

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Feb. 23	8:30 AM (SP)	+Louis & Philomina Gregory
Tuesday	Feb. 24	8:30 AM (SP)	+Verena Wacker
Wednesday	Feb. 25	5:00 PM (SC)	Living & Deceased Member of St. Catherine C.C.W.
Wednesday	Feb. 25	7:00 PM (SP)	+John Jacques
Thursday	Feb. 26	8:30 AM (SC)	Priest Personal Intentions
Friday	Feb. 27		NO MASS
Saturday	Feb. 28	5:00 PM (SP)	For Our People
Sunday	Feb. 29	8:30 AM (SC)	+Lawrence & Kathleen Stepka
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Harold Schmitt

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEB. 25, 28, & 29

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	2/25	Terrie Schoenbauer, Rosie Ryan, Dan Cervenka, Bill Belkengren
	2/28	Ron & Rosie Ryan, Kelley DeGross
	2/29	Joe & Nellie Carson, Ron & Kathy McBroom
Lectors	2/25	C.C.D. Students
	2/28	Bill Belkengren
	2/29	Gerry Sandey
Acolytes	2/25	C.C.D. Students
	2/28	Megan Ryan, Peter Ryan, Mitchell Gareis
	2/29	Kayla Shepherd, Amanda Stebbins, Austin Weinandt
Ushers	2/25	C.C.D. Students
	2/28	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	2/29	Dean Bisek, Rob Sticha
Greeters	2/25	C.C.D. Students
	2/29	Ted & Mary Jirik

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	2/25	Joel Vochoska, Bill Dillingham, Steve & Jude Boeser
	2/29	Ken & Kathy Ceola, Tom Fredrickson, Deloris Friske
Lector	2/25	Wayne Liebhard
	2/29	Kevin Mahowald
Acolytes	2/25	Rachel Friske, Cassie Timm, Trevor Timm
	2/29	Clarice, Timmy, Tommy Fredrickson
Ushers	2/25	Jim Jabas, Dennis Maciej
	2/29	Dan Norman, Jeff Schroeder
Greeters	2/25	James & Barbara Lerschen
	2/29	Dave & Rosie Nelson

FEBRUARY 22, 2004

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, faxed to 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 FEBRUARY 29, 2004
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
 Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13
 Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Feb. 25 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Mass. All C.C.D.
 Sun. Feb. 29 10:30 AM Sunday School in the social hall.
 Wed. Mar. 3 6:45 PM Religious Education. Grades 1-10
 Penance Service. Grades 3-10
 Sun. Mar. 7 10:30 AM Sunday School in the social hall.

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

FEBRUARY: *Dave & Laurie Theis, Dan & Cathy Theis, William & Carol Timmons, James & Anette Trecker, Lloyd & Cynthia Troendle, Paul Tuma & Susan Jacobs, Tim & LuVerne Verhoeven, Michael & Ruth Weinandt. Altar Linens: Rosie Ryan.

PROPOSED ALTAR RENOVATION: We have placed an artist's rendering of the proposed altar improvements in the back of St. Patrick Church. This is only a concept plan and is the first step with our proposed church remodeling project. The rendering will remain on display for 30 days. We encourage you to view it and would appreciate your comments on the slips provided. After the review period, modifications to the plans will be made pursuant to your comments. Estimates for the project & a budget & schedule will then be developed this spring.

FEBRUARY 10, 2004 MEETING RECAP:

Sanctuary project: Comments from the suggestion box in church: 3 for & 3 against the proposed plan. 1 unsure. Rob discussed price from K.A. Witt Construction Co. of \$70,000 to \$80,000. We have \$25,000 for repairs in the Capital Campaign fund, not including Sanctuary remodel. What can the parish afford? Need to get into attic and check out cracking in the arch wall above altar. Motion to table the Sanctuary project until structural repairs are investigated and we have a price. Further discussion of cutting a hole in the back of the arch above the altar, toward the Sanctuary area, to inspect the cracking in the arch and getting bids on repairs, and to redo the expansion joints. Motion passed.
Kitchen project: Suggested moving the front wall of the kitchen out to the first post, about four feet. Install serving windows and stainless steel counter tops at serving height. Install a wider door. Looking at a dishwasher, and at glass top stoves for easier cleaning. New backs for stoves, stainless or tile. Replace floor with epoxy or tile. Fix ceiling & new lighting. Start this project on Feb. 21 after the fish fry on Feb. 20. Volunteer labor.
Shed project: There are two shed ideas: all enclosed or pavilion style. Building size would be 30x32x10 for either one. Enclosed building this size would be \$16,300 & pavilion style would be \$17,530. Hand drawing of both buildings was passed around. Vote taken on which style to go with, and 14 wanted pavilion, 7 wanted closed style.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING 2/16/04

RECAP: Job description for parish secretary accepted. Discussed Family Day and if it could be held at St. Catherine this year. Council voted to end the St. Patrick's Capital Campaign. Margaret Sharkey gave a report on the Parish Nurse Program, and parish nurse be a paid position and made permanent. She applied for a grant to receive money from Capital Fund Project under the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches. Discussed church sanctuary renovation. Wall plaster and lath found to be sound. Plans are to get drywall contractor to price all necessary repairs. Discussed spending more time in contemplative prayer before Parish Pastoral Council Meetings. Discussion of Adult Faith Formation in our parish and promoting Adult Ed. in the parish. Chad Sandey gave a finance report, and discussed budgets. Trustee positions need to be renewed, and Lay Presider positions need to be renewed.

