



## 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

# APRIL 12, 2026

## SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

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### Mass Schedule

Tues, Apr 14	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	† Marvin Gehling
Wed, Apr 15	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Sara Kasel
Thur, Apr 16	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Frank & Theresa Weisinger
Fri, Apr 17	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Chuck Reineke
Sat, Apr 18	5:00 PM	St. Patrick	Gene Genin
Sun, Apr 19	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sun, Apr 19	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Marge & Vince Mongeau

### Adoration & Confession

Tues	9:00-9:30 AM	Adoration	St. Finbarr
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

*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 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

Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!

We continue to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, His marvelous conquest accomplished. He set out to ransom us from our sins, and that He has done. We thank Him for His grace and favor.

Today is the feast of Divine Mercy, the final day of the octave of Easter. This afternoon, we will have the devotions with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, confessions, Benediction, and of course the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. I invite all of you to come and experience this time of prayer.

St. Pope St. John Paul II was the one who added this liturgical commemoration as a focus for the octave Sunday, thus creating in the year 2000 this feast of Divine Mercy Sunday. A year later, he reflected on the importance of this day in his 2001 Divine Mercy Sunday homily for Mass:

Indeed the message she [St. Maria Faustina Kowalska] brought is the appropriate and incisive answer that God wanted to offer to the questions and expectations of human beings in our time, marked by terrible tragedies. Jesus said to Sr. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy" (*Diary*, p. 132). Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity at the dawn of the third millennium.

Each of us needs this gift and this message. We are all the sick who are in need of a healer; we all have sinned, and are in need of a redeemer; and thus Jesus is the Divine Physician who heals our souls and the one Redeemer who applies the balm of His mercy.

It is Divine Providence, also, that 25 years later we need this exact message, and Pope Leo is repeating this very same appeal. At Easter, Jesus wants to bring peace—peace to the soul, peace to families, peace to communities, countries and to the world. We must pray for peace through the reception and sharing of Divine Mercy.

We are now only two weeks away from our "ultra weekend of sacraments". On Friday, April 24, our Confirmation students will receive that sacrament from Bishop Barron in Austin. On Saturday the 25th and Sunday the 26th, then, at our parishes, our young people will receive their First Holy Communion. Pray for them in these last weeks as excitement as well as some nervousness fills their hearts. We pray that they are prepared, with open hearts and attentive minds, and disposed to receive all the love, grace, mercy, and peace that Jesus wants to give them.

In Christ,  
Fr. Parrott

## St. Ignatius

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 19

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

### Offering from April 4 – Week 40

Weekly Support:	\$	1,149.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	66,255.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	95,620.00
Holy Land	\$	333.00

### Announcements

- The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, April 14. Supper at 6 PM with meeting to follow.
- First English Lutheran's Spring Community Dinner is Sunday, April 12 from 11:30-1:30. Free Will Donation with 100% going to local and area charitable organizations.
- Our next CCW meeting will be Saturday, April 25 at 9:00. All women of the parish welcome. We will have a sewing bee right after the meeting to make dresses for Boxes of Joy. We need sewers, cutters, pinner, and laughter. A lite lunch will be provided. Come any time 10:30 until 5 pm. Hope to see you there. Coffee, lemonade and tea available all day!!
- Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life will be taking orders after Mass for Long Stemmed Roses for Mother's Day April 12-26. Suggested donations are: Single Rose \$2.50; Half Dozen \$15.00; Dozen \$30.00.

*Jesus, I Trust in You.*



### Faith Formation

#### St. Finbarr

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Apr 15, 22

#### St. Patrick

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Apr 15, 22

#### St. Ignatius

Class 9:00-10:20 AM Apr 12, 19

Confirmation Class 6:45-7:45 PM Apr 15, 22

## St. Finbarr

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 19

Opener: Tye Davis  
EMHC: Kathy Gehling & Becky Oehlke  
Reader: Susan Baldus  
Servers: Evan Davis & Brody Meyerhofer  
Ushers: Terry Weelborg & Lon Baldus  
Counters: Dylan Davis & Susan Baldus

### Offering from April 5 – Week 40

Weekly Support:	\$ 2,147.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 96,274.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 71,635.00
Holy Land	\$ 151.00

### Announcements

- St. Finbarr's Education Endowment Fund Scholarship applications are available in the Narthex and are being accepted through May 3. High school seniors who meet the criteria are eligible to apply. The scholarships are made possible because of donations by generous parishioners, as well as money raised at parish events for the St. Finbarr's Education Endowment Fund.

