

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	June 18	6:30 PM (SP)	Denise Despenas NO MASS
Tuesday	June 19		Noah Stehlik
Wednesday	June 20	8:30AM (SP)	Art Schumann
Thursday	June 21	8:30 AM (SC)	NO MASS
Friday	June 22		+Diane Hentges +Leroy & Lila Bauer
Saturday	June 23	5:00 PM (SP)	+Brandon Bruzek For our people
Sunday	June 24	8:30 AM (SC) 10:30 AM (SP)	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JUNE 23 & 24, 2018

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	6/23	Kelley DeGross, Tony Jirik, Barbara Lewis
	6/24	Everett & Joan Nelson, Don Pesta
Lectors	6/23	Jim DeGross
	6/24	Jennifer Clancy
Altar Servers	6/23	Hayden DeGross, Mason DeGross, Bryce Deutsch
	6/24	Cole Flicek, Ella Flicek, Ethan Flicek
Ushers	6/23	Steve Kreuser, Mark Rezac
	6/24	Pat Puncoschar, Darryl Volk

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	6/24	Kevin Mahowald, Bonnie Theis, Kathy Prochaska, Frank Simons
Lector	6/24	Pat Schroeder
Altar Servers	6/24	Karley Vochoska
Ushers	6/24	Lloyd Friske, Rick Sirek
Greeters	6/24	Paul & Linda Torgesen

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?

June 18: Fr. Douglas Ebert, June 19: Fr. John Echert,
June 20: Fr. Lyle Ehmke, June 21: Fr. Dale Ehrman,
June 22: Fr. Allan Paul Eilen, 23: Fr. Joah Ellis,
June 24: Fr. John Paul Erickson.



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

“Those who Believe are Never alone”



I have quoted this statement from Pope Benedict XVI many times, but I had forgotten where it was from. It was from an Apostolic Journey to Germany September 9-14, 2006. As always, he had said many beautiful and profound things, but the whole message of the visit was overshadowed by the reaction to a quotation from a 14th century Emperor in a 30-minute academic speech that he gave as part of the visit. Much of the Muslim world and the superficial Western Press was in an uproar over the quotation which Benedict used to illustrate that violence and religion are incompatible and that it is unreasonable to spread the faith through violence. The reaction proved his point as did the events of September 11, 2001, and the rise of ISIS and their actions in the following years. I had forgotten about all of that controversy of 12 years ago and just remembered the phrase from a different homily, “In the mystery of Baptism, God stoops to meet us; he comes close to us and in turn brings us closer to one another. Baptism means that Jesus Christ adopts us as his brothers and sisters, welcoming us as sons and daughters into God's family. He thus makes us one great family in the universal communion of the Church. Truly, those who believe are never alone. God comes to meet us. Let us go out to meet God and thus meet one another! To the extent we can, let us make sure that none of God's children ever feels alone! (Islinger Feld, Regensburg, Tuesday, 12 September 2006).

The latest occasion for my recollection of that phrase was a wedding that I had recently. I recalled a memory that had popped into my mind after the rehearsal the night before. I was in first grade and part of lunch that day was chicken noodle soup from a can which, that particular day, I just could not eat. The teacher insisted that I could not go out for recess until I finished the soup. Before long the entire lunchroom in the church basement was empty except for me, the bowl of soup, and the father of the bride, who was my classmate and sat by me through the whole ordeal so that I would not be alone. I tied this into marriage in that the husband and wife are to stand by each other in sickness and in health; to family both natural and the Church. Someone later asked if he had helped me eat the soup and I did not remember, but sometimes all we can do is be with someone in their suffering. The following week I used the story as an illustration of Corpus Christi in that Jesus has fulfilled His promise that He would not leave us orphans but that He would be with us until the end of the age. In the Holy Eucharist Jesus indeed walks with us and never leaves our side.

Controversies and misunderstandings will always exist

on this side of heaven. But as time moves on and the dust of confusion settles we can look back and see what truly matters, freed from the passions of the moment. Whether it is beautiful truths written by a holy and insightful man like Pope Benedict, or a simple memory of a friend who stayed by you in a difficult time, there is much to discover from the past, and many opportunities in the present to see that “those who believe are never alone.”

Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE:

*Adam & Julie Hertaus, Mike & Lynne Hoffman, Tod & Lisa Hutchinson, Leo & Gloria Jacques, Mike & Melissa Janovsky, Jeff & Toni Jeurissen, Tony & Brianne Jirik, Steven & Susan Johnson, Jennifer Jones. Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

POP CAN TABS: All three New Prague Elementary Schools are collecting pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please collect your tabs and bring them to St. Patrick Church. Lisa Luskey will get them to the schools. Thank you.

BOXTOPS: Please save boxtops for Catholic Education. Each one you clip is worth money that goes back to education. There is a box in the back of church for you to place them in.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Monday, June 18th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

FESTIVAL SIGN-UP SHEETS: These are on the tables in back of church. Take a moment to sign-up for one or more slots.

FESTIVAL FLYERS: These are available in the back of church. Take some and post them at your local businesses and your place of employment. If you would like an electronic copy, contact the parish office. Help spread the word!

FESTIVAL GAMES: We are in need of larger toys for the festival. We need 5-10 or more of the same toy that is larger for the prize tree. Generally, we pay \$5-20 for each. We need 300+ large toys for boys and girls. If you have any questions, please contact Tish at 612-799-6496.

FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION: Hello Parish Members, It's getting to be that time of year again where we are looking for items for the Church Festival Silent Auction. We are accepting new items, we always love basket items. Let your creative minds work their magic. Without your help our Silent Auction wouldn't be such a success. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to one of us. Thank you.

Cathy Theis (952-215-9526), Jacque Bittner (952-270-2024)

FESTIVAL COUNTRY STORE: The Festival Country Store will be looking for crafts, baked goods, garden produce, plants, and new merchandise. Also cookbooks and children's books.

FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS: Help beat our ticket sales from last year! Sell your tickets to your friends and relatives. Bring them to work, offer them at social gatherings, you'd be surprised how many you sell!! The Festival Raffle is our biggest revenue generator. Please remove the staples from your raffle tickets before returning them. Thank you.

FESTIVAL BAKE DAY: Mark your calendars; Saturday, July 14th at 8:00 AM. Also need people to package in the afternoon.

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Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection June 10, 2018

Received this week.....\$ 2,036.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,006.00
Catholic Services Appeal goal.....\$ 6,463.00
Catholic Services Appeal collected.....\$ 5,275.00



ST. CATHERINE

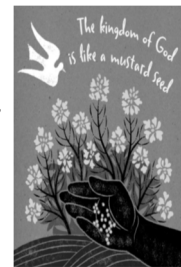
CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE:

Lloyd & Deloris Friske, Karl & Rachel Eicher, Robert Grams & Sue Kempf.

Stewardship of Treasure

“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”
Sunday Collection June 10, 2018

Received this week.....\$ 1,328.34
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 944.00
Window Repair Estimate.....\$23,115.00
Window Repair Campaign.....\$15,325.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES:



Denise Despenas (sister of Bonnie Theis) Art Schumann, JoAnn Kenne, Virginia Beuch, Karen Zweber, Richard Arens, Andrew Buckman, Fred Winker, Marsha Simon, Mary Lee Androli, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Fr. Francis Roach, Gerry Sandey, Amanda (Polson) Tinebra, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska) Annie Kelnhofer, Albert Braith, Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Sharon Mastain (Carol Timmon's sister) Rosie Pexa, Ann Pint, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Paul Lambrecht, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Jack Eiseman (father 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.

MONEY COUNTERS: We are in need of more money counters on Monday mornings at 8:30 AM. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sat. July 14	S.P.	Festival Bake Day
Sun. July 22	S.P.	Parish Festival
Sat. July 28	S.C.	C.C.W. Garden Tour & Lunch
Tue. Oct. 9	S.C.	Autumn Dinner
Sun. Nov. 4	S.C.	C.C.W. Turkey Bingo

