

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Ascension of the Lord)**ST. PATRICK****MAY 23, 2004****EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Monday	May 24	8:30 AM (SP)	+Richard Beuch
Tuesday	May 25	8:30 AM (SP)	+Donna Miller
Wednesday	May 26		NO MASS
Thursday	May 27	8:30 AM (SC)	+Valerie Danielski
Friday	May 28	8:30 AM (SP)	The Thoele Family
Saturday	May 29	5:00 PM (SP)	The Thoele Family
Sunday	May 30	8:30 AM (SC)	For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Rollie Ryan

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MAY 29 & 30**St. Patrick**

Extraordinary Ministers	5/29	Bill Belkengren, Dick Chodek, Dave Roach
	5/30	Bob & Joan Goggins, Ron & Kathy McBroom
Lectors	5/29	Bill Belkengren
	5/30	Michael Sticha
Acolytes	5/29	Dan Hoffman, William Hoffman, Jed Kreuser
	5/30	Emily Sticha, Travis Sticha
Ushers	5/29	Melvin Gregory, Matt Sirek
	5/30	Norm Sticha, Rob Sticha
Greeters	5/30	Joe & Nellie Carson

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	5/30	Tony & Claire Robling, Dan & Deb Norman
Lector	5/30	Kevin Mahowald
Acolytes	5/30	Clarice, Timmy, & Tommy Fredrickson
Ushers	5/30	Dennis Maciej, Francis Seurer
Greeters	5/30	Tom & Mary Kay Fredrickson

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 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 30, 2004
PENTECOST**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11
 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
 Gospel Reading: John 20:19-23

**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.

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!

SUMMARY OF ALL PARISH MEETING 5/17/04: Finance report from Chad Sandey. Finance did a budget last meeting. Looking good for this year. Faith Formation report from Bill Belkengren. Will probably continue with Little Rock Scripture Study next fall. Would like to have an opportunity for adults to ask questions about their faith, the Catholic Church, or why we do what we do. Any suggestions are welcome. Liturgy report from Father. He has somebody in mind for music at mass since Rosie Pexa is recovering. Notice could be posted for an interim musician to fill this spot. Maintenance report from Dan Cervenka. Arch above sanctuary is cracked and will need some fixing. Work can be done without interrupting mass schedules. Renovation of sanctuary will proceed after repairs are done. Men's Club report from Mike Sticha. Euchre was about \$1,500 profit. Landscaping around the rectory is on hold. C.C.W. report from LuVerne Verhoeven. Reception for grads and confirmands combined. Funds raised went to various organizations. Parish Nurse Program report from Margaret Sharkey. Doing a lot of one-to-one visits in the parish. Summary of the work of a parish nurse. Welcoming Committee report from Ted Jirik. We have had two new parishioners since then. Father thinks there are ten new members here. Cemetery report from Ted Jirik. Organized a map with all information on grave markers. Festival report from Chad Sandey. Attention on raffle tickets with an incentive for sales of 10 books. Discussion of newspaper advertising we have been running. Storage building report from Mike Sticha. Had to get a structural engineer to approve drawings. Some changes made. Construction starting Monday, May 24. Kitchen remodel report from Jim Trecker. Jim needs someone to help shop for kitchen utensils. Perhaps get a hot food table. Jim needs input on coffee servers, accessories for the kitchen, etc. Family Day set for May 23, 2004 at St. Catherine with potluck dinner. No mass cancellations. Additional 10:30 mass at St. Catherine. Another priest will do the 10:30 mass at St. Patrick. Emergency equipment units on display. Ron McBroom and Father attended annulment seminar at Archdiocese. Let parishioners know information is available. Make aware support is available for people experiencing personal problems, medical problems, etc. Father talked about C.C.D. Program. New textbooks to be ordered based on Baltimore Catechism. Textbook is good for three years. Next P.P.C. meeting on Monday, June 21, 2004.

ST. PATRICK FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

Monday, May 24th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

FESTIVAL — July 18, 2004: 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 in the back of church. Be proud of our festival and promote our Church!!

FESTIVAL BAKE DAY: Wednesday, June 30th at 8:00 AM. Also, volunteers needed for packaging at 6:00 PM the same day.

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.

WEDDING BANS: III. Nicole Dandurand & Dermot Miller

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection May 16, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 1,302.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,601.00
St. Patrick Cemetery Fund.....\$ 379.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

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

ST. CATHERINE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING: Sunday, May 23rd at 2:00 PM at St. Catherine.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Monday, May 24th at 7:00 PM.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection May 16, 2004

Received this week.....\$ 890.00



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, Pam Boeser Spangrud, Angela Brandel.

ATTENTION ACOLYTES: The New Prague KCs are inviting all mass servers that serve our own & neighboring parishes to the Minnesota Twins VS Detroit baseball game on June 6th at the Metrodome at 1:10 PM. This is in our appreciation of the fine work done by mass servers. We will begin the day at 10:45 AM at the KC Hall for lunch. The bus will leave for the game at 11:30 AM. Parents of mass servers that are attending should call Richard Unger @ 952-758-6231 by May 23rd.

STEWARDSHIP—

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.
1 Peter 4:10

ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE FAMILY DAY:

Family Day is May 23rd at St. Catherine’s. We will start our celebration with an outdoor mass at St. Catherine at 10:30 AM. Music & entertainment will be by Lenny’s Concertina Band. Much thanks to all who have helped with Family Day.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend, May 29 & 30, we will have a second collection for the Catholic Spirit. Please use the envelope in your box.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Free Blessed Brown Scapulars-up to three per request. Please send a self-addressed .57 cent stamped envelope to: Gregg Langhoff, P.O. Box 29495, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

11 Day Pilgrimage to Rome & Shrines of Italy, Feb. 23-Mar. 5, 2005. Father Sebastien Bakatu is leading the pilgrimage. For more information, contact the parish office @ 952-492-6276.

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

“The Living, Loving Body of Christ,” May 28-29 at St. Bonaventure in Bloomington. For more info, call 612-721-2543.

“A Gift to be Opened, not a Problem to be Solved,” Thur. June 10, 7:00 PM at St. John the Baptist in Savage. National speaker, writer, artist, & actor Pete Feigal shares the insights of his own 30+ year struggle with major depression and bi-polar disorder and the gifts he has received from other people coping with mental illness and brain disorders. For info, 952-890-9465.

Children are like kites.

You spend a lifetime trying to get them off the ground. You run with them until you’re both breathless... they crash...you add a longer tail... they hit the rooftop... you pluck them out of the spout...you patch and comfort, adjust and teach. You watch them lifted by the wind and assure them that someday they’ll fly...Finally they are airborne, but they need more string and you keep letting it out and with each twist of the ball of twine, there is sadness that goes with the joy because the kite becomes more distant and somehow you know that it won’t be long before that beautiful creature will snap the life line that bound you together and soar as it was meant to soar...