

## 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	Sept. 7	NO MASS
Tuesday	Sept. 8	8:30 AM (SP) +Erin Kreuser
Wednesday	Sept. 9	8:30 AM (SP) St. Patrick Men's Club
Thursday	Sept. 10	8:30 AM (SC) St. Catherine C.C.W.
Friday	Sept. 11	NO MASS
Saturday	Sept. 12	5:00 PM (SP) +Erin Kreuser
Sunday	Sept. 13	8:30 AM (SC) +Lawrence Jacques 10:30 AM (SP) For our parishioners, guests, & visitors

### ST. PATRICK

#### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

**SEPTEMBER:** \*Michael & Betty Hahn, Melvin & Kathy Gregory, Bob & Maria Hanson, Brian & Renee Hartman, Joseph & Mindee Hemann, Steven & Aimee Henry, Mike & Lynne Hoffman, Leo & Gloria Jacques. Altar Linens: Agnes DeGross.

**WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?** Sept. 7: Fr. Harry Winter, Sept. 8: Fr. Peter Wittman, Sept. 9: Fr. James Wolnik, Sept. 10: Fr. Raymond Won, Sept. 11: Fr. Timothy Wozniak, Sept. 12: Fr. Timothy Yanta, Sept. 13: Fr. James Zappa.

*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.*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to lead the rosary 20 minutes before the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday and 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday. Call the parish office to volunteer.

**SOUTHWEST DEANERY FALL INSTITUTE:** Tuesday, September 22nd at St. Mary in LeCenter starting with Mass at 6:00 PM. The cost for the event is \$8.00 per person. This will include dinner and two great speakers. Please call and make your reservations with Marian Hertaus, call 612-240-4013. Please call before September 16th to make your reservation. St. Patrick C.C.W. will pay your way if you want to go.

**MALA STRANA ROSARY** is on Wednesday, September 23rd. If you're able to help out, contact Vickie Cross @ 952-461-3036.

**MISSION EVENT:** Thursday, October 22nd at St. John's in Jordan. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Bring your address labels for the raffle. Admission for this years Mission Event will be Personal Hygiene Products. Flyer coming soon.

**GROUP III STEAK/CHICKEN COOKOUT & SILENT AUCTION:** Friday, October 9, 5:00-9:00 PM in the social hall. \$12.00/person for 12 oz. top sirloin steak or 1/2 BBQ chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, garlic bread, & dessert. \$2.00/child-hot dog & chips. Come, see, and bid on the silent auction items. Group III members please bring 2 loaves of garlic bread and bars/cookies Thursday evening between 6:00-7:30 PM. Contact Lisa DeGross with silent auction items @ 952-461-4213.

**THANK YOU!** A BIG thank you to Chad & Emily Sandey and Diana & Paul Schoenbauer for chairing the Parish Festival!!! We appreciate all your hard work. *St. Patrick Parishioners*

The S.W. Deanery has taken on the project of **CAPS OF LOVE**. Please help by seeing the poster in the entryway for the acceptable and unacceptable caps. Please sort and clean them. Put into separate bags and place them in the recycling can in the entryway. Thank you. *St. Patrick C.C.W*

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 12 & 13, 2015

#### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	9/12	Jim & Kelley DeGross, Tony Jirik
	9/13	Ron & Kathy McBroom, Everett & Joan Nelson
Lectors	9/12	Brianne Jirik
	9/13	Julie Volk
Acolytes	9/12	Hayden & Mason DeGross, Dan DeGross
	9/13	Alyssa Volk, Hannah Langeberg, Elias DeGeest
Ushers	9/12	Roman Stepka, Matt Sirek
	9/13	Darryl Volk, Norm Sticha
Greeters	9/13	Dan & Deb Cervenka

#### St. Catherine

Extraordinary Ministers	9/13	Joel & Deanna Vochoska, Steve & Jude Boeser
Lector	9/13	Rosemary Hatcher
Acolytes	9/13	Addey & Karley Vochoska, Molly O'Hern
Ushers	9/13	Shawn O'Hern, Frank Simons
Greeters	9/13	Kathy Prochaska, Margaret Sharkey

*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!  
\*The parish office will be closed Monday, September 7 (Labor Day).*

### READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2015 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Isaiah 50:4c-9a  
Second Reading: James 2:14-18  
Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-35

#### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
Sunday Collection August 30, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 1,752.50  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,867.00



## ST. CATHERINE



### CHURCH CLEANING FOR THE MONTH OF

**SEPTEMBER:** Frank & Cathy Simons, Rick & Linda Sirek, Allen & Cathy Svoboda, Ken & Connie Svoboda.

**A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL:** If you are a visitor you are invited to sign the welcome book in the entry way and come and worship with us again.

