

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Aug. 27	6:30 PM (SC)	Denise Despenas
Tuesday	Aug. 28		NO MASS
Wednesday	Aug. 29	8:30 AM (SC)	Ken & Kathy Ceola Family
Thursday	Aug. 30	8:30 AM (SP)	St. Patrick C.C.W.
Friday	Aug. 31		NO MASS
Saturday	Sept. 1	5:00 PM (SP)	+RoseAnn & Randy Sticha
Sunday	Sept. 2	8:30 AM (SC)	For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Braden Flicek

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 1 & 2, 2018

### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/1	Jim & Kelley DeGross, Tony Jirik
	9/2	Dan Cervenka, Dan Cross, Agnes DeGross
Lectors	9/1	Shelley Shepherd
	9/2	Juli Volk
Altar Servers	9/1	Hayden DeGross, Mason DeGross, Ian DeGross
	9/2	Wyatt Giesen, Ben Meyer, Aly Volk
Ushers	9/1	Mel Gregory, Steve Kreuser
	9/2	Don Pesta, Darryl Volk

### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/2	Kevin Mahowald, Rachel Eicher, Lloyd & Deloris Friske
Lector	9/2	Mary Kay Mahowald
Altar Servers	9/2	Addey Vochoska, Karley Vochoska
Ushers	9/2	Bryce Horejsi, Greg Horejsi
Greeters	9/2	Gary & Ann Korbel

*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?

Aug. 27: Fr. Steven Hoffman, Aug. 28: Fr. John Hofstede, Aug. 29: Fr. Spencer Howe, Aug. 30: Fr. Ralph Huar, Aug. 31: Abp. Bernard Hebda, Sept. 1: Pope Francis, Sept. 2: Fr. Michael Miller.



**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

### When does Mass Begin and End?

*(continued from last week)*

That being said, there is the opposite problem of people leaving after they receive Holy Communion. I heard of one priest who was so frustrated with people leaving at this time that he installed electronic locks on the doors which he would open after the Mass was over by pushing a button at the altar. The fire department made him take it out, but I can understand his frustration. I also heard that for many years in a parish that there was a sign that read, "The first one to leave Mass early was Judas." Though extreme, these are ways in which priests have tried to dissuade people from leaving Mass before it is over. Which leads us to the question, "When is the Mass over?" Very simply, it is over when the priest or deacon tells you that it's over. In fact, it could not be more clear: "Go forth, the Mass is ended." "Go in peace." "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." He actually tells you to go. Go and take the word and grace you have received into the world and live it. It is good to wait until the final hymn is complete and the priest has left the church before leaving. It is even better to remain for a while and pray more.

It is difficult to explain how frustrating it is to watch people receive Jesus Christ in Holy Communion and then walk out the door. Or to walk to the back of the church during the recessional hymn and find the back pews empty. It is disappointing, because it is the worst time to leave. We have reached the high point of the Mass: taking the Body of Christ and eating it. This is the highest form of a personal relationship with Jesus that we can have. It is a total communion with Him. He did not say, "Take this, all of you, eat it and run." He said, "This is my Body, which will be given up for you." After receiving such a gift – the greatest gift possible – it demands an adequate response: a response of thanksgiving through prayer. This can be done by singing the communion song, and by speaking quietly in our hearts with Christ who is physically present in us. We cannot be closer to Him on this earth than at this moment. And walking out the door to beat the traffic, or because we have decided that we have given enough time to God, without thanking Him and speaking to Him in prayer, is not the proper response. That is why priests get so frustrated about this matter. If we must leave early for a legitimate reason, we should do so in a state of thankful prayer.

I understand that there may be emergencies and circumstances beyond our control that may force us to come late to Mass or leave early, and I do not want people to judge others because we may not be aware of them. But



emergencies are not habitual. If we have the bad habits of coming to Mass late, or leaving early, it is time to break them; the results will be noticeable.

*Fr. Michael J. Miller*

## ST. PATRICK

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

**SEPTEMBER:** \*Matthew & Krysta Neisen, Adam & Emily Nesbitt, Joe & Monica O'Brien, Brandon & Gina O'Connell, Steve & Ester Olson, Steven & Jennifer Olson, Jake & Emily Palmstein, Robert & Donna Patton, Jeff Paul.  
Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

**FESTIVAL BAKE DAY:** Thank you to all the people that helped with Bake Day! We appreciated all the help. It was a very successful day.  
*Bake Day Committee*

**C.C.W. S.W. DEANERY COUNCIL FALL INSTITUTE:** Thursday, September 13th at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Waterville. See the flyer in the entryway for details.

