



ST. IGNATIUS

213 W Franklin St
Spring Valley, MN 55975



ST. FINBARR

504 1st St SW
Grand Meadow, MN 55936



ST. PATRICK

436 W Main St
LeRoy, MN 55951

MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Mar 31	6:00 PM	St. Finbarr	Jeff Minske
Wed, Apr 1	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Sara Kasel
Thur, Apr 2	9:00 AM	St. Ignatius	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Thur, Apr 2	7:00 PM	St. Ignatius	† Richard Engesser
Fri, Apr 3	12:00 PM	St. Ignatius	<i>The Passion of the Lord</i>
Fri, Apr 3	3:00 PM	St. Patrick	<i>The Passion of the Lord</i>
Fri, Apr 3	6:00 PM	St. Finbarr	<i>The Passion of the Lord</i>
Sat, Apr 4	9:00 AM	St. Ignatius	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Sat, Apr 4	8:00 PM	St. Ignatius	† Jonathan Mercado
Sun, Apr 5	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	† John Warmka
Sun, Apr 5	10:30 AM	St. Patrick	<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
	6:15 PM	Benediction	St. Ignatius
1 st 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

This afternoon we have three priests coming to assist me with hearing confessions for all of you. If you haven't made your Lenten confession, yet, please make sure to come this afternoon at 3:30 pm to St. Finbarr. As I told the second graders recently: forgiving our sins in confession is one of God's favorite things to do. It's how He keeps us close to Himself, and how He brings us back when we've fallen away from Him. God loves to forgive our sins in the sacrament of His mercy!

Last Sunday's Irish-themed St. Patrick Festival was great. I am grateful to all who helped put it together, those who cooked the Mulligan stew (which was tasty), and everyone else who came and enjoyed the festivities. Thank you!

As this is Holy Week, I hope to see many of you come and participate in the beautiful celebrations the Church provides us with, in order to commemorate the most important week in the history of the world.

Tomorrow will be the Diocese of Winona-Rochester Chrism Mass in Mankato. This annual Mass is very important for the life of the diocese, of our parishes, and of our priests.

First, the Chrism Mass is one of the great annual gatherings of our local church, celebrating the source and summit of our life—the Eucharist—with our own successor to the Apostles. The bishop celebrates this important Mass which highlights his role in shepherding all of us, both in his governance of the priests of the diocese but also in providing for the sacraments in all the parishes and institutions throughout the diocese.

Second, there is an annual renewal with the priests of the diocese. The bishop asks the priests to commit again to the work of the sacred ministry. These aren't just promises, but vows—promises made publicly before God in the presence of the Church. Priests pledge to be conformed to the Lord Jesus, to be faithful stewards of the sacred liturgy, and authentic teachers, not for personal gain but motivated by the zeal for souls.

Last, before the offertory, the bishop blesses holy oils which will be used diocese-wide. He blesses the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick. Then, breathing onto the oil, the bishop consecrates the Holy Chrism, the breathing representing the infusion of the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, as it were. The Oil of the Sick is used in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Oil of Catechumens is used prior to someone receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. The Sacred Chrism is used in infant baptism, in the Sacrament of Confirmation, in the Ordination of Priests and Bishops, and in the consecration of altars and churches.

In Christ,
Fr. Parrott

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, April 4

Greeters: Walsh Family
Gifts: Chari Kruegel & De Vreeman
EMHC: John Glady & Rosann Sanford
Reader: S O'Connell, J Betsinger, C Wiste
Servers: TBD
Ushers: Ralph Drees & Joe Mulhern
Counters: Tim Engesser & Mulhern

Offering from March 22 – Week 38

Weekly Support:	\$	1,187.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	63,772.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	86,765.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	284.00

Announcements

- Volunteers are urgently needed to deliver Meals on Wheels. This takes about one hour and you are asked to deliver once a month. If St. Ignatius does not have adequate volunteers, we will no longer be able to participate in this much-needed community service. It all comes down to people being willing to commit to this initiative. Please contact Pat Blahnik at 507-346-7194 for more information.
- The Knights of Columbus are serving a pork chop dinner with all the fixings today, March 29, 11:00-1:00, \$15.00. Drive-Thru or Dine In .



Faith Formation

St. Finbarr		
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 1, 8, 15
St. Patrick		
Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 8, 15
St. Ignatius		
Class	9:00-10:20 AM	Mar 29, Apr 12
Confirmation Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 1, 8

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 5

Opener: Dawn Stier
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer & Ellen Olson
Reader: Dawn Stier
Servers: Brody Meyerhofer & Ryan Meyerhofer
Ushers: Dom Stier & Clint Weiss
Counters: Dom Stier & Clint Weiss

Offering from March 22 – Week 38

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,766.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 93,716.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 68,007.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 711.00

Announcements

- Please notify Dawn Stier if you would like to donate to Easter flowers. Text, email or call.

St. Patrick

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 5

Greeters: Travis & Jennifer Lewis
Gifts: Cletus & Arlene Bastian
EMHC: Jim Yoch
Reader: Cathy Mason
Servers: Kathia Almaraz-Nolt & Landon Lewis
Ushers: Mike Welsh & Bruce Diemer
Counters: Cathy Yoch & Arlene Bastian

Offering from March 21 – Week 38

Weekly Support:	\$ 525.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 62,865.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 65,371.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 370.00

Announcements

- If you wish to donate a lily for our Easter altar, please let Joyce Arndorfer or Pat Utz know.
- Profit from our St. Patrick Irish Festival is \$3,700. Thank you to all that worked and donated. A special shout out to all the youth that volunteered.

Penance Service

Sunday, March 29 3:30 pm St. Finbarr



Stations of the Cross

Tuesday 6:00 pm St. Finbarr

*"When we contemplate the sufferings of Jesus,
He grants us, according to the measure of our faith,
the grace to practice the virtues
He revealed during those sacred hours."*

St. Angela Merici

Community News

- There will be a special collection on Good Friday for the Holy Land. This collection funds pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of our Christian brethren and local communities.
- Winona-Rochester Council of Catholic Women Quarter Meeting, Saturday, April 11th at Church of St. Teresa, Mapleton, MN. Registration and breakfast begins at 8:30 am. There will be Mass, learning and fellowship. The speakers are Sir Raymond De Souza talking about Mary and Fatima; also Jackie Veri speaking on the International Mission Trip to Mexico. All are welcomed.
- Camp Summit needs nurses/EMTs for the first week of camp. Week one runs July 25-30th. The nursing team ensures the safety and care of all the middle school youth, high school youth, and adult volunteers at camp. The nursing team will provide general first aid, help youth through illnesses, injuries, homesickness, and help chaperones with medications and medical emergencies as needed. Visit the website campsummitwinona.org to learn more or email campsummitwinona@gmail.com.
- OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet Thursdays at 7:00 pm at St. Ignatius.
- Courier: The March edition is available in church entry and 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.

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.