

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	5/17	6:30 PM	SP	+Leonard Sticha
Tuesday	5/18	8:30 AM	SP	+George & Rosie Pexa
Wednesday	5/19	8:15 AM	SP	Fr. Michael Miller (Happy Birthday!)
Thursday	5/20	8:30 AM	SC	+Betty Zanmiller
Friday	5/21	NO MASS		
Saturday	5/22	5:00 PM	SP	+Walter, LaVerne, Richard & Don Beuch
Sunday	5/23	8:30 AM	SC	For Our Parishioners
	5/23	10:30 AM	SP	+Ruth Ann Giesen

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR May 22 & 23, 2021

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	5/22	Bill Weiers, Kelley DeGross
	5/23	Dan Cross, Joan Nelson
Lector	5/22	Jim DeGross
	5/23	Tim Sonnek
Altar Servers	5/22	Volunteer
	5/23	Cole, Ella & Ethan Flicek
Ushers	5/22	Mel Gregory
	5/23	Don Pesta

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/23	Kevin Mahowald
Lector	5/23	Laura Saarela
Altar Servers	5/23	Karley Vochoska
Ushers	5/23	Dave Nelson, Dave Koller
Greeters	5/23	Frank & Cathy Simons

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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

May 16: Fr. Brian Lynch, May 17: Fr. Stanley Mader, May 18: Fr. Kevin Magner, May 19: Fr. Sean Magnuson, May 20: Fr. Richard Mahoney, May 21: Fr. Matthew Malek, May 22: Fr. John Malone.



Lord Jesus Christ, You ordained the apostles priests at the Last Supper to continue the mission of mercy to the end of time. We believe that every Catholic priest traces his ordination to that first ordination on Holy Thursday night. We know how much You expect of Your priests, and we also know how weak and human they are. Inspire us, dear Jesus, to pray and sacrifice for Your priests, that their faithfulness to You in this life they may bring countless souls to You in the life to come. Mary,

mother of priests, pray for the priests that they may love your Divine Son, even as you did unreservedly, all the days of their lives. Amen.

FROM THE PASTOR



Today we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. Normally it is celebrated 40 days after the Resurrection, which always falls on a Thursday. It can be transferred to the following Sunday, which was done in our Archdiocese a couple of years ago. We read the end of the Gospel of St. Matthew, the last line of which contains the promise of Jesus that He would be with His disciples always. He remains in the world through His Church, and especially through the Holy Eucharist, which He has ever since He ascended into heaven. What an unbelievable treasure we have in the Eucharist. And how sad it is that so many people, including many Catholics, do not believe in this presence. It echoes the description of the disciples just before Jesus makes this promise: "The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw Him, they worshiped, but they doubted." The Holy Spirit enabled them to overcome these doubts and fulfill the mission Jesus gave them to: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." This same Holy Spirit is present and active today in the Church and in the hearts and minds of all believers. It is the Holy Spirit who can help these believers to overcome their doubts about Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist.

Any time is an excellent time to renew our own faith in Jesus' Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. We can read and study about it, which is always fruitful, but we will find that our belief is all based on faith. It is contained in the very words that bring about that presence in each Mass: "This IS my Body . . ." Jesus did not say, "this is a symbol of my body," or "this is my body if you believe it is," He simply said that it is His Body. And that is why we believe it: because He said so. As we pray to the Holy Spirit to increase our faith in this presence, perhaps we can pray that we would regain some of the trust and simplicity that we had when we first received Holy Communion. The priest who prepared us may have explained the Real Presence in the same way. We probably believed with very little doubt. We may not have understood very deeply, but when you think about it you never really can. It is a mystery that is really too deep to fathom. The best thing we can do is worship without doubt and believe with a simple faith our Lord's words: "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me . . . And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

~Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY: Tim & Susan Rousseau, Donald & Patricia Ryan, James Ryan, John & Kathy Ryan, Philip & Elissa Ryan, Ron & Rose Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn, John & Toni Sacco
Altar Linens: Linda 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.

