

Tri-Parish Catholic Community News



St. Patrick Catholic Church
436 W Main St, LeRoy, MN 55951
Saturday Mass @ 5:00 PM



St. Finbarr Catholic Church
504 1st St SW, Grand Meadow, MN 55936
Sunday Mass @ 8:30 AM



St. Ignatius Catholic Church
213 W Franklin St, Spring Valley, MN 55975
Sunday Mass @ 10:30 AM

October 26, 2025

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Sirach 35:12-14; 16-18; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

From Father's Desk -

Please help spread the word and come with your families to enjoy the St. Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle. Next Sunday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, like with the other fall activities at the other parishes, I encourage all our parishioners from the whole cluster to partake in the festivities at St. Patrick in LeRoy. It's a good time to reconnect with parishioners you may not have seen for a while, and it's good to support one another and our parish life. I hope to see you there.

Once we get to the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we know the end of the liturgical year is approaching. There are 34 weeks of Ordinary Time, with the last Sunday always being Christ the King Sunday. So today we know it is quickly closing in. It also signals that the great "twin feasts" of All Saints Day and All Souls Day are around the corner.

This coming Saturday is All Saints Day. Again, it is not a day of obligation this year. We will have Mass on Saturday morning commemorating All Saints Day for any who wish to come.

This next Sunday, then, is All Souls Day, starting with the Saturday evening Mass at St. Patrick. All Souls Day is a great day to pray for the dead. Especially, the Church encourages us to visit a cemetery, even our loved ones resting places, to pray for them and all the souls of the faithful departed. Remember that from the 1st of November until the 8th, the Church offers that anyone who makes a pious visit to a cemetery and prays for the dead can gain a plenary indulgence each day, applicable to the souls in purgatory. The usual conditions apply: of making a Confession within a week of the act(s), devoutly receiving Holy Communion for each indulgence, prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father for each indulgence, as well as being detached from sin.

In the entryways of our churches, the Book of the Dead will be set out and you are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in there. We will pray for all the names in these books throughout the month of November, as the whole month is devoted to remembering the holy souls.

I write this typically on Tuesday, so I don't know exactly how the first week of OCIA went, but it already sounds like there might be a bunch of people coming, several of them not because they need any sacrament but simply to learn more. I hope it is an enriching opportunity for all who come to deepen your faith, alongside your fellow parishioners.

Next Sunday is also the end of Daylight Saving Time, so don't forget to move any of your older clocks back one hour!

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tues., Oct. 28, 8:30 AM for Annette S.
All Souls Day Sun., Nov. 2, 8:30 AM *Pro Populo*

Offering from Oct. 19, 2025 – Week 16

Weekly Support:	\$ 971.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 40,849.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 26,159.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 2, 8:30 AM

Opener: Diana Weiss
EMHC: Kathy Gehling / Nicole Meyerhofer
Lector: Susan Baldus
Servers: Brody Meyerhofer / Evan Davis
Ushers: Al Stier / Logan Marx
Counters: Susan Baldus / Lori Stier

- **Boxes of Joy:** Please return them today.
- **Thank You** to everyone who brought salads and bars and helped serve for Henrietta Bushman's funeral. You are greatly appreciated.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wed., Oct. 29, 8:30 AM for Paul Hanks
All Souls Day Sat., Nov. 1, 5:00 PM for Bishop Harrington †

Offering from Oct. 18, 2025 – Week 16

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,009.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 21,346.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 25,149.00

Liturgy Schedule Sat., Nov. 1, 5:00 PM

Greeters: Loren & Penny Rickerl
Gifts: Vicky Nolt
EMHC: Loren Rickerl
Lector: Travis Lewis
Servers: Brittany Tucke / Kaylee Huff
Ushers: Paul Yoch / Tom Winkels
Counters: Jim Yoch / Mike Arndorfer

- **St Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle** is Sunday, November 2, serving from 11am-1pm. Please sign up in the back of church for food donations and work times. Anyone wishing to donate an item for the basket raffle, please contact Elaine Mills @ 507-440-0674 or elainemills55@gmail.com.
- **Boxes of Joy:** Please return them today.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thur., Oct. 30, 8:30 AM for Ed Schommer Jr †
Fri., Oct. 31, 8:30 AM for Rose Dingels †
All Saints Day Sat., Nov 1, 8:30 AM for Thomas Warren †
All Souls Day Sun., Nov. 2, 10:30 AM for All Faithful Departed

