



## ST. IGNATIUS

213 W Franklin St  
Spring Valley, MN 55975



## ST. FINBARR

504 1<sup>st</sup> St SW  
Grand Meadow, MN 55936



## ST. PATRICK

436 W Main St  
LeRoy, MN 55951

# MARCH 15, 2026

## LÆTARE SUNDAY, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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### Mass Schedule

Tues, Mar 17	6:00 PM	St. Finbarr	Kathy Snyder
Wed, Mar 18	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Luca Eisen
Thur, Mar 19	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Bill & Eleanore Jones
Fri, Mar 20	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Bezdicek/Stern Family
Sat, Mar 21	5:00 PM	St. Patrick	Chuck Vogelgesang
Sun, Mar 22	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sun, Mar 22	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Barb W

### Adoration & Confession

Tues	5:00-5:50 PM	Confession	St. Finbarr
Wed	9:00-9:30 AM	Adoration	St. Patrick
Thur	9:00 AM-7:00 PM	Adoration	St. Ignatius
	5:00-6:10 PM	Confession	St. Ignatius
	6:15 PM	Benediction	St. Ignatius
Fri	4:00-5:10 pm	Confession	St. Patrick
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	9:00 AM	Confession	St. Ignatius
Sat	4:15-4:45 PM	Confession	St. Patrick
Sun	8:00-8:20 AM	Confession	St. Finbarr

*Or Confession by appointment. Call Father Parrott at the office or Father Collins (LeRoy, 507-289-7637).*

### Infant Baptism

Reach out to Father to arrange your child's baptism as soon as possible, even before the birth. A baptism preparation is required for first-time parents.

### Matrimony

Recently engaged? Contact Father soon to prepare for this holy union. Marriage preparation (meetings with Father, with a mentor couple, and a usually a Pre-Cana retreat) is required for at least six months before your wedding.

### OCIA

Everyone is invited to follow Christ in the Catholic Church. Call the office to inquire about becoming Catholic. OCIA meets at St. Ignatius on most Thursdays at 6:45 pm.

### Care of the Sick

For Holy Communion for you or a family member who can no longer come to Mass, contact the office. Any who are gravely ill or in danger of death should be anointed. The Anointing of the Sick cannot be given after death.

## From Father's Desk

Lætare! Rejoice! This Fourth Sunday of Lent is the traditional halfway point of Lent which we mark with rose vestments, or even with flowers and organ music. I pray your Lent is going well. If not, today's the perfect time to rededicate yourself.

It is also time, if you haven't yet, to make your Lenten confession. Holy Mother the Church, as a loving mother with great concern for the health of her children, requires as a precept an annual confession of sins. It's great if we confess more frequently, but the once a year minimum is to safeguard our spiritual wellbeing. If you haven't made your Confession, yet, please set aside time for it.

We will have a penance service for the cluster on Palm Sunday at 3:30 pm at St. Finbarr. There will be other times available which will be listed in the bulletin. This week, I'll be available before Stations of the Cross in each parish—those times are listed on the front of the bulletin.

Last Sunday was a great blessing having our own diocesan successor to the apostles present at the 10:30 Mass. I'm grateful to Bishop Barron for installing me as pastor, and I ask you to please pray for me. Pray for my holiness, that I may be a good and humble servant for all of you.

It was particularly impactful to me when I read the Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity. It is an important document proclaimed by the pastor with his hand on the Holy Gospels. It speaks powerfully of the duties and responsibilities incumbent upon us:

With great diligence and fidelity, I shall carry out the duties incumbent upon me toward the Church, both universal and particular, in which, according to the provisions of the law, I have been called to exercise my service.

In fulfilling the charge entrusted to me in the name of the Church, I shall hold fast to the deposit of the faith in its entirety; I shall faithfully hand it on and explain it, and I shall avoid any teachings contrary to it.

I shall follow and foster the common discipline of the entire Church, and I shall maintain the observance of all ecclesiastical laws, especially those contained in the Code of Canon Law.

With Christian obedience, I shall follow what the Sacred Pastors, as authentic doctors and teachers of the faith, declare or what they, as those who govern the Church, establish. I shall also faithfully assist the diocesan Bishops, so that the apostolic activity, to be exercised in the name and by mandate of the Church, may be carried out in communion with the Church. So help me God, and God's Holy Gospels on which I place my hand.

