

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, November 11, 2018 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

God loves a cheerful giver, the one who is willing to part with things without any hesitation. Compassion and care for others surely prompt our own giving. To give to the other involves sacrifice on the part of the giver. God lavished beauty, complexity and grandeur in creating the world. God, the creator of all, is responsible for all the blessings we enjoy. Life in this world was given to each of us as an undeserved, free gift. We have unequal physical talents, features, and abilities, plus diverse spiritual and intellectual gifts as well. They vary a lot from person to person, but what they all have in common is that they come as free gifts from God who didn't have to create any of us. God invites us to live a sincere and honest life in accordance with the will of God. In the first reading a prophet offers life to a poor widow and her son. The woman only has to respond in faith and God will take care of her needs. She generously and willingly gave to the prophet what little she had and God blessed her abundantly. In the Gospel Jesus teaches that ostentatious behavior by religious leaders and large contributions made by the wealthy to the Temple. But a poor widow contributes all she had to God and receives appreciation from Jesus.

Blessings!



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St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, November 13th @ 8:30 am for Family Members of
Norbert & Edith Burke
Friday, Nov. 16th @ 10 am at Assisted Living for Helen Botzetinho
Saturday, November 17th @ 5:00 pm for The People

Offering from November 3, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 1,131.00
Received YTD: \$23,307.00

Liturgy Schedule for Saturday, Nov. 17th @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: Kitty Kerrins
Ushers: Fran Baudoin & Rich Schaufler
Servers: Carson Paul & Cole Weiss
Lector: Kitty Kerrins
Gifts: Eric & Jenny Gehling
EM: Becky Oehlke, Heather Voigt, Theresa Wolff
Counters: Dawn Stier & Trudy Swanson

- **Thank you from Sacred Heart Haiti Mission:** “We want to thank you for your prayers and generous donation to Sacred Heart Haiti Mission. With your help, the people of Haiti are receiving medical supplies, sheets, school supplies and so much more. We are preparing now to send another container of goods this month. Many students are getting schooling with your help and some families are having homes built or re-built with your help. We have seen many lives changed for the better.”

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 14th @ 8:30 am for Bonnie Harvey †
Wed., Nov 14 @ 6:00 pm for Deceased Knights of Columbus Members
Sunday, November 18th @ 8:30 am for Jean Regan †

Offering from November 4, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 851.00
Received YTD: \$17,155.00

Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Nov. 18th @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Youth
Ushers: Youth
Servers: Youth
Lectors: Youth
Gifts: Youth
EM: Gladys Kasel, Wendy Vikre, Mike Arndorfer
Counters: Dave Miller & Rita Hiller

- **Thank You** to the many men, women, and students of St. Patrick's who helped make the Fall Dinner another successful event. We should be proud of the hardworking, generous spirit of our church family...and we certainly appreciate that beautiful new kitchen!
- **Proceeds from Fall Dinner:** St. Patrick Fall Dinner had revenue of \$1,344.00. The raffle brought in \$716.00 and was donated to LeRoy Food Shelf. The bake sale brought in \$164.00 and was donated to Fathers Fund. We served 234 people. Thank you to all those that helped and attended our dinner.
- **Cookies Needed:** On November 18th and 25th there will be a signup sheet at the back of Church to help furnish cookies for the ambulance cookie walk to be held on Saturday, December 1st. Please put down the kind of cookies you will donate and if possible three dozen. Thank you.
- **Needed:** A chairperson to be in charge of the Fall Dinner for 2019. Please let Barb Payne or Deb Reburn know if you would be willing to do this.
- **A special Thank You** to Becky Bunne for always decorating our Altar and church so beautifully. It is always a joy to come into church and see how beautiful it is.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thursday, November 15th @ 8:30 am for Rose E. Dingels †
Sunday, November 18th @ 10:30 am for Peggy Stier †

Offering from November 4, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 1,773.00
Received YTD: \$28,469.00

Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Nov. 18th @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Youth
Ushers: Youth
Servers: Youth
Lectors: Youth
Gifts: Youth
EM: Team 6
Counters: Team 6

- **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.
- **Spring Valley Food Shelf:** To those who are considering donating to the Spring Valley Area Food Shelf, we are always in need of cream soups, chicken noodle soup, canned vegetables, and canned fruit. Channel One foods have not been supplying these items. Thank you in advance.
- **Spring Valley Food Shelf:** Spring Valley Area Food Shelf is accepting children's snow pants, jackets, caps, boots and mittens, if you have some your children are no longer using. (We are not positioned to accept all clothing, but winter outdoor wear for children would be appreciated.) Thank you for your consideration.
- **SEMCAC Thanksgiving Dinner** will be Tuesday, November 20th @ 10:30 am at the Community Center. Sign up by Friday, November 16th by calling 346-2111 or 346-7795.



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- **Veteran's Day Meatball Meal:** will be held this Sunday, November 11th at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Lanesboro from 11 am – 5 pm or until gone. They will be serving family style – meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, lefse, coleslaw, Norwegian baked goods and more. There will also be a craft and bake shop open 11 am - 4 pm.
- **Adams Council Knights of Columbus** will have their annual Memorial Mass for deceased members on Wednesday, November 14th at 6:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church. Everyone welcome.
- **Tri-Parishes Met our Goal!** This week 101 Christmas boxes from St. Patrick, St. Finbarr and St. Ignatius were delivered to Cross Catholic Outreach. Thanks to the generous donations from our parishioners, we were able to fill and pay the postage for our goal of 100 boxes - and one more for good measure. Thanks to all who participated.
- **Love Lights a Tree:** The Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley is having their annual Love Lights a Tree event 5:00 p.m., Sunday, November 25, 2018, at the former site of the Spring Valley Tourist Information Center. As you know, Love Lights a Tree, is a remembrance for families who have lost loved ones to cancer and other end of life diseases and a fund raiser for families who are currently experiencing medical issues. In the past we have counted on local churches to help us with collecting luminary donations from your congregation in the amount of \$10.00 for one person remembered or \$25.00 for three people remembered. Put the money in an envelope with a note for whom the donation is in honor or memory. Label it LOVE LIGHTS A TREE and put it in the collection box. A Kiwanis member will collect the envelopes on Monday, November 19, unless other arrangements are made for collection. Thank you, for helping the Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley help the community in this very special way.
- **Catholics at the Capitol:** Catholics at the Capitol is an opportunity for Catholics from across the state to gather at the state capitol to build relationships with lawmakers and learn more about the political process. Scheduled for Tuesday, February 19, this non-partisan event will help participants to be effective advocates on issues that impact life and human dignity, and provide resources to work for the common good in Minnesota. More information and registration can be found at dow.org.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 14th – Class @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, Nov. 17th– Mass @ 5:00 pm

St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 14th – Class @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 18th – Youth Mass @ 8:30 am – Collection for Food Shelf

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 14th – Band Practice @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 14th – Class for grades 5 - 9 @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, Nov. 17th – Christmas Program Practice for grades Pre K-4th Grade from 9 am – 11 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 18th – Class for 10th graders @ 9:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 18th – Class for Pre K - 4th graders @ 9:15
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 18th – Youth Mass @ 10:30 am

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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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