

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Mar. 14	4:00 PM (SP)	+Bert Raney
Tuesday	Mar. 15	9:00 AM (SP)	+Jorge Tatel
Wednesday	Mar. 16	9:00 AM (SC)	+Leo Maciej
Thursday	Mar. 17		NO MASS
Friday	Mar. 18	9:00 AM (SP)	+Ron DeGross
Saturday	Mar. 19	5:00 PM (SP)	Special Intention
Sunday	Mar. 20	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	For Our People +Mathilda Florek

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAR. 19 & 20

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	3/19	Kelley DeGross, Dick Chodek, Dave Roach
	3/20	Evelyn Scheffler, Mike Sticha, Gerry Sandey
Lectors	3/19	Karen Keenan
	3/20	Chris Bisek
Acolytes	3/19	Andrew Roach, Erin Roach, Jed Kreuser
	3/20	Amanda Stebbins, Isaac Cross
Ushers	3/19	Francis Beuch, Roman Stepka
	3/20	Rob Sticha, Dean Bisek
Greeters	3/20	Gerry Sandey

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	3/20	Steve & Jude Boeser, Ken & Kathy Ceola
Lector	3/20	Rosemary Hatcher
Acolytes	3/20	Cassie Timm, Trevor Timm, Rachel Friske
Ushers	3/20	Bill Doheny, Lloyd Friske
Greeters	3/20	James & Barbara Lerschen

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!

*The parish office will be closed Thursday, March 17. Colleen will be at an Archdiocese Employment Law Update Seminar.

**READINGS FOR MARCH 20, 2005
PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**



First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
 Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
 Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Mar. 16	6:45-8:00 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10.
Wed. Mar. 23		NO Religious Education.
Wed. Mar. 30	6:45-8:00 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10.
Sat. April 2	9:30 AM	1st Communion Practice.

ST. PATRICK

MARCH 13, 2005

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:

*Kenneth & Marge Sticha, Allen & Mary Sticha, Lynn Sticha, Michael & Janice Sticha, Norman & Denie Sticha, Rob & Theresa Sticha, Craig & Mary Ann Svoboda, Dan & Cathy Theis. **Cleaning will be done in the social hall until the church renovation is done.* Altar Linens: Laura Ryan.

FESTIVAL QUILTING: Della Schmitt will be hosting Saturday morning quilting at her house March 19, & 26, from 8:00 AM to noon. We need lots of help as we prepare quilts for the 2005 Festival Quilt Auction in July. You need not be an experienced quilter! Come join us for fun and fellowship!

DISHTOWEL FINISHING: We need help hemming and decorating dishtowels to be sold at this summer's church festival. The big box containing unfinished towels is located at the back of the social hall. Sign out as many as you like to embroider, appliqué, or decorate creatively and hem! Just return the finished towels to the same box when complete. Thanks!

ST. PATRICK CHOIR PRACTICE: Anyone interested in helping with music for Holy Week and Easter, please plan to attend rehearsal on these dates: March 14 (Monday), and March 22 (Tuesday) from 7:00-9:00 PM at the social hall.

FESTIVAL TOYS NEEDED: If you have toys to donate for Children's Games, please contact Cathy Theis @ 461-2636

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ENVELOPES: Please DO NOT put your capital improvement payment in your Sunday envelope! There are Capital Improvement Envelopes available in the social hall, or just use a regular white envelope marked Capital Improvement Fund. Thank you.

ST. PATRICK CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday, March 15th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE: March is Minnesota Food Shelf Month. We will be collecting food for Peace Center Food Shelf in New Prague. Food and money collected during March are counted and matched pound for pound and dollar for dollar by the St. Paul Food Bank. We will be collecting non-perishable goods 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 brought and put in the hallway of the social hall. Call Evelyn Scheffler @ 758-4102 if you have questions.

SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SALE: Thanks to everyone who helped to make this event a success! Almost \$1,500.00 was earned and contributed to the church renovation fund! Thank you to all parishioners who contributed items for the sale. Special thanks to C.C.W. members who helped bake rolls and run the event!
LuVerne Verhoeven / C.C.W. President

THANK YOU: A big thank you to all the people that helped with the church cleaning last Saturday. Also, thank you to the St. Patrick C.C.W. for all their hard work, feeding the workers on Saturday, and sponsoring the Craft & Bake Sale to support the improvement and reconstruction of the church.

Jack Puncchar / P.P.C. President

THANK YOU: Thank you all for your prayers and kindness when my mother, Armella Schroeder, passed away. *Dianne Thoele*

SUNDAY SCHOOL SPRING PROGRAM: Sunday, March 13 during the 10:30 mass at St. Patrick. Please join us for refreshments following mass. (NOTE: Parents—this is the last weekend for Sunday School this season.)