Offering from Oct. 19, 2025 – Week 16

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,133.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 20,658.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 31,835.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 2, 10:30 AM

Greeters: Lois Boelter / Mary Anne Meyers
Gifts: Bill Mettler Family
EMHC: Joanie Betsinger / Teri Hill
Lector: Bernadette Mulhern
Servers: Nadalie Oeltjen / Avery Reiter
Ushers: Bryan O'Connell / Paul Klockeman
Counters: O'Connell / Engesser

- **Boxes of Joy:** After Mass, we will put boxes together and share a light lunch.
- **Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life:** today is the last day to order Christmas Décor. Items will be delivered on Nov. 23.



OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

will meet on Thursdays from 6:45 pm– 8:00 pm. We start in church. This is an opportunity for those wishing to become Catholic to learn more about the faith and prepare with a group of others in similar situations. It can also be attended by adult Catholics who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to be Confirmed. Or if you just want to learn more about your faith, come to OCIA. Contact Fr. Parrott with questions.

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- **Catholic Charities:** Baby bottles should be returned this weekend, October 25 and 26.
- **Pray the Rosary** - Pope Leo: "I invite everyone, each day of October, to pray the Rosary for peace—personally, in the family, and in community." Remember this year is the first year of the Rosary in a Year podcast, too.
- **St Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle** is Sunday, November 2, serving from 11am-1pm.
- **Second Collection** – next weekend (All Souls Day) for our parish cemeteries. Your support of these sacred resting places for our loved ones will be helpful and much appreciated.
- **Legacy Planning:** You're invited to St. Mary's in Chatfield on November 8 at 10 am for Part 1 of Preparing your Legacy with Grace & Intention, a free seminar on end-of-life spirituality and estate planning rooted in Catholic values. Fr. Nicholas Gawarecki will speak on Living the Faith in Retirement and the Final Chapter. Elizabeth Williams, director of the Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota, will present on The Importance of Your Estate, Estate Planning Team, and how to begin organizing your records for peace of mind and clarity. For more info or to RSVP, contact Elizabeth at ewilliams@catholicfsmn.org or 507-218-4098. RSVPs encouraged but not required.
- **Austin Area Council of Catholic Women** quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 28, Sacred Heart Church in Hayfield. Registration is 11 am with Mass at 11:30 am followed by lunch, Sister Blandina Segale guest speaker and the meeting. All women are welcomed to take part in this uplifting day!
- **Tri-Parish Masses:** Please give Mass stipends directly to Father Parrott along with the name(s) for whom the Mass is intended.
- **Tri-Parish Bulletin & Announcements:** Please e-mail Mary with bulletin additions by 9 AM Wednesdays. Announcements to Mary by Thursdays at 9 AM. Subject to edit and Father's discretion.

OUR FATHER,
who art in heaven



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	10/29, 11/5
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/29, 11/5

St. Patrick

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	10/29, 11/5
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/29, 11/5

St. Ignatius

Class	9-10:20 AM	10/26, 11/2
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/29, 11/5
Youth Mass	10:30 AM	10/26

Prayer Chain

Please keep the following sick, hospitalized & homebound Tri-Parish members and friends in your prayers.

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr	Lori Brogan – St. Finbarr
Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius	Jerry Marr – St. Ignatius
Jane Reineke – St. Ignatius	Rita Bezdicek – St. Ignatius
Joe O'Connell – St. Ignatius	Tom Hovde – St. Patrick
Jodi Miller – St. Patrick	Crystal Stern – St. Patrick
Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick	Todd Mlenar
Diane Reineke	Kathleen Domaille
David Geary	Marilyn Calkins
Cheri Jose	Karen Sanford
Sandy Stern	Maxine Mlenar
Jason Emanuel	

If you know someone who needs to be included in the prayer chain, email their name to triparishsecretary@gmail.com.

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NEW! Tri-Parish Website: www.fmparishes.org

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. Parrott.

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 Fr. Parrott or Fr. Collins (LeRoy, 507-289-7637).

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Finbarr:

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

St. Patrick:

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

St. Ignatius:

Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.