

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25, 2004

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Apr. 26	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intentions
Tuesday	Apr. 27	8:30 AM (SP)	+George & Jody Stepka
Wednesday	Apr. 28	6:45 PM (SP)	+Walter McBroom
Thursday	Apr. 29		NO MASS
Friday	Apr. 30	8:30 AM (SP)	+Rollie Ryan
Saturday	May 1	5:00 PM (SP)	+RoseAnn & Randy Sticha
Sunday	May 2	8:30 AM (SC)	+Francis & Elizabeth Doyle
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Louis & Philomina Gregory

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

*David & Amy Cerise, William & Linn Blocker, Gary Boegeman, Nicole Boegeman, Pamela Caselius, Dan & Debra Cervenka, Judie Cervenka, Terrence & Maureen Connelly, Dan & Vickie Cross. Altar Linens: Mary Jirik.

ST. PATRICK FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

Monday, April 26th at 7:00 PM in the social hall. Will be completing preliminary budget & investment decisions.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAY 1 & 2

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	5/1	Bill Belkengren, Dick Chodek, Dave Roach
	5/2	Everett & Joan Nelson, Dan Cervenka, Dan Cross
Lectors	5/1	Bill Belkengren
	5/2	Michael Puncochar
Acolytes	5/1	Andrew Roach, Erin Roach, Jed Kreuser
	5/2	Nick Benson, Matthew Benson, Tony Verhoeven
Ushers	5/1	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	5/2	Leo Jacques, Norm Sticha
Greeters	5/2	Ted & Mary Jirik

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/2	Rosetta Shea, Connie Svoboda, Margaret Sharkey, Pat Schroeder
Lector	5/2	Cindy Grolla
Acolytes	5/2	Rachel Friske, Cassie Timm, Trevor Timm
Ushers	5/2	Ken Svoboda, Bruce Brumm
Greeters	5/2	Lloyd & Deloris Friske

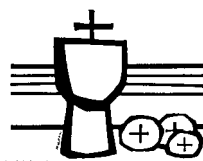
Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, faxed to 492-6290, or put in the black box on the side of the rectory) Save the counting ladies time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you! Going out of town? Won't be at mass next weekend? Call the parish office in advance and ask for a parish bulletin to be mailed to you. Keep up on parish events! Parish office summer hours: 8:00 AM—1:00 PM.

**READINGS FOR MAY 2, 2004
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52
 Second Reading: Revelation 7:9 14b-17
 Gospel Reading: John 10:27-30

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun. April 25	8:30 AM	1st Communion at St. Catherine.
Sun. April 25	10:30 AM	1st Communion at St. Patrick.
Wed. April 28	6:45 PM	Religious Education. Grades 1-10.
		All C.C.D. Mass & Pizza Party.



ST. PATRICK C.C.W. ELECTIONS: Elections for the St. Patrick Council of Catholic Women will be held on May 1 & 2. All women of the parish aged 18 and older are eligible to vote.

ANNUAL ST. PATRICK CEMETERY CLEAN-UP: Saturday, May 8, 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Adjust cemetery markers, restore topsoil, level settling burial sites, and reseed. All volunteer help appreciated. Lunch & refreshments to follow.

CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER: The Southwest Deanery will be hosting the C.C.W. Clergy Appreciation Dinner on Tuesday, May 11 at the Knights of Columbus in New Prague. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM with dinner following at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Call LuVerne @ 952-758-3546 if you are interested.

FESTIVAL — July 18, 2004: Please pick up your raffle tickets in back of church. Anyone who sells ten (10) or more books of raffle tickets will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate to St. Patrick's Tavern. Sign-up sheets for the festival are also in the back of church. Be proud of our festival and promote our Church!!

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.

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!

SAVE YOUR USED POSTAGE STAMPS: The C.C.W. is collecting used postage stamps. Proceeds will help to broadcast the word of God in South America. Stamps need to be trimmed leaving a 1/8 inch border of the envelope or they will not be able to peel them off properly. A box marked "Used Postage Stamps" will be left in the back of church or you may drop them off at the parish office during regular office hours.

Stewardship of Treasure
"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection April 18, 2004

Received this week.....	\$ 1,366.65
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 1,601.00

Feed my sheep.



