

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 30, 2018 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Readings: Numbers 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Our world is a challenging world and in this world we are all called to be prophets of God. We are invited to announce the good news of God's deep love for each one of us. It is indeed important that we manifest this call in our behavior and daily activities and more importantly through our words. A prophet is one who stands for the values of God against the values of the world. Today the population in the world has crossed seven billion and nearly half the population does not have sufficient food for its sustenance. Some people live in misery, being sick and homeless, with no one to take care of them. While the scientists look for solutions such as population control, the church sees the solution in proper personal development. All the followers of Jesus we have to play an important role to reduce the hardship and pain in the world of today. Our liturgy of today invites us to understand the meaning of discipleship and the need of our fidelity to the Lord as his chosen persons. The scripture today reminds us of our noble heritage and of our duty to embrace our traditions and pass them forward to others. In the Gospel Jesus articulates the broad principles of discipleship. He says that anyone who is not against us is for us. What is important is the service of humanity. In the second reading James addresses those who have piled up the ill-gotten goods. Both their wealth and they themselves are doomed to destruction. He gives warning to those who have made gods out of their riches.

God bless!



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St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, October 2nd @ 8:30 am for Rosemary Cavadini
Saturday, October 6th @ 5:00 pm for Margaret Baudoin †

Liturgy Schedule for Sat, Oct. 6th @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: Tom & Kristal Brogan
Ushers: Gerald Brogan & Dom Stier
Servers: Lucie Voigt & Emily Kelzer
Lector: Masie Voigt
Gifts: Tom & Kristal Brogan
EM: Troy Gehling, D/L Arndorfer, Mariah Weiss
Counters: Karen Weelborg & Clint Weiss

Offering from September 22, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 315.00
Received YTD: \$13,814.00

- **Mission Circle:** needs extra help 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.
- **Thank You:** Thank you to everyone who helped with the lawn and grove cleanup. To everyone who brought a truck, trailer, gator, chain saw, clippers, shovel or rake we could not have gotten so much done without your equipment. An amazing group of workers got a lot of work done in just a few hours. It was a beautiful day to work for St. Finbarr's Parish. Thank you to Travis Warmka for manning the grill for the brats & hot dogs.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, October 3rd @ 8:30 am Jerry Smith †
Sunday, October 7th @ 8:30 am for The People

Liturgy Schedule for Sun, Oct. 7th @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Jerry & Pat Utz
Ushers: Bruce Diemer & Dan Evans
Servers: Kelly Hanson & Nadiya Evans
Lectors: Jodi Miller & Kathy Stern
Gifts: Wendy Vikre Family
EM: J. Arndorfer, L. Rickerl, M. Harrington
Counters: Dave Miller & Mike Harrington

Offering from September 23, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 749.00
Received YTD: \$9,834.00

- **CCW Meeting:** The next CCW meeting will be on Monday, October 1st at 7 pm in the church basement. The committee for this month is: Barb Payne, Sharon Jacobson, Kate Rohrer, Pat Hovde, Eileen Evans, Kathy Mason, Shirley Miller, Kris Tucke, Becky Bunne and Wendy Huff.
- **Leftover Christmas Boxes:** If you have any of the Christmas boxes at home that you are going to put together and/or fill, would you return them to church or let Barb Payne or Joyce know. Thank you.
- **The annual Rosary Rally:** is to be held at 12:00 noon at St. Patrick's in LeRoy on Saturday, October 13th to commemorate the 101st Anniversary of the Fatima Miracle. Please join us to pray for the church, our country & for people to return to the faith.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thursday, October 4th @ 8:30 am for Stephen Glady †
Friday, October 5th @ 10 am at Care Center for Robert Langdon †
Sunday, October 7th @ 10:30 am for Bob Blahnik †

Liturgy Schedule for Sun, Oct. 7th @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Tim & Pam Walsh
Ushers: C. Reineke, J. Deatsch, J. Mulhern, V. Comstock
Servers: Alison Graff & Merredith Farlinger
Lectors: Crystal Colwell & Joe Mulhern
Gifts: Tim & Pam Walsh
EM & Counters: Team 5

Offering from September 23, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 967.00
Received YTD: \$20,835.00

