

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	8/3	NO MASS		
Tuesday	8/4	NO MASS		
Wednesday	8/5	8:30 AM	SP	Deceased members of the Feldmeier Family
Thursday	8/6	8:30 AM	SC	Laurian & Lauralee Williamson
Friday	8/7	8:30 AM	SP	+Myron & Ann Eischens
Saturday	8/8	5:00 PM	SP	+Erin Kreuser
Sunday	8/9	8:30 AM	SC	For Our People
		10:30 AM	SP	+Braden Flicek

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUGUST 8 & 9, 2020

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	8/8	None-COVID restrictions
	8/9	None-COVID restrictions
Lector	8/8	Rob Puncocar
	8/9	Tim Sonnek
Altar Servers	8/8	None
	8/9	None
Ushers	8/8	Volunteer
	8/9	Volunteer

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	8/9	Pat Schroeder
Lector	8/9	Linda Torgesen
Altar Servers	8/9	Karley Vochoska
Ushers	8/9	Frank Simons, Rick Sirek
Greeters	8/9	David & Joan Koller

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?

Aug. 3: Fr. Adam Tokashiki, Aug. 4: Fr. Rolf Tollefson, Aug. 5: Fr. Jon Tran, Aug. 6: Fr. Tim Tran, Aug. 7: Fr. James Tares, Aug. 8: Fr. Francisco Traverso-Feliciano, Aug. 9: Fr. Paul Treacy.



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

Our Greatest Need

Old songs sing of summer as a time of easy living filled with rest and fun. It is a time of vacations and enjoying the outdoors as much as possible; a time to do things that we want to do rather than things we have to do. And yet like so many other things, the old sayings do not seem to reflect life today. If there is one word that seems to characterize so many people's lives it is the word "busy." One set of activities replaces another during the summer so that we are just as busy as we are the rest of the year. We may even feel guilty if we take some time for ourselves. This may come from ourselves or from others. Take the well-known episode from Luke's Gospel when Martha complains to Jesus that Mary is not doing her fair share: "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing" (Luke 10: 40-42).



He was referring to Himself which Mary had chosen. Mary had stopped her work, sat at His feet and listened to Him speak. This is a model for all of us. We need to remember that the greatest need we have is God's friendship and presence in our lives. We need to hear His voice. We need to know Him as He is, and we will discover that the more we know Him, the more we can love Him. We may be tempted to think that Mary is taking the easy way out, or that she is wasting time, but Our Lord's defense of her shows this is not the case, "Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her" (Luke 10:42). He is not denigrating Martha's work; He is teaching us that knowing Him is our greatest need. And in order to do this we need to stop, look, and listen. We need to stop being busy all the time, which even includes entertaining ourselves. We need to look at the beauty of His creation, and contemplate His presence in our lives. And we need to listen to His word in the Scriptures and hear the quiet sound of His voice in prayer. This is not a luxury that we should feel guilty about taking. It is a necessity that we cannot leave unfilled.

If we find that we are too busy to go to Mass, to pray, to learn something about our faith, then we are

too busy and changes need to be made. First things first. Nothing should ever take precedence over Sunday Mass – not work, recreation or anything else that may present itself as being more important. When we are there give it 100% of our attention, confident that it is the greatest prayer possible, and the closest we can get to God this side of heaven. Next, take time to pray every day, especially the rosary in which we meditate on life of Christ and contemplate His face through the eyes of our Blessed Mother, Mary. If possible, go to daily Mass, which brings us to God's house, where we hear His word, honor His saints, pray most effectively for our needs and the needs of others, and are strengthened by receiving Him in Holy Communion. And finally, take some time to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament at adoration or in the tabernacle, or at least speak to Him in silence. When we do so, we are really following the example of Mary who sat at Our Lord's feet and listened to Him speak. We will better understand our lives, our dignity and our purpose; we will come to know God more each day, and we will understand why He is our greatest need.

Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST:

*Michael & Sarah Brundage, Chris & Laurie Blaschko, Brian & Meghan Blonigen, John & Cassie Boegeman, Brian & Kelley Buckman, Bill & Denise Buesgens, Jim & Crystal Buesgens, Joe & Julie Capaul, Rick & Beth Carey. 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

FESTIVAL 2020 FINANCIAL DONATIONS: As you all know, our festival was cancelled this year because of Covid-19. Our festival is the largest annual fundraiser for our church. These funds are critical to our religious education programs, Pastoral and administrative support, and the maintenance and daily operations to our beautiful parish campus. In lieu of your time and talent that you so graciously give each year, we are asking you to consider a financial donation to Festival 2020! Please give by marking on a separate envelope "Festival 2020!" and deposit in the collection baskets during mass, the parish drop box or electronically as a special "one time" contribution. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, August 17th at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection July 26, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 3,010.49
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,223.00
 Festival 2020 Donations.....\$ 7,730.00 (plus \$200 from St. Catherine parishioners)



Church of St. Patrick 2020 Raffle Ticket Sales:

	<u>Books</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ron & Kathy McBroom	387	\$7,740.00
Chad & Emily Sandey	110	2,200.00
Brandon & Gina O'Connell	40	800.00
Francis & Colleen Beuch	22	440.00
Jim & Kelley DeGross	20	400.00
Ted & Lorraine Simon	11	220.00
Dave & Julie Roach	10	200.00
Jennifer Clancy	10	200.00
Mike & Jan Sticha	10	200.00
Wally Eischens	10	200.00
Craig & Kristin Flicek	10	200.00

Many thanks to all for selling raffle tickets! Anyone selling 10 books or more of raffle tickets will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate for St. Patrick Tavern.

ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST:

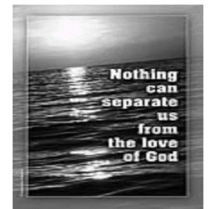
Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald, Paul & Linda Torgesen, Janet Ryan.

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection July 26, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 738.84
 Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,040.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Jane Lorsche, 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 are taking applications for a Religious Education Coordinator for the 2020/2021 school year. If you would like to apply for this position, please contact the parish office.

Friday	10/9/20	SP	Steak/Chicken Cook-Out
Tuesday	10/18/20	SC	Autumn Dinner Raffle
Sunday	11/1/20	SC	Turkey Bingo