

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MARCH 7, 2004**

**EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Monday	Mar. 8	8:30 AM (SP)	+Louis & Philomina Gregory
Tuesday	Mar. 9	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intentions
Wednesday	Mar. 10	8:30 AM (SC)	+Anna M. Trendera
Thursday	Mar. 11		NO MASS
Friday	Mar. 12	8:30 AM (SP)	+Rev. Robert J. Merth
Saturday	Mar. 13	5:00 PM (SP)	+Harold Schmitt
Sunday	Mar. 14	8:30 AM (SC)	For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Louis & Philomina Gregory

**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.

**ST. PATRICK MASS HELPERS & CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULES:** These are in the back of church. Make sure to take them home with you to save the expense of mailing them.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MARCH 13 & 14**

**St. Patrick**

Extraordinary Ministers	3/13	Ron & Rosie Ryan, Bill Belkengren
	3/14	Dan Cross, Tim Sonnek, Ted Jirik, Don Pesta
Lectors	3/13	Bill Blocker
	3/14	Terrie Schoenbauer
Acolytes	3/13	Vincent Blocker, Megan Ryan, Peter Ryan
	3/14	Alex & Zac Schoenbauer, Isaac Cross
Ushers	3/13	Dick Chodek, Matt Sirek
	3/14	Don Pesta, Leo Jacques
Greeters	3/14	Ron & Kathy McBroom

**NEEDED:** We are in need of mass helpers on Saturday evenings (Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Acolytes, Ushers). If you can help out please contact the parish office.

**NOTICE OF UPCOMING PARISH COUNCIL**

**ELECTIONS:** There are two positions available. Elections will be held the 3rd Sunday in March (20 & 21). All nominees have to be published in the bulletin the 2nd Sunday in March.

**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 9th. If you have questions, please contact the parish office @ 492-6276.

**ST. PATRICK CHOIR PRACTICE FOR EASTER:**

Tuesday, March 9th at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

**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.

**St. Catherine**

Extraordinary Ministers	3/14	Dave & Rosie Nelson, Dan & Deb Norman
Lector	3/14	J.T. Muraski
Acolytes	3/14	Cassie Timm, Trevor Timm, Matt Novak
Ushers	3/14	Gordy Giles, Dave Buresh
Greeters	3/14	Gerald & Julie Otremba

**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.

*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 14, 2004  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15  
Second Reading: Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12  
Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9



**ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**MEETING:** Monday, March 15th at 7:00 PM.

**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.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Wed. Mar. 10	6:45 PM	Religious Education. Grades 1-8.
Sat. Mar. 13	10:00 AM	1st Reconciliation at St. Patrick.
Sun. Mar. 14	10:30 AM	Sunday School in the social hall.
Wed. Mar. 17	7:00 PM	All Religious Education-Mass.
Sun. Mar. 21	10:30 AM	Sunday School in the social hall.
Wed. Mar. 24	6:45 PM	1st Communion Parent Meeting.

**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!

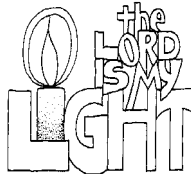
**C.C.W. SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SALE:** Saturday & Sunday, March 27 & 28, after the masses at St. Patrick, at the back of church. Parishioners are asked to contribute baked goods and spring theme craft items. These items can be dropped on Saturday, March 27 from 9:00 AM to noon or before mass on Sat. or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

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
**Sunday Collection February 29, 2004**

Received this week.....\$ 1,259.67  
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,601.00  
 Fuel Collection.....\$ 629.00



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**ST. CATHERINE CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH:**

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

**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.

**ST. CATHERINE C.C.W SPRING LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW:** Saturday, March 20th at 11:00 AM. Tickets or money need to be back in to JoAnn Erickson by March 11th.

**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.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
**Sunday Collection February 29, 2004**

Received this week.....\$ 941.00  
 Fuel Collection.....\$ 731.03



**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 Jane Kelsey, sister of Elaine Pesta.

**LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY: GENESIS**

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

**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 \$3505 has been pledged. St. Catherine goal is \$5013. \$3470 has been pledged.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Fri. Mar. 12, 7:00 PM at St. Patrick.

**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.)

**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.

**FILIPINO CHOIR:** They will be at St. Patrick on Saturday, March 13th & St. Catherine on Sunday, March 14th.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** is having a "new or good used" pots & pans drive. Turn into St. Patrick Social Hall by April 3rd.

**PARISH NURSE PROGRAM:** \*Quiet your mind--knit or crochet a "Prayer Shawl." Share your work with a parishioner who will find comfort knowing the shawl was made, stitch by stitch, with a prayer just for them. \*Readers needed to tape parts of the Bible for homebound & visually handicapped parishioners. \*Can you cook? Share a meal or part of a meal periodically with an ill parishioner. Contact Margaret @ 461-2214 for more info.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Dedication & Open House** of St. John Education Center in Jordan. Sun. Mar. 7, 10:00 AM mass, Bishop Pates presiding.

**The Living Word of God**, Tue. Mar. 9, 7:00 PM at St. Mark's in Shakopee. 6:00 PM mass, Bishop Paul Dudley presiding.

**C.C.W. Southwest Deanery Event**, Wed. Mar. 10, 9:00 AM, Spiritual Day at Annunciation Church in Hazelwood. Contact LuVerne @ 758-3546, if interested in attending.

**The Passion of Jesus** in Music, Word, & Light, March 11, 12, & 13 at St. Mark's in Shakopee. 8:00 PM.

**PARISH NURSE PROGRAM:** There are many different approaches to strengthening our Spiritual life during this Lenten time when we discern and check the quality of our relationship with God. Mother Theresa offers these suggestions in "Love is a Fruit in Season". At all times and within reach of every hand! Spread love everywhere you go. First of all, in your own house. Give love to your children, to your husband or wife, to your next door neighbor. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier. **Be the living expression on God's kindness; Kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting!**