



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 26, 2026

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Parish Office

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Mass Schedule

Tues, July 28	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	† Henrietta Bushman
Wed, July 29	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Cathy Yoch
Thur, July 30	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Leon Theis
Fri, July 31	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Bill & Eleanore Jones
Sat, Aug 1	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Tom Hovde
Sat, Aug 1	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† John Warmka
Sun, Aug 2	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Clarence Arndorfer
Sun, Aug 2	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-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

Thank you! I want to thank all those who donated to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal at the diocese. You can see we have met our goals at all three parishes. Each parish will receive the amount over the goal back.

This week a couple of the youth from our parishes will be attending Camp Summit, a retreat for middle-school youth put on by our diocese at Eagle Bluff. Please pray for them. Some from our cluster also recently attended the Steubenville Conference in Rochester for high school youth. Both of these are very good retreats for our young people. In the early part of next year, the diocese will begin advertising these experiences and I hope we promote them more so that our young people can, through these excellent opportunities, fall in love with our faith and the Triune God whom we worship.

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

II. Evangelization

Beauty

When assessing the beauty of our churches, sanctuaries, and chapels, might we apply Aquinas's categories? And might we ask even more pointed questions about whether our structures and buildings can bear the weight of Christian revelation, whether they can adequately express the great truths of the faith? An architectural design might be aligned to contemporary sensibilities, but does it articulately speak the language of Catholicism? I think that this theme, so stressed at the Synod, should be the subject of ongoing conversations at both the parish and diocesan levels.

As I hinted above, much of the concern about beauty focuses upon the Mass, the Eucharistic liturgy, and those practices and sacramentals related to the Mass. Once again, Stephen Bullivant's work is helpful. He shows that many of the disaffiliated still retain positive memories of the Mass. Here are a few quotations:

"I enjoy the ritual of Mass and the tradition. I like the fact that it is the same wherever I go."

"The Mass will always be a comfort and no matter where I am it feels like coming home when I go to Mass."

This instinct is clearly ratified by the testimony of those who participated in our Synod. Here is a characteristic quote: "Promote catechesis on Mass etiquette, emphasizing preparation, sacred silence, and proper reception of Holy Communion."

In Christ,
Fr. Parrott

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, August 2

Greeters: Lois Boelter & Chari Kruegel
Gifts: Bill Mettler Family
EMHC: Joanie Betsinger & Chari Kruegel
Reader: John Glady
Servers: Avery Reiter & Harper Holmen
Ushers: Bryan O'Connell & Paul Mettler
Counters: Tim Engesser & Charlene Czapiewski

Offering from July 19 – Week 3

Weekly Support:	\$	1,839.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,981.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	5,967.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	2,232.00
Diocese of Khammam	\$	1,439.00

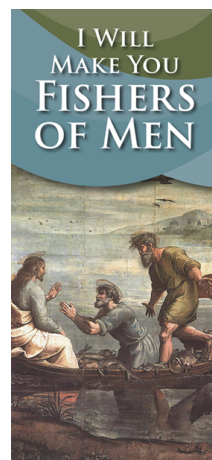
Announcements

- **SAVE THE DATE:** St. Ignatius **50th** Annual Fall Festival, Sunday, September 20, 11 AM to 1 PM. More info coming soon.
- Attention women of St. Ignatius. The August 8 CCW meeting has been cancelled. Our next meeting will be October 24.

"Give to others, and God will give to you. Indeed, you will receive a full measure, a generous helping, poured into your hands—all that you can hold.

The measure you use for others is the one that God will use for you."

Luke 6:38



ST. FINBARR
GOAL: \$7,240

\$7,842

ST. IGNATIUS
GOAL: \$10,009

\$11,055

ST. PATRICK
GOAL: \$6,277

\$8,307

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, August 1

Opener: Dawn Stier
EMHC: Dawn Stier & Kristal Brogan
Reader: Susan Baldus
Servers: Sean Brogan & Evan Davis
Ushers: Dom Stier & Lon Baldus
Counters: Susan Baldus & Dom Stier

Offering from July 18 – Week 3

Weekly Support:	\$	778.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,673.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	1,646.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	897.00
Diocese of Khammam	\$	598.00

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, August 2

Greeters: Loren & Penny Rickerl
Gifts: Mike & Melanie Welch
EMHC: Jennifer Lewis
Reader: Jessica Yoch
Servers: Cathia Almaraz-Nolt & Tyler Huff
Ushers: Paul Yoch & Mike Arndorfer
Counters: Arlene Bastian & Paul Yoch

Offering from July 19 – Week 3

Weekly Support:	\$	678.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,331.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	3,154.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	2,150.00
Diocese of Khammam	\$	812.00

Give
THANKS
to the Lord
For He is good; His love endures Forever.
Psalms 136:1

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.
- Honor the Gift of Marriage. Join us at Holy Family Catholic Church in Lake Crystal on **August 15 at 10:00 a.m.** for our annual Marriage Anniversary Mass. All couples, regardless of their anniversary milestone, and their family and friends are invited to attend! A light reception will follow the Mass.
- Calling all women in Christ to take part in our annual Christian Experience Weekend, September 11-13 at Good Earth Village in Spring Valley. 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.