



ST. IGNATIUS

213 W Franklin St
Spring Valley, MN 55975



ST. FINBARR

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Grand Meadow, MN 55936



ST. PATRICK

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LeRoy, MN 55951

MAY 3, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Mass Schedule

Tues, May 5	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	Mariah Snyder
Wed, May 6	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Ed & Becky Bunne
Thur, May 7	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Sr. Gertrude Schommer
Fri, May 8	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Chuck Reineke
Sat, May 9	5:00 PM	St. Patrick	† Janice Miller
Sun, May 10	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sun, May 10	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Jean Sisk

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 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 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!

I'm very glad for all of our Confirmation and First Communion students who received their sacraments this past weekend. Everything went well with the Mass on Friday evening with the Bishop at St. Augustine in Austin. Then on Saturday and Sunday our young people did well in receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. We pray for them and their families, that they know God's grace and friendship all the days of their life.

As of today, our faith formation programs all come to a close for the year. Thank you to all who have helped in the programs, especially our catechists who have gifted their talent and time to our parishes, to these young people, and to their families. We are glad for the summer to be arriving, but we look forward to another good year next year when things pick up again and we have the ongoing opportunity to spread the faith.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us:

Catechesis is an education in the faith of children, young people and adults which includes especially the teaching of Christian doctrine imparted, generally speaking, in an organic and systematic way, with a view to initiating the hearers into the fullness of Christian life. ... Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life. Not only her geographical extension and numerical increase, but even more her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis.

This last idea of inner growth is of utmost importance. Like an old, now-deceased Dominican philosophy professor of ours at IHM Seminary in Winona would frequently remind us: *Nemo dat quod non habet*, "No one gives what they don't have." It's a great Latin aphorism. If I don't have knowledge of Christ, how can I spread that knowledge? If I don't have the love of Jesus in me, or the regular trust and abandonment to God and His providence, how can I lead others to doing the same?

One of the last things that has been customary in our diocese towards the end of the school year is the completion of formation for seminarians who are to be ordained deacons and priests. This year the Diocese of Winona will be ordaining one young man to the diaconate at the co-cathedral in Rochester on May 23. There is another in Rome who will be ordained there in a few months. And then we have three young men who are currently deacons and will be ordained priests at the basilica in Winona on June 5. Please pray for them.

In Christ,
Fr. Parrott

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, May 10

Greeters: Brad & Andrea Reiter
Gifts: Bill Mettler Family
EMHC: Chari Kruegel & Rosann Sanford
Reader: Joe Mulhern
Servers: Ava Wolfram & Emily Wolfram
Ushers: Bob Capelle & John Mulhern
Counters: Paul Klockeman & Kelly Rahe

Offering from April 26 – Week 42

Weekly Support:	\$	660.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	69,786.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	96,410.00

Announcements

- Thanks to all who attended and helped make the Windsor Chop dinner a success. Our profit was \$1,421.
- The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, May 12, 6 PM at The Pizza Joint. Meeting to follow.
- 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.

Congratulations and God's Blessings to Those Who Were Confirmed and Received First Holy Communion

St. Finbarr

Confirmation	Kaylee Davis Cecilia Leone Mollie Voigt
First Communion	Orrin Davis Evia Kiefer Naomi Norby Oakley Warmka

St. Patrick

Confirmation	Chloe O'Bannon
First Communion	Adam Bunne Matthew Nelson Edgar Tenzohua Harper Yoch

St. Ignatius

Confirmation	Isabella Evens James Mettler Braxton O'Connell Maxwell Snitker
First Communion	Walter Mulhern

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, May 10

Opener: Tye Davis
EMHC: Troy Gehling & Becky Oehlke
Reader: Denice Gehling
Servers: Brody Meyerhofer & Ryan Meyerhofer
Ushers: Jim Davis & Chris Stier
Counters: Dylan Davis & Susan Baldus

Offering from April 26 – Week 42

Weekly Support:	\$	738.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	98,591.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	75,188.00

Announcements

- Mission Circle will meet at 1 PM, Tuesday May 5. Everyone is welcome.
- St. Finbarr's Education Endowment Fund Scholarship applications are due today, 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. Finbarr is in need of someone to mow the church lawn, as soon as possible. If you are able, please contact Father or Dawn Stier.

St. Patrick

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, May 9

Greeters: Mike & Melanie Welsh
Gifts: Cletus & Arlene Bastian
EMHC: Kathy Stern
Reader: Barb Payne
Servers: Tyler Huff & Landon Lewis
Ushers: Chris Lentz & Loren Rickerl
Counters: Mike Arndorfer & Cathy Yoch

Offering from April 25 – Week 42

Weekly Support:	\$	1,671.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	71,243.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	73,214.00

Announcements

- CCW will meet Monday, May 4, 7 PM in the church hall. Co-chairs are Gladys Kasel & Kathy Stern.

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THE
Way,

THE TRUTH
life 
JOHN 14:6

Community News

- Second Collection next week for Catholic Charities. They offer emergency overnight and day shelters, medication access, rental assistance, adoption services and more.
- SAVE THE DATE: National CCW Province Conference 2026, Friday, June 26 at Victoria Church, Victoria, MN. The faith-filled conference is 8 am - 3 pm with speakers. Registration is \$65, For more information visit <https://provinceofstpaul-minneapolis.weebly.com> or email carolshuklee@frontiernet.net.
- Camp Summit needs nurses/EMTs for the first week of camp. Week one runs July 25-30. The nursing team provides general first aid, help through illnesses, injuries, homesickness, and help chaperones with medications and medical emergencies. Visit campsummitwinona.org or email campsummitwinona@gmail.com.
- Join us May 5-7 for Real Presence Radio's spring live drive! Tune in 7 AM - 7 PM CT to hear real stories from people whose lives have been transformed by Catholic radio. Tune in on 970 AM in Rochester or listen online at RealPresenceRadio.com.
- Courier: The April edition is available in the Narthex 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.
- 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.