

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 28, 2019 Second Sunday of Easter



From the Desk of Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy

Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the very heart of Christianity. St. Paul tells us that if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is our faith.

For the disciples the Resurrection of Jesus was a unique Divine Experience. They were not able to comprehend the fact of Resurrection and grasp the deep inner meaning of it. However it built up their faith particularly because of their experience of the presence of Jesus that made them persons of courage and ready to face any eventuality for their master. After His Resurrection, Jesus stood among them, talked to them, ate with them and taught them the doctrine. They are now called upon to build the faith of others and we see how marvelous the living faith of the Early Church was. Once the Baptized Christians knew that Jesus was the Messiah and He had resurrected from the dead, became totally transformed persons. They were ready to face any suffering and even death as it was Christ that was important to them.

Do we know the joy of the Resurrection of Jesus? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of His resurrection to His disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them He offered proofs of His resurrection by showing them the wounds of His passion, His pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God.

Jesus did something which only love and trust can do. He commissioned His weak and timid apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This sending out of the disciples is parallel to the sending out of Jesus by His heavenly Father. Jesus fulfilled His mission through His perfect love and obedience to the will of His Father. He called His first disciples and He now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as He gave His first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so He breathes on each of us the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power, joy, and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord.

"Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. **Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection.**"

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

Tuesday, April 30th @ 8:30 am for Albert Gehling †
 Saturday, May 4th @ 5:00 pm for George, Lillian & Donald Gehling †

Liturgy Schedule for Sat, May 4th @ 5:00 pm

Greeters: Gerald and Jane Brogan
 Ushers: Tom Bunne & Eric Gehling
 Servers: Hanna Stier & Lucie Voigt
 Lector: Denice Gehling
 Gifts: Dean & Rena Pecinovsky
 EM: Kristal Brogan, Lee Baldus & John Baldus
 Counters: Tim Fay & Jenny Weiss

Offering from April 21, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 1,453.00
 Received YTD: \$58,730.00
 Holy Land: \$339.00

- **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.
- **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.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, May 1st @ 8:30 am for Kurt Fuhrmann Jr.
 Sunday, May 5th @ 8:30 am for Art McKenzie †

Liturgy Schedule for Sun., May 5th @ 8:30 am

Greeter: Ed & Becky Bunne
 Ushers: Loren Rickerl & Leo Runde
 Servers: Benit & Maria Nolt
 Lectors: Kathy Stern & Gladys Kasel
 Gifts: Kevin & Kari Anderson
 EM: Rick Roe, Becky Bunne, Dave Miller
 Counters: Dave Miller & Mary Kay Kelly

Offering from April 21, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 1,778.00
 Received YTD: \$46,880.00
 Holy Land: \$ 259.00

- **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.
- **Congratulations:** to Jennifer Lewis who received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion and Brian Lewis and Kaelea Lewis who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in LeRoy on Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019. May Jesus continue to bless you.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thursday, May 2nd @ 8:30 am for Bernice Mettler †
 Friday, May 3rd @ 10 am at Care Center for Robert Langdon †
 Sunday, May 5th @ 10:30 am for The People

Liturgy Schedule for Sun, May 5th @ 10:30 am

Greeters: Verne & Anne Comstock
 Ushers: B. Capelle, M. Souhrada, R. Drees II & III
 Servers: Susie & Claire Mettler
 Lectors: Tim Engesser & Joan Musel
 Gifts: Paul & Nichol Arndorfer
 EM: Team 6
 Counters: Team 6

Offering from April 20, 2019

Weekly Support: \$ 785.00
 Received YTD: \$69,485.00
 Holy Land: \$ 188.00

- **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 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.
- **Harvest Mass:** It is St Ignatius' turn to host the Tri Parish Harvest Mass this Fall. Please prayerfully consider being this year's host family. Talk to Father if you have any questions.
- **Need help around the home?** Kiwanis volunteers will help you on projects you are unable to do, such as lawn cleanup, minor painting, window washing, etc. Call Jay @ Edina Realty at 346-1751 or Steve @ First State Bank at 346 -9836.



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****Please note that with Confirmation coming up at St. Ignatius next weekend at 10:30 am, there will not be much seating left in the church with 43 kids being confirmed.****

A huge Thank You goes out to all the people who donated flowers in memory of their loved ones this Easter.