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection March 6, 2005



Received this week.....	\$ 1,597.00
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 1,680.00
Fuel Collection.....	\$ 200.00
C.C.W. Collection.....	\$ 224.00
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 150,500.00 goal
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 97,301.00 pledged to date
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 61,959.50 collected to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 6,273.00 goal
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,920.70 pledged to date

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

MARCH: *Shawn & Cheri O'Hern, Roger & LeAnn Brezina, Philip & Kim Moris, Ken & Connie Svoboda.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. SPRINGTIME SALAD

LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW: Mark your calendars—Saturday, April 23, 2005 at 11:00 AM in the church basement.

ST. CATHERINE CHURCH CLEANING: Saturday, March 19th at 8:30 AM. Calling all parishioners and families to celebrate the feast of St. Joseph (the worker) for spring cleaning the interior of our church. Many hands (jobs for men too) make the work load light, fast, and FUN! We will begin at 8:30 AM, but come as your schedule allows and then share the provided lunch. Please bring rags, buckets, a mop, and a vacuum. For more information, call Rosie Nelson @ 492-3402.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection March 6, 2005

I will put
 my spirit in you
 that you may
 live



Received this week.....	\$ 1,565.80
Fuel Collection.....	\$ 275.00
C.C.W. Collection.....	\$ 96.00
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,825.00 goal
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 3,795.00 pledged to date

PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), George Dalsin, Linn Blocker, Peter Nytes, Angela Brandel, Jeff Paul, Jim Trantina (father of Theresa Sticha), Lyla Bauer (mother of Cathy Theis), Ron Stepka, Lawrence Simek, Ken Jilk, Lorene Seurer, Helen Nelson, Marcella Backsen, Sister Kathleen Lonergan (aunt of Vickie Cross), Lori Doerr (daughter of Florian Kraft), Lucille Schmitz. *Please pray for the repose of the soul of Armella Schroeder, mother of Dianne Thoele.

FLOWER COLLECTION: This weekend, March 12 & 13, we will have a second collection for Easter Flowers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday, March 18th, 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Social Hall.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS:

March 19 & 20 at St. Patrick and March 20 at St. Catherine. Anyone interested in running, please contact the parish office.

FAITHFUL GIVING

A pastor was once asked to define "faithful giving." His eye-opening reply was simple: "All I ask is that you apply the same standards to your church giving that you would to other areas important to your life!" Now, if you don't think that is too much to ask, please consider the following:

If your car starts one out of three or four times, do you consider it faithful?

If the paper boy skips your Monday and Thursday editions, would you miss them?

If you fail to come to work two or three times a month, would your boss call you faithful?

If your refrigerator quits for a day now and then, do you excuse it and say, "Oh, well, it works fine most of the time?"

If you miss a couple of mortgage or car payments during the year, would your bank say, "Oh, well, 10 out of 12 isn't that bad?"

Or, finally, if you count on someone to meet you at a certain place or certain time each week, and he consistently stands you up, do you consider this person faithful in his promise to you?

If you contribute financially only now and then, are you faithful? Why not try to apply the same standards to your giving to your church as you do in others areas of your total life?

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women needs additional volunteers to answer its 24-hour crisis line. 873-4214.

Fish Fry, Fri. Mar. 18, 5:00-7:30 PM at St. John's Parish Hall in Jordan. Sponsored by the Jordan Lions for the support of community projects. \$8.00/adult, \$4.00/child, 3 & under free.

Fish Fry, Fri. Mar. 18, 5:00-8:00 PM at the K.C. Hall in Shakopee. \$8.50/adult, \$4.00/child, 4 & under free.

Women's Retreat, Mar. 18-20 & Apr. 15-17 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

19th Annual Marian Congress, Sat. Mar. 19, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM at St. Thomas O'Shaughnessy Ed. Center. 651-457-6609.

Jordan Community Theatre presents, **The Curse of an Aching Heart (or trapped in a Spider's Web),** Sat. Mar. 19, 7:30 PM. Sun. Mar. 20, 2:00 & 7:00 PM, Jordan High School Auditorium.

Natural Family Planning Classes begin Mon. Mar. 21, at St. John the Baptist Church in Jordan. For more info, 952-934-0382.

Married Couples Retreat, Apr. 1-3 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, Apr. 1-3 at Yankee Square Inn in Eagan. For more information, call 651-426-4710.

Archdiocesan Retreat/Conference for Men, Sat, April 9th at University of St. Thomas Field House. 8:30AM-2:30 PM. \$20.00 per person. For more info, contact the parish office.