

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	8/29	NO MASS		
Tuesday	8/30	8:30 AM	SP	Mike & Dawn Stehlik
Wednesday	8/31	8:15 AM	SP	+Winnie Simon
Thursday	9/1	8:30 AM	SC	+Arthur Torgesen
Friday	9/2	8:30 AM	SP	August Meyer
Saturday	9/3	5:00 PM	SP	Thoele & Flores Families
Sunday	9/4	8:30 AM	SC	+Feldmeier Family
		10:30 AM	SP	For Our Parishioners & Guests

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR September 3 & 4, 2022

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/3	Rita Ryan
	9/4	Ron McBroom
Lector	9/3	Shelley Shepherd
	9/4	Jennifer Witt
Altar Servers	9/3	Bryce, Mason & Megan Deutsch
	9/4	Volunteer
Ushers	9/3	Matt Sirek
	9/4	Rob Sticha

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/4	Rosie Nelson
Lector	9/4	Pat Schroeder
Altar Servers	9/4	Volunteer
Ushers	9/4	George Doheny, Dave Koller
Greeters	9/4	Joe & Shirley Shelton

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, emailed or put in the black box on the side of the rectory). Save the money counters time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you!

PRAY FOR A PRIEST:

8/28	Fr. Steven McMichael
8/29	Fr. Jude McPeak
8/30	Fr. Benny Varghese
8/31	ABP. Bernard Hebda
9/1	Pope Francis
9/2	Fr. Michael Miller
9/3	Fr. Philip Merdinger



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 Tears of St. Monica

St. Monica's feast day was August 27th. She was the mother of St. Augustine, whose feast is the next day, and was one of the greatest teachers and bishops in the Church's history. But he was not always a saint. The first thirty years of his life were spent wandering outside of the Church. St. Monica continued to pray for him during this entire time. Undoubtedly she experienced frustration, hopelessness, and fear for her son. St. Ambrose reassured her that "it is impossible that the child of so many tears should be lost". St. Ambrose was right. He baptized Augustine at the Easter Vigil in 387. Monica died later that year, happy that her prayers had been answered. Since I have been a priest, I have encountered many people who have children who have wandered away from the Church. I tell them to follow the example of St. Monica: do not give up; continue praying, hoping, gently encouraging. Remember it took St. Monica thirty years, and look at the result: St. Augustine.

To the children themselves, I would say: do not be so sure that the Church is irrelevant or that it has nothing to offer you. Look at St. Augustine. He experienced everything that the world had to offer, but he finally found life, happiness, and peace in the Church. He realized at last that fundamental truth about each human person, about which he writes so beautifully in his book, "The Confessions": "Our hearts were made in thee, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in thee."

~Fr. Michael J. Miller



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ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR AUGUST: James Ryan, Philip & Elissa Ryan, *Ronald & Rose Ryan, Chad & Christi Ryburn, John & Toni Sacco, Chad & Emily Sandey, Mitchell & Breanna Sandey, John & Tish Scheffler
Altar Linens: Linda Kreuser

PRAY THE ROSARY: Join us to pray the Rosary every Saturday evening at 4:40 PM before the 5:00 PM Mass or Sunday morning at 10:10 AM before the 10:30 AM Mass.

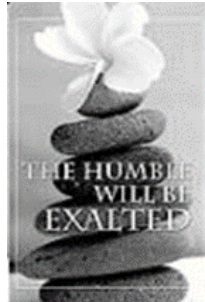
GROUP III STEAK/CHICKEN COOK-OUT & SILENT AUCTION: Friday, September 23, 5:00-8:00 PM in the Social Hall. \$17 for 12 oz. top sirloin steak OR 1/2 grilled chicken dinner. \$3 kids meal available.

Group III members please bring 2 loaves of garlic bread and bars/cookies and an item for the silent auction on Thursday evening 6:00-7:30 PM.

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

Stewardship of Treasure— Week of 8/21/22
“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,644.00
Weekly Basket Collections:	\$ 1,011.00
Weekly Electronic Contributions:	\$ 894.26
Mission Collection:	\$ 414.00
Holy Day:	\$ 10.00



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR AUGUST: Kevin & Mary Kay Mahowald, Janet Ryan

PRAY THE ROSARY: The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 7:55 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

AUTUMN DINNER TICKET SALES: Tickets for the Autumn Dinner will be on sale at St. Catherine after the 8:30am Mass today until October 2 and at St. Patrick after the 5pm and 10:30am Masses on September 10/11 and September 24/25. The Autumn Dinner is Tuesday, October 11.

ITEMS NEEDED: If you have any items that you wish to donate for the Silent Auction/Door Prizes for the Autumn Dinner, please contact Deanna Vochoska at 651-303-8778. The deadline to donate is October 2.

Stewardship of Treasure— Week of 8/21/2022
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Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,234.00
Weekly Basket Collection:	\$ 883.00
Mission Collection:	\$ 497.00



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES: Rose Cross, Kathy McBroom, Ethel Pieper (Emily Sandey's mom), Baby Rosemary, Brandon Witt, Shelby Perry, Janice Lane, Tom O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, JoAnn Kenne, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

HOMEBOUND: If you or anyone you know would like to receive communion at home, please contact the parish office at 952-492-6276.

CATHOLIC SPIRIT: If you are not receiving the Catholic Spirit newspaper, but would like to please contact the parish office at 952-492-6276.

PEACE CENTER: The Peace Center Food Shelf is New Prague's local food shelf, open and ready to serve those in need. If you are in need of food, or if you know someone who is, please call 952-758-4688. No referral is necessary.

Upcoming Events for St. Patrick and St. Catherine:		
Friday, September 23	Steak/Chicken Cook-Out	SP
Tuesday, October 11	Autumn Dinner	SC
Sunday, November 6	Turkey Bingo	SP

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: We are needing an assistant in the Confirmation classroom. If interested, please email Kerri Sticha at kerri.stpandc.re@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

HEALING TAKES TIME FALL RETREAT: The 10th Annual Healing Takes Time Fall Retreat is Friday, September 16 at 7pm until Sunday, September 18 at 11am at the Franciscan Retreat & Spirituality Center in Prior Lake. This retreat is an uplifting experience to support adults (18+) who are suffering the loss of a loved one. Inspiring talks and small groups will offer support and hope. Groups are created for several types of loss and will be led by people who have experienced similar loss and can relate to your journey in a particular way. The small groups are designed for loss of a child, spouse, parent, sibling, loss through suicide or homicide and loss through pregnancy. Donna Mathiowetz will be presenting “Bending without breaking.” For more information and registration call Marlene Hunt 507-381-1177 or email at hopeunitedgriefgroup@gmail.com. Registration is required.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH FALL FESTIVAL IN JORDAN: Sunday, September 18 from 9am-4pm for games, food, music and beverages. St. John the Baptist Church is located at 215 Broadway St. N Jordan.