

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	9/19	6:30 PM	SP	+Joe & Shirley Meurer
Tuesday	9/20	8:30 AM	SP	+John Jacques
Wednesday	9/21	8:30 AM	SP	+Jeanette Sticha
Thursday	9/22	NO MASS		
Friday	9/23	5:00 PM	SC	+George & Betty Zanmiller
Saturday	9/24	5:00 PM	SP	+Fr. Francis Roach
Sunday	9/25	8:30 AM	SC	+Ken Cottrell
		10:30 AM	SP	For Our Parishioners & Guests

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR September 24 & 25, 2022

St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/24	Dave Streefland
	9/25	Dan Cervenka
Lector	9/24	Shelley Shepherd
	9/25	Diana Schoenbauer
Altar Servers	9/24	Max & Weston Streefland
	9/25	Ben, Claire & Joe Meyer
Ushers	9/24	Mark Rezac
	9/25	Norman Sticha

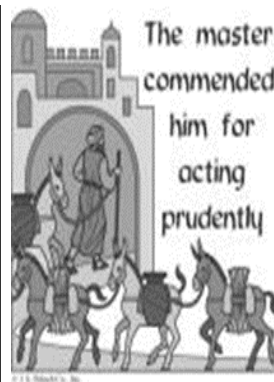
St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/25	Deanna Vochoska
Lector	9/25	Donna Wright
Altar Servers	9/25	Volunteer
Ushers	9/25	Joe Shelton, Frank Simons
Greeters	9/25	Kathy Conway, Janet Ryan

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at 10:00am. (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:

9/18	Fr. Hoang Nguyen
9/19	Fr. Thomas Niehaus
9/20	Fr. Timothy Norris
9/21	Fr. Matthew Northencold
9/22	Fr. Peter Nosbush
9/23	Fr. James Notebart
9/24	Fr. Bruno Nwachukwu



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 September of My Years

One of my favorite albums is Frank Sinatra's "September of My Years," which he recorded the year I was born. It has 13 beautiful songs in which a man reflects on the realization that time has passed him by. The first line in the title song sets the tone: "One day you turn around, and it's summer; next day you turn around, and it's fall. And the springs and the winters of a lifetime, whatever happened to them all." Even though this album has no explicit religious references it does express some truths that our faith teaches us. The above verse sounds much like Psalm 103: 13-17: "For He knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust. Our days are like the grass; like flowers of the field we blossom. The wind sweeps over us and we are gone; our place knows us no more."

It takes no faith to realize this, only mere observation. The reality is that life is short. Whether it's the summer or a lifetime, time passes by so quickly. This inevitable fact can be rather depressing and hopeless. But our faith changes this outlook giving it meaning and hope. Life does not simply run out. It is realized completely in the eternal life that Jesus promises those who love Him. "He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away...they will look upon His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. 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 21:4:22:4-5). This is the awesome destiny and opportunity that lies before us. Because of our faith, the passage of time can be filled with hope rather than dread and regret.

But we can also see what a gift and opportunity time is. Our time here on earth is short and we cannot afford to waste it. Every day gives us an opportunity to grow in the love and knowledge of God. It is an opportunity that we cannot afford to miss. "Make no mistake; God is not mocked, for a person will reap only what he sows...so then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith" (Ephesians 6:7,10). Then, rather than "reaching back for yesterdays", we can eagerly await the bright promise of immortality.

~Fr. Michael J. Miller



ST. PATRICK

CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER: Scott & Karla Schmidt, Paul & Diana Schoenbauer, Sam & Kerri Schoenbauer, Terrie Schoenbauer, Kristi Schulte, Chris & Shelley Shepherd, *Tony & Mary Simek, Jim Simek, Mark Simek, Cyril & Natalie Simon

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.

ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, September 19th at 7:00pm in the Social Hall.

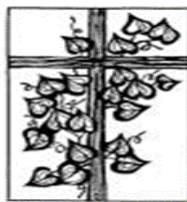
GROUP III STEAK/CHICKEN COOK-OUT & SILENT AUCTION: Friday, September 23rd, 5:00-8:00 PM in the Social Hall. \$17 for 12 oz. top sirloin steak OR 1/2 grilled chicken dinner. \$3 kids meal available.

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. Sign up sheets are in the back of Church.

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 9/11/22
“Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts”*

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,644.00
Weekly Basket Collections:	\$ 1,196.00
Weekly Electronic Contributions:	\$ 772.41



ST. CATHERINE

CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER: Kathy Conway, David & Joan Koller

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 2nd and at St. Patrick after the 5pm and 10:30am Masses on September 24/25. The Autumn Dinner is Tuesday, October 11th.

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 2nd.

WEDDING BANNERS II: Noah LeVesseur & Karley Branscomb

CCW MEETING: The CCW will be regrouping and continuing our activities and services to benefit our Church. Please join us after Mass on Sunday, October 2nd to plan the upcoming year. All women of the parish are invited to participate.

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Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,234.00
Weekly Basket Collection:	\$ 1,049.00
Fuel Collection:	\$ 100.00



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.

2ND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend for fuel.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday	9/21/2022	Grades 1-8 Class 6:30-7:30 PM Confirmation–Feed My Starving Children
Sunday	9/25/2022	CGS-class 9:15-10:15 AM Ages 3-5

COMMUNITY EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST: At the KC Hall in New Prague on Sunday, October 2nd serving from 8:00am-12:00pm. Breakfast includes French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee, milk and juice. This is a free will offering, with a portion of the profits going to the KC “Adopt a Seminarian” program.

SAVING LIVES IN A POST-ROE MN MCCL FALL TOUR: Tuesday, October 4, 2022 7-8pm at All Saints Catholic Church 19795 Holyoke Ave Lakeville. All are welcome! For more information visit MCCL.ORG/FALLTOUR.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Have you been intrigued with going on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? Good news: A WWME Weekend is coming to you! There will be a non-residential WWME weekend on Saturday and Sunday, November 12-13 at Holy Cross Catholic School in Webster. With a non-residential weekend, couples arrive on Saturday morning, take in the presentations, go home in the evening and return Sunday morning for more presentations. The weekend concludes with Mass on Sunday afternoon. A non-residential weekend is the same as a residential WWME weekend, only difference is you go home and sleep in your own beds. All meals are provided. The next residential Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is October 7-9, 2022 in Buffalo, MN. More info: twincitieswwme.org or call 612-234-7440.

FRANCISCAN RETREATS & SPIRITUALITY CENTER IN PRIOR LAKE: Will be having a women's weekend on October 14-16. For more information call 952-447-2182.