

Tri-Parish Catholic Community News



St. Patrick Catholic Church
436 W Main St, LeRoy, MN 55951
Saturday Mass @ 5:00 PM



St. Finbarr Catholic Church
504 1st St SW, Grand Meadow, MN 55936
Sunday Mass @ 8:30 AM



St. Ignatius Catholic Church
213 W Franklin St, Spring Valley, MN 55975
Sunday Mass @ 10:30 AM

September 28, 2025
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Readings: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31

From Father's Desk -

This week, I am away with the priests of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and with Bishop Barron for our annual convocation. I am back for daily Mass on Friday. This Saturday is a 1st Saturday, so we will also have Mass then. I regret there won't be daily Mass or Adoration on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. But the bishops of our diocese over the last many years have judged it important to have this annual gathering.

Thank you to everyone who worked the St. Ignatius Fall Dinner & Raffle. It was a great day. I was told we ran out of chicken, and I'm not sure if that is a good thing or a bad thing. In the end, it was a good time together and I'm grateful to all who made it happen.

I write this before Wednesday evening Faith Formation, but I am gearing up to teach the Confirmation class again to our cluster's 10th graders. We always fall way behind what I hope to accomplish during these days, as I can get caught up in one topic or another and it takes much longer than it should. I hope this time with this last grade in faith formation helps these young minds begin to grapple with the reality of living in accord with the will and example of Jesus Christ. I try to give a basic grasp of the faith, and how reasonable, serene and freeing it is. We always discuss the seven sacraments and the Ten Commandments, as well. These topics are often not well understood at the younger ages, and sometimes are a little too lofty or complex for even 10th graders. We give it a go, nonetheless. Hopefully things will echo and resonate in the back of their minds some years in the future when they're needed. "Oh yeah... I think Father said something about that once."

I hope it also demonstrates the absolute beauty and wisdom of our faith. Everything works together in a complete whole. And it is utterly reasonable, when correctly presented and understood. And it embraces all of the best and highest of human endeavor and achievement: philosophical reflection, musical brilliance, physical beauty, interpersonal relations, scientific rigor, moral uprightness. It all comes together, and can be seen in the life of Jesus Christ, and His reflections in the saints who pursued all of these aspects of human life, and more. There is nothing to fear about the faith embracing it all—it only makes it richer, more coherent, and more fascinating. Bishop Barron talks often that God wants to captivate us and entice us by beauty and grandeur of it all.

In Christ,
Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

No Mass or Adoration Tues., Sept. 30, 8:30 AM
Sun., Oct. 5, 8:30 AM for Marvin Gehling †

Offering from Sept. 21, 2025 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$ 5,104.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,646.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 38,028.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 15,738.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., Oct. 5, 8:30 AM

Opener: Diana Weiss
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer / Becky Oehlke
Lector: Susan Baldus
Servers: Brody Meyerhofer / Holly Weiss
Ushers: Logan Marx / John Warmka
Counters: Dom Stier / Lori Stier

- **Boxes of Joy** are available. Adopt a box, bring gift items, or make donations to Cross Catholic Outreach. Gift Idea sheets available on bulletin board.
- **Lois Gehling** passed away on Sept. 16. Her funeral services were Sat. Sept. 27 with burial in St. Finbarr Cemetery. Please remember Lois and her family in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

No Mass or Adoration Wed., Oct. 1, 8:30 AM
Sat., Oct. 4, 5:00 PM for Joe Saterdalen †

Offering from Sept. 20, 2025 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$ 735.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,365.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 16,620.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 18,470.00

Liturgy Schedule Sat., Oct. 4, 5:00 PM

Greeters: Nick & Kathi Bunne
Gifts: Travis & Jennifer Lewis
EMHC: Joyce Arndorfer
Lector: Sharon Jacobson
Servers: Kaylee Huff / Maria Almaraz-Nolt
Ushers: Rod Miller / Bruce Diemer
Counters: Kathy Stern / Barb Hovde

- **Annual Fatima Rosary Rally** is at St. Patrick, October 11 at 12 noon. Please come and join us!
- **Boxes of Joy** can be picked up in the back of church and must be returned by Sunday, October 26. Please help us once again reach our goal of 100 boxes. If possible, include the \$9 dollars postage per box in the form of cash or a check made out to Cross Catholic Outreach. For any questions, contact Barb Payne.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

No Mass or Adoration Thur., Oct. 2, 8:30 AM
Fri., Oct. 3, 8:30 AM for Martha Sue deLaBruere †
1st Saturday, Oct. 4, 8:30 AM for Russ Betsinger †
Sun., Oct. 5, 10:30 AM *Pro Populo*

Offering from Sept. 21, 2025 – Week 12

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,110.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,980.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 15,027.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 20,918.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., Oct. 5, 10:30 AM

Greeters: Brad & Andrea Reiter
Gifts: Lee & Teri Hill
EMHC: Teri Hill / Joanie Betsinger
Lector: Sarah O'Connell
Servers: Ava Wolfgram / Emily Wolfgram
Ushers: Ralph Drees / Paul Klockeman
Counters: Arndorfer / Engesser

- **Boxes of Joy:** Help us fill 120 Boxes. A list of items needed is on the Boxes of Joy table in the Narthex. If you would like to donate money for postage, please put in an envelope marked "Boxes of Joy Postage", and place in the collection. On Sunday, October 25th, right after Mass, we will put boxes together and share a light lunch.
- **7 Sisters Apostolate:** Is a group of women each taking an hour a week to pray for our beloved priest, Father Parrott. Are you being called to pray? We are hoping for at least 14-21 women to commit to pray for an hour a week for father. Gather with us Oct. 5 after mass (Feast of St. Faustina) for potluck, organizational meeting and finally do an hour of prayer together. Any questions call Pam Walsh 507-421-9438.
- **Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life** will be taking orders for Christmas Decor after Mass Sept. 28 -- Oct. 26. Items will be delivered on Nov. 23.
- **LaDonna Nash** passed away on Sept. 19. Her funeral services were Tues., Sept. 23 with burial in St. Killian's Cemetery. Please remember LaDonna and her family in your prayers. May she rest in peace.

