

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	July 31	NO MASS
Tuesday	Aug. 1	8:30 AM (SP) +Janet Ferrazzo
Wednesday	Aug. 2	NO MASS
Thursday	Aug. 3	8:30 AM (SC) +Brandon Bruzek
Friday	Aug. 4	8:30 AM (SP) St. Patrick C.C.W.
Saturday	Aug. 5	5:00 PM (SP) +Erin Kreuser
Sunday	Aug. 6	8:30 AM (SC) For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP) +Mark & Travis Hentges

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUGUST 5 & 6, 2017

### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	8/5	Ron & Rosie Ryan, Megan Green
	8/6	Kathy McBroom, Jan St. Aubin, Leo & Gloria Jacques
Lectors	8/5	Mike Puncochar
	8/6	Juli Volk
Acolytes	8/5	Hayden & Mason DeGross, Joe Weiers
	8/6	Megan Theis, Alyssa Volk, Karlie Bjerke
Ushers	8/5	Roman Stepka, Matt Sirek
	8/6	Norm Sticha, Darryl Volk
Greeters	8/6	Norm Sticha, Darryl Volk

### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	8/6	Deloris Friske, Rachel Friske, Kevin Mahowald, Dave Nelson
Lector	8/6	Mary Kay Mahowald
Acolytes	8/6	Kendra Korbek, Addey Vochoska
Ushers	8/6	Bryce Horejsi, Greg Horejsi
Greeters	8/6	Joe & Diane Williamson

*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?

July 31: Abp. Bernard Hebda, Aug. 1: Pope Francis, Aug. 2: Fr. Michael Miller, Aug. 3: Fr. Paul Baker, Aug. 4: Fr. Nicholas Froehle, Aug. 5: Fr. Nicholas Hagen, Aug. 6: Fr. Mathew Quail.



*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

### Funeral Homily for Fr. James Stromberg



Shortly after the funeral of Monsignor James Lavin I visited Fr. Stromberg in his apartment. After the typically enlightening and enjoyable visit I was walking to the door when I saw a picture of Monsignor Lavin wherein I commented, "By the way that was an excellent homily that you gave at his funeral." "Thank you," he responded. "That reminds me, would you do me the honor of preaching at my funeral." The only words I could say were, "I could never give you the honor you deserve." "Oh, sure you can, just keep it to seven minutes." "But your homily was almost 20 minutes." "Well, that's because Lavin was a great man."

He did not really respond that way but I think it is what he meant by the request. He was too humble to consider himself a great man, yet everyone knows that he was one of the giants of the Archdiocese, which is why I responded the way I did.

He marked the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this past February 17<sup>th</sup> with a verse from I Corinthians: "Let a man so account of us as of the Ministers of Christ and the Dispensers of the Mysteries of God" (4,1). And on the back of the card that prayer which he said so many times before class at St. Thomas: "Grant, O merciful God, that I may ardently desire, prudently examine, truthfully acknowledge, and perfectly accomplish what I pleasing to Thee for the praise and glory of Thy Name. Amen." I believe that was his attitude and disposition at all times.

As a teacher, whether in class, the pulpit, or conversation, he logically and passionately spoke the truth, which is the correspondence of the mind to reality. It brought him great joy to help another person see the truth. He described to me a young student whose eyes lit up one day in class. She said, "Now I understand!" How many people have said the same thing because of him. I vividly remember in his class Political and Legal Philosophy, in an ancient room in Aquinas Hall 27 years ago, Fr. Stromberg pounding the old wooden podium with a certainty that impressed and inspired this young farm kid: "Choice itself is not a product, but is man's perfection. Dang it! The choice remains within the agent! We can share in the whole order of the universe by reason of our intellect!" I did not understand exactly what he was talking about, but I knew it had to be important for this very gentle man to be that worked up about it. It inspired me to want that same certainty, which was also something that I needed to help me give up that which meant so much to me, a life of farming. I never would have left that life to pursue the priesthood without the inspiration of the great teachers of

St. Thomas, in particular: Fr. Stromberg, Fr. Welzbacher, Monsignor DuLac, Dr. Connell, Fr. Reidy, Fr. Lepak, and the pastoral guidance of Monsignor Schuler and Fr. Kubat. *(to be continued next week)*

## ST. PATRICK

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST:

\*Ron & Rosie Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn, Chad & Emily Sandey, John & Patricia Scheffler, Scott & Karla Schmidt, Paul & Diana Schoenbauer, Sam & Kerri Schoenbauer, Terrie Schoenbauer, Michael & Kristi Schulte, Chris & Shelley Shepherd. Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

**ATTENTION FESTIVAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS:** Please turn in your receipts from the festival to the parish office as soon as possible after the festival. We need them to send in the final report to the Gambling Control Board. Thank you.

