

Tri-Parish Catholic Community News



St. Patrick Catholic Church
436 W. Main St, LeRoy, MN 55951
Sunday Mass @ 8:30 a.m.



St. Finbarr Catholic Church
504 1st St SW, Grand Meadow, MN 55936
Saturday Mass @ 5:00 p.m.



St. Ignatius Catholic Church
213 W. Franklin St, Spring Valley, MN 55975
Sunday Mass @ 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 16, 2018 **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

All human relationships are based on communication, understanding and acceptance. The Bible tells us that God created man and called him from non-life to life, from nothingness to existence, in order to build a deep relationship expressed in honoring, loving and serving him. Generally we find three types of persons in life: persons who listen attentively to God, persons who suffer for God and persons who deeply experience the presence of God and live in it. A well designed life has both joy and sorrow, thought and action. A life of Joy and no sorrow can become like a terrain with all sunshine and no rain, a barren desert. Both sufferings and joy, and both faith and good works are necessary for the life of a good

Christian. We realize that every human person is the being whom God has enabled to “listen”, like the disciples. He is a disciple of God, which entails not only theoretical listening, but also the kind of listening that leads to action, to the implementation of what he has heard, of the original voice that precedes him and that regulates his life. In other words, man is an obedient disciple of God. Suffering is the anvil on which man is forged; it is the mold in which his personality is shaped; it is the real and mysterious code of the human condition. However, man is the being assisted by God, in whom God shows his constant and effective presence. However God wants man to search the divine presence in him. In the Gospel of today Jesus asks disciples who they think he really is and Peter responds to say that Jesus is the Messiah, the chosen one. But he misunderstands the full implication of the Messiah.

Thanks to the Steinkamp family for hosting the Harvest Mass, John Warmka for the use of the tent, and to all those that were involved in organizing and making the Harvest Mass a successful one.

God bless!

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Saturday, September 22nd @ 5:00 pm for The People

Liturgy Schedule for Sat, Sept. 22nd @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: *Youth Mass - Grades 9 & 1*
 Ushers: *Youth Mass - Grades 9 & 1*
 Servers: Adyson Brogan & Heidi Weiss
 Lector: *Youth Mass - Grades 9 & 1*
 Gifts: *Youth Mass - Grades 9 & 1*
 EM: John Baldus, Kristal Brogan, Lee Baldus
 Counters: Rochelle Fay and Dom Stier

Offering from September 8, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 879.00
 Received YTD: \$13,437.00

- **Christmas Box of Joy Collection:** Faith formation students will be collecting money during the offertory at Mass for the next few weeks to go towards Cross Catholic's Outreach's Box of Joy Program. With your donation, the students & teachers will be able to shop for as many items as possible that will fit into a shoebox. Through Cross Catholic Outreach's Box of Joy program, you can ensure that these children of developing countries are not deprived of Christmas blessings this year. Thank you for your generosity.
- **Mission Circle:** needs extra help for tying quilts on the first Wednesday of the month. Come each month or when you can. We desperately need more hands. St Finbarr's Mission Society. We meet a 1pm -3pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month.
- **Parish Yard Clean up:** will be on Saturday, September 22nd at 1:00 pm. We will be trimming and removing old shrubbery and cleaning up the tree line south of the parking lot. Bring a rake and gloves. Come for an hour or the afternoon. The Church Council will serve dinner after Mass. Grilled brats, hot dogs, buns, chips and drinks will be provided. Salads and desserts are welcome. Everyone is invited.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, September 19th @ 8:30 am Lorraine Brekke †
 Sunday, September 23rd @ 8:30 am for Georgina Davis †

Liturgy Schedule for Sun, Sept. 23rd @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Nick & Kathi Bunne
 Ushers: Mike Welsh & Rod Miller
 Servers: Aaron & Rachel Anderson
 Lectors: Mike Harrington & Barb Payne
 Gifts: Chad & Trish Bunde
 EM: Rick Roe, Mike Harrington, Chuck V.
 Counters: Paul Yoch & Jodi Miller

Offering from September 9, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 334.00
 Received YTD: \$9,740.00
 Harvests Mass: \$ 204.00

- **"The Tabernacle Experience"** The LeRoy Area Ministerial Association invites you to "The Tabernacle Experience" on Saturday, September 22nd at the Freeborn County Fairgrounds. The Tabernacle was the portable tent that was the earthly meeting place of God with the Israelites from the time of the Exodus from Egypt through the conquering of the land of Canaan. The LeRoy Bus Line will provide transportation at \$5.00 per person. Tickets for the narrated journey are \$6.00/adults and \$3.00 for children. The bus will leave LeRoy at 1:30 and be back to LeRoy by 5:30. Anyone wishing to enjoy this program please contact Joyce Arndorfer or Pat Utz (324-5388) as soon as possible.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Friday, September 21st @ 10 am at Care Center for Lucille Rathbun †
 Sunday, September 23rd @ 10:30 am for Joe Wolf †

Liturgy Schedule for Sun, Sept. 23rd @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Ralph & Janice Drees
 Ushers: V. Comstock, M. Souhrada, T. & P. Walsh
 Servers: Paul Mettler & Charlie Emig
 Lectors: Pat Walsh & Tim Engesser
 Gifts: Joe & Amy Mulhern
 EM: Team 3
 Counters: Team 3

Offering from September 9, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ No Mass
 Received YTD: \$14,985.00

- **Faith Formation Teachers Needed:** Please contact Mychelle or Nichol ASAP if you're interested or have questions.
- **Youth Group Leaders Needed:** Youth Group Leader(s) needed to lead this year's Youth Group. Please contact Mychelle or Nichol.
- **Adult Choir:** will sing on Sunday, September 23rd @ 10:30 am Mass.



