



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

JULY 19, 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Schedule

Tues, July 21	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	Mariah Snyder
Wed, July 22	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Crystal Stern
Thur, July 23	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Dolores Engesser
Fri, July 24	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Russ Betsinger
Sat, July 25	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† Alice Disdier
Sun, July 26	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sun, July 26	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Living & deceased of Weiss & Garczynski family

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
1 st 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 weekend we welcome Fr. Aloysius Royan from the Diocese of Khammam, India. He celebrates our Masses and appeals on behalf of his diocese for our support, as part of the annual diocesan missionary cooperative. Thank you for your generosity to the ongoing needs of the church throughout the world.

We continue Bishop Barron's Pastoral Letter, on the topic of beauty as an instrument for evangelization.

II. Evangelization

Beauty

A third motif that arises frequently in the research around evangelization is the importance of beauty, especially in relation to the Mass. I have long argued that the "third transcendental" is of particular significance today. When I speak of the transcendentals, I'm referring to the famous triplet of the good, the true, and the beautiful. At a time when appeals to truth and goodness are often met with resistance — "who are you to tell me what to think or how to behave?"—appeals to the beautiful are less threatening, and more winsome.

Stephen Bullivant, a theologian and researcher from the UK, has delved into issues of disaffiliation and he has asked the disaffiliated themselves whether there are any values they still remember and cherish from their time in the Church. In Bullivant's studies, time and again those who have disaffiliated remember with fondness the beauty of the Church that they left...

I can testify that at my discussion table during the Synod gathering in Mankato, this issue of beauty inspired a good deal of passion and energy. Several expressed the sentiment that many of our churches have become too drab, too bland, frankly, too ugly, and that, accordingly, they don't have evangelical attractiveness.

Now I fully realize that when we turn to the topic of beauty, there can be philosophical differences regarding what qualifies as beautiful. I certainly don't hold that only one or two styles of, say, ecclesial architecture or sanctuary design could be considered beautiful. In the course of the great Catholic tradition, Roman basilicas, Romanesque churches, Gothic cathedrals, and Baroque chapels have certainly all qualified as beautiful, though they represent radically different styles.

On the other hand, beauty is not simply, as the cliché has it, "in the eye of the beholder," making aesthetic judgments just a matter of subjective taste. St. Thomas Aquinas held that beauty is as objective as the other transcendentals of truth and goodness. It occurs, he said, at the intersection of *integritas* (wholeness), *consonantia* (harmony), and *claritas* (radiance). When something coheres as one integrated thing (wholeness), when its parts hold together in a symmetrical and balanced way

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, July 26

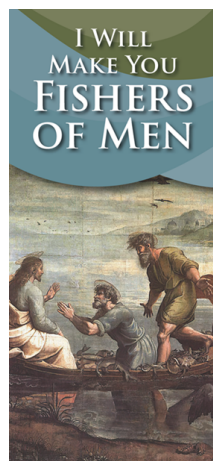
Greeters: Pam Walsh & Lois Boelter
Gifts: Lee & Teri Hill
EMHC: Joanie Betsinger & Jeff Erding
Reader: Amy Mulhern
Servers: None
Ushers: Jacob Souhrada & Mike Souhrada
Counters: Kelly Rahe & Tim Engesser

Offering from July 12 – Week 2

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,579.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,981.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 4,528.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 2,232.00

Announcements

- The Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley is asking for nominations for the annual Citizen-of-the-Year program. Forms can be picked up at SV City Hall, Public Library or on the SV EDA web site and must be returned or mailed to the Kiwanis Club of Spring Valley, P.O. Box 133, Spring Valley, MN 55975, by September 1.
- Attention Women of St. Ignatius: Due to scheduling conflicts we have moved our CCW meeting to Saturday, August 8 at 9:00. See you there.



ST. FINBARR
GOAL: \$7,240



ST. IGNATIUS
GOAL: \$10,009



ST. PATRICK
GOAL: \$6,277



(harmony), and when its form shines forth so that we say, "that's what that thing is supposed to be" (radiance), we call it "beautiful." This is true of a human face, a golf swing, a strategic plan, or the Mona Lisa.

In Christ, Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, July 25

Opener: Diana Weiss
EMHC: Ellen Olson & Kathy Gehling
Reader: Dawn Stier
Servers: Kaylee Davis & Colton Meyerhofer
Ushers: Clint Weiss & Chris Stier
Counters: Clint Weiss & Lori Stier

Offering from July 11 – Week 2

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,086.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,673.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 1,646.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 897.00

Announcements

- We are looking for 5th Grade Faith Formation Teachers for the 2026–2027 school year. You can sign up individually or co-teach to rotate weeks! Contact Rochelle Fay.
- St. Finbarr Fall Festival will be on Sunday, September 13 from 11-2. It's a fun day with food and drinks, games, bounce house, face painting and numerous vendors. Come join us. Anyone wanting to have a vendor booth please contact Dawn Stier.

St. Patrick

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, July 26

Greeters: David & Gladys Kasel
Gifts: Cletus & Arlene Bastian
EMHC: Mike Arndorfer
Reader: Travis Lewis
Servers: Vanessa Lewis & Natalie Bunne
Ushers: Jim Yoch & Tony Arndorfer
Counters: Travis Lewis & Pat Arndorfer

Offering from July 12 – Week 2

Weekly Support:	\$ 937.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,331.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 2,476.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 2,042.00

*"Remember God more often
than you breathe."*

St. Gregory of Nazianzen

Community News

- Boxes of Joy: Be on the lookout for good deals on school supplies to pack in the boxes
- Attention married couples young and old: Are you looking for a way to deepen your relationship with your spouse and with God all at the same time? We have been trained to lead a married couples group in St. John Paul II's The Rule. Please contact us at pamwalsh67@gmail.com or tjwalsh65.tw@gmail.com or phone Tim at 507-273-2874 or Pam at 507-421-9438. You can also learn more about married couple groups at <https://www.wojtylaci.com/>.
- Come to the 54th annual Litomysl Summer Festival at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 9946 SE 24th Avenue, rural Owatonna, on Sunday, July 26. Mass with Polka music at 10:15 AM. The KC Choir will sing at 9:30 AM. Games, entertainment and silent auction until 4 PM.
- Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 28 at St. Patrick in LeRoy. Registration is at 5:30 pm, Mass 6 pm followed by a supper and meeting with a speaker. The Boxes of Joy will be available for pickup at the meeting.
- Save the Date! The Annual Marriage Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, August 15 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Lake Crystal.
- Calling all women in Christ to take part in our annual Christian Experience Weekend, September 11-13 at Good Earth Village in Spring Valley. Are you looking to take time away from your busy life to: Grow in your relationship with Jesus or renew your Christian faith in community with other women? Information can be found on the bulletin board by the church entrance or contact Pam Walsh pamwalsh67@gmail.com or 507-421-9438.
- 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
- Courier: The July 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.

Prayer Chain

Please keep the following sick, hospitalized & homebound parishioners and friends in your prayers.

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr

Jerry Marr – St. Ignatius

Sharon Hammon – St. Patrick

Lori Brogan – St. Finbarr

Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius

Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick

Cheri Jose

Lee Hill – St. Ignatius

Jodi Miller – St. Patrick

Sandy Stern

Jane Reineke – St. Ignatius

Crystal Stern – St. Patrick

Joanne Hampel

Bob & Margaret Cole

David Geary

Jason Emanuel

Diane Reineke

Karen Sanford

All Troops especially those in the Middle East

Eric Hadland

If you know someone who needs to be included in the prayer chain, email their name to Mary in the office.