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

DRIVER NEEDED: We are looking for anyone who is interested in helping out with transportation for Judie Cervenka's dialysis. Pick up to take her to dialysis is at 11:00am on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from Praha Village to St. Francis Hospital. Pick up from dialysis is at 3:45pm back to Praha Village. If you are interested in helping out in anyway, please text or call me at 952-649-8388. Thank you for your consideration. God Bless, Deb Kubes

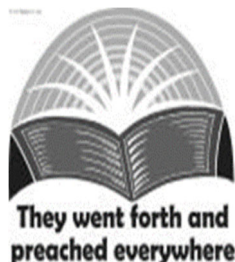
ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL & FINANCE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Monday, May 17 at 7:00pm in the social hall.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,338.00
5/9/21 Collection:	\$ 2,030.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY:

Dave & Rosie Nelson, Kathleen Prochaska, Margaret Sharkey

CELEBRATION: Today we will introduce and welcome our new parishioners: Donna Wright, Joe & Shirley Schelton. We will also recognize our graduate- Karley Vochoska, our Confirmant- Sarah O'Hern & our 1st Communicant- Isla Clarkin. Please join us after Mass as we process outside for our annual May Crowning of the Blessed Mother followed by refreshments.

THANK YOU!: Thank you for cleaning our church yard Chuck & Joan B., Frank & Cathy S., Ken C., Joan K., Kevin & Mary-Kay M., Margaret S., Mary Kay F., Joe & Diane W. Thank you for the woodchips, Kevin; avg age was 75 years!! Work ethic priceless, need some younger volunteers in the near future to maintain our beautiful church inside and out. -Kathy C.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH

COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, May 24 at 7:00pm.

Stewardship of Treasure

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Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,040.00
5/9/21 Collection:	\$ 1,447.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES: Father Larry Delaney, Kathy Bittner, Janice Lane, Tom & Jean O'Callaghan, Judie Cervenka, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Jane Lorsung, Brooklyn Prochaska, Brandon Witt (brother of Jenny Witt), John Mullenmeister, Shelby Perry, 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, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

CCD TEACHER APPRECIATION DINNER: Our CCD teacher appreciation dinner will be Wednesday, May 26th. Anyone who would like to donate money, gift cards or other gifts towards this may put it in the Sunday collection basket-labeled "Teacher Appreciation" or drop off at Parish Office. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: Please join in celebrating Fr. Michael Miller's 25th Ordination Anniversary on Sunday, May 23rd. The celebration will begin with Mass at 10:30 am at St. Patrick Church followed by a dinner and open house in the St. Patrick Social Hall and Pavilion. If you'd like to donate to the party or contribute to a surprise gift from the parishes, please drop an envelope in the collection or at the Parish Office. Checks can be made payable to your parish. **Sign-up sheets for volunteer helpers will be located in the back of the churches.** Our final meeting will be on Monday, May 17 at 6:00pm in the St. Patrick Social Hall. All parishioners are welcome to help with the final preparations.

TOTUS TUUS: We are very excited to be offering Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) June 21-25. We will be joining with St. Wenceslaus as we experience this Catholic Vacation Bible School. It will run from 9-2:30 for grades 1-6. We will also be offering a 7-12 grade session in the evening. Mark your calendars! More information will be coming out soon.

SYNOD SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITY: We are looking for individuals who would like to join a Synod Small Group. The small group will gather together to learn, pray and discuss the Synod focus areas. The group will meet for six weeks between September 19-November 14, 2021. By participating in these groups you will be helping Archbishop Hebda move the Archdiocese forward. More information can be found at: www.archspm.org/synod/ If interested, contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun. May 23	9:15-10:15 AM	Last CGS ages 3-5
Wed. May 26	TBD	CCD Teacher Appreciation Dinner
June 21-25 (Gr 1-6)	9:00AM- 2:30PM	Totus Tuus VBS
June 19-24 (Gr 7-12)	6:30-8:30 PM	Totus Tuus VBS