



## 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 19, 2026

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Parish Office

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### Mass Schedule

Tues, Apr 21	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	Jay Brandt
Wed, Apr 22	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Patricia Wade
Thur, Apr 23	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Stephen Czapiewski
Fri, Apr 24	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Russ Betsinger
Sat, Apr 25	5:00 PM	St. Patrick	† Paul & Anna Kasel
Sun, Apr 26	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	† Leo Barnes
Sun, Apr 26	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	<i>Pro Populo</i>

### 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 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!

Thank you to everyone who came last Sunday for the Divine Mercy Celebration at St. Ignatius. This is a great and powerful devotion which moves the heart, just as in a way God's heart is moved by His infinite love.

The Almighty, who has no need of anything or anyone, out of sheer love chose to share His love by creating the world. He created this gorgeous planet we live on (yes, even with the storms and tornados, as we've seen recently). He created the moon and stars. And what a wonder it has been to follow the mission to the moon with the Artemis crew, seeing now all the data, videos, and pictures they are sharing with us of the wonder of God's creation.

He who is Eternity and Infinity in Himself had no need of sharing His love with others, but out of sheer goodness and the effusiveness which love produces, God created intelligent creatures who would share and participate in His love.

So in a sense of absolute justice, since the Lord owes us nothing and has no need of us, it is completely shocking how in our forebears turned against God and we continue to today. But in His great goodness and in His abundant Divine Mercy, has chosen to forgive, redeem, and elevate us beyond our sinfulness. And He did so in such a profound and terrible way: enduring the sacred Passion. This mystery is the heart of Divine Mercy Sunday, and I'm glad for all who came to thank Him for the gift, and to enter more sincerely and deeply into the whole mystery.

This Friday Confirmation will be given to our students by Bishop Barron in Austin. These eight students (one from St. Patrick, three from St. Finbarr, and four from St. Ignatius) have spent the year preparing in class with me, by prayer, coming to Mass, performing service in the parish and community, going to Confession, and making a retreat. You can see their saint shields in our church entryways, now, too.

Next Saturday and Sunday will be the reception of First Holy Communion for our second graders and others who have spent this year in class and with learning centers coming to understand more fully the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, His whole Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

We pray for all of the youngsters as they now receive the fulfillment of their preparation.

We also thank everyone who worked to prepare them: our faith formation coordinators, their catechists, the speakers at the retreat, their parents, and anyone else who assisted them to be prepared for these days.

In Christ, Fr. Parrott

## St. Ignatius

### **Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 26**

Greeters: Bill & Sue Puffer  
Gifts: Bill Mettler Family  
EMHC: Chari Kruegel & John Gladly  
Reader: Amy Mulhern  
Servers: Avery Reiter & Harper Holmen  
Ushers: Paul Klockeman & Bryan O'Connell  
Counters: O'Connell & Engesser

### **Offering from April 12 – Week 40**

Weekly Support: \$ 2,218.00  
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,980.00  
YTD Support Received: \$ 68,473.00  
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 95,696.00

### **Announcements**

- Thank you to Wayne and Phyllis Buresh, Tim and Juliet Engesser, Jerry Wolf, and Joe Bezdicck for helping decorate for Holy Week and Easter.
- 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.
- Spring Valley Kiwanis volunteers are available to help on projects that you may be unable to do (minor lawn cleanup and window washing). For more information, please contact Jay @ Edina Realty: 507-421-1821.



### **Faith Formation**

#### **St. Finbarr**

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 22, 29
First Communion	8:30 AM	Apr 26

#### **St. Patrick**

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 22
First Communion	5:00 PM	Apr 25

#### **St. Ignatius**

Class	9:00-10:20 AM	Apr 19, 26
Confirmation Class	6:45-7:45 PM	Apr 22
First Communion	10:30 AM	Apr 26

## St. Finbarr

### Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, April 26

Opener: Diana Weiss  
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer & Kristal Brogan  
Reader: Adyson Brogan  
Servers: Ryan Meyerhofer & Sean Brogan  
Ushers: Logan Marx & Al Stier  
Counters: Clint Weiss & Lori Stier

### Offering from April 12 – Week 40

Weekly Support:	\$	811.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	96,985.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	74,167.00

### 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 25

Greeters: Paul & Cathy Yoch  
Gifts: Vicky Nolt  
EMHC: Tony Arndorfer  
Reader: Kate Rohrer  
Servers: Vanessa Lewis & Natalie Bunne  
Ushers: Steve Kasel & Rod Miller  
Counters: Jim Yoch & Tom Winkels

### Offering from April 11 – Week 40

Weekly Support:	\$	2,275.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	67,967.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	72,593.00

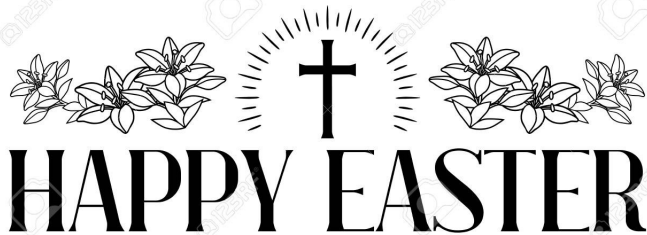
## Blessings and Welcome



At the Easter Vigil, Alexa Minnich was received into full communion with the Catholic Church, and received Confirmation and First Communion.

*"A Christian's treasure is not on earth. It is in heaven. Well, then! Our thoughts must go where our treasure is. Man has a fine function: to pray and to love. You pray, you love: that is man's happiness on earth!"*

St. John Vianney



## Community News

- Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 28th** at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Spring Valley. Registration is 5:30 pm with Mass at 6 pm followed by a supper, meeting and speaker. All women are welcome!
- 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 [campsummitwinona.org](http://campsummitwinona.org) to learn more or email [campsummitwinona@gmail.com](mailto:campsummitwinona@gmail.com).
- 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.

## **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.*