

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	5/2	NO MASS		
Tuesday	5/3	8:30 AM	SP	+ Erin Kreuser
Wednesday	5/4	8:15 AM	SP	+Tammy, John & Pat Dudley
Thursday	5/5	8:30 AM	SP	+ Thomas Cottrell
Friday	5/6	8:30 AM	SP	+ Dick & Nan Eischens
Saturday	5/7	5:00 PM	SP	For our Parishioners & Guests
Sunday	5/8	8:30 AM	SP	+ Marion Jacques
		10:30 AM	SP	Sticha Family

LITURGICAL MINISTERS May 7 & 8, 2022

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	5/7	Ron & Rosie Ryan
	5/8	Leo & Gloria Jacques
Lector	5/7	Shelley Shepherd
	5/8	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	5/7	Bryce, Mason & Megan Deutsch
	5/8	Ben, Claire & Joe Meyer
Ushers	5/7	Mel Gregory
	5/8	Pat Puncocar

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/8	Kevin Mahowald
Lector	5/8	Mary Kay Mahowald
Altar Servers	5/8	Volunteer
Ushers	5/8	Dave Koller & Dave Nelson
Greeters	5/8	Kathy Conway & Bonnie Theis

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, emailed or put in the black box on the side of the rectory). Save the money counters time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

May 1: Pope Francis, May 2: Fr. Michael Miller, May 3: Fr. Daniel Griffith, May 4: Fr. Kurtis Gunwall, May 5: Fr. Jose Guterrez, May 6: Fr. Jerome Hackenmueller, May 7: Fr. Byron Hagan.

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

The Mary Month of May

For many centuries the month of May has been dedicated to Mary. It is a time in which we honor Mary in a special way for the unique role that she had in our salvation in being the mother of our Savior. We are also reminded that she continues to be a part of God's activity in the world by her prayers on our behalf. The Second Vatican Council summed up both of these aspects of Mary when it wrote: "Mary has by grace been exalted above all angels and men to a place second only to her Son, as the most holy mother of God who was involved in the mysteries of Christ: she is rightly honored with special reverence. Indeed, from most ancient times the Blessed Virgin Mary has been venerated under the title of 'God-bearer.' In all perils and needs, the faithful have fled prayerfully to her protection" (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church Lumen Gentium, 66).

One of the ways that Mary is honored in many places is by a May crowning. A crown of flowers is placed on a statue of Mary to symbolize our love and devotion to her. It is a beautiful symbol of our devotion to Mary in its simplest form. A few years ago I had some children who were about 5 years old do the crowning. They were so innocent as they brought up the crown and placed it on top of the statue. This is a reminder that no matter how old and accomplished we may become we are still children in God's eyes, and we must have the same simplicity and trust as a child: "Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 18:3). This particular crowning also demonstrated something about God. At first I set the statue of Mary on a pedestal so it would be easy to see it. But when I brought the children up to practice the crowning I found that they could not reach. So I had to put the statue on the floor so that it was eye to eye with the children. Then they could reach. And that is what God has done for us: "For us men and our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man." God came down so we could reach Him. This is the reason why we honor Mary as we do. He came down to us through her.



~Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY: *Pat & Lisa Luskey, John & Andrea Lehman, Dave & Tracy Luchsinger, Kevin & Meghann Malecha, Patrick & Brittany McMichael, Chris & Lynn Meyer, Greg & Heidi Michaelson, Tony & Kathleen Michels, Jody & Roseann Morrell, Sean & Susan Murphy
Altar Linens: Lin Kreuser

PRAY THE ROSARY: Join us to pray the Rosary every Saturday evening at 4:40 PM before the 5:00 PM Mass or Sunday morning at 10:10 AM before the 10:30 AM Mass.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms are available in the back of church. Authorization is also accessible through our website, www.stpandc.mn.org

RAFFLE TICKETS: Your festival raffle tickets are now available in the back of church to be picked up.

MAY CROWNING/DONUT SUNDAY: TODAY- May 1st!
We will have donuts, coffee & juice after the May crowning immediately following Mass. Join us!

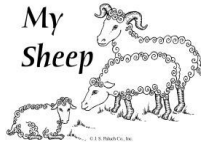
THANK YOU: Thank you to Gail Cassady for your years of service on the Altar Linen Committee. Your help was greatly appreciated. Rosie Ryan, Chair Person

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,400.00
4/24/22 Collection:	\$ 2,046.81
4/24/22 Easter Offering:	\$ 35.00

Feed
My
Sheep



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY: None due to remodeling.

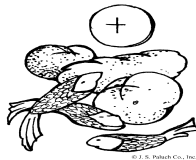
PRAY THE ROSARY: The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 7:55 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

MASSSES: Due to a remodeling project at St. Catherine, all masses will be held at St. Patrick from now through May 28. This includes the Sunday 8:30 AM Mass and Daily Masses.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,160.00
4/24/22 Collection:	\$ 373.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Baby Rosemary, Brandon Witt, Shelby Perry, Janice Lane, Tom O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, JoAnn Kenne, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

PLEASE NOTE: The Chosen has been postponed until Sunday, May 15 at 5:30pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TEACHER APPRECIATION DONATIONS NEEDED:

During the 2021-2022 Religious Education program a total of **94 students** were served by a group of incredible volunteers! From teachers and substitute teachers, to safety monitors, it took **30 adults** to make this program run as smoothly week after week as it did. An appreciation dinner is scheduled to honor their time and commitment on May 18th. God has blessed this program and the children through these people. **Please consider donating gift cards/certificates, of any denomination, as prizes during our gathering.** (Donations may be labeled and dropped in collection baskets or at the Parish Office.)

2022/23 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN: Visit our website: stpandc.mn.org/reled.htm, click on the online registration form. There are also forms in the back of the church. ****May 1st** is the deadline for parishioners to have first placement and registration fees turned in **

CATECHISTS NEEDED: We are in need of additional Catechists for our '22/'23 Religious Education Program. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact Kerri Sticha @ kerri.stpandc.re@gmail.com. Thank you for considering!

TOTUS TUUS: We are partnering with St. Wenceslaus Parish for the 2022 Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) on June 20-24 for the Kid's Program and June 19-23 for the Teen's Program. Registration is now open: npcatholic.org/totus-tuus. Deadline is June 11.

Wednesday	5/4/2022	Grades 1-8 class 6:30-7:30 PM Confirmation class 6:30-7:45 PM
Sunday	5/8/2022	CGS-class 9:15-10:15 AM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER- The SW CCW Deanery cordially invites women, men and youth from our parishes to the Clergy Appreciation Dinner. This year's event will be on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 506 Common St. Waterville MN. Social Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30. Purchase tickets at the parish office by May 1st; cost \$18/person.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat..." Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help protect your good marriage from the weeds of the modern world. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are May 6-8, 2022 and October 7-9, 2022 in Buffalo, MN. More info: twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent & Tracy at 612-756-8720.

WOMEN ONLY NIGHT: Making Your Requests Know to God: A Story of Restoration and Trust. Sunday, May 15 from 6-7:30pm. Join us for drinks, fellowship, worship and amazing speakers; Mary Clare Melero & Catherine Bryant at St. Wenceslaus Parish Activity Center. To register or for any questions contact, Laura Schoenecker 952-758-5131 or Laura.Schoenecker@NPCatholic.org