

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 11, 2005

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Sept. 12	8:30 AM (SP)	+Lawrence Stepka
Tuesday	Sept. 13	8:30 AM (SP)	Priest's Personal Intentions
Wednesday	Sept. 14		NO MASS
Thursday	Sept. 15	8:30 AM (SC)	+Leo Maciej
Friday	Sept. 16	8:30 AM (SP)	+Richard Beuch
Saturday	Sept. 17	5:00 PM (SP)	+Lill Chodek
Sunday	Sept. 18	8:30 AM (SC)	For Our People
		10:30 AM (SP)	+Cy Maxa

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 17 & 18

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/17	Bill Belkengren, Jim DeGross
	9/18	Jan St. Aubin, Ron & Kathy McBroom
Lectors	9/17	Jim DeGross
	9/18	Ron McBroom
Acolytes	9/17	Erin Roach, Andy Roach, Volunteer
	9/18	Emily Sticha, Travis Sticha, Amanda Stebbins
Ushers	9/17	Roman Stepka, Dick Chodek
	9/18	Rob Sticha, Leo Jacques
Greeters	9/18	Don & Elaine Pesta

St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/18	Tom Fredrickson, Bill Dillingham, Dan & Deb Norman
Lector	9/18	Rosemary Hatcher
Acolytes	9/18	Timmy, Clarice, & Nicholas Fredrickson
Ushers	9/18	Bill Doheny, Lloyd Friske
Greeters	9/18	James & Barbara Lerschen

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 ladies 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! Parish Summer Office Hours 8:00 AM—1:00 PM Monday-Friday.

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 18, 2005, TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



We are the Lord's

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
 Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
 Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16a



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We're looking for an aid to assist the 6th grade Religious Education teacher. If you're interested in this volunteer activity, please contact Deb Norman at 952-758-6113 after 5:00 PM, or leave a message at the parish office and I'll return your call. Thank you to everyone who has come forward to volunteer their time and talent. God bless!

*Deb Norman,
 Religious Education Director*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: Please register your children by Sept. 16th. If you need a registration form, please contact the parish office @ 952-492-6276.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER MEETING/WORKSHOP: Wednesday, September 14, 6:30-8:30 PM in the social hall. This is a mandatory meeting for all volunteers. If you have questions, contact Deb Norman @ 952-758-6113.

TO GIVE AWAY: 2 VCRs. Contact the parish office.

WANTED: Used lite-pro for the Religious Education Program. Contact Deb Norman.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISMS: We have received the confirmation catechisms. They can be picked up at the Religious Education Office. Contact Deb Norman to arrange a time.

ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

SEPTEMBER: *Thomas & Lynette Grobel, Sylvia Hill, Thomas & Lisa Hill, Mike & Lynne Hoffman, Leo & Gloria Jacques, Jeff & Toni Jeurissen, Mark & Dina Jindra, Rob & Renae Jirak, Brent Johnson. Altar Linens: Jeanette Sticha.

ST. PATRICK C.C.W. OFFICER: The position of vice-president is still open. It is a 2-year term; the first year as vice-president, the second year as president. Give some thought to volunteering to fill this position. Contact Carol Timmons or LuVerne Verhoeven if you can help!

HYMNUS CHOIR: The Hymnus Choir of New Prague will be singing at the 5:00 PM mass at St. Patrick on Saturday, September 24. Several parishioners are members of this choir, which will be traveling to Italy in January 2006. While in Italy they will sing at the Basilica Of San Marco (Venice), Church of the Gesu (Florence) Basilica of St. John Lateran (Vatican), Basilica of St. Francis (Assisi) and at an audience with Pope Benedict XVI! Please join us for this special mass!

Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection September 4, 2005

Received this week.....	\$ 1,490.00
Weekly budget requirement.....	\$ 1,758.00
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 150,500.00 goal
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 100,251.00 pledged to date
Capital Campaign.....	\$ 80,453.00 collected to date



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ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

SEPTEMBER: *Elizabeth Vaughan, Bradley Eller, Dennis Maciej, Margaret Sharkey, Jean Gramling, Bruce Brumm, Tracy Pittman.

ST. CATHERINE C.C.W. MEETING: Sunday, September 18th after mass. All women of the parish are invited!

ST. CATHERINE AUTUMN DINNER: Mark your calendars—Tuesday, October 11th at the VFW in Prior Lake. Tickets will be available after the 8:30 mass at St. Catherine and the 10:30 mass at St. Patrick this weekend. Or you can contact Steve & Jude Boeser @ 461-4763 or Tom & Mary Kay Fredrickson @ 447-7019 for tickets.

