Tri-Parish Catholic Community News



St. Patrick Catholic Church 436 W Main St, LeRoy, MN 55951 Sunday Mass @ 8:30 AM



St. Finbarr Catholic Church 504 1" St SW, Grand Meadow, MN 55936 Saturday Mass @ 5:00 PM



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

June 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord Readings: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53

From Father's Desk -

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

This weekend, this Easter proclamation takes on a new meaning. Jesus has risen from the dead. And now He has risen up into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and intercedes for His mystical body on earth, the Church. Throughout much of the Church in the United States, the feast of the Ascension is celebrated on Sunday, but of course historically it was on the previous Thursday, the 40th day of His Resurrection, that Jesus bid farewell to His apostles and departed from them. From then on for the next nine days the Apostles pray fervently for the coming of the Holy Spirit, which we know is to be fulfilled the next Sunday at Pentecost, the 50th day of Jesus' Resurrection. It is during this time of prayer that in the Scriptures we see the return of our Blessed Mother. Not until after Jesus has ascended does Mary show up again in the biblical texts. Mary gathered with the infant Church and made fervent prayer with the apostles that the Holy Spirit would come and fill the Church with His might and inspiration. We join in that prayer this week.

Our Diocese of Winona-Rochester gives thanks to God for His gracious gift of new deacons and priests. As mentioned last weekend, on Saturday, May 24, Bishop Barron ordained three of our seminarians to the Order of the Diaconate. God-willing, in a year's time they will become priests. As well, this last Friday, May 30, last year's three deacons were ordained to the Order of the Presbyterate. It is a great gift, and much needed. We all must sincerely thank God in prayer for this blessing, recognizing He provides for our needs. We should also pray for more priests, and do our part to encourage the young men of our parish cluster to consider whether God is calling them to be His priests.

This next week, June 9-13, I will be away on retreat. We will not have any daily Masses or times of Adoration, regrettably. I typically head over near Houston, MN, to the Carmelite Hermits property. They have long had a separate cabin where priests are welcome to go and spend a day away or a week in retreat. Their place has been a favorite retreat setting of mine since before I was a priest. It is in the middle of the hilly countryside, with long, gravel, county roads to walk. When I first started going there, they had buffalo on their pasture! Those are long gone, now. It's a great place to step away from the hustle of the world and be alone with God.

That weekend of June 14 & 15, a substitute priest will be here from Cross Catholic. Fr. Nathan LaLiberte will be here to offer the weekend Masses and share about the work of Cross Catholic Outreach. You might remember that our Boxes of Joy project near Christmas is a Cross Catholic initiative. Please welcome Fr. LaLiberte as he comes to our parishes.

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements Liturgy Schedule Sat., June 7, 5:00 PM **Mass Schedule** Opener: Dawn Stier Tues., June 3, 8:30 AM for Shirley Davis † EMHC: Dawn Stier / Kathy Gehling Sat., June 7, 5:00 PM for Edwin Irlbeck † Denice Gehling Lector: Servers: None Scheduled Offering from May 24, 2025 – Week 47 Ushers: Chris Stier / Jim Davis Weekly Support: 787.00 Counters: Dom Stier / Dylan Davis Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,731.00 YTD Support Received: \$ 83,507.00 YTD Expenses Paid: 75,953.00

➤ <u>Mission Circle</u> will meet Tuesday, June 3, 1 PM at St Finbarr. Everyone is welcome.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass ScheduleGreeters:Jon & Rita HillerWed., June 4, 8:30 AM for CWGifts:Jim & Jessica YochSun., June 8, 8:30 AM Pro PopuloEMHC:Kathy Stern

Offering from May 25, 2025 – Week 47Weekly Support:\$ 827.00Weekly Budgeted Expenses:\$ 1,269.00YTD Support Received:\$ 64,562.00YTD Expenses Paid:\$ 75,030.00

Servers: Maria & Kathia Almaraz-Nolt Ushers: Mike Welsh / Tony Arndorfer Counters: Kathy Stern / Barb Hovde

Vicky Nolt

Liturgy Schedule Sun., June 8, 8:30 AM

St. Patrick CCW will meet on Monday, June 2, 7 PM in the church hall. Co-chairs are Janelle Sunnes & Kris Tucke.

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule	Greeters:
Thur., June 5, 8:30 AM for Deceased of Schommer Family	Gifts:

Friday, June 6, 8:30 AM for Bob Blahnik †
Sun., June 8, 10:30 AM for Bernie Mettler †

Offering from May 25, 2025 – Week 47Weekly Support:\$ 703.00Weekly Budgeted Expenses:\$ 1,885.00YTD Support Received:\$ 94,906.00YTD Expenses Paid:\$ 120,936.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., June 8, 10:30 AM

Greeters: Lee & Teri Hill Gifts: Joe Drees Family

EMHC: Bill Mettler / Bob Capelle

Lector: Teri Hill

Lector:

Servers: Jimmy Mettler / Nadalie Oeltjen Ushers: Ralph Drees / Joe Mulhern Counters: Arndorfer / O'Connell

The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, June 10. Supper at 6 PM with meeting to follow.





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Tri-Parish News

- **St. Finbarr** is in need of a Faith Formation Coordinator. This is a paid position. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, obtaining volunteer teachers, overseeing Wednesday Faith Formation classes, coordinating sacramental preparation for First Confession and First Communion in 2nd grade and Confirmation in 10th grade, and organizing youth Mass volunteers. Please contact Fr. Parrott with questions or if you are interested in this position.
- ➤ <u>Women's Christian Experience Weekend:</u> September 12-14 at Good Earth Village, Spring Valley Take time away from the busy-ness of daily life to encounter the Holy Spirit in a unique way. Participants spend time together renewing their Christian faith. Visit the Pax Christi Church, Rochester website for more information.
- FORMED: Every summer, school ends, and vacation begins. We take trips and visit family and friends, which is a lot of fun! However, our faith formation often takes a backseat during this time. This year, you can have a summer that is both enjoyable and faith-filled. Join *Summer with the Saints* 12 weeks of faith-filled videos and family-friendly activities, delivered weekly to your inbox. Go to formed.org to register.
- Tri-Parish Masses: Please give Mass stipends directly to Father Parrott along with the name(s) for whom the Mass is intended. Make checks payable to St. Ignatius. Stipend requests are \$10 per Mass and are said during the week and on weekends.
- **Courier:** The May edition is available in the Narthex and on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website: dowr.org.
- Tri-Parish Bulletin: Please e-mail Mary with any bulletin additions (triparishsecretary@gmail.com). Deadline is 9 AM Wednesdays.
- Mass Announcements: Please email announcements to Mary by Thursday at 10 AM. Subject to edit and Father's discretion.

"Proclaim the truth and do not be silent through fear." St. Catherine of Siena

Prayer Chain

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

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr Ron Neis – St. Ignatius Joe O'Connell – St. Ignatius Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick Jodi Miller – St. Patrick

David Geary Cheri Jose Sandy Stern Jason Emanuel Kathleen Domaille Lois Gehling – St. Finbarr Rita Bezdicek – St. Ignatius Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius Tom Hovde – St. Patrick Sara Kasel– St. Patrick

Mary Geary Les Kunz Maxine Mlenar Todd Mlenar Karen Sanford

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



Enjoy Your Summer!

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Sacraments

<u>Baptismr.</u> 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.

<u>Marriage</u>: 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.

<u>Confession</u>. 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.