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- **Thank You** to everyone who helped contribute to the success of our St Ignatius chicken dinner and raffle. To the chicken cookers, pie donors, food donors, dinner workers, raffle prize donors plus all of you raffle ticket sellers and buyers and last but not least eaters, who all had a part in our success. It takes a whole congregation to put this on and a wonderful Tri-Parish to help support it. So, we want to say thank you to all from the St. Ignatius Parish Council.
- **Winners from the 49 Annual Fall Dinner & Raffle:** 1/4 Beef & Processing -- Joanie Betsinger; \$500 Cash -- Marcy Vanatta; 10 Yd Rock from O'Connell Backhoe & Septic -- Nick Shafer; 1/2 Hog & Processing -- Rita Bezdicek; 1/2 Hog & Processing - Fred Harvey; Four Daughters Vineyard & Winery Tour & Tasting -- Rose VanKirk; \$100 Rack's Bar & Grill Gift Card & \$50 Rahe of Sunshine Gift Card -- Lois Boelter; \$100 Sunshine Foods Gift Card & \$50 Pizza Place Gift Card -- Charli Podein; Mettler Family Chiropractic Thermophore MaxHeat Heating Pad -- Pat Blahnik; Sweet Pea & NikNac's Unique Gifts Basket & \$25 Valley Farm & Home Gift Card -- Barb Tust.
- **Immaculate Conception Church** of rural Kellogg will hold their annual fall festival on Sunday, October 5. Serving chicken and ham from 11 AM to 1:30 PM (dine-in or take-out). Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Garden Produce, and Grocery Cart Raffle. Handicap Accessible. Mass at 8:30 AM.
- **Immaculate Conception Church** of Riceville, IA will have a drive thru meal on Sunday, October 5 from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM or until gone. Roast beef, ham and trimmings. \$17. Quilt raffle too!
- **A Life Saved:** 6:30 PM Sun, Oct 12 Valley Christian Center, 610 Territorial Road, Spring Valley: Doors open at 6 PM. Freewill offering appreciated. Speaker, Author, Abortion Survivor, Robin Sertell will share a story of healing and courage.
- **Winona-Rochester Diocese CCW Convention** -- Sat., Oct. 11, St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian. Registration and breakfast at 7:45 am followed by rosary, meeting and speakers. The two keynote speakers. All are welcome for an inspirational day!
- **Tri-Parish Masses:** Please give Mass stipends directly to Father Parrott along with the name(s) for whom the Mass is intended.
- **Tri-Parish Bulletin & Announcements:** Please e-mail Mary with bulletin additions. Deadline is 9 AM Wednesdays. Announcements to Mary by Thursdays at 9 AM. Subject to edit and Father's discretion.



Faith Formation Announcements

St. Finbarr

Class	7-8 PM	10/1, 8
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/8, 15

St. Patrick

Class	6:45-7:45 PM	10/1, 8
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/8, 15
Youth Mass	5:00 PM	9/27

St. Ignatius

Class	9-10:20 AM	10/5, 12
Confirmation Class, SV	6:45 PM	10/8, 15

No confirmation class 10/1.

Prayer Chain

Please keep the following sick, hospitalized & homebound
Tri-Parish members and friends in your prayers.

Dorothy Steinkamp -- St. Finbarr	Lori Brogan -- St. Finbarr
Don Mulhern -- St. Ignatius	Jerry Marr -- St. Ignatius
Ron Neis -- St. Ignatius	Rita Bezdicek -- St. Ignatius
Joe O'Connell -- St. Ignatius	Jane Reineke -- St. Ignatius
Jodi Miller -- St. Patrick	Crystal Stern -- St. Patrick
Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. -- St. Patrick	Tom Hovde -- St. Patrick
Diane Reineke	Kathleen Domaille
David Geary	Marilyn Calkins
Cheri Jose	Karen Sanford
Sandy Stern	Maxine Mlenar
Jason Emanuel	Todd Mlenar

*If you know someone who needs to be included in the prayer chain,
email their name to triparishsecretary@gmail.com.*

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NEW! Tri-Parish Website: www.fmparishes.org

Sacraments

Baptism: Arrangements for infant baptism are made at least one month in advance. A one-hour Pre-Jordan session is required for parents who have not participated in one previously. Baptism is preferably celebrated during the Mass on Saturday or Sunday. To make arrangements, contact Fr. Parrott.

Marriage: Arrangements for marriage should begin six months prior to the intended date of the wedding. Marriage preparation requires a series of meetings and a marriage encounter weekend. This sacrament is not celebrated during Lent or Holy Week.

Confession: This is offered before the Saturday Mass from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m., before or after daily Mass in the respective parishes or by appointment with Fr. Parrott or Fr. Collins (LeRoy, 507-289-7637).

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Finbarr:

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

St. Patrick:

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

St. Ignatius:

Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.