**150TH SET-UP AND TAKE DOWN:** Set-up for the 150th Celebration will be Saturday, September 12th at 9:00 AM. The tents will be set up by Prior Lake Rental, but ALL of the tables and chairs from the basement will be brought outside, so many hands are needed to make the work fast and fun. And please plan on having fun bringing them back down again on Sunday at 6:30 PM. You are important to help make this a memorable day. We appreciate all that you are able to help with.

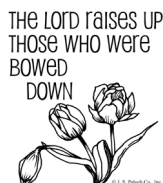
**150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** St. Catherine is celebrating their 150th year of the founding of the parish! Please join us on Sunday, September 13 for Mass at 3:00 PM, a history presentation, fellowship, and a meal. The meal will be served from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. All are welcome!

**ST. CATHERINE 30TH ANNUAL AUTUMN DINNER:** Mark your calendars, Tuesday, October 13th at the V.F.W. in Prior Lake. If you have a talent or gift to offer for the Silent Auction, please call Kathy @ 952-440-6740.

#### Stewardship of Treasure

*"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"*  
Sunday Collection August 30, 2015

Received this week.....\$ 966.00  
Weekly budget requirement.....\$ 1,101.00



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

**PARISHES:** Laura Ryan, Nicole Wood, Evelyn Scheffler, Francis Stepka, Celeste Wilson, John Chruscinsky, Bill Ronayne, Robert Richardson, Dave Hover, Debbie Bell (Cathy Theis' cousin), Jerry Cavanaugh (Jodie Puncochar & Jim Cavanaugh's dad), Alex Schlink, Ev Nelson, Brie Theis, Mary Jane Keep, Paul Lambrecht, Braden Flicek, Cynthia Troendle, Pat Scharf, Beatrice Mushitz, Mike Zender, Jack & Jane Eiseman (parents of Jacque Bittner), Shannon Quinn, Rosetta Shea, Gerry Jensen (cousin of Jan St. Aubin), Therese Ryan, Florian Bauman (Bryan Bittner's uncle), Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Grace Bittner, Laura Stepka, Joe Scheffler, Benoit Stepka, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

**SHOE BOXES:** It's that time of year again. Please bring your empty shoe boxes to church for the CCD Papal Footprints Project. They can also be brought with your student to Wednesday night Religious Education. Thank you.

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

Sunday, September 13	S.C.	150th Anniversary
Friday, October 9	S.P.	Group III Steak Fry
Tuesday, October 13	S.C.	Autumn Dinner
Sunday, November 1	S.C.	Turkey Bingo
Friday, November 13	S.P.	Men's Club Euchre Tournament

Wed. Sept 9	7:00 PM	Orientation for Confirmation parents, teachers, & students.
Wed. Sept. 16	7:00 PM	Orientation for all parents, teachers, & students in grades 1-8.
Wed. Sept. 23	6:45-8:00 PM	Religious Education Class, Grades 1-9.

## FROM THE PASTOR

### Ever Ancient, Ever New

*For hundreds of thousands of people, the Minnesota State Fair is a ritual that marks the end of summer. As soon as we see the commercials and the news broadcasts from the Fair we know that school is right around the corner, and the restful pace of summer is almost over. There is a great sense of nostalgia that many feel when they go to the Fair. I used to go every year with my parents when I was young. When I had 4-H projects I would spend a few days there. I remember best when I was 13 and gave a demonstration on the digestive system of a cow and won a purple ribbon. In 1986 I started a 12 year run on the "Cannon Mess" with Steve Cannon on WCCO where I would show up and talk to him on the air. I do not go much anymore, but when I do I visit certain places that bring back those happy memories from my youth. It is nice to see those things that don't change, and yet it interesting to see the new things each year as well. There is something deep inside each of us that longs for the unchanging; something we can count on always. And yet, we still like to see and experience things that are new and unknown.*

*God satisfies all these longings of our soul: He is unchanging in His love, mercy, goodness, beauty. He lavishes all this upon us from the first moment of our existence: "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you" (Jer. 1:5). And yet God is always new: there is always something new that we can discover about Him because he is infinite. As St. John of the Cross puts it: "He is like a rich mine containing treasures: however deep we dig, we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides. For this reason the Apostle Paul said of Christ, 'In Him are hidden all the treasures of the wisdom and knowledge of God.'"*

*St. Augustine, whose feast day is August 28th finally discovered this beautiful reality after wandering about for some 30 years searching for happiness. When he opened his heart to God he lamented in his great work The Confessions: "Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved You!" But he rejoiced in having found why he could never find happiness anywhere else: "Our hearts were made for Thee O God, and they are restless until they rest in Thee."*