity of her universality, the Church is not divided. In the midst of her universality, she is one. Pope Francis prayed the Eucharistic Prayer in Latin. Latin, since early medieval Christianity, is the official language of the Roman Catholic Church. For us at that Mass, it was a very unifying experience. The whole congregation joined in on the Latin responses, uniting ourselves together in a common language at the very center of the Church. Imagine St. Peter's Basilica (over twice the size of the Cathedral of St. Paul) filled with people all boldly singing. It was an impressive sound. Speaking personally, it was the most connected I felt to the rest of the Church's members throughout the world and to the Church herself. I experienced how the Church establishes true unity among different people.

The mission of the Church is to unify all peoples in Christ. The Church connects people through the strongest connection possible: Jesus Christ. Through baptism, we are born into the family of God. At baptism and throughout our life, God gives us His love so that we might love Him in return and love one another with the same love that He has for each of us. The main way we are refreshed in this love is at Mass. In the Eucharist, we receive the very Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ Himself. Through grace, we become what we receive, becoming one with Jesus Christ. Jesus Himself established the Catholic Church to unify all peoples. Through Providence, Rome was established as the center of the Catholic Church, being the physical sign and locus of her unity. We Catholics celebrate and enjoy the benefits of our One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, calling Rome our "second home." May we always grow in understanding and appreciation for the richness of our Catholic Faith.

Deacon John Hayes

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

FEBRUARY: *Philip & Elissa Ryan, Tim & Susan Rousseau, Donald & Patricia Ryan, James Ryan, John & Kathy Ryan, Mike & Rita Ryan, Rollie & Maureen Ryan, Ron & Rosie Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn, John & Toni Sacco.
Altar Linens: Rosie Ryan.

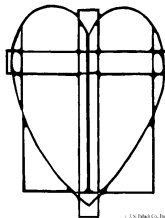
ST. PATRICK GROUP I FISH FRY: Friday, February 21st, 5:00—8:00 PM in the social hall. \$12/adult, \$5/child, 3 and under/free. Look for sign-up sheets in the back of church and on our face book page. Group I members please bring 2 dozen bars or cookies. Chair: Craig Barnd, 952-492-3048, Co-chair: Andrea Feist, 952-492-2182.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”

Sunday Collection February 9, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 1,456.41
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,223.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

FEBRUARY: Dennis Maciej, Allen & Cathy Svoboda, Ken & Connie Svoboda.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”

Sunday Collection February 9, 2020

Received this week.....\$858.51
Weekly budget requirement.....\$1,040.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Stephanie Prochaska, Richard Knutson, Sue Bode, Ryan Maciej, Brooklyn Prochaska, Amber Rosenwinkel (granddaughter of Kathy 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, 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon. Feb. 3—Thur. Feb. 20 the parish office will be open 8:30 AM—12:30 PM.

FUEL COLLECTION— Collection next week; Feb. 22 & 23.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS are coming up the third weekend in March. If you would like to run, please contact John Cassady, 815-441-7558 (St. Patrick) or Deanna Vochoska, 651-303-8778 (St. Catherine).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Feb. 19	6:45 PM	Religious Education Classes, 1-9 Confirmation Class at St. Michael's
Sun. Feb. 23	9:15 AM	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd; Ages 3-5
Wed. Feb. 26	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass (students to sit with their families)
Sun. Mar. 1	9:15 AM	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd; Ages 3-5

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Mon. Feb. 17	S.P.	PPC & Finance Mtgs.
Fri. Feb. 21	S.P.	Group I Fish Fry
Mon. Feb. 24	S.C.	PPC & Comm. Mtgs.
Fri. Mar. 27	S.P.	Group II Fish Fry
Sat. Apr. 4	S.P.	Spring Bake Sale & Boutique
Sun. July 19	S.P.	Parish Festival

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Family Valentine's Bingo, Sun. Feb. 16, 1:00-3:00 PM at St. Wenceslaus Activity Center Gym. 10 games/1 card/\$5.00, 10 games/3 cards/\$10.00. Hotdog, chips, and drink \$3.00.

26th Annual Soup Supper, Mon. Feb. 17, 4:30-7:00 PM at St. Wenceslaus Church Basement in New Prague.

Open House- Bethlehem Academy— Faribault, Sun. Feb 23, 10 AM - 12 PM. A Catholic high school with a tradition of academic excellence and proven results for 155 years! Call 507-334-3948 to set up a personal tour or shadow day.

Fish Fry, Fri. Feb. 28, 4:00-8:00 PM at the Lonsdale American Legion. \$14/adult, \$6.00/child, under 5/free. Benefit for Holy Cross Catholic School in Webster.

St. Mary's CCW— Le Center, Sat. Feb. 29 will be hosting Sharon O'Connell Wilson in "Meditations on the Stations of the Cross." Mass at 9:00AM, presentation at 9:30 in the St. Mary's Social Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Catholic Services Appeal Foundation— Each year, the Catholic Services Appeal funds 20 Designated Ministries including:

- Providing over 50,000 people with clothing and medical supplies, including orphans and the elderly in Venezuela.
- Serving over 100,000 local Catholics through hospital chaplains.
- Evangelizing thousands, from youth through senior citizens, including those in prison.

Contributions go directly to the Designated Ministries. To learn more, go to www.csafspm.org. Thank you for your prayerful support!