**GROUP III STEAK/CHICKEN COOK-OUT & SILENT AUCTION:** Friday, October 5, 5:00-9:00 PM in the social hall. \$13 for 12 oz. top sirloin OR 1/2 grilled chicken, baked potato, green beans, cole slaw, garlic bread, dessert, & beverage. \$2 kids hot dog meal available.

Group III members please bring 2 loaves of garlic bread and bars/cookies Thursday evening 6:00-7:30 PM. Contact Lisa DeGross @ 952-461-4213 or Lisa Luskey @ 952-758-5717 with silent auction items.

NOTE: St. Patrick's will receive a \$600 grant from our sponsor FCSLA (First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association) for this event.

**C.C.W. S.W. DEANERY MISSION EVENT:** Thursday, October 25 at St. John the Baptist in Jordan. See the flyer in the entryway of the Church. No shoe boxes are needed this year. We will be asking for donations to fill the box soon.

**ST. PATRICK CHURCH NOW ON FACEBOOK:** Follow St. Patrick Church on Facebook to get notifications and reminders of church events and news. Church-related groups and committees are invited to use the Facebook page to share news, information, photos, and events. Parishioners are also invited to post church-related news and requests. If you have questions, contact Jennifer Clancy at [jenclancy1@comcast.net](mailto:jenclancy1@comcast.net) or 952-292-2539. To find our page, search for St. Patrick Church of Cedar Lake or @StPatrickChurchOfCedarLake.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:** We are within \$328.00 of our goal. If we reach it, 25% will be given back to the parish (Over \$1,600.00). It is very important to reach our goal or we get nothing back.

### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
Sunday Collection August 19, 2018

Received this week.....	\$ 2,483.00
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 2,006.00
Catholic Services Appeal goal.....	\$ 6,463.00
Catholic Services Appeal .....	\$ 6,135.00



## ST. CATHERINE

### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

**SEPTEMBER:** Frank & Cathy Simons, Rick & Linda Sirek.

### ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**MEETING:** Monday, August 27th at 7:00 PM.

**STAINED GLASS WINDOW UPDATE:** Thank you to all who contributed to the window capital campaign and helped us exceed our financial goal. A list of all contributors in alphabetical order is available for review in the back of the church. This is an opportunity to specify exactly how your entry should be represented on the plaque. Changes can be made through Sunday, September 16 prior to the plaque being ordered. Thank you!

**AUTUMN DINNER TICKETS:** Tickets will be sold outside the church after Mass today. Prices are \$100 for a dinner/raffle ticket (2 dinners) and \$50 for a raffle-only ticket.

### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
Sunday Collection August 19, 2018

Received this week.....	\$1,002.76
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 944.00
Window Repair Estimate.....	\$23,115.00
Window Repair Campaign.....	\$25,885.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

**PARISHES:** Diane Curfman (Ev Nelson's sister) Denise Despenas (sister of Bonnie Theis) JoAnn Kenne, Virginia Beuch, Karen Zweber, Richard Arens, Andrew Buckman, Fred Winker, Marsha Simon, Mary Lee Androli, Michael Zender, Daryl Sternitzke, 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, Paul Lambrecht, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe & Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Enroll your children in Religious Education by

1. Visiting [www.stpandc.mn.org](http://www.stpandc.mn.org) and selecting the Religious Education tab at the top of the page.
2. Navigate to the Religious Education website by clicking the Religious Education link. (You can also go directly to <https://sites.google.com/site/religiousedatstpatricks/>.)

We are in need of volunteers to fill teacher, assistant teacher, classroom helper, and hall monitor roles this year. No experience is necessary, just a 3.5 hour Archdiocese training commitment and a sincere desire to share your faith.

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

Fri. Oct. 5	S.P.	Group III Steak/Chicken Cookout
Tue. Oct. 9	S.C.	Autumn Dinner
Sun. Nov. 4	S.C.	C.C.W. Turkey Bingo