

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, April 21, 2019 Easter Sunday



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Acts 10:34, 36-43; Colossians 3:1-4, Sequence ; John 20:1-18

"The Womb of the Earth Gives Birth" by *Hesychius* of Jerusalem, a priest and a Scripture scholar, died around 450 A.D. He worked with Jerome and Cyril of Jerusalem and wrote a commentary on the whole Bible.

"Hidden first in a womb of flesh, Jesus sanctified human birth by His own birth. Hidden afterward in the womb of the earth, He gave life to the dead by His Resurrection. Suffering, pain and sighs have now fled away. For who has known the mind of God, or who has been His Counselor if not the Word made flesh who was nailed to the Cross, who rose from the dead and who was taken up into heaven?"

"This day brings a message of joy: it is the day of the Lord's Resurrection when, with Himself, He raised up the race of Adam. Born for the sake of human beings, He rose from the dead with them. On this day paradise is opened by the Risen One, Adam is restored to life and Eve is consoled. On this day the Divine Call is heard, the Kingdom is prepared, we are saved and Christ is adored. On this day, when He had trampled death under foot, made the tyrant a prisoner and despoiled the underworld, Christ ascended into heaven as a King in victory, as a ruler in glory, as an invincible Charioteer."

"He said to the Father, 'Here am I, O God, with the children you have given me'. And He heard the Father's reply, 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool' (**Psalm 100:1**)."

To Him be glory now and forever through endless ages. Amen.
"Lord Jesus Christ, you have triumphed over the grave and you have won for us new life and the power of resurrection. Give me the eyes of Faith to see you in glory. Help me to draw near to you and to grow in the knowledge of your great love for us and your great victory over sin and death."

Jesus is Risen. Alleluia. Alleluia.

I wish everyone HAPPY EASTER. May the risen Lord bless you all.

Blessings!



2019 Catholic Ministries Appeals Update

	St. Finbarr	St. Patrick	St. Ignatius
Goal	\$8,630.00	\$6,950.00	\$10,300.00
Donors	24	21	37
Total Received YTD	\$6,325.00	\$5,590.00	\$7,365.00

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Friday, April 26th @ 10 am at the Assisted Living for
Natalie, Bill & Frank Lammers
Saturday, April 27th @ 5:00 pm for Robert Brogan †

Offering from April 13, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 454.00
Received YTD: \$56,938.00

Liturgy Schedule for Sat, April 27th @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: Lee & Lynn Baldus
Ushers: Jim Davis & Robert Steinkamp
Servers: Carter Glynn & Cole Weiss
Lector: Rich Schaufler
Gifts: Tom & Gloria Bunne
EM: Troy Gehling, Jordyn Glynn, Lisa Glynn
Counters: Jenny Gehling & Trudy Swanson

- **Garage Sale:** Please sign up in the narthex to help at the garage sale which is April 25th – 27th. You may start dropping off and setting up your items on Wednesday from 6 pm – 8 pm and Thursday from 10 am – 1 pm. Watch the website under “St Finbarr” for updates to the drop off times. Facebook will also be updated with current information.
- **Next Parish Council Meeting:** will be on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm in the social hall.
- **Mission Circle:** Will meet on Wednesday, May 1st @ 1 pm in the social hall.
- **Scholarship Applications:** St. Finbarr’s Education Endowment Fund Scholarship applications are available in the Narthex and are being accepted until May 4, 2019. High school seniors who meet the criteria are eligible to apply for the scholarship. The scholarships are made possible because of donations by generous parishioners, as well as money raised at events for the St. Finbarr’s Education Endowment Fund.
- **Faith Formation Teachers Needed:** We are already thinking about next years’ Faith Formation program – we are going to be in desperate need of teachers. Please consider becoming a faith formation teacher, especially if you have children attending Faith Formation. Contact Father or Becky Oehlke at 507-259-3782 if you have questions or want to teach.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Austin CCW Mass on Tuesday, April 23rd @ 11:30 am for Fr. Marreddy
Wednesday, April 24th @ 8:30 am for Lester Lentz †
Sunday, April 28th @ 8:30 am for The People

Offering from April 14, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 1,063.00
Received YTD: \$45,102.00

Liturgy Schedule for Sun., April 28th @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Tom & Barb Hovde
Ushers: Steve Kasel & Rod Miller
Servers: Kaylee & Layne Huff
Lectors: 1st Communion Parents
Gifts: 1st Communion Class
EM: Joyce & Tony Arndorfer, Mike Harrington
Counters: Annette Kiefer & Tom Winkels

- **Grant Applications:** Grant Applications for graduating Seniors of St. Patrick's Church are available at the back of church. Please take one, fill it out and return to Joyce Arndorfer by May 1st.
- **Next CCW Meeting:** the next meeting will be on Monday, May 6th @ 7 pm in the church hall. The committee for this month is: Kari Olson, Kathy Adams, Kelly Opseth, Jean Roe and Annette Kiefer.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thursday, April 25th @ 8:30 am for Michael Bowden †
Sunday, April 28th @ 10:30 am for Helen Koch †

Offering from April 14, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 1,445.00
Received YTD: \$68,512.00

