

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

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| Monday | Mar. 15 | 8:30 AM (SP) | +Louis & Philomina Gregory |
| Tuesday | Mar. 16 | | NO MASS |
| Wednesday | Mar. 17 | 7:00 PM (SP) | +Calvin Griffith |
| Thursday | Mar. 18 | 8:30 AM (SC) | +Sharon Zephirin |
| Friday | Mar. 19 | 8:30 AM (SP) | Priest's Personal Intentions |
| Saturday | Mar. 20 | 5:00 PM (SP) | For Our People |
| Sunday | Mar. 21 | 8:30 AM (SC) | +Lawrence & Kathleen Stepka |
| | | 10:30 AM (SP) | +Louis & Philomina Gregory |

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 20 & 21

St. Patrick

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| Extraordinary Ministers | 3/20 | Ron & Rosie Ryan, Evelyn Scheffler |
| | 3/21 | Everett & Joan Nelson, Dan Cervenka, Agnes DeGross |
| Lectors | 3/20 | Bill Belkengren |
| | 3/21 | Tim Sonnek |
| Acolytes | 3/20 | Megan Ryan, Peter Ryan, Jed Kreuser |
| | 3/21 | Kayla Shepherd, Amanda Stebbins, Austin Weinandt |
| Ushers | 3/20 | Steve Kreuser, Leonard Sticha |
| | 3/21 | Matt Trecker, Rob Sticha |
| Greeters | 3/21 | Gerry & Anna Sandey |

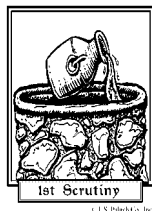
St. Catherine

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| Extraordinary Ministers | 3/21 | Tony & Claire Robling, Margaret Sharkey, Pat Schroeder |
| Lector | 3/21 | Samantha Muraski |
| Acolytes | 3/21 | Rachel Friske, Phoebe Muraski, Billy Muraski |
| Ushers | 3/21 | Lloyd Friske, Bruce Brumm |
| Greeters | 3/21 | Dick & Vera Taylor |

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 MARCH 21, 2004
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

First Reading: Joshua 5:9a 10-12
 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
 Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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| Wed. Mar. 17 | 7:00 PM | All Religious Education-Mass S.P. |
| Sun. Mar. 21 | 10:30 AM | Sunday School in the social hall. |
| Wed. Mar. 24 | 6:45 PM | Religious Education. Grades 1-10. 1st Communion Parent Meeting. |
| Sun. Mar. 28 | 10:30 AM | Sunday School in the social hall. |
| Wed. Mar. 31 | 6:45 PM | Religious Education. Grades 1-10. |

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:

*Dick & Catherine Wornson, Dirk Wells & Vanessa Glavas, Wayne & Diane Whipps, Ronald & Connie Zabel, Robert & Suzanne Ziegler, David & Sandra Zweber, Mary Jo Andreasen, Donald & Susan Barlage.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING PARISH COUNCIL

ELECTIONS: There are two positions available. Elections will be held the 3rd Sunday in March (20 & 21).

GROUP II MEETING: Sunday, March 14th after mass to plan for the Friday, March 26th Fish Fry. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. A co-chair is needed. Contact Carol Timmons @ 758-5960 to volunteer.

MARCH IS MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE MONTH: We will be collecting food for Peace Center in New Prague. Food & money collected during March will be matched # for # and dollar for dollar by the St. Paul Food Bank. We will be collecting non-perishable goods in cans such as: fruits, vegetables, tuna, peanut butter, soups, stews, etc. In boxes: jello, crackers, potatoes, pancake mix, meal-in-a-box, cookies, etc. Hand soap, dish & laundry soap, & paper products. Food items may be dropped off in back of church. Monetary donations may be put into an envelope & labeled Food Share with donators name & put into the collection basket. Questions? contact Evelyn @ 758-4102.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING: Monday, March 15th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

ST. PATRICK MEN'S CLUB MEETING: Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 PM in the social hall. All men of the parish are invited. Questions, call Mike Sticha @ 758-2022.

QUILTING WORKSHOP: St. Patrick C.C.W. will sponsor a quilting workshop on Saturday, March 20, 9:00 AM at the home of Adella Schmitt. All women of the parish are welcome, regardless of quilting experience. There's a job for everyone as we prepare quilts for the festival in July! Questions? Call LuVerne @ 952-758-3546.

