



St. Ignatius
213 W Franklin St
Spring Valley, MN 55975

St. Finbarr
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St. Patrick
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October 18, 2026

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Oct 20	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	Sue and Dave Gaebel
Wed, Oct 21	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Kris Tucke
Thur, Oct 22	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Mike Mulhern
Fri, Oct 23	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Fr. Parrott's Recovery
Sat, Oct 24	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† Leo Barnes
Sun, Oct 25	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	*Pro Populo*
Sun, Oct 25	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Gervase & Kathryn O'Brien

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

This past week, Pope Leo had surgery on Tuesday for the nodule that was discovered in his lung. We pray for his healing and his health generally, that God grant His Holiness many years of faithful ministry as the Successor of St. Peter.

Each Sunday, at noon, the Holy Father prays the Angelus with the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square, or who are gathered with him elsewhere when he travels. He typically gives a little lesson with the Angelus. He also does more practical things. Sometimes groups of pilgrims let the Holy See know that they will be there, and the Holy Father literally gives them a shout out, greeting them by their group name and welcoming them. He sometimes makes announcements about disasters, or conflicts, or wars, and asks for prayers. Rarely, he mentions something about himself.

Last Sunday, at his weekly Angelus address, he made the announcement about his surgery. This was important for him to do, because too often in the past, popes have had planned surgery or other procedures, the news gets out, and then there are rumors that swirl about the pope being incapacitated, or the pope is dying, or there's a conspiracy to end his life because there are some who don't like the direction he's leading the Church. So this is a very good and consequential thing he did—transparency. I'm sure part of that is his being an American and knowing the importance of simply telling people what's going on. Regardless, it's a good thing. And we pray for him, his health, and his ministry.

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at www.dowr.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Michael Gerard, at 507-361-3377, or mgerard@dowr.org.

Anyone working or volunteering in a Catholic parish or school is a mandated reporter. Anyone who knows or has reason to believe that a minor (a person under the age of 18) or vulnerable adult is or has been abused or neglected, must report all suspected abuse or neglect to proper civil authorities/law enforcement within 24 hours of the abuse or neglect becoming known to him or her and must also follow up with a written report to civil authorities within 72 hours, exclusive of weekends and holidays. Many people working or volunteering in a Catholic parish or school, including clergy, are mandated reporters under state law.

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 15

Weekly Support:	$ 1,333.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 2,694.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 25,272.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 36,491.00

Announcements

- Attention women of St. Ignatius parish. We will be having a CCW meeting next Saturday October 24 At 9:00 am. Followed by setting up boxes for boxes of joy. All women of the parish are welcome.
- Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life will be taking orders for Christmas decor after Mass through October 25. Delivery will be November 22.





Faith Formation

St. Finbarr

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Oct 21, 28

St. Patrick

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Oct 21, 28

St. Ignatius

Class 9:00-10:20 AM Oct 11, 21

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, October 24

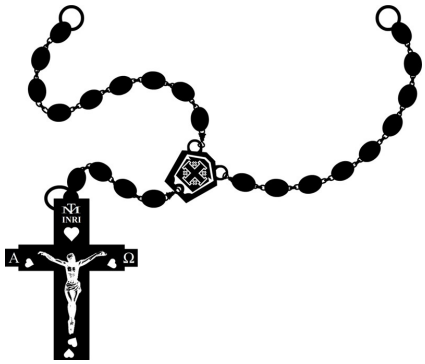
Opener:	Becky Oehlke
EMHC:	Nicole Meyerhofer & Troy Gehling
Reader:	Denice Gehling
Servers:	Colton, Austin & Wyatt Meyerhofer
Ushers:	Al Stier & Lon Baldus
Counters:	Lori Stier & Dylan Davis

Offering from October 10 – Week 15

Weekly Support:	$ 1,482.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 2,140.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 24,809.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 22,657.00

Announcements

- Boxes of Joy should be returned by Sun, Nov 1.
- Trunk or Treat next 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:	Mike & Melanie Welsh
Gifts:	Travis & Jennifer Lewis
EMHC:	Jim Yoch
Reader:	Kate Rohrer
Servers:	Natalie Bunne & Vanessa Lewis
Ushers:	Mike Arndorfer & Rod Miller
Counters:	Arlene Bastian & Jon Hiller

Offering from October 11 – Week 15

Weekly Support:	$ 2,222.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	$ 1,693.00
YTD Support Received:	$ 20,529.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	$ 23,898.00

Announcements

- Boxes of Joy MUST be returned by Sun, Nov 1.
- LeRoy Lions are collecting gently used, clean shoes during the month of October. A drop off is in the church basement. All shoes should be fastened together.
- 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 this 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!
- Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 27th at St. John the Baptist Church in Johnsburg. The meeting will begin with Mass at 6 pm followed by supper and speaker, Daniel Mueller, "Living in China." If you have Boxes of Joy bring them to the meeting. Also, Boxes of Joy drop off will be November 4th, 5th, 6th, and 8th after 11:30 am at St. Ignatius Church in Spring Valley. All women are welcomed!
- 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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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.

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