Liturgy Schedule for Sun., April 28th @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Youth
Ushers: Youth
Servers: Youth
Lectors: Youth
Gifts: Youth
EM: Team 5
Counters: Team 5

- **Mother’s Day Roses:** Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life will be taking orders for Long Stemmed Roses for Mother's Day from April 7th through April 28th. Suggested donations are: Single \$1.50; Half a Dozen \$7.50; A Dozen \$15.00. Eleanore Jones 507-937-3460.
- **Funeral List Updated:** The list of the ladies of the parish that donate food or who are willing to work for funerals has been updated. At the time you are called please inform your caller if you are unable to work or donate food. Thank you for your participation in the past and we look forward to your working with us in the future. ~Phyllis Buresh and Angie Zeimetz
- **Spring Valley K of C Meeting:** The May monthly meeting of the Spring Valley Knights of Columbus will be held on Monday, May 6th with supper at 6 PM and the meeting to follow.
- **CCW Meeting:** St. Ignatius CCW meeting will be on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 7 P.M. All women of the parish are welcome to come for spiritual growth and fellowship.



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- **Austin Area CCW Meeting:** Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Meeting Tuesday, April 23rd at St. Patrick Catholic Church in LeRoy. Business Meeting @ 9:30 am Speakers from 10:30 - 11:30 am with Shawn Vogt Sween & Caryl Jermier presenting information for all. Mass @ 11:30 am followed by lunch.
- **Winona-Rochester Diocese Council of Catholic Women:** will meet on Wednesday, April 24th, 2019 with Mass at 8 am and meeting from 9 am – 2 pm at St. Bernard Catholic Church, Stewartville, MN.
- **2019 Men’s Conference:** All men of our tri-parish family are encouraged to attend this conference on Saturday, April 27th at Loyola Catholic School in Mankato from 9 am – 4 pm. Come see what you can do to grow in faith and love and see how you can become the man God created you to be! Cost is \$25. If you want to read more details or register online go to: www.dowr.org/event-details/547
- **You’re Invited:** Grand Meadow Lutheran Church, Grand Meadow is hosting a Swiss Steak Dinner on Saturday, April 27th from 5 – 7:30 pm. Menu Includes: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, salad, roll, homemade desserts and beverages. Adults:\$12, Students:\$6, Kids under 4: Free. Take outs available.
- **You’re Invited:** First English Lutheran Church, Spring Valley is hosting a Spring Dinner on Sunday, April 28th from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Menu Includes: Baked ham, meat balls, real mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, dinner roll, desserts and beverage. Prices at the door - Adults: \$10, Students: \$8.00, Kids 4 and under: Free. Take outs Available. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time at: First English Lutheran Church, St. John’s Lutheran Church & Marzolf Implement. Save \$1 by purchasing your ticket ahead of time.
- **Help Save A Life!** Dave Thouin from Spring Valley is in desperate need of a kidney transplant. His blood type is O+ with advanced pairing, you don’t have to be a match to be considered. Potential kidney donors need to be in generally good health and all medical costs incurred will be covered. If you are interested or have questions please call the Mayo Clinic Transplant Center @ 866-249-1648. Help spread the word to people you know who may be willing to be tested as a potential donor.
- **Child Abuse Prevention Month:** April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to celebrate the great efforts our communities have made to promote safe environments for children and vulnerable adults. It is also a time to reflect on the work that remains and how every person has a role to play in healthy child development.
- **Camp Summit:** Middle school youth, along with high school leaders, chaperones, and youth ministers, from across the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, are invited to experience the prayer, fellowship, and high-energy atmosphere of Camp Summit! For more information, details, promotional material, and applications, please see the Camp Summit website: <https://www.campsummitwinona.org>.
- **National Catholic Youth Conference:** The Diocese of Winona-Rochester has launched registration for NCYC! Please see the diocesan website for details and registration forms. The 2019 conference will be held in Indianapolis, IN, on November 20-24, 2019. When registering through the diocese, the diocese provides transportation and lodging at a hotel. The cost is \$650 with a deposit of \$250 due April 15, and final payment due on September 20. Please send all completed registration forms to the Pastoral Center in Winona.
- **Farm and Rural Helpline:** Catholic Rural Life is helping to spread the message about the 24/7 confidential “Minnesota Farm & Rural Helpline.” Our farming communities are facing hard times and this is one way to provide assistance. This helpline is offered by the Minnesota Department of Ag and all calls are answered locally by trained staff and volunteers.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, April 24th – Class @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Wednesday, April 24th – 1st Communion practice with parents @ 7 pm. At least 1 parent MUST attend.
- ⇒ Saturday, April 27th – First Communion Mass @ 5 pm

St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, April 24th – Class @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, April 28th – First Communion Mass @ 8:30 am

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, April 24th – Band Practice @ 6:45 pm
- ⇒ Wednesday, April 24th – Class for grades 5-9 @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, April 28th – Class for Grade 10 @ 9 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, April 28th – Class for PreK-4 @ 9:15 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, April 28th – First Communion Youth Mass @ 10:30 am

Tri-Parish Staff Directory

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Faith Formation Coordinators:

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Elaine Mills – St. Patrick 507-440-0674
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St. Finbarr Kitchen 507-754-5190
St. Ignatius Office 507-346-7565
St. Ignatius Fax 507-346-7725

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 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.