

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Mar. 6	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intention
Tuesday	Mar. 7	8:30 AM (SP)	+Mark Ryan
Wednesday	Mar. 8		NO MASS
Thursday	Mar. 9	8:30 AM (SC)	+Joe Nelson
Friday	Mar. 10	8:30 AM (SP)	+Edmund Schoenbauer
Saturday	Mar. 11	5:00 PM (SP)	+Richard Beuch
Sunday	Mar. 12	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Dennis Sharkey For Our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 11 & 12

St. Patrick

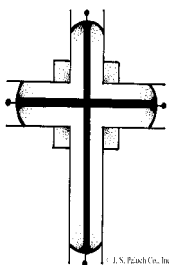
Extraordinary Ministers	3/11	Jim DeGross, Evelyn Scheffler
	3/12	Joe & Nellie Carson, Dan Cross
Lectors	3/11	Jim DeGross
	3/12	Gerry Sandey
Acolytes	3/11	Alex Schoenbauer, Zachary Schoenbauer
	3/12	Mike Verhoeven, Volunteers
Ushers	3/11	Dave Roach, Patrick Puncocar
	3/12	Peter Ryan, Leo Jacques
Greeters	3/12	Joe & Nellie Carson

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	3/12	Rosetta Shea, Pat Schroeder, Connie Svoboda, Joel Vochoska
Lector	3/12	Kevin Mahowald
Acolytes	3/12	Kristine Busse, Billy Muraski, Phoebe Muraski
Ushers	3/12	Ken Svoboda, Steve Boeser
Greeters	3/12	Dave & Bonnie Buresh

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 12, 2006
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**



First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
 Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34
 Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-10

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MARCH 5, 2006

Wed. Mar. 8	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10.
Sun. Mar. 12	10:30 AM	Sunday School, pre & K.
Wed. Mar. 15	6:45 PM	Religious Education, grades 1-10. Penance, Grades 2-6.
Sun. Mar. 19	10:30 AM	Sunday School Spring Program.

ATTENTION PARENTS: Please remember to return your green Parent Verification Form regarding VIRTUS-Protecting God's Children to the Religious Education Program Director (Deb Norman). Only 15 have been returned out of 56 families. The Archdiocese asks that we have them returned by March 10.

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 are looking for donations to help underwrite the cost of the bronze symbols for the sanctuary of the church. Please consider helping with this request. You can call the office or talk to me, Dan Cervenka, @ 758-3428. (St. Patrick C.C.W. has pledged \$1000.00. This brings the amount needed down to \$495.00.)

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. If you are interested in being on the Parish Council, or know of someone that would be, please contact the parish office @ 492-6276.

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.

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 February 26, 2006

Received this week.....	\$ 1,423.00
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.....	\$ 2,850.00 pledged to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 6,826.00 goal
Fuel Collection.....	\$ 578.05

ST. CATHERINE

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

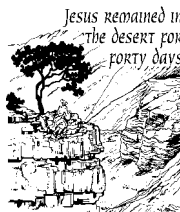
C.C.W. SPONSORED CHURCH CLEANING: Saturday, March 11, 9:00 AM at St. Catherine. (Kitchen & Altar cleaning.)

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

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Sunday Collection February 26, 2006

Received this week.....	\$ 1,227.00
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,087.00 pledged to date
Annual Catholic Appeal.....	\$ 4,820.00 goal
Fuel Collection.....	\$ 761.25

PARISHIONERS CORNER

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.

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), Benoite Stepka, Jack Keenan, Tammy Dudley, George & Clara Kavan, Irene Moravec.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jim Trantina, father of Theresa Sticha and Angeline Kosiak, aunt of Barbara Perry.

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday, March 10, 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.

C.C.W. COLLECTION: This weekend, March 4 & 5, there will be a second collection for C.C.W. Dues.

C.C.W. SPIRITUAL DAY: Saturday, March 11 at Our Lady of the Prairie in Belle Plaine from 8:30 AM-1:00 PM. Call Mary @ 952-873-6945 to register. Cost is \$5.00.

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 or confessor.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast, Sun. Mar. 5, 8:00 AM-noon at Holy Trinity Church basement in Veseli. Adults/\$6.00, Child/\$3.

Sausage & Egg Breakfast, Sun. Mar. 5, 8:00 AM-12:30 PM at the K.C. Hall in New Prague. Hosted by St. John's / Union Hill.

Fashion Show, Sun. Mar. 5, 2:00-4:00 PM at St. John's in Savage. \$10.00/person. Benefit the youth's mission trip to Virginia.

Veterans Benefits, Wed. Mar. 8, 10:00 AM at Schule Haus in Jordan. For more information, call 952-226-6670.

Fish Fry, Fri. Mar. 10, 5:00-8:00 PM at the K.C. Hall in Shakopee. \$8.50/adult, \$3.50/child.

February 25, 2006 Message from Our Lady of Medjugorje:
 "Dear Children! In this Lenten time of grace, I call you to open your hearts to the gifts that God desires to give you. Do not be closed, but with prayer and renunciation say "yes" to God and He will give to you in abundance. As in springtime the earth opens to the seed and yields a hundredfold, so also your heavenly Father will give to you in abundance. I am with you and love you, little children, with a tender love. Thank you for having responded to my call."