

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	7/6	NO MASS		
Tuesday	7/7	8:30 AM	SP	Elysia Williamson
Wednesday	7/8	8:30 AM	SP	Deceased members of the Feldmeier Family
Thursday	7/29	8:30 AM	SC	Fr. John Hayes
Friday	7/10	NO MASS		
Saturday	7/11	5:00 PM	SP	+Erin Kreuser
Sunday	7/12	8:30 AM	SC	For Our People
		10:30 AM	SP	+Braden Flicek

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JULY 11 & 12, 2020

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	7/11	None-COVID restrictions
	7/12	None-COVID restrictions
Lector	7/11	Brianne Jirik
	7/12	John Cassidy
Altar Servers	7/11	None
	7/12	None
Ushers	7/11	Volunteer
	7/12	Volunteer

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	7/12	Barb Lerschen, Kathy Prochaska, Kevin Mahowald, Frank Simons
Lector	7/12	Dave Nelson
Altar Servers	7/12	Karley Vochoska
Ushers	7/12	Dave Koller, Shawn O'Hern
Greeters	7/12	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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

July 6: Fr. Gregory Skrypek, July 7: Fr. Stanley Sledz,
 July 8: Fr. Michael Slusser, July 9: Fr. David Smith,
 July 10: Fr. Larry Snyder, July 11: Fr. Solomon Soabil,
 July 12: Fr. Walter Sochacki.



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

The Declaration of Dependence

In 1941 the future Archbishop Fulton Sheen wrote a book entitled "A Declaration of Dependence." This clever title expresses a great truth that we as a nation should never forget. As we celebrate Independence Day, and the freedom that we enjoy, we must not lose sight of the source of our freedom and what it really means. We are plagued in our country by the idea that freedom means the right to do whatever we want, so long as it does not hurt anyone else -- a condition which itself is frequently ignored. Abortion hurts the one aborted, and others who do not consent; pornography hurts the young, women, men, marriages, and society as a whole. Countless things are said and done that are harmful to individuals, families, and the larger community in the name of "free speech." The false idea that freedom means independence from restriction is at the root of the problem. The Declaration of Independence, and later the Constitution of the United States, are often thought to be the source of the idea that the individual's freedom is not dependent on others -- including God. Therefore any restriction of that freedom, be it by law or custom is seen by some as an assault on our independence. But that was not what the Founding Fathers of our country had in mind at all.



This departure of understanding is not that recent. Archbishop Sheen wrote about it in 1941: "In these days when everyone talks of rights and few of duties, it is important for us Americans to recall that the Declaration of Independence is also a Declaration of Dependence. The Declaration of Independence asserts a double dependence: dependence on God, and dependence on law as derived from God. Whence comes the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness? Read the Declaration of Independence and there find the answer: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.' Notice these words: The Creator has endowed men with rights and liberties; men got them from God! In other words, we are dependent on God, and that initial dependence is the foundation of our independence" (A Declaration of Dependence, pp.121-122).

For many years there have been those who have worked to banish God from the public domain in the name of freedom. Archbishop Sheen warned, "The day we adopt in our democracy the already widespread ideas of some American jurists that right and justice depend on convention and the spirit of the times, we shall write the death warrant of our independence" (p. 123). Since God is

the source of our freedom, He is the only one who can tell us how to use it. "The more one does what is good, the freer one becomes. There is no true freedom except in the service of what is good and just. The choice to disobey and do evil is an abuse of freedom and leads to 'the slavery of sin'" (Catechism, 1733). Our country's greatness is founded on the truth that we are dependent on God for our existence and freedom, and that no man or government can take that away from us. Thousands have died to protect that truth. Let us never forget that justice and liberty for all is only guaranteed by the truth that we are one nation under God. *Fr. Michael J. Miller*

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF JULY:

*JoAnn Beuch, Curt & Tracy Anderson, Mary Jo Andreason, Craig & Aubre Barnd, Ronald Bastyr, Joel & Andrea Beno, Francis & Colleen Beuch, Jim & Cathy Beuch, Bryan & Jacque Bittner, Jeff & Rena Bjerke. Altar Linens: Lin Kreuser.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms are available in the back of church. Authorization is also accessible through our website, www.stpandc.mn.org

ST. PATRICK FESTIVAL UPDATE 2020: Festival planning for 2020 is very fluid and changing every day! We are busy planning for the event and maintaining the safety guidelines for our parishioners and visitors to our event. Please let us know if you are willing and able to work at our Covid-19 affected event Festival-Light 2020!

ST. PATRICK FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS: The raffle is our largest component to our annual Festival! This year, more than ever, please sell raffle tickets to support our church event!

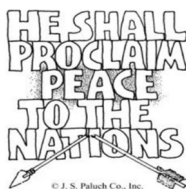
ST. PATRICK FESTIVAL BAKE DAY: Festival Bake Day has been cancelled for this year. It was decided to purchase our baked goods this year.

CONGRATULATIONS! Travis & Amanda Sticha on the baptism of their son, Brock Randal Sticha, on June 28, 2020.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection June 21, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 2,431.09
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,223.00



Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is July 31-August 2, 2020. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

ST. CATHERINE

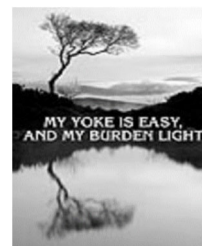
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Charles & Joan Bruzek, Ken & Becky Jilk, Deanna Vochoska.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection June 21, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 1,225.62
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,040.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Lloyd Troendle, Jane Lorsung, Ryan Maciej, Brooklyn Prochaska, Brandon Witt (brother of Jenny Clancy), John Mullenmeister, Shelby Perry, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, Anne Weber (granddaughter of Sue Zender), JoAnn Kenne, Virginia Beuch, Karen Zweber, Richard Arens, Andrew Buckman, Fred Winker, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, Gerry Sandey, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Annie Kelnhofer, Douglas Van Moorlehem (brother of Jan St. Aubin), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR NEEDED:

We need a Religious Education Coordinator for the 2020/2021 school year. If you would like to apply for this position, please contact the parish office.

GIFT FOR FR. JOHN HAYES: We have collected \$1,570.00 of the \$2,200.00 cost of the vestment. Thank you St. Patrick & St. Catherine parishioners!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: As the novel coronavirus (Covid19) response grips our country and our Parish Communities, we want to remind you that our regular financial obligations continue to occur. We are asking you to continue to GIVE to our churches on a regular basis. We have installed a contributions drop box at the Parish Office; you may also mail to: St. Patrick & St. Catherine Church, 24425 Old Hwy. 13 Blvd. Jordan, MN 55352. Thank you for your continued support!



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ST. PATRICK & ST. CATHERINE

Sunday	7/19/20	SP	Parish Festival
Tuesday	10/13/20	SC	Autumn Dinner
Sunday	11/1/20	SC	Turkey Bingo