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

*Joel & JoAnn Erickson, Wayne & Joy Liebhard,
Jeff & Dina Smith.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING: Monday, April 26th at 7:00 PM.

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.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection April 18, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 1,069.00



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), George Dalsin, Linn Blocker, Ronald Greger (brother of Diane Williamson), Lawrence Simek, Peter Nytes, Agnes Bastyr.

WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM: A weight loss program will be started in the fall. Watch your bulletin for date & time.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend, April 24 & 25, there will be second collection for the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. This Appeal supports the Home Missions—areas in the United States where the Catholic Church struggles just to keep parishes open and to educate people in the faith. Please give generously to assist fellow Catholics here in America.

THANK YOU: Thank you to those that donated pots and pans for Bridging Inc. (a non profit warehouse for needy).

The Confirmation Class

THANK YOU: Thank you to those parishioners who made and donated to the Parish Nurse Program two "Prayer Shawls" and ten "Quillo" blankets to be used for ill parishioner visits made by the parish nurse. I'd also like to thank the families offering support with "Comfort Meals." *Margaret Sharkey, Parish Nurse*

SAVE YOUR RECYCLED BEVERAGE TABS:

There are boxes at the back of both churches with a request for recycled beverage tabs that will help the Ronald McDonald House of the Twin Cities, a "home-away-from-home" for families of children with life threatening illnesses. The Odette family will bring the tabs to this project. Please keep their grandson and his family in your continual prayers for recovery.

TUITION ASSISTANCE: Applications for Catholic School tuition assistance must be turned into the parish office by April 30th for the 2004/2005 school year.

STEWARDSHIP— Make tithing part of your life in Christ. It's an important way to:

Express your gratitude to God for the gifts and blessings you have received.

Renew your faith and grow closer to Christ.

Help your church remain strong and fulfill its mission.

Give with a loving, generous heart.

God will reward you with joy and fulfillment.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Aprilfest, Apr. 24 & 25 at St. Michael in Prior Lake. Live auction-10:00 Sat. Euchre Tournament 7:00 PM Sat. Pancake Breakfast 7:30 AM-12:30 PM Sun. Silent auction Sat. & Sun.

Intercambio is a short-term student exchange program that is in need of host families for boys & girls ages 11-17, coming from Mexico this summer. For more info, call 1-800-437-4170.

5th Annual Dinner & Silent Auction, Fri. Apr. 30, 5:30 PM at the OK Coral Barn in Jordan. Call Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women for more information @ 952-873-4214.

Serenity Retreat for People in AA & Al-Anon, Apr. 30–May 2 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, 447-2182.

Annual Family Rosary Procession, Sun. May 2 at the Basilica in Minneapolis. Assembly at 1:30 PM at Dunwoody Institute.

Meetings regarding a proposed Catholic High School:

Monday, May 3 at St. Michael in Prior Lake, 7:00-8:30 PM.

Thursday, May 6 at All Saints in Lakeville, 7:00-8:30 PM.

Annual Senior Citizen Recognition Mass & Celebration, Mon. May 10 at St. Boneventure in Bloomington. Cost is \$15. For info, call Cheryl @ 763-557-0220 or Kathy @ 763-383-1108

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, May 7-9 at Kings House in Buffalo. For more info, 1-800-795-5683.

Politics & Religion—those hot topics we're supposed to avoid in polite conversation at dinner parties—will be allowed and encouraged at a dinner banquet on Sat. March 8, 6:30 PM at the St. Paul Hotel. The public is invited to enjoy good food, lively conversation, and a keynote speech at the closing banquet of the Catholic Medical Association daylong conference for healthcare professionals. Come early and attend 5:00 PM mass with Archbishop Harry Flynn. For tickets call 651-224-3322.

Totus Tuus Catholic Girl's Retreat, May 14-16 for girls ages 8-21 at St. Mary's in Stillwater. Led by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Missionaries of St. Peter Claver. 651-748-1744.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM: Colon polyps start small & generally a person has no symptoms. In some cases, they remain small, but in others they can grow and lead to colon or rectal cancer. Early detection is important. Experts suggest after 50, ask your Dr. about a colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, or stool tests. Polyps can be removed successfully when caught early. Be PROACTIVE about your health.