DISHTOWEL FINISHING: We need help hemming and decorating dishtowels to be sold at next summer's church festival. Unfinished towels are located in the box at the back of church. Sign out as many as you'd like to embroider, appliqué, or decorate creatively and hem! Just return the finished towels to the same box when complete. Thanks to all who have already done so many!

C.C.W. SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SALE: Saturday & Sunday, March 27 & 28, after the masses at St. Patrick, at the back of church. Parishioners are asked to contribute baked goods and spring theme craft items. These items can be dropped on Saturday, March 27 from 9:00 AM to noon or before mass on Sat. or Sun. Thank you, in advance for your participation!

TOYS FOR THE FESTIVAL: Toys for the festival are once again needed. If you would like to donate call Cathy Theis @ 461-2636 or drop off donations at the church office. Thank you.

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

Stewardship of Treasure
"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection March 7, 2004



St. Patrick's Day

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Received this week.....\$ 1,462.41
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,601.00
Fuel Collection.....\$ 280.00
C.C.W. Collection.....\$ 153.00

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: If you haven't already done so, please return your A.C.A. pledge to the parish office as soon as possible. St. Patrick goal is \$5778.00. St. Catherine goal is \$5013.00.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday, March 19, 7:00 PM at St. Catherine.

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:

*Kenneth & Kathleen Ceola, James & Barbara Lerschen, Shawn & Cheri O'Hern, Tom & Wendy Hesse, Bruce Brumm.

TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: Budgeting for the 2004/2005 fiscal year will begin soon. If you will have a child in Catholic School next year, please complete one of the Tuition Assistance Forms, available in the back of church, and return it to the parish office by April 1, 2004. Thank you. (A complete Tuition Assistance Policy Booklet is available at 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 17th. If you have questions, please contact the parish office @ 492-6276.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS will be collecting new and gently used pots and pans to donate to Bridging, Inc. (a non-profit group that provides furnishings to needy families). They are located in Bloomington. Please turn in items to St. Patrick Social Hall no later than April 3rd.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W SPRING LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW: Saturday, March 20th at 11:00 AM.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM: We are still in need of "periodic" volunteers to assist with Comfort Meals given to a parishioner who has just had surgery or are ill. If you can pop a muffin in the oven, you have a gift to share. 461-2214 for info.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS will be held March 21. There are two positions available. Anyone interested, please contact Cathy Ceola @ 440-6740 or Gordy Giles @ 461-2555.

ST. CATHERINE DONUT SUNDAY: March 21, 2004.

THANK YOU to the parishioner who donated yarn for the Prayer Shawl project. Knitters or crocheters please contact Margaret (461-2214) before beginning your next shawl. Take this time to center your soul, pray for someone in stress and again share your God-given talents.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, March 22nd at 7:00 PM.

THANK YOU: We wish to thank our church friends for their prayers, cards, and food at the death of our mother—Martha M. Svoboda.
Ken & Connie Svoboda

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.



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Stewardship of Treasure
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Received this week.....\$1,142.36
Fuel Collection.....\$ 50.00
C.C.W. Collection.....\$ 90.00

STEWARDSHIP—"The measure you give will be the measure you get back." Luke 6:38

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), Bob Juris, George & Charolette Dalsin, Linn Blocker, Ronald Greger (brother of Diane Williamson), Lawrence Simek, Silverius Becker.
+Please pray for the repose of the soul of Martha Svoboda, mother of Ken Svoboda.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

After the Passion . . . try **Catholic Radio** 1530 AM, **Christian Radio** KTIS 98.5, Spirit FM 95.9 or 107.5.
Website: www.catholic.org/clife/prayers/stations.php.

Lenten Regulations: The Christian faithful are to do penance through prayer, fasting, abstinence, and by exercising works of piety and charity. All Fridays through the year, and especially during Lent, are penitential days.

ABSTINENCE

All who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during Lent.

FASTING

All those who are 18 or older, until their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Only one full meal is allowed on days of fast. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's need: but, together, they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or ability to work would be affected seriously. People in doubt about fast or abstinence should consult a parish priest.