

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	8/30	6:30 PM	SC	Ryan Family
Tuesday	8/31	8:30 AM	SP	+Delores Powell
Wednesday	9/1	8:15 AM	SP	+Lois McCabe
Thursday	9/2	NO MASS		
Friday	9/3	8:30 AM	SP	+David & Betty Geis
Saturday	9/4	5:00 PM	SP	+Leonard, Rose Ann & Randy Sticha
Sunday	9/5	8:30 AM	SC	For Our Parishioners & Guests
		10:30 AM	SP	+John Jacques

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR September 4 & 5, 2021

### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/4	Rita Ryan, Bill Weiers
	9/5	Ron & Kathy McBroom
Lector	9/4	Shelley Shepherd
	9/5	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	9/4	Ian DeGross
	9/5	Sara Bjerke, Alycia Klegstad
Ushers	9/4	Mel Gregory
	9/5	Norm Sticha

### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/5	Dave Nelson
Lector	9/5	Deanna Vochoska
Altar Servers	9/5	---
Ushers	9/5	Ken Ceola & Frank Simons
Greeters	9/5	Joan Bruzek & Kathy Conway

*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?

August 29: Fr. Aloysius Svobodny, August 30: Fr. Ralph Talbot, August 31: Fr. Eugene Theisen, September 1: Fr. Dennis Thompson, September 2: Fr. Michael Tix, September 3: Fr. Patrick Tobin, September 4: Fr. Adam Tokashiki.



**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 27<sup>th</sup>. 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*



## ST. PATRICK

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER:** Joe & Amy Tupy, Tim & Lisa Velishek, Tim & LuVerne Verhoeven, Darryl & Juli Volk, Todd & Larissa Wagner, Joe & June Wallerius, \*Leander & Brandi Weckman, Bill & Anne Weiers, Julie Welch, Dirk Wells and Vanessa Glavas, David Zweber.

Altar Linens: Gail Cassady

**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.

**AUTUMN DINNER TICKET SALES:**

St. Catherine's will be selling tickets at St. Patrick after both Masses 9/11-12 & 9/25-26.

**MASS HELPERS NEEDED:** We are looking for more Mass helpers. If interested, please contact the parish office.

**GROUP III STEAK/CHICKEN COOK-OUT & SILENT AUCTION:**

Friday, October 1st, 5:00-8:00 PM in the social hall. \$15 for 12 oz. top sirloin steak OR 1/2 grilled chicken dinner. \$2 kids meal available.

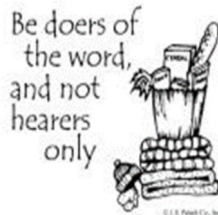
Group III members please bring 2 loaves of garlic bread and bars/cookies on Thursday evening 6:00-7:30 PM. Contact Lisa Luskey @ 952-758-5717 or Natalie Simon @ 952-649-1408 with silent auction items.

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

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,400.00
8/22/21 Collection:	\$ 2,470.23
8/22/21 Mission Appeal:	\$ 50.00



## ST. CATHERINE

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER:** Kathy Conway, David & Joan Koller, Rick & Linda Sirek

**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.

**ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:**

Monday, August 30 at 7:00pm.

**CCW MEETING:** We will have our annual meeting on Sunday, September 12 after the 8:30AM Mass. All women are welcome to participate. This will give us a chance to regroup after 1 1/2 years to plan our activities for the coming year.

**SAVE THE DATE & TICKET SALES:** St. Catherine Autumn Dinner is Tuesday, October 12, 2021. Tickets will be available for purchase after 8:30 Mass today 8/29 through 10/3; in the back of Church.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

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Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,160.00
8/22/21 Collection:	\$ 1,267.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES:** Father Larry Delaney, Janice Lane, Tom & Jean O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Brandon Witt (brother of Jenny Witt), John Mullenmeister, Shelby Perry, 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, Gerry Jensen (Jan St. Aubin's cousin), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

**SYNOD 2022:** Archdiocesan Synod kicks into high gear this fall and your input is needed to help Archbishop Hebda chart the course for this local Church. Join a small group to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus areas. You can find more information at archspm.org/synod. There are also sign up sheets in the back of church. The filled out forms can be left in the labeled box in the back of church.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE:**

Here is the link to our online class registration for the 2021-2022 school year:

<https://forms.gle/GW9FoEUisS6caddh8>

Please register and get any required document of Sacraments turned into the office as soon as possible. If you need a hard copy registration form or have any questions please reach out to the CO-DREs Erin at 847-867-8841 or Kerri at kerri.stpandc.re@gmail.com. We are excited to have your students return this fall!



Wednesday	9/8/2021	Confirmation Orientation- 6:30PM
Wednesday	9/15/2021	Grades 1-8 Orientation- 6:30PM Confirmation 1st class- 6:30-7:45PM
Sunday	9/19/2021	CGS- 1st class 9:15-10:15AM
Wednesday	9/22/2021	Grades 1-8 class 6:30-7:30PM Confirmation class 6:30-7:45PM

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**FRANCISCAN RETREATS AND SPIRITUALLY CENTER**

**IN PRIOR LAKE:** The following retreats for the month of September;

September 14-16 Women's Midweek

September 17-19 HUGG

September 23-26 Men & Women Retreat

To register for retreats, please call 952-447-2182 or online [www.FranciscanRetreats.net/register](http://www.FranciscanRetreats.net/register).

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** A Marriage Encounter weekend can rekindle the excitement and romance in your relationship. This is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Oct. 8-10, 2021 in Buffalo, MN and Feb. 11-13, 2022 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [twincitieswwme.org](http://twincitieswwme.org) or call 612-756-8720.