

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

November 16, 2025

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19

From Father's Desk -

Today the Knights of Columbus at St. Ignatius are hosting their annual pork chop dinner. Stop by for a delicious meal and to spend time with fellow parishioners. Additionally, the St. Ignatius CCW is hosting a bake sale during the dinner, with lots of goodies perfect for this time of year. Thanks to the Knights and ladies for all they do for the parish and community.

This weekend we should have the 2026 calendars available in the entryways of our churches for your taking. These are the great liturgical calendars which list the feast day for each day throughout the year and the liturgical colors that go along with them. We switched up the calendar this year to one with sacred art, and they are beautiful. We thank Jim Hindt and Hindt Funeral Home for providing the calendars to us each year.

In this month of November, the month of the Holy Souls, we contemplate the last things, especially death. Our parishes have seen a number of deaths recently, and so we try to always remember that death does not have the final word. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reflects on death in the context of the original sin of Adam and Eve (CCC 410-412):

“You did not abandon him to the power of death”

After his fall, man was not abandoned by God. On the contrary, God calls him and in a mysterious way heralds the coming victory over evil and his restoration from his fall. This passage in Genesis is called the *Protoevangelium* (“first gospel”): the first announcement of the Messiah and Redeemer, of a battle between the serpent and the Woman, and of the final victory of a descendant of hers.

The Christian tradition sees in this passage an announcement of the “New Adam” who, because he “became obedient unto death, even death on a cross”, makes amends superabundantly for the disobedience, of Adam. Furthermore, many Fathers and Doctors of the Church have seen the woman announced in the *Protoevangelium* as Mary, the mother of Christ, the “new Eve”. Mary benefited first of all and uniquely from Christ’s victory over sin: she was preserved from all stain of original sin and by a special grace of God committed no sin of any kind during her whole earthly life.

But why did God not prevent the first man from sinning? St. Leo the Great responds, “Christ’s inexpressible grace gave us blessings better than those the demon’s envy had taken away.” And St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, “There is nothing to prevent human nature’s being raised up to something greater, even after sin; God permits evil in order to draw forth some greater good. Thus St. Paul says, ‘Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more’; and the Exsultet sings, ‘O happy fault, . . . which gained for us so great a Redeemer!’”

In Christ, Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

<u>Mass Schedule</u> Tues., Nov. 18, 8:30 AM for Stanley & Shirley Davis † Sun., Nov. 23, 8:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 23, 8:30 AM</u> Opener: Becky Oehlke EMHC: Troy Gehling / Denice Gehling Lector: Becky Oehlke Servers: Colton Meyerhofer / Evan Davis Ushers: Lon Baldus / Chris Stier Counters: Susan Baldus / Lori Stier
<u>Offering from Nov. 9, 2025 – Week 19</u> Weekly Support: \$ 888.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,646.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 47,320.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 32,505.00	
➤ <u>Lectors:</u> Please pick up your 2026 workbook in the Narthex. ➤ <u>Drive-Thru or Dine In</u> at St. Ignatius Hall for a Pork chop dinner with all the fixings today, Nov. 16, 11:00-1:00, \$15.00. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds to the food shelf.	

St. Patrick Announcements

<u>Mass Schedule</u> Wed., Nov. 19, 8:30 AM for Dick King † Sat., Nov. 22, 5:00 PM for Jim Hiller †	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sat., Nov. 22, 5:00 PM</u> Greeters: Travis & Jennifer Lewis Gifts: Mike & Melanie Welsh EMHC: Gladys Kasel Lector: Cathy Yoch Servers: Vanessa Lewis / Landon Lewis Ushers: Mike Arndorfer / Tony Arndorfer Counters: Rita Hiller / Pat Arndorfer
<u>Offering from Nov. 8, 2025 – Week 19</u> Weekly Support: \$ 1,031.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,365.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 25,256.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 32,493.00	
➤ <u>Adam's Council Knights of Columbus</u> will have their Annual Steak Fry and cash raffle on Saturday, November 22, serving from 5 to 7:30 PM at the Adam's American Legion. All are invited. ➤ <u>Lectors:</u> Please pick up your 2026 workbook in the Narthex. ➤ <u>Drive-Thru or Dine In</u> at St. Ignatius Hall for a Pork chop dinner with all the fixings tomorrow, Nov. 16, 11:00-1:00, \$15.00. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds to the food shelf. ➤ <u>Let Us Give Thanks to the Lord</u> for all His blessings. St. Patrick is hosting the annual Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service, Wed., Nov. 26, 7:30 PM. Any food or paper products donated that evening will be given to the LeRoy and Spring Valley Food Shelves. Everyone is welcome.	

St. Ignatius Announcements

<u>Mass Schedule</u> Thur., Nov. 20, 8:30 AM for Charlotte Sutton † Fri., Nov. 21, 8:30 AM for Bob Blahnik † Sun., Nov. 23, 10:30 AM for Tom Warren †	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 23, 10:30 AM</u> Greeters: Youth Gifts: Youth EMHC: Bob Capelle / Jeff Erding Lector: Youth Servers: Youth Ushers: Youth Counters: Colwell / Christian
<u>Offering from Nov. 9, 2025 – Week 19</u> Weekly Support: \$ 1,128.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,980.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 25,303.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 41,036.00	
➤ <u>The Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley</u> is having their annual Love Lights a Tree event 5:00 p.m., Sunday, November 23, 2025, at the corner of Grant St. and N. Broadway Ave. This year the donation amounts are \$10.00 for one person remembered or \$25.00 for three people remembered. Donations can be sent to the Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley, P.O. Box 133, Spring Valley, MN 55975. ➤ <u>Lectors:</u> Please pick up your 2026 workbook in the Narthex. ➤ <u>Drive-Thru or Dine In</u> at St. Ignatius Hall for a Pork chop dinner with all the fixings today, Nov. 16, 11:00-1:00, \$15.00. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds to the food shelf.	

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- **Second Collection** – The Campaign for Human Development is this weekend. This campaign addresses the root causes of poverty in America through support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and education.
- **May They Rest in Peace:** The funeral for Ron Weiss was held Friday morning and the funeral for Millie Barnes was held Saturday morning. Both were at St. Finbarr. Father also officiated the funeral for Ralph Smith at Sacred Heart Oratory in Meyer, Iowa on Thursday. Please pray for their families and for the repose of their souls.
- **World Youth Day:** Come with the Diocese of Winona - Rochester to Seoul for World Youth Day 2027! Experience spiritual awakening and Korean culture alongside other young Catholics from around the globe. This is more than just a trip. It is a life-changing encounter with your faith and with the world. For more information, please contact the Office of Evangelization at the Diocese of Winona – Rochester.
- **Formed:** The wait is over—*How to Advent* is now streaming! Join priests, religious, and Augustine Institute professors as they reveal the spiritual meaning behind beloved Advent traditions: the wreath, Jesse tree, nativity scene, and more. Each short episode offers simple, meaningful ways to prepare for this sacred season with joy and purpose. Begin preparing for your Advent journey and your heart for the coming of Christ. See instructions at the top of the page for accessing Formed.
- **OCIA** (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet on Thursdays from 6:45 pm– 8:00 pm.
- **Courier:** The November edition is available in the Narthex and on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website dowr.org, click “The Courier.”
- **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.



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	Sharon Hammon – 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.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	11/19
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	11/19

St. Patrick

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	11/19
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	11/19

St. Ignatius

Class	9-10:20 AM	11/16, 23
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	11/19
Youth Mass	10:30 AM	11/23

No Class Nov. 26 or 30.
Thanksgiving Break

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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.