- **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 again this year. Please contact Mychelle or Nichol.
- **Need Help Around the Home:** Kiwanis volunteers are available to help on projects that you are unable to do (lawn clean up, minor painting, window washing, etc.). For more information call Steve @ 507-346-9836 or Jay @ 507-346-1751.
- **Congratulations!** Congratulations to Kingsland senior & St. Ignatius member, Lauren Buchholtz for hitting 1,000 volleyball 'kills' this week, along with being KTTC 'Athlete of the Week,' and Homecoming Queen last week. Lauren is a very positive role model for all students! Best wishes in all you do, Lauren!
- **THANK YOU** to the adult volunteers for cleaning on Sept 8: Angie, Chari, JoAnn, John, Joanne, Kathy, De, Nichol & Kayla. **THANK YOU** to the youth volunteers for cleaning on Sept 12: Madison, Hailey, Jonathan, Caden, Maddie, Susie, Paul, Claire, Reid & Cole. Your work was very much appreciated! **THANK YOU** to the volunteers for providing bars for Faith Formation Registration: Connie, Charlene, Marcy, Rebecca, Nichol, Rita, Russ & Joanie, Chuck & Maranda. A great way to start off the year!!
- **Order MCCL Christmas Decorations:** Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life of Fillmore County will be taking orders after Mass for Christmas Decoration from September 30th through October 30th.
- **Reminder:** If you were not able to donate to the Garden/Bake Sale at the Fall Festival by goods or monetary, please place your donation in the weekend collection these next few weeks with an envelope marked Bake Sale. Suggested amount is \$5 per family.
- **Thank You!** Thank You to all who helped in any way this past weekend for our 43rd Annual Fall Festival. Also thank you to all who attended. It was greatly appreciated.



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- **Emergency Special Collection:** The United States Council of Catholic Bishops is assisting Catholic Charities USA in its role as the official domestic relief agency of the U.S. Catholic Church. The USCCB has asked us to have an emergency second collection to help support those who have been impacted by Hurricane Florence. Please support our parish's special collection next weekend. Checks should be made payable to parish you belong to. For more information on how to help those in need go to www.usccb.org or www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. Thank you for your generosity.
- **Next K of C Meeting:** will be on Monday October 1st in the St. Ignatius hall. Supper will be at 6 PM with meeting to follow.
- **Christmas Catholic Outreach Christmas Boxes of Joy:** Christmas Boxes are again available in the back of church at all three parishes. Please read the directions included in each box for how to pack a box because the list of acceptable items varies somewhat from former years. IF POSSIBLE, also enclose nine dollars in the enclosed envelope to cover postage. Again this year, if you wish to participate but do not wish to shop, donations of cash would be welcomed to cover the cost of boxes and/or postage. Please contact Barb Payne (324-5778) in LeRoy, Becky Oehlke (259-3782) or Kitty Kerns (440-6616) in Grand Meadow or Missy Jones (507-884-0002) or Eleanore Jones (507-937-3460) in Spring Valley for questions. Return the filled boxes to church NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 3rd.
- **Tri-Parish Baby Bottle Campaign Starts October 7th:** Help Catholic Charities Pregnancy, Parenting, and Adoption Programs provide assistance to pregnant women and women with babies through the Mother and Child Assistance Fund by taking a baby bottle home on Respect Life Sunday, October 7th, and filling it with your spare change during the month of October. Donations go directly to assisting women across Southern Minnesota who are choosing life for their babies. Catholic Charities assists more than 150 women of all faiths every year. "Since I'm not working, the Mother and Child Fund will keep a roof over my family's head until I've recovered from labor and deliver." -Alexis
- **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.
- **Corporate Communion Mass and Breakfast:** will be held at St. John's Church in Johnsbury, MN on Sunday, Oct. 7th. The 11:00 AM Mass will be said for the living members of Catholic United Financial. A breakfast will be served in the Church Hall following Mass. All are welcome.
- **October 13th – Owatonna is the place to be!** Join women from across the Diocese of Winona-Rochester for this first of its kind gathering. Theme for the day is "Look to Mary." Enjoy speakers, Mass with Bishop Quinn, Rosary in honor of our Lady of Fatima, lunch, exhibits and more! Register on-line at www.dow.org or pick up a registration form in the parish office. A day you won't want to miss. Celebrate with your sisters in Christ!
- **Your Invited to the Farm to Table Pork Dinner:** St. Columban's Catholic Church is hosting this dinner on Sunday, Oct 14th from 11 am – 1:30 pm at their church located @ 408 Preston St. in Preston. They will be serving pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, corn, coleslaw, applesauce, buns, homemade pies and beverages. Cost: Adults:\$12, Children 5-12: \$6, Children under 5 are free. Carryouts available.
- **Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information** The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at www.dow.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona-Rochester implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Mary Hamann, at 507-858-1244, or mhamann@dow.org.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

⇒ Wednesday, Oct. 3rd – Class for grades 1-10 @ 7:00 pm.

St. Patrick

⇒ Wednesday, Oct. 3rd – Class @ 6:45 pm

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, Oct. 3rd – Band Practice @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Wednesday, Oct. 3rd - Class for grades 5 - 9 @ 7:00 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Oct. 7th - Class for 10th graders @ 9:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Oct. 7th - Class for Pre K - 4th graders @ 9:15 am

Please attend Mass every week with your children.

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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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