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SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Sep 29	8:30 AM	St. Finbarr	No Mass
Wed, Sep 30	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	No Mass
Thur, Oct 1	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	No Mass
Fri, Oct 2	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	No Mass
Sat, Oct 3	8:30 AM	St. Ignatius	No Mass
Sat, Oct 3	5:00 PM	St. Finbarr	† Kathy Burke Cooley
Sun, Oct 4	8:30 AM	St. Patrick	† William and Lorraine Brekke
Sun, Oct 4	10:30 AM	St. Ignatius	† Nathaniel Drees

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
1st-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

Many thanks to everyone who made last Sunday's 50th Fall Festival at St. Ignatius a great day. It was nice to see many people there! The live music and the historical pictures were great. The slideshow is on our website.

Today we conclude Bishop Barron's Pastoral Letter with his final challenge and commendation.

Conclusion and Challenge

Eucharistic Adoration

I would make a final suggestion in regard to this central concern of the Church universal and of our particular Church: pray! In the Bible, nothing great is ever accomplished apart from prayer. When we raise our minds and hearts to God, we join ourselves to God's will and we tap into God's power. Furthermore, evangelization is not so much about finding the right program to implement, but rather it is about seeking holiness and letting that holiness – the presence of God within us – radiate to those around us. In this way, we not only speak of God, but we first and foremost bear witness to Jesus Christ in our daily lives.

In this vein, one of the strongly supported recommendations from the Synod was: "Establish frequent, consistent, and regionally accessible opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration in every deanery." It is worth emphasizing that young people have proven remarkably responsive to the practice of Eucharistic Adoration. I feel that this might have something to do with the need for simplicity and focus, given the prevalence of the constant buzz and distraction of social media and electronic devices. Many young priests and religious credit their vocation to spending time in Eucharistic Adoration and this practice is known to revitalize parishes and attract non-Catholics to the Faith.

At one time, each deanery of our diocese had one designated parish with a Perpetual Adoration chapel, where the faithful adored our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament 24/7. In order to make Eucharistic Adoration more assessable to our people, I am asking that deaneries once again make the effort to recruit more adorers in order to return to this reality. Additionally, since not everyone will be able to easily travel to a Perpetual Adoration chapel, I would like to see every parish hold a day of Adoration at least on a monthly, if not a weekly, basis. The parishes that have this practice can attest to the fruits of this prayer, and those who have yet to do so can take this opportunity to catechize their parishioners on the beauty and importance of Eucharistic Adoration.

It is one of the signal privileges of my life to be the shepherd of the Winona-Rochester diocese. My own faith has been extraordinarily strengthened as I move about our sprawling diocese and experience your vibrant commitment to the Lord. I look forward with great enthusiasm to working with you to raise up more priests for our altars and to bring more people to Christ Jesus.

I place all of these efforts under the maternal protection and care of Mary, the Mother of God, patroness of our diocese, Queen of the Clergy, and Star of the New Evangelization.

St. Ignatius

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, October 4

Greeters: Bob and Marcy Capelle
Gifts: Walsh Family
EMHC: Joanie Betsinger & Teri Hill
Reader: Sarah O'Connell
Servers: Harper Holmen & Nadalie Oeltjen
Ushers: Jacob Souhrada & Mike Souhrada
Counters: Kelly Rahe & Tim Engesser

Offering from September 20 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$	991.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$	2,694.00
YTD Support Received:	\$	21,796.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$	24,983.00

Announcements

- A big thank you to everyone who helped make the 50th St. Ignatius Fall Festival Dinner and Raffle a success! Whether you cooked chicken, donated pies, food, or raffle prizes, worked during the dinner, sold or bought raffle tickets, or simply came to eat and enjoy the day, we appreciate you. It truly takes a whole parish, along with the support of our Tri-Parish community, to make an event like this happen. Thank you for your generosity, hard work, and support – The St. Ignatius Parish Council. (Raffle winners are listed on the next page, Community News.)
- Attention ladies of the parish: 7 Sisters Apostolate is seeking 2 new members and/or substitutes to pray for Father for 1 hour a week. Contact Pam Walsh at 507-421-9438 if you can fill the void.
- 7 Sisters Apostolate is having a pot luck on Tuesday, Oct 6 at 6:00. This is for all members or those interested in learning more about 7 Sisters. Looking forward to seeing you there! Contact Pam Walsh for questions.