St. Finbarr: Lois Gehling in memory of Al Gehling, Shirley Davis in memory of Stan Davis, Linda Davis in memory of Ray Davis, Clint & Jenny Weiss in memory of Randy Emmanuel, Alice Snyder in memory of John & Keith Snyder, Troy & Denice Gehling in memory of deceased grandparents, Brad & Theresa Wolff in memory of Jason Wolff, Al & Lori Stier in memory of Nick O'Connell, Lee & Lynn Baldus, John & Carol Warmka, Dominic & Dawn Stier, Leon & Dorothy Steinkamp, Lon & Susan Baldus, Kitty Kerrins all in memory of deceased family members.

St. Patrick: Marvin Winkels in memory of Mary Winkels, Evelyn Lentz in memory of Lester Lentz, Isabella Morse in memory of Wesley Morse, Mike & Margaret Arndorfer in memory of Dorothy Borgia, Ralph & Beverly Smith in memory of Ralph Smith Family, Clarence & Lulla Low, Albert & Margaret Smith, Don Olson in memory of Marge & Tom Olson, Tom Winkels, Jon & Rita Hiller in memory of Deceased Family members, Rick & Denise Rannells in memory of Rich Rannells, Dennis & Patty White in memory of Gerald, Art & Mary White, Clarence & Joyce Arndorfer in memory of Deceased Family members, (2) Dean & Kathy Stern in memory of William & Lorraine Brekke, Tom Brekke, Eugene & Mildred Stern, (2) Duane & Anna Christianson in memory of John & Jennie Costello, Carl & Lois Reichents, Martin & Vera Christianson, Buzz Hendrickson, (2) Rod & Shirley Miller in memory of Daniel & Marietta Braun & Gary Braun, (2) Dave & Jodi Miller in memory of Larry & Bev Ahern & Elmer & Alverna Miller, (2) Paul & Cathy Yoch in memory of Deceased family members, (2) Loren & Penny Rickerl in memory of Kelsey Rickerl & Herman & Joan Rickerl, (2) Jerry & Pat Utz in memory of Otto & Irene Utz, Bill & Lorraine Steffens, (2) Curt & Judy Fuhrman in memory of Parents & Aunt Mary, (2) Nick & Kathi Bunne in memory of Tyler Bunne, David & Leora Lidtke, (2) Tom & Barb Hovde in memory of Shirley Winfield, Norman & Madonna Hovde, (3) Ed & Becky Bunne in memory of Tom & Olivia Michaelsen, Ted & Edna Bunne, Grandma Ann & Barb Bartel, (3) Anonymous

St. Ignatius: Russ & Joanie Betsinger 2 for our Loved ones, Blake & Valerie Ehlenfeldt 1 for the Souls in Purgatory, Charles & Jane Reineke 1 for our Loved ones, Bill & Kristi Mettler 2 for our Loved ones, Wayne & Pyllis Buresh 1 for Family members Pat Blahnik 1 for deceased Family members, Joe & Rita Bezdicek 1 for deceased Family members, Jeff & Cindy Erding 1 for deceased Family members, Ralph Jr. & Janice Drees 1 for deceased Family members, William & Eleanore Jones 1 for deceased Family members, Mary, Mike & Kelly Lee 1 for Victor Lee, Roger & Angie Zeimetz 1 for deceased Family members Rosann Sanford 1 for Wally Sanford, Magali Moulder 1 for Helen Moulder

- 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.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

- ⇒ Wednesday, May 1st – Class @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Saturday, May 4th – May Crowning Mass @ 5 pm

St. Patrick

- ⇒ Wednesday, May 1st – Faith Formation Classes done for year
- ⇒ Sunday, May 5th – Mass @ 8:30 am

St. Ignatius

- ⇒ Wednesday, May 1st – Class for grades 5-9 @ 7 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, May 5th – Class for PreK-4 @ 9:15 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, May 5th – Confirmation Mass @ 10:30 am

Tri-Parish Staff Directory

Parish Priest:

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Tri-Parish Bookkeeper:

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Tri-Parish Secretary:

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Email: triparishsecretary@gmail.com

Maintenance at St. Patrick's:

Chuck Vogelgesang 507-440-3419

Faith Formation Coordinators:

Nichol Arndorfer – St. Ignatius 507-273-3705
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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. 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.