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St. Finbarr
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St. Patrick
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October 11, 2026

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Oct 13	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	No Mass
Wed, Oct 14	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	No Mass
Thur, Oct 15	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	No Mass
Fri, Oct 16	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Tim Schmaltz
Sat, Oct 17	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† Ron Weiss
Sun, Oct 18	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	† Elmer and Alverna Miller
Sun, Oct 18	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	*Pro Populo*

Adoration & Confession

Tues	9:00-9:30 AM	Adoration	St. Finbarr
Wed	9:00-9:30 AM	Adoration	St. Patrick
Thur	9:00 AM-6:00 PM	Adoration	St. Ignatius
	5:45 PM	Benediction	St. Ignatius
1st Sat	9:00 AM	Confession	St. Ignatius
Sat	4:15-4:45 PM	Confession	St. Finbarr
Sun	8:00-8:20 AM	Confession	St. Patrick

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 starting in the Fall at St. Ignatius on 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

For all the years leading up to the arrival of Bishop Barron, the diocese brought in outside presenters to talk on one topic or another during the annual priest convocation, Presbyteral Days, down in Iowa. But if you've got Bishop Barron, why waste your time with someone else—right? So each year it is a great blessing for us priests to hear directly from him about one topic or another during our time together. This year, he will discuss some documents from the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council ("Vatican II").

The bishop has often said in the past, and he is absolutely correct, that most people still have not actually read the documents from Vatican II. The Church has not fully implemented what the Council fathers actually said at Vatican II, which ran from 1962-1965. There was a concerted effort during the council itself and after to "interpret" the council for the world. Really, it was an effort to make people believe the Council said what one person or another really wanted the Council to say, regardless of whether the Council actually said it or not! And we are still dealing with too much of that.

This is why Bishop Barron is starting a series, it seems, to talk to us priests about the documents of Vatican II. He mentioned at last year's Presbyteral Days that much of the church today simply hasn't read the documents, nor implemented the actual words and teachings of the Council, yet. I think there is a larger portion of younger priests who have read the documents, as they have become part of the curriculum now in seminary—part of our required reading. Now, far be it from me to admit that we seminarians ever failed to read *all* of our assigned reading for our seminary classes. However, most of us have read the documents themselves. But this will be a good refresher. And Bishop Barron always has great insight into the theological history that he can open up these texts with great depth and clarity.

It is a great blessing to be able to return to regular activity. Thank you, one last time, for your prayers. Though, for all of our daily Mass goers, I apologize. Because the bishop is now requiring me to head out of town for Presbyteral Days with all the other priests, and so there will not be Masses for most of this week, either.

Once again, I thank Frs. Reker, Leif and McGrath for substituting for me. And especially Fr. Jonathan Fasnacht —the pastor in St. Charles—who came to cover two funerals for me while I was unavailable. And thank you to everyone who helped the priests.

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, October 18

Greeters:	Lee & Teri Hill
Gifts:	Chari Kruegel & De Vreeman
EMHC:	Rosann Sanford & Bob Capelle
Reader:	Candis Wiste
Servers:	None
Ushers:	Paul Mettler & Joe Mulhern
Counters:	Rosann Sanford & O'Connell

Offering from October 11 – Week 14

Weekly Support:	$ 1,015.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 2,694.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 23,939.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 36,491.00

Announcements

- Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life will be taking orders for Christmas décor after Mass through October 25. Delivery will be November 22.
- Attention ladies of the parish: 7 Sisters Apostolate is seeking 2 new members and/or substitutes to pray for Father for 1 hour a week. Contact Pam Walsh at 507-421-9438.
- The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, October 13. Supper at 6 PM with meeting to follow.





Faith Formation

St. Finbarr

No Class - MEA		Oct 14
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Oct 21, 28

St. Patrick

No Class - MEA		Oct 14
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Oct 21, 28

St. Ignatius

Class	9:00-10:20 AM	Oct 11, 21
No Class - MEA		Oct 18

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, October 17

Opener:	Tye Davis
EMHC:	Troy Gehling & Denice Gehling
Reader:	Becky Oehlke
Servers:	Evan Davis, Keaton Marx & Chael Stier
Ushers:	Clint Weiss & Dom Stier
Counters:	Dom Stier & Clint Weiss

Offering from October 3 – Week 14

Weekly Support:	$ 762.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 2,140.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 23,327.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 22,657.00

Announcements

- Boxes of Joy should be returned to the church by Sun, Nov 1.
- Trunk or Treat on Sat, Oct 24. Soup and sandwich dinner after 5:00 Mass with Trunk or Treating to follow. Contact Becky Oehlke if you can decorate a trunk. Treats are provided. Prize for best trunk! All are welcome.



St. Patrick

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, October 18

Greeters:	Nick & Kathi Bunne
Gifts:	Mike & Melanie Welsh
EMHC:	Loren Rickerl
Reader:	Cathy Mason
Servers:	Tyler & Kaylee Huff
Ushers:	Steve Kasel & Tony Arndorfer
Counters:	Travis Lewis & Cathy Mason

Offering from October 4 – Week 14

Weekly Support:	$ 2,253.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 1,693.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 18,308.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 22,334.00

Announcements

- There will be coffee and rolls after Mass today.
- Boxes of Joy should be returned to the church by Sunday, November 1.
- The Annual Fatima Rosary Rally will be held here today at 12 noon. Please join us!
- Sign-up sheets for the November 1 Fall Dinner are at the back of church. Please sign up for 2 items to furnish and also a time slot that you can help with the dinner. Your help is much appreciated.
- The Parish Council is sponsoring a basket raffle at the Fall Dinner. Baskets are needed and all kinds are welcome. If you are able to donate a basket, please contact Elaine Mills (507-440-0674).

Community News

- Please pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your loose change through October, Respect Life Month. Catholic Charities will use this money to help new and expectant mothers.
- There will be a second collection next weekend for World Mission Sunday. Also known as Propagation of the Faith, this collection invites Catholics to recognize our shared responsibility for the evangelization of the world and to express our unity through prayer and generosity.
- **St. Patrick's Annual Fall Dinner** will be held Sunday, Nov 1. The meal includes turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, cranberries, corn, roll and homemade pie. Serving from 11 AM – 1 PM. Cost is $15 Adults, $10 ages 6-12, Free 5 and under. There will also be a basket raffle. Come for great food, fun and prizes!

- Courier: The October edition is available on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website, 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 and Announcements: Please email 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
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
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David Geary
Karen Sanford

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