In Christ,  
Fr. Parrott

## St. Ignatius

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, March 22

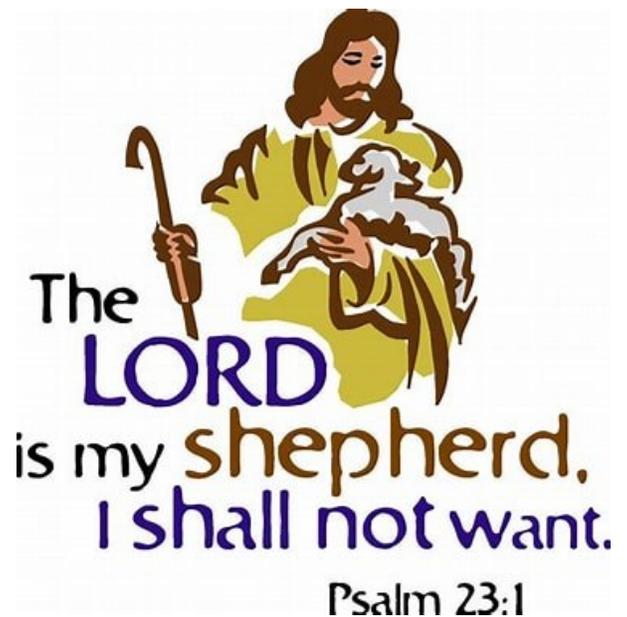
Greeters: Youth  
Gifts: Youth  
EMHC: Bob Capelle & Bill Mettler  
Reader: Youth  
Servers: Youth  
Ushers: Youth  
Counters: Rosann Sanford & Mychelle Christian

### Offering from March 8 – Week 36

Weekly Support:	\$	1,641.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	62,388.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	86,222.00

### Announcements

- Today is the last day to order Easter Lilies. Suggested donation is \$20.00.



### Faith Formation

<b>St. Finbarr</b>		
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Mar 18, 25
<b>St. Patrick</b>		
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Mar 18, 25
<b>St. Ignatius</b>		
Class	9:00-10:20 AM	Mar 15, 22
Confirmation Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Mar 18, 25

## St. Finbarr

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, March 22

Opener: Tye Davis  
EMHC: Troy Gehling & Ellen Olson  
Reader: Denice Gehling  
Servers: Colton Meyerhofer & Evan Davis  
Ushers: Terry Weelborg & Chris Stier  
Counters: Trudy Swanson & Susan Baldus

### Offering from March 8 – Week 36

Weekly Support: \$ 1,449.00  
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,646.00  
YTD Support Received: \$ 91,964.00  
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 66,885.00

### Announcements

- Please notify Dawn Stier if you would like to donate to Easter flowers. Text, email or call.
- We will have coffee and donuts after Mass today. All are welcome, free will donation.

## St. Patrick

### Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, March 21

Greeters: Nick & Kathi Bunne  
Gifts: Travis & Jennifer Lewis  
EMHC: Loren Rickerl  
Reader: Sharon Jacobson  
Servers: Cathia & Maria Almaraz-Nolt  
Ushers: Jim Yoch & Mike Arndorfer  
Counters: Mike Arndorfer & Tom Winkels

### Offering from March 7 – Week 36

Weekly Support: \$ 1,317.00  
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,365.00  
YTD Support Received: \$ 61,372.00  
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 64,719.00

### Announcements

- Our annual Irish Festival is **postponed** to Sunday, March **22**, 11am-2pm. Mulligan Stew Dinner “all you can eat”, Hamburger or hot dog with chips. Silent Auction, Bake Sale & Crafts, Bingo. Games for all ages. Carry-outs available.

## Stations of the Cross

Tuesdays	6:00 pm	St. Finbarr
Thursdays	6:15 pm	St. Ignatius
Fridays	5:30 pm	St. Patrick

*“We must sow the seed, not hoard it.”*

St. Dominic

## Community News

- There will be a second collection today for Catholic Relief Services. This collection funds many CRS activities including Offices of International Justice and Peace and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.
- St. Patrick Annual Irish Festival is **postponed** to Sunday, March **22**, 11am-2pm. Mulligan Stew Dinner, hamburger or hot dog with chips. Bake Sale & Crafts. Games for all ages. Carry-outs available.
- OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet Thursdays at 7:00 pm at St. Ignatius.
- Courier: The March edition is available on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website, [dowr.org](http://dowr.org).
- Mass Intentions can be given to Father Parrott. The customary stipend is \$10. Please indicate the name(s) and whether they're deceased.
- Bulletin & Announcements: Please e-mail Mary with bulletin items by 9 AM Wednesdays. Announcements by 9 AM Thursdays. Subject to edit and Father's discretion.

## Easter Triduum Times

### Holy Thursday, April 2

Morning Prayer 9:00 am – St. Ignatius  
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm – St. Ignatius

### Good Friday, April 3

12:00 noon – St. Ignatius  
3:00 pm – St. Patrick  
6:00 pm – St. Finbarr

### Holy Saturday, April 4

Morning Prayer 9:00 am – St. Ignatius  
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm – St. Ignatius

### Easter Sunday, April 5

8:30 am – St. Finbarr  
10:30 am – St. Patrick

## Prayer Chain

Please keep the following sick, hospitalized & homebound parishioners and friends in your prayers.

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr

Lori Brogan – St. Finbarr

Cheri Jose

Sandy Stern

Joanne Hampel

Jason Emanuel

All Troops especially those in the Middle East

Jerry Marr – St. Ignatius

Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius

Lee Hill – St. Ignatius

Jane Reineke – St. Ignatius

Bob & Margaret Cole

Diane Reineke

Eric Hadland

Sharon Hammon – St. Patrick

Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick

Jodi Miller – St. Patrick

Crystal Stern – St. Patrick

David Geary

Karen Sanford

*If you know someone who needs to be included in the prayer chain, email their name to Mary in the office.*