



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

AUGUST 23, 2026

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Aug 25	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	Jay Brandt
Wed, Aug 26	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Ed & Becky Bunne
Thur, Aug 27	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	Wayne & Phyllis Buresh
Fri, Aug 28	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	John & JoAnn Gladys
Sat, Aug 29	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† Virgil Weiss
Sun, Aug 30	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sun, Aug 30	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Ray & Evelyn Capelle

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

Our hearts go out to Joe and Santi Drees, their kids, and the whole Drees family. Our parish community has spent this whole week grieving with them the loss of Nathaniel. We pray that God grant Nathaniel eternal rest, and the fullness of His Divine Mercy. We pray that the family knows the consolation of God in this dark hour.

St. Ignatius Parish really came together this week to be there for the Drees family. The vigil on Monday night with the whole Spring Valley and broader community came together so well, and was a heartfelt demonstration of love. I am humbled and so grateful to everyone who helped out, in big ways and in small ways, including the faculty and staff at Kingsland. We tried to give everyone space to mourn, to support one another, and to turn to God in this moment when we need Him so much. We have done everything we can to give Nathaniel a worthy commendation, entrusting him to the ministry of the angels and the arms of our merciful Father.

As everyone at St. Ignatius knows, the Drees family has a strong devotion to the Divine Mercy Devotion. If you don't have a crucifix in your home or some other image of Jesus, I would encourage you to put up a crucifix or the Divine Mercy image. It is so important for us to have one of these in our homes so we can turn to Jesus in prayer and be reminded of Him when we have become forgetful. It is a way of sanctifying our home, and placing Jesus as the Lord and ruler of our homes.

The Divine Mercy image is particularly beautiful. It's often sold with the phrase written on it from St. Faustina: "Jesus, I trust in you." Jesus is facing us, approaching us brilliant in His white garment, shining light through the darkness. From His heart we see the rays of light, both red and white. These remind us of the blood and water which flowed from the heart of Christ as He hung upon the cross when the soldier, St. Longinus, pierced His side with the lance. As St. Faustina recorded in her Diary, "The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the water that makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls."

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed using a rosary, though with different prayers. Guides can be found online, or we have printouts available in our churches. This prayer, which takes only about 10 minutes to pray, is a spiritual offering of Christ's Body and Blood to the Eternal Father to obtain His mercy for ourselves and the whole world. Its profound meaning is found in the trust we place in Jesus' saving Passion which has won saving grace for us. Through the Chaplet, we are drawn into the contemplation of God's infinite compassion and love.

In Christ,
Fr. Parrott

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, August 30

Greeters: Bob & Marcy Capelle
Gifts: Chari Kruegel & De Vreeman
EMHC: Jeff Erding & Teri Hill
Reader: Don Mulhern
Servers: Jimmy Mettler & Paul Mettler
Ushers: Bryan O'Connell & Ralph Drees
Counters: Arndorfer & O'Connell

Offering from August 16 – Week 7

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,382.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 2,694.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 15,506.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 12,521.00

Announcements

- Please sign up in the entryway to help with our Fall dinner and to bring a pie. Help spread the word by taking some flyers in the entryway to hang up around the area. Pick up your raffle ticket envelope if you haven't already. Reach out to Teri Hill or Mychelle Christian if you would like more raffle tickets to sell.
- Mass of Christian Burial was held for Nathaniel Drees Fri., Aug 21 at St. Ignatius. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.



St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, August 29

Opener: Tye Davis
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer & Dawn Stier
Reader: Denice Gehling
Servers: Brody Meyerhofer & Ryan Meyerhofer
Ushers: Clint Weiss & Chris Stier
Counters: Dylan Davis & Trudy Swanson

Offering from August 15 – Week 7

Weekly Support:	\$	1,280.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	2,140.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	8,444.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	8,089.00

Announcements

- Mission Circle quilt raffle tickets are available in the entryway before and after Mass. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. The quilt is displayed in the entryway. Drawing will be at 2:00 September 13. Need not be present to win.
- 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 30

Greeters: Travis & Jennifer Lewis
Gifts: Rod & Shirley Miller
EMHC: Jim Yoch
Reader: Jennifer Lewis
Servers: Chloe O'Bannon & Jaeden Huff
Ushers: Mike Arndorfer & Rod Miller
Counters: Barb Hovde & Kathy Stern

Offering from August 16 – Week 7

Weekly Support:	\$	1,116.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	1,693.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	8,473.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	9,756.00



Community News

- St Ignatius is celebrating their 50th annual Fall Festival on Sunday, September 20. Serving BBQ chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, dinner roll and pie from 11 am - 1 pm. Drive through at the back entrance or come in for a sit down . Music by Ravens Fire from our very own Larry & Melissa Schmidt plus a bounce house for kids. Raffle tickets are \$5/ticket. Lots of great prizes. The drawing will be at 1 pm and you do not need to be present to win. Mark your calendar and invite others to join in our 50th Fall Festival celebration.
- Registration is now open for Beloved, the Diocese of Winona-Rochester Women's Conference will be held on Saturday, November 7 at Lourdes High School. Visit www.dowr.org/events for more information.
- There will be a second collection this weekend to support Catholic Home Missions (50%) and Black and Native Americans (50%).
- Continue building your faith throughout the week with Catholic programming you can trust. Tune in on 970 AM in Rochester or listen online at RealPresenceRadio.com.
- 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 August 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.