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- **Next Week's Mass Schedule:** Fr. Marreddy will be out of town attending a priest meeting in Okoboji, therefore there will not be weekday Masses at St. Finbarr or St. Ignatius. Fr. Collins will say Mass on Wednesday at St. Patrick. Adoration will take place at all three parishes.
- **Thank you!** Thank you to Pat and Rhea Steinkamp for hosting our annual Harvest Mass this year. Father Marreddy and Father Collins for celebrating our Mass. To John and Carol Warmka for donating the use of their tent. To everyone who helped with setting up the tent, parking cars, preparing and serving the food, Pat Utz and the choir, the Confirmation students for their help and to all who helped clean up afterwards. It was a great success and a beautiful day.
- **St. Ignatius Fall Festival:** You are invited to St. Ignatius' Fall Festival on Sunday, September 16th. Barbecued Chicken Dinner with baked potato, coleslaw, bun, beverage and pie. Serving between 11 and 1 or until gone. \$8 for ¼ chicken, \$11 for ½ chicken. We will also have many items for a Silent Auction with bidding going on until 1:30 p.m. A Garden/Bake Sale will be happening and also that day will be winners drawn for our \$5/ticket raffle, which can be purchased from any St. Ignatius member or on the day of. Ten great prizes will be given away. The St. Ignatius Youth Group will be hosting games in the church yard for children. Come check out the fun!
- **You're Invited:** to attend the Annual Ham & Beef Supper St. John's Lutheran Church of rural Elkton on Wednesday, September 19th. The serving of the family style meal will be from 4 – 7:30 pm. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12 years and Free for kids under 5.
- **Scott Balbach Benefit:** Saturday, September 29th at Spring Valley Community Center from 4 - 8 pm. There will be a Dinner and Silent Auction... watch for flyers. Menu: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and desert. Perfect time for Confirmation students to get in some hours of community service. Contact Marcy Capelle for times needed. We need 24 pans of bars and are asking for our ladies to donate them.
- **You're Invited:** Immaculate Conception Church of rural Kellogg will hold their annual fall dinner on Sunday, October 7th. Serving FAMILY STYLE chicken and ham dinner from 11 am – 2 pm. Other activities include: Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, Garden Produce & Grocery Cart Raffle. Take-Outs available.
- **Marriage Anniversary Mass:** Bishop Quinn, in recognition and gratitude of your years of marriage, requests the honor of your presence at the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass: Sunday, September 16, 2018. The Mass will begin at 2:00 pm at Good Shepherd Church in Jackson, MN, followed by a light reception with the Bishop, which will include the presentation of anniversary certificates. Family and friends are encouraged to attend! Please register at www.dow.org.



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Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, Sept. 19th – Class for grades 1, 5-10 @ 7:00 pm. Grades 2-4 will go to Dexter to partake in the "Food Pack for Hope". Kids need to be to church by 6:30. We may return to church at or little after 8:00.
- ⇒ Sunday, Sept. 23rd – Tri-Parish Rite of Commitment in Spring Valley @ 10:30 Mass. Confirmation students & Sponsor must be in SV at 10:15.

St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, Sept. 19th – Class @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Sept. 23rd – Tri-Parish Rite of Commitment in Spring Valley @ 10:30 Mass. Confirmation students & Sponsor must be in SV at 10:15.

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, Sept. 19th - Registration for Preschool - 10th Grade @ 6:30 pm. **This will be the ONLY registration date.** Parents and students are required to attend.
- ⇒ Wednesday, Sept. 19th - Class begins for 5 - 9th graders @ 7:00 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Sept. 23rd - Class begins for 10th graders @ 9:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Sept. 23rd - Class begins for Pre K - 4th graders @ 9:15 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Sept. 23rd – Tri-Parish Rite of Commitment in Spring Valley @ 10:30 Mass. Confirmation students & Sponsor must be at church by 10:15.

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Tri-Parish Website: www.tri-parish.net



Sacraments



Baptism: Arrangements for infant baptism are made at least one month in advance. A one hour Pre-Jordan session is required for parents who have not participated in one previously. Baptism is preferably celebrated during the Mass on Saturday or Sunday. To make arrangements, contact Fr. Marreddy.

Marriage: Arrangements for marriage should begin six months prior to the intended date of the wedding. Marriage preparation requires a series of preparatory meetings and a marriage encounter weekend. This sacrament is not celebrated during Lent or Holy Week.

Confession: This is offered before the Saturday Mass from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m., before or after daily Mass in the respective parishes or by appointment with Father Marreddy.



Eucharistic Adoration

St. Finbarr:

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – Noon

St. Patrick:

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – Noon

St. Ignatius:

Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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