

# 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 25, 2018

### Feast of Christ the King



#### From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33-37

On the last Sunday of the liturgical year the church celebrates the Feast of Christ the King. This feast expresses the all-embracing authority of Christ as King and Lord of the Universe. This feast helps us to look towards our future and our ultimate future is when Jesus will return in glory for the final judgment and award reward or punishment. This Solemnity is a newer feast in the Catholic Church. The feast of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 and is observed on the Last Sunday of the liturgical year as it helps us to meditate on Christ the King and Lord and also on the Second and Final Coming of Christ, the last Judgment, and the end of the world. The Pontiff himself was witness to a turbulent time in the world's history. The First World War had just come to an end. Secularism was on the rise and dangerous dictatorships were emerging in Europe and beyond. Christ had long been referred to as King, but Pope could see the respect and reverence for Christ's authority waning in the midst of the unrest during the early part of the 20th century. In response, the feast was set with the intent to reaffirm and refocus faith and respect in the kingship of Jesus. Pope Pius XI felt that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state. Secondly that leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ. Finally that the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

Blessings!



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## St. Finbarr Announcements

### Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am for Eileen Burke Chapin †  
 Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am at Assisted Living for Mary Ann Lammers Family  
 Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> @ 5:00 pm for Robert Johnson †

### Liturgy Schedule for Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: Lee and Lynn Baldus  
 Ushers: Troy Gehling & Dom Stier  
 Servers: Weston Schaufler & Travis Weiss  
 Lector: Masie Voigt  
 Gifts: Glenn & Becky Oehlke  
 EM: Kristal Brogan, Lee Baldus & John Baldus  
 Counters: Dom Stier & Lori Stier

### Offering from November 17, 2018

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

- **Mission Circle:** will meet on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> of November to listen, share and learn. Free childcare at the school in the SAC room for people attending the meeting.
- **Santa Breakfast:** The Grand Meadow Lions will be having their Santa Breakfast on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30 am – noon in the school cafeteria. Santa will be there from 9:30 – 11:30 so bring your kids and your camera!
- **Thank you** to everyone who attended Turkey Bingo. It was a fun night of food, fun and fellowship. Congratulations to Holly Weiss on winning the bike donated by Catholic United Financial.

## St. Patrick Announcements

### Mass Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am for Al Evans †  
 Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:30 am for Bernard Wendel †

### Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Wendy Vikre  
 Ushers: Dan Evans & Tom Hovde  
 Servers: Aiden Anderson & Kaylee Huff  
 Lectors: Paul & Cathy Yoch  
 Gifts: Loren & Penny Rickerl  
 EM: Rick Roe, Loren Rickerl, Mike Harrington  
 Counters: Jean Roe & Annette Kiefer

### Offering from November 18, 2018

Weekly Support: \$  
 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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.
- **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. Patrick's Christmas Program** will be on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> during the 8:30 am Mass Coffee and rolls will be served in the church hall following Mass. Everyone welcome.

## St. Ignatius Announcements

### Mass Schedule

Thursday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am for Jerry Balbach †  
 Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 am for The People

### Liturgy Schedule for Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Tim & Pam Walsh  
 Ushers: M. Souhrada, B. Capelle, R. Neis, C. Reineke  
 Servers: Cadence Aarsvold & Ellie Buchholtz  
 Lectors: Amy Mulhern & Tim Engesser  
 Gifts: Greg & Betty Gossman  
 EM: Team 2  
 Counters: Team 2

### Offering from November 18, 2018

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

- **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](http://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. 11<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please pick up your bottle in the back of church and return them on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. 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!
- **Thank you** to the St. Ignatius youth for their music, both singing and playing in the band. Parishioners also appreciate the youth lectors, greeters, servers, and all capacities you serve. God bless you!



# Tri-Parish News

- **2019 Support Envelopes:** are available in the back of church in all three parishes. Please pick yours up soon.
- **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.
- **Next K of C Meeting:** the next Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Dec. 3rd with supper at 6 pm & meeting 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](http://www.tri-parish.net)
- **Tri-Parish Tables & Chairs:** The tables and chairs at all three parishes are church property and are never to be used outside of the church or borrowed by parishioners. If you have any questions regarding this policy contact Father.
- **Estate Planning:** Please keep your parish or cemetery in mind when preparing your estate or will. Thank you.

## Sacraments Celebrated

Damien and Drake Young, sons of Jarrell and Rebecca Young were baptized on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at St. Finbarr Catholic Church in Grand Meadow, MN. Congratulations Damien, Drake, Jarrell and Rebecca!

## Tri-Parish Advent Schedule

Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program at St. Finbarr @ 5:00 PM  
 Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program at St. Patrick @ 8:30 AM  
 Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program at St. Ignatius @ 10:30 AM  
 Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – Tri-Parish Reconciliation at St. Finbarr @ 6:30 PM  
 Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Mass at St. Ignatius @ 4 PM  
 Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Mass at St. Finbarr @ 6 PM  
 Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Mass at St. Patrick @ TBD  
 Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day Mass at St. Ignatius @ 9 AM



## Faith Formation Announcements

### St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> – Class @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Mass @ 5:00 pm

### St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> – Class @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mass @ 8:30 am

### St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> – Class for grades 5 - 9 @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Christmas Program Practice for grades Pre K – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade from 9 am – 11:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Class for 10<sup>th</sup> graders @ 9:00 am
- ⇒ Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Class for Pre K - 4<sup>th</sup> graders @ 9:15
- ⇒ Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mass @ 10:30 am

## Tri-Parish Staff Directory

### Parish Priest:

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### Maintenance at St. Patrick's:

Chuck Vogelgesang 507-440-3419

### Faith Formation Coordinators:

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 Elaine Mills – St. Patrick 507-440-0674  
 Becky Oehlke – St. Finbarr 507-259-3782  
 St. Finbarr Kitchen 507-754-5190  
 St. Patrick Office 507-324-5203  
 St. Ignatius Office 507-346-7565  
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Tri-Parish Website: [www.tri-parish.net](http://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 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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