

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	2/28	6:30 PM	SC	+Leroy Farrell
Tuesday	3/1	8:30 AM	SP	+Joe Scheffler
Wednesday	3/2	8:30 AM	SC	Fr. John Hayes
	3/2	6:30 PM	SP	Flores Family
Thursday	3/3	NO MASS		
Friday	3/4	4:30 PM	SP	Tim Anderson
		5:00 PM	SP	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	3/5	5:00 PM	SP	For Our Parishioners & Guests
Sunday	3/6	8:30 AM	SC	+George & Betty Zanmiller
		10:30 AM	SP	+Bob Geditz

LITURGICAL MINISTERS March 2, 5 & 6, 2022

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	3/2	Volunteer
	3/5	Rita Ryan
	3/6	Kristi Schulte
Lector	3/2	Religious Education Students
	3/5	Shelley Shepherd
	3/6	Chad Sandey
Altar Servers	3/2	Religious Education Students
	3/5	Bryce, Mason and Megan Deutsch
	3/6	Cole, Ella & Ethan Flicek
Ushers	3/2	Volunteer
	3/5	Mark Rezac
	3/6	Rob Sticha

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	3/2	Pat Schroeder
	3/6	Frank Simons
Lector	3/2	Mary Kay Mahowald
	3/6	Donna Wright
Altar Servers	3/2	Volunteer
	3/6	Volunteer
Ushers	3/2	---
	3/6	Dennis Maciej, Lloyd Friske
Greeters	3/2	Joan Bruzek & Margaret Sharkey
	3/6	Lee Hesse, Bonnie Theis

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, emailed or put in the black box on the side of the rectory). Save the money counters time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Feb. 27: Fr. James Devorak, Feb. 28: APB Bernard Hebda ,
March 1: Pope Francis, March 2: Fr. Michael Miller, March 3:
Fr. William Deziel, March 4: Fr. John Drees,
March 5: Fr. Thomas Dufner.

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

The Outward Sign of our Christian Dignity

Continuing my series on Baptism, I move on now to another symbol that is used in the rite: the white garment. After the anointing with chrism oil a white garment is put on the child as the priest or deacon says these words:

(Name), you have become a new creation, and have clothed yourself in Christ. See in this white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity. With your family and friends to help you by word and example, bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven.

These words and the white garment especially symbolize two things. First, that in the sacrament we are changed. We have become a “new creation”, not physically, but spiritually. We are adopted as God’s children. As St. Paul puts it, “For through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ” (Galatians 3:26-27). The white garment is a symbol of putting on, or being clothed in Christ.

Secondly, It is white because this color symbolizes purity. In the Transfiguration this color describes the purity and glory of Christ: “And He was transfigured before them; His face shone like the sun and His clothes became white as light” (Matt. 17:2-3). This is the same as Daniel’s vision of the Ancient One, “His clothing was snow bright” (Daniel 7:9). In the book of Revelation the twenty-four elders that surround the throne of God are dressed in white garments (Rev. 4:4). The white garment is also a symbol of victory and joy, which are both accomplished in the fullest way in Christ’s Resurrection. Those who have been clothed in Christ have shared in the power of His Resurrection, i.e., they have been raised with Him. In the book of Revelation there is another vision of heaven: “I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes, and holding palm branches in their hands . . . These are the ones who have survived the great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb” (Rev. 7:9, 14).

This is a fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah, “Come now, let us set things right, says the Lord: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; though they be crimson red, they may become white as wool” (Is. 1:18). It is sin that stains the purity of our Christian dignity, of which the white garment is an outward sign. Happily, Jesus gave us the sacrament of Reconciliation to take away sin, thus purifying our souls again. As Lent approaches, let us honestly examine how sin has stained our souls, and through the sacrament of Reconciliation, let them be made white again in the blood of the Lamb, that we may bring the dignity we received in Baptism unstained to the everlasting life of heaven.

