

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 2, 2025

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Readings: II Macc 12:43-46; I Cor 15:51-57; John 5:25-29

From Father's Desk -

Today the Church celebrates All Souls Day. The whole month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls. We pray for them in the most important way with Masses for the dead. We offer these "Requiem" Masses (Requiem means "rest") for the repose of their souls. Priests are usually restricted to one Mass per day. For All Souls Day, however, the Church allows, and in that way encourages, a priest to celebrate three Masses so that frequent and fervent prayers are offered for the faithful departed. As part of this, we have the Book of the Dead out in the entryway of each parish, and I encourage you to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones. We will pray for them throughout the month of November.

Remember that from November 1 through 8 we are encouraged to visit a cemetery and offer prayers for the souls in purgatory, especially our own loved ones. A plenary indulgence for the faithful departed is available to those who make a visit to a cemetery, pray for the faithful departed, and fulfill the usual conditions.

We also have taken up this weekend a second collection for our four cemeteries: St. Ignatius Cemetery just south and east of Spring Valley, St. Patrick Cemetery just on the west edge of LeRoy, St. Finbarr cemetery a half mile west and one mile north of town, and St. Kilian Cemetery a half mile east of the south edge of Wykoff. Thank you for your support of the upkeep and long-term care of our cemeteries.

OCIA has begun. Please think of those you know in your life and if they are at all questioning their own faith, or whether they might want to join the Catholic Church, or if you know someone who for whatever reason never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, encourage them to come. Of course, anyone is invited to come and learn more about the Catholic faith, and I try not to make it too boring!

This week we have the memorial of St. Charles Borromeo. He lived through the middle of the 1500s, was a cardinal and Archbishop of Milan who played a key role in implementing the reforms of the Council of Trent. One of his most important contributions was that he worked to systematize priestly formation, founding seminaries to train priests.

Next Sunday a feast day trumps the Sunday of Ordinary Time, so we will be celebrating the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. It is the pope's cathedral church, even though St. Peter's is used far more often because of its historical importance. As the huge engraving reads on the front of the church, St. John Lateran is *omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput*, "the mother and head of all the churches of the city and of the world."

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

<u>Mass Schedule</u> Tues., Nov. 4, 8:30 AM for Mariah Snyder Sun., Nov. 9, 8:30 AM for Pat Weiss †	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 9, 8:30 AM</u> Opener: Kristie Skifter EMHC: Kristie Skifter / Troy Gehling Lector: Denice Gehling Servers: Kaylee Davis / Chael Stier Ushers: John Warmka / Jim Davis Counters: Trudy Swanson / Dawn Stier
<u>Offering from Oct. 26, 2025 – Week 17</u> Weekly Support: \$ 4,421.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,646.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 44,856.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 26,159.00 World Mission Sunday \$ 414.10	
➤ <u>St Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle</u> is today, serving from 11 AM-1 PM. ➤ <u>Mission Circle</u> will meet Nov 4, 1:00 PM at church. Everyone is invited. ➤ <u>Support Envelopes</u> for 2026 are available in the back of church.	

St. Patrick Announcements

<u>Mass Schedule</u> Wed., Nov. 5, 8:30 AM for Ed & Becky Bunne Sat., Nov. 8, 5:00 PM for Dorothy & Merlyn Gunsallus †	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sat., Nov. 8, 5:00 PM</u> Greeters: David & Gladys Kasel Gifts: David & Gladys Kasel EMHC: Jessica Yoch Lector: Cathy Mason Servers: Tyler Huff / Kaylee Huff Ushers: Rod Miller / Steve Kasel Counters: Jessica Yoch / Arlene Bastian
<u>Offering from Oct. 25, 2025 – Week 17</u> Weekly Support: \$ 958.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,365.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 22,304.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 25,149.00 World Mission Sunday \$ 740.00	
➤ <u>St Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle</u> is Sunday, November 2, serving from 11 AM-1 PM. ➤ <u>CCW</u> will meet on Monday, November 3, 7 PM in the church hall. ➤ <u>Support Envelopes</u> for 2026 are available in the back of church.	

St. Ignatius Announcements

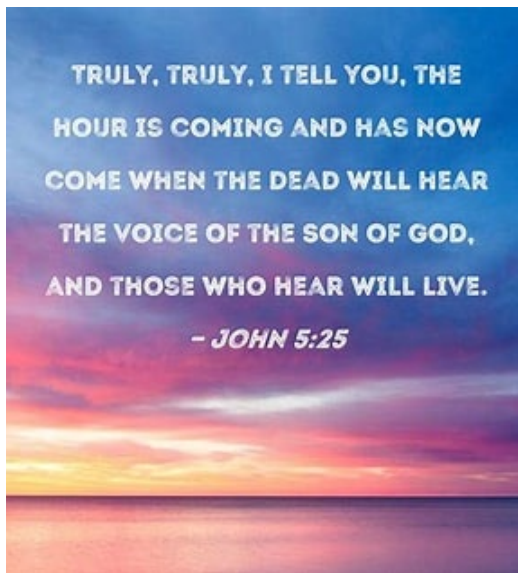
<u>Mass Schedule</u> Thur., Nov. 6, 8:30 AM for Bill & Eleanore Jones Fri., Nov. 7, 8:30 AM for Albert Wee † Sun., Nov. 9, 10:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	<u>Liturgy Schedule Sun., Nov. 9, 10:30 AM</u> Greeters: Jeff & Cindy Erding Gifts: Chari Kruegel / De Vreeman EMHC: John Gladys Lector: Candis Wiste Servers: Harper Holmen / Scarlett Marcom Ushers: Paul Mettler / John Mulhern Counters: Arndorfer / Czapiewski
<u>Offering from Oct. 26, 2025 – Week 17</u> Weekly Support: \$ 1,960.00 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,980.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 22,330.00 YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 31,835.00 World Mission Sunday \$ 303.00	
➤ <u>St Patrick Fall Dinner and Basket Raffle</u> is today, serving from 11 AM-1 PM. ➤ <u>The Knights of Columbus</u> will meet on Tuesday, November 11. Supper at 6 PM with meeting to follow. ➤ <u>Support Envelopes</u> for 2026 are available in the back of church.	



OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
will meet on Thursdays from 6:45 pm– 8:00 pm. We start in church.
Contact Fr. Parrott with questions.

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- **Second Collection** – for our parish cemeteries this weekend (All Souls Day). 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.
- **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.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

Class 6:45-7:45 PM 11/5, 12
Confirmation Class, SV 6:45 PM 11/5, 12

St. Patrick

Class 6:45-7:45 PM 11/5, 12
Confirmation Class, SV 6:45 PM 11/5, 12

St. Ignatius

Class 9-10:20 AM 11/2, 9, 16
Confirmation Class, SV 6:45 PM 11/5, 12

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.