Many thanks to Fr. Reker and Fr. Leif
for covering our weekend Masses!



Faith Formation

St. Finbarr

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Sep 30, Oct 7

St. Patrick

Class 6:45-7:45 PM Sep 30, Oct 7

St. Ignatius

Class 9:00-10:20 AM Sep 27, Oct 4

St. Finbarr

Liturgy Schedule – Saturday, October 3

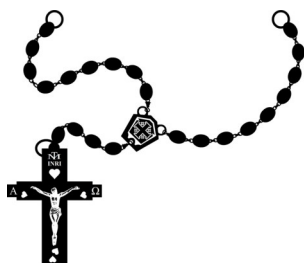
Opener: Diana Weiss
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer & Kathy Gehling
Reader: Susan Baldus
Servers: Brody, Ryan & Landen Meyerhofer
Ushers: Terry Weelborg & Logan Marx
Counters: Susan Baldus & Dylan Davis

Offering from September 19 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$ 6,110.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 2,140.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 20,674.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 15,178.00

Announcements

- Boxes of Joy donations will be accepted until November 1. There is a list of preferred items needed in the entryway. Please help with this project.



St. Patrick

Liturgy Schedule – Sunday, October 4

Greeters: David & Gladys Kasel
Gifts: Loren & Penny Rickerl
EMHC: Joyce Arndorfer
Reader: Jessica Yoch
Servers: Clara Rohrer & Jaeden Huff
Ushers: Paul Yoch & Chris Lentz
Counters: Joyce Arndorfer & Rita Hiller

Offering from September 20 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,011.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,693.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 14,768.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 16,770.00

Announcements

- A Memorial Mass was held for Eugene Genin Fri., Sep 25 at St. Patrick. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.
- Boxes of Joy should be returned to the church by Sunday, November 1.
- The Annual Fatima Rosary Rally will be held at St. Patrick on Saturday October 10th at 12:00 noon. Please join us!

Community News

- Winners from the 50 Annual St. Ignatius Fall Dinner & Raffle: 1/4 Beef & Processing -- Jodie Archer; \$500 Cash -- John Mulhern; 10 Yd Rock from O'Connell Backhoe -- Marie Warren; 1/2 Hog & Processing (Donor of hog Tart Trucking) -- Joe & Santi Drees; 1/2 Hog & Processing (Donor of hog Tart Trucking) -- Paul Graff; Four Daughters Vineyard & Winery Behind the Scenes Tour -- Peggy Merkel; \$100 Rack's Bar & Grill Gift Card & \$50 Rahe of Sunshine Farms Gift Card -- Judy Montgomery; \$100 Sunshine Foods Gift Card & \$50 Pizza Place Gift Card -- Jerry Dennison; \$50 Ace Hardware Gift Card and Mettler Family Chiropractic Thermophore Heating Pad & D-Core Pillow -- Dave Tart; \$50 Stellar 181 Gift Card & \$25 The Car Wash Gift Card -- Bridget Kvanli; \$50 Bluff Brothers Brewing Gift Card, includes 2 hours on the Indoor Golf Simulator -- Jim Hindt; Sweet Pea & NikNac's Unique Gifts Basket (Vickmarks) & \$25 Valley Farm & Home Gift Card -- Paul Klockeman.
- Immaculate Conception Church of rural Kellogg will hold their annual fall festival Sun, Oct 4. Serving chicken and ham dinner from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - dine-in or take-out. Other activities include: Big Ticket

Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Garden Produce, and Grocery Cart Raffle. Handicap Accessible. Mass at 8:30 AM.

- Winona-Rochester Diocese CCW Convention -- Walk Together in Hope -- Saturday, October 10, St. Theodore Catholic Church, Albert Lea. Registration and breakfast begin at 8:30 AM followed by a meeting, Mass and speakers. Registration is \$40, students \$10. Speakers, Trauma Reboot Program by Marilyn Baker and Leadership Training, St. Paul and Minneapolis ArchDiocesan "On the Road" Crew. Rochester Medical Mission Dropoff truck will be located in the East Parking Lot 7:30 - 8:30 am. All are welcome !
- 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 September 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

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.

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