



## 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

# JANUARY 18, 2026

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### Mass Schedule

Tues, Jan 20	<b>5:15 PM</b>	St. Ignatius	† Ron Weiss
Wed, Jan 21	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Jodi Miller
Thur, Jan 22	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	William & Eleanore Jones and Family
Fri, Jan 23	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Mikkel Chambers
Sat, Jan 24	5:00 PM	St. Patrick	† Dorothy & Merlyn Gunsallus
Sun, Jan 25	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	<i>Ad libitum Episcopi</i>
Sun, Jan 25	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	<i>Pro Populo</i>

### Adoration & Confession

Wed	9:00-9:30 AM	Adoration	St. Patrick
Thur	9:00 AM-7:00 PM	Adoration	St. Ignatius
	6:45 PM	Benediction	St. Ignatius
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
<i>Or Confession by appointment. Call Father Parrott at the office or Father Collins (LeRoy, 507-289-7637).</i>			

### 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

The bishop is coming! Next Sunday, at the 8:30 am Mass at St. Finbarr, Bishop Barron will celebrate the Diocesan Mass for Life. The diocese invites us all to join together and pray for a greater respect for all human life. This Mass is scheduled at this date because it is near the January 22, 1973, historical date of the *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision, which legalized abortion nationwide. It was thankfully overturned on constitutional grounds in the June 24, 2022, *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision.

We have much work yet to do in our state of Minnesota to change the legality of abortion. Our Minnesota Supreme Court decided *Doe v. Gomez* on December 15, 1995, using similar broad and unsupported reasoning like in *Roe*. That decision still stands. Further, after the *Dobbs* decision in 2022, the MN legislature, with the support and signature of Gov. Tim Walz, passed other measures to allow abortion in our state at any time during pregnancy. We need to pray and make our voices heard to end this.

Know that while I have been away I have been praying for all of you. You may have noticed in last Sunday's bulletin that there wasn't a *Pro Populo* Mass on the schedule. That is because it is my obligation as your pastor to offer a Mass for you every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation. I could have assigned it to my substitute, but I think it's important for me to keep that extra connection even when I'm away by offering my Mass for all of you, my parishioners. And I think it's good that you know that I'm doing that, too.

I want to thank Fr. Ed McGrath for taking the weekend Masses while I am away. Fr. McGrath was the priest in Chatfield, Preston and Canton. He retired from there last July and lives in Preston.

This week we have two great saints on the liturgical calendar to celebrate.

On Wednesday, we have the feast of St. Agnes, an early church martyr who had promised the Lord to remain a virgin. Noble men were offended by her refusals, and had her sentenced to death. After attempting to burn her at the stake, and the flames would not touch her, they beheaded her on January 21, 304. She is a great patroness of purity for our young people.

On Saturday, January 24, we celebrate St. Francis de Sales. He became bishop of Geneva, Switzerland, and he cared deeply for his people, teaching them much about prayer and spirituality, writing the classic *Introduction to the Devout Life*. He died of a stroke on December 28, 1622.

In Christ, Fr. Parrott

## St. Ignatius

### **Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, January 25**

Greeters: Youth  
Gifts: Youth  
EMHC: Rosann Sanford & Teri Hill  
Reader: Youth  
Servers: Youth  
Ushers: Youth  
Counters: Arndorfer & C Czapiewski

### **Offering from January 11– Week 29**

Weekly Support:	\$	n/a
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	48,719.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	61,545.00

### **Announcements**

- .Eagles Cancer Telethon Breakfast is today, Sunday Jan 18 from 8-12:30 at the VFW Hall in Spring Valley. All profits benefit the Eagles Cancer Telethon.
- St. Ignatius Parish CCW will be a week earlier this quarter. We will meet on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am in the hall. Bring fundraising ideas and dates to do the little dresses. For more information contact Melissa Jones or Joanie Betsinger.

*"You have made us for  
yourself, O Lord, and our  
hearts are restless until they  
rest in you."*

St. Augustine



### **Faith Formation**

<b>St. Finbarr</b>			
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Jan 21, 28	
<b>St. Patrick</b>			
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Jan 21, 28	
<b>St. Ignatius</b>			
Class	9:00-10:20 AM	Jan 18, 25	
Confirmation Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Jan 21, 28	

## St. Finbarr

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, January 25

Opener: Diana Weiss  
Gifts: Kaylee Davis, Kaylee Gehling  
EMHC: Bishop Barron & Father Parrott  
Reader: Denice Gehling  
Servers: Logan Marx, Evan Davis, Brody Meyerhofer & Landon Lewis  
Ushers: Clint Weiss & Logan Marx  
Counters: Lori Stier & Trudy Swanson

### Offering from January 11 – Week 29

Weekly Support:	\$	n/a
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	75,501.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	40,238.00



## St. Patrick

### Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, January 24

Greeters: Travis & Jennifer Lewis  
Gifts: Rod & Shirley Miller  
EMHC: Jim Yoch  
Reader: Travis Lewis  
Servers: Chloe O'Bannon & Kaylee Huff  
Ushers: Tony Arndorfer & Loren Rickerl  
Counters: Jennifer Lewis & Cathy Yoch

### Offering from January 10 – Week 29

Weekly Support:	\$	n/a
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	45,069.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	47,312.00

### Announcements

- Catholic United Financial, St. Theresa Society #146 will be hosting a Matching Grant Dinner to benefit Sacred Heart School on Sunday, Jan. 25. Pulled Pork Sandwich, Cheesy Potatoes, Coleslaw, Bar/Cookies, Milk and Coffee will be served at Sacred Heart School in Adams from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Free Will Donation. Dinner with carry-outs available.

### Community News

- There will be a second collection next weekend for the Church in Latin America (50%) and Catholic Communications (50%).
- Begin the New Year rooted in faith. Let your New Year soundtrack be **Real Presence Radio**, connecting you to Christ and your Catholic community. Tune in to **970 AM** in Austin and Rochester.
- A coach bus has been chartered to go from Rochester to St. Paul for the MCCL March for Life on Thursday, January 22nd. We will leave Rochester at 8:30 AM and should be back to Rochester by 3:00 PM. We will also attend the Respect Life prayer service at the Cathedral of St. Paul prior to the March. Please RSVP to Linda McGuire at [linda11carlson@hotmail.com](mailto:linda11carlson@hotmail.com)
- The Diocese of Winona-Rochester (DOW-R) is excited to send, for a second time, a group of religious and laity from our diocese to experience and participate in the Walk to Mary from May 1-3, 2026 at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion in Wisconsin! Visit [DOWR.org](http://DOWR.org) to learn more and register.
- OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet Thursdays at 6:45 pm at St. Ignatius,.
- Courier: The January edition is available in the narthex and on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website [dowr.org](http://dowr.org), click "The Courier."
- 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.

## Prayer Chain

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

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr	Jerry Marr – St. Ignatius	Sharon Hammon – St. Patrick
Lori Brogan – St. Finbarr	Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius	Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick
Cheri Jose	Lee Hill – St. Ignatius	Jodi Miller – St. Patrick
Sandy Stern	Chuck & Jane Reineke – St. Ignatius	Crystal Stern – St. Patrick
Kathleen Domaille	Bob & Margaret Cole	David Geary
Jason Emanuel	Diane Reineke	Karen Sanford

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