## St. Patrick

### Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, April 18

Greeters: Rod & Shirley Miller  
Gifts: Cletus & Arlene Bastian  
EMHC: Vicky Nolt  
Reader: Jennifer Lewis  
Servers: Chloe O'Bannon & Kathia Almaraz-Nolt  
Ushers: Mike Welsh & Tony Arndorfer  
Counters: Vicky Nolt & Paul Yoch

### Offering from April 5 – Week 40

Weekly Support:	\$ 2,179.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 65,692.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 69,603.00
Holy Land	\$ 358.00

### Announcements

- The L-O Scholarship Pancake Breakfast will be held at the L-O school on Sunday, April 12, from 9:00-noon. Free will donation with proceeds going toward L-O Scholarship fund.

## **Divine Mercy Sunday** at St. Ignatius

Sun, April 12	3:00 pm	Exposition & Chaplet
	3:15 pm	Confessions
	4:00 pm	Benediction

*"We must often draw the comparison between time and eternity. This is the remedy of all our troubles. How small will the present moment appear when we enter that great ocean."*

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

## Community News

- Camp Summit needs nurses/EMTs for the first week of camp. Week one runs July 25-30. 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 [campsommitwinona.org](http://campsommitwinona.org) to learn more or email [campsommitwinona@gmail.com](mailto:campsommitwinona@gmail.com).
- A soup lunch fundraiser will be held at the Chester Community Center on Sunday, April 12, from 10:30-1. Free will donation.
- OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet Thursdays at 7:00 pm at St. Ignatius.
- Courier: The April edition is available in the Narthex and 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.



Thank You to All Parishioners Who Donated Flowers  
for Our Beautiful Easter Altars

**St. Finbarr:** Lon & Susan Baldus in memory of Glenn & Magdalene Hunst and Roy Baldus; Al & Lori Stier in memory of Nick & Lois O'Connell; Linda Gehling in memory of Marv Gehling and Clarence & Florence Gehling; Brad & Theresa Wolff in memory of Jason Wolff; Clint & Jenny Weiss in memory of Virg Weiss, Ron Weiss and Randy Emanuel; Diana Weiss in memory of Pat Weiss; Troy & Denice Gehling in memory of deceased family members; Lee & Lynn Baldus in memory of deceased family members; Dan & Kathy Gehling in memory of deceased family members; Dom & Dawn Stier in memory of deceased family members.

**St. Ignatius:** Joe & Rita Bezdicek in memory of Family Members; Janice Drees in memory of Mayer and Drees Families; Rosann Sanford in memory Wally and Family Members; Joanie Betsinger in memory of Russ; Bill & Kristi Mettler for deceased Family Members; Jeff & Cindy Erding in memory of deceased Family Members; Pat Blahnik for deceased Family Members; Roger & Angie Zeimetz for deceased Family Members; William & Eleanore Jones for deceased Family Members; Blake & Valerie Ehrendfeldt for the Holy Souls in Purgatory; Wayne & Phyllis Buresh in memory of Family Members; Lee & Terry Hill for deceased Family Members; Rich & Maggie Ramaker in memory of Frank & Theresa Weisinger; Theresa Warren in memory of Tom Warren; Tony & Kelly Rahe in memory of Family Members; Mary Lee in memory of Family Members; Tim & Pam Walsh in memory of Marian and Joseph Walsh; Bridget in memory of Caleb Bell.

**St. Patrick:** Travis & Jennifer Lewis in memory of Kevin Guenther; Larry & Sharon Jacobson in memory of Roman & Delores Waldorf, Gregory Waldorf, Corliss & Hazel & Sandy Jacobson; Jerry & Pat Utz in memory of Otto & Irene Utz & Bill & Lorraine Steffens; Judy Jasper in memory of Loved Ones; Chris & Anna Christianson in memory of Costello & Christianson Families; Loren & Penny Rickerl in memory of Herman & Joan Rickerl, Wesley & Isabella Morse, Kelsey Rickerl; Rick & Jean Roe in memory of Dan & Don Rysavy; Nick & Kathi Bunne in memory of Tyler Bunne; Curt & Judy Fuhrmann in memory of Aunt Rose; Kurt Fuhrmann Jr in memory of Tim; Paul & Cathy Yoch in memory of Krishbaum & Yoch families; Marvin Winkels in memory of deceased Winkles family members; Barb Hovde in memory of Tom & Lisa Hovde; Don Olson in memory of Marge & Tom Olson; Mike & Margaret Arndorfer in memory of Dorothy Borgia; Clarence & Joyce Arndorfer in memory of deceased Schwering & Arndorfer family members.

## **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.*