

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Apr. 25	6:00 PM (SC)	+Gus Ponstingle
Tuesday	Apr. 26	8:30 AM (SP)	+Laura Ryan
Wednesday	Apr. 27	6:00 PM (SP)	+JoAnn Wermerskirchen Simon
Thursday	Apr. 28		NO MASS
Friday	Apr. 29		NO MASS
Saturday	Apr. 30	5:00 PM (SP)	+Richard Chodek
Sunday	May 1	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+James Prochaska For Our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR APRIL 30 & MAY 1, 2016

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	4/30	Barb Lewis, Jim & Kelley DeGross
	5/1	Kathy McBroom, Jan St. Aubin, Leo & Gloria Jacques
Lectors	4/30	Lynne Hoffman
	5/1	Julie Volk
Acolytes	4/30	Joe Weiers, Sam Lambrecht, Dan DeGross
	5/1	Megan Theis, Lindsey Bjerke, Alyssa Volk
Ushers	4/30	Dave Roach, Melvin Gregory
	5/1	Gerald Sandey, Darryl Volk
Greeters	5/1	Don & Elaine Pesta

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/1	Frank Simons, Bonnie Theis, Kathy Prochaska, Kathy Ceola
Lector	5/1	Pat Schroeder
Acolytes	5/1	Abbie Kavouras, Jenna Kavouras, Bryce Horejsi
Ushers	5/1	Rick Sirek, Dave Buresh
Greeters	5/1	Lee Hesse, Margaret Sharkey

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 people 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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY? Apr. 25:

Fr. Charles Lachowitz, Apr. 26: Fr. Nathan LaLiberte, Apr. 27: Fr. John Lapensky, Apr. 28: Fr. Roy Lepak, Apr. 29: Fr. James Liekhus, Apr. 30: Abp. Bernard Hebda, May 1: Pope Francis.

**Behold, I make
all things new.**



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Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Quo Vadis?

"Where are you going?" This great question, ("Quo Vadis?" in Latin) is one that we should ask ourselves everyday, not just on the mundane and practical level, but on the level of our very existence. Where are we going in our lives, what is our purpose and meaning? It is a question asked of Jesus at the Last Supper by Peter. His answer is the same that He gave earlier to the Jews, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, though you will follow later" (Jn 13:36). Thomas then adds to the question, "Master, we do not know where you are going, how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (Jn 14:6). There is the answer to our question. Where are we supposed to be going in our life? To the Father. How do we get there? By following Christ. "The first message of the Risen Lord, communicated to those who were His by means of the angels and the women is: Come, follow me; I am going before you. Resurrection-faith is a stepping forward along the way. It can be nothing else than a following in the steps of Christ...



Discipleship means that now we can go where Peter and the Jews initially could not go. But now that He has gone before us, we can go there too. Discipleship means accepting the entire path, going forward into those things that are above, the hidden things that are the real ones: truth, love, our being children of God" (Benedict XVI, Seek that which is Above, 38-39).

Jesus also has another message that goes with the Resurrection invitation to follow Him: "Do not be afraid" (Matt 28:10). It is quite natural for us to be afraid: "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Lk 9:23). We fear the pain and the suffering that the cross brings, and without the Resurrection that is all it would be – something to be avoided at all costs. But the Resurrection gives us the effective power to say with St. Paul, "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us" (Rom 8:18). In 1602 this was beautifully captured in a famous painting by Annibale Carracci called Domine, quo vadis? It draws on the legend of Peter meeting Christ, about 30 years after the Resurrection, on the

Appian Way. He was persuaded to save himself and leave Rome during the bloody persecution of Nero. Peter asks Him, "Lord, where are you going?" And His response is, "To Rome, to be crucified anew." Wearing the crown of thorns, the wound in His side visible but healed, with the cross on one shoulder, He is pointing in the opposite direction that Peter is going. What is most striking about the painting is the utter lack of fear that is depicted in Christ. His Resurrection already defeated the worst that sin and death could throw at Him. "We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him" (Rom 6:9). Peter went back and indeed followed where he could not follow before. And so can we. What answer do we give to the question, "Where are you going?" Is it along one of the many dead-end paths purposed by the father of lies, with his empty promises of happiness? Or is it to our Father in heaven, Who loved us so that He sent His only Son, Who is Truth and Life? Then let us not be afraid to follow the Way to Him.

Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL:

*Sam & Kerri Schoenbauer, Ron & Rose Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn, Chad & Emily Sandey, John & Patricia Scheffler, Scott & Karla Schmidt, Paul & Diana Schoenbauer, Terrie Schoenbauer. Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

ST. PATRICK SPRING CLEAN-UP: Monday, April 25th starting at 6:00 PM. Please bring along your rake and shovel. Any questions, call Leo Jacques @ 952-492-2080.

WOMEN OF ST. PATRICK'S: St. Catherine's C.C.W. would like to invite you to our **Country Gathering of Christian Women, Saturday, April 30th @ 11:00 AM.** Two motivational speakers/lunch/door prizes/positive Christian friendships shared for two hours to enjoy. Tickets available through any St. Catherine C.C.W. members.

CONGRATULATIONS! Patrick & Kayla Puncochar on the baptism of their daughter, Adeline Rose Puncochar, on April 10.

THANK YOU: We would like to thank everyone that helped our family with cards, flowers, the funeral Mass, Father, choir, servers, and that worked at the luncheon or brought food. All was very much appreciated. Thank you.

The Laura Ryan Family

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection April 17, 2016

Received this week.....\$ 2,368.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,867.00
Steeple Repair Project budget.....\$38,000.00
Steeple Repair amt. remaining.....\$16,637.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL:
David & Rosie Nelson, Timothy & Laura Saarela, Pat Schroeder.

FCSLA SPONSORED SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON:
Saturday, April 30th at 11:00 AM in St. Catherine church basement. In the past years, the Spring Luncheon has been primarily given by the C.C.W. but this year, we have been selected to receive a \$600.00 matching grant from FCSLA who are sponsoring this Luncheon. Our "special" nuns, Sister Michelle Meyers and Sister Kay O'Neil will share their message, "Appreciate—Accept—Applaud". Tickets are \$12.00. If you would like to attend this wonderful event, please contact Margaret Sharkey @ 461-2214 or any St. Catherine C.C.W. member. There is a sign up sheet in the back of church for C.C.W. members who would like to participate.

CONGRATULATIONS! Bradley & Jennifer Eller, on the baptism of their son, Braxton Palmer Eller, on April 17th.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, April 25th at 7:00 PM.

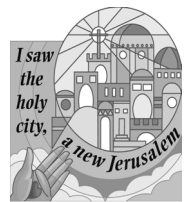
ST. CATHERINE CEMETERY BOARD MEETING: Sunday, May 15th after the 8:30 AM Mass.

PRAY THE ROSARY: The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 8:00 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

Stewardship of Treasure

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Sunday Collection April 17, 2016

Received this week.....\$ 787.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,101.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES: Jan Sticha, Mary Munson (Sue Zender's daughter), Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Janet Rezac, Sharon Mastain (sister of Carol Timmons) Rosie Pexa, Ann Pint, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Dave Hover, Diane Hentges (Cathy Theis' sister), Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Mary Jane Keep, Paul Lambrecht, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Beatrice Mushitz, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Gerry Jensen (cousin of Jan St. Aubin), Therese Ryan, Florian Bauman (Bryan Bittner's uncle), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Benoite Stepka, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Saturday, April 30	S.C.	C.C.W. Spring Salad Luncheon
Sunday, July 24	S.P.	Parish Festival

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wed. Apr. 27 7:00 PM Speaker Laura Sobiech.
Grades 6th, 7th, 8th, & confirmation class. Students are encouraged to invite family and friends. No class for grades 1-5 so that Catechist may attend the speaker with family & guests.