

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	May 22	6:30 PM (SP)	+Brandon Bruzek
Tuesday	May 23	8:30 AM (SP)	+Dallas Jean Eiden
Wednesday	May 24	8:30 AM (SC)	+Gene VonBank & +Norm Theis
Thursday	May 25		NO MASS
Friday	May 26		NO MASS
Saturday	May 27	5:00 PM (SP)	Thoele Family
Sunday	May 28	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	+Jeff Schroeder For Our People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAY 27 & 28, 2017

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	5/27	Barb Lewis, Rita Ryan Jim & Kelley DeGross
	5/28	Kathy McBroom, Jan St. Aubin, Joan Nelson, Dan Cross
Lectors	5/27	Lynne Hoffman
	5/28	Chad Sandey
Acolytes	5/27	Ian DeGross, Sam Lambrecht, Dan DeGross
	5/28	Karlie & Sara Bjerke, Cole Flicek
Ushers	5/27	Dave Roach, Melvin Gregory
	5/28	Volunteer, Don Pesta
Greeters	5/28	Don Pesta & Elaine Pesta

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/28	Joel & Deanna Vochoska, Joan Bruzek, Kevin Mahowald
Lector	5/28	Dave Nelson
Acolytes	5/28	Addey & Karley Vochoska
Ushers	5/28	Dave Nelson, Frank Simons
Greeters	5/28	Kathy Ceola, Kathy Prochaska

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?

May 22: Fr. Joseph Hurtuk, May 23: Fr. Gregory Hyde, May 24: Fr. Michael Ince, May 25: Fr. Michael Izen, May 26: Fr. Paul Jaroszeski, May 27: Fr. Paul Jarvis, May 28: Fr. Andrew Jaspers.



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

Twenty One Years and Counting

May 25th 2017 marks the 21st anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. The old phrase “Tempus Fugit” feels quite apt, time flies; it runs away taking us with it. I remember of course my ordination day quite distinctly. There were over 200 priests along with nearly 3000 people at the Cathedral of St. Paul to witness Archbishop Flynn ordain his first class as Ordinary of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. I remember well the joy of my family who had suffered with me in the long preparation for that day. Saying yes to the call of the priesthood meant a serious change in the very history of my family, as it did for all my classmates who were about to receive the sacrament that would actualize our vocations: “It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain” (Jn 15:16).



As I recall that day I remember the actions of that liturgy more than the words. When my name was called I stood and said, “Present”, and I stepped out of the congregation and into the sanctuary. I thought of the words, “No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God” (Hebrews 5:4). I recall placing my folded hands between the Archbishop’s and promising obedience to him. He squeezed them strongly impressing on me the fact that I was entering an order through this sacrament; an order with a line of authority that comes from Christ and is ordered to the service of “teaching, divine worship and pastoral governance” (Catechism, 1592). Perhaps most memorable was the Litany of the Saints during which we prostrated on the cool marble floor as everyone prayed for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Lying there I could feel the weight of the responsibility that I was about to receive press down upon me. But at the same time I felt the rock-solid support that comes from God, who built His Church on Peter, and whose grace I share with the entire Communion of the Saints who were, and are, praying for me. Most of all, as I would act in the Person of Christ, I had always to remember that I must do what He did: “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (Jn 15:13).

I think the 21 years since then have indeed been years of grace. I used to keep track of the most significant ways in which God has given His grace through me as a priest, but I have lost count of the Masses, baptisms, funerals, weddings, confessions, anointings, and homilies. When kids ask if I like being a priest I always say yes, because I do. There have been great moments and difficult ones, as there are in every vocation. There is a prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours that asks God to “bless the work we have

begun, make good its defects and let us finish it in a way that pleases you.” That is my prayer as I look back on these past 21 years and as I look forward.

Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

*Tony & Kathee Michels, Jim & Amy Milinkovich, Jody & Roseann Morrell, Matthew & Krysta Neisen, Adam & Emily Nesbitt, Joe & Monica O’Brien, Brandon & Gina O’Connell, Randy O’Connor, Steve & Ester Olson.

Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

ST. PATRICK CEMETERY COLLECTION: May 20 & 21. Please use the envelope in your box for this collection.

ST. PATRICK PARISH FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION:

We are looking for Silent Auction items. This is a great opportunity to promote your business, or just give from your heart. Here are some examples of what can be donated . . . gift cards, outdoor games, chairs, fire pit, grill, flower planters, wall décor, kid’s games . . . We are grateful for any donated item. If you have questions, or items to donate, call Jacque Bittner @ 952-270-2024 or Kayla Puncochar @ 952-292-7923.

ST. PATRICK PARISH FESTIVAL CHILDREN’S

GAMES: Now is the time to get toys for the Festival Children’s Games. We need approximately 2000 toys to make the Children’s Games successful each year. We need all sizes and types of toys. Any and all help from you would be greatly appreciated. Please leave toys in back of church labeled *Children’s Games 2017*.

CONGRATULATIONS! John Lehman & Andrea Means on their marriage May 13, 2017 at St. Patrick Church.

CONGRATULATIONS! Brian & Meghan Blonigen on the baptism of their son, Barrett Jeffrey Blonigen, on May 13, 2017.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection May 14, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 1,415.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,925.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

Jayme Sheehan Willis, Margaret Sharkey, Kathy Prochaska.

ST. CATHERINE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

MEETING: Sunday, May 21st after 8:30 AM Mass.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: St. Catherine’s Luncheon and Garden Tour will be Saturday, July 29th.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to everyone who helped with the church cleaning and church grounds. Everything looks great! God bless you all.

THANK YOU: We thank Kevin Mahowald and his son for supplying the wood chips for the church grounds.

THANK YOU: Sue Kempf purchased the books “33 Days to Morning Glory” for lent. We thank her for her generosity.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection May 14, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 655.29
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,001.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Fr. Francis Roach, Rosie Ryan, Gerry Sandey, Amanda (Polson) Tinebra, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska) Danny Theis, Anne Kelnhofer, Albert Braith, Patty Whalen, Sandi Suilmann, Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Sharon Mastain (Carol Timmons’ sister) Rosie Pexa, Ann Pint, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Dave Hover, Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Paul Lambrecht, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin’s cousin), Florian Bauman (Bryan Bittner’s uncle), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer. +Please pray for the repose of the soul of Diane Hentges (sister of Cathy Theis). We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends.

ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE JOINT MEETING:

Monday, May 22nd at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Social Hall. Trustees, Parish Council chairs, and Finance Committee chairs are asked to attend.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sun. July 23	S.P.	Parish Festival
Sat. July 29	S.C.	Luncheon & Garden Tour
Tue. Oct. 10	S.C.	Autumn Dinner

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Golf Tournament, Bingo, Silent Auction, Raffle, & Italian Dinner Buffet Event, Fri. June 9 at Ridges at Sand Creek. All proceeds benefit St. John’s School in Jordan. Tickets and registration information available at St. John’s Church & School. Visit sjsjordan.org for event information.

May 2, 2017 Message from Our Lady of Medjugorje:

“Dear children, I am calling you to pray, not to ask for but to offer sacrifice – sacrificing yourselves. I am calling you to reveal the truth and merciful love. I am praying to my Son for you, for your faith which is all the more diminishing in your hearts. I am imploring Him to help you with the Divine Spirit, as I also desire to help you with my Motherly Spirit. My children, you must be better. Only those who are pure, humble and filled with love sustain the world – they are saving themselves and the world. My children, my Son is the heart of the world. He should be loved and prayed to, and not always betrayed anew. Therefore, you, apostles of my love, spread the faith in the hearts of people by your example, your prayer and merciful love. I am beside you, I will help you. Pray for your shepherds to have all the more light, so as to be able to illuminate all those who live in darkness. Thank you.”