

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Mar. 20	8:30 AM (SP)	+Tom Franek
Tuesday	Mar. 21	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intention
Wednesday	Mar. 22		NO MASS
Thursday	Mar. 23	8:30 AM (SC)	+Vi Nelson
Friday	Mar. 24	8:30 AM (SP)	+Alois & Susan Wagner
Saturday	Mar. 25	5:00 PM (SP)	The Thoele Family
Sunday	Mar. 26	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Megan O'Hern For Our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 25 & 26

St. Patrick

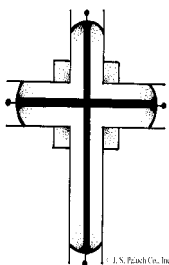
Extraordinary Ministers	3/25	Rita Ryan, Evelyn Scheffler
	3/26	Ron & Kathy McBroom, Dan Cross
Lectors	3/25	Judie Cervenka
	3/26	Rena Bjerke
Acolytes	3/25	Jed Kresuer, Mitch Sandey
	3/26	Amy Ryan, Gabby Ryan, Megan Ryan
Ushers	3/25	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	3/26	Gerry Sandey, Don Pesta
Greeters	3/26	Ted & Mary Jirik

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	3/26	Bill Dillingham, Cindy Grolla, Tom Fredrickson, Rosemary Hatcher
Lector	3/26	Deb Norman
Acolytes	3/26	Clarice, Nicholas, & Tim Fredrickson
Ushers	3/26	Ken Ceola, George Doheny
Greeters	3/26	Tom & Mary Kay Fredrickson

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!

**READINGS FOR MARCH 26, 2006
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**



First Reading: Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
 Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10
 Gospel Reading: John 3:14-21

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MARCH 19, 2006

Wed. Mar. 22	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10. Living Stations—4th grade.
Wed. Mar. 29	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10. Penance, Grades 7-10.
Sat. Apr. 1		Confirmand interviews with Fr.
Tue. Apr. 4	7:30 PM	Chrism Mass at Cathedral.
Wed. Apr. 5	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-8. 1st Communion Learning Centers.
Wed. Apr. 12		NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—Holy Week.

ATTENTION PARENTS: It is urgent that I receive your green Parent Verification Form regarding VIRTUS—Protecting God's Children by **April 2nd**. If it is not received, I will have to call each of you. Please drop it in the collection basket or send it to the church office. Your help in this is greatly appreciated. Thank you. *Deb Norman, Religious Education Director*

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:

*Warren & Beth Simon, Cyril & Natalie Simon, Patrick & Vonnie Simon, Ted & Lorraine Simon, Luke & Paula Siskoff, Timothy & Barbara Sonnek, Doug & Jan St. Aubin, Scott & Julie Stebbins, Ronald & Barb Stepka. Altar Linens: Laura Ryan.

FESTIVAL & MISSION QUILTING: Every Saturday morning at 9:00 AM at Della Schmitt's. If you would like to quilt at any other time, please call Della @ 492-2250.

DONATIONS FOR SYMBOLS: We have received donations to cover the cost of the symbols. A big thank you to everyone that donated to this fund.

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

ST. PATRICK PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS: These will be held March 18 & 19. Two members of the council's terms are up, so we will be filling two positions.

ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS: The St. Patrick Finance Committee will soon be working on the 2006/2007 budget. Please submit your budget requirements to the parish office by March 15th. Thank you.

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 back of church. We do buy the basic food items such as sugar, flour, oatmeal, etc. that we need during the year with the cash that is donated. Call Evelyn Scheffler @ 758-4102 if you have questions.

FREE-Short Course on Teamwork: Work with a great group of friends and neighbors and make new friends along the way. Group II co-chair needed. Only one opening available, so act today. Call Carol Timmons @ 758-5960 to sign up for this great opportunity.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING: Monday, March 20th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

ST. PATRICK FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

Monday, March 20th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

ST. PATRICK CEMETERY BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 PM in the social hall. Parishioners and/or interested parties welcome.

SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SALE: Sponsored by St. Patrick C.C.W. will be held Saturday, March 25th, 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM at the social hall and following the 5:00 PM Saturday mass and the 10:30 AM Sunday, March 26th mass in the church entry. All parishioners are asked to contribute baked goods and spring theme craft items. Donated items can be dropped off Friday, March 24th, 5:00-7:00 PM at the social hall and before 9:30 AM on Saturday, March 25th. In addition, the sale will feature fresh-baked cinnamon and caramel rolls! Anyone interested in helping, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. Please help make this fundraiser a success with your participation and by promoting this event in the community! Thank you!

GROUP II FISH FRY: Friday, March 31, 5:00-8:00 PM. The sign-up sheets are in the back of church. Please sign up as soon as possible, this will save Carol many phone calls. Flyers are in the back of church. Please take some and pass them out to friends and family.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection March 12, 2006



Received this week.....	\$ 1,443.00
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 1,758.00
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 150,500.00 goal
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 103,301.00 pledged to date
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 108,056 collected to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 5,055.00 pledged to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 6,826.00 goal

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:

*Gary & Cindy Grolla, Steven & Maureen Rief, Jeff & Lauren Tonsager, Mike & Renee Orton.

THANK YOU: "St. Catherine's gave us food for donation for the month of March. Please give this 'thank you' to their group. We appreciate your contribution to the Peace Center."

THANK YOU: Thank you to all the people who helped with the Pancake Breakfast. It's good to see community members participate in events. *Sue Kempf*

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. SPRING-TIME SALAD

LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW: Saturday, April 1st at 11:00 AM. Letters are mailed out. If you are interested in being a model, helping in the kitchen, or at the door, please sign up in the back of church. We would like models of all ages. It's loads of fun!! *JoAnn Erickson*

ST. CATHERINE PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS:

March 19th.

ST. CATHRINE DONUT SUNDAY: March 19th.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection March 12, 2006



Received this week.....	\$ 664.00
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,522.00 pledged to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,820.00 goal

PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Linn Blocker, Peter Nytes, Jeff Paul, Marcella Backsen (sister of George Buresh), MaryAnn Radnich (cousin of Vickie Cross), Benoit Stepka, Jack Keenan, Tammy Dudley, George & Clara Kavan, Irene Moravec.

THANK YOU: To the Parishes of St. Catherine & St. Patrick: On behalf of the Respect Life Office, I want to thank you so very much for the generous donations to the Archdiocesan Life Fund: \$190 from St. Catherine and \$155 from St. Patrick. We were very grateful to receive these donations.

In 2005 the Life Fund provided grants to 127 women for their pregnancy-related expenses or expenses in the baby's first year of life. Last year the Life Fund provided cribs to 206 babies without a safe place to sleep. This would not be possible without the generosity of our ACCL volunteers, parishes, and Catholics across the Archdiocese reaching out so compassionately to these needy families.

THANK YOU and may God bless your ACCL group, each member of your committee, and all the parishioners of St. Catherine & St. Patrick. *Gratefully, Sharon Soderlund, Respect Life Director*

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: If you have not responded yes or no to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please do so today. You may give a gift of cash or a check, make a pledge to be paid later, or answer that you are not able to give at this time but will pray for the success of the Annual Catholic Appeal.

GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE TIMELINE group meets Thursday at 7:00 PM in St. Patrick's Social Hall.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday, March 24, 7:00 PM at St. Catherine Church.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Wed, March 22, 7:30 PM at St. Patrick Church. Presentation by 4th grade class.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bingo, every Tuesday at 7:15 at the K.C. Hall in New Prague.

Bingo Party, Sun. Mar. 19, 2:00 PM at St. Wenceslaus in New Prague. \$3.00, includes lunch.

Penance, Thur. Mar. 23, 7:00 PM at St. John's in Jordan.

Fish Fry, Fri. Mar. 24, 5:00-8:00 PM at the K.C. Hall in Shakopee. \$8.50/adult, \$4.00/child.

Women's Retreat, Mar. 24-26 & Apr. 4-6 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

Craft & Bake Sale, Sat. Apr. 1, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM at St. Scholastica in Heidelberg. Lunch sold throughout the day.