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"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"
Sunday Collection September 4, 2005

Received this week.....\$ 706.50



PARISHIONERS CORNER

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

PARISHES: Tom Shea (son of Rosetta Shea), Linn Blocker, Peter Nytes, Jeff Paul, Jim Trantina (father of Theresa Sticha), Marcella Backsen, MaryAnn Radnich (cousin of Vickie Cross), Lori Doerr (daughter of Florian Kraft), Richard Greger (father of Diane Williamson), Benoite Stepka, Jack Keenan.

CATHOLIC SPIRIT: If you are not currently receiving the Catholic Spirit, but would like to, contact the parish office.

FOR SALE: 1994 Dodge Ram Van. Contact the parish office for more information. Proceeds will go to the St. Patrick Capital Improvement Fund.

SECOND COLLECTION: September 10th & 11th for St. Mark's Parish in Shakopee (their church recently had a fire).

SECOND COLLECTION: September 17th & 18th for victims of Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana, Mississippi, & Alabama.

FLU SHOTS: Wednesday, Oct. 19, 12:00-2:00 PM at the St. Patrick Social Hall. To make an appointment please contact Margaret @ 952-461-2214.

STEWARDSHIP

Self-Giving Love in Action

THE CHALLENGE

A question we often ask ourselves when faced with choices in life is: *what's in it for me?* This attitude of individualism in our culture encourages us to consider our own needs before those of others. Such a focus on self often drowns out the voice of God.

Our Lord calls us—through the Church—to begin living *for others* rather than simply *for our own selves*. God asks each of us to look after the needs of others, in our homes, our church, and throughout our community. The practice of such self-giving love is the essence of what the Church calls "Stewardship."
(to be continued)

STEWARDSHIP—

"Love is the force that opens hearts to the word of Jesus and to his Redemption . . .

Love is the only basis for human relationships that respect in one another the dignity of the children of God . . .

Love is the only driving force that impels us to share with our brothers and sisters all that we are and have."

Pope John Paul II

Homily at Grant Park, Chicago, 1979

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Happenings Books available. Call Mary Frost @ 952-758-4222. Proceeds go to M.C.C.L. (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life).

Pancake Breakfast, Sun Sept. 11, 9:00 AM-noon at St. Michael's in Prior Lake. Benefit for parish in Chimbote, Peru.

Fall Festival, Sun. Sept. 11, at Our Lady of the Prairie Church in Belle Plaine. Hog Roast 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. \$8/adult, \$4/child.

Growing Through Loss, "*Overview of Grief*" Thur. Sept. 15, 6:30 PM at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville. 890-0045.

Married Couples Retreat, Sept. 16-18 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more information, call 952-447-2182.

Fall Festival, Sept. 17 & 18 at St. John's in Savage. 5:30 Sat. pig roast dinner. Sun. 8-1 pancake breakfast. Silent Auction, etc.

Archdiocesan Venezuela Mission Fundraising Event, Sat. Sept. 17 at St. Pascal Baylon Church in St. Paul. To make donations, call 651-777-8116 or 651-251-7778.

Fall Festival, Sun. Sept. 18 at St. John's in Jordan. Mass 8:00 or 10:00 AM. Chicken & Ham Dinner, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM.

Seeds of Hope, Sun. Sept. 18 at St. Edwards's in Bloomington. Dinner and concert benefiting School Sisters of Notre Dame Twin Cities ministries to those most in need. 507-389-4213.

Natural Family Planning Classes, beginning Mon. Sept. 19 at St. John's in Jordan. For more info, Mary Beth 952-934-0382.

Women's Retreat, Sept. 20-22 & Sept. 30-Oct. 2 at Franciscan Retreats in Prior Lake. For more info, call 952-447-2182.

Fr. Robert Altier speaking on **Pope Leo XIII and St. Michael**, Wed. Sept. 28 at St. Michael's Church in St. Michael. 6:00 PM-Rosary & Confessions, 7:00 PM-mass, presentation after mass.

Christian Heritage Tour of Western Japan, 14-day tour in early Oct. 2005 will be approximately \$4,250. Contact Mike @ the Center for Mission @ 651-291-4504 for information.

Cradle of Hope Benefit Concert, Sat. Oct. 1, 8:00 PM at O'Shaughnessy Auditorium at St. Catherine College. Ciaran Sheehan, Irish actor and singer will perform. 651-690-6700.

Fall Benefit Banquet for Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center, Thur. Oct. 6, 7:00 PM Dinner at St. Michael in Prior Lake. \$15/person. Speaker-Kim Jeffries WCCO radio personality. Silent Auction. Call Mary Kay @ 447-3970 or Diane @ 447-6404.

Jim Caviezel at the 2005 Eucharistic Congress, Oct. 7-8 in downtown St. Paul. To register, call 651-488-9683. Tickets/\$15.