ST. PATRICK MASS HELPERS & CHURCH CLEANING

SCHEDULES: These are in the back of church. Make sure to take them home with you to save the expense of mailing them.

NEEDED: We are in need of mass helpers on Saturday evenings (Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Acolytes, Ushers). If you can help out please contact the parish office.

2004/2005 BUDGET: The Finance Committee will be working on the 2004/2005 budget soon. Committee chairs please turn in your budget requests to the parish office by March 9th. If you have questions, please contact the parish office @ 492-6276.

Our parish community is saddened by the death of Frances Franek who passed away on Feb. 12th. She was 93. We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection February 15, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 1,515.50
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,601.00

ST. CATHERINE CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

FEBRUARY: *Gary & Cindy Grolla, Gary & Ann Korbel, Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald, John & Sonjia Woodyard, Jim & Karen Jabas.

ST. CATHERINE MASS HELPER SCHEDULES are available in the back of church. If you are a Mass Helper, please be sure to take one home with you.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, February 23rd at 7:00 PM.

ST. CATHERINE DONUT SUNDAY: Join us for coffee and donuts after mass in the church basement February 22nd.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: St. Catherine C.C.W. Spring Luncheon and Style Show will be Saturday, March 20, 2004.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection February 15, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 526.75

STEWARDSHIP—*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.* 1 Peter 4:10

PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Anna Sandey, Mathew Odette (grandson on Don & Virginia Odette), Nicholas Arntz (nephew of Tony & Colleen Martinson), George & Charolette Dalsin, Linn Blocker, Ronald Greger (brother of Diane Williamson), Mary Jane Keep, Lawrence Simek.

MISSION QUILTING: Every Wednesday at 1:00 PM upstairs in the social hall. No experience is necessary since quilts will only be knotted. In case of inclement weather, it will not be held. Any questions, call 952-758-4668.

LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY: GENESIS

Genesis will meet at 7:00 PM every Thursday evening in the St. Patrick Social Hall (through April 1st).

ATTENTION PARENTS: If you have a senior graduating this year, please contact Ann Korbel @ 447-1454. The graduation mass will be on Sunday, May 16th.

FUEL COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend, Feb. 28 & 29, for Fuel.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM: *Quiet your mind--knit or crochet a "Prayer Shawl." Share your work with a parishioner who will find comfort knowing the shawl was made stitch by stitch with a prayer just for them. *Readers needed to tape parts of the Bible for homebound & visually handicapped parishioners. *Can you cook? Share a meal or part of a meal periodically with an ill parishioner. Contact Margaret @ 461-2214 for more info.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Bingo**, every Tuesday at the K.C. Hall in New Prague. 7:15 PM.
- Catholic Coming Home**, Confused Catholic? Inactive Catholic? Alienated Catholic? An invitation to "Come Home for Easter." A 6-week series beginning Feb. 24 at the Basilica of St. Mary. For more info. or to register contact Carrie Kemp @ 651-457-5427
- Bloodmobile**, Thur. Feb. 26, 1:30-7:30 PM at St. John's Church Basement in Jordan. TOGETHER WE CAN SAVE A LIFE!
- Natural Family Planning Classes**, Thur. Feb. 26 at St. John the Baptist in Jordan. For more info. or to register 952-934-0382.
- Fish Fry**, Fri. Feb. 27, 5:00-7:30 PM at St. John's School in Jordan. \$7.00/adult, \$4.00/child. Take out dinners available.
- Fish Fry**, Fri. Feb. 27, 4:00-8:00 PM at the American Legion in Lonsdale. \$8.00/adult, \$3.00/child. Benefit for LNMV School.
- Women's Retreat**, Feb. 27-29 & Mar. 5-7 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM: SHOVELING TIPS

Try a *plastic* shovel with a deep bucket. It's easier to lift and throw, than a metal one. Put a coating of cooking spray on the bucket so the snow will slide off easier. Dress with cotton close to the skin to soak up perspiration. A hat to hold in the body heat so you will stay warmer. Boots that have traction which will keep you from slipping. Thick gloves with grips that will help you hold onto the shovel. Lift with your legs by bending at the knees instead of your waist. Turn your feet rather than twisting you waist. Never lift more than you can carry. Take breaks when you are tired--don't overexert. Enjoy!