

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	8/24	6:30 PM	SC	+Clair Svestka
Tuesday	8/25	NO MASS		
Wednesday	8/26	8:30 AM	SP	+Joe, John, & Adeline Horejsi
Thursday	8/27	NO MASS		
Friday	8/28	8:30 AM	SP	Dianne Thoele
Saturday	8/29	5:00 PM	SP	Mike & Dawn Stehlik
Sunday	8/30	8:30 AM	SC	For Our People
		10:30 AM	SP	+Joe, John, & Adeline Horejsi

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUGUST 29 & 30, 2020

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	8/29	None-COVID restrictions
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Lector	8/29	Rob Puncochar
	8/30	John Cassady
Altar Servers	8/29	None
	8/30	None
Ushers	8/29	Volunteer
	8/30	Volunteer

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	8/30	Deloris Friske
Lector	8/30	Tom Fredrickson
Altar Servers	8/30	Karley Vochoska
Ushers	8/30	Shawn O'Hern, George Doheny
Greeters	8/30	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!

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

Aug. 24: Fr. Joseph Vuong, Aug. 25: Fr. Thomas Walker,
 Aug. 26: Fr. Frank Wampach, Aug. 27: Fr. Peter Wang,
 Aug. 28: Fr. Cyprian Weaver, Aug. 29: Fr. Mark Wehmann,
 Aug. 30: Fr. Gregory Welch.



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 Moon and the Clouds

A few years ago in late August I got to spend a night on the farm. And as I have for many years, I went out for a slow, prayerful saunter before turning in for the night. Even when it is very dark, as when it is cloudy or when the only light is from the stars, I take no source of light with me for I know every inch of that farm – every building, every step. It is a time of very deep prayer, especially of thanksgiving and contemplation. For here upon the grounds on which I grew up I can see my whole life, how I grew up safely and serenely in the Father's house under the loving care of my family. I can see how He protected me and prepared me for the work He would do in me and through me: the vocation to holiness that we all have.



This night in particular had all of my favorite elements. There was a warm wind, which seems to animate the night, "The wind blows where it wills, and you can hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so it is with everyone born of the Spirit" (Jn 3:8). There were no clouds so the stars could be seen – an age-old source of awe and wonder that have led generation upon generation to contemplate the beauty and vastness of the universe, which gives a glimpse into the infinity of God. But the crown jewel was the brilliant full moon reigning gloriously in that celestial court. Its light was bright enough to cast a shadow. And as I stood there in the wind in the light of the moon I thought of the source of that light, which is the sun, and how the Church is like the moon reflecting the light of the Son of God. A couple of nights later I found the following line in the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "The Church has no other light than Christ's; according to a favorite image of the Church Fathers, the Church is like the moon, all its light reflected from the sun" (748). The Second Vatican Council's document on the Church (Lumen Gentium) begins with these lines: "Christ is the light of humanity; and it is the heart-felt desire of this sacred Council...that, by proclaiming His Gospel to every creature, it may bring to all men that light of Christ which shines out visibly from the Church" (LG 1, CCC 748).

As I stood there looking at the moon some clouds began to approach from the distance. Soon they began to pass in front of the moon and its light was overshadowed. I could still see it, but at times they became so thick and so fast that I lost sight of where it was. It was an image of life in this world. So long as we are on this side of heaven, we see the light of Christ reflected by the Church – in her teachings, and in her members. But the dark and rapid clouds of doubt, evil, and sin can diminish that light and even cause us to lose sight of it. And yet, it is still there,

shining in all of its radiance. The clouds brought a small storm, which I could see approaching from the horizon. I led the cows that had followed me into the pasture back into their shed and I took shelter in the barn as the storm passed by. Finally, heading for the house, I could see the light of the moon again. So it is in the world. The light of Christ cannot be extinguished, but its reflection may be obscured by the storms of time. These will pass, and the light will continue to shine leading us gently to our eternal home where, "Night will be no more, nor will they need light from lamp or sun, for the Lord God shall give them light, and they shall reign forever and ever" (Revelation 22:5).

Fr. Michael J. Miller

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

SEPTEMBER: *Terry Connelly, Pamela Caselius, John & Gail Cassady, Jim & Mora Cavanaugh, Dan & Deb Cervenka, Jennifer Clancy, Jayne Cram, Dan & Vickie Cross, Benjamin & Lori Davis, Jim & Kelley DeGross.
Altar Linens: Gail Cassady.

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

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Sunday Collection August 16, 2020

Received this week.....\$ 1,795.12
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 2,223.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

SEPTEMBER: David & Joan Koller, Rick & Linda Sirek.

ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING: Monday, August 24th at 7:00 PM.

ST. CATHERINE AUTUMN DINNER: Due to the uncertainty related to COVID-19 and out of an abundance of caution, the St. Catherine's Parish Pastoral Council has decided to forgo this year's Autumn Dinner. This was a difficult decision because the Autumn Dinner has always been a favorite among parishioners and friends of St. Catherine's and our biggest and most impactful fundraiser of the year.

We have decided to go forward with the raffle part of the Autumn Dinner. Tickets will be \$50 each and we have set a goal to sell at least 200 tickets. The cash prizes for the raffle are:

Grand Prize \$500.00
Two Prizes of: \$250.00
Two Prizes of: \$100.00
Three Prizes of: \$ 50.00

Raffle tickets can be purchased from the parish office or the St. Catherine parish council members.

The drawing will take place on Sunday, October 18th after the 8:30 AM Mass at St. Catherine.

For more information about the raffle, contact:

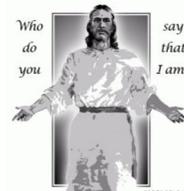
Deanna Vochoska (Council Chair) 651-303-8778
Shawn O'Hern (Trustee) 612-240-8404
Pat Schroeder (Trustee) 612-834-8253

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Received this week.....\$ 1,706.00
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,040.00



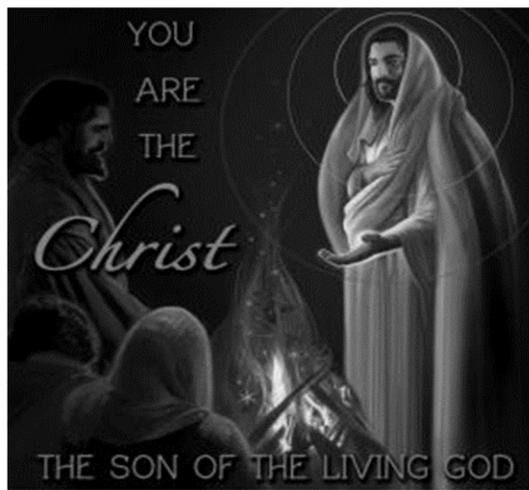
PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES:

Gena Beuch, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, 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.

+Please pray for the repose of the soul of Annie Kelnhofer (St. Patrick parishioner) and for her family.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS: As the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) 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!



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