

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

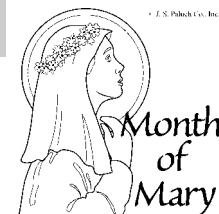
**MAY 2, 2004**

**EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Monday	May 3	8:30 AM (SP)	+Louis & Philomina Gregory
Tuesday	May 4	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intentions
Wednesday	May 5	8:30 AM (SC)	+Lawrence Scheffler
Thursday	May 6		NO MASS
Friday	May 7	8:30 AM (SP)	+Richard F. Beuch
Saturday	May 8	5:00 PM (SP)	+Rosemary Juris
Sunday	May 9	8:30 AM (SC)	+Marion Jacques
		10:30 AM (SP)	For Our People

**READINGS FOR MAY 9, 2004  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27  
 Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a  
 Gospel Reading: John 13:31-33a, 34-35



**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.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAY 8 & 9**

**St. Patrick**

Extraordinary Ministers	5/8	Karen Keenan, Mark & Rita Mahowald
	5/9	Evelyn Scheffler, Michael Sticha, Gerry Sandey
Lectors	5/8	Karen Keenan
	5/9	Gerry Sandey
Acolytes	5/8	Megan Ryan, Peter Ryan, Mitchell Gareis
	5/9	Kayla Shepherd, Isaac Cross
Ushers	5/8	Leonard Sticha, Steve Kreuser
	5/9	Rob Sticha, Dean Bisek
Greeters	5/9	Joe & Evelyn Scheffler

**St. Catherine**

Extraordinary Ministers	5/9	Deanna Vochoska, Tom Fredrickson, Steve & Jude Boeser
Lector	5/9	J.T. Muraski
Acolytes	5/9	Clarice, Timmy, Tommy Fredrickson
Ushers	5/9	Vic Mushitz, Dave Buresh
Greeters	5/9	Ken & Kathy Ceola

*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.*

**Message from Our Lady of Mediugorge of April 25, 2004:**

“Dear Children! Also today, I call you to live my messages even more strongly in humility and love so that the Holy Spirit may fill you with His grace and strength. Only in this way will you be witnesses of peace and forgiveness. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

**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.

**CONFIRMATION & GRADUATION CELEBRATION:**

On Sunday, May 30 all 2004 St. Patrick confirmands and 2004 graduating seniors will be acknowledged during the celebration of the 10:30 AM mass. A reception will be held for the students, their families, and all parishioners at the back of church following the mass. Donuts, coffee, and juice will be served. Parents of graduating seniors, please contact LuVerne Verhoeven at 952-758-3546 with your student's name. Join us!

**MOTHER'S DAY CORSAGES:**

I will be taking orders for Mother's Day Corsages the weekend of May 1 & 2 and every day until May 7. You may call me at home anytime at 758-4102. Evelyn Scheffler

**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:**

There are hemmed dishtowels at the back of church in need of being embroidered, appliquéd, or otherwise decorated to sell at the July church festival. If you can help, just sign them out; return them to the same box when completed. Thanks to Della Schmitt who hemmed the balance of the dishtowels and to all those who have already done so many!

**SUMMARY OF ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL**

**COUNCIL MEETING 4/20/04:** Jack welcomed new council member Barb Lewis. Faith Formation report from Bill B. Liturgy report from Father. Men’s Club report by Mike S. C.C.W. report from LuVerne V. New P.P.C. officers elected: Jack Puncochar-chair, Pat Simon-vice chair, Bill Belkengren-secretary. Family Day for both parishes set for May 23, 2004 at St. Catherine. Shed project discussed. Permit not granted yet, but Mike is working on that. Work will start when we get the permit. Kitchen project report from Jim T. Project is well under budget. Church renovation report from Jack P. Suggestions from the suggestion box were reviewed. About even for and against. We have to fix sheetrock and structural repairs, then repaint. Perhaps have a fundraiser and that’s what we spend on remodeling. Don Pesta will handle the fundraiser, and Rob Puncochar will handle the construction. Meeting adjourned 8:35.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”*  
Sunday Collection April 25, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 1,483.11  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,601.00  
Catholic Home Missions Appeal.....\$ 286.75



**ST. CATHERINE**

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:**

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

**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.

**C.C.W. MEMBERS:** Sunday, May 9th is National C.C.W. day. In honor of this event, members are asked to wear our membership pins during mass. They can be found in the back of church. We’ll also be installing our 2004/05 officers during mass.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”*  
Sunday Collection April 25, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 752.00  
Catholic Home Missions Appeal.....\$ 153.00



**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, Rosie Pexa.

**FAMILY DAY PLANNING MEETING:** Family Day is May 23rd at St. Catherine’s. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our church community. Please join us for a planning meeting. Monday, May 3rd at 7:00 PM at St. Catherine’s social hall. This special day is for both St. Patrick & St. Catherine, so volunteers from both churches are welcome!

**STEWARDSHIP— What is a steward?** One definition states that a **steward** is a person who manages the affairs of a household or an estate for the owner. In the **Christian** sense—a steward is the **manager of the affairs of God** on earth.

**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Next weekend, May 8 & 9, there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Please use the envelope attached to your bulletin.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**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.

**Retreat for Persons with Disabilities,** May 21-23 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

**Natural Family Planning Classes,** Thur. May 27 at St. John the Baptist in Jordan. For more info, call MaryBeth @ 952-934-0382.

**PARISH NURSE PROGRAM:** Are you 17, weigh at least 110 pounds? Consider donating blood. One donation could help three people. With each donation different parts of the blood are used; platelets, plasma, red blood cells, and cryo-precipitate are all taken from your donation to share with another. Eat a meal six hours prior to donating. **HELP SAVE A LIFE!**