~Fr. Michael J. Miller



ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MARCH: Mike & Lynne Hoffman, Tod & Lisa Hutchinson, Leo & Gloria Jacques, *Mike & Melissa Janovsky, Jeff & Toni Jeurissen, Tony & Brianne Jirik, Steven & Susan Johnson, Rick & Jodi Jones, Guy Kelnhofer, Doug & Eugenia Klegstad
Altar Linens: Rose Ryan

PRAY THE ROSARY: Join us to pray the Rosary every Saturday evening at 4:40 PM before the 5:00 PM Mass or Sunday morning at 10:10 AM before the 10:30 AM Mass.

MASS HELPERS NEEDED: We are looking for more Mass helpers. If interested, please contact Shelley Shepherd @ selesep@gmail.com.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,400.00
2/20/22 Collection:	\$ 1,803.81
2/20/22 CCD Donation:	\$ 100.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MARCH: Frank & Cathy Simons, Margaret Sharkey

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 MEETING: Monday, February 28 at 7:00 pm.

PARISH COUNCIL: Parishioners interested in serving on the Parish Council, please contact the parish office at 952-492-6276.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,160.00
2/20/22 Collection:	\$ 872.00

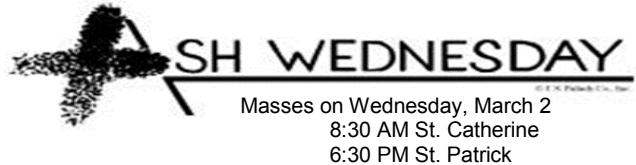


PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES: Brandon Witt, Shelby Perry, Janice Lane, Tom O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, JoAnn Kenne, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), 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.

LENTEN FELLOWSHIP: Light supper and viewing of the video series The Chosen— Sunday evenings 5-6:30 PM March 6th-April 10th, St. Patrick Social Hall. Contact Dave Nelson at dmmang2@gmail.com with questions.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL FOUNDATION: There's been an error in the Catholic Services Appeal donation envelopes; listing everyone as St. Catherine's. Please be sure to cross out/list your correct parish when returning your donation. You may also give online at GiveCSAF.org, mail in your gift to: The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation P.O. Box 6488 St. Paul, MN 55106 or put into the collection basket.



Trey, look how proud he is.



Trey Oxendale was baptized on Sunday, February 20th along with his brother, Braxton. He proudly told his great-grandma that, "Now he is a child of God."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday	3/2/2022	Grades 1-9; Ash Wednesday Mass 6:30 PM
Sunday	3/6/2022	CGS-class 9:15-10:15 AM
Wednesday	3/9/2022	Grades 1-8 class 6:30-7:30PM Confirmation class 6:30-7:45PM
Sunday	3/13/2022	CGS-class 9:15-10:15 AM

SAVE THE DATE: We are partnering with St. Wenceslaus Parish for the 2022 Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) on June 20-24 for the Kid's Program and June 19-23 for the Teen's Program. More info to follow.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

LONSDALE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY: Friday, March 4; 4-7pm at the Crusader Civic Center at the Immaculate Conception Church. Adults: \$13, Kids: \$8.

ROSARY ACROSS AMERICA: Join Archbishop Hebda and fellow Catholics from around the United States and the world, as he leads Relevant Radio's Rosary Across America on Monday, March 7 at 7 pm. You can participate locally on the radio at 1330am or anywhere at relevantradio.com or via the Relevant Radio app.

ROMAN BARTEN MEMORIAL BREAKFAST BENEFIT: Sunday, March 20 8am-1pm at the KC Hall in New Prague. Free Will Donation. Proceeds benefit 3 year old Emma Burns.

SOUTHWEST DEANERY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN SPIRITUAL DAY: Saturday, March 19, 2022 at St. Wenceslaus Church, New Prague. Registration (\$8) at 8:30 am, Mass at 9 am, followed by a Brunch and Silent Auction. Speaker Stephanie Mogren from Shieldsville will lead us in a "Lenten Reflection to Help in our Journey of Mercy". Please RSVP to SW Deanery President Colleen Hogan at cell 507-304-5755 or email: hogancl86@gmail.com.