**THANK YOU:** I want to thank our parishioners and volunteers and especially our co-chairs, Chad & Emily Sandey and Paul & Diana Schoenbauer, and especially God for the perfect day, which made our festival on Sunday such a great success.

*Fr. Michael Miller*

**THANK YOU:** If it wasn't for faithful supporters like you, our Silent Auction wouldn't have been this successful!!! So thank you for giving the donations that we needed to make a difference for our church :-). We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity.

*Jacque Bittner & Kayla Puncochar*

**ST. PATRICK MASS HELPERS:** I am gathering e-mail addresses for Mass Helper Scheduling. If you didn't get an e-mail from me, please contact the parish office with your e-mail address. Thank you.

*Shelley Shepherd*

### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*

Sunday Collection July 23, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 2,519.00  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,925.00



## ST. CATHERINE

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST:

Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald, Paul & Linda Torgeson, Thomas & Janet Ryan.

### ST. CATHERINE 32ND ANNUAL AUTUMN DINNER:

Mark your calendars, Tuesday, October 10th at the V.F.W. in Prior Lake. More details to come.

**WEDDING BANNS III:** Rachel Friske & Karl Eicher.

### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*

Sunday Collection July 23, 2017

Received this week.....\$ 1,460.59  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,001.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

**PARISHES:** Marsha Simon, Mary Lee Androli, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Fr. Francis Roach, 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.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FORMS:

Visit our website @ [www.stpandc.mn.org](http://www.stpandc.mn.org) and click on the Religious Education tab to register online.

**NEEDED:** We are in need of teachers and teacher's aides for our Religious Education Program. Please contact Juli Volk @ 952-679-2727 or [religiusedatstpatricks@gmail.com](mailto:religiusedatstpatricks@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Fri. Oct. 6	S.P.	Group III Steak & Chicken Dinner
Tue. Oct. 10	S.C.	Autumn Dinner
Sun. Nov. 5	S.C.	C.C.W. Turkey Bingo
Fri. Nov. 10	S.P.	Men's Club Euchre Tournament

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Julifest,** July 29 & 30 at St. Mark's in Shakopee. Polka Mass at 5:00 PM Sat. Food (German, Mexican, & American), games, art, crafts, quilts, baked goods, bingo, pull-tabs, kid's games, woodworking, silent auction, live entertainment and lots more.

**Church Bazaar,** Sun. Aug. 6 at Immaculate Conception in Lonsdale. Polka Mass at 10:00 AM. Food Stands open at 10:30 AM. Pork & Dumplings, Hamburgers, Brats, Hot Dogs, Hot Beef Sandwiches, Nachos & Cheese, French Fries, Pie & Ice Cream. Entertainment featuring The Jolly P's and The Whitesidewalls (bring lawn chairs). Games for Kids, Book of Prizes, Used-A-Bit, Chance Booth, Split-the-Pot, Bingo, Homemade Czech Baking, Country Market and Crafts. Drawing at 6:00 PM.

**Parish Festival,** Sun. Aug. 6 at Nativity Church in Cleveland. Polka Mass at 8:30 AM. Chicken Dinner 10:00 AM-1:00 PM. Live Music with "Mary & Friends". 13th Annual Classic Car Show. Cash Raffle, Beer Garden, Kids Games, Silent Auction, Coffee Bar, Homemade Pie, etc.

**Family Fun Night,** Thur. Aug. 10, 4:00-7:00 PM at Holy Cross Catholic School in Webster. No need to make supper, food trucks are coming to Holy Cross! Come join us for a night of fun and food. Try your chances at a scavenger hunt or a trip down the big inflatable slide and reward yourself with a free ice cream treat!

**Altar Server Appreciation Days with the Minnesota Twins,** Sun. Sept. 17 or Sat. Sept. 30. Home Run Porch View at the special Altar Server Appreciation rate of \$15. To order call 1-800-33-TWINS (hit "0" to speak to an attendant). At the start of your call, be sure to reference the Altar Server offer. Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express are accepted. A \$5 service/handling fee will be added to each order. Deadline for these games is Tuesday, Sept. 12. Due to high demand, seating is available only on a first-come, first-served basis.

\*St. Catherine Church will pay for all servers that have served this past year at St. Catherine.