

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 18, 2018 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. As the church brings its liturgical year to an end, it traditionally presents the knowledge of the end times. This gives us the message that Jesus is the beginning and end of all things, all things exist in and through him. He is the Alpha and the Omega and he is the source of all things. Today when we look around the world, we see so much of sufferings, hardships and pain. There is much corruption, terrorism and poverty. The world experiences the hardships of what is generally termed as the climate change. But here we have a message of hope in the words of Jesus. We visualize the Kingdom of God that offers love, compassion, kindness and mercy, the sign of new hope of the future. Even in the midst of suffering and hardship, the word of God continues to be alive and active. As we wait for the fulfillment of the kingdom of God in Christ and look forward to a just, loving and peaceful world. In the first reading of today we are presented with a holy person seeing the vision of God. He sees that God's faithful people will rise to eternal life. Today's gospel anticipates the dramatic events that will take place at the end times. It speaks of a time of suffering, the sun being darkened, the moon not giving its light, the stars falling from heaven, and the powers of heaven being shaken. It will be a time when heaven and earth will pass away forever. Happy Thanksgiving. May the good Lord bless you and your families abundantly.

Blessings!



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St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Nov. 20th @ 8:30 am for John Haley †
Saturday, Nov. 24th @ 5:00 pm for Adeline Snyder †

Liturgy Schedule for Saturday, Nov. 24th @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: John & Carol Warmka
Ushers: Gerald Brogan & Andrew Gehling
Servers: Hanna Stier & Heidi Weiss
Lector: Becky Oehlke
Gifts: Jeremy & Lisa Glynn
EM: Dawn Stier, Jordyn Glynn, Lisa Glynn
Counters: Tiffany Davis & Rochelle Fay

Offering from November 10, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 1,073.00
Received YTD: \$24,380.00

- **Mission Circle:** will meet on Wednesday, November 28th at 1 pm in the social hall.
- **Community Involvement:** There is an exciting opportunity coming up for members of the community to share and give ideas to the community leaders on what is going well and provide ideas to improve upon the successes of the Grand Meadow Community. It does not matter if you can stop by for 15 minutes or for an hour, make it a priority to stop by the Community Center @ 5:30 pm on the 29th of November to listen, share and learn. Free childcare at the school in the SAC room for people attending the meeting.
- **CCW Meeting:** The next meeting will be on Monday, November 19th @ 6:30 pm.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 21st @ 8:30 am for Fr. Charlie Collins
Sunday, Nov. 25th @ 8:30 am for The People

Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Nov. 25th @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Clarence & Joyce Arndorfer
Ushers: Paul Yoch & Steve Kasel
Servers: Nathan & Sarah Kiefer
Lectors: Gladys Kasel & Chuck Vogelgesang
Gifts: Chad & Trish Bundy
EM: Becky Bunne, Kathy Stern, Joyce Arndorfer
Counters: Gene Miller & Cathy Yoch

Offering from November 11, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 646.00
Received YTD: \$17,801.00

- **Cookies Needed:** please sign-up at the back of church to 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.
- **The annual Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service** will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ostrander on Wednesday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m. You are invited to bring canned food for the food shelves. Everyone is welcome.
- **New Facebook Page:** You can now follow "St. Patrick's Church" on Facebook. Go ahead and "Like" our page to keep up on current news and information.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thursday, Nov. 22nd @ 8:30 am for Tom & Margaret Mettler
Friday, Nov. 23rd @ 10 am at Care Center for Jean Ries †
Sunday, Nov. 25th @ 10:30 am for Paul Mathison †

Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Nov. 25th @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Joan Musel
Ushers: T & P Walsh, V. Comstock, J. Mulhern
Servers: Tyler Evans & Reid Kruegel
Lectors: Shirley Deatsch & John Gladys
Gifts: Rosann Sanford & Ron Neis
EM: Team 1
Counters: Team 1

Offering from November 11, 2018

Weekly Support: \$ 2,093.00
Received YTD: \$30,557.00

- **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. We are also 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.
- **Volunteers needed:** Spring Valley Kiwanis is looking for volunteers to ring the bell for the Salvation Army Kettle at Sunshine Foods. You can also sign up at www.kiwanisofspringvalley.org For more information call Steve at 507-346-9836 or Jay at 507-346-1751.
- **Baby Bottle Campaign** will be going on from Nov. 11th through Dec. 2nd. Please pick up your bottle in the back of church and return them on Dec. 2nd. This is to help Catholic Charities' Mother and Child Assistance Fund provide women who are considering adoption and/or parenting with financial assistance. The raised funds help women and children right here in Southern Minnesota! Thank you!
- **Thanksgiving Adoration Schedule:** There will not be adoration on Thursday, November 22nd at St. Ignatius.



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- **Second Collection:** There will be a second collection on the weekend of November 24th and 25th to go towards the Campaign for Human Development which addresses the root causes of poverty in America through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help, organizations and transformative education.
- **Bulletin Correction:** The Christmas Box of Joy Catholic Outreach Collection total was wrong in the bulletin last week. St. Patrick parishioners filled 101 boxes alone! Way to go! St. Ignatius filled 18 boxes – great job for their first year! St. Finbarr filled 40 boxes – about double from last year. As a Tri-Parish we filled 168 total boxes. The entire Austin area, which includes cities of: Adams, Albert Lea, Austin, Blooming Prairie, Dodge Center, Grand Meadow, Hayfield, Johnsburg, LeRoy, Lyle, Rose Creek, Spring Valley and a couple small churches in Iowa filled 430 boxes. Your generosity and compassion will make many, many kids very happy this Christmas – THANK YOU!
- **2019 Support Envelopes:** are available in the back of church in all three parishes. Please pick yours up soon.
- **You're Invited:** The Spring Valley Knights of Columbus is having an all you can eat breakfast on Sunday, November 25 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Menu includes: scrambled eggs, sausage, French toast, pancakes, biscuits & gravy & beverage. All proceeds will go to the Spring Valley Food Shelf.
- **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.
- **Catholic United Financial-St. Theresa #146** will be holding their annual Family Christmas Party at St. John's Hall in Johnsburg, MN on Sunday, December 2, 2018. A full meal will be provided at noon. Bingo and prizes to follow.
- **Reminder:** The Tri-Parish website is updated regularly and is very user-friendly. Please use it to check on the Mass schedule, Liturgy Schedule, Faith Formation Schedule, Death Notices, and all announcements within the tri-parish. www.tri-parish.net

Sacrament Celebrated

Walter James Mulhern, son of Adam Mulhern and Autumn McGee was baptized on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at St. Ignatius Parish in Spring Valley. Congratulations Walter, Adam & Autumn.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 21st – No Class @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, Nov. 24th – Mass @ 5:00 pm

St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 21st – No Class @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 25th – Mass @ 8:30 am

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 21st – No Band Practice @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 21st – No Class for grades 5 - 9 @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Thursday, Nov. 22nd – Thanksgiving Mass @ 8:30 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 25th – No Class for 10th graders @ 9:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 25th – No Class for Pre K - 4th graders @ 9:15
- ⇒ Sunday, Nov. 25th – 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 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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